

Concepts: Thought Adjusters

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Introduction: Thought Adjusters

[Let's look closely at the concept of Thought Adjusters. We'll discuss the definition of the terms (Fact), and how The Urantia Book uses the words with respect to conceptual frameworks and relatively within those frameworks (Knowledge). We'll expand our understanding of the importance of Thought Adjusters to spiritual growth and how that very growth will change and expand our comprehension of these terms (Wisdom). And we will reflect upon our new understanding, appreciating how we might wisely apply this knowledge as we evaluate the potentials of our lives and choose paths that glorify God (Living Truth).]

[Throughout this paper I will color code the text to draw the reader's attention to the significance of what is being discussed.]

Black identifies sections that support the topic of discussion, eg setting time and place, adding context, etc. This in no way suggests that the text does not have special import or spiritual stature, but notes that it is only structurally relevant to the topic of discussion.

Green is used to identify text that I find has special import in expanding understanding, e.g. developing relationships of ideas/ideals, discussing fundamental concepts, etc.

Blue is use for text that is of special or high spiritual stature, e.g. the words of Christ Michael, discussions revealing pathways to personal spiritual growth.

[My commentary will be bracketed and colored purple.

Each major section will begin by defining our terms. What we will achieve is first an understanding of the clearest dictionary use of these terms at the time of the revelation and how usage has changed the definitions over the past 80 years. The most learned factual definition of meaning and value during the period that The Urantia Book was first revealed would have been Websters Dictionary 1924 Ed. The truest current usage is best depicted by online sources — examples are dictionary.com and merriam-webster.com.

Several of the selections taken from The Urantia Book are used more than once. Generally these are some of the exceptional gems of the revelation. The repetitions are included as they accentuate and give greater depth and breadth to the central idea under discussion.

All major sections will also include an extensive selection of “Examples” of the actual use of the major theme in the Urantia papers. The Urantia Book commonly approaches topics from many different viewpoints, fostering conceptual unity from diversity of presentation and associations. Certainly spiritual gems are scattered throughout these “Examples” , but also, just allow you mind to become comfortable with the discussion of high spiritual concepts as you read through these selections. The specific topics in each major section will then be considered in relation to particularly associated selections from the Urantia Book, with the purpose of augmenting wisdom from the mindful consideration of increased knowledge, generating spiritual insight from cooperative mediation of the topic of **Thought Adjusters**, and fostering personal spiritual growth.]

Ideas

Source

1:2.3 (24.1) The actuality of the existence of God is demonstrated in human experience by the indwelling of the **divine presence**, the spirit **Monitor** sent from Paradise to live in the mortal mind of man and there to assist in evolving the immortal soul of eternal survival. The presence of this divine **Adjuster** in the human mind is disclosed by three experiential phenomena:

1. The intellectual capacity for knowing God—God-consciousness.
2. The spiritual urge to find God—God-seeking.
3. The personality craving to be like God—the wholehearted desire to do the Father’s will. 1:2.4-6 (24.2-4)

2:7.7 (42.8) The eternal quest is for unification, for divine coherence. The far-flung physical universe coheres in the Isle of Paradise; the intellectual universe coheres in the God of mind, the Conjoint Actor; the spiritual universe is coherent in the personality of the Eternal Son. But the isolated mortal of time and space coheres in God the Father through the direct relationship between the indwelling **Thought Adjuster** and the Universal Father. Man’s **Adjuster** is a **fragment of God** and everlastingly seeks for divine unification; it coheres with, and in, the Paradise Deity of the First Source and Center.

3:4.4 (50.2) The fact that he sends forth spirit messengers from himself to indwell the men and women of your world and other worlds in no wise lessens his ability to function

as a divine and all-powerful spirit personality; and there is absolutely no limit to the extent or number of such spirit **Monitors** which he can and may send out. This giving of himself to his creatures creates a boundless, almost inconceivable future possibility of progressive and successive existences for these divinely endowed mortals. And this prodigal distribution of himself as these ministering spirit entities in no manner diminishes the wisdom and perfection of truth and knowledge which repose in the person of the all-wise, all-knowing, and all-powerful Father.

[The Urantia Book introduces the discussion of **Thought Adjusters** with a declaration that they are a **fragment of the Absolute presence** of our Creator Father, bestowed to reside within the human mind and create a personal relationship – man with God – to foster, support and share in the spiritual growth and personality perfection of the mortals of time and space. The potentials of this relationship impinge upon the borders of infinite and eternal, even absolute realities and for mortal ascenders, represent a ministry of nearly incomprehensible possibilities – God reaching down to mortal man and hand and hand accompanying him to the shores of Paradise and forever beyond. We are truly the Sons of God, his spiritual children. Our destiny is the achievement of divine meanings and values. Our spiritual Father's love and personal presence in our lives, shall always be an eternal and personal experience. The how and why of this process will be our topic.]

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- **Thought Adjusters** are fragments of Absolute divinity
- **Thought Adjusters** reside in the minds of mortals
- God's relationship with mortal beings is *personal*]

PAPER 5 GOD'S RELATION TO THE INDIVIDUAL

5:0.1 (62.1) IF THE finite mind of man is unable to comprehend how so great and so majestic a God as the Universal Father can descend from his eternal abode in infinite perfection to fraternize with the individual human creature, then must such a finite intellect rest assurance of divine fellowship upon the truth of the fact that an actual **fragment of the living God** resides within the intellect of every normal-minded and morally conscious Urantia mortal. The indwelling **Thought Adjusters** are a part of the eternal Deity of the Paradise Father. Man does not have to go farther than his own inner experience of the soul's contemplation of this spiritual-reality presence to find God and attempt communion with him.

5:0.2 (62.2) God has distributed the infinity of his eternal nature throughout the existential realities of his six absolute co-ordinates, but he may, at any time, make direct personal contact with any part or phase or kind of creation through the agency of his **prepersonal fragments**. And the eternal God has also reserved to himself the prerogative of bestowing personality upon the divine Creators and the living creatures of

the universe of universes, while he has further reserved the prerogative of maintaining direct and parental contact with all these personal beings through the personality circuit.

The Approach to God

5:1.1 (62.3) The inability of the finite creature to approach the infinite Father is inherent, not in the Father's aloofness, but in the finiteness and material limitations of created beings. The magnitude of the spiritual difference between the highest personality of universe existence and the lower groups of created intelligences is inconceivable. Were it possible for the lower orders of intelligence to be transported instantly into the presence of the Father himself, they would not know they were there. They would there be just as oblivious of the presence of the Universal Father as where they now are. There is a long, long road ahead of mortal man before he can consistently and within the realms of possibility ask for safe conduct into the Paradise presence of the Universal Father. Spiritually, man must be translated many times before he can attain a plane that will yield the spiritual vision which will enable him to see even any one of the Seven Master Spirits.

5:1.2 (62.4) Our Father is not in hiding; he is not in arbitrary seclusion. He has mobilized the resources of divine wisdom in a never-ending effort to reveal himself to the children of his universal domains. There is an infinite grandeur and an inexpressible generosity connected with the majesty of his love which causes him to yearn for the association of every created being who can comprehend, love, or approach him; and it is, therefore, the limitations inherent in you, inseparable from your finite personality and material existence, that determine the time and place and circumstances in which you may achieve the goal of the journey of mortal ascension and stand in the presence of the Father at the center of all things.

5:1.3 (63.1) Although the approach to the Paradise presence of the Father must await your attainment of the highest finite levels of spirit progression, you should rejoice in the recognition of the ever-present possibility of immediate communion with the bestowal spirit of the Father so intimately associated with your inner soul and your spiritualizing self.

5:1.4 (63.2) The mortals of the realms of time and space may differ greatly in innate abilities and intellectual endowment, they may enjoy environments exceptionally favorable to social advancement and moral progress, or they may suffer from the lack of almost every human aid to culture and supposed advancement in the arts of civilization; but the possibilities for spiritual progress in the ascension career are equal to all; increasing levels of spiritual insight and cosmic meanings are attained quite independently of all such sociomoral differentials of the diversified material environments on the evolutionary worlds.

5:1.5 (63.3) However Urantia mortals may differ in their intellectual, social, economic, and even moral opportunities and endowments, forget not that their spiritual endowment

is uniform and unique. They all enjoy the same divine presence of the gift from the Father, and they are all equally privileged to seek intimate personal communion with this indwelling spirit of divine origin, while they may all equally choose to accept the uniform spiritual leading of these **Mystery Monitors**.

5:1.6 (63.4) If mortal man is wholeheartedly spiritually motivated, unreservedly consecrated to the doing of the Father's will, then, since he is so certainly and so effectively spiritually endowed by the indwelling and divine **Adjuster**, there cannot fail to materialize in that individual's experience the sublime consciousness of knowing God and the supernal assurance of surviving for the purpose of finding God by the progressive experience of becoming more and more like him.

5:1.7 (63.5) Man is spiritually indwelt by a surviving **Thought Adjuster**. If such a human mind is sincerely and spiritually motivated, if such a human soul desires to know God and become like him, honestly wants to do the Father's will, there exists no negative influence of mortal deprivation nor positive power of possible interference which can prevent such a divinely motivated soul from securely ascending to the portals of Paradise.

5:1.8 (63.6) The Father desires all his creatures to be in personal communion with him. He has on Paradise a place to receive all those whose survival status and spiritual nature make possible such attainment. Therefore settle in your philosophy now and forever: To each of you and to all of us, God is approachable, the Father is attainable, the way is open; the forces of divine love and the ways and means of divine administration are all interlocked in an effort to facilitate the advancement of every worthy intelligence of every universe to the Paradise presence of the Universal Father.

5:1.9 (63.7) The fact that vast time is involved in the attainment of God makes the presence and personality of the Infinite none the less real. Your ascension is a part of the circuit of the seven superuniverses, and though you swing around it countless times, you may expect, in spirit and in status, to be ever swinging inward. You can depend upon being translated from sphere to sphere, from the outer circuits ever nearer the inner center, and some day, doubt not, you shall stand in the divine and central presence and see him, figuratively speaking, face to face. It is a question of the attainment of actual and literal spiritual levels; and these spiritual levels are attainable by any being who has been indwelt by a **Mystery Monitor**, and who has subsequently eternally fused with that **Thought Adjuster**.

5:1.10 (64.1) The Father is not in spiritual hiding, but so many of his creatures have hidden themselves away in the mists of their own willful decisions and for the time being have separated themselves from the communion of his spirit and the spirit of his Son by the choosing of their own perverse ways and by the indulgence of the self-assertiveness of their intolerant minds and unspiritual natures.

5:1.11 (64.2) Mortal man may draw near God and may repeatedly forsake the divine will so long as the power of choice remains. Man's final doom is not sealed until he has lost

the power to choose the Father's will. There is never a closure of the Father's heart to the need and the petition of his children. Only do his offspring close their hearts forever to the Father's drawing power when they finally and forever lose the desire to do his divine will—to know him and to be like him. Likewise is man's eternal destiny assured when Adjuster fusion proclaims to the universe that such an ascender has made the final and irrevocable choice to live the Father's will.

5:1.12 (64.3) The great God makes direct contact with mortal man and gives a part of his infinite and eternal and incomprehensible self to live and dwell within him. God has embarked upon the eternal adventure with man. If you yield to the leadings of the spiritual forces in you and around you, you cannot fail to attain the high destiny established by a loving God as the universe goal of his ascendant creatures from the evolutionary worlds of space.

[God is no respecter of persons; all mortal, ascending sons of God have “an equal and unique” spiritual endowment, “the possibilities for spiritual progress in the ascension career are equal to all” 5:1.4 (63.2), and all are “equally privileged” to seek an “intimate and personal communion with this indwelling spirit of divine origin”. 5:1.5 (63.3) Our Heavenly Father, has granted mortals unique personalities, and has also bequeathed us the “gift of choice”, the right to participate in our personal spiritual evolution. It is the choice of faith; to recognize the First Source and Center of Creation as our personal Spiritual Father, and to choose to “do his will” “of finding God by the progressive experience of becoming more and more like him” 5:1.6 (63.4), that represents the first self-willed step upon the ascension path to fusion with the indwelling Thought Adjuster and to spiritual immortality. If we choose to be “unreservedly consecrated”, “wholeheartedly spiritually motivated” to know God and do the Father's will, it will be our blessing to realize with transcendent confidence that “is man's eternal destiny assured when Adjuster fusion proclaims to the universe that such an ascender has made the final and irrevocable choice to live the Father's will”. 5:1.11 (64.2)]

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- [The second manifestation of personality, existing between purely mortal and purely spiritual existences is the morontial soul, and it is built upon the *relationship* between the mortal human mind and the indwelling presence of God, the Thought Adjuster].
- Free will choice to “do the will of God” leads to fusion with the indwelling Divine Presence and secures immortality.]

Destiny

5:2.3 (64.6) The divine presence cannot, however, be discovered anywhere in nature or even in the lives of God-knowing mortals so fully and so certainly as in your attempted

communion with the indwelling **Mystery Monitor**, the Paradise **Thought Adjuster**. What a mistake to dream of God far off in the skies when the spirit of the Universal Father lives within your own mind!

5:6.5 (70.6) The **Adjusters** of prepersonal status indwell numerous types of mortal creatures, thus insuring that these same beings may survive mortal death to personalize as morontia creatures with the potential of ultimate spirit attainment. For, when such a creature mind of personality endowment is indwelt by a fragment of the spirit of the eternal God, the prepersonal bestowal of the personal Father, then does this finite personality possess the potential of the divine and the eternal and aspire to a destiny akin to the Ultimate, even reaching out for a realization of the Absolute.

5:6.8 (71.3) Having thus provided for the growth of the immortal soul and having liberated man's inner self from the fetters of absolute dependence on antecedent causation, the Father stands aside. Now, man having thus been liberated from the fetters of causation response, at least as pertains to eternal destiny, and provision having been made for the growth of the immortal self, the soul, it remains for man himself to will the creation or to inhibit the creation of this surviving and eternal self which is his for the choosing. No other being, force, creator, or agency in all the wide universe of universes can interfere to any degree with the absolute sovereignty of the mortal free will, as it operates within the realms of choice, regarding the eternal destiny of the personality of the choosing mortal. As pertains to eternal survival, God has decreed the sovereignty of the material and mortal will, and that decree is absolute.

[This concept, that each unique personality bestowed upon mortal creatures has been granted *free will choice* by our Creator Father, thus releasing man "from the fetters of absolute dependence on antecedent causation" is central, not only to grasping an understanding of the mortal ascension career, but also contributing to the comprehension of the actualization of God the Supreme. Our Revelation teaches that: "God cannot experientially know what he has never personally experienced; God's preknowledge is existential." 108:0.2 (1185.2) Recalling that "meaning is something that experience adds to value", we are better able to discern why God places such great value on his sons and daughters of planetary origin. The Creator of All is certainly capable of creating perfect creatures, beings who possess the attributes of divine perfection; the Havona Natives and Descending Sons of God are representative examples. Yet to create new and unique experience of spiritually divine perfection, beings must have the choice to truly and freely participate in the course of that evolution, to evolve in their own creation new meanings of spiritual and divine value. We can now leap to an understanding of the *potential* for deity creation *actualized* in the Supreme, Ultimate and Absolute in time/space through the ministry of descending divinity and the perfection evolution of ascending spirit. We have been blessed to participate in the expansion of Deity.]

The Ascension Plan

The Divine Perfection Plans

7:4.1 (85.2) The Eternal Son is in everlasting liaison with the Father in the successful prosecution of the divine plan of progress: the universal plan for the creation, evolution, ascension, and perfection of will creatures. And, in divine faithfulness, the Son is the eternal equal of the Father.

7:4.2 (85.3) The Father and his Son are as one in the formulation and prosecution of this gigantic attainment plan for advancing the material beings of time to the perfection of eternity. This project for the spiritual elevation of the ascendant souls of space is a joint creation of the Father and the Son, and they are, with the co-operation of the Infinite Spirit, engaged in associative execution of their divine purpose.

7:4.3 (85.4) This divine plan of perfection attainment embraces three unique, though marvelously correlated, enterprises of universal adventure:

1. The Plan of Progressive Attainment. This is the Universal Father's plan of evolutionary ascension, a program unreservedly accepted by the Eternal Son when he concurred in the Father's proposal, "Let us make mortal creatures in our own image." This provision for upstepping the creatures of time involves the Father's bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters** and the endowing of material creatures with the prerogatives of personality.
2. The Bestowal Plan. The next universal plan is the great Father-revelation enterprise of the Eternal Son and his co-ordinate Sons. This is the proposal of the Eternal Son and consists of his bestowal of the Sons of God upon the evolutionary creations, there to personalize and factualize, to incarnate and make real, the love of the Father and the mercy of the Son to the creatures of all universes. Inherent in the bestowal plan, and as a provisional feature of this ministration of love, the Paradise Sons act as rehabilitators of that which misguided creature will has placed in spiritual jeopardy. Whenever and wherever there occurs a delay in the functioning of the attainment plan, if rebellion, perchance, should mar or complicate this enterprise, then do the emergency provisions of the bestowal plan become active forthwith. The Paradise Sons stand pledged and ready to function as retrievers, to go into the very realms of rebellion and there restore the spiritual status of the spheres. And such a heroic service a co-ordinate Creator Son did perform on Urantia in connection with his experiential bestowal career of sovereignty acquirement.
3. The Plan of Mercy Ministry. When the attainment plan and the bestowal plan had been formulated and proclaimed, alone and of himself, the Infinite Spirit projected and put in operation the tremendous and universal enterprise of mercy ministry. This is the service so essential to the practical and effective operation of both the attainment and the bestowal undertakings, and the spiritual personalities of the Third Source and Center all partake of the spirit of mercy ministry which is

so much a part of the nature of the Third Person of Deity. Not only in creation but also in administration, the Infinite Spirit functions truly and literally as the conjoint executive of the Father and the Son. 7:4.4-6 (85.5-7)

7:4.7 (86.1) The Eternal Son is the personal trustee, the divine custodian, of the Father's universal plan of creature ascension. Having promulgated the universal mandate, "Be you perfect, even as I am perfect," the Father intrusted the execution of this tremendous undertaking to the Eternal Son; and the Eternal Son shares the fostering of this supernal enterprise with his divine co-ordinate, the Infinite Spirit. Thus do the Deities effectively co-operate in the work of creation, control, evolution, revelation, and ministration—and if required, in restoration and rehabilitation.

The First Source and Center functions outside of Havona in the phenomenal universes as follows:

1. As creator, through the Creator Sons, his grandsons.
2. As controller, through the gravity center of Paradise.
3. As spirit, through the Eternal Son.
4. As mind, through the Conjoint Creator.
5. As a Father, he maintains parental contact with all creatures through his personality circuit.
6. As a person, he acts directly throughout creation by his exclusive fragments—in mortal man by the **Thought Adjusters**.
7. As total Deity, he functions only in the Paradise Trinity. 10:3.9-16 (111.7-14)

30:1.99 (333.7) God, as a superperson, eventuates; God, as a person, creates; God, as a preperson, fragments; and such an **Adjuster** fragment of himself evolves the spirit soul upon the material and mortal mind in accordance with the freewill choosing of the personality which has been bestowed upon such a mortal creature by the parental act of God as a Father.

32:5.4 (364.6) To me it seems more fitting, for purposes of explanation to the mortal mind, to conceive of eternity as a cycle and the eternal purpose as an endless circle, a cycle of eternity in some way synchronized with the transient material cycles of time. As regards the sectors of time connected with, and forming a part of, the cycle of eternity, we are forced to recognize that such temporary epochs are born, live, and die just as the temporary beings of time are born, live, and die. Most human beings die because, having failed to achieve the spirit level of **Adjuster** fusion, the metamorphosis of death constitutes the only possible procedure whereby they may escape the fetters of time and the bonds of material creation, thereby being enabled to strike spiritual step with the progressive procession of eternity. Having survived the trial life of time and material existence, it becomes possible for you to continue on in touch with, even as a part of,

eternity, swinging on forever with the worlds of space around the circle of the eternal ages.

32:5.8 (365.4) The goal of eternity is ahead! The adventure of divinity attainment lies before you! The race for perfection is on! whosoever will may enter, and certain victory will crown the efforts of every human being who will run the race of faith and trust, depending every step of the way on the leading of the indwelling Adjuster and on the guidance of that good spirit of the Universe Son, which so freely has been poured out upon all flesh.

40:6.8 (448.7) 5. There dwells within you a fragment of the Universal Father, and you are thus directly related to the divine Father of all the Sons of God.

40:7.2 (448.9) Your own races of surviving mortals belong to this group of the ascending Sons of God. You are now planetary sons, evolutionary creatures derived from the Life Carrier implantations and modified by the Adamic-life infusion, hardly yet ascending sons; but you are indeed sons of ascension potential—even to the highest heights of glory and divinity attainment—and this spiritual status of ascending sonship you may attain by faith and by freewill co-operation with the spiritualizing activities of the indwelling Adjuster. When you and your Adjusters are finally and forever fused, when you two are made one, even as in Christ Michael the Son of God and the Son of Man are one, then in fact have you become the ascending sons of God.

40:7.3 (449.1) The details of the Adjuster career of indwelling ministry on a probationary and evolutionary planet are not a part of my assignment; the elaboration of this great truth embraces your whole career. I include the mention of certain Adjuster functions in order to make a replete statement regarding Adjuster-fused mortals. These indwelling fragments of God are with your order of being from the early days of physical existence through all of the ascending career in Nebadon and Orvonton and on through Havona to Paradise itself. Thereafter, in the eternal adventure, this same Adjuster is one with you and of you.

40:7.5 (449.3) Fusion with a fragment of the Universal Father is equivalent to a divine validation of eventual Paradise attainment, and such Adjuster-fused mortals are the only class of human beings who all traverse the Havona circuits and find God on Paradise. To the Adjuster-fused mortal the career of universal service is wide open. What dignity of destiny and glory of attainment await every one of you! Do you fully appreciate what has been done for you? Do you comprehend the grandeur of the heights of eternal achievement which are spread out before you?—even you who now trudge on in the lowly path of life through your so-called “vale of tears”?

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- In the experiential time/space creation the actualization of divinity destiny from the potentials of planetary mortals and the actualization of Deity from the potentials of finite origin is co-dependent and co-operative.]

How

The Overcontrol of Evolution

65:0.1 (730.1) BASIC evolutionary material life—premind life—is the formulation of the Master Physical Controllers and the life-impartation ministry of the Seven Master Spirits in conjunction with the active ministration of the ordained Life Carriers. As a result of the co-ordinate function of this threefold creativity there develops organismal physical capacity for mind—material mechanisms for intelligent reaction to external environmental stimuli and, later on, to internal stimuli, influences taking origin in the organismal mind itself.

There are, then, three distinct levels of life production and evolution:

1. The physical-energy domain—mind-capacity production.
2. The mind ministry of the adjutant spirits—impinging upon spirit capacity.
3. The spirit endowment of mortal mind—culminating in **Thought Adjuster** bestowal. 65:0.2-5 (730.2-5)

65:0.6 (730.6) The mechanical-nonteachable levels of organismal environmental response are the domains of the physical controllers. The adjutant mind-spirits activate and regulate the adaptative or nonmechanical-teachable types of mind—those response mechanisms of organisms capable of learning from experience. And as the spirit adjutants thus manipulate mind potentials, so do the Life Carriers exercise considerable discretionary control over the environmental aspects of evolutionary processes right up to the time of the appearance of human will—the ability to know God and the power of choosing to worship him.

65:0.7 (730.7) It is the integrated functioning of the Life Carriers, the physical controllers, and the spirit adjutants that conditions the course of organic evolution on the inhabited worlds. And this is why evolution—on Urantia or elsewhere—is always purposeful and never accidental.

91:3.7 (997.5) Enlightened prayer must recognize not only an external and personal God but also an internal and impersonal Divinity, the indwelling **Adjuster**. It is altogether fitting that man, when he prays, should strive to grasp the concept of the Universal Father on Paradise; but the more effective technique for most practical purposes will be to revert to the concept of a near-by alter ego, just as the primitive mind was wont to do, and then to recognize that the idea of this alter ego has evolved from a mere fiction to the truth of God's indwelling mortal man in the factual presence of the **Adjuster** so that man can talk face to face, as it were, with a real and genuine and divine alter ego that

indwells him and is the very presence and essence of the living God, the Universal Father.

101:3.2 (1108.1) Faith-insight, or spiritual intuition, is the endowment of the cosmic mind in association with the **Thought Adjuster**, which is the Father's gift to man. Spiritual reason, soul intelligence, is the endowment of the Holy Spirit, the Creative Spirit's gift to man. Spiritual philosophy, the wisdom of spirit realities, is the endowment of the Spirit of Truth, the combined gift of the bestowal Sons to the children of men. And the coordination and interassociation of these spirit endowments constitute man a spirit personality in potential destiny.

107:4.7 (1181.3) Can you really realize the true significance of the **Adjuster's** indwelling? Do you really fathom what it means to have an absolute fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity, the Universal Father, indwelling and fusing with your finite mortal natures? When mortal man fuses with an actual **fragment of the existential Cause** of the total cosmos, no limit can ever be placed upon the destiny of such an unprecedented and unimaginable partnership. In eternity, man will be discovering not only the infinity of the objective Deity but also the unending potentiality of the subjective fragment of this same God. Always will the **Adjuster** be revealing to the mortal personality the wonder of God, and never can this supernal revelation come to an end, for the **Adjuster** is of God and as God to mortal man.

107:6.4 (1182.6) We know that **Thought Adjusters** are spirits, pure spirits, presumably absolute spirits. But the **Adjuster** must also be something more than exclusive spirit reality. In addition to conjectured mindedness, factors of pure energy are also present. If you will remember that God is the source of pure energy and of pure spirit, it will not be so difficult to perceive that his fragments would be both. It is a fact that the **Adjusters** traverse space over the instantaneous and universal gravity circuits of the Paradise Isle.

107:7.7 (1184.2) There are no created beings that would not delight to be hosts to the **Mystery Monitors**, but no orders of beings are thus indwelt excepting evolutionary will creatures of finaliter destiny.

108:0.1 (1185.1) THE mission of the **Thought Adjusters** to the human races is to represent, to be, the Universal Father to the mortal creatures of time and space; that is the fundamental work of the divine gifts. Their mission is also that of elevating the mortal minds and of translating the immortal souls of men up to the divine heights and spiritual levels of Paradise perfection. And in the experience of thus transforming the human nature of the temporal creature into the divine nature of the eternal finaliter, the **Adjusters** bring into existence a unique type of being, a being consisting in the eternal union of the perfect **Adjuster** and the perfected creature which it would be impossible to duplicate by any other universe technique.

108:0.2 (1185.2) Nothing in the entire universe can substitute for the fact of experience on nonexistential levels. The infinite God is, as always, replete and complete, infinitely inclusive of all things except evil and creature experience. God cannot do wrong; he is infallible. God cannot experientially know what he has never personally experienced; God's preknowledge is existential. Therefore does the spirit of the Father descend from Paradise to participate with finite mortals in every bona fide experience of the ascending career; it is only by such a method that the existential God could become in truth and in fact man's experiential Father. The infinity of the eternal God encompasses the potential for finite experience, which indeed becomes actual in the ministry of the **Adjuster** fragments that actually share the life vicissitude experiences of human beings.

133:7.6 (1479.6) My son, I have already told you much about the mind of man and the divine spirit that lives therein, but now let me emphasize that self-consciousness is a reality. When any animal becomes self-conscious, it becomes a primitive man. Such an attainment results from a co-ordination of function between impersonal energy and spirit-conceiving mind, and it is this phenomenon which warrants the bestowal of an **absolute focal point for the human personality**, the spirit of the Father in heaven.

196:3.17 (2095.1) Moral evaluation with a religious meaning—spiritual insight—connotes the individual's choice between good and evil, truth and error, material and spiritual, human and divine, time and eternity. Human survival is in great measure dependent on consecrating the human will to the choosing of those values selected by this **spirit-value sorter**—the **indwelling interpreter and unifier**. Personal religious experience consists in two phases: discovery in the human mind and revelation by the indwelling divine spirit. Through oversophistication or as a result of the irreligious conduct of professed religionists, a man, or even a generation of men, may elect to suspend their efforts to discover the God who indwells them; they may fail to progress in and attain the divine revelation. But such attitudes of spiritual nonprogression cannot long persist because of the presence and influence of the indwelling **Thought Adjusters**.

The Morontial Soul

111:2.10 (1218.8) The inevitable result of such a contactual spiritualization of the human mind is the gradual birth of a soul, the joint offspring of an adjutant mind dominated by a human will that craves to know God, working in liaison with the spiritual forces of the universe which are under the overcontrol of an actual fragment of the very God of all creation—the **Mystery Monitor**. And thus does the material and mortal reality of the self transcend the temporal limitations of the physical-life machine and attain a new expression and a new identification in the evolving vehicle for selfhood continuity, the morontia and immortal soul.

111:5.6 (1221.7) This choosing of the Father's will is the spiritual finding of the spirit Father by mortal man, even though an age must pass before the creature son may actually stand in the factual presence of God on Paradise. This choosing does not so much consist in the negation of creature will—"Not my will but yours be done"—as it consists in the creature's positive affirmation: "It is my will that your will be done." And if this choice is made, sooner or later will the God-choosing son find inner union (fusion) with the indwelling God fragment, while this same perfecting son will find supreme personality satisfaction in the worship communion of the personality of man and the personality of his Maker, two personalities whose creative attributes have eternally joined in self-willed mutuality of expression—the birth of another eternal partnership of the will of man and the will of God.

112:5.12 (1234.1) There is something real, something of human evolution, something additional to the **Mystery Monitor**, which survives death. This newly appearing entity is the soul, and it survives the death of both your physical body and your material mind. This entity is the conjoint child of the combined life and efforts of the human you in liaison with the divine you, the **Adjuster**. This child of human and divine parentage constitutes the surviving element of terrestrial origin; it is the morontia self, the immortal soul.

112:7.18 (1239.7) What an adventure! What a romance! A gigantic creation to be administered by the children of the Supreme, these personalized and humanized **Adjusters**, these **Adjuster**ized and eternalized mortals, these mysterious combinations and eternal associations of the highest known manifestation of the essence of the First Source and Center and the lowest form of intelligent life capable of comprehending and attaining the Universal Father. We conceive that such amalgamated beings, such partnerships of Creator and creature, will become superb rulers, matchless administrators, and understanding and sympathetic directors of any and all forms of intelligent life which may come into existence throughout these future universes of the first outer space level.

117:3.9 (1282.4) Deity is unity, existential in the Trinity, experiential in the Supreme, and, in mortals, creature-realized in **Adjuster** fusion. The presence of the **Thought Adjusters** in mortal man reveals the essential unity of the universe, for man, the lowest possible type of universe personality, contains within himself an actual fragment of the highest and eternal reality, even the original Father of all personalities.

117:4.14 (1285.3) God's gifts—his bestowal of reality—are not divorcements from himself; he does not alienate creation from himself, but he has set up tensions in the creations circling Paradise. God first loves man and confers upon him the potential of immortality—eternal reality. And as man loves God, so does man become eternal in actuality. And here is mystery: The more closely man approaches God through love, the greater the reality—actuality—of that man. The more man withdraws from God, the more nearly he approaches nonreality—cessation of existence. When man consecrates

his will to the doing of the Father's will, when man gives God all that he has, then does God make that man more than he is.

118:8.2 (1301.7) Mortal man is a machine, a living mechanism; his roots are truly in the physical world of energy. Many human reactions are mechanical in nature; much of life is machinelike. But man, a mechanism, is much more than a machine; he is mind endowed and spirit indwelt; and though he can never throughout his material life escape the chemical and electrical mechanics of his existence, he can increasingly learn how to subordinate this physical-life machine to the directive wisdom of experience by the process of consecrating the human mind to the execution of the spiritual urges of the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**.

132:3.6 (1459.6) Faith acts to release the superhuman activities of the divine spark, the immortal germ, that lives within the mind of man, and which is the potential of eternal survival. Plants and animals survive in time by the technique of passing on from one generation to another identical particles of themselves. The human soul (personality) of man survives mortal death by identity association with this **indwelling spark of divinity**, which is immortal, and which functions to perpetuate the human personality upon a continuing and higher level of progressive universe existence. The concealed **seed of the human soul** is an immortal spirit. The second generation of the soul is the first of a succession of personality manifestations of spiritual and progressing existences, terminating only when this **divine entity** attains the source of its existence, the personal source of all existence, God, the Universal Father.

132:3.9 (1460.2) The presence of the Paradise spirit in the mind of man constitutes the revelation promise and the faith pledge of an eternal existence of divine progression for every soul seeking to achieve identity with this immortal and **indwelling spirit fragment of the Universal Father**.

[The physical body and the mortal mind of man do not have eternal survival value. It is only through the faith inspired *relationship* between the mortal mind of man and the indwelling **Adjuster** that the **indwelling spirit** is able to weave a vehicle of survival value, the morontial and immortal soul. This "contactual spiritualization of the human mind" springs from a human awareness dominated by the motivated self-control and desire to do the will of God. It is by and through our *choices* and by discerning the "directive wisdom of experience" that we know God. 117:4.14 (1285.3) "When man consecrates his will to the doing of the Father's will, when man gives God all that he has, then does God make that man more than he is.]

Thought Adjuster

Definitions

*Complete definitions of terms from the following sources are in the Index.

Websters Dictionary 1924
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Thought Definition Edited:

Act or state of thinking; mental concentration on ideas as distinguished from sense perceptions or emotions; reflection; cogitation.

Mental state chiefly characterized by a process of reflection; as:

a Solicitude; anxious care; concern.

b Meditation; serious consideration.

c Sorrowful thinking; grievous or pensive reflection.

The thinking process taken as abstract or as personified; the function of conceiving, judging, and reasoning; understanding; intellect.

That which is thought; an idea or concept, a judgment, or a more elaborate construction of the reason; often, and imagining, fancy, opinion, disposition or intention.

The mental as distinguished from the material; consciousness; sentience.

Adjust Definition Edited:

Settle or arranged; to free from differences or discrepancies; to bring to a satisfactory state, so that parties are agreed.

To make exact; to fit; to make correspondence or conformable; to bring into proper relations.

To put in order; to regulate, or reduce to system.

Adjuster Definition Edited:

One that adjusts something.

Change Definition Edited:

A succession or substitution of one thing in a place of another; alteration of conditions or circumstances; variety.

Any variation or alteration; a passing from one state or form to another; mutation.

Give a different position, course, or direction to

To become different

The act, process, or result of changing

Changer Definition Edited:

One who changes or alters the form of anything.

Controller Definition Edited:

One that controls or has power or authority to control; one who governs.

A person who regulates, directs, or restrains.

Mystery Definition Edited:

A profound secret; something wholly unknown, or something kept cautiously concealed, and therefore exciting curiosity or wonder; an enigma; something that has not been, or cannot be, explained; hence, something as a religious truth or fact, that is beyond human comprehension; a sacred and at the same time mysterious thing.

Any affair, thing, or person that presents features or quality so obscure as to arouse curiosity or speculation

A religious truth that one can know only by revelation and cannot fully understand

Profound, inexplicable, or secretive quality or character

A person who admonishes, especially with reference to conduct.

Something that serves to remind or give warning.

To oversee, supervise, or regulate

To watch closely for purposes of control, surveillance

To serve as a **monitor**, detector, supervisor, etc.

Monitor Definition Edited:

One who admonishes; one who warns of faults, informs of duty, or gives advice and instruction.

That which warns, reminds, advises, or instructs.

Divine Definition Edited:

Or pertaining to God

Proceeding from God

Appropriate to God or celebrating his praise; religious; pious; holy.

Pertaining to or proceeding from a deity; the nature of a god or gods.

Godlike; heavenly; excellent in the highest degree; supremely admirable; apparently above what is human.

Presageful; foreboding; prescient.

Relating to divinity or theology; religious; sacred.

Addressed, appropriated, or devoted to God or a god

Proceeding from God or a god

Heavenly; celestial

Being a god; being God

Extremely good; unusually lovely

Of superhuman or surpassing excellence

Fragment Definition Edited:

A part broken off; a small detached portion; an imperfect or incomplete part.

An isolated, unfinished, or incomplete part

Indwelling Definition Edited:

To dwell in; to abide within; to a habit.

Residence within, as in the heart.

Soul Definition Edited:

An entity conceived as the essence, substance, or actuating cause of individual life, esp. of life manifested in psychical activities; the vehicle of individual existence, separate in nature from the body and usually held to be separable in existence.

the principle of life, feeling, thought, and action in humans, regarded as a distinct entity separate from the body, and commonly held to be separable in existence from the body; the spiritual part of humans as distinct from the physical part.

the spiritual part of humans regarded in its moral aspect, or as believed to survive death and be subject to happiness or misery in a life to come: *arguing the immortality of the soul*.

the animating principle; the essential element or part of something.

the immaterial essence, animating principle, or actuating cause of an individual life

the moral and emotional nature of human beings

Spirit Definition Edited:

Breath of life; life, or the life principle, conceived as a kind of breath or vapor animating from the body, or in, man, mediating between body and soul.

The life principle viewed as the "breath" or gift of deity; hence, the agent of vital and conscious functions in man; the soul.

In the abstract, life or consciousness viewed as an independent type of existence; as, idealists maintain that the essential nature of the universe is spirit, pantheist that spirit invades the universe. In this sense spirit denotes a quality or being similar to man's physical or vital nature, conceived as a characteristic of nature or of deity.

Part of the divine nature; the Holy Spirit.

Any supernatural being; an apparition; the specter; a ghost; also sometimes a sprite; a fairy; an elf.

The principle of conscious life; the vital principle in humans, animating the body or mediating between body and soul.

The incorporeal part of humans: present in spirit though absent in body.

The soul regarded as separating from the body at death.

The divine influence as an agency working in the human heart.

The third person of the Trinity; Holy Spirit.

The immaterial intelligent or sentient part of a person

DEFINITIONS FROM THE URANTIA BOOK:**Thought Adjuster**

0:5.9 (8.9) 3. Spirit. The **divine spirit** that indwells the mind of man—the **Thought Adjuster**. This immortal spirit is prepersonal—not a personality, though destined to become a part of the personality of the surviving mortal creature.

30:1.99 (333.7) God, as a superperson, eventuates; God, as a person, creates; God, as a preperson, fragments; and such an **Adjuster fragment** of himself evolves the spirit soul upon the material and mortal mind in accordance with the freewill choosing of the personality which has been bestowed upon such a mortal creature by the parental act of God as a Father.

30:1.100 (333.8) V. FRAGMENTED ENTITIES OF DEITY. This order of living existence, originating in the Universal Father, is best typified by the **Thought Adjusters**, though these entities are by no means the only **fragmentations of the prepersonal reality of the First Source and Center**. The functions of the other-than-**Adjuster fragments** are manifold and little known. Fusion with an **Adjuster** or other such fragment constitutes the creature a Father-fused being.

111:2.7 (1218.5) 3. The relationship between material mind and **divine spirit**, which connotes a value and carries a meaning not found in either of the contributing factors to such an association. The reality of this unique relationship is neither material nor spiritual but morontial. It is the soul.

NOUNS

ancestors, bestowal, Changer, controller, custodians, divine, divinities, divinity, entity-point, entity-point, entity, essence, focal point, foundations, founts, fragment, fragments, germ, gift, gifts, guide, helpers, hope, image, immanence, individuations, indweller, indwelling, lawgiver, Leaders, manifestation, Manipulators, mentor, mindedness, Ministers, nucleus, originals, parts, pilot, pledge, presence, reality, reflection, servers, Shekinah, spark, spirit, Teachers, toilers, urge, workers, voice

ADJECTIVES

absolute, actual, **Adjuster**, **Adjusters**, Advanced, associated, bestowed, careful, Deity, divine, efficient, eternal, experienced, experiential, faithful, Father, fostering, fourth-stage, factual, fragmented, fostering, fragmented, fragmentized, Fused, fusion, God-revealing, God, Godlike, good, guiding, Heavenly, higher, his, human, immortal, impersonal, individual, indwelling, inner, liaison, liberating, loving, marvelous, mighty, ministering, mysterious, Mystery, non-**Adjuster**, Nonpersonalized, Paradise, patient, perfect, **Personalized**, potential, prepersonal, purest, qualified, safe and sure, self-acting, self-conscious, spirit, subjective, superacting, supernal, Supreme, sure, temporary, tireless, unattenuated, unceasing, valiant, Vanished, Virgin, watchful,

ADVERBS

Adjusterized

QUALIFIERS

absolute focal point for the human personality
absolute foundations
absolute fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity
actual fragment of the existential Cause of the total cosmos
actual fragment of the very God of all creation
actuality of the Father's love incarnate
Adjuster, divine
Adjuster gift of the Father
Adjuster, God-revealing
Adjusters
Adjusters, Advanced
Adjusters, fourth-stage
Adjusters, Fused
Adjusters, Personalized
Adjusters, Self-Acting
Adjusters, self-conscious
Adjusters, Supreme
Adjusters, Vanished
Adjusters, Virgin
Adjuster presence
Adjuster of the divine presence
Adjuster type of Father fragment
bestowed personality
associated spirit
bestowed gifts of the divine spirit
bestowed spirit
bestowal spirit of the Father
bestowals of the Universal Father
bestowed spirit of the Universal Father
bestowed Adjuster
better morontial and future spiritual self
careful custodians
central spirit nucleus
children of the universe career
concealed seed of the human soul
Deity fragments
delegated spirit of human indwelling
divine

divine alter ego
divine controller, indwelling presence of the
divine entities, divine entity
divine fragments of God
divine gifts
divine guide and mentor
divine immanence, God within
divine indweller
divine indwelling
divine indwelling of mortal minds
divine Monitors
divine originals
divine parent of the real you
divine pledge of the future and full spiritual stabilization of the ascending mortal
divine presence
divine spark
divine spirit
divine spirit of human guidance
divine Spirit, guiding
divine spirit of Paradise bestowal
divine spirit that indwells the mind of man
divine spirit who waits and works within your mind
divine universe reality
divine voice
efficient ministers
entity-point of absolute value
essence of man's perfected finaliter personality
essence of original Deity
eternal ancestors
experiential Adjuster
experienced manipulators of the spiritual potential of the human intellect
factual presence of the infinite God
faithful custodians of the future career
Father fragments
Father's indwelling presence
Father's spirit
foretaste of divinity
fostering Adjuster
founts of everlasting progression
fragment of (this same) God, subjective

fragment of absolute spirituality
fragments of the divine nature
fragment of God
fragment of God the Father, prepersonal
fragment of himself
fragment of his prepersonal spirit
fragment of infinity
fragment of potential spirit personality
fragment of the pure Deity of the Universal Father
fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity, absolute
fragment of the absolute essence
fragment of the absolute essence
fragment of the existential Cause
fragments of the Father
fragment of the highest and eternal reality
fragment of potential spirit personality
fragment of the same Universal Father
fragment of the spirit of the eternal God
fragment of the spirit of the Universal Father
fragment of the Universal Father
fragment of the absolute essence of the universal presence
fragments of the prepersonal Deity of the First Source and Center
fragmentations of the prepersonal reality of the First Source and Center
fragment of the pre-Trinity spirit endowment of some one of the persons of the Paradise
Trinity
fragmented entities
fragmented presence of the Universal Father
fragmentized Spirit
fragments of Deity
fragments of the ancestor of gravity
fragments of the divine nature of the Universal Father
fragments of the Father
fragments of the Father
fragments of the Father, qualified absolute
fragments, Adjuster
fragments, God
fusion Adjusters
presence of God
gift from God
gift from the Father

gift of the divine presence
God, the Adjuster
God fragments
Godlike servers of the mortal inhabitants
God spirit
good spirit
heavenly helpers
higher and advancing self
higher and truly internal spiritual stimulus of thought
highest known manifestation of the essence of the First Source and Center
his spirit
hope of divine character
human divinities
image of God
immortal germ
immortal spirit
impersonal entities
impersonal entity
impersonal presence of the Universal Father
impersonal spirits of the Universal Father
immortal entity
individual Adjusters
individuations of original Deity
individuations of original Deity
indwellers
indwelling and associated divine presence
indwelling divine spirit
indwelling Father presence
indwelling fragments of God
indwelling fragments of the Universal Father
indwelling gift of the Father
indwelling gift of God
indwelling God fragment
indwelling heavenly Father
indwelling interpreter and unifier
indwelling of God
indwelling presence of a part of absolute unity
indwelling presences of the First Source and Center
indwelling spirit of divine origin
indwelling spark of divinity

indwelling spirit
indwelling spirit entity
indwelling spirit Monitor
indwelling spirit pilot
immortal spirit endowment
inner presence
kingdom of heaven within you
lawgiver
liaison Adjusters
liberating divinity of the Universal Father
light of life
living presence
loving leaders
manifestation of the essence of the First Source and Center
mark of divinity
mentor of the flesh
mighty indwellers
mindedness of God
ministering spirit entities
Monitor, divine
monitor of time
Monitor, spirit
Monitors, masterful and experienced
morontial and future spiritual self
mysterious presences
Mystery Monitors
Nonpersonalized Adjusters
Paradise Adjusters
Paradise spirit
Paradise Thought Adjuster
Part (of God)
part of his infinite and eternal and incomprehensible self
patient teachers
perfect guides
personalized and humanized Adjusters
Personalized Monitors
pilot, divine
pilot, faithful
pilot, loving
potential personality constantly indwelling you

power, privilege, and the possibility of survival
prepersonal bestowal of the personal Father
prepersonal fragment
prepersonal fragment of God the Father
presence and essence of the living God
presences of the Father
presence of God
prisoners of spirit hope confined within the minds of men
prisoners of undying hope
purest spirit reality
qualified absolute fragments of the Father
reason-judgment of your expanding human mind of
 hereditary endowment
reflection of the image of God abroad in the universe
safe and sure guides
secret of the personal realization of the reality
 of the existence of the Supreme
segregated presence of our Paradise Father
self-acting Adjusters
self-conscious Adjusters
Shekinah
spark of infinity
spirit
spirit endowment
spirit entities
spirit fragment
spirit fragment of the Father
spirit hope
spirit messengers
spirit of divinity
spirit of human indwelling
spirit of human indwelling, delegated
spirit of my Father
spirit of the Father
spirit of the Father's representation, mighty
spirit of God
spirits of mortal fusion
spirit of Paradise origin
spirit of their minds
Spirit of the Universe Keeper

spirit of the Universal Father
spirit of your own soul
spirit nucleus
spirit presence
spirit presence of the Universal Father
spirit presence, Father's
spirit that indwells, God
spirit, prepersonal divine
spirit Thought Adjuster
spirit-value sorter
subjective fragment
supernal gifts to mortal men
supreme Adjusters
sure guides
surviving and guiding divine spirit
temporary indweller
Thought Adjuster
Thought Changer
Thought Controller
tireless toilers
wellspring of spiritual attainment
unceasing urge
watchful workers
your higher and advancing self

Relation to God

0:2.2 (3.15) Cosmic consciousness implies the recognition of a First Cause, the one and only uncaused reality. God, the Universal Father, functions on three Deity-personality levels of subinfinite value and relative divinity expression:

1. Prepersonal—as in the ministry of the Father fragments, such as the **Thought Adjusters**.
2. Personal—as in the evolutionary experience of created and procreated beings.
3. Superpersonal—as in the eventuated existences of certain absonite and associated beings. 0:2.3-5 (3.16-8)

0:5.5 (8.5) The Universal Father is the secret of the reality of personality, the bestowal of personality, and the destiny of personality. The Eternal Son is the absolute personality, the secret of spiritual energy, morontia spirits, and perfected spirits. The Conjoint Actor is the spirit-mind personality, the source of intelligence, reason, and the universal mind. But the Isle of Paradise is nonpersonal and extraspiritual, being the

essence of the universal body, the source and center of physical matter, and the absolute master pattern of universal material reality.

0:5.6 (8.6) These qualities of universal reality are manifest in Urantian human experience on the following levels:

1. Body. The material or physical organism of man. The living electrochemical mechanism of animal nature and origin.
 2. Mind. The thinking, perceiving, and feeling mechanism of the human organism. The total conscious and unconscious experience. The intelligence associated with the emotional life reaching upward through worship and wisdom to the spirit level.
 3. Spirit. The **divine spirit** that indwells the mind of man—the **Thought Adjuster**. This **immortal spirit** is prepersonal—not a personality, though destined to become a part of the personality of the surviving mortal creature.
 4. Soul. The soul of man is an experiential acquirement. As a mortal creature chooses to “do the will of the Father in heaven,” so the **indwelling spirit** becomes the father of a new reality in human experience. The mortal and material mind is the mother of this same emerging reality. The substance of this new reality is neither material nor spiritual—it is morontial. This is the emerging and immortal soul which is destined to survive mortal death and begin the Paradise ascension.
- 0:5.7-10 (8.7-10)

0:5.11 (9.1) Personality. The personality of mortal man is neither body, mind, nor spirit; neither is it the soul. Personality is the one changeless reality in an otherwise ever-changing creature experience; and it unifies all other associated factors of individuality. The personality is the unique bestowal which the Universal Father makes upon the living and associated energies of matter, mind, and spirit, and which survives with the survival of the morontial soul.

