

# Pathwork Lecture 251: The Evolution and Spiritual Meaning of Marriage – New Age Marriage

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03	<p><b><i>Blessed are your</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b><i>• lives,</i></b></li></ul> <p><b><i>all your</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b><i>• thoughts,</i></b></li><li><b><i>• strivings, and</i></b></li><li><b><i>• endeavors,</i></b></li></ul> <p><b><i>my dearly beloved friends.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Without your deep commitment to live up to your</i></b></p> <p><b><i>innate potential as people of God,</i></b></p> <p><b><i>we could never fulfill our own tasks.</i></b></p>

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*We depend on  
your*

- *truth and*
- *love,*

*as you depend on  
ours.*

*We depend on  
your giving yourselves  
to the Creator,  
as you depend on  
our giving  
to Him.*

*Let this*

- *beautiful*
- *mutual*

*work  
always  
be blessed anew  
in the name  
of the Lord,  
Jesus Christ.*

04

*His name [i.e., The name of the Lord, Jesus Christ]  
would never elicit  
so much*

- *ambivalence and*
- *negativity*

*if divine truth  
had not been  
so distorted*

- *in all areas,*

*even concerning [i.e., even in the areas concerning]*

- *his life*

*on*

- *earth*

*and in*

- *heaven.*

*All  
great divine influxes  
lend themselves  
more  
to distortion  
than  
the milder forms  
of creative manifestation.*

*With the knowledge you have gained  
you can easily observe this  
in your lives.*

*The  
great spiritual forces  
contained in  
dynamic love  
are  
more  
• feared,  
• resisted, and  
• maligned  
than  
lukewarm currents.*

*This [i.e., Because the great spiritual forces contained in DYNAMIC LOVE are  
more feared, resisted, and maligned than are the lukewarm currents of milder  
forms of CREATIVE MANIFESTATION feared, resisted, and maligned,]  
is the deepest reason*

- why such stringent taboos existed  
regarding  
sexual love;*
- why releasing  
the spiritual forces [i.e., releasing the spiritual forces in SEXUAL LOVE]  
seems to be  
the most  
• threatening and  
• dangerous  
experience of all.*

	<p><i>These powers [i.e., These powers of DIVINE SEXUAL LOVE] are by no means merely ethereal;</i></p> <p><i>they encompass [i.e., these SPIRITUAL FORCES of SEXUAL LOVE encompass] • the whole personality and certainly include • the body.</i></p> <p><i>This is why [i.e., Because these SPIRITUAL FORCES of SEXUAL LOVE encompass the WHOLE PERSONALITY and certainly include the BODY is WHY] the Christ • force, the Christ • consciousness, the Christ • reality</i></p> <p><i>has suffered so much from • misunderstanding and • strife.</i></p>
05	<p><i>The spiritual forces are so strong that an unpurified personality cannot bear them.</i></p> <p><i>To the degree that • negativity and • distortion exist in an individual's • mind and • consciousness, these powerful currents [i.e., to this degree do these POWERFUL SPIRITUAL CURRENTS of SEXUAL LOVE] manifest as • crisis, • pain, and • danger.</i></p>

***Nonetheless*** [i.e., *Nonetheless, even though these POWERFUL SPIRITUAL CURRENTS of SEXUAL LOVE can, because of negativity and distortion in an individual's consciousness, lead to CRISIS, PAIN, and DANGER*],  
***to be***  
• ***part of***  
    ***these forces***  
***and***  
• ***receptive***  
    ***to them*** [i.e., *TO BE PART OF and RECEPTIVE TO*  
    *these POWERFUL SPIRITUAL FORCES of SEXUAL LOVE*]  
***is the***  
  
    ***deep longing***  
  
        ***of***  
            ***every soul,***  
                • ***consciously***  
                ***or***  
                • ***unconsciously.***

06

***The development of***  
    ***the institution of marriage***  
    ***is significant***  
    ***from this point of view*** [i.e., *from the point of view of this LONGING*].

***A deeper insight is needed now***  
    ***so that you can***  
        • ***widen and***  
        • ***deepen***  
    ***your own understanding of marriage***  
***and***  
    • ***use this knowledge*** [i.e., *use this deeper and wider*  
    *understanding of MARRIAGE*]  
    ***to articulate your longing.***

***This*** [i.e., *Clearly articulating your LONGING TO BE PART OF and RECEPTIVE TO these POWERFUL SPIRITUAL FORCES of SEXUAL LOVE through a deeper understanding of MARRIAGE*]  
***is always***  
    ***the first step***  
    ***toward bringing what you long for***  
    ***into actuality.***

07	<p><i>During the many centuries of its existence,</i></p> <p><i>humanity has developed in many areas.</i></p> <p><i>Let us consider [i.e., Let us consider the area of]</i></p> <p><i>marriage.</i></p> <p><i>Understanding its [i.e., Understanding marriage's] evolution thus far will open your vision to the future [i.e., open your vision as to the future of marriage].</i></p> <p><i>You will view the current attitude toward this institution [i.e., this institution of marriage] with the larger picture in mind.</i></p> <p><i>History can be properly understood only when</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• the spiritual meaning</i></li></ul> <p><i>that underlies</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• earthly events</i></li></ul> <p><i>is gleaned.</i></p>
08	<p><i>In the not-too-distant past, marriage served a number of functions, but least of all [i.e., but LEAST of all did marriage serve the functions of]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• sharing,</i></li><li><i>• love,</i></li></ul> <p><i>or</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• mutuality</i></li></ul> <p><i>on all levels of the personality.</i></p>

*In fact, [i.e., In fact, in marriage]*

- *love,*
- *mutual sexual surrender*

*and*

- *the profound exchange of dynamic energy levels*  
*was*
  - *rejected and*
  - *condemned.*

*Marriage*

*was supposed to be a*

- *financial and*
- *social*

*contract*

*to satisfy*

- *other personality functions and*
- *lower motives.*

• *Financial and*

• *social*

*advantages*

*were of primary importance.*

*Even more significant*

*was the absolute conviction*

*that these motives [i.e., that these lower-level motives of financial  
and social advantage]*

