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HOLIDAY LETTERS



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Holiday Letter from the Thind Family

Another year has come and nearly gone to its glory. Time and Eternity are closely interrelated with us and each other.

What has time done to us, and what have we done to ourselves in 1966? Have we overcome the Realities of Time in order to make gains for Eternity? True progress is growing through Time toward Eternity and the Eternal in us.

In the Greek myth of Prometheus, heaven opposed man. The friendly god had to steal fire from heaven to bless the life of man. In our Sikh teachings, heaven is friendly to man, and stoops to lift him upward. It is not by chance that Man pulls himself together to seize upon immortal life by a tour de force of his resolute will. God gives him the capacity for fellowship with Him. Man has not the capacity to become divine by his lone efforts.

We do not know the value of our life in Time until we are about to lose it, and if we are losers in Time we cannot be winners in Eternity. Not only the improvement of things, but the solutions of human problems and the inward betterment of human nature should be our chief aim. We explore, and we deplore, only to feel soured—that and nothing more. There is no conscious creative effort to better human beings—comparable to what scientific research

is doing to improve the products we use.

Doubts in our own abilities to think creatively and courageously about human problems are a traitor to our own self, and will cause us to lose the inner good by robbing us of our self-assertion. Creative power is built up by the needs that confront us and the obstacles that challenge us. But can't we be creative by our own free choice? Following others and standardization of thought tends to stifle our own inner genius. We must bring into existence ever new worths and values to give our inner life a fresh boost. We must be participants in the processes of Life and its Lord, not merely remain creators of things and amassers of goods. We must have a feeling of "mustness" to be at our inmost best and then make that best ever better. The making of Man nearer to the image of God, in nature and character, is the goal.

Material wealth cannot be shared with others without diminishing our own, but in the moral and spiritual life, not only can greatness be shared with others equally, but when so shared, makes the giver not the loser, but richer still—and happier.

Do not let the world poison your heart. Physical poison is temporary, killing what is sure to end someday, but the effect of moral poisoning gives lifelong torture to the sufferer and goes with him after death. The human mind becomes ill just as the body does when exposed to infection and contagion. Some natures may take longer than others to imbibe poison. Man catches evil much quicker than good; suspects sooner than trusts; hate with greater felicity than loves. When solving a problem, bending it to suit us is not the chief aim of life. No use twisting things to secure our individual or national interests to our own ends, while life marches on to make ends of its own, very different from ours. We must know the difference between a short and a long view of life. Our daily living can become an art. In commerce we can find culture; in industry our moral being; in domestic life, harmony and beauty.

Weathering a problem in a correct way will make us inwardly wealthier and life more significant. We must look over all the situations that life offers with that in mind. Our thought process will then be in complete harmony with His Mind and Pattern. Our observations, inductions and deductions will be integrated into one continuous and interrelated inquiry and growth. We will be moving from what is, to what ought to be. We will then walk and work with God by our inner sight and inner hearing—not merely by faith. As we advance, civilization moves forward with us.

A growing soul and its growing power is the bedrock of perpetual progress, both God-ward and World-ward--- interlocked in the Nām—the God—in us. It is neither right nor legitimate for us to conquer others, nor to submit ourselves to them. Both will fail and fall that way. Only free men make progress and grow God-ward. Right and Justice have a solid, subjective basis. They are the warp and woof of our inmost core of life.

All life is moral life. No man can achieve another's destiny.

Only in the Living Word, the Holy Nām, we know our right relation to all things, situations and persons. Nām—THE WORD—IS TRUTH!

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and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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