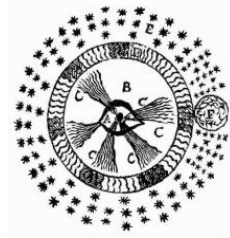




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In Christ Jesus,

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Wisdom I have sought, and
Wisdom I have found:
And now I wear her as
My Garland and Crown.

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The PREFACE
by
Dr. Francis Lee

[LA P:1] §.To a certain Person, who for many years had been led wonderfully in the ways of God, it came to pass that one day, upon a deep contemplation of the Paradisical world, there appeared in the midst of a most bright cloud, a Woman of a most sweet and majestic countenance; her face shining as the sun, and her vesture of transparent gold, who said, *Behold! I am God's Eternal Virgin Wisdom whom you have been inquiring after. I am to unseal the treasures of God's deep wisdom for you; and will be as Rebecca was to Jacob: a true natural Mother. For out of my womb you shall be brought forth after the manner of a spirit, being conceived and born again. This you shall know by a new motion of Life, stirring and giving a restlessness—till Wisdom shall be born within the innermost parts of your soul. Now consider my sayings till I shall return to you again.*

[LA P:2] Then after three days the same figure appeared, in greater luster and glory to this Person, bearing a crown on her head, and spoke to this effect: *Behold your Mother, and know that you are to enter into covenant with me, to obey the Laws of the New Creation, which shall be revealed.* And upon this a golden book, sealed with three seals, was presented by her to the said Person; declaring that in it were declared the deep mysteries of the Divine Wisdom, which have been sealed up from past ages, and were now to be opened and manifested to Her children, that should be found willing to receive and observe such LAWS as she should deliver forth in the new heart, and in the new spirit.

[LA P:3] After six days the vision again returned, and the Virgin Queen showed herself in most mighty majesty, being attended with a numberless train of Virgin Spirits, and with a very great Army of Angels. And this Person was called by name to come and view her, with her First-born Children, and invited to join with them; to which there being a ready and hearty consent given, the said Person was immediately admitted into their number.

[LA P:4] Then said the Divine Virgin, I shall cease to appear in a visible figure to you; but I will not fail to transfigure myself in your mind, and there open the spring of wisdom and understanding. She also promised that by the opening of this spring, there should be revealed great and wonderful things that were to be made public in the appointed day. And so, exhorting to vigilance and obedience to those counsels and Laws which should be given out from her, she disappeared, having first received such an answer as the blessed Virgin Mary gave to the message of the Angel Gabriel, from this Person who was encompassed about with the Heavenly Host, and made a Spirit of Light.

[LA P:5] And as the Law was given to *Moses* of old, being taken up to Mount *Sinai* to converse with God, so in like manner it has pleased the same God our Father, to give forth in these last days the LAW OF PARADISE to this Spirit, who was some years after this caught up into Mount *Zion* to receive it. There is no doubt to be made that these holy commandments so received, will carry along with them, to many awakened souls, the evidence of their divine original.

[LA P:6] And as for such who cannot believe that there either is or can be any true inspiration at this day in the world (from the many horrid abuses that have been made through pretensions to the Holy Spirit), I doubt not that I shall convince the sober amongst them, in a particular discourse which is designed to come forth very shortly; as well as all such who are willing to humble themselves be-

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fore the truth of the possibility, expediency, and necessity of revelation to again be restored. As for any particular objections against either the manner or matter of these Laws, when they shall be proposed, then will be the time to consider them. Now let us who *know that the Law is spiritual* (Rom. 7:14) be altogether spiritually-minded, and worship Him who *is Spirit—in Spirit and in Truth*.

CHAPTER 1

The Delivery of the Law in Ten Particulars

*Given forth by Wisdom, to a
Translated Spirit*

[LA 1:1] §. These are the *Laws of Paradise*, which must be observed by all who set footing there, according as they were declared and given forth by *Wisdom*, as I was in the Spirit, who thus spoke to me:

[LA 1:2] §. Having cautioned that you may not be secure, telling you that the Tempter and the Tree are both here, I *Wisdom*, bid you to take good heed, considering you are yet but a stranger, and know not the constitutions, orders, and worships required by the King of this Holy Land. Therefore, lest you should miscarry here, as did the First *Adam* (and many more since, who have come thus far, after the similitude of the Second: whom the Dragon has plucked down again, awakening in them the essences which were slain by the death), I now present to you, out of my peculiar Love, *CHRIST* your Looking-glass. In Him behold yourself. He was your Dying Pattern, and now must be your Living Spirit; to act answerable to Him bodily and spiritually.

[LA 1:3] And as He was in Paradise invisible, and in this world visible (in like manner as you are now), so the same Law which was enjoined to Him by the Father, is to be expressly observed by you. Not one jot or tittle therein is to be abated. For here the New Covenant is to be reestablished, in which the Laws of pure and uncorrupted nature are again revived, which were engraved upon the heart before sin entered to obliterate them. And as this internal Law of Liberty was lost in Paradise, so in all ages it could never be found by any—*until* they returned there again to fulfill its whole righteousness: through the birth, power and Spirit of *JESUS*, that has imprinted the Law of Eternal Nature upon the fleshly table of a pure heart. Thus it becomes a law of life unto itself. None will then need to say, *Know the Lord*, if once they come to *know themselves* after the Law of this *Paradisical* life. I will give you these Laws as *GOD* gave to *Moses*, in ten particulars: that what is given you may answer to the out-spoken Word from *ME*, who, for a general benefit, requires you to record these following precepts, purely as they flow from my unknown deep.

*First Commandment:
You Shall Love the Lord your God*

[LA 1:4] §. You shall own and bear witness to the True God, manifested through His Virgin Wisdom, as come to restore nature to its own eternal originality; which consisted in light, purity and power. And you shall have no other god live in you but *JEHOVAH*, whose arm alone has redeemed and brought you into your primitive liberty and sovereignty again, through the internal dying as the acceptable propitiation.

*Second Commandment:
You Shall Have No Other Gods Before Me*

[LA 1:5] §. You are not to frame or carve out in your mind a strange god, though it may be after an heavenly likeness, worshipping what you know not or whom. The fallen essences would make a god

like unto themselves, gross and elementary, with which the earthly sense might be familiar, and have recourse for supply in a gross visible manner: owning the Invisible Creator in word, but denying the faith in His omnipotence, by going a-whoring after the god of reason, bowing down and worshipping the rising sun which governs the day of this fallen creation.

