Bk 2 Chap 28 Divine Life – pt 3 speech outline

LECTURE PART 3

1. Supreme Discovery 494

- A. Unification of Consciousness and Life is Divine Life.
 - The supreme need is through consciousness to know the Superconcient Truth.

 Supreme discovery is the power and process of consciousness by which it can pass into superconscience.
- B. Expressing the spiritual inner in the outer is consecrated living.
- C. Unification of Knowledge and Will is Ideal Accomplishment.
- D. Consciousness of self and not-self leads to superconscience (Supermind) 1016
- E. Supramental consciousness is complete fullness of being, consciousness, power, delight – Ideal Accomplishment – arising from complete unity of Being and Consciousness, Divine and Cosmos, oneness of Individual-universal and transcendent
- F. The rift between consciousness and power is the beginning of separation which generates the <u>sense of result!</u> Before that, result is simply spontaneous consequence of the unity of knowledge and will, the Lord and Shakti. That is the fullness and unity of the gnostic consciousness. The Supreme Power has no sense of result AT ALL. The sense of result is a rift between the supreme Power, and the consciousness. It's because the consciousness begins to separate slightly [from its identity with the Supreme Power] "I do things, and the results are none of my business."

2. Consciousness Responsibility

- A. The gnostic consciousness is based on unity, harmony, mutuality
- B. It feels identified with all and has an intense will for the fulfillment of all
 - This is the essence of consciousness responsibility
 - It is what Mother means by <u>sincerity</u>
- C. When we say we cannot do something or are afraid or don't understand, it means at a <u>deeper level</u> we have <u>not accepted responsibility</u> for it.
 - Athos

3. Gnostic being is master of Himself ¹

- A. Master of
 - The forces of consciousness
 - The energies of Nature
 - The instrumentation of Life and Matter
- B. Spirit reverses karma
 - Mr. Bennet reverses the course of 25 years submission to circumstance
 - Power of Mr. Bennet's decision
 - Power of Eliza's 'mistress of Pemberley'
 - Darcy prevails even after being the last man
 - Eliza wins him after being sure he will never return
- C. This direct power reaches acme in gnostic supernature

Ideal Accomplishment requires Knowledge and Power

4. KNOWLEDGE is Consciousness of Truth

- A. Mind sees the part
- B. Supermind knows the whole
- C. Mind is conscious of its point of view
- D. Knowledge comes from knowing all points of view
 - Solution lies inside the problem
- E. Give up mind's superficial view
- F. Ego asserts its own preferences
- G. Give up vital egoistic preferences
- H. Dissolve opinions
 - Withdrawal of opinion makes consecration effective
 - Our own opinion prevents the other from acting differently
- I. Condemning others is egoistic self-assertion
 - Never criticize anyone, even in mind
 - It only generates irrational resistance and defensive criticism of others
 - Not condemning others is sincerity

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¹ Covers chapter up to page 1040.

- Darcy paid Wickham
- J. Knowledge comes from wanting what Mother wants
- K. Knowledge of Life is supramental vision
 - Fogg says everything is taken into account

5. POWER comes from Intensity & Eternity

- A. Intensity is aspiration totality of commitment -- sincerity
 - Ideal accomplishment is not to aspire for accomplishment only for consecration
 - Fogg refuses to think about Aouda
 - Intensity is generated by openness, receptivity to Grace
 - d'Artagnan readiness for accomplishment is ever alert and total
 - Thrill of adventure Passpartout
 - Do not energize the problem by concentrating on it
 - Concentrate on Mother patiently in SILENCE
- B. Eternity is patience & perseverance
 - Do not stop in the middle
 - Most aims can be achieved by patience
 - Silent will is patience 10 levels
 - Non-reaction is patience
 - Absence of reaction, complaint, anger, frustration
 - Disciplined energy generates intensity
- C. Life responds to equality, patience, calm, silence, peace, delight
 - Absence of inner tension is absolute power in outer life
 - Fogg never wastes energy on resentment
 - Fogg's non-reaction is a great strength
 - Even enemies come to serve us Fix, Lady Catherine
 - Absence of jealousy, competition, envy, desire
 - Non-initiative is patience
 - Less effort taken, greater the result
 - Greater the work, less the effort should be taken
 - Greater the difficulty, easier to overcome
 - Not seeking
 - Thorne & money for Mary

