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Feature Story:

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And

The Unity Urban Ministerial School

The Creation Mind-Set

It was not a new discovery for me that there have been a number of extraordinary African American women who have been very successful. Many have created very successful careers and organizations in spite of the resistance of those who have stood in the way of change. Racial prejudices have been a factor in the struggles but not a determining one. When I began to count up the number that I personally know and those with whom I am familiar, it is a phenomenal history that should be acknowledged.

I recently published a book called *Dare to Be First* by one of the Memphis State Eight, Bertha Looney. She was one of the first 8 to attend what is now the University of Memphis. There are a number of African American women who have found success. Some, like Oprah Winfrey are household names. Some are politicians, actresses and musicians, but I am not writing about the ones everyone knows about. I am referring to less sung heroines who have been instrumental in creating and developing institutions that are ongoing and will benefit people for a long time.

I am referring to women like Rev. Johnny Colemon, founder of the Universal Foundation for Better Living and Christ Universal Temple in Chicago. I did not know Rev. Colemon; however, I began hearing about her from my earliest connection to the Unity Movement. Today more than 4,000 attend Sunday services at Christ Universal Temple.

Rev. Barbara King was the founder of Hillside Chapel and the Unity Center of Truth in Atlanta. She traveled the world developing New Thought Centers from Finland and Russia to the Middle East; and from South America to Africa. She was influenced to join the ministry by Rev. Colemon. I had the opportunity to interview her for my Core Concepts Show, which took place at Unity Christian Church in Memphis, TN. Rev. Ruth Mosley was from Olive Branch, MS, just south of Memphis. She founded the Unity Urban Ministerial School in Detroit MI. I got to know her because I published her biography by Rev. Vertell Allison-Talifero, called *The Book of Ruth*. I was able to spend some time with Rev. Ruth when she retired to Memphis.

I did not know Rev. Montee Falls but she was founder of the Unity Center of Memphis. While I did not have the opportunity to meet her, I have been a member of the church for a number of years.

These women are literally giants in their chosen field.

This month in Lightways we are featuring the Unity Urban Ministerial School and Rev. Sandra Wayne Campbell, the Executive Director. I personally find it inspirational looking at these creators and what they accomplished. In conversations with Rev Campbell over the last few years I have formed the opinion that she too will leave things better than she found them. A brief look at her history sounds remarkably like those I have mentioned

Sandra began her federal government career as a clerk-stenographer with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She would later learn that the manager who hired her was an original Tuskegee Airman. She was promoted to a secretary position with the newly formed Office of Civil Rights with the U.S. General Services Administration.

Sandra's dream was to become an airline stewardess, but that dream was thwarted by the rigorous standards that systemically prevented brown and black people from those positions. '

She left the government for a secretarial position with TransWorld Airlines, hoping it would be an inroad to becoming a flight attendant. Shortly after, threatened with job loss during a strike, Sandra returned to the federal government. She worked with the U.S. Department of Consumer Products Safety Commission, and later with the U.S. Air Force and the US. Army, before joining the Federal Aviation Administration. She started as a Secretary, went through Air Traffic Control training, and eventually became Manager of the FAA Central Region's Office of Public Affairs. While serving in that capacity, Sandra stood in for Bessie Coleman's posthumous induction into the Women of Aviation International Pioneer Hall of Fame. Bessie Coleman earned her international pilot's license in France on June 15, 1921.

During Sandra's 42 – year federal career, she earned her Associate's, Bachelor's and Master's degrees with honors, all while she and her husband (who was career military) were raising their children. She became an Adjunct Instructor, which was another step toward her career in education.

Early in Sandra's career, a woman found her crying in the restroom at work. She was expecting her second child and in a marriage that was not working out. The woman, Joann Franklin, gave Sandra a book, *Hidden Power for Human Problems* by Frederick Bailles. JoAnn took Sandra under her wings and introduced her to Unity. This set her on a life-changing trajectory. She later divorced and remarried. Five days after her marriage to her present husband her two-year old son died. That experience and her father's murder two years later were catalysts for Sandra to fulfill her dream to turn her mess into a message by becoming a Unity minister.

She had been taking classes off and on through Unity's Continuing Education Program (CEP) when she met Rev. Catherine Thomas, a Licensed Unity Teacher. It was Rev. Catherine who encouraged her to stay focused on her goal. When UUMS established Unity's first online ministerial education program, Catherine encouraged Sandra to enroll. In 2008, Sandra became the first student to enroll in that program. In 2012, she and two others were the first Unity graduates who took their courses online.

Sandra retired from her Federal government service in March 2012, and graduated from UUMS in May that same year. Shortly after ordination by Unity Worldwide Ministries in 2013, Sandra was recruited to teach ministry courses with UUMS, She was appointed to the UUMS Board in 2014, and became Executive Director in 2017.

What do the women I have mentioned and Rev. Sandra have in common? Most were forced to struggle along the way, whether to get an education, make a living or achieve anything of importance in their career fields. They were African American women who simply refused to be victims even while being victimized. They were creators and creation is a process that has two main words as the underpinning – INTENT and EXPECTATION. Quite ordinary people from humble beginnings develop extraordinary powers in their struggle and these two words play a role in their achievement. Once the intent was set, these creators were focused on the process of seeing it happen with full expectation that it would happen.

If you see yourself as a creator you are already on your way. If you do not, but would like to see yourself as a creator, you could certainly benefit by their example and the program of study at Unity Urban Ministerial School. Begin by learning about the Universal Principles, identify and verify them in your life experience. Establish the intent to create where you want to see yourself in a specific amount of time.

The saying that I begin the *Renford Affirmations* with is the key. "Anything the mind of man can conceive and believe he can achieve." As you can see from this feature article, *Anything the mind of an African American woman can conceive and believe, she can achieve*.

UNITY URBAN Ministerial School

Unity Urban Ministerial School offers an online graduate-level program in alignment with the academic credentialing requirements for the ministry path through Unity Worldwide Ministries. In addition to on-line courses, the program includes periodic face-to-face and virtual interviews, and a 9months internship leading up to ordination through Unity Worldwide Ministries.

The Unity Urban Ministerial School was founded by Rev. Ruth Mosley as a five-year pilot program in 1979 to reach those committed to living the principles of Jesus Christ as taught by Unity School of Christianity. In 1982, the Urban School graduated its first class. Those eight students, known as "The Detroit Eight," joined the Unity School of Christianity students at Unity Village to complete their final year leading to their licensing and

ordination by Unity School of Religious Studies in 1983. Since then, some 200 students have attended the Urban School. Practically all of them have become licensed and ordained Unity ministers. Unity recognizes how these leaders have played a key role in our understanding of what "unity" means, and how together we affirm today and always a path of inclusion for all.

