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Welcome to *A Course in Miracles: Living the Love, Walking the Talk* with Reverend Jennifer Hadley. Get ready to focus on your intent to be the Love, be the Peace, through practical application.

Here is your host, Reverend Jennifer Hadley.

Jennifer Bonjour! Bonjour! So glad to be able to join with you! So grateful for this day and this opportunity that we're giving ourselves. Ah! It's beautiful! Beautiful! It's a beautiful snowy day here in New Jersey, though some may not call it that. I do!

I'm grateful that we get to join together to transcend time and space in order to have true and lasting healing through a revelation of truth happening in our heart, in our mind. We are grateful, very grateful!

Let's take a breath together and I'll say a blessing.

Opening Prayer

Taking that breath of Love and gratitude, we are truly grateful and truly thankful to allow ourselves to relinquish all that does not serve. All false beliefs fall away as we Partner UP with that Higher Holy Spirit Self and transcend all the limitations of the past.

We are grateful and thankful to surrender to that Higher Holy Spirit Self all decisions that we've ever made that do **not** bring us Peace! We're grateful and thankful to let our mind be freed, and we are consciously opening our heart, opening our mind, to the fullness of Love, and we're sharing the benefits with everyone, because we are One with them.

So grateful and thankful to let it be. We know it's done. And so, it is. Woo-hoo! Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Don't Skip the Prayer - It's Healing!

Ah! My goodness! Thank you for joining with me and being in prayer with me. I know, for all my years at the Agape International Spiritual Center with Michael Beckwith in Los Angeles -- I lived in L.A. 22 years, and a participant at Agape for most of those years. I sang in the choir 11 years. -- and he used to say, "Don't go out the door before the prayer!" I thought that was really good advice.

Sometimes I can feel some people will fast-forward through the prayer or end the recording before the prayer, and the prayer's the **healing** point, it's the healing part. As a Spiritual Counselor who trains Spiritual Counselors, I explain in the training that, as a Prayer Practitioner, a Science of Mind Practitioner, I feel it is so valuable to explain to clients, even, that the prayer is the healing part.

So, yes, we'll have a conversation in that prayerful field. With a spiritual counseling session I start with a prayer, I end with a prayer. With a class, with a radio show, everything, I start with a prayer, end with a prayer, so that everything that occurs in between is in that field of prayer.

A Course in Miracles has beautiful teachings about prayer. "*Prayer is the medium of miracles.*" It is the soil, if you will, in which the miracle is planted and grown. It is the medium of miracles.

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Prayer is when we are communing with Spirit and allowing our mind to be shifted and changed. Our words are so powerful, so when we're in prayer, effective prayer, effective spiritual practice, we are declaring what we are calling into being, what is to be made manifest by the power of the word. And because our mind is the Mind of God, our word is the Word of God, whether we like it or not, whether we take responsibility or not.

This week is the topic of "Responsibility in Relationship" very key to our relationship transformations. This is one of the key things that I share in my yearlong *Masterful Living Course*, and it certainly shifted my life and my relationships to be able to take responsibility for the quality of the relationship.

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In a lot of traditional therapies, therapists will say, “Well, you only have to take 50% responsibility for your relationships. You can’t take more than that.” But *A Course in Miracles* says, “Uh-uh-uh! Take 100%! If you’d really like to have Freedom, take 100% for your relationship responsibility.”

ACIM Radio Show Podcasts & Archive

You may know that I do the majority of these radio broadcasts on the topic of relationship, and you can always go to LivingACourseInMiracles.com/radio to see in the archive, very easy to search in the archive there. You may be able to easily do that at Stitcher, at iTunes, wherever you get the podcast. You can search for the word “relationship” and just see all the shows there that the word “relationship” is in the title or in the description.

Of course, one of the easiest ways to get **all** the episodes is just to subscribe to the podcast on your phone, your computer or your tablet.

Now, I’ll just say, I’ll mention here, we do have podcasts, so there’s the [A Course in Miracles podcast](#) and then there’s the [A Course in Miracles Archive](#), because the *A Course in Miracles* podcast will only hold 300 episodes at a time, so it drops off all the older episodes. So, we’ve started a new podcast. We have a little challenge with it, but we’re getting it worked out. We started a new podcast called [A Course in Miracles Archive](#) for all the shows prior to the most recent 300.