[LA 1:6] The apostate spirits still cry in man's nature as of old, *Up, make us gods which may go before us, that we may have our sensible sight fed. As for this Invisible Working Power, it delays to come down to us. Though His arm has been made bare, and wrought great deliverance, yet now being withdrawn, we know not what is become of this Unknown God; that keeps in such a circle as we cannot break in to Him. Therefore* (says the unbelieving Israel), *we will make choice of a god for ourselves, after our own likeness.*

[LA 1:7] Now from this high idolatry you are prohibited, upon pain of losing Wisdom's blessing: For your God will not bear or suffer anyone whom He has placed in this New Land to have any other god but Himself. He is jealous of His honor, and will be trusted and rested upon, and will have the whole worship and subjection of the will, and the adoration of the mind: not admitting either sense or reason to be His rival. Faith without doubting, and love unfeigned, is the sum of this commandment—which you are to observe with all fear.

*Third Commandment:
You Shall Not Take the Name of the
Lord your God in Vain*

[LA 1:6] §. Let none dare to make mention of the Most Holy Name in their mouths, who are not with their hearts incorporated into it. Oh! How Wisdom's all-piercing eye has seen this sacred Name vainly to be made a covering, and highly to have been abused by many dead rotten spirits: who have put it on as a mantle to hide their witchcrafts and spiritual sorceries, which is one of the greatest of grievances this day to your God. It is not so ill taken from the unbridled and profane spirit, as from the civilized righteous one—whose leaven beware of. And understand from me what weight this Name bears, when not taken in vain, but to good purpose, as you are now required to do, according to my directions:

[LA 1:7] *First*, allow your restored creaturely being, as a new believer, to be baptized and plunged throughout into this Name, which is the Golden Pool, where the Holy Ghost opens His fiery stream. And He invites you to drink down this precious Name, or else all will be in vain. No unbeliever is capable of this fiery baptism: For the solemnizing of this Holy Seal, according to what is recorded, must follow after believing.

[LA 1:8] A *Second* rule: That you may receive and bear this Name worthily, give it place, that it may all overrun you in such wise that you may disappear, and be hid in it, so as nothing may be found but this Holy Flaming Name, purifying every property, turning all into a godlikeness, as becomes this Holy Place. Thus will you come to know what is the effectual working of this Name, as it is written not only within, but upon the forehead, being all over clothed with it. This is no less than the establishing of the New Covenant, making good this promise, *I will be to you a God, and you shalt be to me a people*, to show a cementing into each other. There shall be no need for such as are come here to say: *Know the Lord*. For His Name is now become One and All, knowing Himself in you to be JEHOVAH, acting in a restored simplified nature, as of old time. After this manner only is it worth taking and bearing the Name of your God: to which take heed and drink it in.

*Fourth Commandment:
You Shall Keep the Sabbath*

[LA 1:9] §. This is a considerable duty that you are charged to call to remembrance: To solemnize an Holy Sabbath, minding to what you are called. And since none but those who are dead can cease from their working properties, this Commandment reaches only the Children of the Resurrection, who know nothing of serving in the *Martha*-like carefulness. Here must be a rest in Paradise. Yea, all that smells or savors of the six days labor, which entered in with the curse of mortality, is to be ceased from. I say, all sinful workings, either in mind or in body, we are to rest from: not doing our own pleasure or speaking our own words. This is that true inward Sabbath, with which we are called to sanctify our God. This is a truth: But there is a rest which reaches further than all this.

[LA 1:10] But you will say: *How, and from what must we cease? Pray give us the particulars.* The first is this: A total cessation from the working property of reason, the motion of which must be stopped; there is no occasion for it in this new Paradisical world. It is forbidden fruit to the Children of the Resurrection, who must live one and the same life with JESUS, and with the angels, that is, a divine magical life, strictly bound up to the mystery of faith here to be revealed. You must, as one alive from the dead, forget all those morsels of mortality, which maintained the sensitive properties, and which are only allowable for the inhabitants of the earth.

[LA 1:11] A second particular is that not only your eternal spirit and mind rest from labor and commerce, but also your outward, in whom live the working essences, which would be continually trafficking, like a whirling wheel that is never at rest. These are the son and daughter, the man-servants, and the cattle within the gates of the external man; that are prohibited from working, having fulfilled the time in the six days working properties. Being now entered into this Holy Sabbath, there must nothing be known but such a life as can take pleasure in loving the Lord your God with all your heart, no work being required of you but to believe and rest upon His omnipotency, to bring all into your hand. You need not wander out from the Tabernacle which the Lord has pitched to gather provision. It shall be rained down into your tent, if you continue in this holy rest of believing.

*Fifth Commandment:
Honor your Father and your Mother*

[LA 1:12] §. Here you are required to honor your Eternal Father and Wisdom your True Natural Mother, which have brought you forth and up to that stature and degree in which you now are; therefore, no less is expected from you. And as my fear and love is with you, so my honor must be your great concern, that so length of days may be your blessing, from your Father and me, forevermore.

[LA 1:13] §. But to answer the thoughts of your heart which say, Oh! My Mother, in what and how may I come to laud and honor God my Father, and Wisdom my Mother, according as your Firstborn Son, my Pattern, has done in His Paradisical body, while He was in this world? Consider your JESUS in His high and holy calling, from His birth to His ascension, holding forth one pure act of glorifying His Father, in observing the LAW of Wisdom His Mother, from whose Eternal Virgin Nature He had His existence. And now know that as you have had your birth from me, so you are in the same line to run parallel, having passed through the birth-death answerable to Him that was before you. You are to follow after Him by hallowing that great Name, which is secret and known but to few, according to these following rules:

[LA 1:14] First, in being partaker with your Jesus in the holy calling and order of Priesthood, which is a perfect separated life, to which once taken in, you are to consider what your charge is. You are

by this come under the vow of a *Nazaritical Life*, and are to go no more out, having the consecrated oil upon your head, and this circling about your heart. You must no more defile yourself, either for any dead father or mother, son or daughter, lest you profane the Name and Holy Sanctuary of your God, instead of honoring it. He will be sanctified in and through the whole Royal Priesthood, because the crown of the anointing oil is pressed from here, giving glory to God on high.

[LA 1:15] A second rule by which you may answer the life of Him that always magnified the Father, is to rest and live in the Prophetical Spirit, as a *seer* into that which is beyond the veil of the pernicious sensitive life. Here you are to do and determine all things according to what you are made quick-sighted in, through that oil which makes the eye to be all light, so as to see what is done within that region and kingdom, where the Father and Wisdom the Fountain of Light govern jointly together. You are to make your application and inquiry at the Oracle of Wisdom, which is fixed in your inward part. For you cannot lessen or impeach the honor of your God more, than in not obeying the Spirit of Prophecy, that is, and shall ever rest as a sign for distinction upon the holy priests, who are called to be near to the Holy One. They may be known from others by such gifts and powers, by which they may be enabled to glorify the Fountain and the Giver of this spiritual eminency.