Non-seeking

- Not to even think of the possibilities
- Ability to take no initiative
- Fogg never admitted the possibility of liking Aouda it would be taking advantage
- Thorne with money for himself
- Mark Robarts with Lufton
- Non-seeking backed by Constant Remembrance issuing joy
- The Ideal accomplishes itself

D. <u>Power issues from organization</u>

- Organization of Higher Mental Levels
- The higher you soar, the more sophisticated the organization
- Organize consecration into a way of life

6. The Divine Life is perfection

- A. Move from surface to the depth and act from deep inside
- B. Bring Perfection in any act -- "The Infinite's self-perfection of the significant form"
- C. <u>Perfection is of the whole</u>
- D. Acting on Values is seeking perfection
 - Dr. Thorne acts from values
 - Fogg aspired for perfection -- punctuality
 - Life was subordinate to his personality

7. Renunciation of ego is progress

- A. Darcy renounces his claim on Elizabeth's gratitude by confidentiality
- B. Fogg renounces claim on wager by stopping to save Aouda and Passpartout
- C. Palliser renounces chancellorship to take Glencora to Europe and comes back with an heir and the chancellorship and her deep admiration
- D. Dantes renounces his claim for revenge by consenting not to kill Albert
- E. Elizabeth renounces her claim on Darcy's affection by self-knowledge
- F. Mr. Bennet renounces his claim on family respect by confession
- G. Mary Thorne renounces her claim on Frank's affections
- H. Mark Robarts' renounces his claim on the appearance of respectability by accepting bankruptcy
- I. Dr. Thorne renounces claim on Roger's money by confessing about Mary but refusing to introduce her

- J. Jean Valjean renounces all his achieved to save the misidentified criminal and redeem Fantine
- K. Lincoln renouncing his lead advantage in the election
- L. Washington refused to take more power
- M. Athos recovery of the million GBP treasure through majesty of nobility

8. Shift to Being - aspire to be and live in Being

- A. Power comes by moving from Force to Being
 - Force is karma
 - Concentrating on the problem energizes it
- B. Shifting converts ambition into aspiration
- C. Fullness of heart is rising to Being

9. Three ideals of perfection

- A. Complete development and perfection of the Individual
- B. Complete development and perfection of the collective
- C. Perfection of the relationship between individuals and the collective
- D. None of these are possible by the mental consciousness based in separative Ego, Ignorance and mental constructions
 - It cannot be constructed externally
 - It can only be founded on inner unity
- E. Ancient cultures placed emphasis on the community.
- F. India combined it with the idea of the perfected spiritual individual through self-realization and free spiritual existence as the final stage of individual's life.
- G. The Gnostic Life achieves all three spontaneously based on the principle of inner oneness, harmony, mutuality

10. Three conditions for perfected life on earth 1031

- A. First -- Individual spiritual perfection is the first supreme business and meaning of Divine Life
 - Spiritual fulfillment of the urge for individual perfection
 - Inner spiritual completeness of being
- B. Second -- perfection of the spiritual and pragmatic relations with other individuals by

- A complete universality and oneness with all life on earth
- This is the second result of evolution of gnostic consciousness and nature
- C. Third a gnostic community
 - A change in the total life of humanity
 - A new perfected collective life in earth-nature

11. THE REALITY -- TRUTH OF EXISTENCE

- A. That Reality is the secret of perfection for individual and communal being. 1048-9
- B. That reality is within each being and thing and gives its power of being and value of being to all formations.
- C. Humanity is a formation or manifestation of the Reality.
- D. Community is a formation or manifestation of the Reality.
- E. Individual is a formation or manifestation of the Reality.
- F. The individual is not confined to humanity. Something that even goes beyond humanity is a formation or manifestation of the Reality.
 - It was there before man as infrahuman formation
 - It will be after him as a suprahuman formation
- G. The universe finds itself through the individual even as the individual finds himself in the universe
 - Individual is capable of becoming more than the universe