My first episode was with Gary Renard, I think my second episode was with Ken Wapnick, so there’s a lot of good stuff in those early episodes, and the only way to get them now is to get that [A Course in Miracles Archive](#) podcast. We found out that there were some issues with it. We’re figuring it out, so if you don’t see those first 80 or so episodes in there, they’ll be coming soon.

So many moving parts in an online global ministry!

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Small Willingness Transforms Relationship

At any rate, responsibility in relationship is one of the most **healing** tools we have, and there's a beautiful section in Chapter 21 called *Responsibility for Sight* and basically, for the ego, this is abhorrent. This is so easy to reject, the whole idea of responsibility.

Jesus makes it super-duper clear to us here. I'm going to share some of this and share how it applies in relationship. *Responsibility for Sight* is Section II in Chapter 21, and it begins with,

"We have repeated how little is asked of you to learn this course."

I always think it's interesting when He says "We". Precisely, who is the "We"? I don't know that He explains that, but perhaps He does. To me, it is the collective consciousness of the Ascended Masters, teachers, the Holy Spirit, who are speaking to us through this
Text.

Certainly, I do recognize, for my own awareness, that there is a difference between the consciousness of Jesus, the man who walked the Earth and consciousness of Jesus, or the Ascended Master Jesus, who is

speaking to us through *A Course in Miracles*. I

doubt that Jesus, in His walking life, would have -- well, until He ascended, had the consciousness just to give us *A Course in Miracles*, though certainly, something very close.

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I feel so moved to say right now that we must **aspire** to what He charged us with, "Even more shall you do." Let's just agree, "Okay, Dude! Don't know how that's going to work, but I'm in! I'm in!" That's where I'm living. Even more shall we do. Okay! Let's do it! Why not? **No** obstacles on the path. Only a beautiful well-lit road for us to travel. I'm in! Let's go! Pack your snacks and let's go! [laughs]

"We have repeated how little is asked of you to learn this course. It is the same small willingness you need to have your whole relationship transformed to joy."

Now, okay, let's just get plain here. Let's just put all the pretenses aside. People often come to me for spiritual counseling saying that their relationship is very painful. So, right here, right now, we're being told this

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willingness is **all** that we need to have our whole relationship transformed to Joy. He says,

“The little gift you offer to the Holy Spirit for which He gives you everything; the very little on which salvation rests; the tiny change of mind by which the crucifixion is changed to resurrection. And being true, it is so simple that it cannot fail to be completely understood. Rejected yes, but not ambiguous. And if you choose against it now it will not be because it is obscure, but rather that this little cost seemed, in your judgment, to be too much to pay for peace.”

Take Responsibility for What We See

This is the way to Peace. Here it comes. He says, very clearly -- this is Chapter 21, Section II, Paragraph 2,

“This is the only thing that you need do for vision, happiness, release from pain and the complete escape from sin, all to be given you. Say only this, but mean it with no reservations, for here the power of salvation lies --”

Alright? It could not be more clear. This is the **only thing** we need do for vision, happiness, release from pain and the complete escape from sin, relationships transformed to Joy -- here it is -- we say this with no reservations,

“I am responsible for what I see. I choose the feelings I experience, and I decide upon the goal I would achieve. And everything that seems to happen to me I ask for, and receive as I have asked.”

That's it!

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He then caps it off with,

“Deceive yourself no longer that you are helpless in the face of what is done to you. Acknowledge but that you have been mistaken, and all effects of your mistakes will disappear.”

Similar to the prayer at the end of Chapter 5 that says, “I must have made a wrong decision because I am not at Peace, and I can give all the consequences of my wrong decision -- “or rather, The Holy Spirit will undo all the consequences of my wrong decision if I let Him.”

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You take those two together and just say them to yourself every day, because this will help us to **truly** come to **remember** and **realize** that this world is a projection and it gives us the opportunity to heal our mind of all belief in separation.