[LA 1:16] A third rule is, that when you are come to take unto you the dominion and power to rule, and to subject (as Christ has done) all things as your footstool, it is certainly the pleasure of Wisdom to give you a kingdom, and all others whose ears are open to her discipline. Sovereignty well becomes your Paradisical habitation; for there it was first left, and there, by abiding faithful to these Laws, you shall recover it again. You shall know how to manage as well the Golden Scepter of Power, as the Rod of Iron, which is for the idolatrous party, who stand out and refuse to submit to the reign of Jesus in this His Second Appearance. Neither will He now be awed, or frightened out of His right, but will make all those usurping and tyrannical spirits, which have lived up to now in man's nature, to yield and bow, whether in bodies or out of bodies. Wherever this Name is written upon, terrible majesty will appear, to consume with the brightness of the eye all such as would oppose God's return to nature again, with His mighty sovereignty. See now to what you may arrive; it is well worth your running for such a prize, which by taking, you will highly bless your Father: And with a greater and more acceptable tribute you can never honor your great King and Chief High-Priest.

*Sixth Commandment:
You Shall Not Kill*

[LA 1:17] §.Whereas it was said in the Old Covenant, *You shalt not kill*, here you are required to do self-murder, and not to spare cutting off the head of that life which would cut you out from having a Name and place in the *New Jerusalem*.

[LA 1:18] But you will say, That is done already, or I could never have known a resurrection into this Paradisical light and liberty, where I frequently behold glorified objects, and hear the unutterable sounds, condescending to come down to the organical senses, to let me understand the mind and pleasure of the Father of my new begotten spirit. True, you are now quickened into such a life that is no more to be put to death: For there is no condemnation to such as are risen with Christ. But yet know there is a mortal sense that has not yet left you, which has thrust in here along with you. And as it was by the first Adamical man awakened, so by the Second (in you) it must be extinguished, if you desire to know no more curse, which entered as soon as the windows of the earthly senses were opened. Then Adam came into the strife of the four elements, and he needed not to be told that he was naked or hungry, the Intelligencer being now in his own depraved sense.

[LA 1:19] But you will further say, *How can this be, till mortality be swallowed up in life, so as to have no more occasion to use this world, whose very consistency is hereby? For, take away the two foundation pillars, and it will not, nor cannot exist longer.* Well, it is no more than what is decreed: For Babylon must fall. Let it then be the cry and the endeavor that in yourself you may first behold its fall. Nor be afraid of your undoing as to this self-degradation. For it is the injunction of Paradise that all strife should cease, that you may come to know only a life of serenity and peace in this Holy Place, where a cessation of mobility, and of all working essences is required. These essences, if not stopped, would busily ply you, and so destroy the Magical Property, which acts through the all-seeing Eye of Eternity, and refuses all contribution from the sensitive part, well knowing its own sufficiency to make you again flower forth in Paradisical power. Be now wholly passive as a seed, that through the conjunction of the heavenly powers, you may put forth a bright Lily Body, which shall be above all creaturely addition.

[LA 1:20] And no more doubt that showers shall here be lacking for its increase. For all is ordered in its proper course and season for bringing this up to its perfect growth. All your danger will lie in this temptation, when you shall see that there is nothing of visibility to live upon, but that all must be continually renewed from the virtual power of the White Stone, given to answer to all and every necessity. Therefore take good heed that you do not mistrust or deny it; for herein was the transgression of that Chosen Generation, whom Jehovah, by His wonder-working deeds, would have convinced and made to understand, that no other fountain blessing they should ever stand in need of, having given so many proofs of His all-sufficiency. He brought them even through the deep Red Sea, that so they might have no cause to question but that the same almightiness would still be their subsistence in all places, by the means of which the barren Wilderness should have been as a fruitful *Lebanon*, had they not revolted. God intended no less than to miraculously feed and clothe them. But the inundation of Sense overwhelmed them with such diffidence, as to turn that which would have been a Paradise into a waste howling desert, as the reward of unbelief.

[LA 1:21] This instance I have set before you, that you may be cautioned to hold out the set time of probation, in the pure faith of dependence on the Almighty Power, who then will be a perpetual springing Paradise wherever you may be, with fresh and new ideas of powers and love-joys, which will always greet your pure spirit. Receive now this charge from me: Live only by the virtual power of the Generating Word, which renews bread every hour, being that true multiplying virtue. Beware that you never more quench it, or kill. For in this lies the precious gem, the All-acting Stone, which alone can give the remove to Mount *Paran*.

*Seventh Commandment:
You Shall Not Commit Adultery*

[LA 1:22] §. You are not to break the marriage-knot which is tied between you and the Lord your Husband, to whom you are betrothed through the Eternal Spirit. For it is an high breach of the Covenant of Love, which is established upon immutable promises on God the Father's part, and on yours. There is a passing over to each other before witnesses, that bears record in the High Court of Heaven, of this espousal between you and my Beloved Son, the Heir of all the riches of Heaven's glory. Now seeing that this royal match is made and concluded, by consent of the Everlasting Father, and Wisdom your Mother (who could not propose a more honorable, worthy Person to unite your spirit unto), you are required to abide most constant and loyal to Him, and never more so much as to look upon or entertain any other lover, thereby defiling the marriage-bed in committing spiritual adultery, which consists in these following particulars:

[LA 1:23] First, in the lust of the eye, after this or that creaturely object, which soon betrays the heart, stealing it away insensibly before it is aware. Here you stand in great temptation, having such variety of objects still, to court and captivate your mind away from your True and Royal Consort, who watches every motion and affection thereof, which way it works. He is a very Jealous Lover, and one who is resolved to prove your constancy in this time of His absence. He therefore permits this and that *Delilah* to allure and subtly encroach into you, that He may know what is in your heart. And according as in this time you do carry it, so will the decree come forth for a further proceeding as to the consummating part.

[LA 1:24] The second caution I have to give you is to not only make a covenant with your eyes, but also with your *ears*. For all enchantments come in through the senses, which though even in Paradise, are yet obnoxious to be ensnared, as *Adam* was with his *Eve* by their means. Taken with the sight of their eye, and entrapped with the hearing of their ear, they were drawn on by one sense after another, even to the tasting of Eternal Death, and by this the cutting asunder the Golden Link, which gave them the heavy fall out of Paradise into this world. This was the effect of the adulterous eye and ear. Stand then upon your guard with fear. See that you are not ensnared by them. Listen not to any other voice but what your JESUS, through ME, shall speak, by whom you are prohibited to confer with any other, well-knowing of what dangerous consequence such a liberty would prove. It would provoke your Lord to jealousy, who cannot bear that you should be familiar to talk with any other spirit. For the Serpent is most subtle, and seeks many ways to make a prize of you, watching to break the royal band of this intended marriage-union, which has been so long contrived by me, and which I would now see finished.

