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THE INFINITE WAY ®

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The Infinite Way is a spiritual message based on principles that Joel Goldsmith received as revelations from within. The Infinite Way message echoes and amplifies the message revealed in the original teaching of Jesus in the New Testament, yet Joel's spiritual discernment of these revelations enabled him to unveil the inner secrets of this teaching with new clarity in contemporary language. Joel taught that The Infinite Way is an experience of God and a way of life by grace, and that the message of The Infinite Way can lead sincere, dedicated spiritual

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students to that experience. He was very clear that the experience comes only as we seek within ourselves, for “the kingdom of God is within you.” .....

Joel’s vision for the Infinite Way was that through the spiritual dedication of those who embrace these deepest principles of mystical teaching and reach the heights of the mystical consciousness, human consciousness may be emancipated and the Presence hidden within may come forth universally in Its splendor and glory.

### **What is the premise of The Infinite Way message?**

The message in *The Infinite Way* prompted people to seek Goldsmith out as a spiritual teacher. Reluctantly, he held private classes on the mystical interpretation of the Bible. Later, some of these classes were published as the book *Spiritual Interpretation of Scripture*. Soon his writings brought invitations for lecture tours and classes. He traveled widely in the United States, Canada, England, Europe, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, teaching the message of The Infinite Way. The revelations that Joel received are recognized by many as the original message that Jesus revealed to the world, now coming through another messenger in the language of the twentieth century.

The entire message of The Infinite Way rests on the premise that every individual – saint and sinner alike – is an individualized expression of the Divine. While this truth may not be evident to human perception, and an individual may not be showing forth a divine nature at the moment, nonetheless that spark of Divinity, that Presence, is within each one, waiting to be awakened and to manifest. The Infinite Way teaches that it is possible for anyone with sufficient dedication to experience this inner Presence here and now in its fullness, and to live by It in peace, harmony, joy, freedom, and abundance. This Presence within each individual is what Jesus referred to when he said, “*The kingdom of God is within you*”

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and “*I and my Father are one.*” While this transcendental indwelling Presence is called by different names, all spiritual traditions agree that It exists and can be awakened.

### **What is the purpose of The Infinite Way message?**

The purpose of the Infinite Way message is to bring one to the point of preparation for the full experience of this indwelling Presence and the realization that this Presence is one’s true identity. In that state of illumination, there is rest from human effort and life is lived by the Grace of this Presence.

How does the message of The Infinite Way prepare one for this experience? Joel Goldsmith believed that no one could have this experience until he or she was fully grounded in what he called “the letter of truth.” So the Infinite Way message first helps students divest themselves of old conditioning and erroneous concepts about God, man, and the universe, and replace them with the letter of truth.

The Infinite Way message presents the letter of truth through a set of universal spiritual principles that Joel Goldsmith received from within. There are also practices that help the student evolve from simply knowing the letter of truth intellectually to having the full realization of truth. In other words, the practices bring the principles “from the head to the heart.” The letter of truth learned from a teacher or from books can be a great help, but it is only when, through the practices, the letter of truth is imparted from the Presence within oneself that it is the truth. The truth revealed from within may be clothed in words that are different from those in a book, or it may be revealed in no words at all. But it will be the same truth.

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### **What are the principles taught in The Infinite Way message?**

Anyone beginning a study of the message of the Infinite Way should know from the outset that in the message of the Infinite Way, Joel uses words such as “God,” “prayer,” and “Christ.” Upon seeing these words, some people make the snap judgment that the message of The Infinite Way is just more of the same old orthodoxy. Nothing could be farther from the truth! As Joel said,

*“When you read the word ‘God’ in the Infinite Way writings, do not think for a moment that I mean by that what you think or what you conceive God to be. The word is spelled the same – G-o-d – but we have different meanings, and the same with ‘prayer.’ When you read the word ‘prayer’ in the Infinite Way writings, look in the largest dictionary you can find. Read every one of the meanings that it has there, and then remember that I don’t mean any one of those.”*

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Joel presents the letter of truth around one core principle: the nature of God. Three other major principles follow directly from the nature of God: the nature of man, or individual being; the nature of prayer; and the nature of error, or evil. Joel says:

*“The Infinite Way ... is a spiritual teaching consisting of principles which anyone may follow and practice, irrespective of his religious affiliation. The Infinite Way reveals the nature of God to be one infinite power, intelligence, and love; the nature of individual being to be one with His qualities and character, expressed in infinite forms and variety; and the nature of the discords of this world to be a misconception of God’s expression of Himself in His universe. These are universal principles based on the message of the Master, Christ Jesus, who taught that man can realize his oneness with God through conscious communion with*

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*God, thereby bringing about peace on earth, harmony, and wholeness.”*

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### **What are the practices taught in The Infinite Way message?**

Intellectually knowing the principles is a first step, but it is never enough to bring one to the experience of the Presence within, the experience of one’s true Self, or the God experience. Joel teaches that the way to contact this Presence within is through meditation, and so meditation is the foundational and essential practice in The Infinite Way.

In addition to meditation, Joel teaches the importance of what he calls “practicing the Presence” and practicing the principles. This means being ever mindful of the principles and applying them constantly in daily life. In other words, we live by the principles. Meditation, practicing the Presence, and practicing the principles are the purifying influences that gradually lead to the full realization and experience of the indwelling Presence.

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Joel's book *The Art of Meditation* provides an excellent introduction to meditation as it is practiced in The Infinite Way. *Practicing the Presence* shows students how to begin practicing the principles in everyday life.

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### **What is spiritual healing in The Infinite Way?**

In the chapter “The Nature of Error” in *The Foundation of Mysticism*,

Joel says:

*“The subject of healing is a broad one, and these days it includes not only spiritual healing but also mental healing, psychological healing, and faith healing. Today, all of these are embraced under the title of spiritual healing ... so when you hear the term ‘spiritual healing,’ do not jump to the conclusion that you know exactly what it means, because there is no way of knowing what it means except by knowing who says it.”*

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In the message of the Infinite Way, the meaning of the term “spiritual healing,” is far different from its meaning in other teachings. Spiritual healing in the Infinite Way refers to healing based on specific principles revealed in the Infinite Way message. This is not to say that the Infinite Way healing principles are right and the others are wrong, but only that the Infinite Way principles differ from those of other metaphysical teachings.

The secret to spiritual healing, Goldsmith says, is knowing the nature of God, the nature of error or discord, and the true identity of every individual, and this comes through spiritual discernment. In the Infinite Way, a spiritual healer does not deal with the human picture and try to change it. “We go right to the center of being, and there recognize Christ, the Spirit, the presence and power of God,” Joel says. “As we do that,

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we do not heal human beings; we do not enrich them, although that is the way in which it appears to the world. What we do is to bring to light their spiritual identity—that which has always been there, but which has seemed to have disappeared.” In other words, in the Infinite Way, “healing is revealing.” \*2)

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\*2) For more info on “healing” I refer you to the excellent search tool prepared by Acropolisbooks. Click on:

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