0:5.12 (9.2) Morontia is a term designating a vast level intervening between the material and the spiritual. It may designate personal or impersonal realities, living or nonliving energies. The warp of morontia is spiritual; its woof is physical.

1:1.3 (22.6) When you have once become truly God-conscious, after you really discover the majestic Creator and begin to experience the realization of the indwelling presence of the divine controller, then, in accordance with your enlightenment and in accordance with the manner and method by which the divine Sons reveal God, you will find a name for the Universal Father which will be adequately expressive of your concept of the First Great Source and Center. And so, on different worlds and in various universes, the Creator becomes known by numerous appellations, in spirit of relationship all meaning the same but, in words and symbols, each name standing for the degree, the depth, of his enthronement in the hearts of his creatures of any given realm.

1:2.3 (24.1) The actuality of the existence of God is demonstrated in human experience by the indwelling of the divine presence, the spirit **Monitor** sent from Paradise to live in the mortal mind of man and there to assist in evolving the immortal soul of eternal survival. The presence of this divine **Adjuster** in the human mind is disclosed by three experiential phenomena:

1. The intellectual capacity for knowing God—God-consciousness.
2. The spiritual urge to find God—God-seeking.
3. The personality craving to be like God—the wholehearted desire to do the Father's will. 1:2.4-6 (24.2-4)

1:2.7 (24.5) The existence of God can never be proved by scientific experiment or by the pure reason of logical deduction. God can be realized only in the realms of human experience; nevertheless, the true concept of the reality of God is reasonable to logic, plausible to philosophy, essential to religion, and indispensable to any hope of personality survival.

1:2.8 (24.6) Those who know God have experienced the fact of his presence; such God-knowing mortals hold in their personal experience the only positive proof of the existence of the living God which one human being can offer to another. The existence of God is utterly beyond all possibility of demonstration except for the contact between the God-consciousness of the human mind and the God-presence of the **Thought Adjuster** that indwells the mortal intellect and is bestowed upon man as the free gift of the Universal Father.

1:2.10 (24.8) As a physical controller in the material universe of universes, the First Source and Center functions in the patterns of the eternal Isle of Paradise, and through this absolute gravity center the eternal God exercises cosmic overcontrol of the physical level equally in the central universe and throughout the universe of universes. As mind, God functions in the Deity of the Infinite Spirit; as spirit, God is manifest in the person of the Eternal Son and in the persons of the divine children of the Eternal Son. This interrelation of the First Source and Center with the co-ordinate Persons and Absolutes of Paradise does not in the least preclude the direct personal action of the Universal Father throughout all creation and on all levels thereof. Through the presence of his fragmentized spirit the Creator Father maintains immediate contact with his creature children and his created universes.

1:3.1 (25.1) "God is spirit." He is a universal spiritual presence. The Universal Father is an infinite spiritual reality; he is "the sovereign, eternal, immortal, invisible, and only true God." Even though you are "the offspring of God," you ought not to think that the Father is like yourselves in form and physique because you are said to be created "in his image"—indwelt by **Mystery Monitors** dispatched from the central abode of his eternal

presence. Spirit beings are real, notwithstanding they are invisible to human eyes; even though they have not flesh and blood.

1:3.2 (25.2) Said the seer of old: "Lo, he goes by me, and I see him not; he passes on also, but I perceive him not." We may constantly observe the works of God, we may be highly conscious of the material evidences of his majestic conduct, but rarely may we gaze upon the visible manifestation of his divinity, not even to behold the presence of his delegated **spirit of human indwelling**.

1:3.6 (25.6) In the universes God the Father is, in potential, the overcontroller of matter, mind, and spirit. Only by means of his far-flung personality circuit does God deal directly with the personalities of his vast creation of will creatures, but he is contactable (outside of Paradise) only in the presences of his **fragmented entities**, the will of God abroad in the universes. This **Paradise spirit** that indwells the minds of the mortals of time and there fosters the evolution of the immortal soul of the surviving creature is of the nature and divinity of the Universal Father. But the minds of such evolutionary creatures originate in the local universes and must gain divine perfection by achieving those experiential transformations of spiritual attainment which are the inevitable result of a creature's choosing to do the will of the Father in heaven.

1:3.7 (26.1) In the inner experience of man, mind is joined to matter. Such material-linked minds cannot survive mortal death. The technique of survival is embraced in those adjustments of the human will and those transformations in the mortal mind whereby such a God-conscious intellect gradually becomes spirit taught and eventually spirit led. This evolution of the human mind from matter association to spirit union results in the transmutation of the potentially spirit phases of the mortal mind into the morontia realities of the immortal soul. Mortal mind subservient to matter is destined to become increasingly material and consequently to suffer eventual personality extinction; mind yielded to spirit is destined to become increasingly spiritual and ultimately to achieve oneness with the surviving and guiding **divine spirit** and in this way to attain survival and eternity of personality existence.

1:4.1 (26.3) The infinity of the perfection of God is such that it eternally constitutes him mystery. And the greatest of all the unfathomable mysteries of God is the phenomenon of the **divine indwelling** of mortal minds. The manner in which the Universal Father sojourns with the creatures of time is the most profound of all universe mysteries; the **divine presence** in the mind of man is the **mystery of mysteries**.

1:4.3 (26.5) When you are through down here, when your course has been run in temporary form on earth, when your trial trip in the flesh is finished, when the dust that composes the mortal tabernacle "returns to the earth whence it came"; then, it is revealed, the **indwelling "Spirit"** shall return to God who gave it." There sojourns within each moral being of this planet a **fragment of God**, a part and parcel of divinity. It is not

yet yours by right of possession, but it is designedly intended to be one with you if you survive the mortal existence.

1:5.10 (28.7) The idea of the personality of the Universal Father is an enlarged and truer concept of God which has come to mankind chiefly through revelation. Reason, wisdom, and religious experience all infer and imply the personality of God, but they do not altogether validate it. Even the indwelling **Thought Adjuster** is prepersonal. The truth and maturity of any religion is directly proportional to its concept of the infinite personality of God and to its grasp of the absolute unity of Deity. The idea of a personal Deity becomes, then, the measure of religious maturity after religion has first formulated the concept of the unity of God.

1:5.16 (29.6) It is literally true: "In all your afflictions he is afflicted." "In all your triumphs he triumphs in and with you." His prepersonal divine spirit is a real part of you. The Isle of Paradise responds to all the physical metamorphoses of the universe of universes; the Eternal Son includes all the spirit impulses of all creation; the Conjoint Actor encompasses all the mind expression of the expanding cosmos. The Universal Father realizes in the fullness of the divine consciousness all the individual experience of the progressive struggles of the expanding minds and the ascending spirits of every entity, being, and personality of the whole evolutionary creation of time and space. And all this is literally true, for "in Him we all live and move and have our being."

1:6.4 (30.3) The **prepersonal divine spirit** which indwells the mortal mind carries, in its very presence, the valid proof of its actual existence, but the concept of the divine personality can be grasped only by the spiritual insight of genuine personal religious experience. Any person, human or divine, may be known and comprehended quite apart from the external reactions or the material presence of that person.

1:7.1 (31.1) When Jesus talked about "the living God," he referred to a personal Deity—the Father in heaven. The concept of the personality of Deity facilitates fellowship; it favors intelligent worship; it promotes refreshing trustfulness. Interactions can be had between nonpersonal things, but not fellowship. The fellowship relation of father and son, as between God and man, cannot be enjoyed unless both are persons. Only personalities can commune with each other, albeit this personal communion may be greatly facilitated by the presence of just such an **impersonal entity** as the **Thought Adjuster**.

[The presence of this Paradise spirit, the **pre-personal bestowal of the Heavenly Father** in our minds, acts as a bright, guiding light, promoting the self-revelation of the Divine Creator of All Things by augmenting the intellectual capacity to know God - God consciousness; the spiritual urge to find God - God seeking; and the personality craving to be like God - the desire to do the Fathers will. These "experiential transformations of spiritual attainment" 1:3.6 (25.6) transmute the material-linked mortal mind into a spirit taught and spirit lead energy system, potentially capable of immortality, the morontial

soul. For such a mortal being, this genuine, personal religious experience manifests as an Ascending Son of God, and in such a life, the fruits of the spirit flourish.]

The Infinity of God

2:0.3 (33.3) In all our efforts to enlarge and spiritualize the human concept of God, we are tremendously handicapped by the limited capacity of the mortal mind. We are also seriously handicapped in the execution of our assignment by the limitations of language and by the poverty of material which can be utilized for purposes of illustration or comparison in our efforts to portray divine values and to present spiritual meanings to the finite, mortal mind of man. All our efforts to enlarge the human concept of God would be well-nigh futile except for the fact that the mortal mind is indwelt by the bestowed **Adjuster** of the Universal Father and is pervaded by the Truth Spirit of the Creator Son. Depending, therefore, on the presence of these divine spirits within the heart of man for assistance in the enlargement of the concept of God, I cheerfully undertake the execution of my mandate to attempt the further portrayal of the nature of God to the mind of man.

2:1.7 (34.6) And all this necessitates such arrangements for contact and communication with his manifold creatures as have been ordained, first, in the personalities of the Paradise Sons of God, who, although perfect in divinity, also often partake of the nature of the very flesh and blood of the planetary races, becoming one of you and one with you; thus, as it were, God becomes man, as occurred in the bestowal of Michael, who was called interchangeably the Son of God and the Son of Man. And second, there are the personalities of the Infinite Spirit, the various orders of the seraphic hosts and other celestial intelligences who draw near to the material beings of lowly origin and in so many ways minister to them and serve them. And third, there are the impersonal **Mystery Monitors**, **Thought Adjusters**, the actual gift of the great God himself sent to indwell such as the humans of Urantia, sent without announcement and without explanation. In endless profusion they descend from the heights of glory to grace and indwell the humble minds of those mortals who possess the capacity for God-consciousness or the potential therefor.

2:1.8 (35.1) In these ways and in many others, in ways unknown to you and utterly beyond finite comprehension, does the Paradise Father lovingly and willingly downstep and otherwise modify, dilute, and attenuate his infinity in order that he may be able to draw nearer the finite minds of his creature children. And so, through a series of personality distributions which are diminishingly absolute, the infinite Father is enabled to enjoy close contact with the diverse intelligences of the many realms of his far-flung universe.

2:1.9 (35.2) All this he has done and now does, and evermore will continue to do, without in the least detracting from the fact and reality of his infinity, eternity, and primacy. And these things are absolutely true, notwithstanding the difficulty of their

comprehension, the mystery in which they are enshrouded, or the impossibility of their being fully understood by creatures such as dwell on Urantia.

2:1.10 (35.3) Because the First Father is infinite in his plans and eternal in his purposes, it is inherently impossible for any finite being ever to grasp or comprehend these divine plans and purposes in their fullness. Mortal man can glimpse the Father's purposes only now and then, here and there, as they are revealed in relation to the outworking of the plan of creature ascension on its successive levels of universe progression. Though man cannot encompass the significance of infinity, the infinite Father does most certainly fully comprehend and lovingly embrace all the finity of all his children in all universes.

2:1.11 (35.4) Divinity and eternity the Father shares with large numbers of the higher Paradise beings, but we question whether infinity and consequent universal primacy is fully shared with any save his co-ordinate associates of the Paradise Trinity. Infinity of personality must, perforce, embrace all finitude of personality; hence the truth — literal truth — of the teaching which declares that “In Him we live and move and have our being.” That **fragment of the pure Deity of the Universal Father** which indwells mortal man is a part of the infinity of the First Great Source and Center, the Father of Fathers.

2:5.2 (39.1) It is wrong to think of God as being coaxed into loving his children because of the sacrifices of his Sons or the intercession of his subordinate creatures, “for the Father himself loves you.” It is in response to this paternal affection that God sends the marvelous **Adjusters** to indwell the minds of men. God's love is universal; “whosoever will may come.” He would “have all men be saved by coming into the knowledge of the truth.” He is “not willing that any should perish.”

2:5.5 (39.4) After all, the greatest evidence of the goodness of God and the supreme reason for loving him is the indwelling gift of the Father — the **Adjuster** who so patiently awaits the hour when you both shall be eternally made one. Though you cannot find God by searching, if you will submit to the leading of the **indwelling spirit**, you will be unerringly guided, step by step, life by life, through universe upon universe, and age by age, until you finally stand in the presence of the Paradise personality of the Universal Father.

2:5.10 (40.2) But the love of God is an intelligent and farseeing parental affection. The divine love functions in unified association with divine wisdom and all other infinite characteristics of the perfect nature of the Universal Father. God is love, but love is not God. The greatest manifestation of the divine love for mortal beings is observed in the bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters**, but your greatest revelation of the Father's love is seen in the bestowal life of his Son Michael as he lived on earth the ideal spiritual life. It is the indwelling **Adjuster** who individualizes the love of God to each human soul.

2:6.8 (41.6) God loves the sinner and hates the sin: such a statement is true philosophically, but God is a transcendent personality, and persons can only love and

hate other persons. Sin is not a person. God loves the sinner because he is a personality reality (potentially eternal), while towards sin God strikes no personal attitude, for sin is not a spiritual reality; it is not personal; therefore does only the justice of God take cognizance of its existence. The love of God saves the sinner; the law of God destroys the sin. This attitude of the divine nature would apparently change if the sinner finally identified himself wholly with sin just as the same mortal mind may also fully identify itself with the indwelling spirit **Adjuster**. Such a sin-identified mortal would then become wholly unspiritual in nature (and therefore personally unreal) and would experience eventual extinction of being. Unreality, even incompleteness of creature nature, cannot exist forever in a progressively real and increasingly spiritual universe. [We are here first presented with the primary *personal characteristic* of the First Source Center acting in the time/space creation. The Fathers relationship with all personalities is first and foremost one of love. "It is the indwelling **Adjuster** who individualizes the love of God to each human soul." 2:5.10 (40.2) The high cosmic value of personality is here revealed. We are blessed with a personal relationship with deity, a relationship best understood as parental; God is our Creator Father, and we are his beloved sons and daughters. He views his created children as potentially eternal, and the errors, (sins), of our experiences along the Paradise path to perfection, as unreal, unspiritual, opportunities to recognize needed corrections for further spiritual growth. Unless we choose to become sin-identified, personally unreal, God's love shall always abide. Our greatest gift to our Divine Creator is to choose to "do his will", for "Unreality, even incompleteness of creature nature, cannot exist forever in a progressively real and increasingly spiritual universe." 2:6.8 (41.6)]

3:1.5 (45.1) Truly of the human race has it been said, "You are of God" because "he who dwells in love dwells in God, and God in him." Even in wrongdoing you torment the indwelling gift of God, for the **Thought Adjuster** must needs go through the consequences of evil thinking with the human mind of its incarceration.

3:1.6 (45.1) The omnipresence of God is in reality a part of his infinite nature; space constitutes no barrier to Deity. God is, in perfection and without limitation, discernibly present only on Paradise and in the central universe. He is not thus observably present in the creations encircling Havona, for God has limited his direct and actual presence in recognition of the sovereignty and the divine prerogatives of the co-ordinate creators and rulers of the universes of time and space. Hence must the concept of the divine presence allow for a wide range of both mode and channel of manifestation embracing the presence circuits of the Eternal Son, the Infinite Spirit, and the Isle of Paradise. Nor is it always possible to distinguish between the presence of the Universal Father and the actions of his eternal co-ordinates and agencies, so perfectly do they fulfill all the infinite requirements of his unchanging purpose. But not so with the personality circuit and the **Adjusters**; here God acts uniquely, directly, and exclusively.

3:1.9 (46.1) The everywhere-present spirit of the Universal Father is co-ordinated with the function of the universal spirit presence of the Eternal Son and the everlasting divine potential of the Deity Absolute. But neither the spiritual activity of the Eternal Son and his Paradise Sons nor the mind bestowals of the Infinite Spirit seem to exclude the direct action of the **Thought Adjusters**, the indwelling **fragments of God**, in the hearts of his creature children.

3:2.5 (47.3) The omnipotence of the Father pertains to the everywhere dominance of the absolute level, whereon the three energies, material, mindal, and spiritual, are indistinguishable in close proximity to him—the Source of all things. Creature mind, being neither Paradise monota nor Paradise spirit, is not directly responsive to the Universal Father. God adjusts with the mind of imperfection—with Urantia mortals through the **Thought Adjusters**.

3:3.3 (49.2) God is possessed of unlimited power to know all things; his consciousness is universal. His personal circuit encompasses all personalities, and his knowledge of even the lowly creatures is supplemented indirectly through the descending series of divine Sons and directly through the indwelling **Thought Adjusters**. And furthermore, the Infinite Spirit is all the time everywhere present.

3:6.5 (53.3) It is a great blunder to humanize God, except in the concept of the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**, but even that is not so stupid as completely to mechanize the idea of the First Great Source and Center.

3:6.6 (53.4) Does the Paradise Father suffer? I do not know. The Creator Sons most certainly can and sometimes do, even as do mortals. The Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit suffer in a modified sense. I think the Universal Father does, but I cannot understand how; perhaps through the personality circuit or through the individuality of the **Thought Adjusters** and other bestowals of his eternal nature. He has said of the mortal races, "In all your afflictions I am afflicted." He unquestionably experiences a fatherly and sympathetic understanding; he may truly suffer, but I do not comprehend the nature thereof.

God's Relation to the Individual

5:5.1 (68.4) Morality has its origin in the reason of self-consciousness; it is superanimal but wholly evolutionary. Human evolution embraces in its unfolding all endowments antecedent to the bestowal of the **Adjusters** and to the pouring out of the Spirit of Truth. But the attainment of levels of morality does not deliver man from the real struggles of mortal living. Man's physical environment entails the battle for existence; the social surroundings necessitate ethical adjustments; the moral situations require the making of choices in the highest realms of reason; the spiritual experience (having realized God) demands that man find him and sincerely strive to be like him.

5:5.5 (68.8) Evolutionary religion is the mother of the science, art, and philosophy which elevated man to the level of receptivity to revealed religion, including the bestowal of **Adjusters** and the coming of the Spirit of Truth. The evolutionary picture of human existence begins and ends with religion, albeit very different qualities of religion, one evolutionary and biological, the other revelational and periodical. And so, while religion is normal and natural to man, it is also optional. Man does not have to be religious against his will.

God of Personality

55:6.4 (70.5) The bestowal of personality is the exclusive function of the Universal Father, the personalization of the living energy systems which he endows with the attributes of relative creative consciousness and the freewill control thereof. There is no personality apart from God the Father, and no personality exists except for God the Father. The fundamental attributes of human selfhood, as well as the absolute **Adjuster** nucleus of the human personality, are the **bestowals of the Universal Father**, acting in his exclusively personal domain of cosmic ministry.

5:6.5 (70.6) The **Adjusters** of prepersonal status indwell numerous types of mortal creatures, thus insuring that these same beings may survive mortal death to personalize as morontia creatures with the potential of ultimate spirit attainment. For, when such a creature mind of personality endowment is indwelt by a **fragment of the spirit of the eternal God**, the prepersonal bestowal of the personal Father, then does this finite personality possess the potential of the divine and the eternal and aspire to a destiny akin to the Ultimate, even reaching out for a realization of the Absolute.

5:6.6 (71.1) Capacity for divine personality is inherent in the prepersonal **Adjuster**; capacity for human personality is potential in the cosmic-mind endowment of the human being. But the experiential personality of mortal man is not observable as an active and functional reality until after the material life vehicle of the mortal creature has been touched by the liberating divinity of the Universal Father, being thus launched upon the seas of experience as a self-conscious and a (relatively) self-determinative and self-creative personality. The material self is truly and unqualifiedly personal.

5:6.7 (71.2) The material self has personality and identity, temporal identity; the prepersonal spirit **Adjuster** also has identity, eternal identity. This material personality and this spirit prepersonality are capable of so uniting their creative attributes as to bring into existence the surviving identity of the immortal soul.

5:6.8 (71.3) Having thus provided for the growth of the immortal soul and having liberated man's inner self from the fetters of absolute dependence on antecedent causation, the Father stands aside. Now, man having thus been liberated from the fetters of causation response, at least as pertains to eternal destiny, and provision having been made for the growth of the immortal self, the soul, it remains for man himself to will the creation or to inhibit the creation of this surviving and eternal self

which is his for the choosing. No other being, force, creator, or agency in all the wide universe of universes can interfere to any degree with the absolute sovereignty of the mortal free will, as it operates within the realms of choice, regarding the eternal destiny of the personality of the choosing mortal. As pertains to eternal survival, God has decreed the sovereignty of the material and mortal will, and that decree is absolute. 5:6.9 (71.4) The bestowal of creature personality confers relative liberation from slavish response to antecedent causation, and the personalities of all such moral beings, evolutionary or otherwise, are centered in the personality of the Universal Father. They are ever drawn towards his Paradise presence by that kinship of being which constitutes the vast and universal family circle and fraternal circuit of the eternal God. There is a kinship of divine spontaneity in all personality.

5:6.10 (71.5) The personality circuit of the universe of universes is centered in the person of the Universal Father, and the Paradise Father is personally conscious of, and in personal touch with, all personalities of all levels of self-conscious existence. And this personality consciousness of all creation exists independently of the mission of the **Thought Adjusters**.

[It is important to recognize that while the bestowal of personality is potential in the human mind endowment, it is *antecedent* to the arrival of the “liberating divinity of the Universal Father”, and is not “active and functionally observable” 5:6.6 (71.1), until after the **Thought Adjusters** have come to reside in in the material mind. The personality attributes of a “self-conscious and a (relatively) self-determinative and self-creative personality” are thus a qualitative enhancement of the original bestowal of personality, resultant from the arrival of the **indwelling presence of God**. It is at this moment that our Father’s gift of *free will choice* liberates personality “from the fetters of absolute dependence on antecedent causation” 5:6.8 (71.3)

What does this term “antecedent causation” mean? Imagine that you had suffered a material catastrophe, or that another personality had caused you injury. Antecedent causation would dictate that you would realize only the material results of such an incident, and perhaps an animalistic reflex learning response. However, an **Adjuster** indwelt mortal being would have the opportunity to apply discriminative cognitive evaluation of all experience, good or bad, and choose to “do God’s will” - self-create himself, as an immortal son of God, or not. As Jesus once told David Zebedee and John Mark: “Let not your hearts be troubled; all things will work together for the glory of God and the salvation of men.” 182:2.1. (1966.1) Through His personality circuit, God is aware of all you experience. Through the **Mystery Monitors**, He intimately shares with you all experience. It is by the relationship of the experiencing personality choosing to follow Gods will, with and by the guidance of the **prepersonal Indwelling of the Almighty God**, that those choices of spiritual value are transmuted into the creation of your immortal soul. The goal of the **Thought Adjusters**, the Spirit of Truth, and the many agencies and personalities of our Creator Father is to help us achieve a destiny, divine

and eternal. This is the normal course of human spiritual evolution, it is achievable by all who would set forth upon the ascension path, and reliant only upon your willingness to do God's will, *your free will choosing.*]

6:5.6 (78.2) Ever remember, the Eternal Son is the personal portrayal of the spirit Father to all creation. The Son is personal and nothing but personal in the Deity sense; such a divine and absolute personality cannot be disintegrated or fragmentized. God the Father and God the Spirit are truly personal, but they are also everything else in addition to being such Deity personalities.

6:5.7 (78.3) Though the Eternal Son cannot personally participate in the bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters**, he did sit in council with the Universal Father in the eternal past, approving the plan and pledging endless co-operation, when the Father, in projecting the bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters**, proposed to the Son, "Let us make mortal man in our own image." And as the **spirit fragment of the Father** dwells within you, so does the spirit presence of the Son envelop you, while these two forever work as one for your spiritual advancement.

10:3.1 (110.7) Notwithstanding there is only one Deity, there are three positive and divine personalizations of Deity. Regarding the endowment of man with the divine **Adjusters**, the Father said: "Let us make mortal man in our own image." Repeatedly throughout the Urantian writings there occurs this reference to the acts and doings of plural Deity, clearly showing recognition of the existence and working of the three Sources and Centers.

12:7.13 (139.2) Even though the Paradise Father functions through his divine creators and his creature children, he also enjoys the most intimate inner contact with you, so sublime, so highly personal, that it is even beyond my comprehension—that mysterious communion of the Father fragment with the human soul and with the mortal mind of its actual indwelling. Knowing what you do of these gifts of God, you therefore know that the Father is in intimate touch, not only with his divine associates, but also with his evolutionary mortal children of time. The Father indeed abides on Paradise, but his **divine presence** also dwells in the minds of men.

16:3.2 (186.6) Master Spirit Number One. In a special manner this Spirit is the direct representation of the Paradise Father. He is a peculiar and efficient manifestation of the power, love, and wisdom of the Universal Father. He is the close associate and supernal adviser of the chief of **Mystery Monitors**, that being who presides over the College of **Personalized Adjusters** on Divinington. In all associations of the Seven Master Spirits, it is always Master Spirit Number One who speaks for the Universal Father.

16:4.16 (190.10) Notwithstanding our failure adequately to comprehend the manifold workings of the Seven Master Spirits, we are confident there are two realms in the vast range of universe activities with which they have nothing whatever to do: the bestowal and ministry of the **Thought Adjusters** and the inscrutable functions of the Unqualified Absolute.

16:8.3 (194.3) Personality is a unique endowment of original nature whose existence is independent of, and antecedent to, the bestowal of the **Thought Adjuster**. Nevertheless, the presence of the **Adjuster** does augment the qualitative manifestation of personality. **Thought Adjusters**, when they come forth from the Father, are identical in nature, but personality is diverse, original, and exclusive; and the manifestation of personality is further conditioned and qualified by the nature and qualities of the associated energies of a material, mindal, and spiritual nature which constitute the organismal vehicle for personality manifestation.

17:1.6 (198.6) On the executive sphere of the seventh superuniverse the staff engaged in keeping straight the affairs of Orvonton runs into numbers beyond human comprehension and embraces practically every order of celestial intelligence. All superuniverse services of personality dispatch (except Inspired Trinity Spirits and **Thought Adjusters**) pass through one of these seven executive worlds on their universe journeys to and from Paradise, and here are maintained the central registries for all personalities created by the Third Source and Center who function in the superuniverses. The system of material, morontial, and spiritual records on one of these executive worlds of the Spirit amazes even a being of my order.

17:3.9 (201.7) While **Thought Adjusters** do not participate in the operation of the universal reflectivity system, we have every reason to believe that all **Father fragments** are fully cognizant of these transactions and are able to avail themselves of their content.

28:5.22 (313.4) So it is with mortal man: The Mother Spirit of Salvington knows you fully, for the Holy Spirit on your world “searches all things,” and whatsoever the divine Spirit knows of you is immediately available whenever the seoraphic discerners reflect with the Spirit concerning the Spirit’s knowledge of you. It should, however, be mentioned that the knowledge and plans of the **Father fragments** are not reflectible. The discerners can and do reflect the presence of the **Adjusters** (and the Censors pronounce them divine), but they cannot decipher the content of the mindedness of the **Mystery Monitors**.

32:4.11 (364.1) In this universal bestowal of himself we have abundant proof of both the magnitude and the magnanimity of the Father's divine nature. If God has withheld aught of himself from the universal creation, then of that residue he is in lavish generosity bestowing the **Thought Adjusters** upon the mortals of the realms, the **Mystery Monitors** of time, who so patiently indwell the mortal candidates for life everlasting.

32:4.5 (363.3) In the mortal will creatures the Father is actually present in the **indwelling Adjuster**, a **fragment of his prepersonal spirit**; and the Father is also the source of the personality of such a mortal will creature.

32:4.9 (363.7) In your universe and in your heart the Universal Father is present, spiritually speaking, by one of the Seven Master Spirits of central abode and, specifically, by the divine **Adjuster** who lives and works and waits in the depths of the mortal mind.

42:11.1 (481.5) In the evaluation and recognition of mind it should be remembered that the universe is neither mechanical nor magical; it is a creation of mind and a mechanism of law. But while in practical application the laws of nature operate in what seems to be the dual realms of the physical and the spiritual, in reality they are one. The First Source and Center is the primal cause of all materialization and at the same time the first and final Father of all spirits. The Paradise Father appears personally in the extra-Havona universes only as pure energy and pure spirit—as the **Thought Adjusters** and other similar fragmentations.

42:12.10 (483.10) Even spirit beings have form, and these spirit forms (patterns) are real. Even the highest type of spirit personalities have forms—personality presences in every sense analogous to Urantia mortal bodies. Nearly all beings encountered in the seven superuniverses are possessed of forms. But there are a few exceptions to this general rule: **Thought Adjusters** appear to be without form until after fusion with the surviving souls of their mortal associates. Solitary Messengers, Inspired Trinity Spirits, Personal Aids of the Infinite Spirit, Gravity Messengers, Transcendental Recorders, and certain others are also without discoverable form. But these are typical of the exceptional few; the great majority have bona fide personality forms, forms which are individually characteristic, and which are recognizable and personally distinguishable.

42:2.21 (471.5) We know that finite creatures can attain the worship experience of the Universal Father through the ministry of God the Sevenfold and the **Thought Adjusters**, but we doubt that any subabsolute personality, even power directors, can comprehend the energy infinity of the First Great Source and Center. One thing is certain: If the power directors are conversant with the technique of the metamorphosis of space-force, they do not reveal the secret to the rest of us. It is my opinion that they do not fully comprehend the function of the force organizers.

PAPER 107 : ORIGIN AND NATURE OF **THOUGHT ADJUSTERS**

107:0.1 (1176.1) ALTHOUGH the Universal Father is personally resident on Paradise, at the very center of the universes, he is also actually present on the worlds of space in the minds of his countless children of time, for he indwells them as the **Mystery Monitors**. The eternal Father is at one and the same time farthest removed from, and most intimately associated with, his planetary mortal sons.

107:0.2 (1176.2) The **Adjusters** are the **actuality of the Father's love incarnate** in the souls of men; they are the veritable promise of man's eternal career imprisoned within the mortal mind; they are the **essence of man's perfected finaliter personality**, which he can foretaste in time as he progressively masters the divine technique of achieving the living of the Father's will, step by step, through the ascension of universe upon universe until he actually attains the divine presence of his Paradise Father.

107:0.3 (1176.3) God, having commanded man to be perfect, even as he is perfect, has descended as the **Adjuster** to become man's experiential partner in the achievement of the supernal destiny which has been thus ordained. The **fragment of God** which indwells the mind of man is the absolute and unqualified assurance that man can find the Universal Father in association with this divine **Adjuster**, which came forth from God to find man and sonship him even in the days of the flesh.

107:0.4 (1176.4) Any mortal who has seen a Creator Son has seen the Universal Father, and he who is indwelt by a divine **Adjuster** is indwelt by the Paradise Father. Every mortal who is consciously or unconsciously following the leading of his **indwelling Adjuster** is living in accordance with the will of God. Consciousness of **Adjuster** presence is consciousness of God's presence. Eternal fusion of the **Adjuster** with the evolutionary soul of man is the factual experience of eternal union with God as a universe associate of Deity.

107:0.5 (1176.5) It is the **Adjuster** who creates within man that unquenchable yearning and incessant longing to be like God, to attain Paradise, and there before the actual person of Deity to worship the infinite source of the **divine gift**. The **Adjuster** is the **living presence** which actually links the mortal son with his Paradise Father and draws him nearer and nearer to the Father. The **Adjuster** is our compensatory equalization of the enormous universe tension which is created by the distance of man's removal from God and by the degree of his partiality in contrast with the universality of the eternal Father.

107:0.6 (1176.6) The **Adjuster** is an **absolute essence of an infinite being** imprisoned within the mind of a finite creature which, depending on the choosing of such a mortal, can eventually consummate this temporary union of God and man and veritably actualize a new order of being for unending universe service. The **Adjuster** is the **divine universe reality** which factualizes the truth that God is man's Father. The **Adjuster** is man's infallible cosmic compass, always and unerringly pointing the soul Godward.

107:0.7 (1177.1) On the evolutionary worlds, will creatures traverse three general developmental stages of being: From the arrival of the **Adjuster** to comparative full growth, about twenty years of age on Urantia, the **Monitors** are sometimes designated

Thought Changers. From this time to the attainment of the age of discretion, about forty years, the **Mystery Monitors** are called **Thought Adjusters**. From the attainment of discretion to deliverance from the flesh, they are often referred to as **Thought Controllers**. These three phases of mortal life have no connection with the three stages of **Adjuster** progress in mind duplication and soul evolution.

[The Revelators offer three names to designate **Thought Adjusters** during the three general developmental stages of being. This is interesting as they freely acknowledge that they do not fully understand the interaction between the **Divine Monitors** and the human mind. It is enough of a mystery that choosing names to refer to these supernal gifts from the Creator Father is difficult. Scattered throughout The Urantia Book there are none the less small snippets of phrases and explanations that help guide readers to a better understanding of the relationship between the **indwelling gifts of God** and the human mind. We are told that “The **divine spirit** makes contact with mortal man, not by feelings or emotions, but in the realm of the highest and most spiritualized thinking.” 101:1.3 (1104.6) This inner spiritual communion is termed *spiritual insight* and functions upon ideas, ideals, insights and spiritual strivings. “it is simply the experience of experiencing the reality of believing in God as the reality of such a purely personal experience.” 101:1.4 (1105.1) The **Adjusters** help create within the mind, a “hunger and thirst for righteousness”, “craving for divine perfection”, “the recognition of an inner urge to divine attainment in”, “a consciousness of soul, trust and assurance”. The **Adjusters** are not able to arbitrarily “change your feelings of fear to convictions of love and confidence”, but they may “apply a spiritual lever of uplifting and advancing illumination.” 108:5.8 (1192.3). They “unfailingly duplicate every mental creation with a spiritual counterpart”, “re-creating you as you really are (only spiritually) for resurrection on the survival worlds” 108:6.5 (1193.4) This is especially true when it comes to sharp and well defined conflicts between right and wrong. We are specifically told that during the gradual spiritual growth and maturation of Joshua ben Joseph, his **Adjuster** was “actively engaged in re-organizing the thinking and rehearsing his mind for the great events of the future” 134:1.7 (1484.4), “ever guiding the mortal mind of the Paradise Son in the choosing of the path of the Father’s perfect will” 109:6.4, and that his **Father’s Indwelling Spirit** “made great progress in the ascension and spiritual conquest” 129:3.9 (1424.4) of the Master’s intellect and was able to bring to consciousness memories of his divine life. We are advised that should we choose to wisely co-ordinate “idea-decisions, logical ideals, and divine truth” and foster “the possession of a righteous character” 101:6.7 (1112.3) that the **Adjuster** will dare to duplicate, combine and spiritualize such mindful choices into the immortal soul.

With this in mind, we might be tempted to suggest that up until the age of material maturation, the **Mystery Monitors** (Changers) can actively direct patterns of personality unification along spiritual lines; that as personality matures, the **Indwelling Spirits** (**Adjusters**) are able to cast their beacon of divinity as guiding adjustments in the

thinking process of material ascenders; and that from the age of discretion, when a willing personality, having freely chosen Sonship with our Heavenly Father and enthusiastic cooperation with their **Divine Gifts (Controllers)**, grant full collaboration to those changes in mental thought patterns as would promote righteous spiritual growth.]

Origin of Thought Adjusters

107:1.1 (1177.2) Since **Thought Adjusters** are of the **essence of original Deity**, no one may presume to discourse authoritatively upon their nature and origin; I can only impart the traditions of Salvington and the beliefs of Uversa; I can only explain how we regard these **Mystery Monitors** and their associated entities throughout the grand universe.

107:1.2 (1177.3) Though there are diverse opinions regarding the mode of the bestowal of **Thought Adjusters**, there exist no such differences concerning their origin; all are agreed that they proceed direct from the Universal Father, the First Source and Center. They are not created beings; they are **fragmentized entities** constituting the factual presence of the infinite God. Together with their many unrevealed associates, the **Adjusters** are undiluted and unmixed divinity, unqualified and unattenuated parts of Deity; they are of God, and as far as we are able to discern, they are God.

107:1.3 (1177.4) As to the time of their beginning separate existences apart from the absoluteness of the First Source and Center, we do not know; neither do we know their number. We know very little concerning their careers until they arrive on the planets of time to indwell human minds, but from that time on we are more or less familiar with their cosmic progressions up to and including the consummation of their triune destinies: attainment of personality by fusion with some mortal ascender, attainment of personality by fiat of the Universal Father, or liberation from the known assignments of **Thought Adjusters**.

107:1.4 (1177.5) Although we do not know, we presume that **Adjusters** are being constantly individualized as the universe enlarges, and as the candidates for **Adjuster** fusion increase in numbers. But it may be equally possible that we are in error in attempting to assign a numerical magnitude to the **Adjusters**; like God himself, these fragments of his unfathomable nature may be existentially infinite.

107:1.5 (1177.6) The technique of the origin of the **Thought Adjusters** is one of the unrevealed functions of the Universal Father. We have every reason to believe that none of the other absolute associates of the First Source and Center have aught to do with the production of Father fragments. **Adjusters** are simply and eternally the **divine gifts**; they are of God and from God, and they are like God.

107:1.6 (1177.7) In their relationship to fusion creatures they reveal a supernal love and spiritual ministry that is profoundly confirmative of the declaration that God is spirit. But there is much that takes place in addition to this transcendent ministry that has never been revealed to Urantia mortals. Neither do we fully understand just what really transpires when the Universal Father gives of himself to be a part of the personality of a

creature of time. Nor has the ascending progression of the Paradise finalizers as yet disclosed the full possibilities inherent in this supernal partnership of man and God. In the last analysis, the **Father fragments** must be the gift of the absolute God to those creatures whose destiny encompasses the possibility of the attainment of God as absolute.

107:1.7 (1178.1) As the Universal Father fragmentizes his prepersonal Deity, so does the Infinite Spirit individuate portions of his premind spirit to indwell and actually to fuse with the evolutionary souls of the surviving mortals of the spirit-fusion series. But the nature of the Eternal Son is not thus fragmentable; the spirit of the Original Son is either diffuse or discretely personal. Son-fused creatures are united with individualized bestowals of the spirit of the Creator Sons of the Eternal Son.

The Divinington Home of Adjusters

107:3.1 (1179.4) All universe activities related to the dispatch, management, direction, and return of the **Mystery Monitors** from service in all of the seven superuniverses seem to be centered on the sacred sphere of Divinington. As far as I know, none but **Adjusters** and other entities of the Father have been on that sphere. It seems likely that numerous unrevealed prepersonal entities share Divinington as a home sphere with the **Adjusters**. We conjecture that these fellow entities may in some manner be associated with the present and future ministry of the **Mystery Monitors**. But we really do not know.

107:3.2 (1179.5) When **Thought Adjusters** return to the Father, they go back to the realm of supposed origin, Divinington; and probably as a part of this experience, there is actual contact with the Father's Paradise personality as well as with the specialized manifestation of the Father's divinity which is reported to be situated on this secret sphere.

107:3.7 (1179.10) I have often reflected that it would be quite useless for me to go to Divinington; I probably should be unable to see any resident beings except such as the Personalized **Adjusters**, and I have seen them elsewhere. I am very sure there is nothing on Divinington of real value or profit to me, nothing essential to my growth and development, or I should not have been forbidden to go there.

107:3.8 (1180.1) Since we can learn little or nothing of the nature and origin of **Adjusters** from Divinington, we are compelled to gather information from a thousand and one different sources, and it is necessary to assemble, associate, and correlate this accumulated data in order that such knowledge may be informative.

107:3.9 (1180.2) The valor and wisdom exhibited by **Thought Adjusters** suggest that they have undergone a training of tremendous scope and range. Since they are not personalities, this training must be imparted in the educational institutions of Divinington. The unique Personalized **Adjusters** no doubt constitute the personnel of the **Adjuster** training schools of Divinington. And we do know that this central and

supervising corps is presided over by the now Personalized Adjuster of the first Paradise Son of the Michael order to complete his sevenfold bestowal upon the races and peoples of his universe realms.

107:3.10 (1180.3) We really know very little about the nonpersonalized Adjusters; we only contact and communicate with the personalized orders. These are christened on Divinington and are always known by name and not by number. The Personalized Adjusters are permanently domiciled on Divinington; that sacred sphere is their home. They go out from that abode only by the will of the Universal Father. Very few are found in the domains of the local universes, but larger numbers are present in the central universe.

13:0.6 (143.6) Although the worlds of the Father are ultimate status spheres for all Father-endowed personalities, this is not their exclusive function. Many beings and entities other than personal sojourn on these worlds. Each world in the circuit of the Father and the circuit of the Spirit has a distinct type of permanent citizenship, but we think the Son's worlds are inhabited by uniform types of other-than-personal beings. Father fragments are among the natives of Divinington; the other orders of permanent citizenship are unrevealed to you.

13:1.4 (144.4) 1. DIVININGTON. This world is, in a unique sense, the "bosom of the Father," the personal-communion sphere of the Universal Father, and thereon is a special manifestation of his divinity. Divinington is the Paradise rendezvous of the Thought Adjusters, but it is also the home of numerous other entities, personalities, and other beings taking origin in the Universal Father. Many personalities besides the Eternal Son are of direct origin by the solitary acts of the Universal Father. Only the Father fragments and those personalities and other beings of direct and exclusive origin in the Universal Father fraternize and function on this abode.

13:1.23 (147.4) You will never fully understand this mysterious transaction until you reach Ascendington. And that is just why all Ascendington will be open to your wondering gaze. One seventh of Ascendington is forbidden to me—that sector concerned with this very secret which is (or will be) the exclusive experience and possession of your type of being. This experience belongs to your human order of existence. My order of personality is not directly concerned with such transactions. It is therefore forbidden to me and eventually revealed to you. But even after it is revealed to you, for some reason it forever remains your secret. You do not reveal it to us nor to any other order of beings. We know about the eternal fusion of a divine Adjuster and an immortal soul of human origin, but the ascendant finaliters know this very experience as an absolute reality.

13:2.7 (148.6) Eventually you will have full access to Ascendington and relative access to the other spheres of the Father except Divinington. But even when you are granted permission to land on five additional secret spheres, after you have become a finaliter,

you will not be allowed to visit all sectors of such worlds. Nor will you be permitted to land on the shores of Divinington, the “bosom of the Father,” though you shall surely stand repeatedly at the “right hand of the Father.” Never throughout all eternity will there arise any necessity for your presence on the world of the **Thought Adjusters**.

Nature and Presence of Adjusters

107:4.1 (1180.4) To say that a **Thought Adjuster** is divine is merely to recognize the nature of origin. It is highly probable that such purity of divinity embraces the essence of the potential of all attributes of Deity which can be contained within such a **fragment of the absolute essence of the universal presence** of the eternal and infinite Paradise Father.

107:4.2 (1180.5) The actual source of the **Adjuster** must be infinite, and before fusion with the immortal soul of an evolving mortal, the reality of the **Adjuster** must border on absoluteness. **Adjusters** are not absolutes in the universal sense, in the Deity sense, but they are probably true absolutes within the potentialities of their fragmented nature. They are qualified as to universality but not as to nature; in extensiveness they are limited, but in intensiveness of meaning, value, and fact they are absolute. For this reason we sometimes denominate the **divine gifts** as the **qualified absolute fragments of the Father**.

[Though somewhat metaphysically dense, let's take a brief side trip to define terms so that we may come to better *value* the divine gifts bequeathed to us by the First Source and Center of Creation.]

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Absolutes of potentiality 7 (*ab suh lootz' uv pur suh nal' i tee*): The **Unqualified Absolute**, the **Deity Absolute**, and the **Universal Absolute**.

absolute 869 (*ab suh loot'*): The absolute level [of reality] is beginningless, endless, timeless, and spaceless.

Universal Of, relating to, or affecting the entire universe.

Qualified be entitled to a particular benefit or privilege by fulfilling a necessary condition:

unqualifiedly 19 (*uhn kwoll uh fahyd lee*): Limited or conditioned only by volition.

divine 1701 (*dih vahyn'*): Deity is the source of all that which is divine. Deity is characteristically and invariably divine, but all that which is divine is not necessarily Deity, though it will be co-ordinated with Deity and will tend towards some phase of unity with Deity “s

Deity 886 (*dee' i tee*): DEITY is personalizable as God, is prepersonal and superpersonal in ways not altogether comprehensible by man.

- is characterized by the quality of unity - actual or potential - on all supermaterial levels of reality; and this unifying quality is best comprehended by creatures as **divinity**.0:1.2 - is unity, existential in the Trinity, experiential in the Supreme, and, in mortals, creature-realized in **Adjuster** fusion. 117:3.9

Deity Absolute 70 (*dee' i tee ab suh loot'*): The experientializing God of transcended superpersonal values and divinity meanings.

Divinity - is the characteristic, unifying, and co-ordinating quality of Deity. 0:1.16

- is creature comprehensible as truth, beauty, and goodness; correlated in personality as love, mercy, and ministry; disclosed on impersonal levels as justice, power, and sovereignty. 0:1.17

Unqualified Absolute 90 (*uhn kwoll uh fahyd ab suh loot'*): The unlimited capacity for infinity response .

Universal Absolute 61 (*yoo' nuh vur suhl ab suh loot'*): The unrevealed infinity-unity of the Paradise Father.

[The Universal Absolute, that state encompassing all of the actuals and potentials of the Supreme, and the Ultimate, coordinates and unifies the Qualified Absolute and Unqualified Absolute. The Qualified Absolute represents “The Deity Absolute ... that potential which was segregated from total, infinite reality by the freewill choice of the Universal Father, and within which all divinity activities—existential and experiential—take place” 0:11.6 (14.4). The Deity Absolute presents the personalization of divinity, that moment when God became the First Source and Center of the time/space Creation and differentiate himself, as a person, from the unqualified “I AM”. The third level of Deity evolution after God, the Supreme, and God, the Ultimate is God the Absolute.

7. God the Absolute—the experientializing God of transcended superpersonal values and divinity meanings, now existential as the Deity Absolute. This is the third level of unifying Deity expression and expansion. On this supercreative level, Deity experiences exhaustion of personalizable potential, encounters completion of divinity, and undergoes depletion of capacity for self-revelation to successive and progressive levels of other-personalization. Deity now encounters, impinges upon, and experiences identity with, the Unqualified Absolute 0:2.18 (4.12).

The Revelation teaches that **Adjusters** are “unqualified and unattenuated parts of Deity; they are of God, and as far as we are able to discern, they are God.” 107:1.2 (1177.3). “... Nor has the ascending progression of the Paradise finaliters as yet disclosed the full possibilities inherent in this supernal partnership of man and God. In the last analysis, the **Father fragments** must be the **gift of the absolute God** to those creatures whose

destiny encompasses the possibility of the attainment of God as absolute.” 107:1.6 (1177.7)

So, this is the *value* of the **Thought Adjusters**. We have in our minds, a fragment of absolute deity, residing with us and assisting us as we self-create our reality, guiding us, and desiring to fuse with our personality as a new order of being, a Son of God, a being who’s potential for divinity destiny and progressive Deity recognition is essentially without limit.]

107:4.3 (1180.6) No **Adjuster** has ever been disloyal to the Paradise Father; the lower orders of personal creatures may sometimes have to contend with disloyal fellows, but never the **Adjusters**; they are supreme and infallible in their supernal sphere of creature ministry and universe function.

107:4.4 (1180.7) Nonpersonalized **Adjusters** are visible only to Personalized **Adjusters**. My order, the Solitary Messengers, together with Inspired Trinity Spirits, can detect the presence of **Adjusters** by means of spiritual reactive phenomena; and even seraphim can sometimes discern the spirit luminosity of supposed association with the presence of **Monitors** in the material minds of men; but none of us are able actually to discern the real presence of **Adjusters**, not unless they have been personalized, albeit their natures are perceivable in union with the fused personalities of the ascending mortals from the evolutionary worlds. The universal invisibility of the **Adjusters** is strongly suggestive of their high and exclusive divine origin and nature.

107:4.5 (1181.1) There is a characteristic light, a spirit luminosity, which accompanies this divine presence, and which has become generally associated with **Thought Adjusters**. In the universe of Nebadon this Paradise luminosity is widespreadly known as the “pilot light”; on Uversa it is called the “light of life.” On Urantia this phenomenon has sometimes been referred to as that “true light which lights every man who comes into the world.”

107:4.6 (1181.2) To all beings who have attained the Universal Father, the Personalized **Thought Adjusters** are visible. **Adjusters** of all stages, together with all other beings, entities, spirits, personalities, and spirit manifestations, are always discernible by those Supreme Creator Personalities who originate in the Paradise Deities, and who preside over the major governments of the grand universe.

107:4.7 (1181.3) Can you really realize the true significance of the **Adjuster’s** indwelling? Do you really fathom what it means to have an **absolute fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity**, the Universal Father, indwelling and fusing with your finite mortal natures? When mortal man fuses with an actual fragment of the existential Cause of the total cosmos, no limit can ever be placed upon the destiny of such an unprecedented and unimaginable partnership. In eternity, man will be discovering not only the infinity of the objective Deity but also the unending potentiality of the **subjective fragment** of this same God. Always will the **Adjuster** be revealing to the mortal

personality the wonder of God, and never can this supernal revelation come to an end, for the **Adjuster** is of God and as God to mortal man.