[LA 1:25] Let therefore my counsel take place with you, so that you neither taste nor handle those inviting pleasant fruits that seem to say, *Come, eat of me. Try whether I do not excel all whatever is in Paradise, and have all that is capable to suit the palate of your sense. Why should you deny yourself to taste hereof, depending only upon what the Spirit of Faith must bring down to you, which also is not always present with you, to be commanded to run to and fro on your errand as occasions require? But I will be sure never to fail you; for I am your old lover and friend. Why then should you forsake me for One that is unseen, and that cannot be handled sensibly?* After this manner, O my Bride, will you be exercised, so that if by any means you can be drawn away to break your faith with me, who would gladly knit you wholly to myself, so as you may not regard at all this Spirit of Reason, that seeks to flatter and entice you from me. I have plighted my troth unto you, never to forsake or cast you off—if you retain your virginity, and not allow yourself to be drawn down from me by none of these fine twisted cords. For your JESUS cannot admit any other lover to sit in your heart.

[LA 1:26] And if at any time He shall find a stranger there, know that from you He will take the same most unkindly. Although they may perhaps say they are the friends, not the enemies of the Bridegroom, being of a more spiritual train, yea, such as are perfumed with a Paradisiacal scent—against which you must also stop that sense. For it is possible to commit adultery with seraphic angels, if you awaken any lusting desire to them more than to your *Jesus*. So beware then of running into any spirit, though never so sublime. For there is more danger in this than in those objects that are of a more visible, gross and earthly dress, thinking that with these who are spiritual you may be more free and more bold. True it is, you may. But yet here it is good to be limited, that you be not circumvented and suffer your virgin head to be deflowered. Therefore keep yourself an unspotted mirror, and so you shall come to be the chaste Bride of the Lamb, and enjoy the nuptial bed.

[LA 1:27] But after all this I think I hear this question in you to arise, How long shall it be before the marriage shall be solemnized? For I am now kept in suspense, not knowing how long my Jesus will yet prove me in Paradise, to try my loyalty. Like a desponding lover, I would gladly know the very day and hour, that so I might get myself in all readiness to meet my Beloved, that when He calls I may not be surprised. This is a query that may be allowed, though not to be resolved as to the date or prefixed time. Have you not learned how the Father still reserves the times and seasons in His own power, and keeps always this prerogative to Himself? He admits none to look into His calendar, no not the angels, till they are ordered to sound the trumpet for proclamation when the Marriage Feast is ready. Therefore go your way, and stand in your lot. It is enough you are chosen and elected. Your present business is to observe this Law of pure chastity, in which you are to await patiently the motion of your Bridegroom, who does not forget the cry of the Spirit and Bride, but suddenly may come before you are aware. Therefore at all times watch; and have on your Virgin Robe, and you shall not need to fear that He will tarry.

*Eighth Commandment:
You Shall Not Steal*

[LA 1:28] §.Whereas it is said, *You shall commit no theft*, so by me it is again confirmed (as the Law of Paradise) that this rule you also observe, as it relates to your God in the first place, and in the second to your neighboring inhabitants in the outward world where you visibly are resident. Now wherever there is a peculiar property, there may be an offering of violence by way of robbery to it. Therefore understand that the Everlasting Father appropriates to Himself that which He will not give to, much less be robbed of by any. *What is that?* you will say. It is His Godhead, which none are to assume to themselves after any manner whatever. For in this consists absolute sovereignty and greatness of majesty and honor, which are essentially appropriable to Him and to none other. Therefore beware of this high sacrilege: and give not this honor (or rather steal it not) away from that Holy Being to whom it belongs.

[LA 1:29] But you will say, *Far be it from me ever to rob the Most High of His honor*. Knowingly you would not do it. But I shall unfold to you a most subtle and hidden way of deceit, which the First *Adam* was guilty of, making it heredity to all his posterity. By that first act of disobedience, he stole from God his maker the glory of His sovereignty, and would have assumed the Godhead to himself, by going forth into a divided essence, to be wise in a self-property. It awakened the sinful arrogance to those sad effects that are known throughout the whole universe of fallen spirits to this very day. For *Adam* committed this high theft in Paradise, and stole out there in the divided property from God, with whom he should have kept in an indissoluble band of unity. Therefore he lost his god-like power and dignity, which would have been appropriated to him had not he rent and gone out from the eternal essences of God, the abyss of His Being, out of which he was generated to be a mighty potent king and hierarchy in the Angelical and Paradisical world. Under God, he was to have ruled like a god uncontrollably—and did so—till it was lost most cowardly.

[LA 1:30] Now in your heart I know you say, How may I bring back into Paradise this honor, name, and praise, which I would not for a thousand millions of worlds be reckoned to rob my God of, now that I, O Mother, see in your glass its evil consequences? If so, then call and summon in all those essences, in which stand the virtual powers and mights which belong to your God, to whom you are to return with them, and to work in an undivided spirit, according to the operative power which will work godlike through all your properties. Thus you may recover those lost goods which the subtle Serpent, together with the harlotry Spirit of this World, had cheated your God, in you, out

of. But now Wisdom is come to direct how all should be cemented and gathered in again, that so you may not take from the inhabitants of the outward world any of their bitter unsavory morsels. Therein lies hid to this day the secret venom of that Evil Tree, which the whole universe of spirits still take and feed upon (as if it were lawful for them so to do), making it matter of necessity, or even of ordination from the Most High.

[LA 1:31] But that this is not so will soon be made to appear, when the sun shall break forth, the Day-Spring being now upon its rising, that shall convince the unbelievers that there is quite another way for the Ransomed of the Lord to live. I will declare and open to you this way, that you may take nothing of *Egypt's* stuff along with you into your Father's house, where is all in abundance. But these treasures indeed cannot come but by the Key of Faith, which opens and shuts, and does all here at pleasure, bringing down and carrying up, as a mighty power, which Spirit is God's only familiar friend, that can do anything with him. Then with all gettings do aim at this, which will make you do exploits indeed. As it is my gift and skill to make this key, so it lies in your power to turn it into the lock, which will make this magical door to fly open, uniting the divided essences to act miraculously.

*Ninth Commandment:
You Shall not Bear False Witness*

[LA 1:32] §. Here you are required not to bear false witness against your neighbor, but to love him as yourself, being one with, or nearer to you than yourself. But you will say, *Who is this my neighbor?* Do you not know Him, you that have been so long an inhabitant in the Paradisical ground? He is even that True *Samaritan*, who has poured in the restorative oil for your healing, who has taken the care of you wholly, and undertook your cure when He saw you wounded to death. His eye pitied and officiated in this love-service, as one that had a fellow-feeling of your calamity and suffering under the violence of cruel blood-thirsty spirits, under whose power you were fallen. And seeing you now in such imminent danger to lose your eternal life, He was immediately sent by the Everlasting Father, to rescue you out of the hands of these robbers that designed to kill the Heir of Life and Glory in you. So here you may see who is that True Worthy Neighbor, whom you are obliged to bear witness *to*, and *for*, and not *against*, steadfastly bearing record of the truth, from the Spirit of God's Wisdom dwelling in you. This is the only True Prophet and Witness for Jesus in you.