The Unity Urban Ministerial School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin, religion and sexual orientation to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and scholarships.

Renford Revelations – Blogs, Articles and Essays

Leadership

Leadership qualities, and what it takes to be a good leader, are subjects of much discussion. These qualities and those of individual leaders are often compared. The question of leadership qualities, and what constitutes good leadership, is secondary. It is more important as to whether or not the leader has any concept of how to go about achieving the objectives of the organization. Does he have "success consciousness"? In other words does the leader know the only proven formula for success? In my training classes and articles I refer to it as "The Secret of Success." I have come to the conclusion that it is still a secret due to the quantity of poor leaders evident around us.

Many books on leadership and many profiles of great leaders have been written. I too could enumerate all the qualities and attributes of a good leader. We could even argue for days about which attributes to list and which is most important. These are individual qualities, which have been demonstrated by good leaders but no matter the quantity of such qualities the success of their term in office has been and will be determined by their understanding of the success formula I will cover in this essay. A leader may have deficiencies in the qualities listed in any book and still be able to make up for them and accomplish a worthwhile term in office if he has awareness of this success formula. It may seem an oversimplification of a complicated problem but when the simple logic of this success formula is examined, it will be evident even to the skeptic. The steps I will outline have occurred when success was achieved and they were absent when failure reared its ugly head. In cases of success and failure, the leadership attributes listed in the books may have been present to one degree or another in any leader. Assuming for a moment all the attributes listed by the experts are the ultimate deciding factors, where is the factor that makes the difference? I say the key factor is success consciousness and that it is rooted in understanding the Universal Principles explained in the first level of the Institute and in the Renford Books.

With understanding of the Universal Law of Being, (The fact that each individual is endowed with certain innate powers that he can develop and strengthen) there is a basis for the first requirement. 1) It is necessity to know where you are. By "where you are" I mean, where your head is and what your capabilities are. Capabilities may also refer to what resources you have at your disposal and what you can gather. Most think it is a given that one would know where one is, but that is often not the case. Many an organization has found itself with a new leader who is thought to be a great leader, but has little knowledge of what he has to work with. Many a new leader is confidently unaware of pitfalls left behind by his predecessor.

How can you plot a course if you do not know exactly where you want to go? How do you plot the course to where you want to go (once you know where you want to go) if you do not know where you are? If you do not know your capabilities and assets, you cannot properly plan even if you think you know where you want to go. Try using a computer program that plots a course for you the next time you plan a trip by car. Tell it where you want to go, but don't tell it where you are. It will ask where you are because it is not possible for it to chart your course without knowing this fundamental fact. The GPS systems will tell you where you are but the game of life only you can determine where you are.

We take to heart the fact that the Constitution of the United States says we are created equal. Anyone can learn to manage, can't he? We are equal only in that we have certain unalienable rights, such as the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We are not created with equal talents, capabilities, and temperament. The parable of the talents, as taught by Jesus, illustrates this point clearly. Each in this story had a different amount of

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talents. It was not the number, but what they did with the talents that made the difference. Each did know exactly what he had to work with. We too must be aware of what we have to work with to accomplish our objectives. Only then can we successfully go on to the next stage.

2) A good leader has a clear-cut vision of what he wants the organization to accomplish within a specific time frame. The listed attributes you will find in almost any book on leadership include "vision" but I mean more than just "vision." I mean a vivid picture with the timing of completion as critical as the picture. It is not enough to establish goals; there must be a specific target date. As in any situation whether personal or public we must know exactly what we want. If we do not know what we want, and when we expect to achieve it, how can we ever expect to accomplish it?

An airplane, bus or ship has an expected time of arrival at its destination. The objective is simply not enough by itself. Being able to determine what the organization really wants to see happen, and when, is therefore a prerequisite to planning. This is often more difficult than the planning, because most any organization will have as many opinions about this as there are members in the organization. Most failures are created here and never really make it to the planning stage. The failure of leadership is first the inability to focus the whole organization as one individual with one goal and specific time frame.

3) Once there are clear objectives, the planning is centered upon how to achieve these objectives. Even when there are clear objectives there is often such a divergence of opinion on how to achieve them that planning is almost impossible. An effective leader must know how to articulate the goals and the problems to be faced in order to get the cooperation needed to formulate plans. Due to this difficulty new leaders often appear to lurch from one set of plans to another, incapable of formulating policy, and buffeted by elements within the organization. This can be as disastrous as those leaders who have no clear objectives.

A grudging compromise between factions will not be sufficient to be considered effective leadership because the organization made up of individuals must function as one. Just as the specific goals and time frame had to be hammered out, the plans must also represent the collective desire of the individuals with a single plan of action. The airline pilot has a specific flight plan before he takes off. He simply would not be allowed to

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take off without one. It would be unthinkable. A ship's captain has a charted course. Can you imagine a ship leaving harbor without knowing its destination or expected time of arrival? Yet, the leaders of many organizations, even our government, often appear to be standing watch, instead of formulating specific policy objectives, and keeping peace instead of executing a well-formulated plan.

4) The fourth factor that all good leaders demonstrate is both the skill and determination to see the plan through to completion. Perseverance in the pursuit of the objective is often more important than skill. Good leaders will recognize their limitations and make sure that the proper skills are available to them but no one can take the place of a leader when it comes to determination and persistence. A leader with purpose, plan and persistence is 75% of the way to success. The moment the leader falters in this attribute of persistence and it is seen by the members, directors or the management team, the mantle of leadership has just changed. It has changed regardless of all other factors. This almost inevitably leads to problems that cannot be overcome unless leadership is reasserted and demonstrated.

5) While it is extremely important that the leader remain steadfast in the face of opposition, flexibility is the final key to success. We all admire "iron jawed determination" in our leaders. We fondly refer to them as "bull dogs" when they get their teeth into a project, or in pursuit of their goals, but when this persistence is misguided, or circumstances change, they must be able to recognize the necessity for change, or they can lead the organization to disaster. Our rockets to outer space from time to time must receive radio-controlled adjustments. Ships alter course due to winds and weather. Airplanes must alter course, climb or drop in altitude, in order to adjust to obstacles or headwinds. Flexibility on the part of a leader simply means adjustability to events, not the abandonment of the organizations goals. Flexibility cannot be overestimated in importance. In many cases, it is the life and death of the organization itself that is in the balance.