*were*

- *morally right and*
- *virtuous.*

*Men married*

*women*

- *who brought a good dowry*

*and*

- *who raised men's social image.*

*In other words, [i.e., In other words, in marriage]*

• *greed and*

• *pride*

*were*

- *glamorized and*
- *endowed with righteousness.*

09

*Men considered themselves  
the superiors of women.*

*Marrying a woman  
meant nothing more than  
acquiring a slave*

- who obeyed  
the master of the house;*
- who saw to it that  
the man received every*
  - comfort and*
  - convenience**but made*
  - no demands  
for herself.*

*In exchange  
for these services,  
which included  
being an object  
for man's  
mostly quite impersonal lust,  
the woman received  
material security.*

*Her only responsibility  
was  
to be  
an adequate object  
for her master.*

*Of course you understand, my friends,  
that man's responsibility  
entailed much more than  
mere financial responsibility.*

*Since woman  
was not considered  
a full-fledged equal,  
morally  
she was barely responsible.*



	<p><i>In those centuries</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>emotional and</i></li><li>• <i>mental</i></li></ul> <p><i>responsibility</i> <i>did not exist</i> <i>as a</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>concept,</i></li></ul> <p><i>but they [i.e., but emotional and mental responsibility]</i> <i>certainly existed</i> <i>as a</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>fact [i.e., as a fact of life].</i></li></ul> <p><i>Even without</i> <i>the awareness of</i> <i>the concept [i.e., Even WITHOUT the awareness of the concept of</i> <i>emotional and mental responsibility],</i></p> <p><i>men acknowledged</i> <i>this responsibility [i.e., acknowledged this emotional and mental responsibility]</i> <i>toward</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>other men</i></li></ul> <p><i>but totally neglected it [i.e., but totally neglected emotional</i> <i>and mental responsibility]</i></p> <p><i>when dealing with</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>women.</i></li></ul>
10	<p><i>Obviously</i> <i>this [i.e., Obviously, the man's total neglect of emotional and mental</i> <i>responsibility when dealing with women]</i></p> <p><i>was not only</i> <i>the result of men's</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>distortion and</i></li><li>• <i>negativity;</i></li></ul> <p><i>it [i.e., the man's total neglect of emotional and mental responsibility</i> <i>when dealing with women]</i></p> <p><i>was just as much</i> <i>the result of a</i> <i>strongly embedded intentionality</i> <i>in the woman's psyche.</i></p>

	<p><b>Women</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>refused self-responsibility on all levels for the longest time</i></li></ul> <p><i>and therefore</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>co-created the unequal relationship between the sexes.</i></li></ul>
11	<p><b>Both sexes</b> <i>equally feared – and still fear –</i></p> <p><i>the powerful spiritual energies involved in the forces of</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>love,</i></li><li>• <i>eros, and</i></li><li>• <i>sex</i></li></ul> <p><i>between</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>man</i></li></ul> <p><i>and</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>woman.</i></li></ul> <p><b>This power</b> [<i>i.e., This POWERFUL SPIRITUAL ENERGY involved in the forces of LOVE, EROS, and SEX between man and woman</i>]</p> <p><i>is</i></p> <p><i>the creative stream itself from which everything is made.</i></p> <p><b>This powerful current</b> [<i>i.e., This powerful spiritual current involved in the forces of love, eros, and sex between man and woman</i>]</p> <p><i>can express itself in many ways, not just as a binding force between a</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>man</i></li></ul> <p><i>and a</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>woman.</i></li></ul>

	<p><i>It [i.e., This powerful spiritual current involved in the forces of love, eros, and sex between man and woman] can be expressed through spiritual disciplines within an individual, merging the</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• masculine</i></li></ul> <p><i>and</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• feminine</i></li><li><i>• principles and</i></li><li><i>• power currents</i></li></ul> <p><i>within an individual soul.</i></p>
12	<p><i>The unpurified soul cannot stand this power current [i.e., cannot stand the powerful spiritual current involved in the forces of love, eros, and sex].</i></p> <p><i>To the degree unpurified soul substance festers in the personality,</i></p> <p><i>the power current [i.e., to that degree the powerful spiritual current involved in the forces of love, eros, and sex] has to be</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• denied,</i></li><li><i>• suppressed, and</i></li><li><i>• split.</i></li></ul> <p><i>Sexuality that manifests without</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• love,</i></li><li><i>• commitment, and</i></li><li><i>• respect</i></li></ul> <p><i>is just such a</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• split-off,</i></li><li><i>• denied</i></li></ul> <p><i>power current.</i></p>

*Human beings  
who believe that*

- *pornographic or*
- *promiscuous*

*sex  
is more pleasurable  
than the sexuality  
that*

- *streams from  
a unified wholeness and*
- *combines with*
  - *love and*
  - *spiritual union*

*could not be more wrong.*

*The precise opposite  
is true.*

*But the power of such sexuality [i.e., the power of sexuality that streams from a  
unified wholeness and combines with love and spiritual union]  
is so strong  
that it cannot be borne  
by the soul  
that still lives partly in darkness.*

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*Another human error  
is the belief  
that a married couple  
faithful to one another  
is necessarily  
beyond the stage  
of split-off sexuality.*

*The typical marriage of former times,  
which I described earlier,  
was  
a complete*

- *suppression,*
- *repression, and*
- *denial*

*of the spiritual power currents.*

***In the man  
this denial [i.e., this DENIAL of the SPIRITUAL POWER currents in SEXUALITY]  
often manifested as  
an inability  
to experience  
strong sexual feelings  
for the woman he  
• loved,  
• honored, and  
• respected.***

***Sometimes  
the unconscious fear  
of the power current [i.e., Sometimes the UNCONSCIOUS FEAR of  
the SPIRITUAL POWER CURRENTS in the SEXUAL EXPERIENCE]  
is so strong  
that  
• the split is total,  
and  
• a man finds himself  
unable to  
experience  
sexuality  
with a loved woman.***