[LA 1:33] In truth there are intruding spirits that would come in as false witnesses, of whom beware, and be not found in conspiracy with them. They would condemn that Just One again, and crucify afresh the life that is risen out from the Morning Womb of God's Virgin, to be the Anointed Nazarite. Against whom out of your own nation false prophets will arise to seduce, and if possible deceive my Elect and precious Seed, now formed into the heavenly similitude. But I am come to give you light from my Celestial Glass and Globe. In it you may see all the false transforming spirits, that would subtly bring in old traditional things, instead of, and in opposition to my pure and unmixed doctrine, which I never fail to pour into the clean and gold-refined vessels. By it you may be tinged throughout, and in yourself feel a mighty burning oil, spiring you for infallible prophesy. This will give you the true witness for Divine Wisdom in her First-begotten Son Jesus, who must now be testified as the Finisher and Consummator of what is yet left behind to be done.

[LA 1:34] He will not come as a bare record only, to prophesy or preach the Everlasting Gospel in your earth. This witnessing is much too short before the coming down of the New *Jerusalem*, in which you are to wait until you be transfigured all over by the Holy Ghost. He will then be the True and Undeniable Witness, that will need no *John Baptist* to cry or proclaim by voice that this JESUS truly is the Son of God. A greater testimony than that of man truly now is required. For God, seeing

that to be but weak and ineffectual, has ordained a more glorious demonstration, which shall convince the unbelieving world that JESUS is risen, and appears to certain witnesses upon whom the lot is fallen, and according to foreknowledge. They are to show in their age and time (at the opening of this Oriental Stone and Diadem of Glory), what manner of persons they shall come to be, in and through the touch and sight hereof, in being made by it all pure, wise, and potent, according as their JESUS is. For nothing short of this will be worth bearing record. Therefore I give you this charge: To look and wait upon this change in yourselves to see, that so my worthy recorders you may be, and eye-witnesses of JESUS in your own personalities. The dominion will first come down to Wisdom's Off-spring, because they are trained up to perfection through wise discipline, obeying in all things my revealed will.

[LA 1:35] Know also that this Commandment reaches further than to love your JESUS in yourself. That must not be all; you are conjugally and neighborly to know Him wherever He dwells bodily, and with the same love, care, and concern as for yourself, to always administer supplies to His necessities as God gives to you.

*Tenth Commandment:
You Shall Love your Neighbor*

[LA 1:36] §. This is the great, full, and last charge which I shall leave with you, still running parallel with those Old Covenant Laws, which are never to be nullified, but to be fulfilled according to the Original Exemplar. They were given forth to the first Paradisical man, and are to be revived now afresh unto a full and perfect accomplishment, without abating one iota or tittle, according to that Word of your JESUS, who said He came not to destroy the Law, but to fulfill it in you, and for you. He will be the end and the consummation of the same, through the obliterating of sin, and bringing in the everlasting righteousness. Here then you are forbidden all coveting or engrossing desires, after what is the possession and enjoyment of another. For whatever is of this proceeds from an evil eye, which must be plucked out, as being never to be satisfied, but still apt to envy and covet after what is his neighbors.

[LA 1:37] Now here is to be understood a three-fold neighborhood that borders upon the intellectual mind. The first, as was shown, is Wisdom's Root and Offspring: JESUS, the Firstborn of all new creatures, existent bodily in yourself. Secondly, He is your Neighbor as He may be considered incarnated in another, as well as in yourself. Thirdly, your outward man, which hangs and cleaves to you, as the subtle *Gibeonites* that would still be adjoined to the inward man, and never be separated from it. This last neighbor is as the *Esau*, that would come in for his birthright; who is rejected, and must live by his sword that is to bring him his blessing, consisting of the fat things of this outward principle, to which his blessing gave him right. And being thus confined, he is not to meddle with *Jacob's* portion, which is quite of another nature, to whom the dominion is pronounced to have the lordship over all, in and through cohabitation with the *Shiloh* of God—who is your True Neighbor indeed.

[LA 1:38] Now as to what your JESUS in you has, you need not to covet; for you are in propriety with Him. As all that is the Father's and mine is His, so what is His is yours in common, which you shall better understand when you are come to the tenth number. Your restriction lies here at present, not to let out your eye upon what is another's portion as to eternal possessions. For one may come into his inheritance before another, according to that Spirit which works as a free agent to increase spiritual substance. And this may be either sooner or later as the Spirit works more or less industriously, and which operates diversely, according as the soil and the nature of the ground is, that of a much different constitution is found. In some this internal ground is richer, pleasanter, fatter, and

every way better than it is in others—as you may see in the visible earth. But everyone is to be content with his lot as it is divided. *Caleb's* portion was much above that of his fellow brethren, whose dwelling was between the upper and nether springs. So if you should see your spiritual neighbor much increased in powers, in gifts of prophesy, in knowledge, in understanding the deepest of all mysteries, and living in a more stately habitation than you, enjoying therein the Virgin Wife of Youth, having men-servants and maid-servants to command, saying to this, *Go*, and he goes, having all things put under and in subjection to him, as a *Solomon* in great dominion and glory in the reign of the Holy Ghost—yet all this must not draw you out to covet.

[LA 1:39] No, you will say, this is hard to come to see all these high preferments conferred upon my spiritual neighbor, and yet I must not desire the like dowry and riches, to stand upon equal ground with him. Mistake not: for I do not prohibit any from looking after the same immunities and increase. But let it be from their own fountain, opening out of their own deep ground, from which everyone is to be blessed, according to what nature and soil they are planted in. And there you are to dig deep, till you shall come to find that precious Stone, with your own Name upon it, which may advance and establish you in the like state of glory. For so it is ordained that all that are mine should improve their own stock of life, and so each one wear their own Crowns, not coveting anything out of themselves. For I have enough to give to every one of my children, even a full revenue, so as there shall be no occasion of grudging one another. But their growths, degrees, and gifts may be different, according as in my own wise counsel I shall see fit to dispense, who will be uncontrollable, giving no account to any creature, but will confer my favors upon such as I see and know to be most diligent. They shall have no cause to repent, who have their minds wholly inclined and bent toward ME, and who entirely cleave to my Laws. I now present them without a Mosaic veil, that you may behold the goodwill that I bear toward you, and to such as love and know My Name, so as in pure Nazariteness to separate for the work which I have cut out for you, to imitate exactly, as approving yourselves in all things, willing to please her who will be your crowning reward.