Wisdom is always to be valued in a leader above all else. It can be said with complete accuracy that a leader without knowledge of the five points covered is not wise. It is the understanding of the individual leader that demonstrates the leadership skills, but it is within the framework of this formula. It is not a matter of addressing the needs of the masses, or the faceless rank and file. Leaders find it impossible to move the masses except by moving the individual. If the individual is not motivated or caused to visualize a better world beyond his daily life, he will be unable to rise to the challenges of the future.

It is said of the American Presidency that the office has often made the man instead of his making the office. It has been under the most extraordinary circumstances that great leaders have come to the forefront. It may take the most extraordinary circumstances before people will be inspired to rise to the occasion. This will necessitate inspired leadership, but even inspired leadership without the framework of the formula I have outlined stands no chance.

Different organizations and institutions require different kinds of leaders. I have experienced, and made the mistake of believing I could lead any type of organization, simply by being an example. For example, I was president one year of a Kiwanis Club. The Kiwanis Club is comparable to the Rotary Club, the Lion's Club, and other service-oriented clubs. I knew how to do everything, from setting up fundraisers, publishing the bulletin, conducting the meetings and conducting membership drives. I had performed these functions as Chairman of these committees, and had served as Bulletin Editor in preceding years.

This is an international organization that has established goals and a specific plan, but the individual member must each year renew his commitment to the goal and plan. I assumed that because this international organization had the goal and plan that this part of the success formula was unnecessary. I obviously knew how to do everything but motivate the membership to act on their goals and plans. We fulfilled our normal objectives but failed to grow or achieve our potential, because I did not lead them to adopt their own stated goals and plan.

Each type of organization requires a different kind of leader. This is why a good legislator such as Lyndon B. Johnson, had difficulties in the executive branch. Jimmy Carter, who was a good hearted detail man, worked extremely hard, and is viewed by many as an ineffectual President. Both of these examples are an expression of my views, and are, of course, subject to the political viewpoint of those who have an opinion. Their goals and plans were simply not those of the people and in the end they did not have the flexibility to make the necessary changes.

Over the past few years we have experienced the phenomena of talk radio, which is an example of unexpected influence. In my opinion it has been successful because it allowed the everyday citizen to express his fears and desires as no other venue in history. The national audience of these conservative talk programs was the critical force in the 94 congressional and gubernatorial elections.

Sometimes, it seems only people who want to hear themselves on radio in front of a national and international audience call in. Sometimes it seems it is a forum for the mentally disturbed, but I have listened intently to both liberal and conservative shows, and have been impressed by the depth of insight and feeling expressed by the callers. This phenomenon may pass, as we are inclined to fads, but it is this kind of unexpected source which can play an important part in determining goals and plans that will make the formula work for our national leaders.

Ministers, teachers and parents lead. Volunteers lead and social service personnel should lead. Leaders in Science and Business must join for the future well-being of the world populace, and they must be aware of the other fields of knowledge. In other words, spirituality must become more evident. This is the only counterbalance to poor government leadership. Spiritual and political leaders must understand the needs of the individual in ways they have not always addressed in the past. Regardless of the type or size of the organization, I see all the attributes of a good leader as ineffectual, without the "success consciousness" formula I have outlined. No matter how good the leader is, or what qualities are possessed, in the final analysis, they are exercised successfully only within these parameters.

Building More Wealth – Member Manual

BMW Membership provides assistance with Credit Repair, Business Training, Savings programs, High Yield investment programs, as well as personal and corporate loans. The high yield investment program has established an amazing record. If you would like more information, send me an email and a representative of BMW will provide answers.

Editor's Note:

Last month I invited you to go to YouTube.com and type in **Renford Broadcast Network**. There are numerous interviews of authors, religious and spiritual leaders of all types and stripes and the Core Concepts Shows. Core Concepts included interviews of everyone from local Baptist preachers to Jesuit Priest. There are agnostics and Tibetan monks. There you will find answers with regard to where they have been and their journey to where they are now. You will be able to see what they believe and what they are doing.

Beginning the first week in July the Laws of Material Wealth Show will again be broadcast on blogtalkradio.com/Renford. This is an interactive program where you can call in with your questions and comments. We will also again be sending out a podcast from the Institute of Applied Metaphysics. These are lessons and blogs from actual classes at IAM.

The exact time of the shows and podcast will be posted no later than the end of June.

The Renford Books is now available as an e-book. The Renford Books Catalog provides some of the same information but this book explains the core purpose of the Renford Books. It provides background as to how the book came to be written and what you can expect to get out of each book.

Quote of the Month:

"Solid confidence comes from the knowledge that the source of success is "in here." By believing that the source of power lies outside oneself, one becomes powerless and vulnerable and, therefore, defensive and possessive. True success originates within, independent of external circumstances." David R. Hawkins M.D. PhD. – Power vs Force Pg 171

Humor Me!

An angel appears at a faculty meeting and tells the dean, "In return for your unselfish and exemplary behavior, the Lord will reward you with your choice of infinite wealth, wisdom, or beauty." "Give me infinite wisdom!" declares the dean, without hesitation. "Done!" says the angel before disappearing in a cloud of smoke. All heads now turn to the dean, who sits surrounded by a faint halo of light. "Well," says a colleague, "say something brilliant." The dean stands and, with the poise of Socrates, opines, "I should have taken the money."

Poet's Porch by Renford: Pure Potentiality

Without Being, talk of potentiality is nonsense. We would be talking about the potential of non-Being, which is the same as the potential of nothing. First, there must be Being, and we must understand the nature of our Being which is part of the diversity of The Whole. If we have this understanding, we have some perspective of our Being and its potential. Gaining this perspective is equivalent to being born in a dark cavernous hole with no sound or smell and suddenly having a bright light focused on your habitat. Once accustomed to the light, you discovered a stairway close by that was used for some utilitarian purpose without understanding its real purpose. This stairway leading to the world and its wonders was useless without proper perspective.

If we are part of The Whole that exists and has Being, then we must have something of the creative potential of The Whole, which resulted in our Being. It remains only to know what that potential is, how to exercise it, and for what purpose Being needs it. If The Whole of Being (Universal Being) has the power to create this infinite body of Being, it follows that the individual entities of Being making up The Whole Being must have potential in abundance. Being only need gain knowledge of its potential and, based on that knowledge, develop confidence and belief that it can make use of this potential.

When we recognize the true nature of our Being and the Absolute Unity we have with Universal Being, it might dawn on us in contemplative moments that we are pure potentiality and the essence of creation in process.

THE RENFORD AFFIRMATIONS

I know that anything I can conceive and believe I can achieve. Everyday ideas are coming to me. Every day I gain more confidence because I believe in myself. God dwells in me, and I can access God Power by recognizing my innate powers.