***In many cases, however,  
the split exists  
with one and the same woman.***

***A man can give  
relative  
• honor and  
relative  
• love  
to a woman he has married,  
in spite of deeming her inferior,  
yet blot out  
her reality  
during the act of sexual union.***

***This act [i.e., This act of sexual union with his wife  
when he has blotted out her reality during the act of sexual union]  
can be performed  
only when  
the woman becomes  
a low object in the man's mind.***

	<p><i>Pornographic sex</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>can take place within the framework of respectable marriage</i></li></ul> <p><i>and</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>is socially fully accepted.</i></li></ul>
14	<p><i>For the woman, the denial of the unified power current [i.e., For the WOMAN, DENIAL of the unified SPIRITUAL POWER CURRENT in the SEXUAL EXPERIENCE] often manifested in total denial of the</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>sexual reality</i></li><li>• <i>her body.</i></li></ul> <p><i>Whenever her sexuality manifested</i></p> <p><i>in spite of all attempts to deny it,</i></p> <p><i>she experienced it [i.e., she experienced her manifested sexuality] with</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>guilt</i></li><li>• <i>shame.</i></li></ul>
15	<p><i>Today the misunderstandings about</i></p> <p><i>sexual</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>guilt and</i></li><li>• <i>repression</i></li></ul> <p><i>in your world are almost as great as ever.</i></p>

***These***

- ***repressions and***
- ***denials,***

***these***

- ***guilts and***
- ***false shames***

***[i.e., these repressions and denials, these guilts and false shames of  
the unified spiritual power current in the sexual experience]***

***are***

***not merely***

***a result of***

- ***social mores***

***and***

- ***bigoted influences,***

***but are actually***

***products of***

***the inability***

***to carry***

***the force***

***of the fully unified power current,***

***whose strength***

***can be borne***

***only by someone***

***at least relatively***

***liberated from***

- ***negativity,***
- ***fear,***
- ***doubt, and***
- ***destructiveness.***

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***The strongly sexual person***

- ***who experiences sexuality***

- ***without  
love,***

- ***without  
a deeply personal melding  
with a specifically chosen other,***

***and***

- ***who  
chooses passing partners  
without***

- ***heart***

***and***

- ***mind***

***and***

- ***is promiscuous,***

***is essentially***

***no different from***

***the moralist***

***who is***

***faithful to a wife***

***with whom he engages***

***in surreptitious mating*** [i.e., engages in mating in secret  
because he feels the sexual act is not entirely  
“acceptable” behavior, but nevertheless engages  
in the sexual act]

***as a***

***marital duty.***



**Both** [i.e., BOTH the strongly sexual person who experiences PROMISCUOUS SEX without love and without a deeply personal melding with a chosen other on the one hand, and on the other hand, the MORALIST who is faithful to his wife but who engages in SEX only out of a sense of DUTY]

**are afraid of**

**the love-sex current  
that is**

**unified**

**through**

**• the power of eros,**

**through**

**• the power of mutuality**

**in**

**• soul development**

**and**

**• commitment to each other,**

**through**

**• personal purification.**

17

**• The man-woman relationship of the past  
and  
• the attitude toward marriage**

**are the direct results  
of this fear  
of the unified love-sex current.**

**Self-purification  
was practically nonexistent  
for the average person,  
existing  
only in the churches  
to any important degree.**

*But there again [i.e., But there again, in the churches],  
the full power of the current [i.e., the full power of the unified love-sex current]  
was diminished  
by the edict of*

*celibacy.*

*True, some*

- *specialty gifted and*

- *advanced*

*individuals*

*evoked this spiritual power*

*through*

*their own individual endeavors.*

*The mystical ecstasy*

*is simply the release of*

*a spiritual power current*

*in which*

*God*

*is*

*experienced*

*as a*

- *living*

*and*

- *physical*

*reality.*

***This [i.e., This mystical ECSTASY, this RELEASE of a SPIRITUAL POWER  
CURRENT in which God is EXPERIENCED as a living and physical reality]  
can also  
ideally happen***

***through the melding of***

***• a man  
and  
• a woman***

***• who are  
sufficiently  
free from fear,***

***• who follow  
together  
a path of self-purification.***

***Their union***

***will release  
this inner power current [i.e., Their UNION will release  
this inner SPIRITUAL POWER CURRENT]  
so that they  
will***

***experience***

***God***

***in  
• themselves  
and  
in  
• each other.***

18

*Before discussing this experience further,  
let us go back  
to the evolutionary stages of history.*

*The picture I painted about marriage  
is not very attractive.*

*Marriage  
as it has existed for so long  
was truly  
a more sinful estate  
than all the sins  
the moralists who perpetuated these standards  
condemned.*

*These moralists  
directed the accusation of sin  
toward*

*• illicit  
sex;*

*toward*

*• promiscuous or  
• pornographic  
sex*

*that could be*

*outwardly*

*identified.*

*It is true  
that these acts [i.e., that these OUTWARD acts CONDEMNED by the moralists]*

*indicate*

*denial*

*of*

*• the God-given  
unification of*

*• love*

*and*

*• sexuality,*

*of*

*• the greatest power current,  
which is in itself*

*an expression of*

*the divine presence.*

19

*In a certain sense*

*this*

- *fear [i.e., this FEAR of outer acts condemned by the moralist, acts that DENY the powerful love-sex current, a current which is an expression of the DIVINE PRESENCE]*

*and*

- *denial [i.e., and, through participating in these outer acts condemned by the moralist, these acts that DENY the GOD-GIVEN UNIFICATION of LOVE and SEXUALITY]*

*is a symptom of*

- *the unpurified soul,*
  - *the fallen spirit,*
- if you will.*

*But*

*since*

*this unpurified soul state*

*is a*

*fact of evolution*

*and*

*since you all*

*also*

*fulfill a task [i.e., since you all ALSO fulfill a task in evolution]*

*in your*

*return to*

*the state of union with God,*

*it is futile to rail against this [i.e., to rail against yourself for naturally being in these unpurified states as you gradually evolve and return to the state of union with God].*

