

## About Duty and Devotion

Many people are taking responsibility for themselves and for others, may it be from duty or from love.

Spiritually focusing on the Divine is the driving force behind it if it is done from selfless love. Duties and tasks are milestones on our way. The spiritual man is aware that devotion and selfless service are fruits of this love. Spiritual love is selfless and continuous; she is essentially Gods being and the power of live in everything that exists.

By this power Man can distinguish and realize that worldly wishes are weakening us and that following spiritual values will strengthen us. Performing duties without love will lead to discomfort and desperation, while performed with love they will lift up body and soul.

*“And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God. And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (Rom. 8,27,28)*

If we connect to the power of love, we will be strengthened to fulfill our duties. By continuous effort to live with God and to serve Him a deep heart-felt connection is established, which will transform mans duty into devotion. This devotion will focus our spirit to the eternal heart of God.

Jesus says: *“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind’. This is the first and great commandment. And there is a second like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself’. Matth. 22,37*

In the heart of God we are finding true love and lasting contentment. By sweetening our duties with love our bodies and spirits will be strengthened by the Lords infinite power.

Our longing for warmth, protection and unity will be satisfied in Gods eternal heart. To live, to create and to work out of this relationship to Him will fill us with abundant joy and energy.

In Psalm 37,4-9 it reads: *“Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.*

*Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.*

*Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass. Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.”*

May the Lord help us to fulfill our tasks and duties in this life with the power of love, to experience and understand what is true devotion for the sake of all beings.

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