[LA 1:40] But I must not forget to caution you concerning that out-birth neighbor, lest you should covet that which is his right in this outward principle, where he also has a great lordship, and a might-sovereignty over all whatever the visible earth brings forth. Here is in this world likewise a temporal kingdom, consisting in riches, honor, and majesty, with dominion over their fellow creatures, from which I set you free.

CHAPTER 2

The Opposition which this Translated Spirit met with During the Delivery of these Laws

[LA 2:1] §.As I was strictly engaged to attend the giving out of Wisdom's Paradisical Laws, that opened in me like a flaming shower, which drowned the old world, that a new world might spring up in its place, my whole New Man walking up and down therein, and drinking of that pleasant River Pison, which waters this new-entered land, into which no earthly stuff must be admitted; I could not yet be free from molestation. For though Sin, that strange deformed monster, must look for no welcome here (being forever banished from this Holy Place), yet after death in several shapes he threatens still to haunt me, often saying he will be avenged of me because I have exposed him to a violent death, for the making my way into Paradisical freedom. Therefore he transforms himself now into a spirit, and pursues me, and would bring all my dead works after me, so that I might be restless even here, where according to the Eternal Law of Liberty I should rest from all fear and care.

[LA 2:2] §.This occasioned somewhat of complaint, which I brought before my Mother Wisdom, telling her that *after death I hoped I should have been freed, and that all wars should have ceased once I got within this gate*. But, replied her witness the Spirit of Prophecy in me, I never said death would acquit you, so as no temptation at all should molest you, through the subtly of the Serpent, who has liberty to prove you here. For in like manner he had liberty to prove your dear JESUS, who for this end suffered him, that He might give proof of an unconquerable steadfastness during the appointed time that He was in Paradise to abide. So you must here expect that the Man of Sin, though dead, may again be assumed by the Angel of the Bottomless Pit, and may make war against the Angel of the Covenant. As it is said, *There was war in Heaven*, as of old, so now again in you. Therefore give good heed to the Law and to the Testimony, which open within your heavens, that you may prevail and come off a conqueror, by keeping the Commandments and the faith of JESUS. The last battle which is to be fought is in this Paradisical field. You are now to engage in a single combat. Therefore to you I bring my Flaming Armor, which is Love and Faith, by which only you will be an overcomer.

[LA 2:3] Remember that charge of honoring your Father and Mother, and do not disgrace them. For now you are upon the public stage, the whole hierarchy of throne-powers to view, to behold how your *Michael*, in you, will fight against the Dragon with his fiery might. The honor of your God is much herein concerned, that you prevail over the Beast and the False Prophet, defying the number, and renouncing the Mark of his Name, that he may never be able to claim anything more in you. For through victorious faith holding out, you will see him cowardly sneak out of Paradise. He will not care to abide there if he sees you resolutely fixed in the Spirit of my Might, who foresees all his cunning slights, by which he would pluck you down out of Paradise. Then he will say, *My design would take place, and I should have Wisdom in derision, that has no better provided for her children, but left them thus to be foiled by the Dragon*. See now how this Evil One will (if you should fall) reflect upon GOD your Father, and ME your Mother. Therefore, dear child, for our honor stand, that your days may not be short in the Promised Land, to which you will surely come—if you can hold out all the appointed time of temptation. Then another remove you shall see, where you shall no more be exposed to the Dragon's fury, but shall inherit the long and Everlasting Day, and keep this Sabbath

without end rejoicing, according as you shall here meritoriously vindicate that Name of Mine, which to the world is an unknown secret.

[LA 2:4] §.I was also further encouraged by *Wisdom* against the great opposition which I felt when waiting for the opening of the *Sixth Commandment*. There appeared to me all of a *sudden* (while she was giving her counsel and charge) a Glorious Circle with all flaming colors, upon which I looked very steadfastly. It continued a good space, as well as I might guess, near upon half a quarter of an hour, before it vanished. This Circle consisted of various and wonderful colors, the innermost part of it was all clear and bright, as the air without a cloud.

[LA 2:5] Then spoke *Wisdom's* Spirit in me, What you have seen here is the *Magical Eye*, which is an All-seeing Globe, that includes all light, power and might within its circle, so that there is no need to go out for any supply; for that all lies within the compass of this All-generating Eye. And as you saw it rise in a *moment*, so shall it give new existencies from its own, in the *twinkling* of an eye. This is the manner of *Paradisical* living, quite different from the way of the inhabitants of the outward world. They live upon the moldy bread of Sense, upon whose breast they hang, and cannot endure to be plucked from it, though they suck in the Curse and poison of God's anger, which came in when the *Paradisical* life ceased.

[LA 2:6] But to you that are come out and separated from these, my counsel is that you entirely rest and depend upon this Divine *Magical Eye*, and never wander out from it; so will it become your basket and your store. It will be your fountain-blessing. You shall need to know no more, and to take care of no more than what this will give forth to you. For it is an endless procreating source, that still puts forth New Births altogether supernatural, to which belongs a pure, sublime, organic body, having highly irradiated senses, with uncorrupted and divine Rationality, such as is grounded upon what is seen and known by this Eye. As a result, the singularity of those Holy Beings may be demonstrated, which are generated from this source and origin.

[LA 2:7] Here also may be added the perfect animal and vegetable life, with the sensitive and Rational. They all make up the New Creature, or *Paradisical Man*, but after a much different manner than that after which they are in the *degenerated*, or those that are *departed from the faith*. This *faith* is here again to be restored, through a magical operative life, that maintains its own being after a wonderful manner, cutting off all occasions of contracting more with a sinful state. For here there is no coveting any mortal or perishing things which the low Rational life stood in need of. But you, being born into this *Seraphic* nature, which looks only into God (whose eternal stores stand open and free for you to come and take of as your proper right), have no need to go to any other fountain.

[LA 2:8] Now as Christ said, *All that the Father had was His*, so it is yours by virtue of the same Spirit of Christ in you, who never crouched to this world for any of its unrighteous mammon. He would not disparage His Father's housekeeping, to seek any benevolences from creatures that lived upon self-propriety. Therefore, I present Him to be your example, who had a body terrestrial as you have, but His celestial *Paradisical man* had Keys to open all the treasures either in Heaven above, or in the Earth beneath.

[LA 2:9] But I know you will say, *This is too wonderful for me to aspire to, or to expect*. Nay, not so. For whatever your JESUS acted here and did, you may not fear to imitate. That which is formed in you will certainly drive you to this, if you will not check it by unbelief. The nature of that Holy Thing which is coagulated within, will contend for this its high prerogative, and not always, as if it

were ass-ridden, be subject to bestial properties and earthly spirits. They must all veil themselves, and bow to that New Name written within. And that so it may accordingly be,

I will not fail to aid you with my Magical Eye,
Which shall give skill in this for thee to try,
How good it is to live by faith's supply.