12. Individuality is key to evolutionary movement 1050

- A. Individual becomes conscious of the Reality
- B. Collectivity is largely subconscious
- C. Individual is not limited by the collective even though he belongs to it he can excel it or leave it
- D. Individual's real objective must be to the Truth, Divine, Spirit
- E. <u>Individual develops by moving toward spiritual freedom, and simultaneously moves toward spiritual oneness</u>
- F. Individual must first seek his own perfection because

- it is the call of the Spirit in him
- without perfecting our Consciousness we cannot perfect our Life
- G. Perfection of the community can only come by perfection of its individual members
- H. Our only real Freedom is the discovery of the spiritual reality in us
- I. Our only means of true perfection is the expression of that spiritual Reality in all elements of our nature

13. Basis for relationship in the ordinary physical, social collectivity

- A. Mental method of harmony
 - mechanization
 - standardization
 - uniformity
 - divided by ego
- B. Based on community of interests, common civilization and culture, common social law, economic association, ideals, emotions
- C. A collective ego
- D. Subject to oppositions, conflict, compromise
 - Mr. & Mrs. Bennet competing within the family
- E. Ego judging others
 - Lady Catherine
 - Find that on which each person is superior
 - Collins flatter, Mr. Bennet is cynical and mocking, Mary's morality, Eliza and Caroline about each other

14. External constructions of unity inadequate 1034-5

- A. Rooted in the ego and its sense of separation and division, our efforts to create harmony are ineffective and compromised
 - The urge for union and harmony is marred by imperfect sympathy, misunderstanding, strife, discord
- B. A constructed artificial unity and order

- An association of interests and egos
- Meryton competes for Bingley's attention

15. Basis for relationship in gnostic community 1032

- A. Gnostic freedom, diversity, unity of the gnostic consciousness expresses as unity, mutuality and harmony
- B. United by common truth consciousness of harmony
- C. No need for compromise
- D. Embodiments of a single self/reality
- E. Unified will and feeling
- F. An order created by Truth of oneness order
- G. Expression of spiritually united being and life
- H. Spiritual forces expressing native harmony
- I. Darcy finds a unifying vibration of truth harmonizing all
 - Compromise is not harmony
 - Goodwill is identification with the other person as oneself Eliza with Jane
- J. Evolution from contradiction to conflict to compromise to mutuality, harmony and oneness
- K. Free diversity between and within gnostic communities
 - No confusion, discord or chaos
 - No ego insistence on personal idea or interest
 - Unifying sense of common truth and one force in many forms
 - It can find its harmony with all other truth of being around it 1033
- L. Spirits freedom can feel as much fulfilled in service and subordination as in power and rule
- M. Inner spiritual freedom based on truth of inner spiritual hierarchy based on a fundamental spiritual equality

16. Passage from mental to supramental life - from Nature to Supernature

- A. The passage is from Nature in the Ignorance to Supernature in spiritual self-Knowledge and world-Knowledge.
- B. Supernature is our own true nature

- It is Super because it is beyond our present level of consciousness
- It is evolving from its concealment behind the veil of apparent Nature
- Our spiritual destiny is to manifest and become Supernature

17. New Powers inevitable consequence of evolution of Consciousness Force beyond Mind 1040

- A. Control by mind over life and matter
 - Life response
 - Mistress of Pemberley
 - 。 "Vasanthi"
- B. Control by spirit over mind, life and matter
 - Mother cure's recurrence of filariasis due to drop of faith. The swollen legs twice normal size shrink to normal in 10 minutes. (Agenda)
 - Monty's convulsions which make the whole right side of his body twitch uncontrollably with loss of speech stopped and speech restored when his wife invokes Mother three times from America.
 - Severe asthma attach woman confined to bed sees and touches Mother's feet and she wakes up cured. (Agenda Vol 4, Jan 12, 1963)
 - We can determine what is true refusing to accept the alternative
- C. Breaking down of the barriers between soul and soul, mind and mind, life and life
 - The knowledge and power come only by universalization, not within ego
 - <u>The power of self-abnegation of Mary Thorne is this principle —we grow powerful by abandoning our ego littleness</u>
 - Clinging to ego keeps us powerless renouncing it generates power George Washington

18. Mantra for the Gnostic Life

- A. Unity, harmony, mutuality within each person
- B. Unity, harmony, mutuality between individuals