Adjuster Mindedness

107:5.1 (1181.4) Evolutionary mortals are prone to look upon mind as a cosmic mediation between spirit and matter, for that is indeed the principal ministry of mind as discernible by you. Hence it is quite difficult for humans to perceive that **Thought Adjusters** have minds, for **Adjusters** are fragmentations of God on an absolute level of reality which is not only prepersonal but also prior to all energy and spirit divergence. On a monistic level antecedent to energy and spirit differentiation there could be no mediating function of mind, for there are no divergencies to be mediated.

107:5.2 (1181.5) Since **Adjusters** can plan, work, and love, they must have powers of selfhood which are commensurate with mind. They are possessed of unlimited ability to communicate with each other, that is, all forms of **Monitors** above the first or virgin groups. As to the nature and purport of their intercommunications, we can reveal very little, for we do not know. And we further know that they must be minded in some manner else they could never be personalized.

107:5.3 (1181.6) The mindedness of the **Thought Adjuster** is like the mindedness of the Universal Father and the Eternal Son—that which is ancestral to the minds of the Conjoint Actor.

107:5.4 (1181.7) The type of mind postulated in an **Adjuster** must be similar to the mind endowment of numerous other orders of prepersonal entities which presumably likewise originate in the First Source and Center. Though many of these orders have not been revealed on Urantia, they all disclose minded qualities. It is also possible for these individuations of original Deity to become unified with numerous evolving types of nonmortal beings and even with a limited number of nonevolutionary beings who have developed capacity for fusion with such Deity fragments.

107:5.5 (1182.1) When a **Thought Adjuster** is fused with the evolving immortal morontia soul of the surviving human, the mind of the **Adjuster** can only be identified as persisting apart from the creature's mind until the ascending mortal attains spirit levels of universe progression.

107:5.6 (1182.2) Upon the attainment of the finaliter levels of ascendant experience, these spirits of the sixth stage appear to transmute some mind factor representing a union of certain phases of the mortal and **Adjuster** minds which had previously functioned as liaison between the divine and human phases of such ascending personalities. This experiential mind quality probably "supremacizes" and subsequently augments the experiential endowment of evolutionary Deity—the Supreme Being

6:6.3 (78.6) The mind of the Eternal Son is like that of the Father but unlike any other mind in the universe, and with the mind of the Father it is ancestor to the diverse and far-flung minds of the Conjoint Creator. The mind of the Father and the Son, that

intellect which is ancestral to the absolute mind of the Third Source and Center, is perhaps best illustrated in the premind of a **Thought Adjuster**, for, though these **Father fragments** are entirely outside of the mind circuits of the Conjoint Actor, they have some form of premind; they know as they are known; they enjoy the equivalent of human thinking.

[At the first moral decision, the arriving **Thought Adjuster** works within the mind of the mortal creature to spiritualize personality and potentiate immortal survival. Fusion combines personality status and divinity potential of the **Indwelling Spirit** and the mortal being, as well as initiating a progressive spiritualization of the mind of this new cosmic being, a morontial ascender.

Organizing threads of understanding:

- The prepersonal *mindedness* of **Thought Adjusters** is ancestral to the *minds* of the Conjoint Actor, a monistic level antecedent to energy and spirit differentiation 107:5.5 (1182.1)
- When a **Thought Adjuster** is fused with the evolving immortal morontia soul of the surviving human, the mind of the **Adjuster** can only be identified as persisting apart from the creature's mind until the ascending mortal attains spirit levels of universe progression.
- At finaliter levels, certain phases of mind transmute or "supremacize", forming a union where there had previously been a liaison of divine and human functioning]

107:6.1 (1182.3) As **Thought Adjusters** are encountered in creature experience, they disclose the presence and leading of a spirit influence. The **Adjuster** is indeed a spirit, pure spirit, but spirit plus. We have never been able satisfactorily to classify **Mystery Monitors**; all that can certainly be said of them is that they are truly Godlike.

107:6.2 (1182.4) The **Adjuster** is man's eternity possibility; man is the **Adjuster's** personality possibility. Your individual **Adjusters** work to spiritize you in the hope of eternalizing your temporal identity. The **Adjusters** are saturated with the beautiful and self-bestowing love of the Father of spirits. They truly and divinely love you; they are the prisoners of spirit hope confined within the minds of men. They long for the divinity attainment of your mortal minds that their loneliness may end, that they may be delivered with you from the limitations of material investiture and the habiliments of time.

Adjusters and Personality

107:7.1 (1183.3) **Thought Adjusters** are not personalities, but they are real entities; they are truly and perfectly individualized, although they are never, while indwelling mortals, actually personalized. **Thought Adjusters** are not true personalities; they are true realities, realities of the purest order known in the universe of universes — they are the

divine presence. Though not personal, these marvelous **fragments of the Father** are commonly referred to as beings and sometimes, in view of the spiritual phases of their present ministry to mortals, as **spirit entities**.

107:7.2 (1183.4) If **Thought Adjusters** are not personalities having prerogatives of will and powers of choice, how then can they select mortal subjects and volunteer to indwell these creatures of the evolutionary worlds? This is a question easy to ask, but probably no being in the universe of universes has ever found the exact answer. Even my order of personality, the Solitary Messengers, does not fully understand the endowment of will, choice, and love in entities that are not personal.

107:7.3 (1183.5) We have often speculated that **Thought Adjusters** must have volition on all prepersonal levels of choice. They volunteer to indwell human beings, they lay plans for man's eternal career, they adapt, modify, and substitute in accordance with circumstances, and these activities connote genuine volition. They have affection for mortals, they function in universe crises, they are always waiting to act decisively in accordance with human choice, and all these are highly volitional reactions. In all situations not concerned with the domain of the human will, they unquestionably exhibit conduct which betokens the exercise of powers in every sense the equivalent of will, maximated decision.

107:7.4 (1183.6) Why then, if **Thought Adjusters** possess volition, are they subservient to the mortal will? We believe it is because **Adjuster** volition, though absolute in nature, is prepersonal in manifestation. Human will functions on the personality level of universe reality, and throughout the cosmos the impersonal — the nonpersonal, the subpersonal, and the prepersonal—is ever responsive to the will and acts of existent personality.

107:7.5 (1183.7) Throughout a universe of created beings and nonpersonal energies we do not observe will, volition, choice, and love manifested apart from personality. Except in the **Adjusters** and other similar entities we do not witness these attributes of personality functioning in association with impersonal realities. It would not be correct to designate an **Adjuster** as subpersonal, neither would it be proper to allude to such an entity as superpersonal, but it would be entirely permissible to term such a being prepersonal.

107:7.6 (1184.1) To our orders of being these fragments of Deity are known as the **divine gifts**. We recognize that the **Adjusters** are divine in origin, and that they constitute the probable proof and demonstration of a reservation by the Universal Father of the possibility of direct and unlimited communication with any and all material creatures throughout his virtually infinite realms, and all of this quite apart from his presence in the personalities of his Paradise Sons or through his indirect ministrations in the personalities of the Infinite Spirit.

107:7.7 (1184.2) There are no created beings that would not delight to be hosts to the **Mystery Monitors**, but no orders of beings are thus indwelt excepting evolutionary will creatures of finaliter destiny.

God in Man

108:6.1 (1192.6) It is indeed a marvel of divine condescension for the exalted and perfect **Adjusters** to offer themselves for actual existence in the minds of material creatures, such as the mortals of Urantia, really to consummate a probationary union with the animal-origin beings of earth.

108:6.2 (1193.1) No matter what the previous status of the inhabitants of a world, subsequent to the bestowal of a divine Son and after the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth upon all humans, the **Adjusters** flock to such a world to indwell the minds of all normal will creatures. Following the completion of the mission of a Paradise bestowal Son, these **Monitors** truly become the “kingdom of heaven within you.” Through the bestowal of the divine gifts the Father makes the closest possible approach to sin and evil, for it is literally true that the **Adjuster** must coexist in the mortal mind even in the very midst of human unrighteousness. The **indwelling Adjusters** are particularly tormented by those **thoughts** which are purely sordid and selfish; they are distressed by irreverence for that which is beautiful and divine, and they are virtually thwarted in their work by many of man’s foolish animal fears and childish anxieties.

108:6.3 (1193.2) The **Mystery Monitors** are undoubtedly the bestowal of the Universal Father, the reflection of the image of God abroad in the universe. A great teacher once admonished men that they should be renewed in the spirit of their minds; that they become new men who, like God, are created in righteousness and in the completion of truth. The **Adjuster** is the mark of divinity, the presence of God. The “image of God” does not refer to physical likeness nor to the circumscribed limitations of material creature endowment but rather to the gift of the spirit presence of the Universal Father in the supernal bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters** upon the humble creatures of the universes.

108:6.4 (1193.3) The **Adjuster** is the wellspring of spiritual attainment and the hope of divine character within you. He is the power, privilege, and the possibility of survival, which so fully and forever distinguishes you from mere animal creatures. He is the higher and truly internal spiritual stimulus of thought in contrast with the external and physical stimulus, which reaches the mind over the nerve-energy mechanism of the material body.

108:6.5 (1193.4) These **faithful custodians** of the future career unfailingly duplicate every mental creation with a spiritual counterpart; they are thus slowly and surely re-creating you as you really are (only spiritually) for resurrection on the survival worlds. And all of these exquisite spirit re-creations are being preserved in the emerging reality of your evolving and immortal soul, your morontia self. These realities are actually there, notwithstanding that the **Adjuster** is seldom able to exalt these duplicate creations sufficiently to exhibit them to the light of consciousness.

108:6.6 (1193.5) And as you are the human parent, so is the Adjuster the divine parent of the real you, your higher and advancing self, your better morontial and future spiritual self. And it is this evolving morontial soul that the judges and censors discern when they decree your survival and pass you upward to new worlds and never-ending existence in eternal liaison with your faithful partner—God, the Adjuster.

108:6.7 (1193.6) The Adjusters are the eternal ancestors, the divine originals, of your evolving immortal souls; they are the unceasing urge that leads man to attempt the mastery of the material and present existence in the light of the spiritual and future career. The Monitors are the prisoners of undying hope, the founts of everlasting progression. And how they do enjoy communicating with their subjects in more or less direct channels! How they rejoice when they can dispense with symbols and other methods of indirection and flash their messages straight to the intellects of their human partners!

108:6.8 (1194.1) You humans have begun an endless unfolding of an almost infinite panorama, a limitless expanding of never-ending, ever-widening spheres of opportunity for exhilarating service, matchless adventure, sublime uncertainty, and boundless attainment. When the clouds gather overhead, your faith should accept the fact of the presence of the indwelling Adjuster, and thus you should be able to look beyond the mists of mortal uncertainty into the clear shining of the sun of eternal righteousness on the beckoning heights of the mansion worlds of Satania.

109:1.3 (1195.4) Actual living experience has no cosmic substitute. The perfection of the divinity of a newly formed Thought Adjuster does not in any manner endow this Mystery Monitor with experienced ministrative ability. Experience is inseparable from a living existence; it is the one thing which no amount of divine endowment can absolve you from the necessity of securing by actual living. Therefore, in common with all beings living and functioning within the present sphere of the Supreme, Thought Adjusters must acquire experience; they must evolve from the lower, inexperienced, to the higher, more experienced, groups.

[108:0.2 (1185.2) Nothing in the entire universe can substitute for the fact of experience on nonexistential levels... God cannot experientially know what he has never personally experienced; God's preknowledge is existential.]

The Persistence of True Values

109:6.1 (1200.1) Adjusters never fail; nothing worth surviving is ever lost; every meaningful value in every will creature is certain of survival, irrespective of the survival or nonsurvival of the meaning-discovering or evaluating personality. And so it is, a mortal creature may reject survival; still the life experience is not wasted; the eternal Adjuster carries the worth-while features of such an apparent life of failure over into some other world and there bestows these surviving meanings and values upon some

higher type of mortal mind, one of survival capacity. No worth-while experience ever happens in vain; no true meaning or real value ever perishes.

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109:6.3 (1200.3) When **Adjusters** of long universe experience volunteer to indwell divine Sons on bestowal missions, they full well know that personality attainment can never be achieved through this service. But often does the Father of spirits grant personality to these volunteers and establish them as directors of their kind. These are the personalities honored with authority on Divinington. And their unique natures embody the mosaic humanity of their multiple experiences of mortal indwelling and also the spirit transcript of the human divinity of the Paradise bestowal Son of the terminal indwelling experience.

109:6.4 (1200.4) The activities of **Adjusters** in your local universe are directed by the **Personalized Adjuster** of Michael of Nebadon, that very **Monitor** who guided him step by step when he lived his human life in the flesh of Joshua ben Joseph. Faithful to his trust was this extraordinary **Adjuster**, and wisely did this valiant **Monitor** direct the human nature, ever guiding the mortal mind of the Paradise Son in the choosing of the path of the Father's perfect will. This **Adjuster** had previously served with Machiventa Melchizedek in the days of Abraham and had engaged in tremendous exploits both previous to this indwelling and between these bestowal experiences.

109:6.5 (1200.5) This **Adjuster** did indeed triumph in Jesus' human mind—that mind which in each of life's recurring situations maintained a consecrated dedication to the Father's will, saying, "Not my will, but yours, be done." Such decisive consecration constitutes the true passport from the limitations of human nature to the finality of divine attainment.

109:6.6 (1200.6) This same **Adjuster** now reflects in the inscrutable nature of his mighty personality the prebaptismal humanity of Joshua ben Joseph, the eternal and living transcript of the eternal and living values which the greatest of all Urantians created out of the humble circumstances of a commonplace life as it was lived to the complete exhaustion of the spiritual values attainable in mortal experience.

109:6.7 (1201.1) Everything of permanent value which is intrusted to an **Adjuster** is assured eternal survival. In certain instances the **Monitor** holds these possessions for

bestowal on a mortal mind of future indwelling; in others, and upon personalization, these surviving and conserved realities are held in trust for future utilization in the service of the Architects of the Master Universe.

Destiny of Personalized Adjusters

109:7.1 (1201.2) We cannot state whether or not non-Adjuster Father fragments are personalizable, but you have been informed that personality is the sovereign freewill bestowal of the Universal Father. As far as we know, the Adjuster type of Father fragment attains personality only by the acquirement of personal attributes through service-ministry to a personal being. These Personalized Adjusters are at home on Divinington, where they instruct and direct their prepersonal associates.

109:7.2 (1201.3) Personalized Thought Adjusters are the untrammelled, unassigned, and sovereign stabilizers and compensators of the far-flung universe of universes. They combine the Creator and creature experience—existential and experiential. They are conjoint time and eternity beings. They associate the prepersonal and the personal in universe administration.

109:7.3 (1201.4) Personalized Adjusters are the all-wise and powerful executives of the Architects of the Master Universe. They are the personal agents of the full ministry of the Universal Father—personal, prepersonal, and superpersonal. They are the personal ministers of the extraordinary, the unusual, and the unexpected throughout all the realms of the transcendental absonite spheres of the domain of God the Ultimate, even to the levels of God the Absolute.

109:7.4 (1201.5) They are the exclusive beings of the universes who embrace within their being all the known relationships of personality; they are omnipersonal—they are before personality, they are personality, and they are after personality. They minister the personality of the Universal Father as in the eternal past, the eternal present, and the eternal future.

109:7.5 (1201.6) Existential personality on the order of the infinite and absolute, the Father bestowed upon the Eternal Son, but he chose to reserve for his own ministry the experiential personality of the type of the Personalized Adjuster bestowed upon the existential prepersonal Adjuster; and they are thus both destined to the future eternal superpersonality of the transcendental ministry of the absonite realms of the Ultimate, the Supreme-Ultimate, even to the levels of the Ultimate-Absolute.

109:7.6 (1201.7) Seldom are the Personalized Adjusters seen at large in the universes. Occasionally they consult with the Ancients of Days, and sometimes the Personalized Adjusters of the sevenfold Creator Sons come to the headquarters worlds of the constellations to confer with the Vorondadek rulers.

109:7.7 (1201.8) When the planetary Vorondadek observer of Urantia—the Most High custodian who not long since assumed an emergency regency of your world—asserted his authority in the presence of the resident governor general, he began his emergency

administration of Urantia with a full staff of his own choosing. He immediately assigned to all his associates and assistants their planetary duties. But he did not choose the three **Personalized Adjusters** who appeared in his presence the instant he assumed the regency. He did not even know they would thus appear, for they did not so manifest their divine presence at the time of a previous regency. And the Most High regent did not assign service or designate duties for these volunteer **Personalized Adjusters**. Nevertheless, these three omnipersonal beings were among the most active of the numerous orders of celestial beings then serving on Urantia.

109:7.8 (1202.1) **Personalized Adjusters** perform a wide range of services for numerous orders of universe personalities, but we are not permitted to discuss these ministries with **Adjuster**-indwelt evolutionary creatures. These extraordinary human divinities are among the most remarkable personalities of the entire grand universe, and no one dares to predict what their future missions may be.

110:0.2 (1203.2) As far as I am conversant with the affairs of a universe, I regard the love and devotion of a **Thought Adjuster** as the most truly divine affection in all creation. The love of the Sons in their ministry to the races is superb, but the devotion of an **Adjuster** to the individual is touchingly sublime, divinely Fatherlike. The Paradise Father has apparently reserved this form of personal contact with his individual creatures as an exclusive Creator prerogative. And there is nothing in all the universe of universes exactly comparable to the marvelous ministry of these **impersonal entities** that so fascinatingly indwell the children of the evolutionary planets.

112:0.1 (1225.1) THE evolutionary planets are the spheres of human origin, the initial worlds of the ascending mortal career. Urantia is your starting point; here you and your divine **Thought Adjuster** are joined in temporary union. You have been endowed with a perfect guide; therefore, if you will sincerely run the race of time and gain the final goal of faith, the reward of the ages shall be yours; you will be eternally united with your **indwelling Adjuster**. Then will begin your real life, the ascending life, to which your present mortal state is but the vestibule. Then will begin your exalted and progressive mission as finaliters in the eternity which stretches out before you. And throughout all of these successive ages and stages of evolutionary growth, there is one part of you that remains absolutely unaltered, and that is personality—permanence in the presence of change.

112:2.15 (1229.2) The purpose of cosmic evolution is to achieve unity of personality through increasing spirit dominance, volitional response to the teaching and leading of the **Thought Adjuster**. Personality, both human and superhuman, is characterized by an inherent cosmic quality which may be called “the evolution of dominance,” the expansion of the control of both itself and its environment.

112:7.11 (1238.6) On the Adjuster-fusion worlds the destiny of the Mystery Monitor is identical with that of the ascending mortal—the Paradise Corps of the Finality. And neither Adjuster nor mortal can attain that unique goal without the full co-operation and faithful help of the other. This extraordinary partnership is one of the most engrossing and amazing of all the cosmic phenomena of this universe age.

112:7.15 (1239.4) The present known destiny of surviving mortals is the Paradise Corps of the Finality; this is also the goal of destiny for all Thought Adjusters who become joined in eternal union with their mortal companions. At present the Paradise finaliters are working throughout the grand universe in many undertakings, but we all conjecture that they will have other and even more supernal tasks to perform in the distant future after the seven superuniverses have become settled in light and life, and when the finite God has finally emerged from the mystery which now surrounds this Supreme Deity. [So, our Heavenly Father, has quite a path laid out for us should we choose to be an Ascending Mortal Son of God. This spiritual career includes the blending of our mortal or morontial minds with the pre-personal mind of our Thought Adjusters, the amazing journey across time and space to Paradise in the central universe and the subsequent achievement of the very personal presence of the Creator Father and the sublime gift of eternal life. This eternal life begins with the conquest of the Supreme Being in the superuniverses, and then on to the outer space levels to achieve transcendental and absonite levels of existence, and the subsequent conquest, of God the Ultimate. Perhaps then on to God the Absolute? Our personal relationship with God, our Father will eternally grow, will never end, will always be a relationship of progressive deity identification. Always will the journey be in thrilling, joyful and all consuming. Truly, a gift well beyond our human comprehension! Thank you Father for your love!!]

Types of Adjusters

List of Types of Thought Adjusters

Father fragments

Thought Adjusters

Thought Changers

Thought Controllers

Virgin Adjusters

Advanced Adjusters

Supreme Adjusters

Vanished Adjusters

Liberated Adjusters

fourth-stage Adjusters

Fused Adjusters

Self-Acting Adjusters

liaison Adjusters

fusion Adjusters

superacting Adjusters

transient or experiential Adjusters

Personalized Adjusters

non-Adjuster Father fragment

Individualizations of the premind spirit of the Third Source and Center

individualization of the spirit of the Divine Minister

FRAGMENTED ENTITIES OF DEITY

Gravity Messengers

Destiny Guardians

God

0:2.1 (3.14) Evolving mortal creatures experience an irresistible urge to symbolize their finite concepts of God. Man's consciousness of moral duty and his spiritual idealism represent a value level—an experiential reality—which is difficult of symbolization.

0:2.2 (3.15) Cosmic consciousness implies the recognition of a First Cause, the one and only uncaused reality. God, the Universal Father, functions on three Deity-personality levels of subinfinite value and relative divinity expression:

1. Prepersonal—as in the ministry of the **Father fragments**, such as the **Thought Adjusters**.
2. Personal—as in the evolutionary experience of created and procreated beings.
3. Superpersonal—as in the eventuated existences of certain absonite and associated beings0:2.3-5 (3.16-18)

Mortals of Time and Space

13:1.4 (144.4) 1. DIVININGTON. This world is, in a unique sense, the “bosom of the Father,” the personal-communion sphere of the Universal Father, and thereon is a special manifestation of his divinity. Divinington is the Paradise rendezvous of the **Thought Adjusters**, but it is also the home of numerous other entities, personalities, and other beings taking origin in the Universal Father. Many personalities besides the Eternal Son are of direct origin by the solitary acts of the Universal Father. Only the **Father fragments** and those personalities and other beings of direct and exclusive origin in the Universal Father fraternize and function on this abode.

13:1.5 (144.5) The secrets of Divinington include the secret of the bestowal and mission of **Thought Adjusters**. Their nature, origin, and the technique of their contact with the lowly creatures of the evolutionary worlds is a secret of this Paradise sphere. These amazing transactions do not personally concern the rest of us, and therefore do the

Deities deem it proper to withhold certain features of this great and divine ministry from our full understanding. In so far as we come in contact with this phase of divine activity, we are permitted full knowledge of these transactions, but concerning the intimate details of this great bestowal we are not fully informed.

13:1.6 (145.1) This sphere also holds the secrets of the nature, purpose, and activities of all other forms of **Father fragments**, of the Gravity Messengers, and of hosts of other beings unrevealed to you. It is highly probable that those truths pertaining to Divinington which are withheld from me, if revealed, would merely confuse and handicap me in my present work, and still again, perhaps they are beyond the conceptual capacity of my order of being.

20:4.3 (227.1) When incarnated on either bestowal or magisterial missions, the Paradise Sons have experienced **Adjusters**, and these **Adjusters** are different for each incarnation. The **Adjusters** that occupy the minds of the incarnated Sons of God can never hope for personality through fusion with the human-divine beings of their indwelling, but they are often personalized by fiat of the Universal Father. Such **Adjusters** form the supreme Divinington council of direction for the administration, identification, and dispatch of **Mystery Monitors** to the inhabited realms. They also receive and accredit **Adjusters** on their return to the “bosom of the Father” upon the mortal dissolution of their earthly tabernacles. In this way the faithful **Adjusters** of the world judges become the exalted chiefs of their kind.

Thought Changers, Thought Adjusters, Thought Controllers

107:0.7 (1177.1) On the evolutionary worlds, will creatures traverse three general developmental stages of being: From the arrival of the **Adjuster** to comparative full growth, about twenty years of age on Urantia, the Monitors are sometimes designated **Thought Changers**. From this time to the attainment of the age of discretion, about forty years, the **Mystery Monitors** are called **Thought Adjusters**. From the attainment of discretion to deliverance from the flesh, they are often referred to as **Thought Controllers**. These three phases of mortal life have no connection with the three stages of **Adjuster** progress in mind duplication and soul evolution.

107:2.1 (1178.2) **Adjusters** are individuated as virgin entities, and all are destined to become either liberated, fused, or Personalized Monitors. We understand that there are seven orders of **Thought Adjusters**, although we do not altogether comprehend these divisions. We often refer to the different orders as follows:

1. **Virgin Adjusters**, those serving on their initial assignment in the minds of evolutionary candidates for eternal survival. **Mystery Monitors** are eternally uniform in divine nature. They are also uniform in experiential nature as they first go out from Divinington; subsequent experiential differentiation is the result of actual experience in universe ministry.

2. **Advanced Adjusters**, those who have served one or more seasons with will creatures on worlds where the final fusion takes place between the identity of the creature of time and an individualized portion of the spirit of the local universe manifestation of the Third Source and Center.
3. **Supreme Adjusters**, those **Monitors** that have served in the adventure of time on the evolutionary worlds, but whose human partners for some reason declined eternal survival, and those that have been subsequently assigned to other adventures in other mortals on other evolving worlds. A **supreme Adjuster**, though no more divine than a **virgin Monitor**, has had more experience, can do things in the human mind which a less experienced **Adjuster** could not do.
4. **Vanished Adjusters**. Here occurs a break in our efforts to follow the careers of the **Mystery Monitors**. There is a fourth stage of service about which we are not sure. The Melchizedeks teach that the fourth-stage **Adjusters** are on detached assignments, roaming the universe of universes. The Solitary Messengers are inclined to believe that they are at one with the First Source and Center, enjoying a period of refreshing association with the Father himself. And it is entirely possible that an **Adjuster** could be roaming the master universe simultaneously with being at one with the omnipresent Father.
5. **Liberated Adjusters**, those **Mystery Monitors** that have been eternally liberated from the service of time for the mortals of the evolving spheres. What functions may be theirs, we do not know.
6. **Fused Adjusters**—finaliters—those who have become one with the ascending creatures of the superuniverses, the eternity partners of the time ascenders of the Paradise Corps of the Finality. **Thought Adjusters** ordinarily become fused with the ascending mortals of time, and with such surviving mortals they are registered in and out of Ascendington; they follow the course of ascendant beings. Upon fusion with the ascending evolutionary soul, it appears that the **Adjuster** translates from the absolute existential level of the universe to the finite experiential level of functional association with an ascending personality. While retaining all of the character of the existential divine nature, a **fused Adjuster** becomes indissolubly linked with the ascending career of a surviving mortal.
7. **Personalized Adjusters**, those who have served with the incarnated Paradise Sons, together with many who have achieved unusual distinction during the mortal indwelling, but whose subjects rejected survival. We have reasons for believing that such **Adjusters** are personalized on the recommendations of the Ancients of Days of the superuniverse of their assignment. 107:2.2-8 (1178.3-9.2)

107:2.9 (1179.3) There are many ways in which these mysterious **God fragments** can be classified: according to universe assignment, by the measure of success in the

indwelling of an individual mortal, or even by the racial ancestry of the mortal candidate for fusion.

Self-Acting Adjusters

109:2.1 (1196.3) You have been informed of the classification of **Adjusters** in relation to experience—virgin, advanced, and supreme. You should also recognize a certain functional classification—the **self-acting Adjusters**. A **self-acting Adjuster** is one who:

1. Has had certain requisite experience in the evolving life of a will creature, either as a **temporary indweller** on a type of world where **Adjusters** are only loaned to mortal subjects or on an actual fusion planet where the human failed of survival. Such a **Monitor** is either an advanced or a **supreme Adjuster**.
2. Has acquired the balance of spiritual power in a human who has made the third psychic circle and has had assigned to him a personal seraphic guardian.
3. Has a subject who has made the supreme decision, has entered into a solemn and sincere betrothal with the **Adjuster**. The **Adjuster** looks beforehand to the time of actual fusion and reckons the union as an event of fact.
4. Has a subject who has been mustered into one of the reserve corps of destiny on an evolutionary world of mortal ascension.
5. At some time, during human sleep, has been temporarily detached from the mind of mortal incarceration to perform some exploit of liaison, contact, reregistration, or other extrahuman service associated with the spiritual administration of the world of assignment.
6. Has served in a time of crisis in the experience of some human being who was the material complement of a spirit personality intrusted with the enactment of some cosmic achievement essential to the spiritual economy of the planet.

109:2.2-7 (1196.4-6.9)

109:2.8 (1196.10) **Self-acting Adjusters** seem to possess a marked degree of will in all matters not involving the human personalities of their immediate indwelling, as is indicated by their numerous exploits both within and without the mortal subjects of attachment. Such **Adjusters** participate in numerous activities of the realm, but more frequently they function as undetected indwellers of the earthly tabernacles of their own choosing.

109:2.9 (1196.11) Undoubtedly these higher and more experienced types of **Adjusters** can communicate with those in other realms. But while **self-acting Adjusters** do thus intercommunicate, they do so only on the levels of their mutual work and for the purpose of preserving custodial data essential to the **Adjuster** ministry of the realms of their sojourn, though on occasions they have been known to function in interplanetary matters during times of crisis.

109:2.10 (1197.1) **Supreme and self-acting Adjusters** can leave the human body at will. The **indwellers** are not an organic or biologic part of mortal life; they are divine

superimpositions thereon. In the original life plans they were provided for, but they are not indispensable to material existence. Nevertheless it should be recorded that they very rarely, even temporarily, leave their mortal tabernacles after they once take up their indwelling.

109:2.11 (1197.2) The **superacting Adjusters** are those who have achieved the conquest of their intrusted tasks and only await the dissolution of the material-life vehicle or the translation of the immortal soul.

Relation of Adjusters to Mortal Types

109:3.1 (1197.3) The character of the detailed work of **Mystery Monitors** varies in accordance with the nature of their assignments, as to whether or not they are **liaison or fusion Adjusters**. Some **Adjusters** are merely loaned for the temporal lifetimes of their subjects; others are bestowed as personality candidates with permission for everlasting fusion if their subjects survive. There is also a slight variation in their work among the different planetary types as well as in different systems and universes. But, on the whole, their labors are remarkably uniform, more so than are the duties of any of the created orders of celestial beings.

109:3.2 (1197.4) On certain primitive worlds (the series one group) the **Adjuster** indwells the mind of the creature as an experiential training, chiefly for self-culture and progressive development. **Virgin Adjusters** are usually sent to such worlds during the earlier times when primitive men are arriving in the valley of decision, but when comparatively few will elect to ascend the moral heights beyond the hills of self-mastery and character acquirement to attain the higher levels of emerging spirituality. (Many, however, who fail of **Adjuster** fusion do survive as Spirit-fused ascenders.) The **Adjusters** receive valuable training and acquire wonderful experience in transient association with primitive minds, and they are able subsequently to utilize this experience for the benefit of superior beings on other worlds. Nothing of survival value is ever lost in all the wide universe.

109:3.3 (1197.5) On another type of world (the series two group) the **Adjusters** are merely loaned to mortal beings. Here the **Monitors** can never attain fusion personality through such indwelling, but they do afford great help to their human subjects during the mortal lifetime, far more than they are able to give to Urantia mortals. The **Adjusters** are here loaned to the mortal creatures for a single life span as patterns for their higher spiritual attainment, temporary helpers in the intriguing task of perfecting a survival character. The **Adjusters** do not return after natural death; these surviving mortals attain eternal life through Spirit fusion.

109:3.4 (1197.6) On worlds such as Urantia (the series three group) there is a real betrothal with the **divine gifts**, a life and death engagement. If you survive, there is to be an eternal union, an everlasting fusion, the making of man and **Adjuster** one being.

109:3.5 (1197.7) In the three-brained mortals of this series of worlds, the **Adjusters** are able to gain far more actual contact with their subjects during the temporal life than in the one- and two-brained types. But in the career after death, the three-brained type proceed just as do the one-brained type and the two-brained peoples—the Urantia races.

109:3.6 (1198.1) On the two-brain worlds, subsequent to the sojourn of a Paradise bestowal Son, **virgin Adjusters** are seldom assigned to persons who have unquestioned capacity for survival. It is our belief that on such worlds practically all **Adjusters** indwelling intelligent men and women of survival capacity belong to the advanced or to the supreme type.

109:3.7 (1198.2) In many of the early evolutionary races of Urantia, three groups of beings existed. There were those who were so animalistic that they were utterly lacking in **Adjuster** capacity. There were those who exhibited undoubted capacity for **Adjusters** and promptly received them when the age of moral responsibility was attained. There was a third class who occupied a borderline position; they had capacity for **Adjuster** reception, but the **Monitors** could only indwell the mind on the personal petition of the individual.

109:3.8 (1198.3) But with those beings who are virtually disqualified for survival by disinheritance through the agency of unfit and inferior ancestors, many a **virgin Adjuster** has served a valuable preliminary experience in contacting evolutionary mind and thus has become better qualified for a subsequent assignment to a higher type of mind on some other world.

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[The major lesson here is that “ Nothing of survival value is ever lost in all the wide universe”. 109:3.2 (1197.4) Unlike material meanings and values which are perishable and transient, spiritual values and meanings are eternally real, and are never lost. The relationships between **Adjusters** and their mortals of indwelling, those values and meetings from which are spun, the energy entity we sometimes referred to as the soul, are entirely spiritual.]

30:1.100 (333.8) V. **FRAGMENTED ENTITIES OF DEITY.** This order of living existence, originating in the Universal Father, is best typified by the **Thought Adjusters**, though these entities are by no means the only fragmentations of the prepersonal reality of the First Source and Center. The functions of the other-than-**Adjuster** fragments are manifold and little known. Fusion with an **Adjuster** or other such fragment constitutes the creature a Father-fused being.

Havona natives

19:6.3 (221.5) Havona natives, like all other Trinity-origin personalities, are projected in divine perfection, and as with other Trinity-origin personalities, the passing of time may add to their stores of experiential endowments. But unlike the Stationary Sons of the Trinity, Havoners may evolve in status, may have an unrevealed future eternity-destiny. This is illustrated by those Havoners who service-factualize capacity for fusion with a non-**Adjuster Father fragment** and so qualify for membership in the Mortal Corps of the Finality. And there are other finaliter corps open to these natives of the central universe. 31:1.2 (346.3) Havona natives must achieve certain experiential developments in liaison with evolutionary beings which will create reception capacity for the bestowal of a **fragment of the spirit of the Universal Father**. The Mortal Finaliter Corps has as permanent members only such beings as have been fused with the spirit of the First Source and Center, or who, like the Gravity Messengers, innately embody this spirit of God the Father.

30:1.101 (333.9) The fragmentations of the premind spirit of the Third Source and Center, though hardly comparable to the **Father fragments**, should be here recorded. Such entities differ very greatly from **Adjusters**; they do not as such dwell on Spiritington, nor do they as such traverse the mind-gravity circuits; neither do they indwell mortal creatures during the life in the flesh. They are not prepersonal in the sense that the **Adjusters** are, but such **fragments of premind spirit** are bestowed upon certain of the surviving mortals, and fusion therewith constitutes them Spirit-fused mortals in contradistinction to **Adjuster**-fused mortals.

The Paradise Classification of Living Beings

30:1.49 (331.38) C. The Ascending Orders.

1. **Adjuster**-fused Mortals.
2. Son-fused Mortals.
3. Spirit-fused Mortals.
4. Translated Midwayers.
5. Unrevealed Ascenders. 30:1.50-4 (331.39-43)
12. **Adjuster**-fused Mortal Citizens of Paradise. 30:2.128 (337.29)

30:1.55 (332.1) III. SINGLE-ORIGIN BEINGS. Those of origin in any one of the Paradise Deities or otherwise created by any one being of direct or indirect descent from the Paradise Deities.

30:1.65 (332.11) 1. **Personalized Adjusters.**

30:2.37 (335.28) IV. THE SONS OF GOD.

30:2.53 (335.44) 7. **Personalized Adjusters.**

High Commissioners

37:5.1 (410.4) The High Commissioners are Spirit-fused ascendant mortals; they are not **Adjuster** fused. You quite well understand about the universe-ascension career of a mortal candidate for **Adjuster** fusion, that being the high destiny in prospect for all Urantia mortals since the bestowal of Christ Michael. But this is not the exclusive destiny of all mortals in the prebestowal ages of worlds like yours, and there is another type of world whose inhabitants are never permanently indwelt by **Thought Adjusters**. Such mortals are never permanently joined in union with a **Mystery Monitor** of Paradise bestowal; nevertheless, the **Adjusters** do transiently indwell them, serving as guides and patterns for the duration of the life in the flesh. During this temporary sojourn they foster the evolution of an immortal soul just as in those beings with whom they hope to fuse, but when the mortal race is run, they take eternal leave of the creatures of temporary association.

37:5.3 (411.1) Not being **Adjuster** fused, they never become finaliters, but they do eventually become enrolled in the local universe Corps of Perfection. They have in spirit obeyed the Father's command, "Be you perfect."

37:5.10 (411.8) The Worlds of the Spirit-fused Mortals. The eighth group of seven primary worlds and tributary satellites in the Salvington circuit are the exclusive possession of the Spirit-fused mortals of Nebadon. Ascending **Adjuster**-fused mortals are not concerned with these worlds except to enjoy many pleasant and profitable sojourns as the invited guests of the Spirit-fused residents.

Personalized Adjusters

40:4.1 (444.4) When the mortals of time fail to achieve the eternal survival of their souls in planetary association with the **spirit gifts of the Universal Father**, such failure is never in any way due to neglect of duty, ministry, service, or devotion on the part of the **Adjuster**. At mortal death, such deserted **Monitors** return to Divinington, and subsequently, following the adjudication of the nonsurvivor, they may be reassigned to the worlds of time and space. Sometimes, after repeated services of this sort or following some unusual experience, such as functioning as the indwelling **Adjuster** of an incarnated bestowal Son, these efficient **Adjusters** are personalized by the Universal Father.

40:4.2 (445.1) **Personalized Adjusters** are beings of a unique and unfathomable order. Originally of existential prepersonal status, they have experientialized by participation in the lives and careers of the lowly mortals of the material worlds. And since the personality bestowed upon these experienced **Thought Adjusters** takes origin, and has its wellspring, in the Universal Father's personal and continuing ministry of the bestowals of experiential personality upon his creature creation, these **Personalized Adjusters** are classified as ascending Sons of God, the highest of all such orders of sonship.

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109:7.1 (1201.2) We cannot state whether or not non-**Adjuster Father fragments** are personalizable, but you have been informed that personality is the sovereign freewill bestowal of the Universal Father. As far as we know, the **Adjuster type of Father fragment** attains personality only by the acquirement of personal attributes through service-ministry to a personal being. These **Personalized Adjusters** are at home on Divinington, where they instruct and direct their prepersonal associates.

109:7.2 (1201.3) **Personalized Thought Adjusters** are the untrammeled, unassigned, and sovereign stabilizers and compensators of the far-flung universe of universes. They combine the Creator and creature experience — existential and experiential. They are conjoint time and eternity beings. They associate the prepersonal and the personal in universe administration.

109:7.3 (1201.4) **Personalized Adjusters** are the all-wise and powerful executives of the Architects of the Master Universe. They are the personal agents of the full ministry of the Universal Father — personal, prepersonal, and superpersonal. They are the personal ministers of the extraordinary, the unusual, and the unexpected throughout all the realms of the transcendental absonite spheres of the domain of God the Ultimate, even to the levels of God the Absolute.

109:7.5 (1201.6) Existential personality on the order of the infinite and absolute, the Father bestowed upon the Eternal Son, but he chose to reserve for his own ministry the experiential personality of the type of the **Personalized Adjuster** bestowed upon the existential prepersonal **Adjuster**; and they are thus both destined to the future eternal superpersonality of the transcendental ministry of the absonite realms of the Ultimate, the Supreme-Ultimate, even to the levels of the Ultimate-Absolute.

109:7.6 (1201.7) Seldom are the **Personalized Adjusters** seen at large in the universes. Occasionally they consult with the Ancients of Days, and sometimes the **Personalized Adjusters** of the sevenfold Creator Sons come to the headquarters worlds of the constellations to confer with the Vorondadek rulers.

109:7.7 (1201.8) When the planetary Vorondadek observer of Urantia—the Most High custodian who not long since assumed an emergency regency of your world—asserted his authority in the presence of the resident governor general, he began his emergency

administration of Urantia with a full staff of his own choosing. He immediately assigned to all his associates and assistants their planetary duties. But he did not choose the three **Personalized Adjusters** who appeared in his presence the instant he assumed the regency. He did not even know they would thus appear, for they did not so manifest their divine presence at the time of a previous regency. And the Most High regent did not assign service or designate duties for these volunteer **Personalized Adjusters**. Nevertheless, these three omnipersonal beings were among the most active of the numerous orders of celestial beings then serving on Urantia.

109:7.8 (1202.1) **Personalized Adjusters** perform a wide range of services for numerous orders of universe personalities, but we are not permitted to discuss these ministries with **Adjuster**-indwelt evolutionary creatures. These extraordinary human divinities are among the most remarkable personalities of the entire grand universe, and no one dares to predict what their future missions may be.

31:2.2 (347.1) Gravity Messengers hail from Divinington, and they are modified and **personalized Adjusters**, but no one of our Uversa group will undertake to explain the nature of one of these messengers. We know they are highly personal beings, divine, intelligent, and touchingly understanding, but we do not comprehend their timeless technique of traversing space. They seem to be competent to utilize any and all energies, circuits, and even gravity. Finaliters of the mortal corps cannot defy time and space, but they have associated with them and subject to their command all but infinite spirit personalities who can. We presume to call Gravity Messengers personalities, but in reality they are superspirit beings, unlimited and boundless personalities. They are of an entirely different order of personality as compared with Solitary Messengers.

31:2.4 (347.3) Gravity Messengers and glorified mortal finaliters achieve a touching and profound affection for one another; they have much in common: One is a direct personalization of a fragment of the Universal Father, the other a creature personality existent in the surviving immortal soul fused with a **fragment of the same Universal Father**, the **spirit Thought Adjuster**.

Spirit-Fused Mortals

40:9.1 (450.3) Ascending Spirit-fused mortals are not Third Source personalities; they are included in the Father's personality circuit, but they have fused with individualizations of the premind spirit of the Third Source and Center. Such Spirit fusion never occurs during the span of natural life; it takes place only at the time of mortal reawakening in the morontia existence on the mansion worlds. In the fusion experience there is no overlapping; the will creature is either Spirit fused, Son fused, or Father fused. Those who are **Adjuster** or Father fused are never Spirit or Son fused.

40:9.2 (450.4) The fact that these types of mortal creatures are not **Adjuster**-fusion candidates does not prevent the **Adjusters** from indwelling them during the life in the

flesh. Adjusters do work in the minds of such beings during the span of material life but never become everlastingly one with their pupil souls. During this temporary sojourn the Adjusters effectively build up the same spirit counterpart of mortal nature—the soul—that they do in the candidates for Adjuster fusion. Up to the time of mortal death the work of the Adjusters is wholly akin to their function in your own races, but upon mortal dissolution the Adjusters take eternal leave of these Spirit-fusion candidates and, proceeding directly to Divinington, the headquarters of all divine Monitors, there await the new assignments of their order.

40:9.3 (450.5) When such sleeping survivors are repersonalized on the mansion worlds, the place of the departed Adjuster is filled by an individualization of the spirit of the Divine Minister, the representative of the Infinite Spirit in the local universe concerned. This spirit infusion constitutes these surviving creatures Spirit-fused mortals. Such beings are in every way your equals in mind and spirit; and they are indeed your contemporaries, sharing the mansion and morontia spheres in common with your order of fusion candidates and with those who are to be Son fused.

40:9.4 (450.6) There is, however, one particular in which Spirit-fused mortals differ from their ascendant brethren: Mortal memory of human experience on the material worlds of origin survives death in the flesh because the indwelling Adjuster has acquired a spirit counterpart, or transcript, of those events of human life which were of spiritual significance. But with Spirit-fused mortals there exists no such mechanism whereby human memory may persist. The Adjuster transcripts of memory are full and intact, but these acquisitions are experiential possessions of the departed Adjusters and are not available to the creatures of their former indwelling, who therefore awaken in the resurrection halls of the morontia spheres of Nebadon as if they were newly created beings, creatures without consciousness of former existence.

55:0.4 (621.4) There are seven stages in the unfoldment of the era of light and life on an evolutionary world, and in this connection it should be noted that the worlds of the Spirit-fused mortals evolve along lines identical with those of the Adjuster-fusion series...

Destiny Guardians

113:7.8 (1249.2) Only destiny guardians are mustered into the primary or mortal Corps of the Finality, and such pairs have engaged in the supreme adventure of identity at-oneness; the two beings have achieved spiritual bi-unification on Seraphington prior to their reception into the finaliter corps. In this experience the two angelic natures, so complementary in all universe functions, achieve ultimate spirit two-in-oneness, repercussing in a new capacity for the reception of, and fusion with, a non-Adjuster fragment of the Paradise Father. And so do some of your loving seraphic associates in time also become your finaliter associates in eternity, children of the Supreme and perfected sons of the Paradise Father.

Types of Beings Indwelt by Adjusters

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Ascendant Mortals

1. Adjustment to planetary environment.
 - Sangik races
 - Adamites
 - Post Adamic bestowal races
 - Post Magisterial Son bestowal races
2. Brain-type series.
3. Spirit-reception series.
4. Planetary-mortal epochs.
6. Adjuster-fusion series.
7. Techniques of terrestrial escape

Paradise Sons of God

Material Sons and Daughters

Melchizedek, Emergency

Midway Creatures

Types of beings not Adjuster indwelt

Ascendant Mortals

3:1.9 (46.1) The everywhere-present spirit of the Universal Father is co-ordinated with the function of the universal spirit presence of the Eternal Son and the everlasting divine potential of the Deity Absolute. But neither the spiritual activity of the Eternal Son and his Paradise Sons nor the mind bestowals of the Infinite Spirit seem to exclude the direct action of the Thought Adjusters, the indwelling fragments of God, in the hearts of his creature children.

40:0.1 (443.1) AS IN many of the major groups of universe beings, seven general classes of the Ascending Sons of God have been revealed:

1. Father-fused Mortals.
2. Son-fused Mortals.
3. Spirit-fused Mortals.
4. Evolutionary Seraphim.
5. Ascending Material Sons.
6. Translated Midwayers.
7. Personalized Adjusters. 40:0.2-8 (443.2-8)

40:0.9 (443.9) The story of these beings, from the lowly animal-origin mortals of the evolutionary worlds to the Personalized Adjusters of the Universal Father, presents a

glorious recital of the unstinted bestowal of divine love and gracious condescension throughout all time and in all universes of the far-flung creation of the Paradise Deities. 40:0.11 (443.11) Since the greater part of this narrative will be devoted to a discussion of the three basic orders of ascending mortals, consideration will first be given to the nonmortal ascending orders of sonship—seraphic, Adamic, midwayer, and Adjuster. 40:1.2 (443.6) To climb to the supernal heights of finaliter sonship with God is a masterly achievement for an angel, an accomplishment far transcending your attainment of eternal survival through the plan of the Eternal Son and the ever-present help of the indwelling Adjuster; but the guardian seraphim, and occasionally others, do actually effect such ascensions. (non-Adjuster-fusion types)

Mortals of Time and Space

40:5.1 (445.2) Mortals represent the last link in the chain of those beings who are called sons of God. The personal touch of the Original and Eternal Son passes on down through a series of decreasingly divine and increasingly human personalizations until there arrives a being much like yourselves, one you can see, hear, and touch. And then you are made spiritually aware of the great truth which your faith may grasp—sonship with the eternal God!

40:5.2 (445.3) Likewise does the Original and Infinite Spirit, by a long series of decreasingly divine and increasingly human orders, draw nearer and nearer to the struggling creatures of the realms, reaching the limit of expression in the angels—than whom you were created but a little lower—who personally guard and guide you in the life journey of the mortal career of time

40:5.3 (445.4) God the Father does not, cannot, thus downstep himself to make such near personal contact with the almost limitless number of ascending creatures throughout the universe of universes. But the Father is not deprived of personal contact with his lowly creatures; you are not without the divine presence. Although God the Father cannot be with you by direct personality manifestation, he is in you and of you in the identity of the indwelling Thought Adjusters, the divine Monitors. Thus does the Father, who is the farthest from you in personality and in spirit, draw the nearest to you in the personality circuit and in the spirit touch of inner communion with the very souls of his mortal sons and daughters.

40:5.4 (445.5) Spirit identification constitutes the secret of personal survival and determines the destiny of spiritual ascension. And since the Thought Adjusters are the only spirits of fusion potential to be identified with man during the life in the flesh, the mortals of time and space are primarily classified in accordance with their relation to these divine gifts, the indwelling Mystery Monitors. This classification is as follows:

1. Mortals of the transient or experiential Adjuster sojourn.
2. Mortals of the non-Adjuster-fusion types.

3. Mortals of **Adjuster**-fusion potential. 40:5.5-7 (445.6-8)

40:5.8 (445.9) **Series one**—mortals of the transient or experiential **Adjuster** sojourn. This series designation is temporary for any evolving planet, being used during the early stages of all inhabited worlds except those of the second series.

40:5.9 (445.10) Mortals of series one inhabit the worlds of space during the earlier epochs of the evolution of mankind and embrace the most primitive types of human minds. On many worlds like pre-Adamic Urantia great numbers of the higher and more advanced types of primitive men acquire survival capacity but fail to attain **Adjuster** fusion. For ages upon ages, before man's ascent to the level of higher spiritual volition, the **Adjusters** occupy the minds of these struggling creatures during their short lives in the flesh, and the moment such will creatures are indwelt by **Adjusters**, the group guardian angels begin to function. While these mortals of the first series do not have personal guardians, they do have group custodians.