I know that there are certain Universal Principles or Laws upon which all laws, including the laws of physics, rest. I am persistent in my identification of these Laws in my life. I am using my innate powers to come into harmony with these Laws of life. I know that these Laws are the Divine Self-Expression and that through understanding them in my life experiences, I can BE STILL AND KNOW GOD.

I see all problems as challenges that simply require a learning process. I love them because they exist in Divine Love for my benefit. I understand that proper perspective is necessary to begin any work and I'm daily developing the capability to view my life in proper perspective.

The essence of God is in me and I am pure potentiality. Every thought I have creates. I am aware that I can create destructively as easily as I can create constructively; therefore, my every thought is observed as if I were outside looking in. Negative and fearful thoughts are immediately apprehended and brought into the light from the dark corners and hidden caverns of my mind. In their place, creative and constructive thoughts are building the edifice of selfknowledge and understanding, which is my birthright.

I know that there are no limits upon the abundance that is available to me, except those that I place upon myself. I am releasing all thoughts that restrict or limit me. I am attracting all the skills, people and materials that I need to fulfill my primary purpose. These assets and attributes are daily being placed on the infrastructure that I have created in thought. I am manifesting what I have imaged in thought.

I know that I am not alone but part of the absolute unity of all. I know that every action has a reaction. I know that all is connected; therefore, there are always consequences of my thoughts, attitudes and actions. I observe this and daily create an ever-expanding positive force.

I am giving of myself every day in every way. I share my wealth, time and knowledge, and the cosmos rewards me in multiples of my giving. It is inevitable that I receive when I give, because this is an expression of a Universal Law.

I know that no matter what I give or receive, there is only one essential ingredient, and this ingredient is the makeup of God. IT IS LOVE. Every time I share my knowledge, wealth or time, I am giving packets of LOVE—Packets of God. Love is all that I have been given, and it is all that I can give. I give love freely and daily.

I know where I am, who and what I am, and what I am capable of. I know that my capacity for energetic activity, creative thought and love is endless and that my energy supplier, Universal Being, is infinite. I take responsibility for what I have and will create. I know that what I create in thought, and give the power of emotion to, will be manifested. I AM IN EVERY WAY CREATING MY LIFE! & &

An Exhilarating Statement

By Bernard Dozier

My friend of many years, fellow minister, Dr. Catherine Ponder, comes up with exhilarating statements of truth that whet the soul's appetite for more of God's goodness.

Goodness covers a lot of spiritual territory, so Catherine's statements narrow it down to the forms of goodness that Jesus described as our "daily bread." But the whole truth is that her statements are, themselves, soul sustenance.

A powerful statement, in her May "Keys To Prosperity" newsletter caught my eye. In fact, I typed copies of it and posted around the house, so Chris and I are reminded of its truth everywhere we look. Here's Catherine' statement:

"I am beautifully and appropriately supplied, housed, clothed, and transported with the rich substance of the universe now. I bless my world with abundance, and I am rich in mind and manifestation now."

In metaphysical circles a statement such as this is called an "Affirmation." It's an affirmation or declaration of faith that God is a loving and super generous provider for each of His children.

Our consciousness loves such statements because they oppose, banish, and replace our unproductive beliefs, and we all have our share of negativity that robs our lives of peace, strength, wholeness, and

goodness. That negativity shows up when we read such statements, and our reaction is, "That can't be true...just look at the mess I'm in. Just look at all I don't have." But...

Affirmation of truth is Spirit's way of housecleaning...clearing the mind of the messes and insufficiency created by negative thought and undisciplined emotion. Affirmation lets the mind hold firm to that which is of God...goodness, truth, love and light.

Affirmation leads to the true assumption that God really is in charge...and that God is infinitely more powerful than our puny little negative beliefs, emotions, attitudes, and suppositions.

With affirmative prayer start where you are with what you have. You have your "mess" which you don't really want, and you have the truth. Although the truth seems untrue, unreal, and unrelated to the "reality" you see, proceed by affirming what's true even though your consciousness has mistaken messiness and lack as changeless curses upon your life.

Affirmation lifts consciousness so you can choose on a higher, holier plane than the negative depths where all the messiness and insufficiency are. Affirmation IS exercising your right to choose how much of God's beneficence you want to claim, enjoy, and share each day.

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And HE said, "My Presence shall go with thee, and I will thee rest!" -Exodus 33:14

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it! -Psalm 34:14 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of GOD! -Matthew 5:9

Stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the word of God! -I Samuel 9:27

Because we have sought the LORD our GOD, we have sought Him, and HE hath given us rest on every side! So that they built and prospered! -II Chronicles 14:7

Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still! Selah! -Psalm 4:4

Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD! -Psalm 27:14

Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for HIM: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

-Psalm 37:7

I waited patiently for the LORD; and HE inclined unto me, and heard my cry! -Psalm 40:1

Be still, and know that I AM GOD: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth! -Psalm 46:10

Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and HE shall sustain thee: HE shall never suffer the righteous to be moved! -Psalm 55:22

Trust in HIM at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before HIM: GOD is a refuge for us! -Psalm 62:8

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee! -Isaiah 26:3

In returning and rest thou shall be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not! -Isaiah 30:15b

And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness, and assurance forever! -Isaiah 32:17 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint! -Isaiah 40:31

May God our Father and The LORD Jesus Christ, give you grace and peace! -Galatians 1:3

And the peace of GOD that transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus!

-Philippians 4:7

While they were still talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you! -Luke 24:36

So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my GOD! -Genesis 28:21

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer, I have overcome the

world!

-John 16:33

O' How I miss my sweet little Mommy's Spirit, yet God continues to bless me with her DNA, while fulfilling the torch that she left for me and His Purpose for me! Those precious memories...numerous hugs, kisses - galore, and the talks about TRUTH...all remain in my heart! There's a peace that surpasses all understanding, in my Soul!

To share a most favorite Sacred PRAYERSCRIPTIONS! © "...provide for those who grieve to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORDS for the display of splendor." - Isaiah 61:3

Lightways reader-friends please take the month of June to consciously consider practicing PEACE, from the Inside Out! As we certainly need it now, more than ever! And So It Is! Amen!

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Allergies, My New Instructor

Spring allergies have been a companion for as long as I can remember. This year I have noticed, in particular, how they affect my mind. In the past it was more about trying to balance not getting stopped up leading to a sinus infection with taking so many antihistamines that I either felt woozy and sloth like or way too zippy for anyone's good. Dried nettles have been the answer for me as they have allowed one 24 hour antihistamine to be enough. Plus wearing a mask when I go outside. That has been a pleasant side effect of Covid times. Now that masks are a normalized part of life, like they are in many other countries, I plan to continue during the pollen times. Love trees but, oh my, how they make me feel like a tired old achy sneezy rag.