19. Unity

- A. Gnostic Life includes life of others in a common uniting consciousness
 - Spontaneous and innate unity and harmony, not constructed
 - Only possible by inner union of consciousness
 - Conscious union, identification and interchange of mind, life and body
- B. Conscious unanimism would be the character of this more evolved life

20. Harmony is the natural rule of the Spirit 1040-1

- A. All problems of life are problems of harmony
 - Attaining to Gnostic unity, all problems disappear
- B. Harmony is the inherent law and spontaneous consequence of unity in multiplicity and diversity, which are manifestations of oneness
 - There is no harmony in a blank oneness
 - In complete diversity there can only be a constructed harmony
- C. In infrarational life
 - harmony (cooperation of community) is achieved by instinctive oneness of nature, vital-intuitional sense-understanding
- D. In human life
 - understanding through sense-knowledge, mental perception, verbal communication can at best achieve an incomplete harmony
 - we build bridges between separate things
 - it is always incomplete
 - Other man's point of view is a means to shift from mental consciousness to gnostic consciousness
- E. In gnostic life of super-reason and supernature
 - Self-aware spiritual unity and spiritual conscious community of nature
 - Power to <u>unite consciousness</u> <u>inwardly with consciousness</u>
 - Thought with thought
 - Vision with vision
 - Sense with sense
 - 。 Life with life
 - Body-awareness with body-awareness
 - Outward instruments put at service of the self-expression of Spirit in oneness of being and life

21. Appearance of new Powers of consciousness is NATURAL $^{1042-3}$

- A. Happens spontaneously in mystic experience from inner opening or a call of the being
- B. When the goal is liberation or God-love, these powers would be a burden or deviation
 - Seeker is advised to reject them
- C. These powers can be dangerous or feed the ego

- So immature seeker is advised to avoid them
- D. Power can be abased as well as elevate
 - Nothing is more liable to misuse
- E. This bar does not apply when the aim is spiritual evolution of greater consciousness and greater life
 - Growth into Supernature cannot be achieved without their development
- F. It is essential, inevitable, normal and natural for the evolution from mental to gnostic consciousness
 - Gnostic being would develop and use these powers as man uses powers of mental nature

22. Evolution of new powers of consciousness is **INDISPENSABLE** 1043-4

- A. Gnostic nature possesses spiritual knowledge and power lacking in mental nature
 - Power over self
 - Power born of unification with others
 - Power over invading world-forces

23. Inner harmony in the individual is natural to gnostic nature 1044-5

- A. Constitutional ignorance
 - Our individual minds, hearts and lives are not in accord with one another
 - Eliza and Darcy's inner conflict
 - o Mr. Bennet wants Jane's marriage, not Mrs. Bennet's triumph
- B. Law of love and sympathy, demands of intellect, push of vital forces natural to our consciousness grow as we grow in Spirit
 - They conflict and pressure one another
 - Darcy's passionate attraction conflicts with his social standards and mental regard for Bingley's welfare
- C. We can only reconcile and harmonize this **complexity of forces** by growth into a more complete spiritual nature and more **integral consciousness**
 - By an intuitive light of Truth that spontaneously sees the thing to be done

24. Relation of gnostic community with lesser life 1045-6

- A. No rational mental construction can harmonize this complexity
- B. Only the intuition and self-knowledge of awakened spirit can do it.

- Not outwardly, only by inner oneness
- C. That is the nature of the Supramental Being
 - Unifying consciousness
- D. What's true for the gnostic individual would also be true for the gnostic community
 - Based on unity of self with self
- E. Less evolved orders of life in the ignorance would still remain
 - Gnostic life would carry into them its own law of unity and harmony
 - Gnostic would have a perfect understanding of these orders

