

THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF BEING

Principles of being form the basis of a new social order, the ‘being’ society

1. The origin of all creation is the cosmic consciousness

‘Our Father, ruler of the universe’

When human beings accept that they are an infinitesimal part of the cosmic consciousness, they will be able to participate consciously in the constant process of creation. Of all human activities creativity brings people closest to God.

‘Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: “Father, the hour has come: glorify your Son so that your Son may glorify you; so that, just as you have given him power over all humanity, he may give eternal life to all those you have entrusted to him. And eternal life is this: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.”’ (John 17, 1-3)

2. The way to knowledge begins with faith and trust

Faith has helped you (Matthew 8, 5-13)

Faith can move mountains (Matthew 17, 20)

Faith is grace from God. But if we do not have the right inner attitude, faith can have no effect. Faith is an act of trust for, with their limited powers of comprehension, human beings cannot understand the cosmic

consciousness. It is often possible to sense the essence and grasp the truth intuitively. Without faith humankind will never encounter God, unless God wills it. Then Saul will become Paul.

3. The most important thing in life 'IS' free

‘You received without charge, give without charge.’ (Matthew 10,8)

Everything of value in life is free of charge - life, the sun, the rain, love, friendship, trust, faith, and the whole of the plant and animal world. How could we ever pay for true friendship? What economic value has a mother’s love for her child? People must cut themselves off from ‘having’ in order to attain ‘being’.

4. Actio est Reactio

‘Everything you give you will also receive.’

Sow the wind and reap the whirlwind. The havoc that you wreak will turn against you. If you become one with the creator’s potential, your positive action will bear fruit a hundredfold, like the seed in fertile soil. Everything you give will make you richer.

5. My yoke is easy and my burden is light (Matthew 11,30)

‘Seek out your talents and act through them – *Ad maiorem Dei gloriam*’

‘Those who have received much must give much.’

God has given every person talents. One person buries his talents, another sells them and a third works at his talents and makes them develop. That is the mission of all human beings: to discover their talents, develop them and put them at the service of their fellow human beings. Nothing is easier for people than to act according to their talents.

6. What is most important in life is invisible

‘Eyes have they and see not, ears have they and hear not.’

The kingdom of God is among you, but people can only see it with the eyes of the soul. Beware of false prophets, who amaze you with visible ‘miracles’ and speak with a loud voice.

‘True miracles are invisible: God performs them in the hearts of men.’
(Saint-Exupéry)

7. The greatest law is the omnipotence of love

‘Though I command languages both human and angelic – if I speak without love, I am no more than a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. And though I have the power of prophecy, to penetrate all mysteries and knowledge, and though I have all the faith necessary to move mountains – if I am without love, I am nothing. Though I should give away to the poor all that I possess, and even give up my body to be burned – if I am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; love is never jealous; love is not boastful or conceited, it is never rude and never seeks its own advantage, it does not take offence or store up grievances. Love does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but finds its joy in the truth. It is always ready to make allowances, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes. Love never comes to an end.’ (I Corinthians, 13)