And my mind, my spirit if you would, aches too. So this year I've been looking at this frame of mind and considering that something I am very familiar with, is really not that uncomfortable, and certainly not life threatening, my Spring allergies, could be a very useful tool for preparing myself to face old age, serious sickness and someday my death. By actively using an irritant that is present for a couple of months, like allergies, I am experimenting by noticing when my mind sinks into a heavy snot like state and then relaxing while giving it an inner hug. I recall I am doing so to be better prepared for more serious circumstances. It puts a different, more beneficial and uplifting, spin on something I already chronically have to deal with. Might as well put it to good use.

Happiness, for the most part, comes from within the mind. It really doesn't originate from, nor is it removed by, outer circumstances. It is a choice. A powerful choice. I invite you, and remind myself, to look closely at arising "happiness dampening" events and inner mind states to see if there is a way to restructure, redesign, reconsider or sometimes just view them from a more relaxed and humorous angle. Something can be important yet not become a big deal. We can just ache and hurt without adding to it.

Unruly as it seems sometimes, mind can be tamed and become our friend and ally. It is the place where we can make again and again the choice to claim our rightful power of response. For it is in the mind that we grow and strengthen those good qualities most of us learned about in Sunday school: patience, hope, charity, forgiveness, diligence, and the greatest of all, love. These mental qualities that we develop by claiming our rightful power of response are important because they make for the foundation of a happy, well- lived life.

This doesn't happen quickly since we all have a lot of deep habit patterns and beliefs that stand in the way. Yet think about it for a moment. Why not put the obstacles, problems, bummers, and tragedies that happen to us to good use - table scraps to compost.

Candia Ludy will be contributing articles monthly. If you would like to know more about Candia, she was featured in the May issue of Lightways.

First Level – The Universal Law Society

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Laws of Material Wealth Personal Development Program on blogtalkraio.com/renford: Thursday at 8:00 CST beginning the first Thursday in July.

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The RBR Hosts program has developed into a fraternity of teachers, healers, creators and service oriented personalities. We have formerly been limited to two hours per day broadcast time with 12 shows per week. Of course this limited the number of Hosts, the genres and the audience we could reach. We think that those who are producing these shows and working to provide information and services to listeners worldwide are dedicated and the potential for an expanded network is present. This is a diverse group and each host has appeal for a segment of the listener base and may create their own listener base. While we may have differences in belief systems, skills and approaches to the public the core intent is to serve. We have a variety of backgrounds but as hosts we all want the same thing. We want successful shows with a good audience base and to share what we have come to know by interviewing service oriented guests.

Contact iamrenford@gmail.com for information regarding your participation in the Hosts Association. We will forward the Hosts Association Package.

Rev. Bernard Dozier, and Chris, check in from their secluded retirementcommunity home outside Ocala, FL. He reports that his online ministry, <u>www.HolyQuestMinistries.com</u>, is reaching a growing "Cyber-congregation" through his free weekly Bright Side commentary, his IAMPress-published book, *Walking in the Light*, and his Soul Springs Prayer Ministry. He thinks much of the growth is due to the cyber-community "liking" and "following" his quotes, which are as challenging as they are spiritually stimulating. Chris' artistry comes in handy every day as she turns his quotes into visually-rich posts to his "Bernard Dozier" accounts on Facebook and Instagram. Rev. Dozier and Chris may be contacted at <u>rbdozier@icloud.com</u> or <u>rbdozier@HolyQuestMinistries.com</u>

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Inner City Interfaith Group

Our objective is to promote a strong sense of unity, spiritual awareness, and create working relationships in the Tri-state area, between the Children of God. It is not to propagandize or proselytize.

The November session was held at the Benjamin Hooks Library on Poplar in Memphis, Tennessee. Contact the Program Director, ShukriyyahSchexnayder@gmail.com for the next meeting date and location.

Some of the panelists have been: James Renford Powell from the Institute of Applied Metaphysics, Rabbi Joel Finklestine of Anshei Sphard Beth El Emith congregation, Imam Rasad Al Sharif, of Masjid Al-Mu'minun, Dr. Namabl Webester, Minister Anthony Muhammad, Bishop Richard S. Floyd of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. And Rabbi Sarit Horwitz of Beth Sholom Synagogue and Rev. Eric Donaldson of Unity Christian Church.

If you would like to participate as a panelists or simply attend, please contact the Program Director.

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Wayne Knerr | diplomate in oriental medicine | licensed acupuncturist



Becoming a licensed Acupuncturist with NCCAOM certification as a Diplomate in Oriental Medicine has been a 7 year odyssey of faith and perseverance. Closing a successful intuitive healing practice, moving to Boston, MA, a great learning mecca, to become a fledgling student at the New England School of Acupuncture at the age of 57 was truly a leap of faith. Completing the rigorous dual track program (Japanese/Chinese style Acupuncture along with Chinese Herbology (4 years in 3 years) has steeped me in the rich history of Traditional Chinese Medicine and has given me a disciplined, totally unique, paradigm to sort through complex health issues along with the ability to develop effective treatment strategies.

Before I could even be considered for entrance at NESA I decided to complete all of prerequisite classes at the University of Memphis. Being immersed in the Western Sciences for 3 1/2 years at the University of Memphis has given me a great foundation to understand how a Western Physician might perceive and treat the health challenges that is being presented by the patient. Moreover, taking these classes certainly gave me a

unique perspective on the 4 semesters of Western Pathology classes that were taught at NESA.

I'm currently in the process of integrating Acupuncture, Chinese Herbology, Standard Process Supplements, tuning forks, Craniosacral Therapy along with the diverse skills and gifts that I've developing since I first opened my intuitive healing practice in 1990.

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Renford Revelations

For over 5 years I have been interviewing people on my radio shows and for the past year and a half I have been interviewing for the **Book Man Show** and the **Core Concepts** series available on YouTube.com.

The Book Man Show has featured authors and we have delved into what they believe and what the book is about. On **Core Concepts** the format was basically, what do you believe? Why do you believe this? How did you come to believe this and how has this manifested in your life?

I view the **Renford Revelations Show** as the same except it will be about **The Renford Books**, the organizations I have formed, such as the Institute of Applied Metaphysics and the Church of Revelation. It is about my articles on www.selfgrowth.come.

At present there are 5 volumes of the Renford Revelations with 52 blogs, articles and essays in each.



Introduction to the Renford Books

The Introduction to the Renford Books is being repeated in this edition; however, next month links will allow you to directly download the Renford Books Catalog which contains the basic information on the books. It will be sent on request and will be available at www.IAM-COR.org.