40:5.10 (446.1) An **experiential Adjuster** remains with a primitive human being throughout his entire lifetime in the flesh. The **Adjusters** contribute much to the advancement of primitive men but are unable to form eternal unions with such mortals. This transient ministry of the **Adjusters** accomplishes two things: First, they gain valuable and actual experience in the nature and working of the evolutionary intellect, an experience which will be invaluable in connection with later contacts on other worlds with beings of higher development. Second, the transient sojourn of the **Adjusters** contributes much towards preparing their mortal subjects for possible subsequent Spirit fusion. All God-seeking souls of this type achieve eternal life through the spiritual embrace of the Mother Spirit of the local universe, thus becoming ascending mortals of the local universe regime. Many persons from pre-Adamic Urantia were thus advanced to the mansion worlds of Satania.

40:5.11 (446.1) The Gods who ordained that mortal man should climb to higher levels of spiritual intelligence through long ages of evolutionary trials and tribulations, take note of his status and needs at every stage of the ascent; and always are they divinely fair and just, even charmingly merciful, in the final judgments of these struggling mortals of the early days of the evolving races.

83:8.3 (929.6) Neither can marriage be truly compared to the relation of the **Adjuster** to man nor to the fraternity of Christ Michael and his human brethren. At scarcely any point are such relationships comparable to the association of husband and wife. And it is most unfortunate that the human misconception of these relationships has produced so much confusion as to the status of marriage.

40:5.12 (446.2) **Series two**—mortals of the non-**Adjuster**-fusion types. These are specialized types of human beings who are not able to effect eternal union with their indwelling **Adjusters**. Type classification among the one-, two-, and three-brained races

is not a factor in Adjuster fusion; all such mortals are akin, but these non-Adjuster-fusion types are a wholly different and markedly modified order of will creatures. Many of the nonbreathers belong to this series, and there are numerous other groups who do not ordinarily fuse with Adjusters.

40:5.13 (446.3) Like series number one, each member of this group enjoys the ministry of a single Adjuster during lifetime in the flesh. During temporal life these Adjusters do everything for their subjects of temporary indwelling that is done on other worlds where the mortals are of fusion potential. The mortals of this second series are often indwelt by virgin Adjusters, but the higher human types are often in liaison with masterful and experienced Monitors

40:5.14 (446.4) In the ascendant plan for upstepping the animal-origin creatures, these beings enjoy the same devoted service of the Sons of God as is extended to the Urantia type of mortals. Seraphic co-operation with Adjusters on the nonfusion planets is just as fully provided as on the worlds of fusion potential; the guardians of destiny minister on such spheres just as on Urantia and similarly function at the time of mortal survival, at which time the surviving soul becomes Spirit fused.

40:5.15 (446.5) When you encounter these modified mortal types on the mansion worlds, you will find no difficulty in communicating with them. There they speak the same system language but by a modified technique. These beings are identical with your order of creature life in spirit and personality manifestations, differing only in certain physical features and in the fact that they are nonfusible with Thought Adjusters.

40:5.16 (447.1) As to just why this type of creature is never able to fuse with the Adjusters of the Universal Father, I am unable to say. Some of us incline to the belief that the Life Carriers, in their efforts to formulate beings capable of maintaining existence in an unusual planetary environment, are confronted with the necessity of making such radical modifications in the universe plan of intelligent will creatures that it becomes inherently impossible to bring about permanent union with the Adjusters. Often have we asked: Is this an intended or an unintended part of the ascension plan? but we have not found the answer.

40:5.17 (447.2) **Series three**—mortals of Adjuster-fusion potential. All Father-fused mortals are of animal origin, just like the Urantia races. They embrace mortals of the one-brained, two-brained, and three-brained types of Adjuster-fusion potential. Urantians are of the intermediate or two-brained type, being in many ways humanly superior to the one-brained groups but definitely limited in comparison with the three-brained orders. These three types of physical-brain endowment are not factors in Adjuster bestowal, in seraphic service, or in any other phase of spirit ministry. The intellectual and spiritual differential between the three brain types characterizes individuals who are otherwise quite alike in mind endowment and spiritual potential, being greatest in the temporal life and tending to diminish as the mansion worlds are

traversed one by one. From the system headquarters on, the progression of these three types is the same, and their eventual Paradise destiny is identical.

40:5.18 (447.3) **The unnumbered series.** These narratives cannot possibly embrace all of the fascinating variations in the evolutionary worlds. You know that every tenth world is a decimal or experimental planet, but you know nothing of the other variables that punctuate the processional of the evolutionary spheres. There are differences too numerous to narrate even between the revealed orders of living creatures as between planets of the same group, but this presentation makes clear the essential differences in relation to the ascension career. And the ascension career is the most important factor in any consideration of the mortals of time and space.

40:5.19 (447.4) As to the chances of mortal survival, let it be made forever clear: All souls of every possible phase of mortal existence will survive provided they manifest willingness to co-operate with their indwelling **Adjusters** and exhibit a desire to find God and to attain divine perfection, even though these desires be but the first faint flickers of the primitive comprehension of that “true light which lights every man who comes into the world.”

40:7.2 (448.9) Your own races of surviving mortals belong to this group of the ascending Sons of God. You are now planetary sons, evolutionary creatures derived from the Life Carrier implantations and modified by the Adamic-life infusion, hardly yet ascending sons; but you are indeed sons of ascension potential—even to the highest heights of glory and divinity attainment—and this spiritual status of ascending sonship you may attain by faith and by freewill co-operation with the spiritualizing activities of the **indwelling Adjuster**. When you and your **Adjusters** are finally and forever fused, when you two are made one, even as in Christ Michael the Son of God and the Son of Man are one, then in fact have you become the ascending sons of God.

40:7.3 (449.1) The details of the **Adjuster** career of indwelling ministry on a probationary and evolutionary planet are not a part of my assignment; the elaboration of this great truth embraces your whole career. I include the mention of certain **Adjuster** functions in order to make a replete statement regarding **Adjuster**-fused mortals. These indwelling **fragments of God** are with your order of being from the early days of physical existence through all of the ascending career in Nebadon and Orvonton and on through Havona to Paradise itself. Thereafter, in the eternal adventure, this same **Adjuster** is one with you and of you.

40:7.5 (449.3) Fusion with a **fragment of the Universal Father** is equivalent to a divine validation of eventual Paradise attainment, and such **Adjuster**-fused mortals are the only class of human beings who all traverse the Havona circuits and find God on Paradise. To the **Adjuster**-fused mortal the career of universal service is wide open. What dignity of destiny and glory of attainment await every one of you! Do you fully appreciate what has been done for you? Do you comprehend the grandeur of the heights of eternal

achievement which are spread out before you?—even you who now trudge on in the lowly path of life through your so-called “vale of tears”?

[Review once again, this last paragraph and attempt to truly understand the profound blessing of destiny experience that has been offered us. Recognize and value the meaning that we are truly Sons of God, beings of direct origination in the Second Source and Center, the Eternal Son, and personally indwelt throughout eternity by a **fragment of the Universe Creator** Himself. Consider the nearly unlimited achievement possibilities, service avenues, and spiritual growth potential offered us in this eternal life. And thus may you begin to entertain a deeper understanding of our Heavenly Father’s love.]

63:0.3 (711.3) Andon is the Nebadon name which signifies “the first Fatherlike creature to exhibit human perfection hunger.” Fonta signifies “the first Sonlike creature to exhibit human perfection hunger.” Andon and Fonta never knew these names until they were bestowed upon them at the time of fusion with their **Thought Adjusters**. Throughout their mortal sojourn on Urantia they called each other Sonta-an and Sonta-en, Sonta-an meaning “loved by mother,” Sonta-en signifying “loved by father.” They gave themselves these names, and the meanings are significant of their mutual regard and affection.

63:1.4 (711.7) The decision of Andon and Fonta to flee from the Primates tribes implies a quality of mind far above the baser intelligence which characterized so many of their later descendants who stooped to mate with their retarded cousins of the simian tribes. But their vague feeling of being something more than mere animals was due to the possession of personality and was augmented by the **indwelling presence** of the **Thought Adjusters**.

63:6.9 (717.1) Although both Andon and Fonta had received **Thought Adjusters**, as had many of their descendants, it was not until the days of Onagar that the **Adjusters** and guardian seraphim came in great numbers to Urantia. This was, indeed, the golden age of primitive man.

63:7.2 (717.3) On Jerusem both Andon and Fonta were fused with their **Thought Adjusters**, as also were several of their children, including Sontad, but the majority of even their immediate descendants only achieved Spirit fusion.

65:4.9 (735.8) On an ordinary inhabited world a Planetary Prince would have been granted on the request of the Life Carriers at, or sometime after, the appearance of Andon and Fonta. But Urantia having been designated a life-modification planet, it was by preagreement that the Melchizedek observers, twelve in number, were sent as advisers to the Life Carriers and as overseers of the planet until the subsequent arrival of the Planetary Prince. These Melchizedeks came at the time Andon and Fonta made the decisions which enabled **Thought Adjusters** to indwell their mortal minds.

[Take cautionary note of the celestial meanings of the names of our forbearers, Andon and Fonta, should you consider applying mortal sexual characteristics to celestial or deity beings.]

The Planetary Series of Mortals

45:4.13 (514.3) 11. Enoch, the first of the mortals of Urantia to fuse with the **Thought Adjuster** during the mortal life in the flesh.

49:5.1 (565.2) It will be somewhat difficult to make an adequate portrayal of the planetary series of mortals because you know so little about them, and because there are so many variations. Mortal creatures may, however, be studied from numerous viewpoints, among which are the following:

1. Adjustment to planetary environment.
2. Brain-type series.
3. Spirit-reception series.
4. Planetary-mortal epochs.
5. Creature-kinship serials.
6. **Adjuster**-fusion series.
7. Techniques of terrestrial escape. 49:5.2-8 (565.3-9)

49:5.9 (565.10) The inhabited spheres of the seven superuniverses are peopled with mortals who simultaneously classify in some one or more categories of each of these seven generalized classes of evolutionary creature life. But even these general classifications make no provision for such beings as midsoniters nor for certain other forms of intelligent life. The inhabited worlds, as they have been presented in these narratives, are peopled with evolutionary mortal creatures, but there are other life forms.

49:5.10 (565.11) **1. Adjustment to planetary environment.** There are three general groups of inhabited worlds from the standpoint of the adjustment of creature life to the planetary environment: the normal adjustment group, the radical adjustment group, and the experimental group.

49:5.11 (565.12) Normal adjustments to planetary conditions follow the general physical patterns previously considered. The worlds of the nonbreathers typify the radical or extreme adjustment, but other types are also included in this group. Experimental worlds are usually ideally adapted to the typical life forms, and on these decimal planets the Life Carriers attempt to produce beneficial variations in the standard life designs. Since your world is an experimental planet, it differs markedly from its sister spheres in Satania; many forms of life have appeared on Urantia that are not found elsewhere; likewise are many common species absent from your planet.

49:5.12 (565.13) In the universe of Neadon, all the life-modification worlds are serially linked together and constitute a special domain of universe affairs which is given attention by designated administrators; and all of these experimental worlds are

periodically inspected by a corps of universe directors whose chief is the veteran finaliter known in Satania as Tabamantia.

49:5.13 (566.1) **2. Brain-type series.** The one physical uniformity of mortals is the brain and nervous system; nevertheless, there are three basic organizations of the brain mechanism: the one-, the two-, and the three-brained types. Urantians are of the two-brained type, somewhat more imaginative, adventurous, and philosophical than the one-brained mortals but somewhat less spiritual, ethical, and worshipful than the three-brained orders. These brain differences characterize even the prehuman animal existences.

49:5.14 (566.2) From the two-hemisphere type of the Urantian cerebral cortex you can, by analogy, grasp something of the one-brained type. The third brain of the three-brained orders is best conceived as an evolvement of your lower or rudimentary form of brain, which is developed to the point where it functions chiefly in control of physical activities, leaving the two superior brains free for higher engagements: one for intellectual functions and the other for the spiritual-counterparting activities of the **Thought Adjuster**.

49:5.15 (566.3) While the terrestrial attainments of the one-brained races are slightly limited in comparison with the two-brained orders, the older planets of the three-brained group exhibit civilizations that would astound Urantians, and which would somewhat shame yours by comparison. In mechanical development and material civilization, even in intellectual progress, the two-brained mortal worlds are able to equal the three-brained spheres. But in the higher control of mind and development of intellectual and spiritual reciprocation, you are somewhat inferior.

49:5.16 (566.4) All such comparative estimates concerning the intellectual progress or the spiritual attainments of any world or group of worlds should in fairness recognize planetary age; much, very much, depends on age, the help of the biologic uplifters, and the subsequent missions of the various orders of the divine Sons.

49:5.17 (566.5) While the three-brained peoples are capable of a slightly higher planetary evolution than either the one- or two-brained orders, all have the same type of life plasm and carry on planetary activities in very similar ways, much as do human beings on Urantia. These three types of mortals are distributed throughout the worlds of the local systems. In the majority of cases planetary conditions had very little to do with the decisions of the Life Carriers to project these varied orders of mortals on the different worlds; it is a prerogative of the Life Carriers thus to plan and execute.

49:5.18 (566.6) These three orders stand on an equal footing in the ascension career. Each must traverse the same intellectual scale of development, and each must master the same spiritual tests of progression. The system administration and the constellation overcontrol of these different worlds are uniformly free from discrimination; even the regimes of the Planetary Princes are identical.

49:5.19 (566.7) **3. Spirit-reception series.** There are three groups of mind design as related to contact with spirit affairs. This classification does not refer to the one-, two-, and three-brained orders of mortals; it refers primarily to gland chemistry, more particularly to the organization of certain glands comparable to the pituitary bodies. The races on some worlds have one gland, on others two, as do Urantians, while on still other spheres the races have three of these unique bodies. The inherent imagination and spiritual receptivity is definitely influenced by this differential chemical endowment.

49:5.20 (566.8) Of the spirit-reception types, sixty-five per cent are of the second group, like the Urantia races. Twelve per cent are of the first type, naturally less receptive, while twenty-three per cent are more spiritually inclined during terrestrial life. But such distinctions do not survive natural death; all of these racial differences pertain only to the life in the flesh.

49:5.21 (567.1) **4. Planetary-mortal epochs.** This classification recognizes the succession of temporal dispensations as they affect man's terrestrial status and his reception of celestial ministry.

49:5.22 (567.2) Life is initiated on the planets by the Life Carriers, who watch over its development until sometime after the evolutionary appearance of mortal man. Before the Life Carriers leave a planet, they duly install a Planetary Prince as ruler of the realm. With this ruler there arrives a full quota of subordinate auxiliaries and ministering helpers, and the first adjudication of the living and the dead is simultaneous with his arrival.

49:5.23 (567.3) With the emergence of human groupings, this Planetary Prince arrives to inaugurate human civilization and to focalize human society. Your world of confusion is no criterion of the early days of the reign of the Planetary Princes, for it was near the beginning of such an administration on Urantia that your Planetary Prince, Caligastia, cast his lot with the rebellion of the System Sovereign, Lucifer. Your planet has pursued a stormy course ever since.

49:5.24 (567.4) On a normal evolutionary world, racial progress attains its natural biologic peak during the regime of the Planetary Prince, and shortly thereafter the System Sovereign dispatches a Material Son and Daughter to that planet. These imported beings are of service as biologic uplifters; their default on Urantia further complicated your planetary history.

49:5.25 (567.5) When the intellectual and ethical progress of a human race has reached the limits of evolutionary development, there comes an Avonal Son of Paradise on a magisterial mission; and later on, when the spiritual status of such a world is nearing its limit of natural attainment, the planet is visited by a Paradise bestowal Son. The chief mission of a bestowal Son is to establish the planetary status, release the Spirit of Truth for planetary function, and thus effect the universal coming of the **Thought Adjusters**.

49:5.26 (567.6) Here, again, Urantia deviates: There has never been a magisterial mission on your world, neither was your bestowal Son of the Avonal order; your planet

enjoyed the signal honor of becoming the mortal home planet of the Sovereign Son, Michael of Nebadon.

49:5.27 (567.7) As a result of the ministry of all the successive orders of divine sonship, the inhabited worlds and their advancing races begin to approach the apex of planetary evolution. Such worlds now become ripe for the culminating mission, the arrival of the Trinity Teacher Sons. This epoch of the Teacher Sons is the vestibule to the final planetary age—evolutionary utopia—the age of light and life.

49:5.28 (567.8) This classification of human beings will receive particular attention in a succeeding paper.

49:5.29 (567.9) **5. Creature-kinship serials.** Planets are not only organized vertically into systems, constellations, and so on, but the universe administration also provides for horizontal groupings according to type, series, and other relationships. This lateral administration of the universe pertains more particularly to the co-ordination of activities of a kindred nature which have been independently fostered on different spheres. These related classes of universe creatures are periodically inspected by certain composite corps of high personalities presided over by long-experienced finaliters.

49:5.30 (568.1) These kinship factors are manifest on all levels, for kinship serials exist among nonhuman personalities as well as among mortal creatures—even between human and superhuman orders. Intelligent beings are vertically related in twelve great groups of seven major divisions each. The co-ordination of these uniquely related groups of living beings is probably effected by some not fully comprehended technique of the Supreme Being.

49:5.31 (568.2) **6. Adjuster-fusion series.** The spiritual classification or grouping of all mortals during their prefusion experience is wholly determined by the relation of the personality status to the **indwelling Mystery Monitor**. Almost ninety per cent of the inhabited worlds of Nebadon are peopled with **Adjuster**-fusion mortals in contrast with a near-by universe where scarcely more than one half of the worlds harbor beings who are **Adjuster**-indwelt candidates for eternal fusion.

49:5.32 (568.3) **7. Techniques of terrestrial escape.** There is fundamentally only one way in which individual human life can be initiated on the inhabited worlds, and that is through creature procreation and natural birth; but there are numerous techniques whereby man escapes his terrestrial status and gains access to the inward moving stream of Paradise ascenders.

49:6.1 (568.4) All of the differing physical types and planetary series of mortals alike enjoy the ministry of **Thought Adjusters**, guardian angels, and the various orders of the messenger hosts of the Infinite Spirit. All alike are liberated from the bonds of flesh by the emancipation of natural death, and all alike go thence to the morontia worlds of spiritual evolution and mind progress.

post-Adamic men

52:3.2 (593.1) **Thought Adjusters** are increasingly bestowed upon the post-Adamic men, and in constantly augmented numbers these mortals attain capacity for subsequent **Adjuster** fusion. While functioning as descending Sons, the Adams do not possess **Adjusters**, but their planetary offspring—direct and mixed—become legitimate candidates for the reception, in due time, of the **Mystery Monitors**. By the termination of the post-Adamic age the planet is in possession of its full quota of celestial ministers; only the **fusion Adjusters** are not yet universally bestowed.

52:4.7 (595.2) During this epoch the majority of the world mortals are **Adjuster** indwelt. But even yet the bestowal of **divine Monitors** is not always universal. The **Adjusters** of fusion destiny are not yet bestowed upon all planetary mortals; it is still necessary for the will creatures to choose the **Mystery Monitors**.

Paradise Sons of God

20:4.3 (227.1) When incarnated on either bestowal or magisterial missions, the Paradise Sons have experienced **Adjusters**, and these **Adjusters** are different for each incarnation. The **Adjusters** that occupy the minds of the incarnated Sons of God can never hope for personality through fusion with the human-divine beings of their indwelling, but they are often personalized by fiat of the Universal Father. Such **Adjusters** form the supreme Divinington council of direction for the administration, identification, and dispatch of **Mystery Monitors** to the inhabited realms. They also receive and accredit **Adjusters** on their return to the “bosom of the Father” upon the mortal dissolution of their earthly tabernacles. In this way the faithful **Adjusters** of the world judges become the exalted chiefs of their kind.

Assistants to the Planetary Prince

50:1.1 (572.3) The Planetary Prince and his assistant brethren represent the nearest personalized approach (aside from incarnation) that the Eternal Son of Paradise can make to the lowly creatures of time and space. True, the Creator Son touches the creatures of the realms through his spirit, but the Planetary Prince is the last of the orders of personal Sons extending out from Paradise to the children of men. The Infinite Spirit comes very near in the persons of the guardians of destiny and other angelic beings; the Universal Father lives in man by the prepersonal presence of the **Mystery Monitors**; but the Planetary Prince represents the last effort of the Eternal Son and his Sons to draw near you. On a newly inhabited world the Planetary Prince is the sole representative of complete divinity, springing from the Creator Son (the offspring of the Universal Father and the Eternal Son) and the Divine Minister (the universe Daughter of the Infinite Spirit).

50:3.1 (574.3) On going to a young world, a Planetary Prince usually takes with him a group of volunteer ascending beings from the local system headquarters. These

ascenders accompany the prince as advisers and helpers in the work of early race improvement. This corps of material helpers constitutes the connecting link between the prince and the world races. The Urantia Prince, Caligastia, had a corps of one hundred such helpers.

50:3.2 (574.4) Such volunteer assistants are citizens of a system capital, and none of them have fused with their indwelling **Adjusters**. The status of the **Adjusters** of such volunteer servers remains as of the residential standing on the system headquarters while these morontia progressors temporarily revert to a former material state.

50:3.5 (574.7) These assistants to the Planetary Prince seldom mate with the world races, but they do always mate among themselves. Two classes of beings result from these unions: the primary type of midway creatures and certain high types of material beings who remain attached to the prince's staff after their parents have been removed from the planet at the time of the arrival of Adam and Eve. These children do not mate with the mortal races except in certain emergencies and then only by direction of the Planetary Prince. In such an event, their children—the grandchildren of the corporeal staff—are in status as of the superior races of their day and generation. All the offspring of these semimaterial assistants of the Planetary Prince are **Adjuster** indwelt.

50:3.6 (575.1) At the end of the prince's dispensation, when the time comes for this "reversion staff" to be returned to the system headquarters for the resumption of the Paradise career, these ascenders present themselves to the Life Carriers for the purpose of yielding up their material bodies. They enter the transition slumber and awaken delivered from their mortal investment and clothed with morontia forms, ready for seraphic transportation back to the system capital, where their detached **Adjusters** await them. They are a whole dispensation behind their Jerusem class, but they have gained a unique and extraordinary experience, a rare chapter in the career of an ascending mortal.

52:2.2 (591.2) The average length of this dispensation is around five hundred thousand years, some longer, some shorter. During this era the planet is established in the circuits of the system, and a full quota of seraphic and other celestial helpers is assigned to its administration. The **Thought Adjusters** come in increasing numbers, and the seraphic guardians amplify their regime of mortal supervision.

53:8.7 (610.3) Before the bestowal of Michael these rulers of darkness sought to maintain their authority on Urantia, and they persistently withstood the minor and subordinate celestial personalities. But since the day of Pentecost this traitorous Caligastia and his equally contemptible associate, Daligastia, are servile before the divine majesty of the Paradise **Thought Adjusters** and the protective Spirit of Truth, the spirit of Michael, which has been poured out upon all flesh.

66:2.7 (742.7) Accordingly, fifty males and fifty females of the Andon and Fonta posterity, representing the survival of the best strains of that unique race, were chosen

by the Life Carriers. With one or two exceptions these Andonite contributors to the advancement of the race were strangers to one another. They were assembled from widely separated places by co-ordinated **Thought Adjuster** direction and seraphic guidance at the threshold of the planetary headquarters of the Prince. Here the one hundred human subjects were given into the hands of the highly skilled volunteer commission from Avalon, who directed the material extraction of a portion of the life plasm of these Andon descendants. This living material was then transferred to the material bodies constructed for the use of the one hundred Jerusemite members of the Prince's staff. Meantime, these newly arrived citizens of the system capital were held in the sleep of seraphic transport.

66:4.9 (744.8) This group, while enjoying provisional citizenship on Jerusem, were as yet unfused with their **Thought Adjusters**; and when they volunteered and were accepted for planetary service in liaison with the descending orders of sonship, their **Adjusters** were detached. But these Jerusemites were superhuman beings—they possessed souls of ascendant growth. During the mortal life in the flesh the soul is of embryonic estate; it is born (resurrected) in the morontia life and experiences growth through the successive morontia worlds. And the souls of the Caligastia one hundred had thus expanded through the progressive experiences of the seven mansion worlds to citizenship status on Jerusem.

66:8.6 (753.2) The doctrine of a personal devil on Urantia, though it had some foundation in the planetary presence of the traitorous and iniquitous Caligastia, was nevertheless wholly fictitious in its teachings that such a “devil” could influence the normal human mind against its free and natural choosing. Even before Michael's bestowal on Urantia, neither Caligastia nor Daligastia was ever able to oppress mortals or to coerce any normal individual into doing anything against the human will. The free will of man is supreme in moral affairs; even the **indwelling Thought Adjuster** refuses to compel man to think a single thought or to perform a single act against the choosing of man's own will.

67:4.5 (758.3) When the staff of one hundred came to Urantia, they were temporarily detached from their **Thought Adjusters**. Immediately upon the arrival of the Melchizedek receivers the loyal personalities (except Van) were returned to Jerusem and were reunited with their waiting **Adjusters**. We know not the fate of the sixty staff rebels; their **Adjusters** still tarry on Jerusem. Matters will undoubtedly rest as they now are until the entire Lucifer rebellion is finally adjudicated and the fate of all participants decreed.

67:6.8 (760.3) Van and Amadon remained on earth until shortly after the arrival of Adam and Eve. Some years thereafter they were translated to Jerusem, where Van was reunited with his waiting **Adjuster**. Van now serves in behalf of Urantia while awaiting the order to go forward on the long, long trail to Paradise perfection and the unrevealed destiny of the assembling Corps of Mortal Finality.

Material Sons

31:5.2 (349.2) When an advanced evolutionary world attains the later eras of the age of light and life, the Material Sons, the Planetary Adam and Eve, may elect to humanize, receive **Adjusters**, and embark upon the evolutionary course of universe ascent leading to the Corps of Mortal Finaliters. Certain of these Material Sons have partially failed or technically defaulted in their mission as biologic accelerators, as Adam did on Urantia; and then are they compelled to take the natural course of the peoples of the realm, receive **Adjusters**, pass through death, and progress by faith through the ascendant regime, subsequently attaining Paradise and the Corps of the Finality.

51:1.6 (581.3) While living as permanent citizens on the system capitals, even when functioning on descending missions to the evolutionary planets, the Material Sons do not possess Thought **Adjusters**, but it is through these very services that they acquire experiential capacity for **Adjuster** indwellment and the Paradise ascension career. These unique and wonderfully useful beings are the connecting links between the spiritual and physical worlds. They are concentrated on the system headquarters, where they reproduce and carry on as material citizens of the realm, and whence they are dispatched to the evolutionary worlds.

55:4.24 (629.2) Upon obtaining release from their agelong assignment, a Planetary Adam and Eve may select careers as follows:

1. They can secure planetary release and from the universe headquarters start out immediately on the Paradise career, receiving **Thought Adjusters** at the conclusion of the morontia experience.
2. Very often a Planetary Adam and Eve will receive **Adjusters** while yet serving on a world settled in light concomitant with the receiving of **Adjusters** by some of their imported pure-line children who have volunteered for a term of planetary service. Subsequently they may all go to universe headquarters and there begin the Paradise career.
3. A Planetary Adam and Eve may elect—as do Material Sons and Daughters from the system capital—to go direct to the midsonite world for a brief sojourn, there to receive their **Adjusters**.
4. They may decide to return to the system headquarters, there for a time to occupy seats on the supreme court, after which service they will receive **Adjusters** and begin the Paradise ascent. 55:4.25-28 (629.3-9.6)

55:4.30 (629.8) Throughout all of these epochs the imported assisting Material Sons and Daughters exert a tremendous influence on the progressing social and economic orders. They are potentially immortal, at least until such time as they elect to humanize, receive **Adjusters**, and start for Paradise.

55:4.31 (629.9) On the evolutionary worlds a being must humanize to receive a Thought **Adjuster**. All ascendant members of the Mortal Corps of Finaliters have been **Adjuster**

indwelt and fused except seraphim, and they are Father indwelt by another type of spirit at the time of being mustered into this corps.

Adam and Eve

74:7.20 (836.9) The moral law of Eden was little different from the seven commandments of Dalamatia. But the Adamites taught many additional reasons for these commands; for instance, regarding the injunction against murder, the indwelling of the **Thought Adjuster** was presented as an additional reason for not destroying human life. They taught that “whoso sheds man’s blood by man shall his blood be shed, for in the image of God made he man.”

76:2.8 (849.2) Cain’s life in Mesopotamia had not been exactly happy since he was in such a peculiar way symbolic of the default. It was not that his associates were unkind to him, but he had not been unaware of their subconscious resentment of his presence. But Cain knew that, since he bore no tribal mark, he would be killed by the first neighboring tribesmen who might chance to meet him. Fear, and some remorse, led him to repent. Cain had never been indwelt by an **Adjuster**, had always been defiant of the family discipline and disdainful of his father’s religion. But he now went to Eve, his mother, and asked for spiritual help and guidance, and when he honestly sought divine assistance, an **Adjuster** indwelt him. And this **Adjuster**, dwelling within and looking out, gave Cain a distinct advantage of superiority which classed him with the greatly feared tribe of Adam.

76:4.6 (851.4) The Adamic children were usually **Adjuster** indwelt since they all possessed undoubted survival capacity. These superior offspring were not so subject to fear as the children of evolution. So much of fear persists in the present-day races of Urantia because your ancestors received so little of Adam’s life plasm, owing to the early miscarriage of the plans for racial physical uplift.

76:5.2 (852.1) Adam and Eve did not, as citizens of Jerusem, have **Thought Adjusters**, nor were they **Adjuster** indwelt when they functioned on Urantia in the first garden. But shortly after their reduction to mortal status they became conscious of a new presence within them and awakened to the realization that human status coupled with sincere repentance had made it possible for **Adjusters** to indwell them. It was this knowledge of being **Adjuster** indwelt that greatly heartened Adam and Eve throughout the remainder of their lives; they knew that they had failed as Material Sons of Satania, but they also knew that the Paradise career was still open to them as ascending sons of the universe.

Melchizedek, Emergency

Melchizedek Era

76:5.6 (852.5) The supermaterial government of Urantia, under the direction of the Melchizedeks, continued, but direct physical contact with the evolutionary races had been severed. From the distant days of the arrival of the corporeal staff of the Planetary

Prince, down through the times of Van and Amadon to the arrival of Adam and Eve, physical representatives of the universe government had been stationed on the planet. But with the Adamic default this regime, extending over a period of more than four hundred and fifty thousand years, came to an end. In the spiritual spheres, angelic helpers continued to struggle in conjunction with the **Thought Adjusters**, both working heroically for the salvage of the individual; but no comprehensive plan for far-reaching world welfare was promulgated to the mortals of earth until the arrival of Machiventa Melchizedek, in the times of Abraham, who, with the power, patience, and authority of a Son of God, did lay the foundations for the further uplift and spiritual rehabilitation of unfortunate Urantia.

93:2.7 (1016.1) This incarnated Melchizedek received a **Thought Adjuster**, who indwelt his superhuman personality as the **monitor of time** and the **mentor of the flesh**, thus gaining that experience and practical introduction to Urantian problems and to the technique of indwelling an incarnated Son which enabled this spirit of the Father to function so valiantly in the human mind of the later Son of God, Michael, when he appeared on earth in the likeness of mortal flesh. And this is the only **Thought Adjuster** who ever functioned in two minds on Urantia, but both minds were divine as well as human.

Midway creatures

77:7.5 (863.6) On no world can evil spirits possess any mortal mind subsequent to the life of a Paradise bestowal Son. But before the days of Christ Michael on Urantia—before the universal coming of the **Thought Adjusters** and the pouring out of the Master's spirit upon all flesh—these rebel midwayers were actually able to influence the minds of certain inferior mortals and somewhat to control their actions. This was accomplished in much the same way as the loyal midway creatures function when they serve as efficient contact guardians of the human minds of the Urantia reserve corps of destiny at those times when the **Adjuster** is, in effect, detached from the personality during a season of contact with superhuman intelligences.

77:7.8 (864.1) The entire group of rebel midwayers is at present held prisoner by order of the Most Highs of Edentia. No more do they roam this world on mischief bent. Regardless of the presence of the **Thought Adjusters**, the pouring out of the Spirit of Truth upon all flesh forever made it impossible for disloyal spirits of any sort or description ever again to invade even the most feeble of human minds. Since the day of Pentecost there never again can be such a thing as demoniacal possession.

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55:4.9 (627.7) [The System Sovereign has authority to release midway creatures any time after the first settled stage so that they may humanize in the morontia by the aid of](#)

the Life Carriers and the physical controllers and, after receiving **Thought Adjusters**, start out on their Paradise ascension.

Types of beings otherwise associated with Adjusters:

5:6.12 (71.7) Concerning those personalities who are not **Adjuster** indwelt: The attribute of choice-liberty is also bestowed by the Universal Father, and such persons are likewise embraced in the great circuit of divine love, the personality circuit of the Universal Father. God provides for the sovereign choice of all true personalities. No personal creature can be coerced into the eternal adventure; the portal of eternity opens only in response to the freewill choice of the freewill sons of the God of free will..

Circuit Spirits

17:5.5 (203.3) The Circuit Spirits are related to the native inhabitants of Havona much as the **Thought Adjusters** are related to the mortal creatures inhabiting the worlds of the evolutionary universes. Like the **Thought Adjusters**, the Circuit Spirits are impersonal, and they consort with the perfect minds of Havona beings much as the impersonal spirits of the Universal Father indwell the finite minds of mortal men. But the Spirits of the Circuits never become a permanent part of Havona personalities.

Inspired Spirits of the Paradise Trinity

19:5.6 (220.1) I may relate a further interesting fact: When a Solitary Messenger is on a planet whose inhabitants are indwelt by **Thought Adjusters**, as on Urantia, he is aware of a qualitative excitation in his detection-sensitivity to spirit presence. In such instances there is no quantitative excitation, only a qualitative agitation. When on a planet to which **Adjusters** do not come, contact with the natives does not produce any such reaction. This suggests that **Thought Adjusters** are in some manner related to, or are connected with, the Inspired Spirits of the Paradise Trinity. In some way they may possibly be associated in certain phases of their work; but we do not really know. They both originate near the center and source of all things, but they are not the same order of being. **Thought Adjusters** spring from the Father alone; Inspired Spirits are the offspring of the Paradise Trinity.

23:1.9 (257.4) There is a technical reason why these Solitary Messengers must travel and work alone. For short periods and when stationary, they can collaborate in a group, but when thus ensembled, they are altogether cut off from the sustenance and direction of their Paradise circuit; they are wholly isolated. When in transit, or when operating in the circuits of space and the currents of time, if two or more of this order are in close proximity, both or all are thrown out of liaison with the higher circulating forces. They are "short circuited" as you might describe it in illustrative symbols. Therefore they have inherent within them a power of automatic alarm, a warning signal, which unerringly operates to apprise them of approaching conflicts and unfailingly keeps them sufficiently

separated as not to interfere with their proper and effective functioning. They also possess inherent and automatic powers which detect and indicate the proximity of both the Inspired Trinity Spirits and the **divine Thought Adjusters**.

Trinitized Ambassadors

22:6.1 (248.6) Trinitized Ambassadors are the second order of the Trinitized Sons of Selection and like their associates, the Custodians, are recruited from two types of ascendant creatures. Not all ascending mortals are **Adjuster** or Father fused; some are Spirit fused, some are Son fused. Certain of these Spirit- and Son-fused mortals reach Havona and attain Paradise. From among these Paradise ascenders, candidates are selected for the Trinity embrace, and from time to time they are trinitized in classes of seven thousand. They are then commissioned in the superuniverses as Trinitized Ambassadors of the Ancients of Days. Almost one-half billion are registered on Uversa.

Celestial Guardians

22:9.5 (252.7) The Celestial Guardians and their associates, the High Son Assistants, have never been indwelt by **Adjusters**. Neither are they Spirit nor Son fused. The embrace of the Paradise Trinity does, however, compensate for the nonfused status of the Trinitized Sons of Perfection. The Trinity embrace may act solely upon the idea which is personified in a creature-trinitized son, leaving the embraced son otherwise unchanged, but such a limitation occurs only when so planned.

Spornagia

46:7.3 (528.1) Spornagia are not **Adjuster** indwelt. They do not possess survival souls, but they do enjoy long lives, sometimes to the extent of forty to fifty thousand standard years. Their number is legion, and they afford physical ministry to all orders of universe personalities requiring material service.

Angels

113:2.3 (1242.6) All angelic assignments are made from a group of volunteering seraphim, and these appointments are always in accordance with human needs and with regard to the status of the angelic pair—in the light of seraphic experience, skill, and wisdom. Only seraphim of long service, the more experienced and tested types, are assigned as destiny guards. Many guardians have gained much valuable experience on those worlds which are of the non-**Adjuster** fusion series. Like the **Adjusters**, the seraphim attend these beings for a single lifetime and then are liberated for new assignment. Many guardians on Urantia have had this previous practical experience on other worlds.

113:4.5 (1245.5) While there is apparently no communication between the indwelling **Adjusters** and the encompassing seraphim, they always seem to work in perfect

harmony and exquisite accord. The guardians are most active at those times when the **Adjusters** are least active, but their ministry is in some manner strangely correlated. Such superb co-operation could hardly be either accidental or incidental.

113:5.1 (1245.7) Angels do not invade the sanctity of the human mind; they do not manipulate the will of mortals; neither do they directly contact with the indwelling **Adjusters**. The guardian of destiny influences you in every possible manner consistent with the dignity of your personality; under no circumstances do these angels interfere with the free action of the human will. Neither angels nor any other order of universe personality have power or authority to curtail or abridge the prerogatives of human choosing.

113:6.8 (1247.6) The technique of justice demands that personal or group guardians shall respond to the dispensational roll call in behalf of all nonsurviving personalities. The **Adjusters** of such nonsurvivors do not return, and when the rolls are called, the seraphim respond, but the **Adjusters** make no answer. This constitutes the “resurrection of the unjust,” in reality the formal recognition of the cessation of creature existence. This roll call of justice always immediately follows the roll call of mercy, the resurrection of the sleeping survivors. But these are matters which are of concern to none but the supreme and all-knowing Judges of survival values. Such problems of adjudication do not really concern us.

Thought Adjuster Function

Thought Adjuster Function – How

3:1.11 (46.3) While the Father parentally encircuits all his sons—all personalities—his influence in them is limited by the remoteness of their origin from the Second and the Third Persons of Deity and augmented as their destiny attainment nears such levels. The fact of God’s presence in creature minds is determined by whether or not they are indwelt by **Father fragments**, such as the **Mystery Monitors**, but his effective presence is determined by the degree of co-operation accorded these **indwelling Adjusters** by the minds of their sojourn.

5:3.2 (65.4) Supplications of all kinds belong to the realm of the Eternal Son and the Son’s spiritual organization. Prayers, all formal communications, everything except adoration and worship of the Universal Father, are matters that concern a local universe; they do not ordinarily proceed out of the realm of the jurisdiction of a Creator Son. But worship is undoubtedly encircuited and dispatched to the person of the Creator by the function of the Father’s personality circuit. We further believe that such registry of the homage of an **Adjuster**-indwelt creature is facilitated by the Father’s spirit presence.

There exists a tremendous amount of evidence to substantiate such a belief, and I know that all orders of **Father fragments** are empowered to register the bona fide adoration of their subjects acceptably in the presence of the Universal Father. The **Adjusters** undoubtedly also utilize direct prepersonal channels of communication with God, and they are likewise able to utilize the spirit-gravity circuits of the Eternal Son.

6:4.5 (76.5) In his contact with personality, the Father acts in the personality circuit. In his personal and detectable contact with spiritual creation, he appears in the **fragments** of the totality of his Deity, and these **Father fragments** have a solitary, unique, and exclusive function wherever and whenever they appear in the universes. In all such situations the spirit of the Son is co-ordinate with the spiritual function of the **fragmented presence of the Universal Father**.

6:4.6 (76.6) Spiritually the Eternal Son is omnipresent. The spirit of the Eternal Son is most certainly with you and around you, but not within you and a part of you like the **Mystery Monitor**. The **indwelling Father fragment** adjusts the human mind to progressively divine attitudes, whereupon such an ascending mind becomes increasingly responsive to the spiritual drawing power of the all-powerful spirit-gravity circuit of the Second Source and Center.

9:5.2 (102.8) In the domain of created mind the Third Person, with his co-ordinate and subordinate associates, rules supreme. The realms of creature mind are of exclusive origin in the Third Source and Center; he is the bestower of mind. Even the **Father fragments** find it impossible to indwell the minds of men until the way has been properly prepared for them by the mind action and spiritual function of the Infinite Spirit.

The Superuniverse Circuits

15:9.2 (177.1) In addition to the universal Paradise circuits and in addition to the presence-performances of the Absolutes and the experiential Deities, there function within the superuniverse space level only two energy-circuit divisions or power segregations: the superuniverse circuits and the local universe circuits.

15:9.3 (177.2) The Superuniverse Circuits:

1. The unifying intelligence circuit of one of the Seven Master Spirits of Paradise. Such a cosmic-mind circuit is limited to a single superuniverse.
2. The reflective-service circuit of the seven Reflective Spirits in each superuniverse.
3. The secret circuits of the **Mystery Monitors**, in some manner interassociated and routed by Divinington to the Universal Father on Paradise.
4. The circuit of the intercommunion of the Eternal Son with his Paradise Sons.
5. The flash presence of the Infinite Spirit.
6. The broadcasts of Paradise, the space reports of Havona.

7. The energy circuits of the power centers and the physical controllers. 15:9.4-10 (177.3-9)

15:9.11 (177.10) The Local Universe Circuits:

1. The bestowal spirit of the Paradise Sons, the Comforter of the bestowal worlds. The Spirit of Truth, the spirit of Michael on Urantia.
2. The circuit of the Divine Ministers, the local universe Mother Spirits, the Holy Spirit of your world.
3. The intelligence-ministry circuit of a local universe, including the diversely functioning presence of the adjutant mind-spirits. 15:9.12-14 (177.11-13)

16:3.2 (186.6) Master Spirit Number One. In a special manner this Spirit is the direct representation of the Paradise Father. He is a peculiar and efficient manifestation of the power, love, and wisdom of the Universal Father. He is the close associate and supernal adviser of the chief of **Mystery Monitors**, that being who presides over the College of **Personalized Adjusters** on Divinington. In all associations of the Seven Master Spirits, it is always Master Spirit Number One who speaks for the Universal Father.

20:5.3 (227.6) Some order of Paradise Son must be bestowed upon each mortal-inhabited world in order to make it possible for **Thought Adjusters** to indwell the minds of all normal human beings on that sphere, for the **Adjusters** do not come to all bona fide human beings until the Spirit of Truth has been poured out upon all flesh; and the sending of the Spirit of Truth is dependent upon the return to universe headquarters of a Paradise Son who has successfully executed a mission of mortal bestowal upon an evolving world.

22:2.9 (246.1) Mighty Messengers are fully conscious of their entire ascendant careers, and that is why they are such useful and sympathetic ministers, understanding messengers, for service on any world of space and to any creature of time. As soon as you are delivered from the flesh, you will communicate freely and understandingly with us since we spring from all the races on all the evolutionary worlds of space, that is, from those mortal races that are indwelt by, and subsequently fused with, **Thought Adjusters**.

30:1.99 (333.7) God, as a superperson, eventuates; God, as a person, creates; God, as a preperson, **fragments**; and such an **Adjuster fragment** of himself evolves the spirit soul upon the material and mortal mind in accordance with the freewill choosing of the personality which has been bestowed upon such a mortal creature by the parental act of God as a Father.

32:4.6 (363.4) These **Thought Adjusters**, the **bestowals of the Universal Father**, are comparatively isolated; they indwell human minds but have no discernible connection with the ethical affairs of a local creation. They are not directly co-ordinated with the seraphic service nor with the administration of systems, constellations, or a local universe, not even with the rule of a Creator Son, whose will is the supreme law of his universe.

[This is an essential concept for fully understanding how the **divine presence of God** works within the mortal mind. The **Monitors** are not concerned with the mortal career as such, but rather with the spiritual career ahead. In association with the Spirit of Truth and the Holy Spirit, the spirit of the local universe Mother, the **Adjusters** work to increasingly spiritualize the thoughts and choices of their mortal indwelling by changing, adjusting, and controlling the ability of mortal mind to discern spiritual values and meanings. “The **Adjuster** is man’s infallible cosmic compass, always and unerringly pointing the soul Godward.” 107:0.6 (1176.6) for the purpose of evolving the spirit soul of immortal status.]

34:5.4 (379.4) When mind is thus endowed with the ministry of the Holy Spirit, it possesses the capacity for (consciously or unconsciously) choosing the spiritual presence of the Universal Father—the **Thought Adjuster**. But it is not until a bestowal Son has liberated the Spirit of Truth for planetary ministry to all mortals that all normal minds are automatically prepared for the reception of the **Thought Adjusters**. The Spirit of Truth works as one with the presence of the spirit of the Divine Minister. This dual spirit liaison hovers over the worlds, seeking to teach truth and to spiritually enlighten the minds of men, to inspire the souls of the creatures of the ascending races, and to lead the peoples dwelling on the evolutionary planets ever towards their Paradise goal of divine destiny.

34:5.6 (379.6) As individuals you do not personally possess a segregated portion or entity of the spirit of the Creator Father-Son or the Creative Mother Spirit; these ministries do not contact with, nor indwell, the thinking centers of the individual’s mind as do the **Mystery Monitors**. **Thought Adjusters** are definite individualizations of the prepersonal reality of the Universal Father, actually indwelling the mortal mind as a very part of that mind, and they ever work in perfect harmony with the combined spirits of the Creator Son and Creative Spirit.

34:5.7 (380.1) The presence of the Holy Spirit of the Universe Daughter of the Infinite Spirit, of the Spirit of Truth of the Universe Son of the Eternal Son, and of the **Adjuster**-spirit of the Paradise Father in or with an evolutionary mortal, denotes symmetry of spiritual endowment and ministry and qualifies such a mortal consciously to realize the faith-fact of sonship with God.

34:6.4 (380.5) Spiritual forces unerringly seek and attain their own original levels. Having gone out from the Eternal, they are certain to return thereto, bringing with them

all those children of time and space who have espoused the leading and teaching of the **indwelling Adjuster**, those who have been truly “born of the Spirit,” the faith sons of God. 34:6.7 (381.1) Those who have received and recognized the **indwelling of God** have been born of the Spirit. “You are the temple of God, and the **spirit of God** dwells in you.” It is not enough that this spirit be poured out upon you; the divine Spirit must dominate and control every phase of human experience.

34:6.12 (381.6) And when such a life of spirit guidance is freely and intelligently accepted, there gradually develops within the human mind a positive consciousness of divine contact and assurance of spirit communion; sooner or later “the Spirit bears witness with your spirit (the **Adjuster**) that you are a child of God.” Already has your own **Thought Adjuster** told you of your kinship to God so that the record testifies that the Spirit bears witness “with your spirit,” not to your spirit.

34:6.13 (381.7) The consciousness of the spirit domination of a human life is presently attended by an increasing exhibition of the characteristics of the Spirit in the life reactions of such a spirit-led mortal, “for the fruits of the spirit are love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.” Such spirit-guided and divinely illuminated mortals, while they yet tread the lowly paths of toil and in human faithfulness perform the duties of their earthly assignments, have already begun to discern the lights of eternal life as they glimmer on the faraway shores of another world; already have they begun to comprehend the reality of that inspiring and comforting truth, “The kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.” And throughout every trial and in the presence of every hardship, spirit-born souls are sustained by that hope which transcends all fear because the love of God is shed abroad in all hearts by the presence of the divine Spirit.

34:7.1 (382.1) The flesh, the inherent nature derived from the animal-origin races, does not naturally bear the fruits of the divine Spirit. When the mortal nature has been upstepped by the addition of the nature of the Material Sons of God, as the Urantia races were in a measure advanced by the bestowal of Adam, then is the way better prepared for the Spirit of Truth to co-operate with the **indwelling Adjuster** to bring forth the beautiful harvest of the character fruits of the spirit. If you do not reject this spirit, even though eternity may be required to fulfill the commission, “he will guide you into all truth.”

[Thus the spiritual path of ascension for the mortal Sons of God is so beautifully revealed as simply the personality recognition and acceptance of the truth revealed within the mortal mind by the illumination of the **indwelling spirit of God**, that we are indeed spiritual sons of the Universal Father Creator. Even within this brief mortal life, such faith can bring forth the character fruits of the spirit.]

38:9.9 (425.1) The gap between the material and spiritual worlds is perfectly bridged by the serial association of mortal man, secondary midwayer, primary midwayer, morontia

cherubim, mid-phase cherubim, and seraphim. In the personal experience of an individual mortal these diverse levels are undoubtedly more or less unified and made personally meaningful by the unobserved and mysterious operations of the divine Thought Adjuster.

