Awaken Your Will Power

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Subject this morning: "Awaken Your Will Power."

Now to deal with this subject we gotta get, we gotta get some will into it, because most of us, especially in religious things, are just walking around – not much life. But to know God, the Master of the Universe, requires the greatest will. Because He is behind all action, He is the sole Doer to His, it is His Will, as I shall point out, that has created all things.

So first, let us discuss a few things about the power of will – the kinds of will power. Will, as you know, is the dynamo of volition. The motivator of all action is will. That's what will is. And, as I have said, it is God's Will which has created all things. Universe upon universe just didn't happen. But by the Power of God's Will, and all action from the grossest action, the muscular movement to the finest action of thought and emotion, is the result of will, God's Will.

Every action that you do, you do because of will. Now some of the action is done by God in you – the automatic action of breathing, heartbeat, respiration, assimilation – such things, the vegetative functions, go on. You don't have anything to do with it. But God's Will is the motivating power. So remember, will power, will power is a dynamo of volition. Will power is that which creates things. And we must know that will to be a true child of God we must unite our will with God's Will. Then we have His Power with us.

So remember, all action, all action is initiated and carried through by the Power of Will. "You may have," as the Master used to say, "a nice big table of food here; and you get there, and you sit down. But unless you use your will, and eat, you won't get the food, will you?" So every action, every action is initiated, carried through to fulfillment, by the Power of Will.

Now there are a few things which we should understand about the difference between various things like wishing, and willing, determination, blind will, and such things. We should know about that. There's a great confusion about the different, these different things, which are associated with will.

First, wishing – wishing is a desire, but you know it won't be carried through. There's always a doubt there. "Oh, I wish I had a million dollars. I know I'll never get it." There's a doubt in wishing. That's not, that's not will. We should differentiate between that. But will, will is a desire followed up by the application of energy to the fulfillment of that desire. Isn't that right? You desire to build a house. Unless you apply your will, gather together the energy, and carry it through to its fulfillment, that desire will not be fulfilled. So remember, will, will is the application of energy, carried through to its fulfillment.

Most people do not carry through. They start off with a great enthusiasm. "Let's go, let's join Self-Realization." Pretty soon it peters out. Why? Because they haven't carried their will through – remember, will must be steady. I will come to that shortly. Steady will is the will that moves. Not the explosive will of enthusiasm in the beginning, but that steady, steady will; that zeal which comes when you back up your will with God's Presence. That's the key to the application of will. That's the key to awakening your will power.

Now we come to another, another thing. Determination – determination is strong desire expressed in action. Some people have a tremendous determination, and they act, and they start off with a great big bang. But sometimes they fail. Discouragement enters in when fulfillment doesn't come. You understand? Now why is that? Because they haven't associated their determination with Truth; they haven't made the contact with God. That's Truth. If they had that then, the determination would carry through. And many people have strong determination, but they do not carry it through, because they do not associate with Truth. They do not make the connection with Truth, or God. If you have that, you never give up. Your determination lasts until your last breath. That's Real Will. That's how to awaken will, is to have the contact with Truth, or contact with God. So determination is good, but we must carry it through.

Now we come to blind will. Blind will, of course, is will that is not guided. We have the most wonderful illustration of this in the explosive will of youth. My, don't they go off with an explosion. But it, it peters out. It peters out, because it is not connected and founded on Truth. If it were founded and guided by Truth, it would be guided will. It would not peter out.

And so, like determination, blind will, especially of youth, blind will does not last, because it is not backed up by the Presence of God, His Great Contact. That's what makes will, will. Not just wishing, wishful thinking.

We have an illustration of blind will also in the establishment of businesses and professions. They do not succeed. Why? Because they didn't get the contact of God first, and know how to act; they didn't use their reason. They didn't use Wisdom-guided Will. They used blind, guided, unguided will, because they didn't make that contact first. "I will reason." And how can you reason, truly, unless you make the contact with God? "I will reason," then "I will will and act. Help me to do the right thing, O Father."

And so, blind will is will that is not guided. Not guided. Those who exercise blind will do not make the contact with God and Truth to guide their will. Naturally sometimes it does not succeed. It fails.