My little shorthand, you may have heard me say it before, “I am responsible for what I see, and everything is just as I wish it to be.” I used to say that to myself all the time when something bothered me. I’d say, “Okay, wait a minute! Wait a minute! Lesson 25, “I do not know what anything is for” **and Responsibility for Sight**, here it is, “I am responsible for what I see and everything is just as I wish it to be.”

And then I’d go, “Huh! Okay, Holy Spirit, **why** would I wish it to be like **this**? What’s actually going on here? I **don’t** like this! I do not wish it to be like this anymore. I wish it to be peaceful, harmonious, beautiful, joyful, free, wonderful, magnificent, enjoyable! Please make it so! Please make it so!”

We Choose Our Experiences

If we just break this down in terms of our relationships, I’m responsible for what I see. So, if in my relationship I’m feeling disrespected and treated poorly, then I have a **choice** of how I hold that in my mind. I could take it personally and become very upset by it, and that’s what He says in this Paragraph 2, Line 4,

“I choose the feelings I experience --”

I choose the feelings I would experience. It seems hard to believe that that’s true, **yet** we do choose the thoughts we will think, and the thoughts that we think lead us to the feelings that we have.

So, if we believe that we are unworthy of respect, **then** we are going to see what others do as being disrespectful. That’s the interpretation we will make. That is the meaning that we will give it, because that **is** what we believe is possible. You see? In the same Line 4, where He says,

“I choose the feelings I experience --”

He also says,

“...and I decide upon the goal I would achieve.”

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So, is my goal unification or separation? Is my goal to see my brothers and sisters as innocent, and to see myself as innocent, **or** am I looking to blame, am I looking to attack, am I looking to condemn?

Fortunately, as God would have it, every single day of our lives, and most moments, we get a chance to practice this and **choose** a higher goal. We can choose the goal of Atonement, which is to recognize there **has** been no separation, there **will** be no separation, there **could** be no separation. Separation ain't a thing! [laughs]

I encourage you to -- you can say exactly what He wrote here. You may also just like to try, if it vibes for you, the "I am responsible for what I see, and everything is just as I wish it would be" and then we could just start to see, "Well -- why? What? **Why** am I choosing rejection? **Why** am I choosing condemnation? **Why** am I choosing disrespect, if that's what I'm experiencing in the world? If I'm experiencing lack and limitation, pain and suffering, let me have a change of goal."

Now, for me, personally I think the **fastest** path to our healing, based on my test-driving these teachings, is to just say to the Holy Spirit, "Holy Spirit, me no lika' this no more!" [laughs] "I'm done! I think I've learned all I can learn from people disrespecting me. I think I've learned all I can learn from feeling hurt, and feeling left out, and feeling afraid and anxious.

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"So, whatever these patterns of the mind are that I keep choosing, and that I've had as my goal for a very long time, I'm giving it all to You, because **You** can see through all directions of time and space. You can see how it came to be so attractive to me when I decided I would like to live this way, when I made these painful experiences my goal. You know all of it, so please heal it back to the root cause, so I never experience it again!

"I'm responsible for what I see. Everything is just as I wish it to be, and I am now choosing more Peace, more Love, more Joy. I'm choosing Freedom. I'm choosing Harmony. I'm choosing to **live** from Wisdom. I'm choosing to be truly helpful, and to share the benefits of my healing with everyone, because I'm One with them. I'm choosing to give up the habit of learning

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through experience, and now I would like to simply **remember** the truth that sets me free.

“Everything in my life that I have experienced and that **seems** to happen to me, I ask for and I **have** received as I have asked. And no longer am I going to deceive myself that I am helpless in the face of what is done to me. I acknowledge that I **have** been mistaken, and thank You for letting all effects of my mistakes disappear. Let all effects of my mistakes disappear.”

There’s no way to do any of that miraculous, amazing, powerful, **guaranteed** healing and **blame** anyone for anything ever again! We’ve got to give up the right to blame! We’ve got to give it up. We’ve **got** to! “Bada-bing, bada-boom!” as the President says. We’ve got to! [laughs] Maybe the President doesn’t say that. The President says, “Bing-bong-bong-bong!” Anyway, there it is. Right there. Boom!