25. Gnostic Supernature 1064

- A. It transcends all the values of the mental life
- B. Our nature is a derivation from Supernature
 - Not a pure ignorance but a half knowledge
- C. Whatever spiritual truth is behind mind's standards and values will reappear in the higher life as elements transformed and uplifted
- D. Universalized spiritual individual sheds the limited personality, ego
- E. He also sheds the limitations of mind as he rises beyond mind.
- F. What is true in them will remain in the life of Supernature
- G. All contradictions are cancelled or fused in the Gnostic Consciousness
- H. Gnostic being will not accept the mind's ideals and standards
 - Will not live for himself, his family, ego, others, humanity, community, state
 - He will live for the divine reality
- I. No contradiction or conflict between self-affirmation and altruism, individualism and collective ideal both are terms of a greater reality
 - They are values only in the measure they serve that greater reality
- J. The affirmation of the divine in himself, others, humanity, all the world will be part of his life action
- K. It will be decided by the truth of the knowledge and will in him acting in freedom with respect for each truth in its place not follow any rule

26. Life as manifestation of truths of Spirit 1065-6

- A. For the gnostic consciousness Life means the manifestations of the realized truth of Spirit.
- B. Mind cannot determine what aspects of life will survive and be accepted by the supramental consciousness
- C. Supramental consciousness itself will take up what is true in our ideals and realizations of mind, life and body.
- D. Not the form that will survive but what is real and true within the forms.
- E. Much normal to human life will disappear
 - Mental idols, constructed principles and systems, conflicting ideals
 - Only whatever truth and harmony they may contain within them
 - War and strife, oppression, dishonesty, selfishness have no ground for existence
- F. Arts and crafts will exist as expressions and means of truth of spirit and beauty and delight of existence, not as a form of amusement or leisure
- G. Life and body will exist as means and powers for expression of spirit not as masters of life.

27. Rejection of Life is not essential for spiritual life 1066-7

- A. Ascetic sparseness may be appropriate for a turn away from life, but not for a yoga of life.
- B. The idea that life should be suppressed to overcome desire and ego is only a mental rule not a binding principle on the consciousness of spiritual life.
- C. Life and body will be accepted not rejected for ascetic renunciation.
 - They are only valid for a spiritual ideal of withdrawal from life
- D. The ideal of spiritual simplicity is itself a mental standard based on law of ignorance
 - Desire and ego must be rejected, but not the necessarily the outer forms
- E. The one rule of gnostic life is the self-expression of the Spirit, the will of the Divine Being
 - Rigid standardization cannot be the law of spiritual life
- F. <u>It can manifest through extreme simplicity or complexity and opulence</u>

- Sweetness, laughter, gladness are also powers and expression of the Spirit
- Phileas Fogg did it
- G. Diversity and liberty of self-expression but everywhere harmony and truth of order

28. Taste of Ignorance 1068-9

- A. Reversal of the present law of human consciousness and life
- B. Reversal of the whole principle of the life of the ignorance
- C. Taste of ignorance
 - Soul descended into the Inconscient for the adventure of the Spirit of joy of creation and discovery
 - Man's life is made up of the play of dualities (light and darkness, joy and grief, peril and passion) based on insensibility of the Inconscient
- D. To normal life a life without these would seem to be void of variety and vital savor
 - Life beyond this appears as something featureless and empty, an immutable sameness, neutral monotone
 - It's a misconception
- E. Entry into gnostic consciousness is an entry into the Infinite
 - More intense and fulfilling than any fulfillment in the Ignorance
 - Taste of rasa of the infinite is eternal and inexhaustible
 - A greater and happier constant miracle

29. Conclusion 1069-70

- A. Fullness of being, consciousness and life must be the goal of development toward which we are tending
- B. The Self, Spirit will evolve its complete truth of being and consciousness in life and Matter
- C. A spiritual fulfillment of itself in Life
- D. Evolution in Ignorance must lead to an Evolution in the Knowledge
- E. A self-finding and self-unfolding of the Spirit
- F. A self-revelation of Divinity in things in Supernature.

30. [Humanity's search for a solution ¹⁰⁵¹⁻²]

- A. Our nature is complex
- B. We have to find a key to some perfect unity and fullness of its complexity.
- C. Material Life: first evolutionary basis
 - Man must first affirm his material and vital existence both individual and social
- D. Mental Being in material life is next
 - Hellenic idea of civilization
 - Roman ideal of organized power
 - Cult of reason, government of life by science, critical thinking, utilitarianism,
- E. Ancient ideal was higher –pursuit of an ideal truth, good and beauty and perfection of mind, life and body by this ideal
- F. Spiritual preoccupation awakens in man
- G. Spiritual perfection
- H. Eastern ideal of solidarity, unity, mutuality of all beings in Spirit
- I. Modern spirit has abandoned these motives for the light of Science
 - Ideal material organization of civilization and comfort
 - Reason, science and education of a utilitarian rationality
- J. Mentalized materialized humanitarianism relieved of all religious and individual ethic
- K. The ideal of perfected individual in a perfected economic society through these means is doomed to fail
- L. Led to a subjective chaos of WWII