*Those who do [i.e., Those who do rail against being in these unpurified states as they naturally and gradually evolve and return to the state of union with God] are themselves*

- *fallen spirits,*

- *unpurified souls,*

*and*

- *parts of this evolutionary movement.*

*The appropriate attitude toward  
fear of the  
full power current [i.e., fear of the full power of the unified love-sex current]  
is one*

- *of acceptance of this fact of life [i.e., ACCEPTANCE of this fact of life that ALL humans go through these unpurified states in their journey of evolution, states where this fear of the full power of the love-sex current is natural and leads to immature acting out in the arena of sexual behavior and attitudes];*

- *of gentle training so that the personality can gradually*
  - *acclimatize itself to this high-powered force**and*
  - *bear it [i.e., bear this high-powered love-sex force] in comfort.*

*Ecstasy*

- *can*

*and*

- *will*

*become comfortable  
as the soul grows in stature.*

*This [i.e., This long process through which ECSTASY becomes COMFORTABLE]  
happens  
through a process of development  
over  
many  
incarnations.*

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*The real sinfulness  
of  
the attitude toward marriage  
that prevailed until recently  
resulted from  
  
secondary guilt.*

*Instead of  
admitting the fear  
of*  
• *loving an equal,*  
*the man  
had to  
put down  
the woman.*

*Instead of  
admitting fear  
of*  
• *loving an equal*  
*and [i.e., and also admitting fear of]*  
• *experiencing*  
*the pleasure of sexuality,*  
*the woman  
had to  
alienate herself from  
the man  
by making him  
the enemy.*

*Instead of  
admitting that  
he feared  
an equal  
relationship,*  
*the man  
had to make  
the woman  
an object.*

*Instead of  
admitting the fear  
of self-responsibility  
on all levels,*  
*the woman  
made herself  
an object  
and then  
blamed the man  
for this  
mutual  
creation.*

	<p><b>Both sexes</b> <b>denied the fear</b> [i.e., Both sexes DENIED the FEAR the MYSTICAL ECSTASY, this release of a spiritual power current in which God is experienced as a living and physical reality, an ecstasy which is also ideally possible in the UNION of a MAN and a WOMAN who are sufficiently free from fear and who follow together a path of self-purification], <b>which in a deeper sense</b> <b>might be called</b></p> <p><b>the primary guilt</b> [i.e., the PRIMARY GUILT of DENYING the FEAR of the release of this SPIRITUAL ECSTATIC EXPERIENCE possible in the union of a man and a woman], <b>a guilt that</b> <b>all people share.</b></p>
21	<p><b>The denial</b> <b>of the fear</b> [i.e., The DENIAL of this FEAR of MYSTICAL ECATASY possible in the UNION of a MAN and a WOMAN] <b>caused secondary guilts</b> [i.e., caused secondary guilts in man PUTTING DOWN the woman, the woman MAKING the man the ENEMY, not taking self-responsibility, etc.].</p> <p><b>Some of these secondary guilts</b> <b>gave energy</b> <b>to lower-self energy.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Material greed</b> <b>was fostered;</b></li> <li>• <b>money,</b></li><li>• <b>power, and</b></li><li>• <b>social advantage</b> <b>became motives</b> <b>for choosing mates.</b></li> <li>• <b>Mass images,</b></li><li>• <b>appearances,</b></li><li>• <b>idealized self-images</b> <b>were nourished;</b></li><li>• <b>pride and</b></li><li>• <b>vanity</b> <b>were elevated</b> <b>into false moral values.</b></li></ul>



*If you consider*

- *the moral indignation,*
- *the moral self-righteousness of men and women toward those who deviated from the accepted standards,*

*you can see the strength*

*of the secondary guilt [i.e., the strength of secondary guilt of pride, material greed, value of money and power in choosing a mate, nourishing idealized self-image and appearances, etc.].*

*The mask self claimed*

- *greed,*
- *calculating self-interest,*
- *prideful appearance values, and*
- *the mutual using of each other as the highest of moral standards.*

*Such claims [i.e., such claims by the mask self] go way beyond ordinary hypocrisy.*

*A hypocrisy*

- *so deep-rooted and*
- *so pernicious required a strong uprooting;*

*otherwise*

*the soul could not heal.*

*It is important, my friends, for you to see the nature of the attitude toward marriage through many, many centuries.*

*People marrying for love*

*were the great exceptions.*

22

*The collective state of consciousness  
created these conditions  
in most marriages of the past.*

*The  
same  
collective state of consciousness  
also created*

- karmic conditions,*
- prerequisites for specific guidance  
for subsequent reincarnations.*

*For example,  
the antagonism  
that generally existed  
between*

- men*

*and*

- women*

*had to manifest  
specifically  
between  
individual  
men and women  
to a much greater degree  
than it does now.*

*It was often  
predestined  
that two such individuals  
had to meet  
as prospective marriage partners.*

*Their elders  
would arrange it.*

*This kind of union [i.e., This kind of union between two individuals predestined to meet as prospective marriage partners in order to meet karmic conditions and prerequisites for specific guidance for this particular incarnation] gave the scope to bring out in each person*

- *general and*
- *specific*

*negative*

- *feelings and*
- *attitudes,*

*which,*

*once conscious,*

*became*

*the basis for transformation.*

*Thus, my friends,*

*the marriages  
made in heaven*

*were by no means  
always  
positive unions  
of*

- *love*

*and*

- *affection,*

  

- *attraction*

*and*

- *respect.*

*The negative mutuality  
between many  
individual  
men and women  
created*

- *the collective consciousness,*

*created*

- *karmic conditions,*

*and also  
created*

- *the standards of society.*

23

*In very recent times,  
consciousness  
made a great leap.*

*Humanity  
has truly become ready  
to*

- shed  
these old attitudes*

*and*

- create  
new  
• conditions,  
new  
• standards,  
new  
• moral values.*

*This can clearly be seen  
in your times  
by many drastic changes.*

- The women's liberation movement,*
  - the sexual liberation movement,*
- and*
- a very different attitude  
toward marriage*