Giving Up All Reservations

“This is the **only** thing that you need do for vision, happiness, release from pain and the complete escape from sin, for your whole relationship to be transformed to Joy. Simply be willing to say it, but mean it with **no** reservations.”

Here’s the other tip, okay? Let’s give all the reservations to the Holy Spirit for healing. In other words, I experience something that feels like “These people are attacking me.” “These people are disrespecting me.” “These people are being hurtful to me. I don’t like it!” Let me **not** have **any** thought that there’s **any** advantage to blaming someone for how I feel. None!

Oh, gosh, let’s do this together! Can you feel it? Good Lord! What a **revolution!** Let’s walk in the world practicing this, moment by moment, until we have **no** more reservations, until we **mean** it, fully and completely, with our whole heart. **No more blame! Yes!**

Upcoming Teaching Events

Ah! You know, I’d just like to mention that I’ve got two events coming up in March. Jon Mundy and I are leading a [Teacher Training, How to Lead and Create a Workshop](#), and you’ll be, also, certified in how to do my [forgiveness workshop](#). That’s a wonderful training we’re offering in March near the Catskills of New York.

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And then, I was just talking about this with Lisa Natoli yesterday, and Corinne Zupko, we're offering a healing retreat, also mid-March. Come and join us! All the details are at JenniferHadley.com. [Spring Clearing](#) retreat and the [Teacher Training](#) with Jon Mundy. Two wonderful opportunities for us to do deep, transformative healing work.

All of this I do focus on forgiveness, because it is so transformative. It is so healing, and it makes such a difference in our lives. O.M.G.! [laughs]

I'm Jennifer Hadley. You're listening to *A Course in Miracles* on Unity Online Radio, and we'll be right back!

Thank you for tuning in for *A Course in Miracles: Living the Love, Walking the Talk*.

Spring Clearing with Healing, Forgiveness & Yoga

Welcome back! So glad to have you back!

As we were going to the break, I was sharing that I was talking with Lisa Natoli yesterday, and Corinne Zupko yesterday, and the other day, I guess it was a few days ago, I was talking with Jon Mundy. We are very excited about this healing retreat that we're offering in March in New York, just about 90 minutes from New York City, and our topic -- we're calling it "[Spring Clearing](#)" and it's "Healing with Forgiveness, Miracles and Kundalini yoga".

I've been studying Kundalini yoga for a while now, and I just love it! It feels, to me, like the **perfect** practice to go alongside the *A Course in Miracles* teachings. It really complements it, to me, because it's a wonderful way to focus the mind and to work with clearing, and healing, and stretching, and being flexible. I really enjoy it, and I notice a lot more folks in [Masterful Living](#) are enjoying it, too, and some of them are also becoming Kundalini teachers like me, and that's a wonderful thing!

Kundalini, according to Yogi Bhanan, who brought these beautiful teachings to the West of this yoga practice -- and every Kundalini yoga class is different because there are **thousands** of different classes that can be taught, and there are some that are **so** different from other ones. Some are so easy, some are very challenging. It's just quite a variety.

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Each Kundalini class, or they're called "kriyas", every set of exercises is for something unique like expansion of your mind, or cleansing your liver, or refreshing your kidneys, or opening your heart, or clearing self-hatred. All different wonderful applications that we can use in our everyday experience.

I'm excited for this retreat where we're going to mostly focus on forgiveness and being miracle-minded, and the four of us, we enjoy each other so much! We're going to have an awesome time! I hope you'll come and join us. We do have an Early Bird on right now. We do have payment plans.

I'm the only ministry I know of that really does these payment plans to **really** support as many people who would like to go being able to come. We can help with carpooling. We'll do everything we can to support you in coming to do the healing work with us, and you can go home and have a testimonial of your amazing healing!

One of the most wonderful beneficial remarkable healings that people have on retreat with me is relationship healing and clearing. I **love** that, especially when somebody says, "I'm going to go home and tell my spouse I'm getting divorced," and then that's not what happens when they go home! But sometimes, maybe it is. Maybe it is. Life supports being loving, and sometimes the most loving thing to do is to recognize that a marriage or a relationship is **complete** in its human manifestation.