As I have noted, "You can travel to the furthest recesses of any continent, endure years of discipline, have personal time with a master teacher, learn to develop psychic capabilities and experience intense visions; but sooner or later, the Universal Laws must be consciously identified and verified from your life experiences in order for you to truly know your Self."

People all over the world are discovering that they can study world religions and philosophy and go to great lengths to develop spiritually and still not really go far in the process of self-discovery. We would like to introduce you to the Renford Books because this author demystifies the process. He brings out the ultimate master in each of us. We start with the conscious process of identifying and verifying each of the Universal Laws from our life experiences. Once they are clearly understood on a conscious level, we begin the process of self-observation and let the intuitive mind, the inner being, take over.

Renford wrote each of the Renford Books with a particular type of reader in mind yet the subject matter is similar in that always he is dealing with the Universal Laws. Renford says he has been asked often why he is always talking about the Universal Laws. He says "there is nothing else to talk or write about." Every thought and every action we take, no matter how wrong we might be, is based in these laws. We live move and have our being in them and it is imperative that we understand them.

In this document, now included in each book, Renford is giving a little history as to why he wrote them, for whom they were written and why. At the heart of our thinking when we consider reading a book the essential questions are, what is in it for me? How will I benefit by reading this book? The purpose of this document is to address these questions.

The Searcher's Road Map

The Searcher's Road Map introduces the reader to the Universal Laws, the Renford Books, the Institute of Applied Metaphysics and the Universal Law Society. This book promotes no religion but seeks to show how we are alike as opposed to how we are different. *The Searcher's Road Map* could be called a marketing piece. Renford wanted to create a book that looked like a book, would be accepted as a book but really would serve the purpose of introducing the reader to the whole program.

The COR Document

The COR Document is the manual for the Church of Revelation. It addresses the problems that beset religious organizations and explains the mission of the group. The Church of Revelation was established to provide assistance with the personal ministries of graduates of the Institute of Applied Metaphysics. This book defines an organization that is structured so that the best interest of the individual member is held as première. Both Krisnamurti and Yung noted that as soon as an organization is formed the interest of the group supersedes that of the individual. Where this occurs in a spiritual organization a barrier is created to self-discovery. COR is based on knowledge and understanding, not on politics or tenure.

The Rules of the Game

The Rules of the Game introduces the Universal Laws in the simplest manner possible. It is not an in-depth study, but provides a basis for understanding of the Laws. Many people do not consider what Jesus or Buddha had to say as relevant to their lives today. They are not really interested in the great sages. Some are, however, interested in what Vince Lombardi, Lou Holtz and Bear Bryant had to say. These legendary philosopher coaches may never have thought in terms of Universal Principles but the quotes recorded in this book show they understood the principles about which they were speaking. The game of football is shown to be analogous to the Laws of Life, and the quotes illustrate that even on the simplest everyday matters of life, these Laws are in play. It was Renford's intention to provide as simple an explanation of each Universal Law as he possibly could and avoid any trace of religious doctrine or dogma. He wanted to create a book that could be used by sports organizations or any kind of group that supports youth development.

The House That Namuh Built

The creation of meaningful allegories, in fact, the writing of allegories, is an art form that some think is disappearing. When you find a good allegory that is expressing a Universal Principle, it can have a powerful effect on your life. *The House That Namuh Built* is about first a man, and then a whole people who begin on the path of Self-discovery. Again, it is about the Universal Laws, the invariant facts of life, upon which we can base our understanding for Self-discovery. This is a modern day parable, an allegory of the process of Self-discovery. Everyone in the story represents an attitude, an emotion or a Universal Law. The purpose of the book is to aid readers in the process of identifying and verifying the Universal Laws from their own life experiences.

The initial intent was to write a book for young people that would introduce them to the process of identifying and verifying the Universal Laws in their life experiences. The first draft was about 19 pages. It addressed the subject of the levels of mind and it took more than 5 years fleshing out characters and creating stories within the story to illustrate each of the Laws. Renford says he has received more feedback from readers regarding this book than any other.

In Search of Self

This is a book of prose and poetry that parallels the other books in the study of the Universal Laws. You will find that one of these Laws states that to truly understand anything, one must experience it personally. *In Search of Self* is the rendering of the Laws in verse. It allows readers to experience the process of identifying the Universal Laws from one's life experiences. Renford says this book is more personal to him than some of the books because it reflects his process of self-discovery. These poems were written over a long period of time and were collected into sections that pertain to each of the Universal Laws.

It was not Renford's intention to write a book of poetry but he simply put a collection together of his works over a long period of time. He has noted that

he approaches poetry differently. It is as if we have to pay more attention to every line in order to grasp the real meaning.

The Laws of Material Wealth

This book was written for those who are pondering career changes or contemplating going into business for themselves. It applies Renford's understanding of the Universal Laws and his experience working with entrepreneurs, especially in startup situations. For many people developing their own business is a compelling idea. Sometimes a hobby or particular activity is all that really interests some people. *The Laws of Material Wealth* helps readers understand where this is coming from and why it is important for them as part of the creative process. The fundamentals based on the Universal Principles of creation are the foundation no one can ignore.

This book was written while Renford was working in venture capital. He was raising the money to raise the money. In other words, seed capital, the funds necessary to get into the position to approach venture capital, securities companies or angels. He came to the conclusion that though his clients saw everything as a money problem, the real problem more often than not was management and their unrealistic expectations. He used a number of examples from this period changing the names to protect the guilty!

The Laws of Material Wealth Workbook

The Workbook for *The Laws of Material Wealth* follows the chapters in the book and includes four - five exercises in each chapter dealing with a Universal Law. Sample questions one may need to ask are included. The primary purpose is to assist the reader in the process of identifying and verifying each of the Universal Laws in his own experiences and making application of this knowledge in the creation of the image held in thought. Whether a business, career or a non-profit project this is the process of creation, and above all else each of us are creating our lives.

Support for the Laws of Material Wealth

Once a student has the book, the workbook and the 4 DVDs he receives access to the 54 weeks of support material and online coaching. The support material is delivered by e-mail and the radio program on the RBR Network

called The Laws of Material Wealth Personal Development Program constitutes oral coaching on each of these 54 weeks of support material. The shows are available at present in the archives of the RBR Network at www.blogtalkradio.com/renford and will be available on DVDs for those who purchase the program. The support material will be published as an additional workbook for the program.