44:0.18 (498.9) There is also here with me a Mighty Messenger from Uversa, an ascendant Adjuster-fused, onetime mortal being, and he perceives you as you are, and at the same time he visualizes the Solitary Messenger, the supernaphim, and other celestial beings present. Never in your long ascendancy will you lose the power to recognize your associates of former existences. Always, as you ascend inward in the scale of life, will you retain the ability to recognize and fraternize with the fellow beings of your previous and lower levels of experience. Each new translation or resurrection will add one more group of spirit beings to your vision range without in the least depriving you of the ability to recognize your friends and fellows of former estates.

44:0.19 (498.10) All this is made possible in the experience of ascending mortals by the action of the indwelling Thought Adjusters. Through their retention of the duplicates of your entire life's experiences, you are assured of never losing any true attribute you once had; and these Adjusters are going through with you, as a part of you, in reality, as you.

44:8.1 (507.6) Although celestial artisans do not personally work on material planets, such as Urantia, they do come, from time to time, from the headquarters of the system to proffer help to the naturally gifted individuals of the mortal races. When thus assigned, these artisans temporarily work under the supervision of the planetary angels of progress. The seraphic hosts co-operate with these artisans in attempting to assist those mortal artists who possess inherent endowments, and who also possess Adjusters of special and previous experience.

44:8.2 (507.7) There are three possible sources of special human ability: At the bottom always there exists the natural or inherent aptitude. Special ability is never an arbitrary gift of the Gods; there is always an ancestral foundation for every outstanding talent. In addition to this natural ability, or rather supplemental thereto, there may be contributed the leadings of the Thought Adjuster in those individuals whose indwelling Adjusters may have had actual and bona fide experiences along such lines on other worlds and in other mortal creatures. In those cases where both the human mind and the indwelling Adjuster are unusually skillful, the spirit artisans may be delegated to act as harmonizers of these talents and otherwise to assist and inspire these mortals to seek for ever-perfecting ideals and to attempt their enhanced portrayal for the edification of the realm.

PLANETARY MORTAL EPOCHS

52:0.1 (589.1) FROM the inception of life on an evolutionary planet to the time of its final flowering in the era of light and life, there appear upon the stage of world action at least seven epochs of human life. These successive ages are determined by the planetary missions of the divine Sons, and on an average inhabited world these epochs appear in the following order:

1. Pre-Planetary Prince Man.
2. Post-Planetary Prince Man.
3. Post-Adamic Man.
4. Post-Magisterial Son Man.
5. Post-Bestowal Son Man.
6. Post-Teacher Son Man.
7. The Era of Light and Life. 52:0.2-8 (589.2-8)

52:0.9 (589.9) The worlds of space, as soon as they are physically suitable for life, are placed on the registry of the Life Carriers, and in due time these Sons are dispatched to such planets for the purpose of initiating life. The entire period from life initiation to the appearance of man is designated the prehuman era and precedes the successive mortal epochs considered in this narrative.

1. Primitive Man

52:1.6 (590.2) Man's acquirement of ethical judgment, moral will, is usually coincident with the appearance of early language. Upon attaining the human level, after this emergence of mortal will, these beings become receptive to the temporary indwelling of the **divine Adjusters**, and upon death many are duly elected as survivors and sealed by the archangels for subsequent resurrection and Spirit fusion. The archangels always accompany the Planetary Princes, and a dispensational adjudication of the realm is simultaneous with the prince's arrival.

52:1.7 (590.3) All mortals who are indwelt by **Thought Adjusters** are potential worshipers; they have been "lighted by the true light," and they possess capacity for seeking reciprocal contact with divinity. Nevertheless, the early or biologic religion of primitive man is largely a persistence of animal fear coupled with ignorant awe and tribal superstition. The survival of superstition in the Urantia races is hardly complimentary to your evolutionary development nor compatible with your otherwise splendid achievements in material progress. But this early fear religion serves a very valuable purpose in subduing the fiery tempers of these primitive creatures. It is the forerunner of civilization and the soil for the subsequent planting of the seeds of revealed religion by the Planetary Prince and his ministers.

2. Post-Planetary Prince Man

52:2.2 (591.2) The average length of this dispensation is around five hundred thousand years, some longer, some shorter. During this era the planet is established in the circuits of the system, and a full quota of seraphic and other celestial helpers is

assigned to its administration. The **Thought Adjusters** come in increasing numbers, and the seraphic guardians amplify their regime of mortal supervision.

3. Post-Adamic Man

52:3.2 (593.1) **Thought Adjusters** are increasingly bestowed upon the post-Adamic men, and in constantly augmented numbers these mortals attain capacity for subsequent **Adjuster** fusion. While functioning as descending Sons, the Adams do not possess **Adjusters**, but their planetary offspring—direct and mixed—become legitimate candidates for the reception, in due time, of the **Mystery Monitors**. By the termination of the post-Adamic age the planet is in possession of its full quota of celestial ministers; only the fusion **Adjusters** are not yet universally bestowed.

4. Post-Magisterial Son Man

52:4.7 (595.2) During this epoch the majority of the world mortals are **Adjuster** indwelt. But even yet the bestowal of **divine Monitors** is not always universal. The **Adjusters** of fusion destiny are not yet bestowed upon all planetary mortals; it is still necessary for the will creatures to choose the **Mystery Monitors**.

5. Post-Bestowal Son Man

52:5.6 (596.3) Upon the resurrection of a bestowal Son, on the third day after yielding up his incarnated life, he ascends to the right hand of the Universal Father, receives the assurance of the acceptance of the bestowal mission, and returns to the Creator Son at the headquarters of the local universe. Thereupon the bestowal Avonal and the Creator Michael send their joint spirit, the Spirit of Truth, into the bestowal world. This is the occasion when the “spirit of the triumphant Son is poured out upon all flesh.” The Universe Mother Spirit also participates in this bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, and concomitant therewith there issues the bestowal edict of the **Thought Adjusters**. Thereafter all normal-minded will creatures of that world will receive **Adjusters** as soon as they attain the age of moral responsibility, of spiritual choice.

6. Post-Teacher Son Man

52:7.4 (598.7) This is the dispensation when many mortals are translated from among the living. As the era of Trinity Teacher Sons progresses, the spiritual allegiance of the mortals of time becomes more and more universal. Natural death becomes less frequent as the **Adjusters** increasingly fuse with their subjects during the lifetime in the flesh. The planet eventually is classed as of the primary modified order of mortal ascension.

Era of Light and Life

55:6.4 (630.7) The **Adjusters** continue to come as in former evolutionary eras, and as the epochs pass, these mortals are increasingly able to commune with the **indwelling Father fragment**. During the embryonic and prespiritual stages of development the adjutant mind-spirits are still functioning. The Holy Spirit and the ministry of angels are even more effective as the successive epochs of settled life are experienced. In the fourth stage of light and life the advanced mortals seem to experience considerable

conscious contact with the spirit presence of the Master Spirit of superuniverse jurisdiction, while the philosophy of such a world is focused upon the attempt to comprehend the new revelations of God the Supreme. More than one half of the human inhabitants on planets of this advanced status experience translation to the morontia state from among the living. Even so, “old things are passing away; behold, all things are becoming new.”

The Seven Psychic Circles

65:0.1 (730.1) BASIC evolutionary material life—premind life—is the formulation of the Master Physical Controllers and the life-impartation ministry of the Seven Master Spirits in conjunction with the active ministration of the ordained Life Carriers. As a result of the co-ordinate function of this threefold creativity there develops organismal physical capacity for mind—material mechanisms for intelligent reaction to external environmental stimuli and, later on, to internal stimuli, influences taking origin in the organismal mind itself.

65:0.2 (730.2) There are, then, three distinct levels of life production and evolution:

1. The physical-energy domain—mind-capacity production.
2. The mind ministry of the adjutant spirits—impinging upon spirit capacity.
3. The spirit endowment of mortal mind—culminating in **Thought Adjuster** bestowal. 65:0.3-5 (730.3-5)

65:0.6 (730.6) The mechanical-nonteachable levels of organismal environmental response are the domains of the physical controllers. The adjutant mind-spirits activate and regulate the adaptative or nonmechanical-teachable types of mind—those response mechanisms of organisms capable of learning from experience. And as the spirit adjutants thus manipulate mind potentials, so do the Life Carriers exercise considerable discretionary control over the environmental aspects of evolutionary processes right up to the time of the appearance of human will—the ability to know God and the power of choosing to worship him.

65:0.7 (730.7) It is the integrated functioning of the Life Carriers, the physical controllers, and the spirit adjutants that conditions the course of organic evolution on the inhabited worlds. And this is why evolution—on Urantia or elsewhere—is always purposeful and never accidental.

91:2.6 (996.4) During the earlier times of racial evolution and even at the present time, in the day-by-day experience of the average mortal, prayer is very much a phenomenon of man’s intercourse with his own subconscious. But there is also a domain of prayer wherein the intellectually alert and spiritually progressing individual attains more or less contact with the superconscious levels of the human mind, the domain of the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**. In addition, there is a definite spiritual phase of true prayer which

concerns its reception and recognition by the spiritual forces of the universe, and which is entirely distinct from all human and intellectual association.

91:3.5 (997.3) Aside from all that is superself in the experience of praying, it should be remembered that ethical prayer is a splendid way to elevate one's ego and reinforce the self for better living and higher attainment. Prayer induces the human ego to look both ways for help: for material aid to the subconscious reservoir of mortal experience, for inspiration and guidance to the superconscious borders of the contact of the material with the spiritual, with the **Mystery Monitor**.

91:6.7 (1000.1) But the efficacy of prayer in the personal spiritual experience of the one who prays is in no way dependent on such a worshiper's intellectual understanding, philosophic acumen, social level, cultural status, or other mortal acquirements. The psychic and spiritual concomitants of the prayer of faith are immediate, personal, and experiential. There is no other technique whereby every man, regardless of all other mortal accomplishments, can so effectively and immediately approach the threshold of that realm wherein he can communicate with his Maker, where the creature contacts with the reality of the Creator, with the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**.

91:7.1 (1000.2) Mysticism, as the technique of the cultivation of the consciousness of the presence of God, is altogether praiseworthy, but when such practices lead to social isolation and culminate in religious fanaticism, they are all but reprehensible. Altogether too frequently that which the overwrought mystic evaluates as divine inspiration is the uprisings of his own deep mind. The contact of the mortal mind with its **indwelling Adjuster**, while often favored by devoted meditation, is more frequently facilitated by wholehearted and loving service in unselfish ministry to one's fellow creatures.

[Once again, we are reminded of the essential value of prayer and worship in our attempts "for inspiration and guidance to the superconscious borders of the contact of the material with the spiritual, with the Mystery Monitor." 91:3.5 (997.3) In our revelation, we are repeatedly reminded that prayer is the most effective and immediate approach that individual personality can make to communicate with the Eternal Father. These particular passages also emphasize that, though the consciousness of the presence of God can be facilitated by mystic practices and meditation, unselfish ministry to our brothers in the flesh is the most efficacious method of truly acquiring the continuous, conscious intent of "doing the Fathers will." Give close attention to these concepts; as they mature in cognitive understanding and spiritual practice, they will be found to quicken those changes supportive of growth in mind discernment and spiritual insight which lead to Adjuster fusion.]

92:7.12 (1013.7) These intermediate stages of idolatrous hesitation in the transfer of veneration from the human and the visible to the divine and invisible are inevitable, but they should be shortened by the consciousness of the facilitating ministry of the **indwelling divine spirit**. Nevertheless, man has been profoundly influenced, not only by his concepts of Deity, but also by the character of the heroes whom he has chosen to

honor. It is most unfortunate that those who have come to venerate the divine and risen Christ should have overlooked the man—the valiant and courageous hero—Joshua ben Joseph.

94:3.6 (1030.6) The philosophy of Brahmanism also came very near to the realization of the indwelling of the **Thought Adjusters**, only to become perverted through the misconception of truth. The teaching that the soul is the indwelling of the Brahman would have paved the way for an advanced religion had not this concept been completely vitiated by the belief that there is no human individuality apart from this indwelling of the Universal One.

94:3.7 (1030.7) In the doctrine of the merging of the self-soul with the Oversoul, the theologians of India failed to provide for the survival of something human, something new and unique, something born of the union of the will of man and the will of God. The teaching of the soul's return to the Brahman is closely parallel to the truth of the **Adjuster's** return to the bosom of the Universal Father, but there is something distinct from the **Adjuster** which also survives, the morontial counterpart of mortal personality. And this vital concept was fatally absent from Brahmanic philosophy.

94:11.5 (1039.4) This philosophy also held that the Buddha (divine) nature resided in all men; that man, through his own endeavors, could attain to the realization of this inner divinity. And this teaching is one of the clearest presentations of the truth of the **indwelling Adjusters** ever to be made by a Urantian religion.

100:5.6 (1099.4) If one is disposed to recognize a theoretical subconscious mind as a practical working hypothesis in the otherwise unified intellectual life, then, to be consistent, one should postulate a similar and corresponding realm of ascending intellectual activity as the superconscious level, the zone of immediate contact with the **indwelling spirit entity**, the **Thought Adjuster**. The great danger in all these psychic speculations is that visions and other so-called mystic experiences, along with extraordinary dreams, may be regarded as divine communications to the human mind. In times past, divine beings have revealed themselves to certain God-knowing persons, not because of their mystic trances or morbid visions, but in spite of all these phenomena.

100:5.7 (1099.5) In contrast with conversion-seeking, the better approach to the morontia zones of possible contact with the **Thought Adjuster** would be through living faith and sincere worship, wholehearted and unselfish prayer. Altogether too much of the uprush of the memories of the unconscious levels of the human mind has been mistaken for divine revelations and spirit leadings.

100:5.10 (1100.1) The more healthful attitude of spiritual meditation is to be found in reflective worship and in the prayer of thanksgiving. The direct communion with one's **Thought Adjuster**, such as occurred in the later years of Jesus' life in the flesh, should

not be confused with these so-called mystical experiences. The factors which contribute to the initiation of mystic communion are indicative of the danger of such psychic states. The mystic status is favored by such things as: physical fatigue, fasting, psychic dissociation, profound aesthetic experiences, vivid sex impulses, fear, anxiety, rage, and wild dancing. Much of the material arising as a result of such preliminary preparation has its origin in the subconscious mind.

True Religion

101:1.1 (1104.4) True religion is not a system of philosophic belief which can be reasoned out and substantiated by natural proofs, neither is it a fantastic and mystic experience of indescribable feelings of ecstasy which can be enjoyed only by the romantic devotees of mysticism. Religion is not the product of reason, but viewed from within, it is altogether reasonable. Religion is not derived from the logic of human philosophy, but as a mortal experience it is altogether logical. Religion is the experiencing of divinity in the consciousness of a moral being of evolutionary origin; it represents true experience with eternal realities in time, the realization of spiritual satisfactions while yet in the flesh.

101:1.2 (1104.5) The **Thought Adjuster** has no special mechanism through which to gain self-expression; there is no mystic religious faculty for the reception or expression of religious emotions. These experiences are made available through the naturally ordained mechanism of mortal mind. And therein lies one explanation of the **Adjuster's** difficulty in engaging in direct communication with the material mind of its constant **indwelling**.

101:1.3 (1104.6) The divine spirit makes contact with mortal man, not by feelings or emotions, but in the realm of the highest and most spiritualized thinking. It is your thoughts, not your feelings, that lead you Godward. The divine nature may be perceived only with the eyes of the mind. But the mind that really discerns God, hears the **indwelling Adjuster**, is the pure mind. "Without holiness no man may see the Lord." All such inner and spiritual communion is termed spiritual insight. Such religious experiences result from the impress made upon the mind of man by the combined operations of the **Adjuster** and the Spirit of Truth as they function amid and upon the ideas, ideals, insights, and spirit strivings of the evolving sons of God.

101:1.4 (1105.1) Religion lives and prospers, then, not by sight and feeling, but rather by faith and insight. It consists not in the discovery of new facts or in the finding of a unique experience, but rather in the discovery of new and spiritual meanings in facts already well known to mankind. The highest religious experience is not dependent on prior acts of belief, tradition, and authority; neither is religion the offspring of sublime feelings and purely mystical emotions. It is, rather, a profoundly deep and actual experience of spiritual communion with the spirit influences resident within the human mind, and as far as such an experience is definable in terms of psychology, it is simply

the experience of experiencing the reality of believing in God as the reality of such a purely personal experience.

101:1.5 (1105.2) While religion is not the product of the rationalistic speculations of a material cosmology, it is, nonetheless, the creation of a wholly rational insight which originates in man's mind-experience. Religion is born neither of mystic meditations nor of isolated contemplations, albeit it is ever more or less mysterious and always indefinable and inexplicable in terms of purely intellectual reason and philosophic logic. The germs of true religion originate in the domain of man's moral consciousness, and they are revealed in the growth of man's spiritual insight, that faculty of human personality which accrues as a consequence of the presence of the God-revealing **Thought Adjuster** in the God-hungry mortal mind.

101:1.6 (1105.3) Faith unites moral insight with conscientious discriminations of values, and the pre-existent evolutionary sense of duty completes the ancestry of true religion. The experience of religion eventually results in the certain consciousness of God and in the undoubted assurance of the survival of the believing personality.

101:1.7 (1105.4) Thus it may be seen that religious longings and spiritual urges are not of such a nature as would merely lead men to want to believe in God, but rather are they of such nature and power that men are profoundly impressed with the conviction that they ought to believe in God. The sense of evolutionary duty and the obligations consequent upon the illumination of revelation make such a profound impression upon man's moral nature that he finally reaches that position of mind and that attitude of soul where he concludes that he has no right not to believe in God. The higher and superphilosophic wisdom of such enlightened and disciplined individuals ultimately instructs them that to doubt God or distrust his goodness would be to prove untrue to the realest and deepest thing within the human mind and soul—the divine **Adjuster**.

101:2.3 (1106.2) Reason, through the study of science, may lead back through nature to a First Cause, but it requires religious faith to transform the First Cause of science into a God of salvation; and revelation is further required for the validation of such a faith, such spiritual insight.

101:2.4 (1106.3) There are two basic reasons for believing in a God who fosters human survival:

1. Human experience, personal assurance, the somehow registered hope and trust initiated by the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**.
2. The revelation of truth, whether by direct personal ministry of the Spirit of Truth, by the world bestowal of divine Sons, or through the revelations of the written word. 101:2.5-6 (1106.4-5)

101:2.12 (1107.2) Revelation as an epochal phenomenon is periodic; as a personal human experience it is continuous. Divinity functions in mortal personality as the

Adjuster gift of the Father, as the Spirit of Truth of the Son, and as the Holy Spirit of the Universe Spirit, while these three supermortal endowments are unified in human experiential evolution as the ministry of the Supreme.

101:2.13 (1107.3) True religion is an insight into reality, the faith-child of the moral consciousness, and not a mere intellectual assent to any body of dogmatic doctrines. True religion consists in the experience that “the Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God.” Religion consists not in theologic propositions but in spiritual insight and the sublimity of the soul’s trust.

101:2.14 (1107.4) Your deepest nature—the **divine Adjuster**—creates within you a hunger and thirst for righteousness, a certain craving for divine perfection. Religion is the faith act of the recognition of this inner urge to divine attainment; and thus is brought about that soul trust and assurance of which you become conscious as the way of salvation, the technique of the survival of personality and all those values which you have come to look upon as being true and good.

101:6.4 (1111.8) The evolutionary type of knowledge is but the accumulation of protoplasmic memory material; this is the most primitive form of creature consciousness. Wisdom embraces the ideas formulated from protoplasmic memory in process of association and recombination, and such phenomena differentiate human mind from mere animal mind. Animals have knowledge, but only man possesses wisdom capacity. Truth is made accessible to the wisdom-endowed individual by the bestowal on such a mind of the spirits of the Father and the Sons, the **Thought Adjuster** and the Spirit of Truth.

101:6.7 (1112.3) Revelation teaches mortal man that, to start such a magnificent and intriguing adventure through space by means of the progression of time, he should begin by the organization of knowledge into idea-decisions; next, mandate wisdom to labor unremittingly at its noble task of transforming self-possessed ideas into increasingly practical but nonetheless supernal ideals, even those concepts which are so reasonable as ideas and so logical as ideals that the **Adjuster** dares so to combine and spiritize them as to render them available for such association in the finite mind as will constitute them the actual human complement thus made ready for the action of the Truth Spirit of the Sons, the time-space manifestations of Paradise truth—universal truth. The co-ordination of idea-decisions, logical ideals, and divine truth constitutes the possession of a righteous character, the prerequisite for mortal admission to the ever-expanding and increasingly spiritual realities of the morontia worlds.

102:1.1 (1118.4) The work of the **Thought Adjuster** constitutes the explanation of the translation of man’s primitive and evolutionary sense of duty into that higher and more certain faith in the eternal realities of revelation. There must be perfection hunger in man’s heart to insure capacity for comprehending the faith paths to supreme attainment. If any man chooses to do the divine will, he shall know the way of truth. It is literally true,

“Human things must be known in order to be loved, but divine things must be loved in order to be known.” But honest doubts and sincere questionings are not sin; such attitudes merely spell delay in the progressive journey toward perfection attainment. Childlike trust secures man’s entrance into the kingdom of heavenly ascent, but progress is wholly dependent on the vigorous exercise of the robust and confident faith of the full-grown man.

102:1.6 (1119.5) The **indwelling Thought Adjuster** unfailingly arouses in man’s soul a true and searching hunger for perfection together with a far-reaching curiosity which can be adequately satisfied only by communion with God, the divine source of that **Adjuster**. The hungry soul of man refuses to be satisfied with anything less than the personal realization of the living God. Whatever more God may be than a high and perfect moral personality, he cannot, in our hungry and finite concept, be anything less.

102:2.2 (1119.7) One of the characteristic peculiarities of genuine religious assurance is that, notwithstanding the absoluteness of its affirmations and the stanchness of its attitude, the spirit of its expression is so poised and tempered that it never conveys the slightest impression of self-assertion or egoistic exaltation. The wisdom of religious experience is something of a paradox in that it is both humanly original and **Adjuster** derivative. Religious force is not the product of the individual’s personal prerogatives but rather the outworking of that sublime partnership of man and the everlasting source of all wisdom. Thus do the words and acts of true and undefiled religion become compellingly authoritative for all enlightened mortals.

102:3.12 (1122.8) The pursuit of knowledge constitutes science; the search for wisdom is philosophy; the love for God is religion; the hunger for truth is a revelation. But it is the **indwelling Thought Adjuster** that attaches the feeling of reality to man’s spiritual insight into the cosmos.

102:4.1 (1123.1) Because of the presence in your minds of the **Thought Adjuster**, it is no more of a mystery for you to know the mind of God than for you to be sure of the consciousness of knowing any other mind, human or superhuman. Religion and social consciousness have this in common: They are predicated on the consciousness of other-mindedness. The technique whereby you can accept another’s idea as yours is the same whereby you may “let the mind which was in Christ be also in you.”

103:0.1 (1129.1) ALL of man’s truly religious reactions are sponsored by the early ministry of the adjutant of worship and are censored by the adjutant of wisdom. Man’s first supermind endowment is that of personality encirclement in the Holy Spirit of the Universe Creative Spirit; and long before either the bestowals of the divine Sons or the universal bestowal of the **Adjusters**, this influence functions to enlarge man’s viewpoint of ethics, religion, and spirituality. Subsequent to the bestowals of the Paradise Sons the liberated Spirit of Truth makes mighty contributions to the enlargement of the human

capacity to perceive religious truths. As evolution advances on an inhabited world, the **Thought Adjusters** increasingly participate in the development of the higher types of human religious insight. The **Thought Adjuster** is the cosmic window through which the finite creature may faith-glimpse the certainties and divinities of limitless Deity, the Universal Father.

103:1.1 (1129.8) The unity of religious experience among a social or racial group derives from the identical nature of the **God fragment** indwelling the individual. It is this **divine** in man that gives origin to his unselfish interest in the welfare of other men. But since personality is unique—no two mortals being alike—it inevitably follows that no two human beings can similarly interpret the leadings and urges of the **spirit of divinity** which lives within their minds. A group of mortals can experience spiritual unity, but they can never attain philosophic uniformity. And this diversity of the interpretation of religious thought and experience is shown by the fact that twentieth-century theologians and philosophers have formulated upward of five hundred different definitions of religion. In reality, every human being defines religion in the terms of his own experiential interpretation of the divine impulses emanating from the **God spirit** that indwells him, and therefore must such an interpretation be unique and wholly different from the religious philosophy of all other human beings.

103:1.6 (1130.5) The realization of the recognition of spiritual values is an experience which is superideational. There is no word in any human language which can be employed to designate this “sense,” “feeling,” “intuition,” or “experience” which we have elected to call God-consciousness. The **spirit of God** that dwells in man is not personal—the **Adjuster** is prepersonal—but this **Monitor** presents a value, exudes a flavor of divinity, which is personal in the highest and infinite sense. If God were not at least personal, he could not be conscious, and if not conscious, then would he be infrahuman.

103:2.7 (1131.6) Moral choosing is usually accompanied by more or less moral conflict. And this very first conflict in the child mind is between the urges of egoism and the impulses of altruism. The **Thought Adjuster** does not disregard the personality values of the egoistic motive but does operate to place a slight preference upon the altruistic impulse as leading to the goal of human happiness and to the joys of the kingdom of heaven.

103:2.10 (1131.9) Man tends to identify the urge to be self-serving with his ego—himself. In contrast he is inclined to identify the will to be altruistic with some influence outside himself—God. And indeed is such a judgment right, for all such nonself desires do actually have their origin in the leadings of the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**, and this **Adjuster** is a **fragment of God**. The impulse of the **spirit Monitor** is realized in human consciousness as the urge to be altruistic, fellow-creature minded. At least this is the early and fundamental experience of the child mind. When the growing child fails of

personality unification, the altruistic drive may become so overdeveloped as to work serious injury to the welfare of the self. A misguided conscience can become responsible for much conflict, worry, sorrow, and no end of human unhappiness.

103:4.1 (1133.1) The characteristic difference between a social occasion and a religious gathering is that in contrast with the secular the religious is pervaded by the atmosphere of communion. In this way human association generates a feeling of fellowship with the divine, and this is the beginning of group worship. Partaking of a common meal was the earliest type of social communion, and so did early religions provide that some portion of the ceremonial sacrifice should be eaten by the worshipers. Even in Christianity the Lord's Supper retains this mode of communion. The atmosphere of the communion provides a refreshing and comforting period of truce in the conflict of the self-seeking ego with the altruistic urge of the **indwelling spirit Monitor**. And this is the prelude to true worship — the practice of the presence of God which eventuates in the emergence of the brotherhood of man.

103:5.3 (1134.1) All men recognize the morality of this universal human urge to be unselfish and altruistic. The humanist ascribes the origin of this urge to the natural working of the material mind; the religionist more correctly recognizes that the truly unselfish drive of mortal mind is in response to the inner spirit leadings of the **Thought Adjuster**.

103:7.1 (1137.6) Science is sustained by reason, religion by faith. Faith, though not predicated on reason, is reasonable; though independent of logic, it is nonetheless encouraged by sound logic. Faith cannot be nourished even by an ideal philosophy; indeed, it is, with science, the very source of such a philosophy. Faith, human religious insight, can be surely instructed only by revelation, can be surely elevated only by personal mortal experience with the **spiritual Adjuster presence of the God** who is spirit.

103:7.14 (1139.6) There is a real proof of spiritual reality in the presence of the **Thought Adjuster**, but the validity of this presence is not demonstrable to the external world, only to the one who thus experiences the **indwelling of God**. The consciousness of the **Adjuster** is based on the intellectual reception of truth, the supermind perception of goodness, and the personality motivation to love.

103:9.8 (1141.6) Science (knowledge) is founded on the inherent (adjutant spirit) assumption that reason is valid, that the universe can be comprehended. Philosophy (co-ordinate comprehension) is founded on the inherent (spirit of wisdom) assumption that wisdom is valid, that the material universe can be co-ordinated with the spiritual. Religion (the truth of personal spiritual experience) is founded on the inherent (**Thought Adjuster**) assumption that faith is valid, that God can be known and attained.

107:0.3 (1176.3) God, having commanded man to be perfect, even as he is perfect, has descended as the **Adjuster** to become man's experiential partner in the achievement of the supernal destiny which has been thus ordained. The **fragment of God** which indwells the mind of man is the absolute and unqualified assurance that man can find the Universal Father in association with this divine **Adjuster**, which came forth from God to find man and sonship him even in the days of the flesh.

Adjusters and Personality

107:7.1 (1183.3) **Thought Adjusters** are not personalities, but they are real entities; they are truly and perfectly individualized, although they are never, while indwelling mortals, actually personalized. **Thought Adjusters** are not true personalities; they are true realities, realities of the purest order known in the universe of universes—they are the divine presence. Though not personal, these marvelous **fragments of the Father** are commonly referred to as beings and sometimes, in view of the spiritual phases of their present ministry to mortals, as **spirit entities**.

107:7.2 (1183.4) If **Thought Adjusters** are not personalities having prerogatives of will and powers of choice, how then can they select mortal subjects and volunteer to indwell these creatures of the evolutionary worlds? This is a question easy to ask, but probably no being in the universe of universes has ever found the exact answer. Even my order of personality, the Solitary Messengers, does not fully understand the endowment of will, choice, and love in entities that are not personal.

107:7.3 (1183.5) We have often speculated that **Thought Adjusters** must have volition on all prepersonal levels of choice. They volunteer to indwell human beings, they lay plans for man's eternal career, they adapt, modify, and substitute in accordance with circumstances, and these activities connote genuine volition. They have affection for mortals, they function in universe crises, they are always waiting to act decisively in accordance with human choice, and all these are highly volitional reactions. In all situations not concerned with the domain of the human will, they unquestionably exhibit conduct which betokens the exercise of powers in every sense the equivalent of will, maximated decision.

107:7.4 (1183.6) Why then, if **Thought Adjusters** possess volition, are they subservient to the mortal will? We believe it is because **Adjuster** volition, though absolute in nature, is prepersonal in manifestation. Human will functions on the personality level of universe reality, and throughout the cosmos the impersonal—the nonpersonal, the subpersonal, and the prepersonal—is ever responsive to the will and acts of existent personality.

107:7.5 (1183.7) Throughout a universe of created beings and nonpersonal energies we do not observe will, volition, choice, and love manifested apart from personality. Except in the **Adjusters** and other similar entities we do not witness these attributes of personality functioning in association with impersonal realities. It would not be correct to designate an **Adjuster** as subpersonal, neither would it be proper to allude to such an

entity as superpersonal, but it would be entirely permissible to term such a being prepersonal.

107:7.6 (1184.1) To our orders of being these **fragments of Deity** are known as the **divine gifts**. We recognize that the **Adjusters** are divine in origin, and that they constitute the probable proof and demonstration of a reservation by the Universal Father of the possibility of direct and unlimited communication with any and all material creatures throughout his virtually infinite realms, and all of this quite apart from his presence in the personalities of his Paradise Sons or through his indirect ministrations in the personalities of the Infinite Spirit.

107:7.7 (1184.2) There are no created beings that would not delight to be hosts to the **Mystery Monitors**, but no orders of beings are thus indwelt excepting evolutionary will creatures of finaliter destiny.

Selection and Assignment

08:1.1 (1185.3) When **Adjusters** are dispatched for mortal service from Divinington, they are identical in the endowment of existential divinity, but they vary in experiential qualities proportional to previous contact in and with evolutionary creatures. We cannot explain the basis of **Adjuster** assignment, but we conjecture that these **divine gifts** are bestowed in accordance with some wise and efficient policy of eternal fitness of adaptation to the indwelt personality. We do observe that the more experienced **Adjuster** is often the indweller of the higher type of human mind; human inheritance must therefore be a considerable factor in determining selection and assignment.

108:1.2 (1185.4) Although we do not definitely know, we firmly believe that all **Thought Adjusters** are volunteers. But before ever they volunteer, they are in possession of full data respecting the candidate for **indwelling**. The seraphic drafts of ancestry and projected patterns of life conduct are transmitted via Paradise to the reserve corps of **Adjusters** on Divinington by the reflectivity technique extending inward from the capitals of the local universes to the headquarters of the superuniverses. This forecast covers not only the hereditary antecedents of the mortal candidate but also the estimate of probable intellectual endowment and spiritual capacity. The **Adjusters** thus volunteer to indwell minds of whose intimate natures they have been fully appraised.

108:1.3 (1186.1) The volunteering **Adjuster** is particularly interested in three qualifications of the human candidate:

- 1. Intellectual capacity.** Is the mind normal? What is the intellectual potential, the intelligence capacity? Can the individual develop into a bona fide will creature? Will wisdom have an opportunity to function?
- 2. Spiritual perception.** The prospects of reverential development, the birth and growth of the religious nature. What is the potential of soul, the probable spiritual capacity of receptivity?

3. Combined intellectual and spiritual powers. The degree to which these two endowments may possibly be associated, combined, so as to produce strength of human character and contribute to the certain evolution of an immortal soul of survival value. 108:1.4-6 (1186.2-4)

108:1.7 (1186.5) With these facts before them, it is our belief that the **Monitors** freely volunteer for assignment. Probably more than one **Adjuster** volunteers; perhaps the supervising personalized orders select from this group of volunteering **Adjusters** the one best suited to the task of spiritualizing and eternalizing the personality of the mortal candidate. (In the assignment and service of the **Adjusters** the sex of the creature is of no consideration.)

108:1.8 (1186.6) The short time intervening between the volunteering and the actual dispatch of the **Adjuster** is presumably spent in the Divinington schools of the **Personalized Monitors** where a working pattern of the waiting mortal mind is utilized in instructing the assigned **Adjuster** as to the most effective plans for personality approach and mind spiritization. This mind model is formulated through a combination of data supplied by the superuniverse reflectivity service. At least this is our understanding, a belief which we hold as the result of putting together information secured by contact with many **Personalized Adjusters** throughout the long universe careers of the Solitary Messengers.

108:1.9 (1186.7) When once the **Adjusters** are actually dispatched from Divinington, practically no time intervenes between that moment and the hour of their appearance in the minds of their chosen subjects. The average transit time of an **Adjuster** from Divinington to Urantia is 117 hours, 42 minutes, and 7 seconds. Virtually all of this time is occupied with registration on Uversa.

Prerequisites of Adjuster Indwelling

108:2.1 (1186.8) Though the **Adjusters** volunteer for service as soon as the personality forecasts have been relayed to Divinington, they are not actually assigned until the human subjects make their first moral personality decision. The first moral choice of the human child is automatically indicated in the seventh mind-adjutant and registers instantly, by way of the local universe Creative Spirit, over the universal mind-gravity circuit of the Conjoint Actor in the presence of the Master Spirit of superuniverse jurisdiction, who forthwith dispatches this intelligence to Divinington. **Adjusters** reach their human subjects on Urantia, on the average, just prior to the sixth birthday. In the present generation it is running five years, ten months, and four days; that is, on the 2,134th day of terrestrial life.

108:2.2 (1187.1) The **Adjusters** cannot invade the mortal mind until it has been duly prepared by the indwelling ministry of the adjutant mind-spirits and encircuited in the Holy Spirit. And it requires the co-ordinate function of all seven adjutants to thus qualify the human mind for the reception of an **Adjuster**. Creature mind must exhibit the

worship outreach and indicate wisdom function by exhibiting the ability to choose between the emerging values of good and evil—moral choice.

108:2.3 (1187.2) Thus is the stage of the human mind set for the reception of Adjusters, but as a general rule they do not immediately appear to indwell such minds except on those worlds where the Spirit of Truth is functioning as a spiritual co-ordinator of these different spirit ministries. If this spirit of the bestowal Sons is present, the Adjusters unflinchingly come the instant the seventh adjutant mind-spirit begins to function and signalizes to the Universe Mother Spirit that it has achieved in potential the co-ordination of the associated six adjutants of prior ministry to such a mortal intellect. Therefore have the divine Adjusters been universally bestowed upon all normal minds of moral status on Urantia ever since the day of Pentecost.

108:2.4 (1187.3) Even with a Spirit of Truth endowed mind, the Adjusters cannot arbitrarily invade the mortal intellect prior to the appearance of moral decision. But when such a moral decision has been made, this spirit helper assumes jurisdiction direct from Divinington. There are no intermediaries or other intervening authorities or powers functioning between the divine Adjusters and their human subjects; God and man are directly related.

108:2.5 (1187.4) Before the times of the pouring out of the Spirit of Truth upon the inhabitants of an evolutionary world, the Adjusters' bestowal appears to be determined by many spirit influences and personality attitudes. We do not fully comprehend the laws governing such bestowals; we do not understand just what determines the release of the Adjusters who have volunteered to indwell such evolving minds. But we do observe numerous influences and conditions which appear to be associated with the arrival of the Adjusters in such minds prior to the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, and they are:

- 1. The assignment of personal seraphic guardians.** If a mortal has not been previously indwelt by an Adjuster, the assignment of a personal guardian brings the Adjuster forthwith. There exists some very definite but unknown relation between the ministry of Adjusters and the ministry of personal seraphic guardians.
- 2. The attainment of the third circle of intellectual achievement and spiritual attainment.** I have observed Adjusters arrive in mortal minds upon the conquest of the third circle even before such an accomplishment could be signalized to the local universe personalities concerned with such matters.
- 3. Upon the making of a supreme decision of unusual spiritual import.** Such human behavior in a personal planetary crisis usually is attended by the immediate arrival of the waiting Adjuster.
- 4. The spirit of brotherhood.** Regardless of the attainment of the psychic circles and the assignment of personal guardians—in the absence of anything resembling a crisis decision—when an evolving mortal becomes dominated by

the love of his fellows and consecrated to unselfish ministry to his brethren in the flesh, the waiting Adjuster unvaryingly descends to indwell the mind of such a mortal minister.

5. Declaration of intention to do the will of God. We observe that many mortals on the worlds of space may be apparently in readiness to receive Adjusters, and yet the Monitors do not appear. We go on watching such creatures as they live from day to day, and presently they quietly, almost unconsciously, arrive at the decision to begin the pursuit of the doing of the will of the Father in heaven. And then we observe the immediate dispatch of the Thought Adjusters.

6. Influence of the Supreme Being. On worlds where the Adjusters do not fuse with the evolving souls of the mortal inhabitants, we observe Adjusters sometimes bestowed in response to influences which are wholly beyond our comprehension. We conjecture that such bestowals are determined by some cosmic reflex action originating in the Supreme Being. As to why these Adjusters can not or do not fuse with these certain types of evolving mortal minds we do not know. Such transactions have never been revealed to us. 108:2.6-11 (1187.5-8.2)

Organization and Administration

108:3.1 (1188.3) As far as we know, Adjusters are organized as an independent working unit in the universe of universes and are apparently administered directly from Divinington. They are uniform throughout the seven superuniverses, all local universes being served by identical types of Mystery Monitors. We do know from observation that there are numerous series of Adjusters involving a serial organization that extends through races, over dispensations, and to worlds, systems, and universes. It is, however, exceedingly difficult to keep track of these divine gifts since they function interchangeably throughout the grand universe.

108:3.2 (1188.4) Adjusters are of complete record (outside of Divinington) only on the headquarters of the seven superuniverses. The number and order of each Adjuster indwelling each ascending creature are reported out by the Paradise authorities to the headquarters of the superuniverse, and from there are communicated to the headquarters of the local universe concerned and relayed to the particular planet involved. But the local universe records do not disclose the full number of the Thought Adjusters; the Nebadon records contain only the local universe assignment number as designated by the representatives of the Ancients of Days. The real significance of the Adjuster's complete number is known only on Divinington.

108:3.3 (1188.5) Human subjects are often known by the numbers of their Adjusters; mortals do not receive real universe names until after Adjuster fusion, which union is

signalized by the bestowal of the new name upon the new creature by the destiny guardian.

108:3.4 (1188.6) Though we have the records of **Thought Adjusters** in Orvonton, and though we have absolutely no authority over them or administrative connection with them, we firmly believe that there is a very close administrative connection between the individual worlds of the local universes and the central lodgment of the **divine gifts** on Divinington. We do know that, following the appearance of a Paradise bestowal Son, an evolutionary world has a **Personalized Adjuster** assigned to it as the planetary supervisor of **Adjusters**.

108:3.5 (1189.1) It is interesting to note that local universe inspectors always address themselves, when carrying out a planetary examination, to the planetary chief of **Thought Adjusters**, just as they deliver charges to the chiefs of seraphim and to the leaders of other orders of beings attached to the administration of an evolving world. Not long since, Urantia underwent such a periodic inspection by Tabamantia, the sovereign supervisor of all life-experiment planets in the universe of Nebadon. And the records reveal that, in addition to his admonitions and indictments delivered to the various chiefs of superhuman personalities, he also delivered the following acknowledgment to the chief of **Adjusters**, whether located on the planet, on Salvington, Uversa, or Divinington, we do not definitely know, but he said:

108:3.6 (1189.2) "Now to you, superiors far above me, I come as one placed in temporary authority over the experimental planetary series; and I come to express admiration and profound respect for this magnificent group of celestial ministers, the **Mystery Monitors**, who have volunteered to serve on this irregular sphere. No matter how trying the crises, you never falter. Not on the records of Nebadon nor before the commissions of Orvonton has there ever been offered an indictment of a **divine Adjuster**. You have been true to your trusts; you have been divinely faithful. You have helped to adjust the mistakes and to compensate for the shortcomings of all who labor on this confused planet. You are marvelous beings, guardians of the good in the souls of this backward realm. I pay you respect even while you are apparently under my jurisdiction as volunteer ministers. I bow before you in humble recognition of your exquisite unselfishness, your understanding ministry, and your impartial devotion. You deserve the name of the Godlike servers of the mortal inhabitants of this strife-torn, grief-stricken, and disease-afflicted world. I honor you! I all but worship you!"

108:3.7 (1189.3) As a result of many suggestive lines of evidence, we believe that the **Adjusters** are thoroughly organized, that there exists a profoundly intelligent and efficient directive administration of these **divine gifts** from some far-distant and central source, probably Divinington. We know that they come from Divinington to the worlds, and undoubtedly they return thereto upon the deaths of their subjects.

108:3.8 (1189.4) Among the higher spirit orders it is exceedingly difficult to discover the mechanisms of administration. My order of personalities, while engaged in the

prosecution of our specific duties, is undoubtedly unconsciously participating with numerous other personal and impersonal sub-Deity groups who unitedly are functioning as far-flung universe correlators. We suspect that we are thus serving because we are the only group of personalized creatures (aside from **Personalized Adjusters**) who are uniformly conscious of the presence of numerous orders of the prepersonal entities. 108:3.9 (1189.5) We are aware of the presence of the **Adjusters**, who are **fragments of the prepersonal Deity of the First Source and Center**. We sense the presence of the Inspired Trinity Spirits, who are superpersonal expressions of the Paradise Trinity. We likewise unfailingly detect the spirit presence of certain unrevealed orders springing from the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit. And we are not wholly unresponsive to still other entities unrevealed to you.

Relation to Other Spiritual Influences

108:4.1 (1190.2) Apart from possible co-ordination with other **Deity fragments**, the **Adjusters** are quite alone in their sphere of activity in the mortal mind. The **Mystery Monitors** eloquently bespeak the fact that, though the Father may have apparently resigned the exercise of all direct personal power and authority throughout the grand universe, notwithstanding this act of abnegation in behalf of the Supreme Creator children of the Paradise Deities, the Father has certainly reserved to himself the unchallengeable right to be present in the minds and souls of his evolving creatures to the end that he may so act as to draw all creature creation to himself, co-ordinately with the spiritual gravity of the Paradise Sons. Said your Paradise bestowal Son when yet on Urantia, "I, if I am lifted up, will draw all men." This spiritual drawing power of the Paradise Sons and their creative associates we recognize and understand, but we do not so fully comprehend the methods of the all-wise Father's functioning in and through these **Mystery Monitors** that live and work so valiantly within the human mind.

108:4.2 (1190.3) While not subordinate to, co-ordinate with, or apparently related to, the work of the universe of universes, though acting independently in the minds of the children of men, unceasingly do these mysterious presences urge the creatures of their indwelling toward divine ideals, always luring them upward toward the purposes and aims of a future and better life. These **Mystery Monitors** are continually assisting in the establishment of the spiritual dominion of Michael throughout the universe of Nebadon while mysteriously contributing to the stabilization of the sovereignty of the Ancients of Days in Orvonton. The **Adjusters** are the will of God, and since the Supreme Creator children of God also personally embody that same will, it is inevitable that the actions of **Adjusters** and the sovereignty of the universe rulers should be mutually interdependent. Though apparently unconnected, the Father presence of the **Adjusters** and the Father sovereignty of Michael of Nebadon must be diverse manifestations of the same divinity.

108:4.3 (1190.4) **Thought Adjusters** appear to come and go quite independent of any and all other spiritual presences; they seem to function in accordance with universe

laws quite apart from those which govern and control the performances of all other spirit influences. But regardless of such apparent independence, long-range observation unquestionably discloses that they function in the human mind in perfect synchrony and co-ordination with all other spirit ministries, including adjutant mind-spirits, Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, and other influences.

108:4.4 (1190.5) When a world is isolated by rebellion, when a planet is cut off from all outside encircuited communication, as was Urantia after the Caligastia upheaval, aside from personal messengers there remains but one possibility of direct interplanetary or universe communication, and that is through the liaison of the **Adjusters** of the spheres. No matter what happens on a world or in a universe, the **Adjusters** are never directly concerned. The isolation of a planet in no way affects the **Adjusters** and their ability to communicate with any part of the local universe, superuniverse, or the central universe. And this is the reason why contacts with the **supreme and the self-acting Adjusters** of the reserve corps of destiny are so frequently made on quarantined worlds. Recourse is had to such a technique as a means of circumventing the handicaps of planetary isolation. In recent years the archangels' circuit has functioned on Urantia, but that means of communication is largely limited to the transactions of the archangel corps itself.

108:4.5 (1191.1) We are cognizant of many spirit phenomena in the far-flung universe which we are at a loss fully to understand. We are not yet masters of all that is transpiring about us; and I believe that much of this inscrutable work is wrought by the Gravity Messengers and certain types of **Mystery Monitors**. I do not believe that **Adjusters** are devoted solely to the remaking of mortal minds. I am persuaded that the **Personalized Monitors** and other orders of unrevealed prepersonal spirits are representative of the Universal Father's direct and unexplained contact with the creatures of the realms.

God in Man

108:6.1 (1192.6) It is indeed a marvel of divine condescension for the exalted and perfect **Adjusters** to offer themselves for actual existence in the minds of material creatures, such as the mortals of Urantia, really to consummate a probationary union with the animal-origin beings of earth.

108:6.2 (1193.1) No matter what the previous status of the inhabitants of a world, subsequent to the bestowal of a divine Son and after the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth upon all humans, the **Adjusters** flock to such a world to indwell the minds of all normal will creatures. Following the completion of the mission of a Paradise bestowal Son, these **Monitors** truly become the "**kingdom of heaven within you.**" Through the bestowal of the **divine gifts** the Father makes the closest possible approach to sin and evil, for it is literally true that the **Adjuster** must coexist in the mortal mind even in the very midst of human unrighteousness. The **indwelling Adjusters** are particularly tormented by those

thoughts which are purely sordid and selfish; they are distressed by irreverence for that which is beautiful and divine, and they are virtually thwarted in their work by many of man's foolish animal fears and childish anxieties.

108:6.3 (1193.2) The **Mystery Monitors** are undoubtedly the bestowal of the Universal Father, the reflection of the image of God abroad in the universe. A great teacher once admonished men that they should be renewed in the spirit of their minds; that they become new men who, like God, are created in righteousness and in the completion of truth. The **Adjuster** is the mark of divinity, the **presence of God**. The "**image of God**" does not refer to physical likeness nor to the circumscribed limitations of material creature endowment but rather to the **gift of the spirit presence of the Universal Father** in the supernal bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters** upon the humble creatures of the universes.

108:6.4 (1193.3) The **Adjuster** is the **wellspring of spiritual attainment** and the **hope of divine character** within you. He is the **power, privilege, and the possibility of survival**, which so fully and forever distinguishes you from mere animal creatures. He is the **higher and truly internal spiritual stimulus of thought** in contrast with the external and physical stimulus, which reaches the mind over the nerve-energy mechanism of the material body.

108:6.5 (1193.4) These **faithful custodians of the future career** unflinchingly duplicate every mental creation with a spiritual counterpart; they are thus slowly and surely re-creating you as you really are (only spiritually) for resurrection on the survival worlds. And all of these exquisite spirit re-creations are being preserved in the emerging reality of your evolving and immortal soul, your morontia self. These realities are actually there, notwithstanding that the **Adjuster** is seldom able to exalt these duplicate creations sufficiently to exhibit them to the light of consciousness.

[Aha! I believe this paragraph is the clearest presentation of the act of spiritualization and soul creation by the Thought Adjusters that we have in this Fifth Epochal Revelation!]

108:6.6 (1193.5) And as you are the human parent, so is the **Adjuster** the **divine parent of the real you**, your **higher and advancing self**, your **better morontial and future spiritual self**. And it is this evolving morontial soul that the judges and censors discern when they decree your survival and pass you upward to new worlds and never-ending existence in eternal liaison with your faithful partner—God, the **Adjuster**.