31. [Resurgence of the barbarian in civilized man 1052-3]

- A. The stress on material and economic life is a civilized reversion to barbarism
- B. It's a spiritual retrogression using the mental resources of a developed humanity
- C. The stress on perfected economic and material existence has its rightful place but what is that place
- D. Danger of the resurgence of the primitive barbarian in civilized man
- E. Modern civilization has the power to protect itself from the outer barbarian

- F. The real peril is the resurgence of the barbarian in civilized man
- G. It can only be prevented by a high and strenuous mental and moral ideal controlling and uplifting the vital and physical man
- H. And a spiritual ideal liberating us into our inner being
- I. Another danger a cessation of the evolutionary urge
 - Crystallization of a stable comfortable mechanized social living

J. Reason cannot long maintain human progress

- Only if it is a mediator between life and body with spirit
- For an inner spiritual quest
- K. Otherwise man will disappear as an evolutionary failure like other forms of life

Problem of increasing complexity of modern life 1053-57

32. [Humanity's evolutionary crisis 1053-4]

- A. Structure of the external life complex collective machinery
- B. System of civilization is too big for his mental and moral capacity
- C. It is being used for a multiplication of new wants and aggressive expansion of the collective ego
- D. Science has put at the disposal of our little individual and communal ego potencies of the universal Force and made life of humanity material one
- E. Clash of ideas, desires, claims, slogans..
- F. Evolution of the human mind and life will necessarily lead toward increasing universality based on ego and dividing mind creating a chaotic mess
- G. The mental consciousness does not have the capacity to master and harmonize the increasing potentialities being released by mind
- H. Reason and Science can only standardize and fix into an artificial and mechanical unity of material life.
- I. A greater whole-being, whole-knowledge, whole-power is needed to weld a greater unity of whole-life.

33. [Failed efforts to address the crisis externally 1056-7]

A. Modern mind's inadequate solution to the crisis

- Rational and scientific formula of vitalistic materialistic human beings
- Perfected economic society
- Democratic culture of average man
- Not enough to meet the needs of humanity
- B. A life instinct drives us toward a reversal of values or discovery of new values
 - Transfer of life to a new foundation
- C. Attempt to find a simple readymade formula for unity, mutuality and harmony for the common life
 - By forcefully suppressing the clash of egos
 - Materialization of a few ideas or slogans to exclusion of other thought
 - Suppression of mind of the individual
 - Mechanized unity and drive of the life force
 - Idealization of the communal ego as soul of the nation
 - A colossal and potentially fatal error
 - Forced, imposed unanimity under collective life is the formula
- D. This collective being is not the soul or self of the community
 - It is a life force rising from the subconscient
 - Subject to dark massive forces
 - Nazism
- E. This is a reversion not the direction Evolutionary Nature points toward

34. [Another solution based on materialistic reason 1057]

- A. Forced compression and mechanical organization of communal existence by unified organization of the economic life
 - Communism
- B. Only through the growth of consciousness can collective soul become aware of itself and develop
- C. Free play of mind and life are essential for that
- D. Cannot be done by suppression of the individual
- E. Only by a greater consciousness

35. [Alternative solution – development of life and reason $^{1057-8}$]

A. Enlightened reason and will consenting to a new socialized life

- B. Man consenting to subordinate his ego for the life of the community consenting to a new socialized life
- C. Through agency of better knowledge and new social machinery education and organization
- D. Faith in social machinery and training
 - European socialism
- E. Experience does not show education and intellectual training can change man it leaves the ego unchanged
- F. Human mind and life cannot be cut into constructed perfection by social machinery
- G. Machinery cannot form the soul and life force, only coerce and compress mind and life leading to decadence
- H. Reasoning mind with logical practicality relies on mechanization of life and mind
- I. Man's true way out is to discover his soul

36. [Return to organized religious idea 1058]

- A. Organized religion has not changed human life in society
- B. It has to compromise with the lower parts of life
- C. It cannot insist on inner change of the whole being
- D. It can insist only on creed, ritual, ethical standards, conformity, ceremony
- E. It cannot transform the race or create a new principle of human existence
- F. Another is the guidance of society by men of spiritual attainment
 - This original founding idea of more than one religion has failed because of human ego
- G. Only a spiritual and supramental supernature can effect this evolutionary miracle.