So then we come to human will. What is ordinary human will? It is will, guided by the ego – so human will is the power of the ego. But that's very limited, very limited. But when that human will, that limited human will, is changed to Wisdom-guided God's Will, then It's Divine Will. Human will is God's Will. There's no question. But it's limited by the ego consciousness, very limited. But when that human will is changed, that limited human will is changed to the Wisdom-guided Will of God, it's unlimited. There's no end to the Power of God's Will. And that Power of God's Will is right within us. And we will be one with it, and can utilize it, we can awaken it, when we make God contact. Well, if you want to change your human will, get God contact. Then your human will becomes All-powerful, because it is One with God's Will.

God's Will, as I have said, is All-powerful. God's Will, plus mind stuff – atomic energy – has made all things. Imagine. God's Will is the Sole Doer. God's Will, plus the mind stuff – atomic energy – has made all creation. And when we fission an atom, think of the tremendous power we get. But that's one atom. Imagine the power in the universe.

When you take the atoms of the universe, all held together by God's Will... So that's why when the saints united their will with God's Will, they had tremendous power. But, they all said, "I do nothing of myself, God is the Sole Doer." Jesus said that. All the great saints, they tremble before God. But when they unite their will with God, no power on earth can shake them. "They stand," as the Master used to say, "unshaken through the crash of breaking worlds." That's God's Will. That's what we want to awaken within us – His Power, His Great Will.

And so, as I have said, the key to the subject this morning, of "Awakening Your Will Power," is to change your limited human will to the Wisdom-guided Will of God in you. How to do it? By God contact; when you have that, then there's no limit to the Power which God can exercise through you. And you will say,

as the great ones say, "Father, not my will, my will is nothing, but Thy will be done." Change the human will to the Wisdom-guided Will of God within.

And now, just a little bit about metaphysics. Take just a few moments just to divert your attention for a moment. How, how, how does this Will of God work? Metaphysics of will, and science of will; there's a reason. Well, in the Cosmic aspect, you have read about Shiva and Devi. That's the Soul, plus the Soul's Power. In the universe it is Purusha and Prakriti – Soul, or God's Presence, and the Power of that Presence. In us, it's Soul and the Soul's Power.

Now when that Great Cosmic Consciousness of God and its Power enters into the lowest vibration of earth, then it rests. It's quiet. But look in the atom, the earth, the atom; look at the power that's there. When they split the atom, look at the atomic energy. Now in us, that same power has entered into the earth consciousness in the lower center in the spine, coccygeal center. And there, that Power of God, the Soul's Power, as the Kundalini Power, rests in a coiled state.

Now imagine the Power of God is in us in a quiet state, right at the base of the spine. If somehow we can rouse that, reawaken it, then all the power of the universe is with us. That's what it means in the Bible when it says, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness." Moses aroused that sleeping Power of God within us at the base of the spine. He aroused that Kundalini Power, and then that went up Moses' spine, and reawakened the Centers into his brain, and he united his consciousness with God's Consciousness. The delusion left him, and his will became one with God's Will. That's what this power is within us – the Kundalini Power at the base of the spine. It's God's Will in static form. We have to arouse it, wake it up. Then it enlivens us – makes us one with God's Great Power. So remember, within us is sleeping, that Power of God at the base of the spine. If we can somehow, arouse that. Then our will becomes changed into God's Will. Human will is superseded by Divine Will.

Now how, how does it work? How does it work? It works through the application of steady will. Steady will is that which we do not have. Steady will means will that does not give up until the desire is fulfilled. And remember, it is steady will alone that can change the outward flow of the Force of Creation,

which came out of Almighty God. Steady will alone can turn that back, that we return once more to God, from whence we have come.

Now, how does the steady whirl...steady will work? Within us, by the application of steady will, the Life Force – in the form of God's Power in the sensations, in the muscles, in the nerves, in the internal organs, heart, lungs and so forth – is turned back. It is reversed. Only the power of steady will can

reverse that tremendous flow of God's Creative Power, out. He has made universe upon universe. How are you gonna turn it back, except you apply steady will - will that does not give up?