The River of Life

This book is primarily written in verse. It is about the eternal nature of being. It picks up an entity that is between physical lives and follows him on his journey down the river of life. It addresses the various theories of life after death that is usually dumped under the general term of "reincarnation." Christian dogma starts the clock on the nature of being with physical birth, and this essentially denies the word "eternal" except in terms of an eternal reward or punishment. This book points to the fact that the word eternal means **without beginning as well as without end**.

The Mysteries Revealed

This book looks at the meaning of the most controversial of the biblical books – the *Book of Revelation*. Many equate the word "apocalyptic" with the word "catastrophic." "Apocalyptic" does not mean "catastrophic." It means revelation. It is also called the *Revelation of John*. Dreams can seem crazy when viewed in relative consciousness, so it is important to use the language of the mind. Since there are a number of visions mentioned, *The Book of Revelation* should be treated and interpreted as a dream. Though most consider *The Book of Revelation* simply to be a book of riddles, there are those who teach a religion of fear based upon it. It is really about moving **from fear based feeling to love based living**. *The Mysteries Revealed* is a metaphysical interpretation of the *Apocalypse of John* – the revelation of Jesus. It is a roadmap to self unfoldment. It is the mysteries revealed.

The Metaphysical Bible

It is a mistake to think that one can interpret all the books of the Bible in exactly the same manner. One cannot interpret all these books literally, metaphysically or with any set formula. Each book was written by the writer to a specific individual or group for a specific reason. *The Father Confusors* deals with physical events described by ancient witnesses from

their only points of reference. *The Metaphysical Bible* deals with scripture that is obviously metaphorical or metaphysical in nature. Popular and familiar passages such as *Isaiah* 55, the Lord's Prayer, the 23rd *Psalm* and others are revealed in a different light. The deeper, and with all due respect to theologians and philosophers, clearer picture of what was being said is recorded for your study. Some, if not all, of the passages that are metaphysically rendered can be found in various Renford Books, but they are all together and in an easily understandable order in this book.

Included in this book is a chapter on how we got our Bible. Many think of it as something that has always existed but it was a collection ordered by an Emperor who was himself not a Christian. What should or should not be included is still a matter of conjecture with the Greek Catholics, Roman Catholics and Protestants, not to mention the Gnostics, putting forward their collection as the Bible.

Renford Revelations Volume One – Volume Four

Included in these books are blogs, articles and essays by Renford on a variety of subjects of contemporary interest. The power that can be gained by understanding of the ancient teaching of the Masters come alive with understanding of applied metaphysics. Without a practical way to understand and harmonize with the Universal Laws, the benefit is limited to the intellect or faith. The Essays are revelations that come from the process of identifying and verifying the Universal Laws from life experiences. They have been delivered on Internet radio, Internet Article Centers and included as chapters in some of the Renford Books.

The Father Confusors

This is a study of ancient scripture and the parallels that can be seen in related stories. It is in the third level of the Institute of Applied Metaphysics and builds on the lessons learned from the Universal Laws. Once the Universal Laws are understood, at least on a basic level, *The Father Confusors* helps differentiate between Universal Being – God and alien entities that were thought to be God or posed as God. The First Cause, the Creative Force we call Universal Being, is identified through the Divine Self-Expression, the Universal Laws. This book deals with numerous incidences described by ancient witnesses from their point of reference and what they are describing is not God nor God-like attitudes and actions.

Witnesses describe an incident from their point of reference. Ancient witnesses could not include all the technological advancements of the 21^{st} century.

The Core Teachings

This book identifies thirteen Universal Laws that were taught by the Great Masters. The emphasis is on how their teachings were alike as opposed to how they were different. It can be read in two ways. It may be read as any book from front to back in the normal way or the reader can take any one of the Universal Laws and follow the thinking of the Masters one by one. You can read what Buddha had to say about one of the Laws in the Dhammapada - what Lao Tzu said in the Tao Teh Ching, what Vedic writers said in ancient Vedic texts - what the Zen Masters said - what Jesus said and what Mohammed said. The book moves on to famous writers and teachers such as William James, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Thomas Troward, Wallace Wattles and Napoleon Hill. The last author quoted is Dr. David Hawkins PhD. The reader can get a more comprehensive picture of a Universal Law than any other way. Readers and students can see for themselves how the original teachings parallel each other. In the process of this study what has been added can be identified. To some degree, there is an introduction to the Universal Laws in virtually all of the Renford Books, but in The Core Teachings, there is a more in depth study of the Laws.

The Unity Principles

This book is a study of the writings of Charles Fillmore and Emily Cady and records what they said about the Universal Laws in comparison to what are commonly accepted as the Unity Principles. No matter how the Unity Principles are represented today, we can see in this book that Fillmore and Cady were very specific in their statements.

The 5 Unity principles as they are explained by the ministers of Unity Church of Christianity are really principles that any Christian could agree with. However, when we look at the specific statements of Cady and Fillmore we find very specific definitions of each of the 13 Universal Laws that are unequivocal. These statements, unlike those put forward officially as the Unity Principles orthodox Christians would not agree with. The Principle of Absolute Unity, for instance, is clearly stated in Unity as, "There is only one power in the universe." Orthodox Christianity says there are two warring powers battling over the souls of men, God and angelic army and the devil with his demonic forces. Duality is predominant throughout traditional Christianity.

The Universal Law Society Workbook

The ULS Workbook contains the multiple choice Lesson Questions for the books and essays that make up the first level of study for the Institute of Applied Metaphysics. The first level is called the Universal Law Society because each of the Renford Books deals with the Universal Laws. The essays have True and False Lesson Questions. This is the workbook necessary for those who want to complete the ULS and become eligible for ordination by the Church of Revelation as Minister – Teacher.

The IAM Masters Workbook

In the second level, the M. A. Program, the focus shifts to the process of manifestation and acceptance. The purpose of this level is to engender understanding of the process of creation. In fact many of the teachers who have studied the Universal Laws call them "the Laws of Creation".

It is obvious that masters, such as Jesus, saw our purpose for being here to create and be productive. we have the illustration of Jesus wilting the fig tree because it was barren. He told the parable of the talents which emphasized the need to be productive and explained what the primary enemy of the individual is, "Fear".

The PhAM Workbook

This workbook contains essays with lesson questions and all assignments. It also includes all of the multiple choice questions for the texts in this level. This is a required purchase for one who wants to complete the third level. The material in this level is advanced information not readily available in most esoteric schools. Completion of this level entitles the graduate to teach any courses in this level as well as ordination as a Doctor – Metaphysician in the Church of Revelation.