I've done a lot of radio broadcasts and classes and things over the years on special relationship versus holy relationship. There's definitely a series of wonderful classes we did at LivingACourseInMiracles.com, and you can definitely find that topic a number of times here in the radio show archive.

The Best Gift is Giving Up Blame

Let's go back to *Responsibility for Sight*. I have found that in taking responsibility in my relationships, it brings **tremendous** benefit because as someone who's having a human experience, there are times when I inadvertently make a choice that really bothers someone. Of course, I can't read other people's minds. Not really. I can notice a lot of things, but sometimes it's not **for** me to notice. Spirit really **prevents** me from noticing it because it's all about that person needs to speak up, and sometimes they finally **do** speak up and say, "Hey! This really bothered me!" then I can say, "Oh! I -- geez! I wouldn't have known that that bothered you. Thank you

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for telling me. I do take responsibility for having said that, or done that, or not done that, not said that.” And, we really can’t take responsibility for how anyone feels except ourselves.

And, it is a complete and total game-changer in your relationship to take 100% responsibility for how you feel. It is one of the **greatest** gifts that you can give in your relationships, is to stop blaming the other for **anything**, not one thing!

Over the years, of course, we hear others say, we hear ourselves say, perhaps, “You make me feel so --” whatever it is. My mother said that to me once -- and it was a long time ago, and I was not as conscious as I am now. Also at that time, I didn’t know it, but I was coming down with the flu and I had a fever. I just thought I was upset, but I had a fever, so I wasn’t quite 100% really functioning well -- my mother said to me, “You make me feel so --” whatever. I can’t even remember what it was.

And I just snapped back at her. I said, “Really? I can **make** you feel things, Mom? Well, if I can make you feel things, then I want you to feel Joy right now! Give it to me! Let me see that Joy! I **want** you to feel Joy! I don’t want you to feel upset. I want you to feel Joy! I want you to feel Harmony! I want you to feel Peace! Feel it, Mom! Feel it, now!” [laughs] She was like, “Agh! Don’t start with me!”

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But I said, when I calmed down a bit, I said, “Mom, if I can make you feel upset, can’t I **also** make you feel Peace, and Harmony, and Joy? Do I **really** have control over your emotional thermostat? Or is it just sometimes? Help me out, Mom! How do I do it?”

But you know, most people will not take responsibility for how they feel. They’re **always** blaming it on someone else, and that was me. That was me! And so, I have so much compassion for it **now**, and I also realize how detrimental it is.

Just consider, who are you blaming for how you feel? Who is causing your upset? Is it someone else? Is it some other situation? Is it your work? Is it your employer, your coworkers? Is it the people that you see driving in traffic? Are they responsible for how you feel because they cut you off? I was

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talking about this in *Masterful Living* last night. Are **they** the ones who are responsible for how you feel?

Because if you think so, you're -- which I used to think, definitely. "You make me feel so --" was my standard go-to. "It's **your** fault! I would not feel this way if **you** did not do those things!"

Spiritual Maturity to Stop Our Self-deception

But as I spiritually mature, I take responsibility more and more, and so I can see, "No, their behavior is not causing my upset. What's causing my upset is my **interpretation** of it and the meaning that I **ascribe** to it, the meaning that I give it, and that is completely, 100%, within my ability to shift and change."

That's why He says here, in Line 6 of this Paragraph 2 of *Responsibility for Sight*, He says,

"Deceive yourself no longer that you are helpless in the face of what is done to you. Acknowledge but that you have been mistaken, and all effects of your mistakes will disappear."

Same thing as "The Holy Spirit will undo all the consequences of your wrong decision, if you allow it." This is where we **must** go, and we can go there quickly! We really can, and we can practice it all day, every day. We can start our day with, as Jesus recommends to us to do in *A Course in*

Miracles to say, "**You** decide for me." Right? Then we're not making these wrong decisions that disturb our Peace. "**You** decide for me. Please, decide for me! Decide for me what I will think, decide for me what I will do, what I will say. Let me dedicate myself to being truly helpful with every word, every action, every choice that I make."

