

- I. Sense in which the term "Heaven" is employed.
 - A. General sense, any state of Consciousness the quality of which is Bliss.
 1. Ranges from blissful dream-state of young consciousness to the real Nirvanic Consciousness of the fully awakened.
 2. May be experienced during physical life, or after death or both.
 - a. There is a "Heaven on earth" as well as a "Hell on earth."
- II. Qualities essential to realization of at least some degree of blissful Consciousness.
 - A. Sincerity.
 - B. Idealism.
 - C. Devotion of one's self to something larger than mere personal interest.
 1. Serving a friend, etc.
 2. Genuine patriotism.
 3. Real piety.
 4. Devotion to the social good, etc.
 5. Devotedness to Truth, Beauty, Goodness, Justice.
- III. Barrier to Heavenly experience.
 - AA. Utter selfishness.
- IV. Distinction between a Heavenly dream and Nirvanic Bliss.
 - A. Discrimination between the Real and the Unreal.
 - B. Not essential that one's beliefs be true in order to experience the Heavenly dream.
 1. The Church is wrong in making the experience of Heaven dependent upon belief in a particular doctrine.
 - C. Highest Bliss requires correct understanding of Spirit and Nature.
- V. Primary Key to Heavenly Consciousness.
 - A. The realization by man of what he really is, the "I AM".
 1. Most men identify themselves with their personalities, the main cause of misery.
 2. The real man is Divine.
 - a. The denial by man of his own Divinity is symbolized by Peter's denial of the Christ.
 - b. For man to regard himself as a worm in the dust is to be guilty of real sacrilege.
 - B. Effect of polarization to the "I AM".
 1. A Copernican change effecting clarification and simplification.
 2. All things tend to fall into their true places.
 - a. This produces harmony and harmony is the base of happiness.
 - C. "I AM" Consciousness is Bliss and produces bliss on all planes to the degree it is realized.
- VI. Class work.
 - AA Prepares the student for:
 1. A new kind of life the dominant quality of which is bliss.
 2. A real mastery of death.
 - B. A special opportunity which can be found nowhere else in the West.