And so, by following the techniques of Self-Realization, we can turn that Creative Force back – from sensation, from the muscles, from the nerves, from the internal organs – we can turn it back. First, to the sympathetic nervous system, or those subtle nerves, the Ida and Pingala nerves, it can turn it back there first. And then, by the power of steady will, steady push; it is poured in through the Christ Center at this point [the Spiritual Eye] into the deep spine within us where our Soul resides. And there, it awakens the Kundalini Power. Arouses it, finally, and when that is aroused, passes up through our spine, enlivening the Centers; finally, joining with the Presence of God in the cranium, in the brain. Then we become one with His Will.

But remember, only the Force of steady will can turn that, reverse that Creative Force of God in us, which has made this body, sustains it. But when we turn that back, it is that which arouses the Presence of God sleeping within us, and that's why those who have aroused that Kundalini Power have now eliminated human will, they have God's Will within them.

Metaphysics is not very difficult. The thing is to do, to follow the techniques given by one who had changed his will from human will to Divine Will, as the Master. He has given; he has made it easy, for those who will, to once more awaken the Divine Will within each and every one of us. We have to follow one, who has done a thing, do we not? Follow along a real teacher, a true Son of God, one who has united his will with God's Will. Then we, likewise, can feel the Power of God in us, and exercise that power.

One of the greatest illustrations of steady will is that passage in, in Daniel, the 10th Chapter of Daniel. Everybody should remember this passage, wherein we read as follows. That's the most wonderful, or this is the most wonderful example of steady will. Most of us apply will, get enthused, and then fall down.

We must keep going, if we want God. Steady will. If you're going to be a success in business, you must have a steady will. In any profession, you gotta keep everlastingly at it. How are we gonna know God unless we exercise that steady will? But, we can, because we're made in His Image.

So, in the 10th Chapter of Daniel, 12th Verse, this is what we read. Now this, remember this illustration of steady will. "Daniel, fear not, from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand..." if you go on and want to understand God, and set your heart on it, that arouses the steady will within, within you. Then it says, "The moment thou didst set thy heart to understand and to chasten thyself before thy God..." that's the application of steady will. Not just follow Spiritual discipline today, and tomorrow, and a month – but never give it up. So it says, "When thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words."

That means that Daniel set his heart to understand. He wouldn't be sidetracked. He kept his will steady. What is the result? God came to him. God's Will came to him. That's why it says, "and I am come for..." that reason. So, if you want to apply the steady will, remember that verse of Daniel, "set your heart to understand." Set your heart on God, and then let nothing deter you, until His Grace comes. Then your human will, will be changed into Divine Will.

And so, going on just a little more; how, how to "Awaken Your Will Power?" How we gonna awaken your will power? Unite your will, at the Christ Center with God's Will. This is the place, at the Christ Center, this is the will center. Your microphone may be broken, but you can repair it. Unite your will with God's Will, at the Christ Center. This is where God's Will comes in, through the Medulla Center, to make us, and, we can contact it, at the Christ Center. That's why we gather together the Life Force in the body and pour it into the Christ Center, because we contact God.

Now, a greater part of it that we do not utilize is stored in the Thousand-rayed Lotus where God dwells. And so, we must develop our will by more, and more merging in God's Presence at the Christ Center. More and more merge in Him. Develop, develop God's Will by being one with Him at the Christ Center.

Now, we bore into the Uranium atom. What do we get? We get a tremendous amount of energy. But, by boring into the Spiritual Eye, at this point, by boring into the Christ Center, you get what – the Energy of the Universe, because God is there. And so, to reawaken our will, we must develop our will by merging in

God's Presence within us. God contact is what we must have to develop our will. We must have contact with God. If we have that, as His Will has created all things, and is All-powerful, so our limited little human will becomes dynamic. We become one with God's Will.