37. [Need for Radical Change 1059-60]

- A. Insistence on radical change of nature appears impossible or too far away
- B. This change is not altogether foreign to our being
- C. The whole evolution has been a preparation for it
- D. Each crisis in human destiny brings it closer

- E. There should be a turn of humanity toward the vision of this change and the will to find the way
- F. This trend exists and must increase with the tension of crisis of human world-destiny
- G. There is always an answer in the Divine Reality and in Nature to the call of the being

38. [Need for a Collective Call of Humanity 1060-61]

- A. The call and answer must be collective in order to create a divine life of a gnostic community.
- B. Otherworldly spiritual pursuits take to monastic collective life insulated and protected from the mainstream of life.
- C. A mental seeking or idealism will always fail in its attempt to change the world and succumb to resistance of inconscience and ignorance.
- D. What are the values of society today? What would be the values of a truly spiritual society?
- E. An entirely new consciousness is needed for a new collective existence.
- F. Not a new type of mental being but a new type of being

39. [Transition to a New Life ¹⁰⁶¹⁻²]

- A. The new life would have to be progressive passing through a period of arduous development not all at once
- B. A change from the old consciousness over a long period for the collective, though it may be sudden in the individual
- C. The transformation of the collective life would proceed by stages
- D. <u>A separate community may be necessary at a certain stage with a double purpose</u>
 - To provide a secure atmosphere for the consciousness of the individual to concentrate on its evolution
 - To formulate the new life in this prepared spiritual atmosphere
- E. <u>In such an atmosphere all the difficulties of the change of human nature may appear in concentrated form in the close common life assuming a considerably enhanced force of obstruction.</u>

- F. This has obstructed all past efforts to rise beyond the normal mental and vital life.
- G. It can be overcome if the power of the descending Spirit is strong enough.

40. [Problems of the evolutionary transition ¹⁰⁶²]

- A. A life of gnostic beings proceeding side by side with a life of beings in the Ignorance
- B. A complete seclusion and separation might seem necessary between two different and incompatible principles of existence
- C. The greater life would influence the lesser but also vice versa because mutual impact is the law of all contiguity and interchange
- D. One might expect an even violent opposition and conflict with the radically new light
 - But a new and completer light brings a new and completer power
 - It might not need to be totally separate
 - It might establish islets and spreads its influence in mankind
 - It might bring a new light that mankind comes to understand and aspire to
- E. Power and knowledge of gnostic life would be much greater than that of mental beings
 - It would safe against attach by humanity as humanity is against attach by lower species
- F. This knowledge and power would be sufficient to ensure a dominant harmony and reconciliation between mental and gnostic life
 - It would impose harmony on the human life
- G. Gnostic life might be separate but would admit as much of human life as is turned toward spirituality and progress
- H. The rest based on mental principles would still be influenced by principles of harmony of which humanity is not yet capable
- I. We can only forecast possibilities. Supramental principle would determine the actual balance of new world order

41. [Rakshasic Supermanhood 1067-8]

A. Normal human conception of supermanhood

- Greater human power, will or force is aggrandizement of vital ego
- Exaggeration of forces of human ignorance
- Forceful domination of humanity by Superman
- Reign of the blond beast at its worst,
- Reversion to barbarism, not evolution
- Emergence of the rakshasa or asura to surpass itself in the wrong direction
- Rakshasa belongs in spirit to the past retrograde evolution
- B. What has to emerge is something much more difficult and simple
 - A self-realized being
 - A spiritual self
 - A sovereignty over its instruments
 - In possession of itself and of life
 - Self-exceeding and self-fulfillment
 - Sole true supermanhood
 - A step forward in evolutionary Nature