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- *Communication, whether human or spiritual, should be about product, not process*

God and all of us on this side surround you and protect you and lift you up to the light.

We know of each of your concerns. Indeed, God has responded to them. You can be assured of that, for it has always been God's promise to answer when one calls out. Your concerns are many, and you must understand that it takes time, as you perceive it, to fully grasp that which is important to you, be it greater insight into your spiritual souls, the essence of your life, or be it matters of your physical bodies, matters of health or well-being.

We are here to transmit God's guidance to meet with all that is important to each of you. It is our responsibility. God has entrusted us with transmitting God's knowledge in forms that are understandable by you, and it is our greatest joy to serve you in this capacity. Yes, we serve you. We are not here for you to pray to us. You pray to God, and we pray for you. It is we who do the serving, and you who receive. This is as it should be.

Those of you who feel closest to God do so in service, in working for others. You are aware of receiving God's help and guidance, but it is in service to others that what you receive becomes part of the hand of God. We are talking here about communication, about communion. Communion is not words—it is service. It is vital to your lives in that through communication another may grow, another becomes stronger. You become stronger by helping another. It is common to think that communication refers to dialogue, but this is process—it is not product. The real meaning of communication as God intends it is product. We commune with you, but it is not the process that is important. Each of you knows that. It is the product, it is the effect on the lives of others, that gives these communions value in your life.

God communes with us, too. The method is the same—it is only more intense. But receiving God's light is not enough. God's light must be reflected. God's word must be reflected. Through this reflection God's light and word are magnified. You and we are the magnifiers. So communion implies responsibility. It is not enough to receive—you must spread your awareness as an outreach.

Many of the problems between individuals in their earthly lives are problems of communication. They cannot be identified adequately as hatred, resentment, jealousy. The root of these problems is in the communicating. It is the outreach that fails. It is the product which is lost sight of. Too much attention in life is spent on the process of communication. How often have you been hurt not by what someone says, but by the way it was spoken? You feel resentment or anger, and you find yourself coming back to the way in which something was spoken. This is what we mean by concern for the process of communication.

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There are those who would willingly discredit these words of God because of their inability to surmount the question of process. Logic cannot explain spiritual communion or oneness. Logic cannot explain God. Logic cannot explain the happenings of your world. Approaching these messages, as well as the realities of life between individuals or nations through logic is unsuccessful. Bring your attention to a seeking of purpose. Ask yourselves *why* and not *what*. *Why am I being called to do something, not what is the way in which I am called—the method, the technique.*

From time to time we try to explain what happens when you receive God's word through these communions. We do this as a way of instilling confidence in your ability to be open to God, but in truth the method is not important. It is the message which you should seek.

The world is observing strife between nations and smaller factions which is disturbing and confusing and upsetting. You may ask, "Why does God permit this?" The strife between nations and between people—individuals and collectively—is the work of humans. It is a problem of communications, of interpreting process as product. You say, "We had a misunderstanding." You use the term loosely, and yet it contains the whole truth, for many problems are really misunderstandings, not disagreements.

As you live your daily lives, look for evidence of the deeper meaning of communion with others. Look for opportunities to reach out to help another, to see another's viewpoint, to understand another. The purpose of that outreach, that seeking, the product of that effort must be mutual aid, sensitivity, love. Love in this way has many forms but the objective is the same: the realization that all of you are souls united in the family of God and absolute equals. If you feel another is your equal, it is easier for you to understand, to actively eliminate strife, and to so totally defuse tension that you will sense an overpowering oneness.

This is the presence of God in daily living. This is the presence of God in these spiritual communions. Your souls are one with ours, and together we are all one with God. That is why you feel God's presence so strongly in these gatherings. There is a sense of peace, a sense of closeness and acceptance among you all because you are aware of the spiritual reality of each person. There is no room for strife or dissension. The oneness with God is visible with the unity that you experience as you are open to God's word.

God's desires for your understanding of communication are for all of you. Each of you has had experience recently where communication presented difficulties, and you may gain strength from carefully studying what God wishes you to receive now. The application may be difficult, but the lesson is vital to your happiness, to the growing sense of the need for peace in the world, and for the development of your souls.

God looks upon each of you and sees your needs and answers your prayers. You are fortunate to become so aware of God as a reality and not merely a name in

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your lives. Feed on your awareness, nurture it, use it, and reflect this awareness in the way you live for all the world to see.

God blesses you, surrounds you with peace, and guides you throughout your lives always.

Amen.