It's our **choice** to think the thoughts of separation that upsets us. How could we blame the responsibility for our upset on someone else when they really can't make us think anything? They really can't. It's only if we decide we're a **victim**, and that we have no spiritual sovereignty, that we could

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ever agree that someone else can make us think another thought, a different thought than what we would choose to think.

I mean, imagine that you've decide you're going to think, "Today's a great day! Today's a great day for me! Today's a miracle day!" and somebody comes along and says, "Oh, no, you're not! Oh, no, you're not!" Could they really talk us about of it? They couldn't, unless we **wanted** to be talked out of it. You see, we do have choice.

"Deceive yourself no longer that you are helpless in the face of what is done to you."

For me, I was extremely spiritually immature, and I had all this spiritual information that was not healing to me. So, I was spiritually immature. **But** imagine an emotionally immature person, 10-11-year-old, who has the ability to understand, to cognize spiritual teachings, or mathematics, or how different scientific principles operate. They're **genius** at understanding facts, but they are emotionally immature. Right?

That's how a lot of us are. We've learned all this information, but we're spiritually immature because we don't **apply** it. We just **have** the information.

What I saw happening in my heart, in my mind, in my life, in my experience, and most **definitely** in my relationships, I saw that **I** was feeling more and more despair because I **knew** better, but I didn't **do** better. I **knew** the teachings of spiritual principle, but I wasn't willing to **live** them, because I still wanted to blame other people rather than take responsibility.

So, the only thing we need do for vision, happiness, release from pain and the complete escape from sin is to say, "I am responsible for what I see, and everything is just as I wish it would be. I **choose** the feelings I experience. I **decide** upon the goal I would achieve. Everything that seems to happen to me, I **asked** for and I am receiving as I have **asked**."

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That's how this world works. It seems hard to imagine how some of the things that seem and feel like betrayal would be anything we would ever **ask** for. From identification with the ego, from that perspective, we won't be able to see it. That's why we have to have faith and trust that these teachings are true, and be **willing** to hand over the steering wheel to Jesus, to the Holy Spirit, and to allow the mistakes to be undone.

"Acknowledge but that you have been mistaken, and all effects of your mistakes will disappear."

We Choose to Feel Punished

When I was a new Spiritual Counselor, 18-19 years ago, I would suggest to a client, from time to time, if I thought they were open to it, I'd say, "What about saying, 'Thy Will be mine.'?" The majority of people would say, "Ohhh! Oooh!! I-I-I-ya-uh -- no, thank you!"

And it's because people do not feel **worthy**. They believe in punishment, they feel **deserving** of punishment, and they feel like as long as they keep punishing themselves, maybe God -- they could fly under the radar, and God will not punish them. Right?

But if they say, "Thy Will be mine," they feel it is, #1, they are going to have to give up everything they enjoy -- no more beer, no more cigarettes, no more wine, no more sex, no more potato chips, no more sugar, no more meat, no more barbecue. Whatever it is, they're going to have to give up everything that they enjoy. No more ice cream, no more chocolate. It's just their mind goes right to, "If I say, 'They Will be done,' boom! Suddenly I'm vegan! I'm vegan without any sugar!" [laughs] "And I don't want to do that!"

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They also think that they're also automatically going to be punished, and for them, you know, for some people, the removal of beer and barbecue **is** being punished. It is! "No more wine means I will be punished, because I really enjoy my wine!" But this is not -- God is not saying that these things are unspiritual. It's all about how we hold it in our mind.

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A vast majority of people hold in their mind that eating sweets is bad and being vegan is somehow good. Right? But that's **not** a spiritual teaching. It's not! It's how we hold it in our mind. People will say things all the time like, "I'm trying to be good!" Wait a minute! What does **that** have to do with having cake or not having cake? "I'm trying to be good, so I'm not having any wine!"

We have to stop spiritualizing the things of this world and, instead realize that "I'm responsible for **thinking** this is spiritual or unspiritual. I'm responsible for **thinking** that God would punish me if I align my will, my sense of free will with God's Will."

A Course in Miracles tells us there's only the One Will. So, in order to have real deep relationship healing, we must take responsibility for all these projections, which doesn't mean we need to be punished for them. Listen to this,

"Deceive yourself no longer that you are helpless in the face of what is done to you. Acknowledge but that you have been mistaken, and all effects of your mistakes will disappear."