*are clearly signs  
of a  
newly emerging consciousness.*

*These manifestations  
must be viewed  
in the light of  
an overall evolutionary direction,  
otherwise  
you cannot really grasp  
the inner meaning  
of these changes.*

24

*In all evolutionary movements  
the pendulum  
tends to swing  
from*

- *one extreme*

*to*

- *another.*

*This [i.e., This fact that the pendulum tends to swing from one extreme to another]  
is at times*

- *inevitable,*

*sometimes even*

- *desirable,*

*provided*  
*the swings are limited.*

*But when the swings*  
  
*are greater than*

- *necessary or*
- *desirable,*

  

- *fanaticism*

*and*

- *blindness*

*develop exactly as they did*  
*at the*  
*opposite extreme.*

25

*For example,  
today's sexual freedom  
is a reaction to  
the shackles of former times.*

*To a degree  
this phase [i.e., this phase of today's SEXUAL FREEDOM]  
is necessary  
until*

- the wisdom of the new consciousness  
becomes complete, and*
- commitment to one mate  
is experienced as*
  - freer,*
  - more liberated, and*
  - infinitely more desirable  
than the*
    - uncommitted*
    - free-floating  
exchange of partners.*

*The cycle  
had to move  
from*

- involuntary monogamous commitment –  
with concomitant limitations  
on personal growth  
for both men and women –*

*to*

- recognition of  
the debilitating effects of this attitude and*
- a consequent*
  - libertinism and*
  - polygamous expression.*

*From there  
the movement can proceed  
to*

- a new groundedness in  
real*
  - inner freedom and*
  - independence**that voluntarily chooses  
monogamous commitment  
because it yields infinitely greater fulfillment.*

26

*A particularly pernicious aspect  
of the old attitude toward marriage  
was that*

- *the sexual need*

*as well as*

- *the need for companionship*

*were polluted by*

- *opportunistic,*
- *materialistic, and*
- *exploitative*

*ends.*

*Even worse,  
this*

- *pollution and*
- *displacement*

*[i.e., pollution and displacement of the sexual need and the need for  
companionship by and onto opportunistic,  
materialistic, and exploitive aspects of marriage]*  
*was looked upon  
as if it were  
morally desirable.*

*Whenever  
one soul current  
is put secretly  
into the service of  
another [i.e., into the service of another soul current],  
both [i.e., both soul currents]  
become negative.*

*If*

- *love,*
- *eros, and*
- *sex*

*were given their rightful places,  
then the  
real  
needs for*

- *success,*
- *respect from the community, and*
- *material abundance*

*could function  
in a  
higher-self way.*

	<p><b>Humanity</b> <b>had to break away from</b> <b>the distortions</b> [i.e., <b>BREAK AWAY FROM the DISTORTIONS</b> that natural forces of and human needs for experiences of love, eros and sex had to be <b>RESTRAINED</b> and sacrificed for the sake of success, moral respectability in the community, and material abundance],</p> <p><b>and</b> [i.e., and in breaking away from these distortions] <b>a certain amount of upheaval</b> <b>became inevitable.</b></p> <p><b>The sexual revolution</b> <b>had to manifest</b> <b>at times in undesirable ways –</b> <b>but undesirable</b> <b>only when</b> <b>seen out of context.</b></p>
27	<p><b>Of course,</b> <b>the true lessons</b> <b>must be learned</b></p> <p><b>individually.</b></p> <p><b>This is exactly what I am talking about.</b></p> <p><b>The old ways</b> <b>desperately need</b></p> <p><b>profound change.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>A new sexual expression</b></li></ul> <p><b>and</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>a joyful acceptance</b> <b>of the sexual drive</b></li></ul> <p><b>has to emerge.</b></p>



*At the same time,  
individual men and women  
need to understand  
the enormous importance  
of*

- the wholeness  
of*
- love,  
• eros, and  
• sex;*

*of*

- affection and  
• respect;*

*of*

- tenderness and  
• passion;*

*of*

- trust and  
• mutual partnership;*

*of*

- sharing and*

*of*

- helping each other.*

*It must be understood  
that the committed relationship  
is  
not  
a moralized edict  
that deprives you of pleasure.*

*Quite the contrary  
is true.*

*The power current  
evoked through a fusion  
between*

- love,*
- respect,*
- passion, and*
- sexuality*

*is infinitely more ecstatic  
than the power of  
any casual fusion  
could ever be.*

*It [i.e., The power current evoked through a fusion between love, respect,  
passion (eros), and sexuality]*  
*is so powerful, in fact,  
that the very authorities  
against whom  
there has been so much rebellion  
have feared this combined current  
more than anyone.*

*These authorities  
are not that far removed  
from those who allow themselves  
to experience sexuality  
only  
in a split-off way,  
• cut off from the heart,  
• removed from  
real  
• intimacy and  
• sharing.*

28

*Knowing  
the state into which  
  
you  
• can  
and  
• must  
eventually  
grow  
  
because it is  
your innate destiny  
  
is important.*

*It [i.e., Knowing this state into which you MUST eventually grow]  
is the chart [i.e., the map]  
without which  
you cannot steer your ship.*

**But**  
**there is**  
• **a subtle**  
• **yet distinct**  
**difference**  
**between**  
• **using this model** [i.e., using this model as a map  
for where you are heading]  
**and**  
• **forceful attempts** [i.e., forceful attempts  
to use the map in order]  
**to be** [i.e., to be ALREADY]  
**what you have**  
**not yet**  
**organically**  
**become.**

**If you**  
**recognize the model** [i.e., the model of the state toward which you are evolving]  
**without forcing yourself** [i.e., without forcing yourself to be  
what you have not yet organically become],  
**you accept**  
**your human state.**

**You know that**  
**by virtue of your humanness**  
**you cannot**  
**immediately**  
**be the**  
• **ideal,**  
• **totally fused**  
**individual.**