108:6.8 (1194.1) You humans have begun an endless unfolding of an almost infinite panorama, a limitless expanding of never-ending, ever-widening spheres of opportunity for exhilarating service, matchless adventure, sublime uncertainty, and boundless attainment. When the clouds gather overhead, your faith should accept the fact of the presence of the **indwelling Adjuster**, and thus you should be able to look beyond the mists of mortal uncertainty into the clear shining of the sun of eternal righteousness on the beckoning heights of the mansion worlds of Satania.

109:0.1 (1195.1) THE **Thought Adjusters** are the **children of the universe career**, and indeed the **virgin Adjusters** must gain experience while mortal creatures grow and develop. As the personality of the human child expands for the struggles of evolutionary existence, so does the **Adjuster** wax great in the rehearsals of the next stage of ascending life. As the child acquires adaptative versatility for his adult activities through the social and play life of early childhood, so does the **indwelling Adjuster** achieve skill for the next stage of cosmic life by virtue of the preliminary mortal planning and rehearsing of those activities which have to do with the morontia career. Human existence constitutes a period of practice which is effectively utilized by the **Adjuster** in preparing for the increased responsibilities and the greater opportunities of a future life. But the **Adjuster's** efforts, while living within you, are not so much concerned with the affairs of temporal life and planetary existence. Today, the **Thought Adjusters** are, as it were, rehearsing the realities of the universe career in the evolving minds of human beings.

Development of Adjusters

109:1.1 (1195.2) There must be a comprehensive and elaborate plan for the training and development of virgin **Adjusters** before they are sent forth from Divinington, but we really do not know very much about it. There undoubtedly also exists an extensive system for retraining **Adjusters** of indwelling experience before they embark upon new missions of mortal association, but, again, we do not actually know.

109:1.2 (1195.3) I have been told by **Personalized Adjusters** that every time a **Monitor-indwelt** mortal fails of survival, when the **Adjuster** returns to Divinington, an extended course of training is engaged in. This additional training is made possible by the experience of having indwelt a human being, and it is always imparted before the **Adjuster** is remanded to the evolutionary worlds of time.

109:1.3 (1195.4) Actual living experience has no cosmic substitute. The perfection of the divinity of a newly formed **Thought Adjuster** does not in any manner endow this **Mystery Monitor** with experienced ministrative ability. Experience is inseparable from a living existence; it is the one thing which no amount of divine endowment can absolve you from the necessity of securing by actual living. Therefore, in common with all beings living and functioning within the present sphere of the Supreme, **Thought Adjusters** must acquire experience; they must evolve from the lower, inexperienced, to the higher, more experienced, groups.

109:1.4 (1196.1) **Adjusters** pass through a definite developmental career in the mortal mind; they achieve a reality of attainment which is eternally theirs. They progressively acquire **Adjuster** skill and ability as a result of any and all contacts with the material races, regardless of the survival or nonsurvival of their particular mortal subjects. They

are also equal partners of the human mind in fostering the evolution of the immortal soul of survival capacity.

109:1.5 (1196.2) The first stage of **Adjuster** evolution is attained in fusion with the surviving soul of a mortal being. Thus, while you are in nature evolving inward and upward from man to God, the **Adjusters** are in nature evolving outward and downward from God to man; and so will the final product of this union of divinity and humanity eternally be the son of man and the son of God.

[Such is the example presented by Christ Michael to the mortal creatures of Urantia. A life of animal origin, demonstrative of personality integration through mind mastery and dedication to doing “the Father will”, successfully and perfectly achieving the goal of the mortal career – the actuality of spirit progression as an immortal Ascending Son of God.”]

Adjusters and Human Personality

109:4.1 (1198.4) The higher forms of intelligent intercommunication between human beings are greatly helped by the **indwelling Adjusters**. Animals do have fellow feelings, but they do not communicate concepts to each other; they can express emotions but not ideas and ideals. Neither do men of animal origin experience a high type of intellectual intercourse or spiritual communion with their fellows until the **Thought Adjusters** have been bestowed, albeit, when such evolutionary creatures develop speech, they are on the highroad to receiving **Adjusters**.

109:4.2 (1198.5) Animals do, in a crude way, communicate with each other, but there is little or no personality in such primitive contact. **Adjusters** are not personality; they are prepersonal beings. But they do hail from the source of personality, and their presence does augment the qualitative manifestations of human personality; especially is this true if the **Adjuster** has had previous experience.

109:4.3 (1198.6) The type of **Adjuster** has much to do with the potential for expression of the human personality. On down through the ages, many of the great intellectual and spiritual leaders of Urantia have exerted their influence chiefly because of the superiority and previous experience of their **indwelling Adjusters**.

109:4.4 (1198.7) The **indwelling Adjusters** have in no small measure co-operated with other spiritual influences in transforming and humanizing the descendants of the primitive men of olden ages. If the **Adjusters indwelling** the minds of the inhabitants of Urantia were to be withdrawn, the world would slowly return to many of the scenes and practices of the men of primitive times; the **divine Monitors** are one of the real potentials of advancing civilization.

109:4.5 (1198.8) I have observed a **Thought Adjuster** indwelling a mind on Urantia who has, according to the records on Uversa, indwelt fifteen minds previously in Orvonton. We do not know whether this **Monitor** has had similar experiences in other superuniverses, but I suspect so. This is a marvelous **Adjuster** and one of the most

useful and potent forces on Urantia during this present age. What others have lost, in that they refused to survive, this human being (and your whole world) now gains. From him who has not survival qualities, shall be taken away even that **experienced Adjuster** which he now has, while to him who has survival prospects, shall be given even the pre-experienced **Adjuster** of a slothful deserter.

109:4.6 (1199.1) In a sense the **Adjusters** may be fostering a certain degree of planetary cross-fertilization in the domains of truth, beauty, and goodness. But they are seldom given two **indwelling** experiences on the same planet; there is no **Adjuster** now serving on Urantia who has been on this world previously. I know whereof I speak since we have their numbers and records in the archives of Uversa.

Material Handicaps to Adjuster Indwelling

109:5.1 (1199.2) **Supreme and self-acting Adjusters** are often able to contribute factors of spiritual import to the human mind when it flows freely in the liberated but controlled channels of creative imagination. At such times, and sometimes during sleep, the **Adjuster** is able to arrest the mental currents, to stay the flow, and then to divert the idea procession; and all this is done in order to effect deep spiritual transformations in the higher recesses of the superconsciousness. Thus are the forces and energies of mind more fully adjusted to the key of the contactual tones of the spiritual level of the present and the future.

109:5.2 (1199.3) It is sometimes possible to have the mind illuminated, to hear the divine voice that continually speaks within you, so that you may become partially conscious of the wisdom, truth, goodness, and beauty of the potential personality constantly **indwelling** you.

109:5.3 (1199.4) But your unsteady and rapidly shifting mental attitudes often result in thwarting the plans and interrupting the work of the **Adjusters**. Their work is not only interfered with by the innate natures of the mortal races, but this ministry is also greatly retarded by your own preconceived opinions, settled ideas, and long-standing prejudices. Because of these handicaps, many times only their unfinished creations emerge into consciousness, and confusion of concept is inevitable. Therefore, in scrutinizing mental situations, safety lies only in the prompt recognition of each and every thought and experience for just what it actually and fundamentally is, disregarding entirely what it might have been.

109:5.4 (1199.5) The great problem of life is the adjustment of the ancestral tendencies of living to the demands of the spiritual urges initiated by the divine presence of the **Mystery Monitor**. While in the universe and superuniverse careers no man can serve two masters, in the life you now live on Urantia every man must perforce serve two masters. He must become adept in the art of a continuous human temporal compromise while he yields spiritual allegiance to but one master; and this is why so many falter and fail, grow weary and succumb to the stress of the evolutionary struggle.

109:5.5 (1199.6) While the hereditary legacy of cerebral endowment and that of electrochemical overcontrol both operate to delimit the sphere of efficient Adjuster activity, no hereditary handicap (in normal minds) ever prevents eventual spiritual achievement. Heredity may interfere with the rate of personality conquest, but it does not prevent eventual consummation of the ascendant adventure. If you will co-operate with your Adjuster, the divine gift will, sooner or later, evolve the immortal morontia soul and, subsequent to fusion therewith, will present the new creature to the sovereign Master Son of the local universe and eventually to the Father of Adjusters on Paradise.

The Persistence of True Values

109:6.1 (1200.1) Adjusters never fail; nothing worth surviving is ever lost; every meaningful value in every will creature is certain of survival, irrespective of the survival or nonsurvival of the meaning-discovering or evaluating personality. And so it is, a mortal creature may reject survival; still the life experience is not wasted; the eternal Adjuster carries the worth-while features of such an apparent life of failure over into some other world and there bestows these surviving meanings and values upon some higher type of mortal mind, one of survival capacity. No worth-while experience ever happens in vain; no true meaning or real value ever perishes.

109:6.2 (1200.2) As related to fusion candidates, if a Mystery Monitor is deserted by the mortal associate, if the human partner declines to pursue the ascending career, when released by natural death (or prior thereto), the Adjuster carries away everything of survival value which has evolved in the mind of that nonsurviving creature. If an Adjuster should repeatedly fail to attain fusion personality because of the nonsurvival of successive human subjects, and if this Monitor should subsequently be personalized, all the acquired experience of having indwelt and mastered all these mortal minds would become the actual possession of such a newly Personalized Adjuster, an endowment to be enjoyed and utilized throughout all future ages. A Personalized Adjuster of this order is a composite assembly of all the survival traits of all his former creature hosts.

109:6.7 (1201.1) Everything of permanent value which is intrusted to an Adjuster is assured eternal survival. In certain instances the Monitor holds these possessions for bestowal on a mortal mind of future indwelling; in others, and upon personalization, these surviving and conserved realities are held in trust for future utilization in the service of the Architects of the Master Universe.

[This is a good place from which to take a moment to reacquaint ourselves with the potential and actualization of the Supreme. The spiritual meanings and values of creature experience are nonperishable, and this certainly applies to the spiritually creative contributions of the ascension careers of even the lowly creatures originating on the mortal spheres of the cosmos. Through the act of deity perfection, co-creating our lives in Gods image, we will become part of the actualization of the Supreme. We

have not only a destiny in Supremacy, we have also an ethical responsibility in that epochal achievement.]

RELATION OF ADJUSTERS TO INDIVIDUAL MORTALS

110:0.1 (1203.1) THE endowment of imperfect beings with freedom entails inevitable tragedy, and it is the nature of the perfect ancestral Deity to universally and affectionately share these sufferings in loving companionship.

110:0.2 (1203.2) As far as I am conversant with the affairs of a universe, I regard the love and devotion of a **Thought Adjuster** as the most truly divine affection in all creation. The love of the Sons in their ministry to the races is superb, but the devotion of an **Adjuster** to the individual is touchingly sublime, divinely Fatherlike. The Paradise Father has apparently reserved this form of personal contact with his individual creatures as an exclusive Creator prerogative. And there is nothing in all the universe of universes exactly comparable to the marvelous ministry of these **impersonal entities** that so fascinatingly indwell the children of the evolutionary planets.

110:1.1 (1203.3) **Adjusters** should not be thought of as living in the material brains of human beings. They are not organic parts of the physical creatures of the realms. The **Thought Adjuster** may more properly be envisaged as indwelling the mortal mind of man rather than as existing within the confines of a single physical organ. And indirectly and unrecognized the **Adjuster** is constantly communicating with the human subject, especially during those sublime experiences of the worshipful contact of mind with spirit in the superconsciousness.

Adjusters and Human Will

110:2.1 (1204.5) When **Thought Adjusters** indwell human minds, they bring with them the model careers, the ideal lives, as determined and foreordained by themselves and the **Personalized Adjusters** of Divinington, which have been certified by the **Personalized Adjuster** of Urantia. Thus they begin work with a definite and predetermined plan for the intellectual and spiritual development of their human subjects, but it is not incumbent upon any human being to accept this plan. You are all subjects of predestination, but it is not foreordained that you must accept this divine predestination; you are at full liberty to reject any part or all of the **Thought Adjusters'** program. It is their mission to effect such mind changes and to make such spiritual adjustments as you may willingly and intelligently authorize, to the end that they may gain more influence over the personality directionization; but under no circumstances do these divine **Monitors** ever take advantage of you or in any way arbitrarily influence you in your choices and decisions. The **Adjusters** respect your sovereignty of personality; they are always subservient to your will.

110:2.2 (1204.6) They are persistent, ingenious, and perfect in their methods of work, but they never do violence to the volitional selfhood of their hosts. No human being will ever be spiritualized by a **divine Monitor** against his will; survival is a gift of the Gods which must be desired by the creatures of time. In the final analysis, whatever the **Adjuster** has succeeded in doing for you, the records will show that the transformation has been accomplished with your co-operative consent; you will have been a willing partner with the **Adjuster** in the attainment of every step of the tremendous transformation of the ascension career.

110:2.3 (1205.1) The **Adjuster** is not trying to control your thinking, as such, but rather to spiritualize it, to eternalize it. Neither angels nor **Adjusters** are devoted directly to influencing human thought; that is your exclusive personality prerogative. The **Adjusters** are dedicated to improving, modifying, adjusting, and co-ordinating your thinking processes; but more especially and specifically they are devoted to the work of building up spiritual counterparts of your careers, morontia transcripts of your true advancing selves, for survival purposes.

110:2.4 (1205.2) **Adjusters** work in the spheres of the higher levels of the human mind, unceasingly seeking to produce morontia duplicates of every concept of the mortal intellect. There are, therefore, two realities which impinge upon, and are centered in, the human mind circuits: one, a mortal self evolved from the original plans of the Life Carriers, the other, an immortal entity from the high spheres of Divinington, an **indwelling gift from God**. But the mortal self is also a personal self; it has personality.

110:2.5 (1205.3) You as a personal creature have mind and will. The **Adjuster** as a prepersonal creature has premind and prewill. If you so fully conform to the **Adjuster's** mind that you see eye to eye, then your minds become one, and you receive the reinforcement of the **Adjuster's** mind. Subsequently, if your will orders and enforces the execution of the decisions of this new or combined mind, the **Adjuster's** prepersonal will attains to personality expression through your decision, and as far as that particular project is concerned, you and the **Adjuster** are one. Your mind has attained to divinity attunement, and the **Adjuster's** will has achieved personality expression.

110:2.6 (1205.4) To the extent that this identity is realized, you are mentally approaching the morontia order of existence. Morontia mind is a term signifying the substance and sum total of the co-operating minds of diversely material and spiritual natures. Morontia intellect, therefore, connotes a dual mind in the local universe dominated by one will. And with mortals this is a will, human in origin, which is becoming divine through man's identification of the human mind with the mindedness of God.

[Again, another rather detailed explanation of just how the adjusters work to spiritualize our thoughts and thinking processes and a reaffirmation that their primary purpose is to cocreate with you , the morontial soul – the foundation of eternal life.]

The Adjuster's Work in the Mind

110:4.1 (1207.1) **Adjusters** are able to receive the continuous stream of cosmic intelligence coming in over the master circuits of time and space; they are in full touch with the spirit intelligence and energy of the universes. But these mighty indwellers are unable to transmit very much of this wealth of wisdom and truth to the minds of their mortal subjects because of the lack of commonness of nature and the absence of responsive recognition.

110:4.2 (1207.2) The **Thought Adjuster** is engaged in a constant effort so to spiritualize your mind as to evolve your morontia soul; but you yourself are mostly unconscious of this inner ministry. You are quite incapable of distinguishing the product of your own material intellect from that of the conjoint activities of your soul and the **Adjuster**.

Erroneous Concepts of Adjuster Guidance

110:5.1 (1207.7) Do not confuse and confound the mission and influence of the **Adjuster** with what is commonly called conscience; they are not directly related. Conscience is a human and purely psychic reaction. It is not to be despised, but it is hardly the voice of God to the soul, which indeed the **Adjuster's** would be if such a voice could be heard. Conscience, rightly, admonishes you to do right; but the **Adjuster**, in addition, endeavors to tell you what truly is right; that is, when and as you are able to perceive the **Monitor's** leading.

110:5.2 (1208.1) Man's dream experiences, that disordered and disconnected parade of the un-co-ordinated sleeping mind, present adequate proof of the failure of the **Adjusters** to harmonize and associate the divergent factors of the mind of man. The **Adjusters** simply cannot, in a single lifetime, arbitrarily co-ordinate and synchronize two such unlike and diverse types of thinking as the human and the divine. When they do, as they sometimes have, such souls are translated directly to the mansion worlds without the necessity of passing through the experience of death.

110:5.3 (1208.2) During the slumber season the **Adjuster** attempts to achieve only that which the will of the indwelt personality has previously fully approved by the decisions and choosings which were made during times of fully wakeful consciousness, and which have thereby become lodged in the realms of the supermind, the liaison domain of human and divine interrelationship.

110:5.4 (1208.3) While their mortal hosts are asleep, the **Adjusters** try to register their creations in the higher levels of the material mind, and some of your grotesque dreams indicate their failure to make efficient contact. The absurdities of dream life not only testify to pressure of unexpressed emotions but also bear witness to the horrible distortion of the representations of the spiritual concepts presented by the **Adjusters**. Your own passions, urges, and other innate tendencies translate themselves into the picture and substitute their unexpressed desires for the divine messages which the indwellers are endeavoring to put into the psychic records during unconscious sleep.

110:5.5 (1208.4) It is extremely dangerous to postulate as to the Adjuster content of the dream life. The Adjusters do work during sleep, but your ordinary dream experiences are purely physiologic and psychologic phenomena. Likewise, it is hazardous to attempt the differentiation of the Adjusters' concept registry from the more or less continuous and conscious reception of the dictations of mortal conscience. These are problems which will have to be solved through individual discrimination and personal decision. But a human being would do better to err in rejecting an Adjuster's expression through believing it to be a purely human experience than to blunder into exalting a reaction of the mortal mind to the sphere of divine dignity. Remember, the influence of a Thought Adjuster is for the most part, though not wholly, a superconscious experience.

110:5.6 (1208.5) In varying degrees and increasingly as you ascend the psychic circles, sometimes directly, but more often indirectly, you do communicate with your Adjusters. But it is dangerous to entertain the idea that every new concept originating in the human mind is the dictation of the Adjuster. More often, in beings of your order, that which you accept as the Adjuster's voice is in reality the emanation of your own intellect. This is dangerous ground, and every human being must settle these problems for himself in accordance with his natural human wisdom and superhuman insight.

[It would be wise to heed these cautionary comments about mortal intellectual communications or contact with the spiritually immaculate Thought Adjusters. "The absurdities of dream life ... bear witness to the horrible distortion of the representations of the spiritual concepts presented by the Adjusters." 110:5.4 (1208.3) "it is hazardous to attempt the differentiation of the Adjusters' concept registry from the more or less continuous and conscious reception of the dictations of mortal conscience. These are problems which will have to be solved through individual discrimination and personal decision." 110:5.5 (1208.4) "This is dangerous ground, and every human being must settle these problems for himself in accordance with his natural human wisdom and superhuman insight." 110:5.6 (1208.5)]

110:5.7 (1208.6) The Adjuster of the human being through whom this communication is being made enjoys such a wide scope of activity chiefly because of this human's almost complete indifference to any outward manifestations of the Adjuster's inner presence; it is indeed fortunate that he remains consciously quite unconcerned about the entire procedure. He holds one of the highly experienced Adjusters of his day and generation, and yet his passive reaction to, and inactive concern toward, the phenomena associated with the presence in his mind of this versatile Adjuster is pronounced by the guardian of destiny to be a rare and fortuitous reaction. And all this constitutes a favorable co-ordination of influences, favorable both to the Adjuster in the higher sphere of action and to the human partner from the standpoints of health, efficiency, and tranquillity.

The Seven Psychic Circles

110:6.1 (1209.1) The sum total of personality realization on a material world is contained within the successive conquest of the seven psychic circles of mortal potentiality. Entrance upon the seventh circle marks the beginning of true human personality function. Completion of the first circle denotes the relative maturity of the mortal being. Though the traversal of the seven circles of cosmic growth does not equal fusion with the Adjuster, the mastery of these circles marks the attainment of those steps which are preliminary to Adjuster fusion.

110:6.2 (1209.2) The Adjuster is your equal partner in the attainment of the seven circles—the achievement of comparative mortal maturity. The Adjuster ascends the circles with you from the seventh to the first but progresses to the status of supremacy and self-activity quite independent of the active co-operation of the mortal mind.

110:6.3 (1209.3) The psychic circles are not exclusively intellectual, neither are they wholly morontial; they have to do with personality status, mind attainment, soul growth, and Adjuster attunement. The successful traversal of these levels demands the harmonious functioning of the entire personality, not merely of some one phase thereof. The growth of the parts does not equal the true maturation of the whole; the parts really grow in proportion to the expansion of the entire self—the whole self—material, intellectual, and spiritual.

110:6.4 (1209.4) When the development of the intellectual nature proceeds faster than that of the spiritual, such a situation renders communication with the Thought Adjuster both difficult and dangerous. Likewise, overspiritual development tends to produce a fanatical and perverted interpretation of the spirit leadings of the divine indweller. Lack of spiritual capacity makes it very difficult to transmit to such a material intellect the spiritual truths resident in the higher superconsciousness. It is to the mind of perfect poise, housed in a body of clean habits, stabilized neural energies, and balanced chemical function—when the physical, mental, and spiritual powers are in triune harmony of development—that a maximum of light and truth can be imparted with a minimum of temporal danger or risk to the real welfare of such a being. By such a balanced growth does man ascend the circles of planetary progression one by one, from the seventh to the first.

110:6.5 (1209.5) The Adjusters are always near you and of you, but rarely can they speak directly, as another being, to you. Circle by circle your intellectual decisions, moral choosings, and spiritual development add to the ability of the Adjuster to function in your mind; circle by circle you thereby ascend from the lower stages of Adjuster association and mind attunement, so that the Adjuster is increasingly enabled to register his picturizations of destiny with augmenting vividness and conviction upon the evolving consciousness of this God-seeking mind-soul.

110:6.6 (1210.1) Every decision you make either impedes or facilitates the function of the Adjuster; likewise do these very decisions determine your advancement in the circles of human achievement. It is true that the supremacy of a decision, its crisis

relationship, has a great deal to do with its circle-making influence; nevertheless, numbers of decisions, frequent repetitions, persistent repetitions, are also essential to the habit-forming certainty of such reactions.

110:6.7 (1210.2) It is difficult precisely to define the seven levels of human progression, for the reason that these levels are personal; they are variable for each individual and are apparently determined by the growth capacity of each human being. The conquest of these levels of cosmic evolution is reflected in three ways:

1. Adjuster attunement. The spiritizing mind nears the Adjuster presence proportional to circle attainment.

2. Soul evolution. The emergence of the morontia soul indicates the extent and depth of circle mastery.

3. Personality reality. The degree of selfhood reality is directly determined by circle conquest. Persons become more real as they ascend from the seventh to the first level of mortal existence. 110:6.8-10 (1210.3-5)

110:6.11 (1210.6) As the circles are traversed, the child of material evolution is growing into the mature human of immortal potentiality. The shadowy reality of the embryonic nature of a seventh circler is giving way to the clearer manifestation of the emerging morontia nature of a local universe citizen.

110:6.12 (1210.7) While it is impossible precisely to define the seven levels, or psychic circles, of human growth, it is permissible to suggest the minimum and maximum limits of these stages of maturity realization:

The seventh circle. This level is entered when human beings develop the powers of personal choice, individual decision, moral responsibility, and the capacity for the attainment of spiritual individuality. This signifies the united function of the seven adjutant mind-spirits under the direction of the spirit of wisdom, the encirclement of the mortal creature in the influence of the Holy Spirit, and, on Urantia, the first functioning of the Spirit of Truth, together with the reception of a Thought Adjuster in the mortal mind. Entrance upon the seventh circle constitutes a mortal creature a truly potential citizen of the local universe.

The third circle. The Adjuster's work is much more effective after the human ascender attains the third circle and receives a personal seraphic guardian of destiny. While there is no apparent concert of effort between the Adjuster and the seraphic guardian, nonetheless there is to be observed an unmistakable improvement in all phases of cosmic achievement and spiritual development subsequent to the assignment of the personal seraphic attendant. When the third circle is attained, the Adjuster endeavors to morontiaize the mind of man during the remainder of the mortal life span, to make the remaining circles, and achieve the final stage of the divine-human association before natural death dissolves the unique partnership.

The first circle. The Adjuster cannot, ordinarily, speak directly and immediately with you until you attain the first and final circle of progressive mortal achievement. This level represents the highest possible realization of mind-Adjuster relationship in the human experience prior to the liberation of the evolving morontia soul from the habiliments of the material body. Concerning mind, emotions, and cosmic insight, this achievement of the first psychic circle is the nearest possible approach of material mind and spirit Adjuster in human experience. 110:6.13-16 (1210.8-10)

110:6.16 (1211.1) Perhaps these psychic circles of mortal progression would be better denominated cosmic levels—actual meaning grasps and value realizations of progressive approach to the morontia consciousness of initial relationship of the evolutionary soul with the emerging Supreme Being. And it is this very relationship that makes it forever impossible fully to explain the significance of the cosmic circles to the material mind. These circle attainments are only relatively related to God-consciousness. A seventh or sixth circler can be almost as truly God-knowing—sonship conscious—as a second or first circler, but such lower circle beings are far less conscious of experiential relation to the Supreme Being, universe citizenship. The attainment of these cosmic circles will become a part of the ascenders' experience on the mansion worlds if they fail of such achievement before natural death.

110:6.17 (1211.2) The motivation of faith makes experiential the full realization of man's sonship with God, but action, completion of decisions, is essential to the evolutionary attainment of consciousness of progressive kinship with the cosmic actuality of the Supreme Being. Faith transmutes potentials to actuals in the spiritual world, but potentials become actuals in the finite realms of the Supreme only by and through the realization of choice-experience. But choosing to do the will of God joins spiritual faith to material decisions in personality action and thus supplies a divine and spiritual fulcrum for the more effective functioning of the human and material leverage of God-hunger. Such a wise co-ordination of material and spiritual forces greatly augments both cosmic realization of the Supreme and morontia comprehension of the Paradise Deities.

110:6.18 (1211.3) The mastery of the cosmic circles is related to the quantitative growth of the morontia soul, the comprehension of supreme meanings. But the qualitative status of this immortal soul is wholly dependent on the grasp of living faith upon the Paradise-potential fact-value that mortal man is a son of the eternal God. Therefore does a seventh circler go on to the mansion worlds to attain further quantitative realization of cosmic growth just as does a second or even a first circler.

110:6.19 (1211.4) There is only an indirect relation between cosmic-circle attainment and actual spiritual religious experience; such attainments are reciprocal and therefore mutually beneficial. Purely spiritual development may have little to do with planetary material prosperity, but circle attainment always augments the potential of human success and mortal achievement.

110:6.20 (1211.5) From the seventh to the third circle there occurs increased and unified action of the seven adjutant mind-spirits in the task of weaning the mortal mind from its dependence on the realities of the material life mechanisms preparatory to increased introduction to morontia levels of experience. From the third circle onward the adjutant influence progressively diminishes.

110:6.21 (1211.6) The seven circles embrace mortal experience extending from the highest purely animal level to the lowest actual contactual morontia level of self-consciousness as a personality experience. The mastery of the first cosmic circle signalizes the attainment of premorontia mortal maturity and marks the termination of the conjoint ministry of the adjutant mind-spirits as an exclusive influence of mind action in the human personality. Beyond the first circle, mind becomes increasingly akin to the intelligence of the morontia stage of evolution, the conjoined ministry of the cosmic mind and the superadjutant endowment of the Creative Spirit of a local universe.

110:6.22 (1212.1) The great days in the individual careers of **Adjusters** are: first, when the human subject breaks through into the third psychic circle, thus insuring the **Monitor's** self-activity and increased range of function (provided the **indweller** was not already self-acting); then, when the human partner attains the first psychic circle, and they are thereby enabled to intercommunicate, at least to some degree; and last, when they are finally and eternally fused.

[This discussion of the seven cosmic circles helps to dispel many misconceptions and to more clearly clarify circle level importance as attainment markers of “—actual meaning grasps and value realizations of progressive approach to the morontia consciousness of initial relationship of the evolutionary soul with the emerging Supreme Being.” 110:6.16 (1211.1) Of note, these cosmic levels of human growth are described as difficult of precise definition. Balanced, harmonious growth of physical, mental, and spiritual powers is stressed and such growth is referred to as personal and related to the spiritual capacity of each individual. Free will choice is highlighted with respect to its relationship to the evolution of the Supreme. “It is true that the supremacy of a decision, its crisis relationship, has a great deal to do with its circle-making influence; nevertheless, numbers of decisions, frequent repetitions, persistent repetitions, are also essential to the habit-forming certainty of such reactions.” 110:6.6 (1210.1) Circle attainment is inherent in the quantitative growth of the morontia soul. It is through the realization of choice-experience, the completion of decisions to do the “will of the Father in heaven” that the potentials of Supreme Being kinship become actuals of personality achievement.]

111:5.4 (1221.5) Peace in this life, survival in death, perfection in the next life, service in eternity—all these are achieved (in spirit) now when the creature personality consents—chooses—to subject the creature will to the Father’s will. And already has the Father chosen to make a **fragment of himself** subject to the will of the creature personality.

12:8.16 (141.1) The brighter the shining of the spiritualized personality (the Father in the universe, the **fragment of potential spirit personality** in the individual creature), the greater the shadow cast by the intervening mind upon its material investment. In time, man's body is just as real as mind or spirit, but in death, both mind (identity) and spirit survive while the body does not. A cosmic reality can be nonexistent in personality experience. And so your Greek figure of speech—the material as the shadow of the more real spirit substance—does have a philosophic significance.

The Guardian Angels

113:1.2 (1241.4) Originally, the seraphim were definitely assigned to the separate Urantia races. But since the bestowal of Michael, they are assigned in accordance with human intelligence, spirituality, and destiny. Intellectually, mankind is divided into three classes:

1. The subnormal minded—those who do not exercise normal will power; those who do not make average decisions. This class embraces those who cannot comprehend God; they lack capacity for the intelligent worship of Deity. The subnormal beings of Urantia have a corps of seraphim, one company, with one battalion of cherubim, assigned to minister to them and to witness that justice and mercy are extended to them in the life struggles of the sphere.

2. The average, normal type of human mind. From the standpoint of seraphic ministry, most men and women are grouped in seven classes in accordance with their status in making the circles of human progress and spiritual development.

3. The supernormal minded—those of great decision and undoubted potential of spiritual achievement; men and women who enjoy more or less contact with their **indwelling Adjusters**; members of the various reserve corps of destiny. No matter in what circle a human happens to be, if such an individual becomes enrolled in any of the several reserve corps of destiny, right then and there, personal seraphim are assigned, and from that time until the earthly career is finished, that mortal will enjoy the continuous ministry and unceasing watchcare of a guardian angel. Also, when any human being makes the supreme decision, when there is a real betrothal with the **Adjuster**, a personal guardian is immediately assigned to that soul.

113:1.3-5 (1241.5-7)

113:1.6 (1242.1) In the ministry to so-called normal beings, seraphic assignments are made in accordance with the human attainment of the circles of intellectuality and spirituality. You start out in your mind of mortal investment in the seventh circle and journey inward in the task of self-understanding, self-conquest, and self-mastery; and circle by circle you advance until (if natural death does not terminate your career and

transfer your struggles to the mansion worlds) you reach the first or inner circle of relative contact and communion with the **indwelling Adjuster**.

113:1.8 (1242.3) When a mortal mind breaks through the inertia of animal legacy and attains the third circle of human intellectuality and acquired spirituality, a personal angel (in reality two) will henceforth be wholly and exclusively devoted to this ascending mortal. And thus these human souls, in addition to the ever-present and increasingly efficient **indwelling Thought Adjusters**, receive the undivided assistance of these personal guardians of destiny in all their efforts to finish the third circle, traverse the second, and attain the first.

113:2.3 (1242.6) All angelic assignments are made from a group of volunteering seraphim, and these appointments are always in accordance with human needs and with regard to the status of the angelic pair—in the light of seraphic experience, skill, and wisdom. Only seraphim of long service, the more experienced and tested types, are assigned as destiny guards. Many guardians have gained much valuable experience on those worlds which are of the non-**Adjuster** fusion series. Like the **Adjusters**, the seraphim attend these beings for a single lifetime and then are liberated for new assignment. Many guardians on Urantia have had this previous practical experience on other worlds.

113:3.3 (1244.4) The **Adjuster** is the presence of the Father; the Spirit of Truth, the presence of the Sons. These divine endowments are unified and co-ordinated on the lower levels of human spiritual experience by the ministry of the guardian seraphim. The angelic servers are gifted in combining the love of the Father and the mercy of the Son in their ministry to mortal creatures.

113:4.1 (1245.1) The guardian seraphim are not mind, though they do spring from the same source that also gives origin to mortal mind, the Creative Spirit. Seraphim are mind stimulators; they continually seek to promote circle-making decisions in human mind. They do this, not as does the **Adjuster**, operating from within and through the soul, but rather from the outside inward, working through the social, ethical, and moral environment of human beings. Seraphim are not the **divine Adjuster** lure of the Universal Father, but they do function as the personal agency of the ministry of the Infinite Spirit.

113:4.2 (1245.2) Mortal man, subject to **Adjuster** leading, is also amenable to seraphic guidance. The **Adjuster** is the essence of man's eternal nature; the seraphim is the teacher of man's evolving nature—in this life the mortal mind, in the next the morontia soul. On the mansion worlds you will be conscious and aware of seraphic instructors, but in the first life men are usually unaware of them.

113:4.4 (1245.4) The impulse of worship largely originates in the spirit promptings of the higher mind adjutants, reinforced by the leadings of the **Adjuster**. But the urge to pray so often experienced by God-conscious mortals very often arises as the result of seraphic influence. The guarding seraphim is constantly manipulating the mortal environment for

the purpose of augmenting the cosmic insight of the human ascender to the end that such a survival candidate may acquire enhanced realization of the presence of the **indwelling Adjuster** and thus be enabled to yield increased co-operation with the spiritual mission of the **divine presence**.

113:4.5 (1245.5) While there is apparently no communication between the **indwelling Adjusters** and the encompassing seraphim, they always seem to work in perfect harmony and exquisite accord. The guardians are most active at those times when the **Adjusters** are least active, but their ministry is in some manner strangely correlated. Such superb co-operation could hardly be either accidental or incidental.

113:4.6 (1245.6) The ministering personality of the guardian seraphim, the God presence of the **indwelling Adjuster**, the encircuited action of the Holy Spirit, and the Son-consciousness of the Spirit of Truth are all divinely correlated into a meaningful unity of spiritual ministry in and to a mortal personality. Though hailing from different sources and different levels, these celestial influences are all integrated in the enveloping and evolving presence of the Supreme Being.

113:5.1 (1245.7) Angels do not invade the sanctity of the human mind; they do not manipulate the will of mortals; neither do they directly contact with the **indwelling Adjusters**. The guardian of destiny influences you in every possible manner consistent with the dignity of your personality; under no circumstances do these angels interfere with the free action of the human will. Neither angels nor any other order of universe personality have power or authority to curtail or abridge the prerogatives of human choosing.

113:6.8 (1247.6) The technique of justice demands that personal or group guardians shall respond to the dispensational roll call in behalf of all nonsurviving personalities. The **Adjusters** of such nonsurvivors do not return, and when the rolls are called, the seraphim respond, but the **Adjusters** make no answer. This constitutes the "resurrection of the unjust," in reality the formal recognition of the cessation of creature existence. This roll call of justice always immediately follows the roll call of mercy, the resurrection of the sleeping survivors. But these are matters which are of concern to none but the supreme and all-knowing Judges of survival values. Such problems of adjudication do not really concern us.

113:7.4 (1248.4) Before leaving the mansion worlds, all mortals will have permanent seraphic associates or guardians. And as you ascend the morontia spheres, eventually it is the seraphic guardians who witness and certify the decrees of your eternal union with the **Thought Adjusters**. Together they have established your personality identities as children of the flesh from the worlds of time. Then, with your attainment of the mature morontia estate, they accompany you through Jerusem and the associated worlds of system progress and culture. After that they go with you to Edentia and its seventy spheres of advanced socialization, and subsequently will they pilot you to the Melchizedeks and follow you through the superb career of the universe headquarters

worlds. And when you have learned the wisdom and culture of the Melchizedeks, they will take you on to Salvington, where you will stand face to face with the Sovereign of all Nebadon. And still will these seraphic guides follow you through the minor and major sectors of the superuniverse and on to the receiving worlds of Uversa, remaining with you until you finally enseconaphim for the long Havona flight.

114:7. The Reserve Corps of Destiny

114:7.1 (1257.1) The reserve corps of destiny consists of living men and women who have been admitted to the special service of the superhuman administration of world affairs. This corps is made up of the men and women of each generation who are chosen by the spirit directors of the realm to assist in the conduct of the ministry of mercy and wisdom to the children of time on the evolutionary worlds. It is the general practice in the conduct of the affairs of the ascension plans to begin this liaison utilization of mortal will creatures immediately they are competent and trustworthy to assume such responsibilities. Accordingly, as soon as men and women appear on the stage of temporal action with sufficient mental capacity, adequate moral status, and requisite spirituality, they are quickly assigned to the appropriate celestial group of planetary personalities as human liaisons, mortal assistants.

114:7.2 (1257.2) When human beings are chosen as protectors of planetary destiny, when they become pivotal individuals in the plans which the world administrators are prosecuting, at that time the planetary chief of seraphim confirms their temporal attachment to the seraphic corps and appoints personal destiny guardians to serve with these mortal reservists. All reservists have **self-conscious Adjusters**, and most of them function in the higher cosmic circles of intellectual achievement and spiritual attainment.

114:7.3 (1257.3) Mortals of the realm are chosen for service in the reserve corps of destiny on the inhabited worlds because of:

1. Special capacity for being secretly rehearsed for numerous possible emergency missions in the conduct of various activities of world affairs.
2. Wholehearted dedication to some special social, economic, political, spiritual, or other cause, coupled with willingness to serve without human recognition and rewards.
3. The possession of a **Thought Adjuster** of extraordinary versatility and probable pre-Urantia experience in coping with planetary difficulties and contending with impending world emergency situations. 114:7.4-6 (1257.4-6)

114:7.7 (1257.7) Each division of planetary celestial service is entitled to a liaison corps of these mortals of destiny standing. The average inhabited world employs seventy separate corps of destiny, which are intimately connected with the superhuman current conduct of world affairs. On Urantia there are twelve reserve corps of destiny, one for each of the planetary groups of seraphic supervision.

114:7.8 (1257.8) The twelve groups of Urantia destiny reservists are composed of mortal inhabitants of the sphere who have been rehearsed for numerous crucial positions on earth and are held in readiness to act in possible planetary emergencies. This combined corps now consists of 962 persons. The smallest corps numbers 41 and the largest 172. With the exception of less than a score of contact personalities, the members of this unique group are wholly unconscious of their preparation for possible function in certain planetary crises. These mortal reservists are chosen by the corps to which they are respectively attached and are likewise trained and rehearsed in the deep mind by the combined technique of **Thought Adjuster** and seraphic guardian ministry. Many times numerous other celestial personalities participate in this unconscious training, and in all this special preparation the midwayers perform valuable and indispensable services.

114:7.9 (1258.1) On many worlds the better adapted secondary midway creatures are able to attain varying degrees of contact with the **Thought Adjusters** of certain favorably constituted mortals through the skillful penetration of the minds of the latter's indwelling. (And it was by just such a fortuitous combination of cosmic adjustments that these revelations were materialized in the English language on Urantia.) Such potential contact mortals of the evolutionary worlds are mobilized in the numerous reserve corps, and it is, to a certain extent, through these small groups of forward-looking personalities that spiritual civilization is advanced and the Most Highs are able to rule in the kingdoms of men. The men and women of these reserve corps of destiny thus have various degrees of contact with their **Adjusters** through the intervening ministry of the midway creatures; but these same mortals are little known to their fellows except in those rare social emergencies and spiritual exigencies wherein these reserve personalities function for the prevention of the breakdown of evolutionary culture or the extinction of the light of living truth. On Urantia these reservists of destiny have seldom been emblazoned on the pages of human history.

114:7.10 (1258.2) The reservists unconsciously act as conservators of essential planetary information. Many times, upon the death of a reservist, a transfer of certain vital data from the mind of the dying reservist to a younger successor is made by a liaison of the two **Thought Adjusters**. The **Adjusters** undoubtedly function in many other ways unknown to us, in connection with these reserve corps.

115:4.4 (1264.3) It is not so difficult to comprehend that the infinite does contain the finite as it is to understand just how this infinite actually is manifest to the finite. But the **Thought Adjusters** indwelling mortal man are one of the eternal proofs that even the absolute God (as absolute) can and does actually make direct contact with even the lowest and least of all universe will creatures.

The Almighty and Paradise Deity

116:3.1 (1270.12) The Paradise Deities not only act directly in their gravity circuits throughout the grand universe, but they also function through their various agencies and other manifestations, such as:

1. The mind focalizations of the Third Source and Center. The finite domains of energy and spirit are literally held together by the mind presences of the Conjoint Actor. This is true from the Creative Spirit in a local universe through the Reflective Spirits of a superuniverse to the Master Spirits in the grand universe. The mind circuits emanating from these varied intelligence focuses represent the cosmic arena of creature choice. Mind is the flexible reality which creatures and Creators can so readily manipulate; it is the vital link connecting matter and spirit. The mind bestowal of the Third Source and Center unifies the spirit person of God the Supreme with the experiential power of the evolutionary Almighty.

2. The personality revelations of the Second Source and Center. The mind presences of the Conjoint Actor unify the **spirit of divinity** with the pattern of energy. The bestowal incarnations of the Eternal Son and his Paradise Sons unify, actually fuse, the divine nature of a Creator with the evolving nature of a creature. The Supreme is both creature and creator; the possibility of his being such is revealed in the bestowal actions of the Eternal Son and his co-ordinate and subordinate Sons. The bestowal orders of sonship, the Michaels and the Avonals, actually augment their divine natures with bona fide creature natures which have become theirs by the living of the actual creature life on the evolutionary worlds. When divinity becomes like humanity, inherent in this relationship is the possibility that humanity can become divine.

3. The **indwelling presences of the First Source and Center.** Mind unifies spirit causations with energy reactions; bestowal ministry unifies divinity descensions with creature ascensions; and the **indwelling fragments** of the Universal Father actually unify the evolving creatures with God on Paradise. There are many such presences of the Father which indwell numerous orders of personalities, and in mortal man these **divine fragments of God** are the **Thought Adjusters**. The **Mystery Monitors** are to human beings what the Paradise Trinity is to the Supreme Being. The **Adjusters** are absolute foundations, and upon absolute foundations freewill choice can cause to be evolved the divine reality of an eternaliter nature, finaliter nature in the case of man, Deity nature in God the Supreme. 116:3.2-4 (1270.13-71.2)

16:8.19 (195.6) The full function of such a personality endowment is the beginning realization of Deity kinship. Such a selfhood, indwelt by a **prepersonal fragment of God the Father**, is in truth and in fact a spiritual son of God. Such a creature not only discloses capacity for the reception of the **gift of the divine presence** but also exhibits

reactive response to the personality-gravity circuit of the Paradise Father of all personalities.

116:3.5 (1271.3) The creature bestowals of the Paradise orders of sonship enable these divine Sons to enrich their personalities by the acquisition of the actual nature of universe creatures, while such bestowals unfailingly reveal to the creatures themselves the Paradise path of divinity attainment. The **Adjuster** bestowals of the Universal Father enable him to draw the personalities of the volitional will creatures to himself. And throughout all these relationships in the finite universes the Conjoint Actor is the ever-present source of the mind ministry by virtue of which these activities take place.

118:1.10 (1296.2) On the absolute and eternal level, potential reality is just as meaningful as actual reality. Only on the finite level and to time-bound creatures does there appear to be such a vast difference. To God, as absolute, an ascending mortal who has made the eternal decision is already a Paradise finaliter. But the Universal Father, through the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**, is not thus limited in awareness but can also know of, and participate in, every temporal struggle with the problems of the creature ascent from animallike to Godlike levels of existence.

118:8.2 (1301.7) Mortal man is a machine, a living mechanism; his roots are truly in the physical world of energy. Many human reactions are mechanical in nature; much of life is machinelike. But man, a mechanism, is much more than a machine; he is mind endowed and spirit indwelt; and though he can never throughout his material life escape the chemical and electrical mechanics of his existence, he can increasingly learn how to subordinate this physical-life machine to the directive wisdom of experience by the process of consecrating the human mind to the execution of the spiritual urges of the **indwelling Thought Adjuster**.

194:2.11 (2061.9) Since the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, man is subject to the teaching and guidance of a threefold spirit endowment: the spirit of the Father, the **Thought Adjuster**; the spirit of the Son, the Spirit of Truth; the spirit of the Spirit, the Holy Spirit.

194:2.12 (2062.1) In a way, mankind is subject to the double influence of the sevenfold appeal of the universe spirit influences. The early evolutionary races of mortals are subject to the progressive contact of the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe Mother Spirit. As man progresses upward in the scale of intelligence and spiritual perception, there eventually come to hover over him and dwell within him the seven higher spirit influences. And these seven spirits of the advancing worlds are:

- 1. The bestowed spirit of the Universal Father—the Thought Adjusters.**
- 2. The spirit presence of the Eternal Son—the spirit gravity of the universe of universes and the certain channel of all spirit communion.**

3. **The spirit presence of the Infinite Spirit**—the universal spirit-mind of all creation, the spiritual source of the intellectual kinship of all progressive intelligences.
4. **The spirit of the Universal Father and the Creator Son—the Spirit of Truth**, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Son.
5. **The spirit of the Infinite Spirit and the Universe Mother Spirit—the Holy Spirit**, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Spirit.
6. **The mind-spirit of the Universe Mother Spirit—the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe.**
7. **The spirit of the Father, Sons, and Spirits**—the new-name spirit of the ascending mortals of the realms after the fusion of the mortal spirit-born soul with the **Paradise Thought Adjuster** and after the subsequent attainment of the divinity and glorification of the status of the Paradise Corps of the Finality. 194:2.13-19 (2062.2-8)

[We can now better understand the function that **Thought Adjusters** play in the spiritual realization, growth and attainment actualization of evolutionary mortal creatures – the why and how of our path to Paradise, achievement of eternal life, and participation in progressive everlasting deity realization – our origin, nature, and destiny. With increasing understanding and clarity, we have augmented the realization that we are, in fact, direct spiritual descendants of our Creator Father, truly his spiritual sons, and that the eternal path of deity realization and attainment is ours for the choosing.

“The weak indulge in resolutions, but the strong act. Life is but a day’s work—do it well. The act is ours; the consequences God’s.” 48:7.13 (556.13)

“Man does not unite with the Supreme and submerge his personal identity, but the universe repercussions of the experience of all men do thus form a part of the divine experiencing of the Supreme. “The act is ours, the consequences God’s.”” 117:5.5 (1286.3)]

Thought Adjuster Function – Purpose

Presence of the TA in mind

Purpose of the TA in mind

Adjusters as Pure Spirits

107:6.1 (1182.3) As **Thought Adjusters** are encountered in creature experience, they disclose the presence and leading of a spirit influence. The **Adjuster** is indeed a spirit, pure spirit, but spirit plus. We have never been able satisfactorily to classify **Mystery Monitors**; all that can certainly be said of them is that they are truly Godlike.

107:6.2 (1182.4) The **Adjuster** is man's eternity possibility; man is the **Adjuster's** personality possibility. Your individual **Adjusters** work to spiritize you in the hope of eternalizing your temporal identity. The **Adjusters** are saturated with the beautiful and self-bestowing love of the Father of spirits. They truly and divinely love you; they are the prisoners of spirit hope confined within the minds of men. They long for the divinity attainment of your mortal minds that their loneliness may end, that they may be delivered with you from the limitations of material investiture and the habiliments of time.

107:6.3 (1182.5) Your path to Paradise is the path of spirit attainment, and the **Adjuster** nature will faithfully unfold the revelation of the spiritual nature of the Universal Father. Beyond the Paradise ascent and in the postfinaliter stages of the eternal career, the **Adjuster** may possibly contact with the onetime human partner in other than spirit ministry; but the Paradise ascent and the finaliter career are the partnership between the God-knowing spiritualizing mortal and the spiritual ministry of the God-revealing **Adjuster**.

[We are here presented with the almost unfathomable potentials of the mortal Sons of God far beyond the ascension career, "Beyond the Paradise ascent and in the postfinaliter stages" 107:6.3 (1182.5). What would be the ministry opportunities beyond the actualization of God the Supreme? What would divine service look like at the completion of all time space potentials – the actualization of God the Ultimate? To what service would the spiritually and divinely perfected beings culled from the slime of material existence be tasked with at the dawn of God the Absolute?]

107:6.4 (1182.6) We know that **Thought Adjusters** are spirits, pure spirits, presumably absolute spirits. But the **Adjuster** must also be something more than exclusive spirit reality. In addition to conjectured mindedness, factors of pure energy are also present. If you will remember that God is the source of pure energy and of pure spirit, it will not be so difficult to perceive that his **fragments** would be both. It is a fact that the **Adjusters** traverse space over the instantaneous and universal gravity circuits of the Paradise Isle.