One of the mistakes is to think that, "I **should** be punished for --" whatever! This belief that God would punish is **our** responsibility. **We** have made this up! This is not how God works.

How God **does** work is, "What goes around comes around," in the sense of if we do

something that **we feel** and believe is bad and wrong, and if **we feel** and believe that people who do things that are bad and wrong should be punished, **we** are going to anticipate punishment, and **we** are going to interpret things **as** punishment, and then they will be painful.

Remember, this *Responsibility for Sight* says,

"This is the only thing that you need do for vision, happiness, release from pain --"

It could say, "Release from punishment" too!

"...and the complete escape from sin --"

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Right? The belief in sin,

“...all to be given you. Say only this, but mean it with no reservations, for here the power of salvation lies--”

There it is!

“I am responsible for what I see. I choose the feelings I experience, and I decide upon the goal I would achieve. And everything that seems to happen to me I ask for, and receive as I have asked.”

Think about this -- you're in relationship with somebody and **they're** having cake, and you think it's bad. You project it onto them, “Oh! They shouldn't be eating that! That's bad for them!” **You're** the one that made up it's bad for them! Release that thought.

Going back to the end of Chapter 5, “I must have made a wrong decision, because I am not at Peace! The Holy Spirit will undo all the consequences of my wrong decision if I let Him.”

We Are Entitled to Miracles

We **can** give these wrong decisions about our loved ones, about what's good and what's bad, to the Holy Spirit for healing **now!** We don't need any special forms to fill out. There's no place to go wait in line. Instantaneous, miraculous healing is what we are **entitled** to. We are **entitled** to miracles, because we are of God, and our mind **is** the Mind of God.

But if we're thinking other people should be punished for their sins, of course we **have** to be thinking that we should be punished, too, and we're going to be in fear of punishment, and we're going to project that out onto other people.

The greatest gift that we can give our loved ones is to stop attacking them with these kinds of thoughts. You know? I've seen this play out with people that people are worried and afraid that their loved ones are eating too much, eating the wrong foods, drinking too much, drinking the wrong things, that whatever their behavior is slovenly or slacking, or it's just bad, bad, bad, just judging “wrong, bad, bad, wrong. Not good.” And they are subtly, sometimes not so subtly, trying to make their loved ones feel guilty, and bad, and wrong, and ashamed, so that they will stop doing these things. This is **not** taking responsibility for what you see.

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If I see my loved one is behaving badly and wrongly, let me take responsibility for what I **see**. Let me say, “I do not know what anything is for. I am responsible for what **I** see. Everything is just as I wish it would be, and now I am done with seeing this. I am done with these projections. I must have made a wrong decision, because I am not at Peace, and so I’m giving the wrong decision and the painful goal, all of it, all mistakes, to the Holy Spirit for healing. And I’m willing to recognize that, in truth, **no** mistakes have been made because this place is an illusion. I’m willing to stand back from all of it and say, ‘I do not know, I do not understand, but I’d **like** to, and I’m asking the Holy Spirit to show it to me, to teach it to me, to let me know it and feel it for real.’”

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behaving badly and wrongly,
let me take responsibility
for what I see.*

It’s a **huge** leap to make in your relationships. However, you don’t make it alone. We make it together. We make it with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will do **all** the heavy lifting of leading you from the place of misery to the place of Joy. **Yes!**

It is the **same** small willingness you need to have your whole relationship transformed to Joy. That’s it, right there!

Inspirational Text Messages

Oh, my goodness! Oh, my goodness! Hey, I just want to say a reminder to the text messages. If you text the word “MIRACLES” to 35227 you can sign up for our text messages. You can also go to ACIMtexts.com

You can go to JenniferHadley.com to learn more about our March [events](#), the ones with Jon Mundy, Lisa Natoli, Corinne Zupko. Please check it out!

And, thank you to all the people who donate and contribute so that we can transcribe all these radio shows. Thank you for being a part of my life!

Closing Prayer

Let’s take that breath of Love and gratitude together and be so grateful that the Holy Spirit is leading us all the way. And so, it is. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Have a great rest of your week! Mwah!