**You know that**  
**it takes**  
• **a long time,**  
• **much experience,**  
• **many lessons,**  
• **many trials and errors,**  
• **untold incarnations**  
**until your soul**  
**emerges**  
**as a**  
**complete being.**

***You need to know that  
such a state [i.e., that the ecstatic state of a complete being evoked through  
the power of fusion between love, respect, passion (eros), and sexuality]  
exists,  
even if  
you are still quite unable  
to experience it.***

***You need to know it [i.e., You need to know about the existence of  
this ecstatic state of a complete being as your eventual destiny]  
without  
• self-pressure,  
without  
• self-moralizing,  
without  
• discouragement.***

***All these  
forcing attitudes  
are  
• destructive and  
• erroneous.***

29

***The attempt  
to enforce  
an ideal standard  
that individuals cannot possibly live up to  
at this time  
has  
unfortunately  
been made by almost all  
organized religions.***

***This is why  
organized religion  
has fallen into ill repute today.***

***The state of wholeness  
should be placed  
lightly  
into your consciousness,  
if I may use this expression.***

*It [i.e., This state of wholeness that is your destiny]  
should never  
become a whip.*

*It [i.e., This state of wholeness that is your destiny]  
should merely be  
a reminder of*

- who you  
essentially  
are already*

*and*

- who you  
will one day become.*

30

*Just as it is foolish  
to turn into an atheist  
because of the errors of religion,  
so it is foolish  
to discard marriage altogether  
because of previous distortions.*

*Before marriage began to be doubted  
as a valid institution by many,  
the attitude toward it  
had already  
begun to change considerably,  
especially  
in the last several decades.*

*Individuals began  
to choose partners*

- freely,*
- motivated generally  
by love.*

*This often led to  
errors, however.*

	<p><i>Too often individuals who were too</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>young and</i></li><li>• <i>immature</i></li></ul> <p><i>to form a really meaningful union chose marriage based on superficial attraction, without deep knowledge of</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>self</i></li><li><i>or</i></li><li>• <i>partner.</i></li></ul> <p><i>No wonder such marriages could not survive.</i></p> <p><i>But this step was necessary before maturity could be gained.</i></p>
31	<p><i>Just as</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>individuals</i></li></ul> <p><i>cannot learn unless they experience</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>mistakes and</i></li><li>• <i>immaturities,</i></li></ul> <p><i>neither can</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>the collective consciousness</i></li></ul> <p><i>[i.e., neither can the collective consciousness learn unless those in the collective experience mistakes and immaturities].</i></p> <p><i>New ways have to be tried</i></p> <p><i>by both [i.e., both by the individuals and by the collective consciousness] before the soul reaches</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>wisdom and</i></li><li>• <i>truth.</i></li></ul>

*The freedom*

*to*

- *choose independently,*

*to*

- *experience*

- *sexual*

*and*

- *erotic*

*pleasure,*

*to*

- *make mistakes*

*and*

- *learn from them,*

*to*

*grow into*

- *different*

*and*

- *more mature*

*relationships*

*without condemning*

*less mature ones,*

*are all*

*necessary*

*to learn*

*the real significance of*

*marriage.*

*It [i.e., Marriage]  
has to be seen  
not as  
a shackle  
imposed by  
a moralizing  
• outer or  
• inner  
authority,*

*but as  
• a freely chosen gift,  
• the  
• greatest,  
• most desirable  
state imaginable,  
• the keenest  
• pleasure and  
• fulfillment*

*for which  
• the soul  
and  
• the personality  
have to  
become  
• strong,  
• resilient,  
• mature, and  
• capable.*

*• Bliss,  
• ecstasy,  
• pleasure supreme  
can never exist  
• gratuitously,  
can never be  
• cheaply snatched.*

*They [i.e., Bliss, ecstasy, and pleasure supreme]  
cannot be borne  
that way [i.e., cannot be borne when merely gratuitously received  
or cheaply snatched].*



*They [i.e., Bliss, ecstasy, and pleasure supreme]  
can be borne  
only  
when the personality  
has reached  
sufficient*

- *purification,*
- *security,*
- *faith,*
- *self-knowledge,*
- *comprehension of the universe,*
- *Christness.*

32

*Sexual liberation  
has to go through some stages  
that may*

- *seem  
exaggerated,*

*or*

- *may even  
be  
exaggerated,  
before further sexual liberation –  
the unification of*

- *love,*
- *eros and*
- *sex –*

*can create  
the new-age marriage.*

*Fleeting sexual encounters [i.e., Fleeting sexual encounters with multiple partners]  
should  
not be looked upon  
as the  
final state of liberation [i.e., the final state of sexual liberation].*

*They [i.e., Fleeting sexual encounters with multiple partners]  
are, at best,  
a very*

- *temporary and*
- *limited  
phase.*

*No one  
who has ever experienced this stage [i.e., the stage of having fleeting sexual  
encounters with multiple partners]  
has ever  
truly  
been satisfied by it,  
not even  
on the merely physical level.*

*You may  
delude yourself  
into thinking that this [i.e., that freely having fleeting sexual encounters  
with multiple partners]  
is the best [i.e., is the BEST sexual experience or life]  
you could hope to experience,  
but  
it is not.*

*You may  
deny  
your deeper unfulfilled longing  
because  
some of the  
hitherto unfulfilled longing  
has been assuaged [i.e., assuaged by having fleeting sexual  
encounters with multiple partners].*

*But you have  
so much further to go  
in order to  
give yourself  
what you really  
• need,  
• want,  
• desire,  
and  
what you should indeed  
• have.*

33

*As with the sexual revolution,  
women's liberation, too,  
had to go to some kind of  
extreme –  
at least temporarily.*

*So some women  
had to become  
as*

- hard,*

*as*

- unyielding*

*as their greatest enemy,  
man,*

*in order to experience  
their*

- strength,*

*their*

- capacity to be*
  - independent,*
  - self-responsible,*
  - creative, and*
  - resourceful.*