107:6.5 (1182.7) That the **Mystery Monitors** are thus associated with the material circuits of the universe of universes is indeed puzzling. But it remains a fact that they flash throughout the entire grand universe over the material-gravity circuits. It is entirely possible that they may even penetrate the outer space levels; they certainly could follow the gravity presence of Paradise into these regions, and though my order of personality can traverse the mind circuits of the Conjoint Actor also beyond the confines of the grand universe, we have never been sure of detecting the presence of **Adjusters** in the uncharted regions of outer space.

107:6.6 (1183.1) And yet, while the **Adjusters** utilize the material-gravity circuits, they are not subject thereto as is material creation. The **Adjusters** are **fragments of the ancestor of gravity**, not the consequentials of gravity; they have segmented on a universe level of existence which is hypothetically antecedent to gravity appearance.

107:6.7 (1183.2) **Thought Adjusters** have no relaxation from the time of their bestowal until the day of their release to start for Divinington upon the natural death of their mortal subjects. And those whose subjects do not pass through the portals of natural death do not even experience this temporary respite. **Thought Adjusters** do not require energy intake; they are energy, energy of the highest and most divine order.

Mission and Ministry of **Thought Adjusters**

108:0.1 (1185.1) THE mission of the **Thought Adjusters** to the human races is to represent, to be, the Universal Father to the mortal creatures of time and space; that is the fundamental work of the **divine gifts**. Their mission is also that of elevating the mortal minds and of translating the immortal souls of men up to the divine heights and spiritual levels of Paradise perfection. And in the experience of thus transforming the human nature of the temporal creature into the divine nature of the eternal finaliter, the **Adjusters** bring into existence a unique type of being, a being consisting in the eternal union of the perfect **Adjuster** and the perfected creature which it would be impossible to duplicate by any other universe technique.

108:0.2 (1185.2) Nothing in the entire universe can substitute for the fact of experience on nonexistential levels. The infinite God is, as always, replete and complete, infinitely inclusive of all things except evil and creature experience. God cannot do wrong; he is infallible. God cannot experientially know what he has never personally experienced; God's preknowledge is existential. Therefore does the **spirit of the Father** descend from Paradise to participate with finite mortals in every bona fide experience of the ascending career; it is only by such a method that the existential God could become in truth and in fact man's experiential Father. The infinity of the eternal God encompasses the potential for finite experience, which indeed becomes actual in the ministry of the **Adjuster fragments** that actually share the life vicissitude experiences of human beings.

The Adjuster's Mission

108:5.1 (1191.2) The **Adjusters** accept a difficult assignment when they volunteer to indwell such composite beings as live on Urantia. But they have assumed the task of existing in your minds, there to receive the admonitions of the spiritual intelligences of the realms and then to undertake to redictate or translate these spiritual messages to the material mind; they are indispensable to the Paradise ascension.

108:5.2 (1191.3) What the **Thought Adjuster** cannot utilize in your present life, those truths which he cannot successfully transmit to the man of his betrothal, he will faithfully preserve for use in the next stage of existence, just as he now carries over from circle to circle those items which he fails to register in the experience of the human subject, owing to the creature's inability, or failure, to give a sufficient degree of co-operation.

108:5.3 (1191.4) One thing you can depend upon: The **Adjusters** will never lose anything committed to their care; never have we known these spirit helpers to default.

Angels and other high types of spirit beings, not excepting the local universe type of Sons, may occasionally embrace evil, may sometimes depart from the divine way, but **Adjusters** never falter. They are absolutely dependable, and this is equally true of all seven groups.

108:5.4 (1191.5) Your **Adjuster** is the potential of your new and next order of existence, the advance bestowal of your eternal sonship with God. By and with the consent of your will, the **Adjuster** has the power to subject the creature trends of the material mind to the transforming actions of the motivations and purposes of the emerging morontial soul.

108:5.5 (1191.6) The **Mystery Monitors** are not thought helpers; they are **thought adjusters**. They labor with the material mind for the purpose of constructing, by adjustment and spiritualization, a new mind for the new worlds and the new name of your future career. Their mission chiefly concerns the future life, not this life. They are called **heavenly helpers**, not earthly helpers. They are not interested in making the mortal career easy; rather are they concerned in making your life reasonably difficult and rugged, so that decisions will be stimulated and multiplied. The presence of a great **Thought Adjuster** does not bestow ease of living and freedom from strenuous thinking, but such a **divine gift** should confer a sublime peace of mind and a superb tranquillity of spirit.

108:5.6 (1192.1) Your transient and ever-changing emotions of joy and sorrow are in the main purely human and material reactions to your internal psychic climate and to your external material environment. Do not, therefore, look to the **Adjuster** for selfish consolation and mortal comfort. It is the business of the **Adjuster** to prepare you for the eternal adventure, to assure your survival. It is not the mission of the **Mystery Monitor** to smooth your ruffled feelings or to minister to your injured pride; it is the preparation of your soul for the long ascending career that engages the attention and occupies the time of the **Adjuster**.

108:5.7 (1192.2) I doubt that I am able to explain to you just what the **Adjusters** do in your minds and for your souls. I do not know that I am fully cognizant of what is really going on in the cosmic association of a **divine Monitor** and a human mind. It is all somewhat of a mystery to us, not as to the plan and purpose but as to the actual mode of accomplishment. And this is just why we are confronted with such difficulty in finding an appropriate name for these **supernal gifts to mortal men**.

108:5.8 (1192.3) The **Thought Adjusters** would like to change your feelings of fear to convictions of love and confidence; but they cannot mechanically and arbitrarily do such things; that is your task. In executing those decisions which deliver you from the fetters of fear, you literally supply the psychic fulcrum on which the Adjuster may subsequently apply a spiritual lever of uplifting and advancing illumination.

108:5.9 (1192.4) When it comes to the sharp and well-defined conflicts between the higher and lower tendencies of the races, between what *really is* right or wrong (not merely what you may call right and wrong), you can depend upon it that the **Adjuster** will

always participate in some definite and active manner in such experiences. The fact that such Adjuster activity may be unconscious to the human partner does not in the least detract from its value and reality.

108:5.10 (1192.5) If you have a personal guardian of destiny and should fail of survival, that guardian angel must be adjudicated in order to receive vindication as to the faithful execution of her trust. But Thought Adjusters are not thus subjected to examination when their subjects fail to survive. We all know that, while an angel might possibly fall short of the perfection of ministry, Thought Adjusters work in the manner of Paradise perfection; their ministry is characterized by a flawless technique which is beyond the possibility of criticism by any being outside of Divinington. You have perfect guides; therefore is the goal of perfection certainly attainable.

RELATION OF ADJUSTERS TO UNIVERSE CREATURES

109:0.1 (1195.1) THE Thought Adjusters are the children of the universe career, and indeed the virgin Adjusters must gain experience while mortal creatures grow and develop. As the personality of the human child expands for the struggles of evolutionary existence, so does the Adjuster wax great in the rehearsals of the next stage of ascending life. As the child acquires adaptative versatility for his adult activities through the social and play life of early childhood, so does the indwelling Adjuster achieve skill for the next stage of cosmic life by virtue of the preliminary mortal planning and rehearsing of those activities which have to do with the morontia career. Human existence constitutes a period of practice which is effectively utilized by the Adjuster in preparing for the increased responsibilities and the greater opportunities of a future life. But the Adjuster's efforts, while living within you, are not so much concerned with the affairs of temporal life and planetary existence. Today, the Thought Adjusters are, as it were, rehearsing the realities of the universe career in the evolving minds of human beings.

[As we begin to recognize the Adjuster's primary purpose of spiritualizing and elevating the mortal mind for the activities and opportunities of the morontial career, the value of an ongoing inner dialogue with the indwelling presence of God becomes more meaningful. It is within this inner dialogue with the divine spirit that plans are formulated and spiritualized, that discerning thought evaluates free will choices and where God consciousness is first approached. "God the Father deals with man his child on the basis, not of actual virtue or worthiness, but in recognition of the child's motivation—the creature purpose and intent. The relationship is one of parent-child association and is actuated by divine love." 103:4.5 (1133.5) This inner life with the presence of our Heavenly Father, guided and nurtured by prayer, worship and meditation, is the garden wherein the cultivation of forgiveness is first recognized and acquired; the dominance of brotherly love acknowledged and enriched; and the fruits of spiritual life seeded and nurtured. "... the Father in heaven judges by the intent." 140:6.4 (1576.4)]

112:2.15 (1229.2) The purpose of cosmic evolution is to achieve unity of personality through increasing spirit dominance, volitional response to the teaching and leading of the **Thought Adjuster**. Personality, both human and superhuman, is characterized by an inherent cosmic quality which may be called “the evolution of dominance,” the expansion of the control of both itself and its environment.

195:10.3 (2084.3) Ever bear in mind—God and men need each other. They are mutually necessary to the full and final attainment of eternal personality experience in the divine destiny of universe finality.

196:3.23 (2095.7) The idealization and attempted service of truth, beauty, and goodness is not a substitute for genuine religious experience — spiritual reality. Psychology and idealism are not the equivalent of religious reality. The projections of the human intellect may indeed originate false gods — gods in man’s image — but the true God-consciousness does not have such an origin. The God-consciousness is resident in the **indwelling spirit**. Many of the religious systems of man come from the formulations of the human intellect, but the God-consciousness is not necessarily a part of these grotesque systems of religious slavery.

196:3.26 (2096.2) The evolutionary mind is able to discover law, morals, and ethics; but the **bestowed spirit**, the **indwelling Adjuster**, reveals to the evolving human mind the lawgiver, the Father-source of all that is true, beautiful, and good; and such an illuminated man has a religion and is spiritually equipped to begin the long and adventurous search for God.

[This characteristic of personality – “the evolution of dominance” – is an underlying aspect of the evolutionary time/space cosmos. With respect to evolutionarily mortal beings, spirit dominance is evolved under the guiding influence of the spirit presences of all three of the existential Deities, and is both intimately associated with and illuminated by the indwelling presence of the **Thought Adjusters**. “(Personality) When bestowed upon evolutionary material creatures, causes spirit to strive for the mastery of energy-matter through the mediation of mind.” 112:0.6 (1225.6) When the Revelators speak of the value of a “unified personality” and of the meaning of “mastery of the mind”, they do so with the intent of associating these character aspects in the augmentation of an act of evolutionary co- creation, the joint effort of the indwelling spirit of God and the mortal personality in the evolution of a perfected finaliter, a seven stage spiritual Son of God.

But make no mistake, this same struggle is also existential at the highest levels of deity function. In the current universal age, God the Sevenfold has undertaken the massive

task of the creation of infinite deity – God the Supreme – via the technique of experiential and existential personality free will choice.

“The spirit struggles of time and space have to do with the evolution of spirit dominance over matter by the mediation of (personal) mind; the physical (nonpersonal) evolution of the universes has to do with bringing cosmic energy into harmony with the equilibrium concepts of mind subject to the overcontrol of spirit. The total evolution of the entire grand universe is a matter of the personality unification of the energy-controlling mind with the spirit-co-ordinated intellect and will be revealed in the full appearance of the almighty power of the Supreme.” 116:5.15 (1274.5)]

Thought Adjuster Function – Personality/ Fusion

TAs and Personality

TA's Source and Creation/ Destiny

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1:3.7 (26.1) In the inner experience of man, mind is joined to matter. Such material-linked minds cannot survive mortal death. The technique of survival is embraced in those adjustments of the human will and those transformations in the mortal mind whereby such a God-conscious intellect gradually becomes spirit taught and eventually spirit led. This evolution of the human mind from matter association to spirit union results in the transmutation of the potentially spirit phases of the mortal mind into the morontia realities of the immortal soul. Mortal mind subservient to matter is destined to become increasingly material and consequently to suffer eventual personality extinction; mind yielded to spirit is destined to become increasingly spiritual and ultimately to achieve oneness with the surviving and guiding **divine spirit** and in this way to attain survival and eternity of personality existence.

9:2.5 (100.7) The presence of the universal spirit of the Eternal Son we *know* — we can unmistakably recognize it. The presence of the Infinite Spirit, the Third Person of Deity, even mortal man may know, for material creatures can actually experience the beneficence of this divine influence which functions as the Holy Spirit of local universe bestowal upon the races of mankind. Human beings can also in some degree become conscious of the **Adjuster**, the **impersonal presence of the Universal Father**. These divine spirits which work for man's uplifting and spiritualization all act in unison and in perfect co-operation. They are as one in the spiritual operation of the plans of mortal ascension and perfection attainment.

12:9.6 (142.1) Mortal man has a spirit nucleus. The mind is a personal-energy system existing around a **divine spirit nucleus** and functioning in a material environment. Such a

living relationship of personal mind and spirit constitutes the universe potential of eternal personality. Real trouble, lasting disappointment, serious defeat, or inescapable death can come only after self-concepts presume fully to displace the governing power of the **central spirit nucleus**, thereby disrupting the cosmic scheme of personality identity.

[The meaning of note in this passage about the destiny of mortal mind is centered in the words "spirit taught, and eventually spirit lead". 1:3.7 (26.1) As with all things mortal, mortal mind, does not have survival value. The potential spirit phases of mortal mind are actualized through personality free will choice in association with the **indwelling spirit of God**, and thus is co-created "the morontial realities of the immortal soul". 1:3.7 (26.1) It is this immortal soul that through a series of advancing, spiritual stages becomes the energy vehicle for the ascending personality through its ascension career and possesses "the universe potential of eternal personality". 12:9.6 (142.1)]

Urantia Personality

16:8.1 (194.1) The Universal Father bestows personality upon numerous orders of beings as they function on diverse levels of universe actuality. Urantia human beings are endowed with personality of the finite-mortal type, functioning on the level of the ascending sons of God.

16:8.2 (194.2) Though we can hardly undertake to define personality, we may attempt to narrate our understanding of the known factors which go to make up the ensemble of material, mental, and spiritual energies whose interassociation constitutes the mechanism wherein and whereon and wherewith the Universal Father causes his **bestowed personality** to function.

16:8.3 (194.3) Personality is a unique endowment of original nature whose existence is independent of, and antecedent to, the bestowal of the **Thought Adjuster**. Nevertheless, the presence of the **Adjuster** does augment the qualitative manifestation of personality. **Thought Adjusters**, when they come forth from the Father, are identical in nature, but personality is diverse, original, and exclusive; and the manifestation of personality is further conditioned and qualified by the nature and qualities of the associated energies of a material, mindal, and spiritual nature which constitute the organismal vehicle for personality manifestation.

16:8.4 (194.4) Personalities may be similar, but they are never the same. Persons of a given series, type, order, or pattern may and do resemble one another, but they are never identical. Personality is that feature of an individual which we know, and which enables us to identify such a being at some future time regardless of the nature and extent of changes in form, mind, or spirit status. Personality is that part of any individual which enables us to recognize and positively identify that person as the one we have previously known, no matter how much he may have changed because of the modification of the vehicle of expression and manifestation of his personality.

16:8.5 (194.5) Creature personality is distinguished by two self-manifesting and characteristic phenomena of mortal reactive behavior: self-consciousness and associated relative free will.

16:8.6 (194.6) Self-consciousness consists in intellectual awareness of personality actuality; it includes the ability to recognize the reality of other personalities. It indicates capacity for individualized experience in and with cosmic realities, equivalent to the attainment of identity status in the personality relationships of the universe. Self-consciousness connotes recognition of the actuality of mind ministrations and the realization of relative independence of creative and determinative free will.

16:8.7 (194.7) The relative free will which characterizes the self-consciousness of human personality is involved in:

1. Moral decision, highest wisdom.
2. Spiritual choice, truth discernment.
3. Unselfish love, brotherhood service.
4. Purposeful co-operation, group loyalty.
5. Cosmic insight, the grasp of universe meanings.
6. Personality dedication, wholehearted devotion to doing the Father's will.
7. Worship, the sincere pursuit of divine values and the wholehearted love of the divine Value-Giver. 16:8.8-14 (194.8-5.1)

16:8.15 (195.2) The Urantia type of human personality may be viewed as functioning in a physical mechanism consisting of the planetary modification of the Nebadon type of organism belonging to the electrochemical order of life activation and endowed with the Nebadon order of the Orvonton series of the cosmic mind of parental reproductive pattern. The bestowal of the divine gift of personality upon such a mind-endowed mortal mechanism confers the dignity of cosmic citizenship and enables such a mortal creature forthwith to become reactive to the constitutive recognition of the three basic mind realities of the cosmos:

1. The mathematical or logical recognition of the uniformity of physical causation.
2. The reasoned recognition of the obligation of moral conduct.
3. The faith-grasp of the fellowship worship of Deity, associated with the loving service of humanity. 16:8.16-18 (195.3-5)

16:8.19 (195.6) The full function of such a personality endowment is the beginning realization of Deity kinship. Such a selfhood, indwelt by a **prepersonal fragment of God the Father**, is in truth and in fact a spiritual son of God. Such a creature not only discloses capacity for the reception of the **gift of the divine presence** but also exhibits reactive response to the personality-gravity circuit of the Paradise Father of all personalities.

Reality of Human Consciousness

16:9.1 (195.7) The cosmic-mind-endowed, Adjuster-indwelt, personal creature possesses innate recognition-realization of energy reality, mind reality, and spirit reality. The will creature is thus equipped to discern the fact, the law, and the love of God. Aside from these three inalienables of human consciousness, all human experience is really subjective except that intuitive realization of validity attaches to the unification of these three universe reality responses of cosmic recognition.

16:9.2 (195.8) The God-discerning mortal is able to sense the unification value of these three cosmic qualities in the evolution of the surviving soul, man's supreme undertaking in the physical tabernacle where the moral mind collaborates with the indwelling divine spirit to dualize the immortal soul. From its earliest inception the soul is real; it has cosmic survival qualities.

[This also is a central concept; that all mortal experiences are basically subjective, except as we mindfully discern their spiritual growth meaning/value in relationship to our "innate recognition-realization of energy reality, mind reality, and spirit reality" 16:9.1 (195.7). From our thoughts and actions, our Thought Adjusters create our immortal soul. We have that innate ability, we need only choose to unify energy, mind and spirit realities as the primary characteristics of our lives. It is a basic fact, the path to immortality lies before us if we would choose to take it.]

16:9.3 (195.9) If mortal man fails to survive natural death, the real spiritual values of his human experience survive as a part of the continuing experience of the Thought Adjuster. The personality values of such a nonsurvivor persist as a factor in the personality of the actualizing Supreme Being. Such persisting qualities of personality are deprived of identity but not of experiential values accumulated during the mortal life in the flesh. The survival of identity is dependent on the survival of the immortal soul of morontia status and increasingly divine value. Personality identity survives in and by the survival of the soul.

16:9.4 (195.10) Human self-consciousness implies the recognition of the reality of selves other than the conscious self and further implies that such awareness is mutual; that the self is known as it knows. This is shown in a purely human manner in man's social life. But you cannot become so absolutely certain of a fellow being's reality as you can of the reality of the presence of God that lives within you. The social consciousness is not inalienable like the God-consciousness; it is a cultural development and is dependent on knowledge, symbols, and the contributions of the constitutive endowments of man—science, morality, and religion. And these cosmic gifts, socialized, constitute civilization.

16:9.5 (196.1) Civilizations are unstable because they are not cosmic; they are not innate in the individuals of the races. They must be nurtured by the combined contributions of the constitutive factors of man—science, morality, and religion. Civilizations come and go, but science, morality, and religion always survive the crash.

16:9.6 (196.2) Jesus not only revealed God to man, but he also made a new revelation of man to himself and to other men. In the life of Jesus you see man at his best. Man thus becomes so beautifully real because Jesus had so much of God in his life, and the realization (recognition) of God is inalienable and constitutive in all men.

16:9.7 (196.3) Unselfishness, aside from parental instinct, is not altogether natural; other persons are not naturally loved or socially served. It requires the enlightenment of reason, morality, and the urge of religion, God-knowingness, to generate an unselfish and altruistic social order. Man's own personality awareness, self-consciousness, is also directly dependent on this very fact of innate other-awareness, this innate ability to recognize and grasp the reality of other personality, ranging from the human to the divine.

16:9.8 (196.4) Unselfish social consciousness must be, at bottom, a religious consciousness; that is, if it is objective; otherwise it is a purely subjective philosophic abstraction and therefore devoid of love. Only a God-knowing individual can love another person as he loves himself.

16:9.9 (196.5) Self-consciousness is in essence a communal consciousness: God and man, Father and son, Creator and creature. In human self-consciousness four universe-reality realizations are latent and inherent:

1. The quest for knowledge, the logic of science.
2. The quest for moral values, the sense of duty.
3. The quest for spiritual values, the religious experience.
4. The quest for personality values, the ability to recognize the reality of God as a personality and the concurrent realization of our fraternal relationship with fellow personalities. 16:9.10-13 (196.6-9)

[The potential's from which we derive recognition of character growth/spiritual growth in our time space evolution are here revealed as innate in human consciousness and valued as knowledge, morality, spirituality, and personality.]

16:9.14 (196.10) You become conscious of man as your creature brother because you are already conscious of God as your Creator Father. Fatherhood is the relationship out of which we reason ourselves into the recognition of brotherhood. And Fatherhood becomes, or may become, a universe reality to all moral creatures because the Father has himself bestowed personality upon all such beings and has encircled them within the grasp of the universal personality circuit. We worship God, first, because he is, then, because he is in us, and last, because we are in him.

16:9.15 (196.11) Is it strange that the cosmic mind should be self-consciously aware of its own source, the infinite mind of the Infinite Spirit, and at the same time conscious of the physical reality of the far-flung universes, the spiritual reality of the Eternal Son, and the personality reality of the Universal Father?

Father-Fused Mortals

40:7.1 (448.8) The sending of **Adjusters**, their indwelling, is indeed one of the unfathomable mysteries of God the Father. These **fragments of the divine nature of the Universal Father** carry with them the potential of creature immortality. **Adjusters** are immortal spirits, and union with them confers eternal life upon the soul of the fused mortal.

40:7.2 (448.9) Your own races of surviving mortals belong to this group of the ascending Sons of God. You are now planetary sons, evolutionary creatures derived from the Life Carrier implantations and modified by the Adamic-life infusion, hardly yet ascending sons; but you are indeed sons of ascension potential — even to the highest heights of glory and divinity attainment — and this spiritual status of ascending sonship you may attain by faith and by freewill co-operation with the spiritualizing activities of the indwelling **Adjuster**. When you and your **Adjusters** are finally and forever fused, when you two are made one, even as in Christ Michael the Son of God and the Son of Man are one, then in fact have you become the ascending sons of God.

40:7.5 (449.3) Fusion with a **fragment of the Universal Father** is equivalent to a divine validation of eventual Paradise attainment, and such **Adjuster**-fused mortals are the only class of human beings who all traverse the Havona circuits and find God on Paradise. To the **Adjuster**-fused mortal the career of universal service is wide open. What dignity of destiny and glory of attainment await every one of you! Do you fully appreciate what has been done for you? Do you comprehend the grandeur of the heights of eternal achievement which are spread out before you? — even you who now trudge on in the lowly path of life through your so-called “vale of tears”?

Son-Fused Mortals

40:8.1 (449.4) While practically all surviving mortals are fused with their **Adjusters** on one of the mansion worlds or immediately upon their arrival on the higher morontia spheres, there are certain cases of delayed fusion, some not experiencing this final surety of survival until they reach the last educational worlds of the universe headquarters; and a few of these mortal candidates for never-ending life utterly fail to attain identity fusion with their faithful **Adjusters**.

40:8.2 (449.5) Such mortals have been deemed worthy of survival by the adjudicational authorities, and even their **Adjusters**, by returning from Divinington, have concurred in their ascension to the mansion worlds. Such beings have ascended through a system, a constellation, and through the educational worlds of the Salvington circuit; they have enjoyed the “seventy times seven” opportunities for fusion and still have been unable to attain oneness with their **Adjusters**.

40:8.3 (449.6) When it becomes apparent that some synchronizing difficulty is inhibiting Father fusion, the survival referees of the Creator Son are convened. And when this court of inquiry, sanctioned by a personal representative of the Ancients of Days, finally

determines that the ascending mortal is not guilty of any discoverable cause for failure to attain fusion, they so certify on the records of the local universe and duly transmit this finding to the Ancients of Days. Thereupon does the indwelling **Adjuster** return forthwith to Divinington for confirmation by the **Personalized Monitors**, and upon this leave-taking the morontia mortal is immediately fused with an individualized gift of the spirit of the Creator Son.

40:8.4 (450.1) Much as the morontia spheres of Nebadon are shared with the Spirit-fused mortals, so do these Son-fused creatures share the services of Orvonton with their **Adjuster**-fused brethren who are journeying inward towards the far-distant Isle of Paradise. They are truly your brethren, and you will greatly enjoy their association as you pass through the training worlds of the superuniverse.

40:8.5 (450.2) Son-fused mortals are not a numerous group, there being less than one million of them in the superuniverse of Orvonton. Aside from residential destiny on Paradise they are in every way the equals of their **Adjuster**-fused associates. They frequently journey to Paradise on superuniverse assignment but seldom permanently reside there, being, as a class, confined to the superuniverse of their nativity.

Spirit-Fused Mortals

40:9.1 (450.3) Ascending Spirit-fused mortals are not Third Source personalities; they are included in the Father's personality circuit, but they have fused with **individualizations of the premind spirit of the Third Source and Center**. Such Spirit fusion never occurs during the span of natural life; it takes place only at the time of mortal reawakening in the morontia existence on the mansion worlds. In the fusion experience there is no overlapping; the will creature is either Spirit fused, Son fused, or Father fused. Those who are **Adjuster** or Father fused are never Spirit or Son fused.

40:9.2 (450.4) The fact that these types of mortal creatures are not **Adjuster**-fusion candidates does not prevent the **Adjusters** from indwelling them during the life in the flesh. **Adjusters** do work in the minds of such beings during the span of material life but never become everlastingly one with their pupil souls. During this temporary sojourn the **Adjusters** effectively build up the same spirit counterpart of mortal nature—the soul—that they do in the candidates for **Adjuster** fusion. Up to the time of mortal death the work of the **Adjusters** is wholly akin to their function in your own races, but upon mortal dissolution the **Adjusters** take eternal leave of these Spirit-fusion candidates and, proceeding directly to Divinington, the headquarters of all divine **Monitors**, there await the new assignments of their order.

40:9.3 (450.5) When such sleeping survivors are repersonalized on the mansion worlds, the place of the departed **Adjuster** is filled by an **individualization of the spirit of the Divine Minister**, the representative of the Infinite Spirit in the local universe concerned. This spirit infusion constitutes these surviving creatures Spirit-fused mortals. Such beings are in every way your equals in mind and spirit; and they are indeed your

contemporaries, sharing the mansion and morontia spheres in common with your order of fusion candidates and with those who are to be Son fused.

40:9.4 (450.6) There is, however, one particular in which Spirit-fused mortals differ from their ascendant brethren: Mortal memory of human experience on the material worlds of origin survives death in the flesh because the indwelling **Adjuster** has acquired a spirit counterpart, or transcript, of those events of human life which were of spiritual significance. But with Spirit-fused mortals there exists no such mechanism whereby human memory may persist. The **Adjuster** transcripts of memory are full and intact, but these acquisitions are experiential possessions of the departed **Adjusters** and are not available to the creatures of their former indwelling, who therefore awaken in the resurrection halls of the morontia spheres of Nebadon as if they were newly created beings, creatures without consciousness of former existence.

40:9.5 (451.1) Such children of the local universe are enabled to repossess themselves of much of their former human memory experience through having it retold by the associated seraphim and cherubim and by consulting the records of the mortal career filed by the recording angels. This they can do with undoubted assurance because the surviving soul, of experiential origin in the material and mortal life, while having no memory of mortal events, does have a residual experiential-recognition-response to these unremembered events of past experience.

40:9.6 (451.2) When a Spirit-fused mortal is told about the events of the unremembered past experience, there is an immediate response of experiential recognition within the soul (identity) of such a survivor which instantly invests the narrated event with the emotional tinge of reality and with the intellectual quality of fact; and this dual response constitutes the reconstruction, recognition, and validation of an unremembered facet of mortal experience.

40:9.7 (451.3) Even with **Adjuster**-fusion candidates, only those human experiences which were of spiritual value are common possessions of the surviving mortal and the returning **Adjuster** and hence are immediately remembered subsequent to mortal survival. Concerning those happenings which were not of spiritual significance, even these **Adjuster**-fusers must depend upon the attribute of recognition-response in the surviving soul. And since any one event may have a spiritual connotation to one mortal but not to another, it becomes possible for a group of contemporary ascenders from the same planet to pool their store of **Adjuster**-remembered events and thus to reconstruct any experience which they had in common, and which was of spiritual value in the life of any one of them.

40:9.8 (451.4) While we understand such techniques of memory reconstruction fairly well, we do not grasp the technique of personality recognition. Personalities of onetime association mutually respond quite independently of the operation of memory, albeit, memory itself and the techniques of its reconstruction are necessary to invest such mutual personality response with the fullness of recognition.

40:9.9 (451.5) A Spirit-fused survivor is also able to learn much about the life he lived in the flesh by revisiting his nativity world subsequent to the planetary dispensation in which he lived. Such children of Spirit fusion are enabled to enjoy these opportunities for investigating their human careers since they are in general confined to the service of the local universe. They do not share your high and exalted destiny in the Paradise Corps of the Finality; only Adjuster-fused mortals or other especially embraced ascendant beings are mustered into the ranks of those who await the eternal Deity adventure. Spirit-fused mortals are the permanent citizens of the local universes; they may aspire to Paradise destiny, but they cannot be sure of it. In Nebadon their universe home is the eighth group of worlds encircling Salvington, a destiny-heaven of nature and location much like the one envisioned by the planetary traditions of Urantia.

Ascendant Destinies

40:10.1 (452.1) Spirit-fused mortals are, generally speaking, confined to a local universe; Son-fused survivors are restricted to a superuniverse; Adjuster-fused mortals are destined to penetrate the universe of universes. The spirits of mortal fusion always ascend to the level of origin; such spirit entities unflinchingly return to the sphere of primal source.

40:10.11 (453.6) Father-fused mortals are potential finaliters; their destination is the Universal Father, and him they do attain, but within the purview of the present universe age, finaliters, as such, are not destiny attainers. They remain unfinished creatures—sixth-stage spirits—and hence nonactive in the evolutionary domains of prelight-and-life status.

40:10.12 (454.1) When a mortal finaliter is Trinity embraced — becomes a Trinitized Son, such as a Mighty Messenger — then has that finaliter attained destiny, at least for the present universe age. Mighty Messengers and their fellows may not in the exact sense be seventh-stage spirits, but in addition to other things the Trinity embrace endows them with everything which a finaliter will sometime achieve as a seventh-stage spirit. After Spirit-fused or Son-fused mortals are trinitized, they pass through the Paradise experience with the Adjuster-fused ascenders, with whom they are then identical in all matters pertaining to superuniverse administration. These Trinitized Sons of Selection or of Attainment at least for now are finished creatures, in contrast to the finaliters, who are at present unfinished creatures.

40:10.14 (454.3) As mortals you can now recognize your place in the family of divine sonship and begin to sense the obligation to avail yourselves of the advantages so freely provided in and by the Paradise plan for mortal survival, which plan has been so enhanced and illuminated by the life experience of a bestowal Son. Every facility and all power have been provided for insuring your ultimate attainment of the Paradise goal of divine perfection.

45:7.1 (517.3) The Melchizedeks are the directors of that large corps of instructors — partially spiritualized will creatures and others — who function so acceptably on Jerusem and its associated worlds but especially on the seven mansion worlds. These are the detention planets, where those mortals who fail to achieve fusion with their indwelling **Adjusters** during the life in the flesh are rehabilitated in transient form to receive further help and to enjoy extended opportunity for continuing their strivings for spiritual attainment, those very efforts which were prematurely interrupted by death. Or if, for any other reason of hereditary handicap, unfavorable environment, or conspiracy of circumstances, this soul attainment was not completed, no matter what the reason, all who are true of purpose and worthy in spirit find themselves, as themselves, present on the continuing planets, where they must learn to master the essentials of the eternal career, to possess themselves of traits which they could not, or did not, acquire during the lifetime in the flesh.

45:7.8 (518.4) Under the supervision of the Melchizedeks the ascending mortals, especially those who are tardy in their personality unification on the new morontia levels, are taken in hand by the Material Sons and are given intensive training designed to rectify such deficiencies. No ascending mortal leaves the system headquarters for the more extensive and varied socialization career of the constellation until these Material Sons certify to the achievement of mota personality — an individuality combining the completed mortal existence in experiential association with the budding morontia career, both being duly blended by the spiritual overcontrol of the **Thought Adjuster**.

47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached **Thought Adjusters**; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such **Adjusters**. The creature mind-matrix and the passive potentials of identity are present in the morontia soul intrusted to the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardians. And it is the reuniting of the morontia-soul trust of the seraphim and the spirit-mind trust of the **Adjuster** that reassembles creature personality and constitutes resurrection of a sleeping survivor.

The Planetary Series of Mortals

49:5.1 (565.2) It will be somewhat difficult to make an adequate portrayal of the planetary series of mortals because you know so little about them, and because there are so many variations. Mortal creatures may, however, be studied from numerous viewpoints, among which are the following:

1. Adjustment to planetary environment.
2. Brain-type series.
3. Spirit-reception series.
4. Planetary-mortal epochs.

5. Creature-kinship serials.

6. Adjuster-fusion series.

7. Techniques of terrestrial escape. 49:5.2-8 (565.3-9)

49:5.9 (565.10) The inhabited spheres of the seven superuniverses are peopled with mortals who simultaneously classify in some one or more categories of each of these seven generalized classes of evolutionary creature life. But even these general classifications make no provision for such beings as midsoniters nor for certain other forms of intelligent life. The inhabited worlds, as they have been presented in these narratives, are peopled with evolutionary mortal creatures, but there are other life forms.

49:5.19 (566.7) 3. Spirit-reception series. There are three groups of mind design as related to contact with spirit affairs. This classification does not refer to the one-, two-, and three-brained orders of mortals; it refers primarily to gland chemistry, more particularly to the organization of certain glands comparable to the pituitary bodies. The races on some worlds have one gland, on others two, as do Urantians, while on still other spheres the races have three of these unique bodies. The inherent imagination and spiritual receptivity is definitely influenced by this differential chemical endowment.

49:5.20 (566.8) Of the spirit-reception types, sixty-five per cent are of the second group, like the Urantia races. Twelve per cent are of the first type, naturally less receptive, while twenty-three per cent are more spiritually inclined during terrestrial life. But such distinctions do not survive natural death; all of these racial differences pertain only to the life in the flesh.

49:5.31 (568.2) 6. Adjuster-fusion series. The spiritual classification or grouping of all mortals during their prefusion experience is wholly determined by the relation of the personality status to the indwelling Mystery Monitor. Almost ninety per cent of the inhabited worlds of Neadon are peopled with Adjuster-fusion mortals in contrast with a near-by universe where scarcely more than one half of the worlds harbor beings who are Adjuster-indwelt candidates for eternal fusion.

49:6.1 (568.4) All of the differing physical types and planetary series of mortals alike enjoy the ministry of Thought Adjusters, guardian angels, and the various orders of the messenger hosts of the Infinite Spirit. All alike are liberated from the bonds of flesh by the emancipation of natural death, and all alike go thence to the morontia worlds of spiritual evolution and mind progress.

56:2.2 (638.6) Mind is the functional endowment of the Infinite Spirit, therefore infinite in potential and universal in bestowal. The primal thought of the Universal Father eternalizes in dual expression: the Isle of Paradise and his Deity equal, the spiritual and Eternal Son. Such duality of eternal reality renders the mind God, the Infinite Spirit, inevitable. Mind is the indispensable channel of communication between spiritual and material realities. The material evolutionary creature can conceive and comprehend the indwelling spirit only by the ministry of mind.

56:3.5 (639.5) Perfected creature existence can be attained, sustained, and eternalized by the fusion of self-conscious mind with a fragment of the pre-Trinity spirit endowment of some one of the persons of the Paradise Trinity. The mortal mind is the creation of the Sons and Daughters of the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit and, when fused with the **Thought Adjuster** from the Father, partakes of the threefold spirit endowment of the evolutionary realms. But these three spirit expressions become perfectly unified in the finalizers, even as they were in eternity so unified in the Universal I AM ere he ever became the Universal Father of the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit.

The Attainment of Immortality

110:7.1 (1212.2) The achievement of the seven cosmic circles does not equal **Adjuster** fusion. There are many mortals living on Urantia who have attained their circles; but fusion depends on yet other greater and more sublime spiritual achievements, upon the attainment of a final and complete attunement of the mortal will with the will of God as it is resident in the **Thought Adjuster**.

110:7.2 (1212.3) When a human being has completed the circles of cosmic achievement, and further, when the final choosing of the mortal will permits the **Adjuster** to complete the association of human identity with the morontial soul during evolutionary and physical life, then do such consummated liaisons of soul and **Adjuster** go on independently to the mansion worlds, and there is issued the mandate from Uversa which provides for the immediate fusion of the **Adjuster** and the morontial soul. This fusion during physical life instantly consumes the material body; the human beings who might witness such a spectacle would only observe the translating mortal disappear "in chariots of fire."

110:7.3 (1212.4) Most **Adjusters** who have translated their subjects from Urantia were highly experienced and of record as previous indwellers of numerous mortals on other spheres. Remember, **Adjusters** gain valuable indwelling experience on planets of the loan order; it does not follow that **Adjusters** only gain experience for advanced work in those mortal subjects who fail to survive.

110:7.4 (1212.5) Subsequent to mortal fusion the **Adjusters** share your destiny and experience; *they are you*. After the fusion of the immortal morontia soul and the associated **Adjuster**, all of the experience and all of the values of the one eventually become the possession of the other, so that the two are actually one entity. In a certain sense, this new being is of the eternal past as well as for the eternal future. All that was once human in the surviving soul and all that is experientially divine in the **Adjuster** now become the actual possession of the new and ever-ascending universe personality. But on each universe level the **Adjuster** can endow the new creature only with those attributes which are meaningful and of value on that level. An absolute *oneness* with the **divine Monitor**, a complete exhaustion of the endowment of an **Adjuster**, can only be

achieved in eternity subsequent to the final attainment of the Universal Father, the Father of spirits, ever the source of these **divine gifts**.

110:7.5 (1212.6) When the evolving soul and the **divine Adjuster** are finally and eternally fused, each gains all of the experiential qualities of the other. This co-ordinate personality possesses all of the experiential memory of survival once held by the ancestral mortal mind and then resident in the morontia soul, and in addition thereto this potential finaliter embraces all the experiential memory of the **Adjuster** throughout the mortal indwellings of all time. But it will require an eternity of the future for an **Adjuster** ever completely to endow the personality partnership with the meanings and values which the divine **Monitor** carries forward from the eternity of the past.

110:7.6 (1213.1) But with the vast majority of Urantians the **Adjuster** must patiently await the arrival of death deliverance; must await the liberation of the emerging soul from the well-nigh complete domination of the energy patterns and chemical forces inherent in your material order of existence. The chief difficulty you experience in contacting with your **Adjusters** consists in this very inherent material nature. So few mortals are real thinkers; you do not spiritually develop and discipline your minds to the point of favorable liaison with the divine **Adjusters**. The ear of the human mind is almost deaf to the spiritual pleas which the **Adjuster** translates from the manifold messages of the universal broadcasts of love proceeding from the Father of mercies. The **Adjuster** finds it almost impossible to register these inspiring spirit leadings in an animal mind so completely dominated by the chemical and electrical forces inherent in your physical natures.

110:7.7 (1213.2) Adjusters rejoice to make contact with the mortal mind; but they must be patient through the long years of silent sojourn during which they are unable to break through animal resistance and directly communicate with you. The higher the Thought Adjusters ascend in the scale of service, the more efficient they become. But never can they greet you, in the flesh, with the same full, sympathetic, and expressionful affection as they will when you discern them mind to mind on the mansion worlds.

110:7.8 (1213.3) During mortal life the material body and mind separate you from your **Adjuster** and prevent free communication; subsequent to death, after the eternal fusion, you and the **Adjuster** are one — you are not distinguishable as separate beings — and thus there exists no need for communication as you would understand it.

110:7.9 (1213.4) While the voice of the **Adjuster** is ever within you, most of you will hear it seldom during a lifetime. Human beings below the third and second circles of attainment rarely hear the **Adjuster's** direct voice except in moments of supreme desire, in a supreme situation, and consequent upon a supreme decision.

110:7.10 (1213.5) During the making and breaking of a contact between the mortal mind of a destiny reservist and the planetary supervisors, sometimes the indwelling **Adjuster** is so situated that it becomes possible to transmit a message to the mortal partner. Not long since, on Urantia, such a message was transmitted by a **self-acting**

Adjuster to the human associate, a member of the reserve corps of destiny. This message was introduced by these words: "And now, without injury or jeopardy to the subject of my solicitous devotion and without intent to overchastise or discourage, for me, make record of this my plea to him." Then followed a beautifully touching and appealing admonition. Among other things, the **Adjuster** pleaded "that he more faithfully give me his sincere co-operation, more cheerfully endure the tasks of my emplacement, more faithfully carry out the program of my arrangement, more patiently go through the trials of my selection, more persistently and cheerfully tread the path of my choosing, more humbly receive credit that may accrue as a result of my ceaseless endeavors — thus transmit my admonition to the man of my indwelling. Upon him I bestow the supreme devotion and affection of a **divine spirit**. And say further to my beloved subject that I will function with wisdom and power until the very end, until the last earth struggle is over; I will be true to my personality trust. And I exhort him to survival, not to disappoint me, not to deprive me of the reward of my patient and intense struggle. On the human will our achievement of personality depends. Circle by circle I have patiently ascended this human mind, and I have testimony that I am meeting the approval of the chief of my kind. Circle by circle I am passing on to judgment. I await with pleasure and without apprehension the roll call of destiny; I am prepared to submit all to the tribunals of the Ancients of Days."

111:3.1 (1218.9) The mistakes of mortal mind and the errors of human conduct may markedly delay the evolution of the soul, although they cannot inhibit such a morontia phenomenon when once it has been initiated by the indwelling **Adjuster** with the consent of the creature will. But at any time prior to mortal death this same material and human will is empowered to rescind such a choice and to reject survival. Even after survival the ascending mortal still retains this prerogative of choosing to reject eternal life; at any time before fusion with the **Adjuster** the evolving and ascending creature can choose to forsake the will of the Paradise Father. Fusion with the **Adjuster** signals the fact that the ascending mortal has eternally and unreservedly chosen to do the Father's will.

PERSONALITY SURVIVAL

112:0.1 (1225.1) THE evolutionary planets are the spheres of human origin, the initial worlds of the ascending mortal career. Urantia is your starting point; here you and your divine **Thought Adjuster** are joined in temporary union. You have been endowed with a **perfect guide**; therefore, if you will sincerely run the race of time and gain the final goal of faith, the reward of the ages shall be yours; you will be eternally united with your **indwelling Adjuster**. Then will begin your real life, the ascending life, to which your present mortal state is but the vestibule. Then will begin your exalted and progressive mission as finaliters in the eternity which stretches out before you. And throughout all of these successive ages and stages of evolutionary growth, there is one part of you that

remains absolutely unaltered, and that is personality—permanence in the presence of change.

112:0.2 (1225.2) While it would be presumptuous to attempt the definition of personality, it may prove helpful to recount some of the things which are known about personality:

1. Personality is that quality in reality which is bestowed by the Universal Father himself or by the Conjoint Actor, acting for the Father.

2. It may be bestowed upon any living energy system which includes mind or spirit.

3. It is not wholly subject to the fetters of antecedent causation. It is relatively creative or cocreative.

4. When bestowed upon evolutionary material creatures, it causes spirit to strive for the mastery of energy-matter through the mediation of mind.

5 Personality, while devoid of identity, can unify the identity of any living energy system.

6. It discloses only qualitative response to the personality circuit in contradistinction to the three energies which show both qualitative and quantitative response to gravity.

7. Personality is changeless in the presence of change.

112:0.10 (1225.10) 8. It can make a gift to God—dedication of the free will to the doing of the will of God.

9. It is characterized by morality — awareness of relativity of relationship with other persons. It discerns conduct levels and choosingly discriminates between them.

10. Personality is unique, absolutely unique: It is unique in time and space; it is unique in eternity and on Paradise; it is unique when bestowed—there are no duplicates; it is unique during every moment of existence; it is unique in relation to God—he is no respecter of persons, but neither does he add them together, for they are nonaddable—they are associable but nontotalable.

11. Personality responds directly to other-personality presence.

12. It is one thing which can be added to spirit, thus illustrating the primacy of the Father in relation to the Son. (Mind does not have to be added to spirit.)

13. Personality may survive mortal death with identity in the surviving soul. The Adjuster and the personality are changeless; the relationship between them (in the soul) is nothing but change, continuing evolution; and if this change (growth) ceased, the soul would cease.

14. Personality is uniquely conscious of time, and this is something other than the time perception of mind or spirit. 112:0.3-16 (1225.3-6.4)

Personality and Reality

112:1.1 (1226.5) Personality is bestowed by the Universal Father upon his creatures as a potentially eternal endowment. Such a divine gift is designed to function on numerous levels and in successive universe situations ranging from the lowly finite to the highest absonite, even to the borders of the absolute. Personality thus performs on three cosmic planes or in three universe phases:

1. Position status. Personality functions equally efficiently in the local universe, in the superuniverse, and in the central universe.
2. Meaning status. Personality performs effectively on the levels of the finite, the absonite, and even as impinging upon the absolute.
3. Value status. Personality can be experientially realized in the progressive realms of the material, the morontial, and the spiritual. 112:1.2-4 (1226.6-8)

112:1.5 (1226.9) Personality has a perfected range of cosmic dimensional performance. The dimensions of finite personality are three, and they are roughly functional as follows:

1. Length represents direction and nature of progression—movement through space and according to time—evolution.
2. Vertical depth embraces the organismal drives and attitudes, the varying levels of self-realization and the general phenomenon of reaction to environment.
3. Breadth embraces the domain of co-ordination, association, and selfhood organization. 112:1.6-8 (1226.10-12)

112:1.9 (1226.13) The type of personality bestowed upon Urantia mortals has a potentiality of seven dimensions of self-expression or person-realization. These dimensional phenomena are realizable as three on the finite level, three on the absonite level, and one on the absolute level. On subabsolute levels this seventh or totality dimension is experiential as the fact of personality. This supreme dimension is an associable absolute and, while not infinite, is dimensionally potential for subinfinite penetration of the absolute.

112:1.10 (1226.14) The finite dimensions of personality have to do with cosmic length, depth, and breadth. Length denotes meaning; depth signifies value; breadth embraces insight—the capacity to experience unchallengeable consciousness of cosmic reality.

112:1.11 (1227.1) On the morontia level all of these finite dimensions of the material level are greatly enhanced, and certain new dimensional values are realizable. All these enlarged dimensional experiences of the morontia level are marvelously articulated with the supreme or personality dimension through the influence of mota and also because of the contribution of morontia mathematics.

112:1.12 (1227.2) Much trouble experienced by mortals in their study of human personality could be avoided if the finite creature would remember that dimensional levels and spiritual levels are not co-ordinated in experiential personality realization.

112:1.13 (1227.3) Life is really a process which takes place between the organism (selfhood) and its environment. The personality imparts value of identity and meanings

of continuity to this organismal-environmental association. Thus it will be recognized that the phenomenon of stimulus-response is not a mere mechanical process since the personality functions as a factor in the total situation. It is ever true that mechanisms are innately passive; organisms, inherently active.

112:1.14 (1227.4) Physical life is a process taking place not so much within the organism as between the organism and the environment. And every such process tends to create and establish organismal patterns of reaction to such an environment. And all such directive patterns are highly influential in goal choosing.

112:1.15 (1227.5) It is through the mediation of mind that the self and the environment establish meaningful contact. The ability and willingness of the organism to make such significant contacts with environment (response to a drive) represents the attitude of the whole personality.

112:1.16 (1227.6) Personality cannot very well perform in isolation. Man is innately a social creature; he is dominated by the craving of belongingness. It is literally true, "No man lives unto himself."

112:1.17 (1227.7) But the concept of the personality as the meaning of the whole of the living and functioning creature means much more than the integration of relationships; it signifies the unification of all factors of reality as well as co-ordination of relationships. Relationships exist between two objects, but three or more objects eventuate a system, and such a system is much more than just an enlarged or complex relationship. This distinction is vital, for in a cosmic system the individual members are not connected with each other except in relation to the whole and through the individuality of the whole.

112:1.18 (1227.8) In the human organism the summation of its parts constitutes selfhood—individuality—but such a process has nothing whatever to do with personality, which is the unifier of all these factors as related to cosmic realities.

112:1.19 (1227.9) In aggregations parts are added; in systems parts are arranged. Systems are significant because of organization—positional values. In a good system all factors are in cosmic position. In a bad system something is either missing or displaced—deranged. In the human system it is the personality which unifies all activities and in turn imparts the qualities of identity and creativity.

[Personality is a unique gift of the Universal Creator Father. Mortal personality evolves in time /space through a progressive series of mind associations in material, morontial and spiritual forms and through environments spanning material to near absolute. Personality achieves progressive levels of meaning/ value through the technique of personal choice cocreating divinity perfection and relationship integration with all levels of deity – Personal, Supreme, Ultimate, and Absolute. It is my opinion that personality is a means by which the Unqualified Absolute achieves deity expansion.]