Now comes the point, remember how you gonna know, how you gonna know that you've got God's contact. That's the point. How you gonna know that you're one with God and His Will is backing you up, and sustaining you? How you gonna know? You are to know this way. God in us is the Word of God, as I have said in the beginning. God, in us, is the Holy Vibration from which all things have come. Our bodies, creation, all things have come from the Word of God, the Holy Vibration. That's in us. How are you going to know when you contact it, or if you contact the Word of God you have the Presence of God with you? That's the important thing to remember. How are you going to know when you're in God's Presence? You will know this way: by the Holy Vibration gives off the Cosmic Sound, the Cosmic Light, and greatest of all, God's Great Love.

Now, when in your meditation you keep your attention at the Christ Center with steady will, don't forget the steady will must be there. Otherwise, you will not win. You keep your attention at the Christ Center with steady will, you hear the Cosmic Sound. You're in the Presence of God. You have contact with God, or you may see the Cosmic Light, which is the vibration – the Light aspect of the same Word of God. Seeing that, you know you have contact with God. Just keep the contact. Keep at it.

When you merge with worldly people, you become worldly. When you merge with God, you become Godly, do you not? And so, when you merge with God by being in His Presence, being in His Contact, by the Cosmic Sound, or the Light which comes, but greatest of all, is when you feel in your heart that Love of God, that All-pervading Love, which sustains you, and no force in the universe can disrupt it. When you feel that, you have God Contact. Having that, then you can be assured, if you keep steady will, that your little limited human will, will change to, and become, God's Will. But you must keep the contact.

That's why in the Master's Whispers [From Eternity], he says what? "I will reason..." Get the contact of God first. Most people will and act. Then they fail. Why? Because they didn't make the contact with God, they didn't find out how to act right. So first, "I will reason, I will will, I will act. Guide Thou my reason, will, and activity to do the right thing." How are you going to know to do the right thing? Get the contact with God.

Now Self-Realization techniques give us the contact with God. They show us how easily to contact God. First, we have to get our consciousness and mind concentrated – one pointed. With a diffused mind running here and there – taken up with all the little things of life – how can you contact God? So first, we learn concentration. Then we apply that concentration to the Presence of God in us as the Word, the Holy Vibration, with the Cosmic Sound, which you can hear by the technique; with the Cosmic Light, which you can see by the technique; and by the Great Love of God, which you can feel by following the Master who was one with God.

And so, if you are going to once more reawaken that God's Will within you, the first thing you must do, is to apply steady will to God's contact, which you have. If you have that, as all things are possible to God, all things, Jesus said that, "The things I shall do, I do, ye shall do and greater things." As all things are possible to God, so, you, being one with God, all things will be possible to you.

There is no limit. Remember this now. There is no limit. Remember this one thing. There is no limit to the Power of Will at the Christ Center to awaken within you. Now, remember that you are one with God. Having that, your will becomes God's Will.

Closing Meditation

Let us sit just for a moment together – meditate. Feel the great peace within you. God's Will, steady will, is not a boisterous will. It's that calm, deliberate Will of God's Presence. Have that. Nobody can stop you. No force can stop you from reaching God. Bore deep at the Christ Center, forgetting body, everything. Merge with Him.

Infinite Father, when I am away from Thee, I feel insufficient, but when Thou art with me, and I feel Thy Presence within me, I know, all things are possible, to me, according to Thy Will. Father, I will reason, I will will, I will act. But, O Father, guide Thou, my reason, my will, and my activity, to do the right thing, according to Thy Will. Om, Peace, Amen.

Now let us rise and sing our closing song. Sing with the great assurance God is with you.

"In the Beauty of the Lilies."

Closing Prayer Raise the hands.

Feeling oneness with the Great Father, and His Power, and His Strength. Fear not, for God is with us.

Heavenly Father, may Thy love shine forever, on the sanctuary, of my devotion, and may I be able, to awaken Thy Love, in all hearts. Make my soul Thy temple, make my heart Thy altar, make my love Thy home. Be Thou the only King, reigning on the throne, of all my desires. I bow to Thee, O Father, I bow to Jesus, I bow to the great ones, Babaji, Lahiri Mahasaya, Sri Yukteswarji, and with my love and devotion, on the altar of my heart, I bow to the beloved Master, for his sacrifices, for so many, and for me. Om, Peace, Bliss, Amen.