

## **On life and experience**

The birth of every human being, even of every living thing is a miracle and mystery at the same time. The scientifically inquiring person searches for explanations and evidence of what life is, where it comes from and how it is created.

Of course, we can observe and experience life in our dealings with others daily. Life is personally present to us and yet incomprehensible and inexplicable to our minds.

Life, as the inherent power in the whole of creation is the source for mans health, growth, self-knowledge and unity consciousness.

This awareness is:

**God is life in everything, even in me. I am a creature of God, God is the Creator. All creatures are parts of God.**

In the Bible it says:

*"For as the body is one and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are but one body: So also is Christ" (1 Corinthians 12.2)*

and Jesus says:

*"I am the vine, ye are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him, bears much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. " (John 15,5)*

Man as the image of God is love. By the birth of Christ this love is implanted into the consciousness of humanity. The soul consisting of pure divine consciousness is the fountain of life in everyone. This living water is God's Holy Spirit. From this source we live, breathe and serve in God's living presence.

Jesus says:

*"... But whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be a spring of water in him, springing up into everlasting life . "(Jn 4:14)*

God's infinite power in the universe is life. This life is eternal and unchangeable. It is the power of the Holy Spirit that moves, penetrates, designs and modifies everything. We are all connected and one in it. Man as the image of this divine power, has free will and the gift to experience the mystery of life and to learn by grace and devotion. May personal liveliness lead us to recognize the power of God as the universal life in all of creation. May Christ in us, being eternal life, thus be revealed to all in realization of God's greatness, presence and wisdom.

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