*As long as  
this [i.e. As long as going to these extremes in women's liberation]  
is a passing phase  
from which  
further changes will emerge  
it [i.e. going to these extremes in women's liberation]  
is all right.*

*But when this [i.e. But when going to these extremes in women's liberation]  
is seen as  
the final ideal,  
it  
becomes  
as damaging as the*

- suppressed and*
- dependent*

*child-woman  
you no longer*

- want or*
- need*

*to be.*

*The new-age woman  
combines*  
• *independence,*  
• *self-responsibility,*  
• *full-fledged adulthood*  
*with the*  
• *softness and*  
• *yieldingness*  
*that was*  
*previously*  
*associated*  
*exclusively*  
*with*  
*the dependent parasite.*

*The new-age man  
combines*  
*his*  
• *heart feelings,*  
*his*  
• *softness,*  
*his*  
• *gentleness*  
*with*  
*his*  
• *strength and*  
• *abilities,*  
  
*not like the woman,*  
*but in*  
*a complementary way.*

*The two [i.e., the new-age woman and the new-age man]  
can form*  
  
*the new-age marriage.*

34

*The new-age marriage  
will  
not be formed  
early  
in life.*

*If the participants are  
young,  
they will have reached  
considerable maturity  
as a result of a*

- genuine,*
- intense*

*pathwork,  
such as this.*

*The new-age marriage  
is*

- a nucleus of strength,  
with the partners  
fortifying*
  - each other*
- as well as*
  - others*

*in a commonly undertaken task  
for  
the greater cause.*

*The new-age marriage  
is totally*

- open and*
- transparent.*

*There are  
no secrets  
whatever.*

*The soul process  
of the pathwork  
is totally shared.*

*This*

- openness and*
- transparency*

*has to be learned.*

*It [i.e., the NEW-AGE MARRIAGE]  
is a path  
within the path,  
as it were.*

**You need to**  
**expose your difficulty**  
**in achieving this openness,**  
**rather than**  

- **denying or**
- **hiding**

**it [i.e., rather than denying or hiding from your partner your**  
**difficulty in achieving this openness with him or her].**

**If you do**  
**not expose**  
**your difficulty in being open [i.e., If you do NOT expose to your partner**  
**your difficulty in being open with him or her],**  
**your unfulfillment [i.e., your unfulfillment in your marriage]**  
**cannot be alleviated**  
**no matter how much**  
**you try to blame it [i.e., try to blame your unfulfillment in your marriage]**  
**on**  

- **your partner**

**or**  
**on**  

- **outer circumstances.**

**Part of this openness**  
**consists of revealing**  
**your fear**  
**of the**  

- **strong spiritual current,**

**of the**  

- **forces released**

**by the unification of**  

- **sexuality**

**and**  

- **the heart.**

**When the fear**  
**is shared –**  
**even though you may be**  
**unable to shed the fear as yet –**  

- **the obstructions will be eliminated**

**relatively fast,**  
**and**  

- **a kind of**

**vibrant fulfillment**  
**comes**  
**even from this sharing [i.e., even from this SHARING of your FEAR].**

35	<p><i>In the new-age marriage,</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>being on a path</i> <i>of profound self-development</i></li></ul> <p><i>and</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>bringing into the light</i> <i>the hidden parts of the self</i> <i>are the prerequisites of fulfillment</i> <i>in an</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>alive and</i></li><li>• <i>vibrant</i></li></ul><i>relationship.</i></li></ul> <p><i>When the vibrancy</i> <i>ebbs away,</i> <i>the causes</i> <i>need to be explored</i> <i>by both partners together.</i></p> <p><i>There may be any number of reasons</i> <i>for the stagnation,</i> <i>none of them necessarily</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>bad or</i></li><li>• <i>shameful.</i></li></ul></p>
36	<p><i>When all levels</i> <i>of the two personalities</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>are open to each other,</i></li><li>• <i>join and</i></li><li>• <i>finally fuse,</i></li></ul><i>the</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>intensity and</i></li><li>• <i>vibrancy</i> <i>of the sexual encounter</i> <i>will surpass anything</i> <i>you can at present imagine.</i></li></ul><p><i>You deeply long for it [i.e., You deeply long for the intensity and vibrancy</i> <i>of the sexual encounter],</i> <i>because</i> <i>this fulfillment</i> <i>is</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>your birthright and</i></li><li>• <i>your destiny.</i></li></ul></p></p>

*It [i.e., the intensity and vibrancy of the sexual encounter]  
can exist  
only  
in a partnership  
such as I have described here –  
[that is,] in the new-age marriage.*

*This kind of fusion  
cannot come about easily.*

*It [i.e., This kind of fusion between the two partners]  
is the result of*

- *infinite patience,*
- *growth,*
- *change,*
- *transformation.*

*But it  
should live in your vision  
as a possibility  
you can indeed  
actualize one day.*

37

*The fusion*

- *on all levels of  
the personality*

*means the fusion*

- *of all energy bodies.*

*This [i.e., This fusion on all levels of the personality, this fusion of all energy bodies]  
is very rarely the case.*

*You will come to know  
when the fusion  
exists only on the*

- *physical  
level,*

*and when it [i.e., when fusion]  
happens on the*

- *emotional,*
- *mental, and*
- *spiritual  
levels.*



*All these energy bodies [i.e., All these energy bodies associated with  
the PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL, MENTAL, and SPIRITUAL levels]*

*exist*

*in reality*

*and*

*can*

*• fuse*

*or*

*• not [i.e., or not fuse]*

*according to prevailing conditions.*

*When the fusion takes place*

*on all these levels [i.e., on the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual levels],*

*you*

*not only become one*

*with*

*• your partner,*

*but [i.e., but you also become one]*

*with*

*• God.*

*You realize*

*God*

*in*

*• the mate*

*and [i.e., and you realize]*

*God*

*in*

*• yourself.*

*No wonder*

*the power current*

*is too strong to bear*

*unless*

*your personalities*

*have reached*

*a high degree of*

*inner*

*• development*

*and*

*• purification.*

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**Once you realize  
that  
sexual fusion [i.e., that sexual fusion on any of the levels]  
is**