CHAPTER 3

The Opposition which this Translated Spirit met with After the Delivery of these Laws

[LA 3:1] §. Upon the giving down and opening of these Paradisical Laws, I was beset with a seditious party, that would have stirred up a mutiny in me, to contradict this worthy and precious Covenant, so as it might not take place or be of force with me, saying, *These were intolerable impositions; that none could or ever did reach to these requirements. And what was I? Or where was my sufficiency more than others, that I should hope or expect the accomplishment of them in myself?* This was to go into a legal dispensation, and turn the Covenant of Grace into works again, to yoke and fetter myself within the confines of these strict and severe laws. And then where was the liberty that was to come in by JESUS to set me free, He having satisfied the Law for me, that I might not be obligatory to it? "Come, come," cried the King-crowned Beast, "away with these innovations, and receive my laws, in the performance of which there will be ease and rest. Do you not see how peaceably all my subjects live under me, that bear my Mark and Name? Who are like them, great in fame, and mighty through honor and riches, which they obtain by observing my orders and rules? These I will give to you; for I would have you great in my principle, and not despicable as you now are.

[LA 3:2] §. "Whereas it is said you must have no other God but one, and that you must own Him as your Creator, and none other before Him, this I will permit; and you are not here prohibited. Nevertheless you are not so strictly tied up here, but that you may own subordinate powers under God, and obey Nature's Laws for its self-preservation. This is but equal. Therefore do not slight these laws that are founded upon Reason's bottom. But sail with its tide, as you desire blessing and prosperity in this world. Is it not great folly in you (and in such as join with you) to be singular, and to observe such Laws which none are able to agree with you in, who wisely intend to maintain their interest as to the friendship and the favors from the Kingdom of the World, which, as you have a terrestrial life and a mortal body, you stand in as much need of as any of the natural offspring whatever?

[LA 3:3] "Now has God indeed said that you must neither eye, nor have reference to any other (either in the heavens above or in the earth beneath), but must live upon Him for all, singly and undoubtingly, by a Spirit of Faith alone? This is a Law for angelics, but not for creatures that bear mortal shapes, who are fallen under the line and dominion of the Starry Constellations. It is unavoidable that you must bow and be subject subordinately to the Starry Heavens, which govern, constitute, and give forth right laws, being such as consist very well with refined Reason—which you would exclude. And then what will become of you when you shall forsake the order of Sense and reason, which your new Laws call low and earthy? Must you not thereby bring all into desolation and ruin upon your external comely station, and be a by-word and a derision to all your fellow creatures, whom before your eyes you will see as fair and flourishing branches, thriving through obedience to the laws of this my present and visible kingdom? For I do not defer my rewards; but give them as soon as their work is done. Neither do I keep my subjects and children in such suspense and waiting for what they do not see, so awing them in the meantime, as they must not so much as look awry, or be company for any other but Seraphics.

[LA 3:4] "O who can bear such a life as this while living in this mortal sphere? Oh come out, and regard not this self-destroying Covenant, which will infallibly make a breach, and set all at variance

against you, if you should keep to it. Then I must tell you, wars from my principle shall forever annoy you. Lo, this is my last summons to you. And if you shall still renounce and disobey all my love-entreaties and rational laws, then expect that I will raise up the whole earth's monarchy against you. For they will all concur with me against such as design to observe these singular Laws which are so opposite to our decrees. For if we should once allow any of these among our subjects, we should soon lose our sovereignty over them, and ourselves be made to own a superior monarchy by the utter loss of our own dominion. Ah, but I assure you this will not be yielded to. For assuredly we will call in all power and force to the utmost ends of the earth, and will war with Reason's mighty sword and spear, till we see garments rolled in blood everywhere. You shall get the conquest through blood. And seeing that you have refused terms of peace, war within your Paradise is proclaimed.

The Ten Laws of the King-Crowned Beast

[LA 3:5] "Now think not that state (with all its Laws which Wisdom your Mother has brought down) shall secure you from our mighty power, or deliver from our sharp and piercing hosts. Therefore in short, if you will set your seal to these articles that I here present to you, then you may purchase your peace and content. As,

1. In the first place, you are to own me, the Prince that rules in the Astral Region, who by these visible natural planets rules the whole day of all lower created beings.
2. I require to be feared, worshipped, and confided in; the image of whom you shall make to yourself.
3. You shall not be ashamed to bear my Name, or to act forth in all my natural and sensual properties, as baptized into the laver of common regeneration.
4. You shall rest from your ordinary calling, and from the work of your hands, and shall dedicate a day in special, to bring in your peace-offerings and to pay your vows, as a tributary to me your king.
5. You shall love and honor me as a father that has begotten you, and who also takes care to provide worthily for you, that you may not disparage your birthright to all these visible good things.
6. You are not to kill or wound the life of that judicious Spirit of Reason, which is the choicest plant in your ground, and my true prophet that gives forth my mind expressly.
7. You are not to adulterate from me, your natural husband, being joined and knit together by that immutable bond of love's sensuality, from which if you depart before death, you highly transgress against the law of me, your first husband, who will never acquit you, nor hold you guiltless in so great a disloyalty.
8. You are not to rob me of what is my right, as I am the chief and the great monarch in this outward world, who will not have any one title, prerogative, or revenue belonging to my region taken from me, or diminished.
9. You are not to witness against, or be at enmity with your fellow offspring, your adjoining neighbor. But you are to love him as yourself, being compacted together, and growing up naturally with him, as an inhabitant in and from the earthly source.
10. You are not to covet or to desire anything which I have not to give.

[LA 3:6] §. "If you observe this my charge, the whole earthly principle shall then be employed to contrive, traffic, and get increase of riches and honors for you, that you may spend your life in pleas-

antness, joy, and content. Expect not that Heaven will give forth anything to you till after the dissolution of your body. Therefore you are not to covet in this lifetime the things that are reserved for Eternity. Not that you may not have liberty of setting up divine ordinances, and attending them in their appointed course—so long as you do not rend or neglect the duties of your outward calling, giving God His due, man his, and yourself his, altogether jointly and mixedly as your Rational service.

[LA 3:7] Thus you see my kingdom has substantial, good, and prudent laws, which now I expect you should subscribe to, as you are under and in my dominion. And although I cannot reach your Paradisical Man, yet so long as you live in a terrestrial body, you are, and will be liable to all the penalties that shall be inflicted for the breach of these laws.