The Author's Workshop

This workbook is the text taught in workshops and is provided for paying students as part of the price of the workshop. It can be purchased separately but it is in outline form and much is to be gained from the explanations covering it. This is a complete guide to aspiring authors. Publishing is defined, what to expect as part of the process and what to do when you have your book is covered. The workshop is generally presented in a three hour format beginning with a clear picture of how the publishing business has evolved and how to adapt to these changes. This is important if a new author is going to be able to make informed decisions. With this knowledge it will be much more difficult for anyone to take advantage of a new author. Cost cannot be hidden if the author knows what the process is. When you know the questions to ask publishers and people who assist with publishing recognize that you want an itemized fixed cost in advance and that you intend to maintain control.

Half Enlightened Masters

The purpose of this book is to familiarize the reader with the steps to be taken in the process of self-discovery. In order to accomplish this process it is helpful to look at ways people have tried to do this. Religion has been the main focus. The occult world is another, which includes the search for a perfect master in the popular Eastern tradition. Renford is offering his observations with regard to organizations covered in this book because he has been able to study and spend time with supporters of these schools of thought. They were not selected for critiquing purposes. Basic information is provided and readers can take the time, should they so desire, to investigate any or all that has been included.

The Literalist Conspiracy

This book gives an accurate picture uncolored by the Catholic Church story line. It reveals the facts about the first 50 years after Christ, the Ebionites under James the brother of Jesus in Jerusalem as well as the coming of the Gnostics. It reveals a small group of the lowest level Gnostics, called Hylics who interpreted the myths with meaning written by Gnostics literally and turned them into narratives. It is about the state of Christianity through to the Nicene Council in 325. It traces the development of a new aggressive and violent religion founded by the Emperor, a non-Christian, for political purposes. This new religion was structured along the lines of the Roman Military, and combined with the state apparatus, created a resilient theocracy that when the state failed continued to develop through other states. This book contains information on existing and competing religions at the time and the role politics played in the creation of the Bible.

The Revealer

The Revealer is an in depth study of the mission of Jesus, the religious and political scene at the time of his recorded life and the very essence of his teachings. This book deals with the secrets he said he was there to reveal. He said these secrets had lain hidden from the foundations of the earth. In the same verse, *Matthew* 13:35, where he sates this is his purpose for coming. The writer of *Matthew* goes on to say, "And he spoke to them in parables and without parables spoke He not." This very clearly tells us where the secrets are to be found.

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It is clear that the basic and most effective way to be healthy is to be completely healthy. We mean by this, healthy in mind, body, and spirit. Any other approach yields only temporary results. It is necessary to identify and come into harmony with the Laws of Life if one is to know true health. Medicine and the science of healing on the physical level have come a long way. Its advancements, however, have been so focused on the physical level that mind and soul have been considered only possible aids in physical health. In other words, the advances have been made without recognition of the fact that mind and spirit are a part of the equation. Scientists have proved that everything on this vibratory plane is governed by laws, but they are only aware of physical laws. We would like to suggest that you look at the question of health and the laws that govern health with a more comprehensive view including body soul and mind. In the Renford Books these Laws are referred to as the Universal Laws and the author shows how they affect the natural laws with which we have become somewhat familiar. We could also refer to them as simply, The Laws of Life.

The IAM Catalog

The idea for the creation of the Institute of Applied Metaphysics developed from the suggestions and contributions of many who read the Renford Books when they were still in manuscript form. Readers and students have continued to motivate Renford culminating in the establishment of the Institute and its Board of Regents. The Renford Books constitute Renford's understanding on a wide range of subjects, each related to the Universal Laws. As a student of the Institute of Applied Metaphysics you will learn on three levels. The first level is a comprehensive look at the Universal Laws with the objective being to identify and verify each from your own life experiences. The second level looks at our primary purpose for being here and the process of manifesting our evolution and unfoldment. The third level ties it all together with an in depth esoteric study.

The courses, essays and lesson questions for all three levels are listed along with comprehensive information on the Institute. This catalog also provides a clear picture of the philosophy of the Institute with regard to education and educational institutions.

One only need read one of the Renford Books to recognize that they are different. With a dedicated study of these books one can break the bonds of mechanical thinking and begin the process of evolution and unfoldment. The same old fuzzily stated esoteric ideas are absent. There is a clear and direct communication of the invariant principles in a way that any serious student can understand and find a path to run on.

Original Science

Science today draws on the contribution of early giants such as Hermes Trismegistus, Pythagorias, Socraties, Aristotle and others. At the same time they made these scientific contributions they were extraordinary philosophers. There was simply not the clearly established lines we have today between philosophy and science.

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Government

In this book original laws from ancient texts such as The Laws of Maat, The Code of Hammurabi and the Ten Commandments are shown to be the core principles upon which our judicial system and systems of government are based. There were other such ancient text all of which the kings who brought them claimed were given to them by the gods on a mountain top. It is what all including the Law of Moses have in common as they all claim them to be a revelation exclusively for them by the gods to provide for the people.

This book explains how from these basic laws we have meandered through history and the divine right of kings to eventually arrive at constitutional law by the people and for the people.

Religions of the World

This book may not include every religious group in the world and there are many derivatives from each of the major religions. The major ones are covered using both the literalist and esoteric extremes. The Literalist side will be most interested in form, doctrine, and ritual. The esoteric side will be interested in the process of enlightenment and understanding. There will be some religions of which you will have limited knowledge. You can find information on the Internet with regard to any religion but you have to know what to look for. I think there will be some in this book you would not have known to look for.

The Contemporary Revealers

This book is a review of contemporary writers who have addressed and explained some, if not all, of the Universal Laws. This fact is not recognized by those who have written reviews of these authors and their books. It may be that they do not recognize the significance of these writings. For instance, people who write about Edgar Casey involve themselves in how accurate his readings of the future have been. They want to theorize about what he saw in political terms etc. They miss the significance of his identification and verifications of the Universal Laws. You will not hear from most Christian Ministers about the Universal Laws but Jesus himself said that he had come to reveal the secrets that had lain hidden from the foundations of the earth. He told his apostles that he had revealed the mysteries to them though they don't appear to have been astute students. This book features people who have revealed at least partially the Universal Laws.

The Language of the Mind

When we attempt to interpret a dream, especially those that are recurring, we have no hope unless we know the language being used. We think in pictures and it is motion pictures we receive. These pictures are symbols with which the inner being is using to talk to us. If we associate the dream only with the picture or scenes related to the experience in the relative conscious state while awake it is like trying to translate from Chinese to English using only Greek. It does not work! If we know the symbols we know the language of the mind. Most of us are not meditating and the only time the inner-being can talk to us is when we are asleep. If we attempt to interpret our dreams in the relative conscious language of our relative conscious lives we have the total confusion and fear-based interpretations of those who give us literal interpretations of the *Book of Revelation*

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