- **insufficient and**
- **uninteresting**

**unless it [i.e., unless this sexual fusion]  
includes  
all  
the energy bodies [i.e., ALL the energy bodies of each  
partner, that is, the**

- **PHYSICAL,**
- **EMOTIONAL,**
- **MENTAL, and**
- **SPIRITUAL**

**level energy bodies of each partner]**

**in the process of coming together,**

**your approach  
to a sexual encounter  
will become  
very  
different.**

**Sex  
will never be**

- **casual**

**or**

- **haphazard;**

**you will consider it [i.e., you will consider sex]  
a holy ritual.**

**These rituals [i.e., These HOLY SEXUAL RITUALS]**

- **will be created  
by the individual couples**

**and**

- **may change over time.**

**They [i.e., These holy sexual rituals]  
will never  
deteriorate into  
fixed routines.**

*The sexual encounter  
is a true fusion  
of the*

- *masculine*
  - and
  - *feminine*
- principles*

*as*

*universal  
forces.*

*Each sexual fusion  
will be*

*a creative act,  
bringing forth  
new*

- *spiritual forms,*
- new*
- *heights of development*

*in the two selves*

*that can be passed on to others.*

*The complementary merging  
of these two divine aspects –*

*the*

- *feminine*
  - and
  - *masculine*
- forces –*

*will create*

*not only total*

- *fulfillment,*
- *ecstasy, and*
- *bliss,*

*but*

- *enduring new values and*
- *a true experience*

*of*

- *divine reality,*

*of*

- *the Christ*

*in*

*the self*

*and*

*in*

*the other.*

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*My beloved friends,  
this lecture should by no means  
discourage you,  
no matter  
how far away you may seem to be  
from the  
destiny  
I outline here.*

*You are moving in this direction  
merely*

- by being able to  
comprehend this lecture,*
- by being capable of  
choosing to use it  
in the most positive way  
no matter where you are.*

*Knowing  
this truth [i.e., Knowing this TRUTH about sexuality and the new-age marriage]  
will  
free you  
as any truth  
must free you,  
  
even if  
you cannot  
attain its  
realization  
in this life.*

*Rejoice that it [i.e., Rejoice that this state of SEXUALITY  
and the NEW-AGE MARRIAGE]*

- exists,*

*that it [i.e., that this state of SEXUALITY and the NEW-AGE MARRIAGE]*

- waits for  
you.*

*Know this truth  
as an enrichment  
given to you.*

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*There exists  
a tremendous tension  
between  
the*

- *male*

*and*

- *female  
energy currents.*

*This tension can manifest in*

- *a positive*

*or*

- *a negative  
way.*

*If it [i.e., If this tremendous tension between the male and female energy currents]  
manifests  
negatively,  
sexuality  
is fraught with*

- *denials*

*such as*

- *homosexuality,*
- *repression,*
- *asexuality,*
- *impotence,*
- *frigidity,*

*or with*

- *negative expression*

*as in*

- *sadism,*
- *masochism,*
- *fetishism.*

*To a degree,  
it may be necessary  
to give some expression to  
negatively connected sexuality [i.e., negatively connected sexuality as  
sexuality expressed in sadism, masochism, or fetishism],*

*for if it [i.e., for if such negatively connected sexuality]  
is  
completely denied,*

*• the total personality  
is  
being thwarted*

*and*

*• the tension [i.e., the tension between  
the male and female energy currents]  
is so powerfully accumulated  
that  
nonsexual violence  
is acted out.*

*If these expressions [i.e., If these negative sexual expressions]  
occur*

*• in fantasy*

*or*

*• in situations of  
mutual consent*

*where no one is*

*• harmed*

*or*

*• forced,*

*they [i.e., these negative sexual expressions as in sadism, masochism, or fetishism]  
can lead to*

*a more*

*• cohesive,*

*• connected*

*sexuality,*

*especially when this process [i.e., when this process of expressing  
sexuality negatively as in sadism, masochism, or fetishism]*

*is*

*• not glorified*

*but*

*• understood in its true meaning.*

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*[Conversely,]*

***When the tension*** [*i.e., When this tremendous tension between  
the male and female energy currents*]

***manifests  
positively,***

***it*** [*i.e., this positive manifestation arising from the tremendous tension between  
the male and female energy currents*]

***is truly  
a psychic nuclear point.***

***The new-age marriage***

***is  
a psychic nuclear point.***

- ***The energy  
released,***
  - ***the creativity  
liberated,***
  - ***the mutuality of ecstasy  
are all  
deeply spiritual  
experiences  
that happen***
    - ***in,***
    - ***through, and***
    - ***with***
- God.***

***Divine sexuality  
must be  
recognized  
in the New Age.***

***It*** [*i.e., Divine sexuality*]  
***is not to be found in***

- ***old taboos and***
- ***denials,***

***nor in***

- ***moralizing judgments  
about this creative force,***

***neither is it to be found in***

- ***deviations that occur  
as a result of  
incomplete development.***

- *The explosive force  
of the male-female tension*
- and
- *its release*
  - *permeates  
the total personality*
- and
- *transcends  
the finite.*

*It [i.e., The EXPLOSIVE FORCE of the male-female tension AND its RELEASE]  
truly*

- *spiritualizes  
the body*
- and
- *materializes  
the spirit,*

*which is  
the task [i.e., which is the task and the purpose]  
of evolution.*



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*With this,  
I bless you,  
my beloved ones.*

- *The Christ  
within  
your deepest soul*

*fuses with*

- *the Christ consciousness  
and*

- *those energies  
that*

- *surround you  
and*
- *fill you  
with*

*his [i.e., fill you with Christ's]*

- *love,*

*his [i.e., fill you with Christ's]*

- *strength*

*and*

*his [i.e., and fill you with Christ's]*

- *blessings.*

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