CHAPTER 4

The Reply of Wisdom's Paradisical Inhabitant to the King-Crowned Beast, as in Conjunction with the False Prophet

[LA 4:1] §.O you subtle spirit! How long will you not cease to seduce and tempt, plying hard upon the new-born innocent, which from your kingdom is gone out? I am not now ignorant of your great rage. Neither can you deceive me by putting on a seemingly holy shape, pretending to an unparalleled, judicious uprightness, with all your cunning slight. These arguments you have presented to me, to draw me from the great work that is intended by Wisdom. But know that this day I defy your laws. I am not afraid of your terrible might. And all that summons to a compliance with that low, sordid, corrupt Rational life, I do here, in Wisdom's holy fear, renounce and despise. Far be it from me ever to listen to them. I, who have had such a call out of the precinct where the Dragon and the Beast (the professed enemies of my God and His Wisdom) exercise their sovereignty, can have no inclinations of returning back. I cannot—I will not—let them threaten me never so long, to make me feel the effects of their fury, which they boast they can let forth upon that part which is not yet freed from their Astral Dominion.

[LA 4:2] All this, O mighty subtle Prince, I have well considered—even how far your power against me may extend. I go not about to diminish you of your right. Neither do I in the least envy you your strong, jealous, and fiery might or dominion. Only this you must give me leave to do: to disclaim your usurped power as making a challenge to any part in me, who well knows that I am set free from your arbitrary government by the Birth of *Jesus* in me. And now it would be upon my own peril should I own any other Law-giver or King besides Virgin Wisdom in Him, who is the *Yea* and the *Amen*.

[LA 4:3] §.Now if this be the ground of your quarrel and despite, that I will not yield to your summons or agree to any of your articles, I slight both your cause and you. Nor will I ever submit to any conditions that shall be inconsistent with what Wisdom has already set my hand and seal to, that so I might not depart from her Laws, in adherence to which, I doubt not but to find perfect freedom, and to be wholly delivered from your insolence. The most potent instrument that you have in your kingdom is too weak to encounter God's Agent, the Spirit of Wisdom, who will with me rest, and so defeat all plots and counsels that are contrived by the whole Dark Hierarchy conspiring in your earthly sphere.

[LA 4:4] Therefore I will not fear you, O great *Leviathan*, though you have defied and made light of that unspotted mirror of God's Wisdom, saying, *Tush! Let me see if she can secure you, or deliver you out of my hands, who can command legions of spirits to torment and devour you*. Such threats as these I can hear, and your denunciations against Faith's resoluteness bear, knowing who is my Standard-bearer, who will come to my relief, bringing in that which will make me able to hold out, even for a long siege. For which Wisdom has taught me to provide, expecting as little favor from you and your principle, as from an open proclaimed enemy. The contest is now so great that the Virgin Seed must yet again in nature spring and rise, till your head, O Serpent, be brought under foot, and by the Lamb of God so crushed, that no more revenge or plots may be contrived by that head—which head

is the seat of the imaginary mind, that flows in like a mighty torrent, as I have seen sometimes witnessed in sorrow.

[LA 4:5] Also out of the same source are the flowings of strong reasonings, which are as the artillery of war that you have to display against me. By which indeed I grant you have overcome world after world, so that all people, nations, and languages have bowed and submitted to your monarchy, because it is agreeable to an outward natural birth, which is conceived and brought forth out of the lapsed Womb of Rationality. Their life's food is only sensibility, united with these gross and low elements in which the universe of creatures consist. Like natural children they fall under your Starry Dominion, and incline to all your laws and constitutions, and voluntarily obey them. Against such, O King of the Bottomless Pit, you will never proclaim war. Only these shall live peaceably within your gates.

[LA 4:6] But for such as are again conceived in Virgin Wisdom's Womb, and brought forth from between her everlasting knees, at whose birth the Eternal Day-star breaks out, there is no quarter to be given. Therefore consultations from your Dark Herodian Kingdom begin immediately, as that which is not able to bear or hear of another King, that comes to thwart or alter the whole course of things, as they are established in your natural and earthly kingdom. But why, O great Prince of Darkness, should you be offended at the Birth of *Emmanuel* from the Virgin Womb? It will not so presently turn you out of dominion and possession everywhere, as to have no place in the earth more. Why are you so jealous? Your dominion here is large enough, and like so to be. For the earthly inhabitants will still be yours, even all such as are of the unrighteous and Serpently Seed. There is no danger, but they will still bear your image and likeness, and so be on your side to make war against the Lamb and His Bride, who are agreed to live and to maintain against you their ancient rights in their Paradisical Kingdom. Out of which Kingdom they are resolved to throw you, with all your accursed and insinuating powers, which like so many caterpillars would eat holes in, and so spoil and devour our Paradisical flowers.

[LA 4:7] Do not think you shall forever engross all spirits to yourself. Your date is seen in Wisdom's Calendar. The number of the time of your Ten-horned Beast is almost accomplished, when he must return to his own place, and no more be suffered to tempt those that have received the Most Holy and most Precious Name. This engraving within and without shall be that signal token of victory over you and your Seven-Headed Nations, whom you have called to your aid, if that possibly you might overturn the great design of Wisdom. She has now sounded her Trumpet, that whosoever will fly to her Banner shall be securely hid from your eye, and be made so strong and wise as to do such exploits by the weapons of faith, as shall amaze and terrify you.

[LA 4:8] §. Therefore know, that to the Eternal Law and Testimony given forth in Paradise, I say (and say it again), as an immutable assertion from which I shall never depart, I am resolved to cleave, and by it to stand: Until it shall make me altogether righteous and so complete, that you may be grieved to see that God has perfected holiness in so high a degree, in that which was the fallen humanity—which once did lie under your dominion, but is now recovered out of it by the Mighty Arm of the Lord of Hosts. And He will guard me from your fury. JEHOVAH will be my Safeguard. Yea, the whole Blessed Trinity will consult my security, if I am found to confide therein. Therefore I shall not be further solicitous to answer any of your upbraidings, but I will retire to my Ark of Strength, and leave you in your anguishing fire, with this total and final answer given from Wisdom's Offspring:

Let your mouth, O roaring Lion, be forever stopped. Even so, *Amen*.

[Whoever would be further informed of the leadings of the Divine Wisdom, may consider what is said of her *Twelve Gates*, and of the *Magical Eye*, in a book called, *The Revelation of Revelations*.]

The CONCLUSION

[LA 4:9] §. There is a *mystical* Paradise, as well as a *local*, which opens from a pure Magical Center, and is a wonderful state to know and witness. It chiefly stands in divine visions, revelations, ideas, presentations, manifestations in sounds, trumpets, voices, inspeakings, in powers, raptures, joys, and sensible feelings: All which Golden Springs flow from out of the bowels of the New Paradisical Earth; according as *Wisdom* did some time afterward declare, who was then also pleased to declare her mind in this manner. *You that are resolved to taste of these flowing sweets, take heed to the LAWS of PARADISE, and be not in the DUALITY, halting between two principles.*

The Law from thy mouth is better unto me, than
thousands of gold and silver.

(Psalm 119:72)

Uncover thou mine eyes, (by the taking away of the EARTHY Veil, and the opening of the PARADISICAL life and sensation) that I may behold wondrous things out of thy Law.

(Psalm 119:18)

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