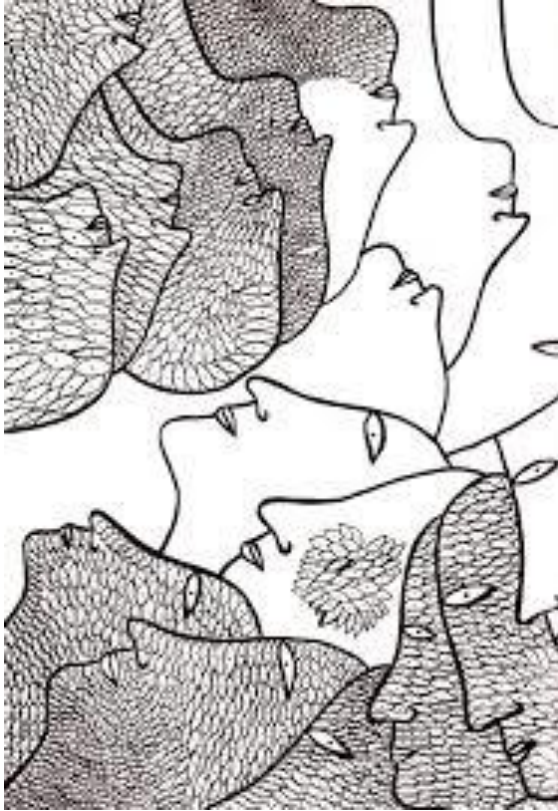


SOUL FOOD

Jan/ Feb 2021



Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself

The inmost or third *heaven* is *celestial*, the angels there being called *celestial ... love*, the nature of which is such that one angel loves another *more than himself*. AC 4286

MUTUAL LOVE

Excerpts from Chapter 11 “Observing Spirit” by Peter Rhodes

"If we love our neighbour as ourselves, we do not feel any delight in charity unless we are being active or useful.

As a consequence, the life of charity is a life of usefulness. "Arcana Coelestia“ 997

"Where neighbourly love is absent, self-love is present, along with hatred for anyone who does not cater to oneself.

*That is why people who lack neighbourly love
see nothing in their neighbour besides that neighbour's evil.*

If they see anything good in the person, they either dismiss it or put a bad interpretation on it....

Those who are guided by kindness, on the other hand, hardly even notice evil in another but pay attention instead to everything good and true in the person.

When they do find anything bad or false, they put a good interpretation on it.

*This is a characteristic of all angels — **one they acquire from the Lord**, who bends everything bad toward good*

*The very reason people learn what is good and true from the WORD of the LORD is that they may **reflect upon themselves**. Without spiritual knowledge there can be no reflection, and thus no reformation.
(Swedenborg: *Spiritual experiences* 737)*

When we read the Word or listen to doctrine we are taking in real spiritual food, actual substance. The next step is to use the truths in the way we live.

Separate yourself from the negative

*...if a person were to believe as things really are, which is that everything good and true comes from the Lord and everything evil and false from hell, he could not have been found guilty of any offence or had evil ascribed to himself. But because he believes that it begins in himself he takes evil as his own; for his belief causes this to happen. Thus evil clings and cannot be separated from him. Indeed the person's nature is such that he would be indignant if anyone told him that his thoughts and desires came from others and did not begin in himself.***AC 6324**

NEW YEAR: NEW START :

(1) Reflect on your relationships with others. Examine your responses, reactions and emotions to others.

(2)Accept that these emotions, responses, reactions, are not yours but arrive from hell if negative, or Heaven if positive.

If you start to enjoy the negative emotions you are making it impossible to have a relationship.

(3) Ask the Lord for help to get rid of the negative emotions which block love.

If you truly desire this then you will be amazed how He will miraculously remove them and there will be no further bother from them!

We are all created to become angels of Heaven which is a kingdom of communities.

*Based on the Holy Bible, **The New Church** gains further inspiration and understanding through the Heavenly Doctrines revealed by the Lord and published by 18th century scientist and theologian **Emanuel Swedenborg**. In the 35 volumes of this new Revelation, we see the Lord's plan for a rebirth of Christianity, a clear vision of God in His own Word, and what that means in our lives.*

Worship: 10:30am

Second and Fourth Sundays with Godly Play for children

Venue: Aubin Grove

On Line Sunday worship

Live(7am WA time)Hurstville

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfIPEk7DRiaq0eIL_xtwSlA

& <https://www.youtube.com/user/beiswtj>.

Live (3pm WA) from Westville South Africa: is broadcast live on Westville New Church Face Book, or can be viewed later.

<https://www.facebook.com/newchurchwestville/>

General Church <https://newchurch.org/get-involved/find-online-services/livestream/>

David Millar: <http://logopraxis.online/guided-meditations/psalm-46-guided-meditation/5947/> for meditations.

LOGO PRAXIS is available online using Zoom at many times. Our Perth participants meet at 8.30am every second Sunday. This is a spiritual practice which leads to closer connection to the Lord. For information contact Sarah 0414540836

<http://logopraxis.online/sermons/leave-your-gift-at-the-altar-part-i/>

**ONLINE donations Church : Westpac BSB 036-302: ACC
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January	2021	
SUN 10	4pm Observing spirit	Aubin Grove
SUN 17	10:30am Worship and Godly Play followed by PICNIC and walk at Piney Lake Environment centre 4pm Observing spirit	Aubin Grove Piney Lakes PICNIC Aubin Grove
SUN 24	10:30am Worship and Godly Play Picnic 4pm Observing spirit	Aubin Grove Aubin Grove
SUN 31	10:30am Worship and Godly Play 4pm Observing spirit	Tree church McDougall Park Aubin Grove
February		
SUN 7	10:30am Worship	Groat St TBC
SUN 14	10:30am Worship and Godly Play	Aubin Grove
SUN 21	10:30am Worship	Groat St TBC
SUN 28	10:30am Worship and Godly Play	Aubin Grove

2020 Christmas Eve Tableaux: Aubin Grove



Observers