The Self

112:2.1 (1227.10) It would be helpful in the study of selfhood to remember:

1. That physical systems are subordinate.
2. That intellectual systems are co-ordinate.
3. That personality is superordinate.
4. That the indwelling spiritual force is potentially directive. 112:2.2-5 (1227.11-14)

112:2.6 (1228.1) In all concepts of selfhood it should be recognized that the fact of life comes first, its evaluation or interpretation later. The human child first lives and subsequently thinks about his living. In the cosmic economy insight precedes foresight.

112:2.7 (1228.2) The universe fact of God's becoming man has forever changed all meanings and altered all values of human personality. In the true meaning of the word, love connotes mutual regard of whole personalities, whether human or divine or human and divine. Parts of the self may function in numerous ways—thinking, feeling, wishing—but only the co-ordinated attributes of the whole personality are focused in intelligent action; and all of these powers are associated with the spiritual endowment of the mortal mind when a human being sincerely and unselfishly loves another being, human or divine.

112:2.8 (1228.3) All mortal concepts of reality are based on the assumption of the actuality of human personality; all concepts of superhuman realities are based on the experience of the human personality with and in the cosmic realities of certain associated spiritual entities and divine personalities. Everything nonspiritual in human experience, excepting personality, is a means to an end. Every true relationship of mortal man with other persons—human or divine—is an end in itself. And such fellowship with the personality of Deity is the eternal goal of universe ascension.

112:2.9 (1228.4) The possession of personality identifies man as a spiritual being since the unity of selfhood and the self-consciousness of personality are endowments of the supermaterial world. The very fact that a mortal materialist can deny the existence of supermaterial realities in and of itself demonstrates the presence, and indicates the working, of spirit synthesis and cosmic consciousness in his human mind.

112:2.10 (1228.5) There exists a great cosmic gulf between matter and thought, and this gulf is immeasurably greater between material mind and spiritual love. Consciousness, much less self-consciousness, cannot be explained by any theory of mechanistic electronic association or materialistic energy phenomena.

112:2.11 (1228.6) As mind pursues reality to its ultimate analysis, matter vanishes to the material senses but may still remain real to mind. When spiritual insight pursues that reality which remains after the disappearance of matter and pursues it to an ultimate analysis, it vanishes to mind, but the insight of spirit can still perceive cosmic realities and supreme values of a spiritual nature. Accordingly does science give way to philosophy, while philosophy must surrender to the conclusions inherent in genuine

spiritual experience. Thinking surrenders to wisdom, and wisdom is lost in enlightened and reflective worship.

112:2.12 (1228.7) In science the human self observes the material world; philosophy is the observation of this observation of the material world; religion, true spiritual experience, is the experiential realization of the cosmic reality of the observation of the observation of all this relative synthesis of the energy materials of time and space. To build a philosophy of the universe on an exclusive materialism is to ignore the fact that all things material are initially conceived as real in the experience of human consciousness. The observer cannot be the thing observed; evaluation demands some degree of transcendence of the thing which is evaluated.

112:2.13 (1228.8) In time, thinking leads to wisdom and wisdom leads to worship; in eternity, worship leads to wisdom, and wisdom eventuates in the finality of thought.

112:2.14 (1229.1) The possibility of the unification of the evolving self is inherent in the qualities of its constitutive factors: the basic energies, the master tissues, the fundamental chemical overcontrol, the supreme ideas, the supreme motives, the supreme goals, and the **divine spirit of Paradise bestowal**—the secret of the self-consciousness of man's spiritual nature.

112:2.15 (1229.2) The purpose of cosmic evolution is to achieve unity of personality through increasing spirit dominance, volitional response to the teaching and leading of the **Thought Adjuster**. Personality, both human and superhuman, is characterized by an inherent cosmic quality which may be called "the evolution of dominance," the expansion of the control of both itself and its environment.

112:2.16 (1229.3) An ascending onetime human personality passes through two great phases of increasing volitional dominance over the self and in the universe:

1. The prefinaliter or God-seeking experience of augmenting the self-realization through a technique of identity expansion and actualization together with cosmic problem solving and consequent universe mastery.
- 2 The postfinaliter or God-revealing experience of the creative expansion of self-realization through revealing the Supreme Being of experience to the God-seeking intelligences who have not yet attained the divine levels of Godlikeness.

112:2.17-18 (1229.4-5)

112:2.19 (1229.6) Descending personalities attain analogous experiences through their various universe adventures as they seek for enlarged capacity for ascertaining and executing the divine wills of the Supreme, Ultimate, and Absolute Deities.

112:2.20 (1229.7) The material self, the ego-entity of human identity, is dependent during the physical life on the continuing function of the material life vehicle, on the continued existence of the unbalanced equilibrium of energies and intellect which, on Urantia, has been given the name life. But selfhood of survival value, selfhood that can transcend the experience of death, is only evolved by establishing a potential transfer of the seat of the identity of the evolving personality from the transient life vehicle—the

material body—to the more enduring and immortal nature of the morontia soul and on beyond to those levels whereon the soul becomes infused with, and eventually attains the status of, spirit reality. This actual transfer from material association to morontia identification is effected by the sincerity, persistence, and steadfastness of the God-seeking decisions of the human creature.

The Phenomenon of Death

112:3.1 (1229.8) Urartians generally recognize only one kind of death, the physical cessation of life energies; but concerning personality survival there are really three kinds:

1. Spiritual (soul) death. If and when mortal man has finally rejected survival, when he has been pronounced spiritually insolvent, morontially bankrupt, in the conjoint opinion of the **Adjuster** and the surviving seraphim, when such coordinate advice has been recorded on Uversa, and after the Censors and their reflective associates have verified these findings, thereupon do the rulers of Orvonton order the immediate release of the **indwelling Monitor**. But this release of the **Adjuster** in no way affects the duties of the personal or group seraphim concerned with that **Adjuster**-abandoned individual. This kind of death is final in its significance irrespective of the temporary continuation of the living energies of the physical and mind mechanisms. From the cosmic standpoint the mortal is already dead; the continuing life merely indicates the persistence of the material momentum of cosmic energies.
2. Intellectual (mind) death. When the vital circuits of higher adjutant ministry are disrupted through the aberrations of intellect or because of the partial destruction of the mechanism of the brain, and if these conditions pass a certain critical point of irreparability, the **indwelling Adjuster** is immediately released to depart for Divinington. On the universe records a mortal personality is considered to have met with death whenever the essential mind circuits of human will-action have been destroyed. And again, this is death, irrespective of the continuing function of the living mechanism of the physical body. The body minus the volitional mind is no longer human, but according to the prior choosing of the human will, the soul of such an individual may survive.
3. Physical (body and mind) death. When death overtakes a human being, the **Adjuster** remains in the citadel of the mind until it ceases to function as an intelligent mechanism, about the time that the measurable brain energies cease their rhythmic vital pulsations. Following this dissolution the **Adjuster** takes leave of the vanishing mind, just as unceremoniously as entry was made years before, and proceeds to Divinington by way of Uversa. 112:3.2-4 (1229.9-30.2)

112:3.5 (1230.3) After death the material body returns to the elemental world from which it was derived, but two nonmaterial factors of surviving personality persist: The

pre-existent **Thought Adjuster**, with the memory transcription of the mortal career, proceeds to Divinington; and there also remains, in the custody of the destiny guardian, the immortal morontia soul of the deceased human. These phases and forms of soul, these once kinetic but now static formulas of identity, are essential to repersonalization on the morontia worlds; and it is the reunion of the **Adjuster** and the soul that reassembles the surviving personality, that reconsciousizes you at the time of the morontia awakening.

112:3.6 (1230.4) For those who do not have personal seraphic guardians, the group custodians faithfully and efficiently perform the same service of identity safekeeping and personality resurrection. The seraphim are indispensable to the reassembly of personality.

112:3.7 (1230.5) Upon death the **Thought Adjuster** temporarily loses personality, but not identity; the human subject temporarily loses identity, but not personality; on the mansion worlds both reunite in eternal manifestation. Never does a departed **Thought Adjuster** return to earth as the being of former indwelling; never is personality manifested without the human will; and never does a dis-**Adjusted** human being after death manifest active identity or in any manner establish communication with the living beings of earth. Such dis-**Adjusted** souls are wholly and absolutely unconscious during the long or short sleep of death. There can be no exhibition of any sort of personality or ability to engage in communications with other personalities until after completion of survival. Those who go to the mansion worlds are not permitted to send messages back to their loved ones. It is the policy throughout the universes to forbid such communication during the period of a current dispensation.

Adjusters After Death

112:4.1 (1231.1) When death of a material, intellectual, or spiritual nature occurs, the **Adjuster** bids farewell to the mortal host and departs for Divinington. From the headquarters of the local universe and the superuniverse a reflective contact is made with the supervisors of both governments, and the **Monitor** is registered out by the same number that recorded entry into the domains of time.

112:4.2 (1231.2) In some way not fully understood, the Universal Censors are able to gain possession of an epitome of the human life as it is embodied in the **Adjuster's** duplicate transcription of the spiritual values and morontia meanings of the indwelt mind. The Censors are able to appropriate the **Adjuster's** version of the deceased human's survival character and spiritual qualities, and all this data, together with the seraphic records, is available for presentation at the time of the adjudication of the individual concerned. This information is also used to confirm those superuniverse mandates which make it possible for certain ascenders immediately to begin their morontia careers, upon mortal dissolution to proceed to the mansion worlds ahead of the formal termination of a planetary dispensation.

112:4.3 (1231.3) Subsequent to physical death, except in individuals translated from among the living, the released Adjuster goes immediately to the home sphere of Divinington. The details of what transpires on that world during the time of awaiting the factual reappearance of the surviving mortal depend chiefly on whether the human being ascends to the mansion worlds in his own individual right or awaits a dispensational summoning of the sleeping survivors of a planetary age.

112:4.4 (1231.4) If the mortal associate belongs to a group that will be repersonalized at the end of a dispensation, the Adjuster will not immediately return to the mansion world of the former system of service but will, according to choice, enter upon one of the following temporary assignments:

1. Be mustered into the ranks of vanished Monitors for undisclosed service.
2. Be assigned for a period to the observation of the Paradise regime.
3. Be enrolled in one of the many training schools of Divinington.
4. Be stationed for a time as a student observer on one of the other six sacred spheres which constitute the Father's circuit of Paradise worlds.
5. Be assigned to the messenger service of the Personalized Adjusters.
6. Become an associate instructor in the Divinington schools devoted to the training of Monitors belonging to the virgin group.
7. Be assigned to select a group of possible worlds on which to serve in the event that there is reasonable cause for believing that the human partner may have rejected survival. 112:4.5-11 (1231.5-11)

112:4.12 (1231.12) If, when death overtakes you, you have attained the third circle or a higher realm and therefore have had assigned to you a personal guardian of destiny, and if the final transcript of the summary of survival character submitted by the Adjuster is unconditionally certified by the destiny guardian—if both seraphim and Adjuster essentially agree in every item of their life records and recommendations—if the Universal Censors and their reflective associates on Uversa confirm this data and do so without equivocation or reservation, in that event the Ancients of Days flash forth the mandate of advanced standing over the communication circuits to Salvington, and, thus released, the tribunals of the Sovereign of Nebadon will decree the immediate passage of the surviving soul to the resurrection halls of the mansion worlds.

112:4.13 (1232.1) If the human individual survives without delay, the Adjuster, so I am instructed, registers at Divinington, proceeds to the Paradise presence of the Universal Father, returns immediately and is embraced by the Personalized Adjusters of the superuniverse and local universe of assignment, receives the recognition of the chief Personalized Monitor of Divinington, and then, at once, passes into the "realization of identity transition," being summoned therefrom on the third period and on the mansion world in the actual personality form made ready for the reception of the surviving soul of the earth mortal as that form has been projected by the guardian of destiny.

Survival of the Human Self

112:5.1 (1232.2) Selfhood is a cosmic reality whether material, morontial, or spiritual. The actuality of the personal is the bestowal of the Universal Father acting in and of himself or through his manifold universe agencies. To say that a being is personal is to recognize the relative individuation of such a being within the cosmic organism. The living cosmos is an all but infinitely integrated aggregation of real units, all of which are relatively subject to the destiny of the whole. But those that are personal have been endowed with the actual choice of destiny acceptance or of destiny rejection.

112:5.2 (1232.3) That which comes from the Father is like the Father eternal, and this is just as true of personality, which God gives by his own freewill choice, as it is of the divine **Thought Adjuster**, an actual **fragment of God**. Man's personality is eternal but with regard to identity a conditioned eternal reality. Having appeared in response to the Father's will, personality will attain Deity destiny, but man must choose whether or not he will be present at the attainment of such destiny. In default of such choice, personality attains experiential Deity directly, becoming a part of the Supreme Being. The cycle is foreordained, but man's participation therein is optional, personal, and experiential.

112:5.3 (1232.4) Mortal identity is a transient time-life condition in the universe; it is real only in so far as the personality elects to become a continuing universe phenomenon. This is the essential difference between man and an energy system: The energy system must continue, it has no choice; but man has everything to do with determining his own destiny. The **Adjuster** is truly the path to Paradise, but man himself must pursue that path by his own deciding, his freewill choosing.

112:5.4 (1232.5) Human beings possess identity only in the material sense. Such qualities of the self are expressed by the material mind as it functions in the energy system of the intellect. When it is said that man has identity, it is recognized that he is in possession of a mind circuit which has been placed in subordination to the acts and choosing of the will of the human personality. But this is a material and purely temporary manifestation, just as the human embryo is a transient parasitic stage of human life. Human beings, from a cosmic perspective, are born, live, and die in a relative instant of time; they are not enduring. But mortal personality, through its own choosing, possesses the power of transferring its seat of identity from the passing material-intellect system to the higher morontia-soul system which, in association with the **Thought Adjuster**, is created as a new vehicle for personality manifestation.

112:5.5 (1233.1) And it is this very power of choice, the universe insignia of freewill creaturehood, that constitutes man's greatest opportunity and his supreme cosmic responsibility. Upon the integrity of the human volition depends the eternal destiny of the future finaliter; upon the sincerity of the mortal free will the divine **Adjuster** depends for eternal personality; upon the faithfulness of mortal choice the Universal Father depends for the realization of a new ascending son; upon the steadfastness and

wisdom of decision-actions the Supreme Being depends for the actuality of experiential evolution.

112:5.6 (1233.2) Though the cosmic circles of personality growth must eventually be attained, if, through no fault of your own, the accidents of time and the handicaps of material existence prevent your mastering these levels on your native planet, if your intentions and desires are of survival value, there are issued the decrees of probation extension. You will be afforded additional time in which to prove yourself.

112:5.7 (1233.3) If ever there is doubt as to the advisability of advancing a human identity to the mansion worlds, the universe governments invariably rule in the personal interests of that individual; they unhesitatingly advance such a soul to the status of a transitional being, while they continue their observations of the emerging morontia intent and spiritual purpose. Thus divine justice is certain of achievement, and divine mercy is accorded further opportunity for extending its ministry.

112:5.8 (1233.4) The governments of Orvonton and Nebadon do not claim absolute perfection for the detail working of the universal plan of mortal repersonalization, but they do claim to, and actually do, manifest patience, tolerance, understanding, and merciful sympathy. We had rather assume the risk of a system rebellion than to court the hazard of depriving one struggling mortal from any evolutionary world of the eternal joy of pursuing the ascending career.

112:5.9 (1233.5) This does not mean that human beings are to enjoy a second opportunity in the face of the rejection of a first, not at all. But it does signify that all will creatures are to experience one true opportunity to make one undoubted, self-conscious, and final choice. The sovereign Judges of the universes will not deprive any being of personality status who has not finally and fully made the eternal choice; the soul of man must and will be given full and ample opportunity to reveal its true intent and real purpose.

[Let this be a realization of the potential value you represent to the rulers of the universes: that they would be willing to chance a catastrophe comparable to the Lucifer Rebellion rather than risk the possible loss of a single mortal Son of God.]

112:5.10 (1233.6) When the more spiritually and cosmically advanced mortals die, they proceed immediately to the mansion worlds; in general, this provision operates with those who have had assigned to them personal seraphic guardians. Other mortals may be detained until such time as the adjudication of their affairs has been completed, after which they may proceed to the mansion worlds, or they may be assigned to the ranks of the sleeping survivors who will be repersonalized en masse at the end of the current planetary dispensation.

112:5.11 (1233.7) There are two difficulties that hamper my efforts to explain just what happens to you in death, the surviving you which is distinct from the departing Adjuster. One of these consists in the impossibility of conveying to your level of comprehension an adequate description of a transaction on the borderland of the physical and morontia

realms. The other is brought about by the restrictions placed upon my commission as a revelator of truth by the celestial governing authorities of Urantia. There are many interesting details which might be presented, but I withhold them upon the advice of your immediate planetary supervisors. But within the limits of my permission I can say this much:

112:5.12 (1234.1) There is something real, something of human evolution, something additional to the **Mystery Monitor**, which survives death. This newly appearing entity is the soul, and it survives the death of both your physical body and your material mind. This entity is the conjoint child of the combined life and efforts of the human you in liaison with the divine you, the **Adjuster**. This child of human and divine parentage constitutes the surviving element of terrestrial origin; it is the morontia self, the immortal soul.

112:5.13 (1234.2) This child of persisting meaning and surviving value is wholly unconscious during the period from death to repersonalization and is in the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardian throughout this season of waiting. You will not function as a conscious being, following death, until you attain the new consciousness of morontia on the mansion worlds of Satania.

112:5.14 (1234.3) At death the functional identity associated with the human personality is disrupted through the cessation of vital motion. Human personality, while transcending its constituent parts, is dependent on them for functional identity. The stoppage of life destroys the physical brain patterns for mind endowment, and the disruption of mind terminates mortal consciousness. The consciousness of that creature cannot subsequently reappear until a cosmic situation has been arranged which will permit the same human personality again to function in relationship with living energy.

112:5.15 (1234.4) During the transit of surviving mortals from the world of origin to the mansion worlds, whether they experience personality reassembly on the third period or ascend at the time of a group resurrection, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels on their worlds of special activities. These beings are not the custodians of personality (as the guardian seraphim are of the soul), but it is nonetheless true that every identifiable factor of personality is effectually safeguarded in the custody of these dependable trustees of mortal survival. As to the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know.

112:5.16 (1234.5) The situation which makes repersonalization possible is brought about in the resurrection halls of the morontia receiving planets of a local universe. Here in these life-assembly chambers the supervising authorities provide that relationship of universe energy—morontial, mindal, and spiritual—which makes possible the reconsciousizing of the sleeping survivor. The reassembly of the constituent parts of a onetime material personality involves:

1. The fabrication of a suitable form, a morontia energy pattern, in which the new survivor can make contact with nonspiritual reality, and within which the morontia variant of the cosmic mind can be encircuited.
2. The return of the **Adjuster** to the waiting morontia creature. The **Adjuster** is the eternal custodian of your ascending identity; your **Monitor** is the absolute assurance that you yourself and not another will occupy the morontia form created for your personality awakening. And the **Adjuster** will be present at your personality reassembly to take up once more the role of Paradise guide to your surviving self.
3. When these prerequisites of repersonalization have been assembled, the seraphic custodian of the potentialities of the slumbering immortal soul, with the assistance of numerous cosmic personalities, bestows this morontia entity upon and in the awaiting morontia mind-body form while committing this evolutionary child of the Supreme to eternal association with the waiting **Adjuster**. And this completes the repersonalization, reassembly of memory, insight, and consciousness—identity. 112:5.17-19 (1234.6-5.1)

112:5.20 (1235.2) The fact of repersonalization consists in the seizure of the encircuited morontia phase of the newly segregated cosmic mind by the awakening human self. The phenomenon of personality is dependent on the persistence of the identity of selfhood reaction to universe environment; and this can only be effected through the medium of mind. Selfhood persists in spite of a continuous change in all the factor components of self; in the physical life the change is gradual; at death and upon repersonalization the change is sudden. The true reality of all selfhood (personality) is able to function responsively to universe conditions by virtue of the unceasing changing of its constituent parts; stagnation terminates in inevitable death. Human life is an endless change of the factors of life unified by the stability of the unchanging personality.

112:5.21 (1235.3) And when you thus awaken on the mansion worlds of Jerusem, you will be so changed, the spiritual transformation will be so great that, were it not for your **Thought Adjuster** and the destiny guardian, who so fully connect up your new life in the new worlds with your old life in the first world, you would at first have difficulty in connecting the new morontia consciousness with the reviving memory of your previous identity. Notwithstanding the continuity of personal selfhood, much of the mortal life would at first seem to be a vague and hazy dream. But time will clarify many mortal associations.

112:5.22 (1235.4) The **Thought Adjuster** will recall and rehearse for you only those memories and experiences which are a part of, and essential to, your universe career. If the **Adjuster** has been a partner in the evolution of aught in the human mind, then will these worth-while experiences survive in the eternal consciousness of the **Adjuster**. But much of your past life and its memories, having neither spiritual meaning nor morontia

value, will perish with the material brain; much of material experience will pass away as onetime scaffolding which, having bridged you over to the morontia level, no longer serves a purpose in the universe. But personality and the relationships between personalities are never scaffolding; mortal memory of personality relationships has cosmic value and will persist. On the mansion worlds you will know and be known, and more, you will remember, and be remembered by, your onetime associates in the short but intriguing life on Urantia.

The Morontia Self

112:6.1 (1235.5) Just as a butterfly emerges from the caterpillar stage, so will the true personalities of human beings emerge on the mansion worlds, for the first time revealed apart from their onetime enshrouding in the material flesh. The morontia career in the local universe has to do with the continued elevation of the personality mechanism from the beginning morontia level of soul existence up to the final morontia level of progressive spirituality.

112:6.2 (1235.6) It is difficult to instruct you regarding your morontia personality forms for the local universe career. You will be endowed with morontia patterns of personality manifestability, and these are investments which, in the last analysis, are beyond your comprehension. Such forms, while entirely real, are not energy patterns of the material order which you now understand. They do, however, serve the same purpose on the local universe worlds as do your material bodies on the planets of human nativity.

112:6.3 (1236.1) To a certain extent, the appearance of the material body-form is responsive to the character of the personality identity; the physical body does, to a limited degree, reflect something of the inherent nature of the personality. Still more so does the morontia form. In the physical life, mortals may be outwardly beautiful though inwardly unlovely; in the morontia life, and increasingly on its higher levels, the personality form will vary directly in accordance with the nature of the inner person. On the spiritual level, outward form and inner nature begin to approximate complete identification, which grows more and more perfect on higher and higher spirit levels.

112:6.4 (1236.2) In the morontia estate the ascending mortal is endowed with the Nebadon modification of the cosmic-mind endowment of the Master Spirit of Orvonton. The mortal intellect, as such, has perished, has ceased to exist as a focalized universe entity apart from the undifferentiated mind circuits of the Creative Spirit. But the meanings and values of the mortal mind have not perished. Certain phases of mind are continued in the surviving soul; certain experiential values of the former human mind are held by the Adjuster; and there persist in the local universe the records of the human life as it was lived in the flesh, together with certain living registrations in the numerous beings who are concerned with the final evaluation of the ascending mortal, beings extending in range from seraphim to Universal Censors and probably on beyond to the Supreme.

112:6.5 (1236.3) Creature volition cannot exist without mind, but it does persist in spite of the loss of the material intellect. During the times immediately following survival, the ascending personality is in great measure guided by the character patterns inherited from the human life and by the newly appearing action of morontia mota. And these guides to mansonia conduct function acceptably in the early stages of the morontia life and prior to the emergence of morontia will as a full-fledged volitional expression of the ascending personality.

112:6.6 (1236.4) There are no influences in the local universe career comparable to the seven adjutant mind-spirits of human existence. The morontia mind must evolve by direct contact with cosmic mind, as this cosmic mind has been modified and translated by the creative source of local universe intellect—the Divine Minister.

112:6.7 (1236.5) Mortal mind, prior to death, is self-consciously independent of the Adjuster presence; adjutant mind needs only the associated material-energy pattern to enable it to operate. But the morontia soul, being superadjutant, does not retain self-consciousness without the Adjuster when deprived of the material-mind mechanism. This evolving soul does, however, possess a continuing character derived from the decisions of its former associated adjutant mind, and this character becomes active memory when the patterns thereof are energized by the returning Adjuster.

112:6.8 (1236.6) The persistence of memory is proof of the retention of the identity of original selfhood; it is essential to complete self-consciousness of personality continuity and expansion. Those mortals who ascend without Adjusters are dependent on the instruction of seraphic associates for the reconstruction of human memory; otherwise the morontia souls of the Spirit-fused mortals are not limited. The pattern of memory persists in the soul, but this pattern requires the presence of the former Adjuster to become immediately self-realizable as continuing memory. Without the Adjuster, it requires considerable time for the mortal survivor to re-explore and relearn, to recapture, the memory consciousness of the meanings and values of a former existence.

112:6.9 (1237.1) The soul of survival value faithfully reflects both the qualitative and the quantitative actions and motivations of the material intellect, the former seat of the identity of selfhood. In the choosing of truth, beauty, and goodness, the mortal mind enters upon its pre-morontia universe career under the tutelage of the seven adjutant mind-spirits unified under the direction of the spirit of wisdom. Subsequently, upon the completion of the seven circles of pre-morontia attainment, the superimposition of the endowment of morontia mind upon adjutant mind initiates the prespiritual or morontia career of local universe progression.

112:6.10 (1237.2) When a creature leaves his native planet, he leaves the adjutant ministry behind and becomes solely dependent on morontia intellect. When an ascender leaves the local universe, he has attained the spiritual level of existence,

having passed beyond the morontia level. This newly appearing spirit entity then becomes attuned to the direct ministry of the cosmic mind of Orvonton.

[For clarity:

Mortal creature:

Personality – bestowal of the Heavenly Father

Thought Adjuster – fragmentations of the prepersonal reality of the First Source and Center

Mortal Body – material energy mechanism

Mortal Mind – endowment of the local universe Holy Spirit

Embryonic Soul – potentially immortal entity cocreated by the **Adjusters** and the mortal personality

At material death:

Spiritual (soul) death

Personality → supreme values become part of the Supreme Being

Thought Adjuster → released from service, proceeds to Divinington or directly the higher morontial worlds for **Mortals of the primary modified order of ascension**

Mortal Body → dust to dust

Mortal Mind → 47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached Thought Adjusters; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such Adjusters...

Embryonic Soul → supreme values become part of the Cosmic mind

Sleeping survivor – see 49:6.4 (568.7) 1. Mortals of the dispensational or group order of survival.

Personality → the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels

Thought Adjuster → proceeds to Divinington

Mortal Body → dust to dust

Mortal Mind → 47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the → morontial mind bestowal on the resurrection worlds

Embryonic Soul → 47:3.3 (533.1) ... The creature mind-matrix and the passive potentials of identity are present in the morontia soul intrusted to the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardians...

→ resurrection halls of the mansion worlds in the custody of the destiny guardian

“on the third day” – see 49:6.8 (569.3) 2. Mortals of the individual orders of ascension

Personality → the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels

Thought Adjuster → proceeds to Divinington, then returns

Mortal Body → morontial form created in resurrection halls of the mansion worlds

Mortal Mind → dust to dust

→ 47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached Thought Adjusters; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such Adjusters...

“on the third day” - see 49:6.11 (569.6) 3. Mortals of the probationary-dependent orders of ascension

Mortals of the probationary-dependent orders of ascension

Personality → the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels

Thought Adjuster → proceeds to Divinington, then returns

Mortal Body → morontial form created in resurrection halls of the mansion worlds

Mortal Mind → dust to dust

→ 47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached Thought Adjusters; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such Adjusters...

→ morontial mind bestowal on the resurrection worlds

Embryonic Soul → 47:3.3 (533.1) ... The creature mind-matrix and the passive potentials of identity are present in the morontia soul intrusted to the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardians...

→ resurrection halls of the mansion worlds of the more advanced parent... in the custody of the destiny guardian

“on the third day” – see 49:6.15 (570.4) 4. Mortals of the secondary modified orders of ascension

Personality → the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels

Thought Adjuster → proceeds to Divinington, then returns

Mortal Body → morontial form created in resurrection halls of the mansion worlds

Mortal Mind → dust to dust

→ 47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached Thought Adjusters; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such Adjusters...

Translation - 49:6.18 (570.7) 5. Mortals of the primary modified order of ascension

Personality → the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know

Thought Adjuster → transits directly to the resurrection halls of the higher morontia spheres

Mortal Body → dust to dust

→ morontial form created in resurrection halls of the higher morontia spheres

Mortal Mind → morontial mind bestowal on the resurrection worlds

Embryonic Soul → translated souls proceed by Adjuster transit direct to the resurrection halls of the higher morontia spheres

→ soul is thus the embryo of the future morontia vehicle of personality identity.]

Adjuster Fusion

112:7.1 (1237.3) **Thought Adjuster** fusion imparts eternal actualities to personality which were previously only potential. Among these new endowments may be mentioned: fixation of divinity quality, past-eternity experience and memory, immortality, and a phase of qualified potential absoluteness.

112:7.2 (1237.4) When your earthly course in temporary form has been run, you are to awaken on the shores of a better world, and eventually you will be united with your faithful **Adjuster** in an eternal embrace. And this fusion constitutes the mystery of making God and man one, the mystery of finite creature evolution, but it is eternally true. Fusion is the secret of the sacred sphere of Ascendington, and no creature, save those who have experienced fusion with the spirit of Deity, can comprehend the true

meaning of the actual values which are conjoined when the identity of a creature of time becomes eternally one with the **spirit of Paradise Deity**.

112:7.3 (1237.5) Fusion with the **Adjuster** is usually effected while the ascender is resident within his local system. It may occur on the planet of nativity as a transcendence of natural death; it may take place on any one of the mansion worlds or on the headquarters of the system; it may even be delayed until the time of the constellation sojourn; or, in special instances, it may not be consummated until the ascender is on the local universe capital.

112:7.4 (1237.6) When fusion with the **Adjuster** has been effected, there can be no future danger to the eternal career of such a personality. Celestial beings are tested throughout a long experience, but mortals pass through a relatively short and intensive testing on the evolutionary and morontia worlds.

112:7.5 (1237.7) Fusion with the **Adjuster** never occurs until the mandates of the superuniverse have pronounced that the human nature has made a final and irrevocable choice for the eternal career. This is the at-onement authorization, which, when issued, constitutes the clearance authority for the fused personality eventually to leave the confines of the local universe to proceed sometime to the headquarters of the superuniverse, from which point the pilgrim of time will, in the distant future, enseconaphim for the long flight to the central universe of Havona and the Deity adventure.

112:7.6 (1238.1) On the evolutionary worlds, selfhood is material; it is a thing in the universe and as such is subject to the laws of material existence. It is a fact in time and is responsive to the vicissitudes thereof. Survival decisions must here be formulated. In the morontia state the self has become a new and more enduring universe reality, and its continuing growth is predicated on its increasing attunement to the mind and spirit circuits of the universes. Survival decisions are now being confirmed. When the self attains the spiritual level, it has become a secure value in the universe, and this new value is predicated upon the fact that survival decisions have been made, which fact has been witnessed by eternal fusion with the **Thought Adjuster**. And having achieved the status of a true universe value, the creature becomes liberated in potential for the seeking of the highest universe value—God.

112:7.7 (1238.2) Such fused beings are twofold in their universe reactions: They are discrete morontia individuals not altogether unlike seraphim, and they are also beings in potential on the order of the Paradise finaliters.

112:7.8 (1238.3) But the fused individual is really one personality, one being, whose unity defies all attempts at analysis by any intelligence of the universes. And so, having passed the tribunals of the local universe from the lowest to the highest, none of which have been able to identify man or **Adjuster**, the one apart from the other, you shall finally be taken before the Sovereign of Nebadon, your local universe Father. And there, at the hand of the very being whose creative fatherhood in this universe of time has

made possible the fact of your life, you will be granted those credentials which entitle you eventually to proceed upon your superuniverse career in quest of the Universal Father.

112:7.9 (1238.4) Has the triumphant **Adjuster** won personality by the magnificent service to humanity, or has the valiant human acquired immortality through sincere efforts to achieve **Adjusterlikeness**? It is neither; but they together have achieved the evolution of a member of one of the unique orders of the ascending personalities of the Supreme, one who will ever be found serviceable, faithful, and efficient, a candidate for further growth and development, ever ranging upward and never ceasing the supernal ascent until the seven circuits of Havona have been traversed and the onetime soul of earthly origin stands in worshipful recognition of the actual personality of the Father on Paradise.

112:7.10 (1238.5) Throughout all this magnificent ascent the **Thought Adjuster** is the divine pledge of the future and full spiritual stabilization of the ascending mortal. Meanwhile the presence of the mortal free will affords the **Adjuster** an eternal channel for the liberation of the divine and infinite nature. Now have these two identities become one; no event of time or of eternity can ever separate man and **Adjuster**; they are inseparable, eternally fused.

112:7.11 On the **Adjuster**-fusion worlds the destiny of the **Mystery Monitor** is identical with that of the ascending mortal—the Paradise Corps of the Finality. And neither **Adjuster** nor mortal can attain that unique goal without the full co-operation and faithful help of the other. This extraordinary partnership is one of the most engrossing and amazing of all the cosmic phenomena of this universe age.

112:7.12 (1239.1) From the time of **Adjuster** fusion the status of the ascender is that of the evolutionary creature. The human member was the first to enjoy personality and, therefore, outranks the **Adjuster** in all matters concerned with the recognition of personality. The Paradise headquarters of this fused being is Ascendington, not Divinington, and this unique combination of God and man ranks as an ascending mortal all the way up to the Corps of the Finality.

112:7.13 (1239.2) When once an **Adjuster** fuses with an ascending mortal, the number of that **Adjuster** is stricken from the records of the superuniverse. What happens on the records of Divinington, I do not know, but I surmise that the registry of that **Adjuster** is removed to the secret circles of the inner courts of Grandfanda, the acting head of the Corps of the Finality.

112:7.14 (1239.3) With **Adjuster** fusion the Universal Father has completed his promise of the gift of himself to his material creatures; he has fulfilled the promise, and consummated the plan, of the eternal bestowal of divinity upon humanity. Now begins the human attempt to realize and to actualize the limitless possibilities that are inherent in the supernal partnership with God which has thus factualized.

112:7.15 (1239.4) The present known destiny of surviving mortals is the Paradise Corps of the Finality; this is also the goal of destiny for all Thought Adjusters who become joined in eternal union with their mortal companions. At present the Paradise finaliters are working throughout the grand universe in many undertakings, but we all conjecture that they will have other and even more supernal tasks to perform in the distant future after the seven superuniverses have become settled in light and life, and when the finite God has finally emerged from the mystery which now surrounds this Supreme Deity.

112:7.16 (1239.5) You have been instructed to a certain extent about the organization and personnel of the central universe, the superuniverses, and the local universes; you have been told something about the character and origin of some of the various personalities who now rule these far-flung creations. You have also been informed that there are in process of organization vast galaxies of universes far out beyond the periphery of the grand universe, in the first outer space level. It has also been intimated in the course of these narratives that the Supreme Being is to disclose his unrevealed tertiary function in these now uncharted regions of outer space; and you have also been told that the finaliters of the Paradise corps are the experiential children of the Supreme. [This is what the Holy Father asks Material Sons: join with me in a creative endeavor wherein we combine your birthright of inherited validity of divinity destiny (the indwelling spirit of God) with your unique perspective of living spiritual experience under the guidance of your personal experiential choices (unique personality) for the purpose co-creation of experiential deity (deity expansion). Our Creator Father will provide the full support of the time space cosmos and guarantee success if you, in faith, agreed to offer your entire life's effort over a timespan that from your perspective could only be characterized as eternal. In return your life will hover at the edge of the experience of divinity expression to as high a level of function as you are capable of attaining and to achievement levels you are at any moment along the journey incapable of truly conceiving. As an example, the first true marker will be trinitization by the Trinity and the achievement of true immortality - realization of existence in eternity.]

Adjuster Function – Soul

3:4.7 (50.5) Finite appreciation of infinite qualities far transcends the logically limited capacities of the creature because of the fact that mortal man is made in the image of God — there lives within him a **fragment of infinity**. Therefore man's nearest and dearest approach to God is by and through love, for God is love. And all of such a unique relationship is an actual experience in cosmic sociology, the Creator-creature relationship — the Father-child affection.

The Adjuster's Mission

5:2.4 (64.7) It is because of this **God fragment** that indwells you that you can hope, as you progress in harmonizing with the **Adjuster**'s spiritual leadings, more fully to discern the presence and transforming power of those other spiritual influences that surround you and impinge upon you but do not function as an integral part of you. The fact that you are not intellectually conscious of close and intimate contact with the **indwelling Adjuster** does not in the least disprove such an exalted experience. The proof of fraternity with the **divine Adjuster** consists wholly in the nature and extent of the fruits of the spirit which are yielded in the life experience of the individual believer. "By their fruits you shall know them."

5:2.5 (65.1) It is exceedingly difficult for the meagerly spiritualized, material mind of mortal man to experience marked consciousness of the spirit activities of such **divine entities** as the **Paradise Adjusters**. As the soul of joint mind and **Adjuster** creation becomes increasingly existent, there also evolves a new phase of soul consciousness which is capable of experiencing the presence, and of recognizing the spirit leadings and other supermaterial activities, of the **Mystery Monitors**.

5:2.6 (65.2) The entire experience of **Adjuster** communion is one involving moral status, mental motivation, and spiritual experience. The self-realization of such an achievement is mainly, though not exclusively, limited to the realms of soul consciousness, but the proofs are forthcoming and abundant in the manifestation of the fruits of the spirit in the lives of all such inner-spirit contactors.

5:3.2 (65.4) Supplications of all kinds belong to the realm of the Eternal Son and the Son's spiritual organization. Prayers, all formal communications, everything except adoration and worship of the Universal Father, are matters that concern a local universe; they do not ordinarily proceed out of the realm of the jurisdiction of a Creator Son. But worship is undoubtedly encircuited and dispatched to the person of the Creator by the function of the Father's personality circuit. We further believe that such registry of the homage of an **Adjuster**-indwelt creature is facilitated by the Father's spirit presence. There exists a tremendous amount of evidence to substantiate such a belief, and I know that all orders of **Father fragments** are empowered to register the bona fide adoration of their subjects acceptably in the presence of the Universal Father. The **Adjusters** undoubtedly also utilize direct prepersonal channels of communication with God, and they are likewise able to utilize the spirit-gravity circuits of the Eternal Son.

5:3.7 (66.3) Sincere worship connotes the mobilization of all the powers of the human personality under the dominance of the evolving soul and subject to the divine directionization of the associated **Thought Adjuster**. The mind of material limitations can never become highly conscious of the real significance of true worship. Man's realization of the reality of the worship experience is chiefly determined by the

developmental status of his evolving immortal soul. The spiritual growth of the soul takes place wholly independently of the intellectual self-consciousness.

5:3.8 (66.4) The worship experience consists in the sublime attempt of the betrothed **Adjuster** to communicate to the divine Father the inexpressible longings and the unutterable aspirations of the human soul — the conjoint creation of the God-seeking mortal mind and the God-revealing immortal **Adjuster**. Worship is, therefore, the act of the material mind's assenting to the attempt of its spiritualizing self, under the guidance of the associated spirit, to communicate with God as a faith son of the Universal Father. The mortal mind consents to worship; the immortal soul craves and initiates worship; the divine **Adjuster presence** conducts such worship in behalf of the mortal mind and the evolving immortal soul. True worship, in the last analysis, becomes an experience realized on four cosmic levels: the intellectual, the morontial, the spiritual, and the personal — the consciousness of mind, soul, and spirit, and their unification in personality.

[Persistent truth seekers soon learn that meditative prayer leading to worship is the pathway of soul creation, spiritual growth, and eventual God consciousness and **Thought Adjuster** fusion. There is simply no better way to foster the inner relationship with our Creator Father than through worship.]

5:5.13 (69.8) Eternal survival of personality is wholly dependent on the choosing of the mortal mind, whose decisions determine the survival potential of the immortal soul. When the mind believes God and the soul knows God, and when, with the **fostering Adjuster**, they all *desire* God, then is survival assured. Limitations of intellect, curtailment of education, deprivation of culture, impoverishment of social status, even inferiority of the human standards of morality resulting from the unfortunate lack of educational, cultural, and social advantages, cannot invalidate the presence of the divine spirit in such unfortunate and humanly handicapped but believing individuals. The indwelling of the **Mystery Monitor** constitutes the inception and insures the possibility of the potential of growth and survival of the immortal soul.

5:5.14 (70.1) The ability of mortal parents to procreate is not predicated on their educational, cultural, social, or economic status. The union of the parental factors under natural conditions is quite sufficient to initiate offspring. A human mind discerning right and wrong and possessing the capacity to worship God, in union with a divine **Adjuster**, is all that is required in that mortal to initiate and foster the production of his immortal soul of survival qualities if such a spirit-endowed individual seeks God and sincerely desires to become like him, honestly elects to do the will of the Father in heaven.

16:9.1 (195.7) Eternal cosmic-mind-endowed, **Adjuster**-indwelt, personal creature possesses innate recognition-realization of energy reality, mind reality, and spirit reality. The will creature is thus equipped to discern the fact, the law, and the love of God.

Aside from these three inalienables of human consciousness, all human experience is really subjective except that intuitive realization of validity attaches to the *unification* of these three universe reality responses of cosmic recognition.

16:9.2 (195.8) The God-discerning mortal is able to sense the unification value of these three cosmic qualities in the evolution of the surviving soul, man's supreme undertaking in the physical tabernacle where the moral mind collaborates with the **indwelling divine spirit** to dualize the immortal soul. From its earliest inception the soul is real; it has cosmic survival qualities.

16:9.3 (195.9) If mortal man fails to survive natural death, the real spiritual values of his human experience survive as a part of the continuing experience of the **Thought Adjuster**. The personality values of such a nonsurvivor persist as a factor in the personality of the actualizing Supreme Being. Such persisting qualities of personality are deprived of identity but not of experiential values accumulated during the mortal life in the flesh. The survival of identity is dependent on the survival of the immortal soul of morontia status and increasingly divine value. Personality identity survives in and by the survival of the soul.

30:1.99 (333.7) God, as a superperson, eventuates; God, as a person, creates; God, as a preperson, fragments; and such an **Adjuster** fragment of himself evolves the spirit soul upon the material and mortal mind in accordance with the freewill choosing of the personality which has been bestowed upon such a mortal creature by the parental act of God as a Father.

34:6.12 (381.6) And when such a life of spirit guidance is freely and intelligently accepted, there gradually develops within the human mind a positive consciousness of divine contact and assurance of spirit communion; sooner or later "the Spirit bears witness with your spirit (the **Adjuster**) that you are a child of God." Already has your own **Thought Adjuster** told you of your kinship to God so that the record testifies that the Spirit bears witness "*with* your spirit," not *to* your spirit.

39:2.13 (431.2) The angels cannot transport combustion bodies — flesh and blood — such as you now have, but they can transport all others, from the lowest morontia to the higher spirit forms. They do not function in the event of natural death. When you finish your earthly career, your body remains on this planet. Your **Thought Adjuster** proceeds to the bosom of the Father, and these angels are not directly concerned in your subsequent personality reassembly on the identification mansion world. There your new body is a morontia form, one that can enseraphim. You "sow a mortal body" in the grave; you "reap a morontia form" on the mansion worlds.

39:5.7 (437.6) 4. *The Spirits of Trust.* Suspicion is the inherent reaction of primitive men; the survival struggles of the early ages do not naturally breed trust. Trust is a new

human acquisition brought about by the ministry of these planetary seraphim of the Adamic regime. It is their mission to inculcate trust into the minds of evolving men. The Gods are very trustful; the Universal Father is willing freely to trust himself — the Adjuster — to man's association.

39:8.6 (440.8) Guardians of destiny are drawn from the ranks of the more experienced angelic personalities of all orders of seraphim who have qualified for this service. All surviving mortals of Adjuster-fusion destiny have temporary guardians assigned, and these associates may become permanently attached when mortal survivors attain the requisite intellectual and spiritual development. Before mortal ascenders leave the mansion worlds, they all have permanent seraphic associates. This group of ministering spirits is discussed in connection with the Urantia narratives.

47:4.4 (534.8) A newly developed and suitably adjusted morontia body is acquired at the time of each advance from one mansion world to another. You go to sleep with the seraphic transport and awake with the new but undeveloped body in the resurrection halls, much as when you first arrived on mansion world number one except that the Thought Adjuster does not leave you during these transit sleeps between the mansion worlds. Your personality remains intact after you once pass from the evolutionary worlds to the initial mansion world.

THE LATER EVOLUTION OF RELIGION

92:0.1 (1003.1) MAN possessed a religion of natural origin as a part of his evolutionary experience long before any systematic revelations were made on Urantia. But this religion of natural origin was, in itself, the product of man's superanimal endowments. Evolutionary religion arose slowly throughout the millenniums of mankind's experiential career through the ministry of the following influences operating within, and impinging upon, savage, barbarian, and civilized man:

1. The adjutant of worship—the appearance in animal consciousness of superanimal potentials for reality perception. This might be termed the primordial human instinct for Deity.
2. The adjutant of wisdom—the manifestation in a worshipful mind of the tendency to direct its adoration in higher channels of expression and toward ever-expanding concepts of Deity reality.
3. The Holy Spirit—this is the initial supermind bestowal, and it unfailingly appears in all bona fide human personalities. This ministry to a worship-craving and wisdom-desiring mind creates the capacity to self-realize the postulate of human survival, both in theologic concept and as an actual and factual personality experience. 92:0.2-4 (1003.2-4)

92:0.5 (1003.5) The co-ordinate functioning of these three divine ministrations is quite sufficient to initiate and prosecute the growth of evolutionary religion. These influences

are later augmented by **Thought Adjusters**, seraphim, and the Spirit of Truth, all of which accelerate the rate of religious development. These agencies have long functioned on Urantia, and they will continue here as long as this planet remains an inhabited sphere. Much of the potential of these divine agencies has never yet had opportunity for expression; much will be revealed in the ages to come as mortal religion ascends, level by level, toward the supernal heights of morontia value and spirit truth.

101:1.2 (1104.5) The **Thought Adjuster** has no special mechanism through which to gain self-expression; there is no mystic religious faculty for the reception or expression of religious emotions. These experiences are made available through the naturally ordained mechanism of mortal mind. And therein lies one explanation of the **Adjuster's** difficulty in engaging in direct communication with the material mind of its constant indwelling.

101:4.3 (1109.4) Truth is always a revelation: autorevelation when it emerges as a result of the work of the indwelling **Adjuster**; epochal revelation when it is presented by the function of some other celestial agency, group, or personality.

109:0.1 (1195.1) THE **Thought Adjusters** are the children of the universe career, and indeed the virgin **Adjusters** must gain experience while mortal creatures grow and develop. As the personality of the human child expands for the struggles of evolutionary existence, so does the **Adjuster** wax great in the rehearsals of the next stage of ascending life. As the child acquires adaptative versatility for his adult activities through the social and play life of early childhood, so does the indwelling **Adjuster** achieve skill for the next stage of cosmic life by virtue of the preliminary mortal planning and rehearsing of those activities which have to do with the morontia career. Human existence constitutes a period of practice which is effectively utilized by the **Adjuster** in preparing for the increased responsibilities and the greater opportunities of a future life. But the **Adjuster's** efforts, while living within you, are not so much concerned with the affairs of temporal life and planetary existence. Today, the **Thought Adjusters** are, as it were, rehearsing the realities of the universe career in the evolving minds of human beings.

[Though it is tempting to ascribe the mind's spiritual reveries and "Aha!" moments of righteous comprehension directly to the credit of the **Thought Adjusters**, it would probably be much more accurate that they be recognized as the work of the ministering spirits and circuits of the local universe. We are told that direct communications between a material mortal and the **indwelling spirit of God** are exceedingly rare. The primary efforts of the **Mystery Monitors** are directed to augmenting the creation of the morontial soul by "adjusting" the mortal minds discernment of the experiences of life from those based in animal culture to those levels of spiritual insight arising in the

superconsciousness. These **indwelling fragments of God** look into the future in preparation for the exigencies of morontial and eventual spiritual life. They are not concerned in making material life easy, rather, would they treasure more a life filled with challenges and the need for great effort in order to encounter faith based personal freewill choices resonate with forgiveness, mercy and ministry.]

109:1.2 (1195.3) I have been told by **Personalized Adjusters** that every time a **Monitor-indwelt** mortal fails of survival, when the **Adjuster** returns to Divinington, an extended course of training is engaged in. This additional training is made possible by the experience of having indwelt a human being, and it is always imparted before the **Adjuster** is remanded to the evolutionary worlds of time.

109:1.3 (1195.4) Actual living experience has no cosmic substitute. The perfection of the divinity of a newly formed **Thought Adjuster** does not in any manner endow this **Mystery Monitor** with experienced ministrative ability. Experience is inseparable from a living existence; it is the one thing which no amount of divine endowment can absolve you from the necessity of securing by *actual living*. Therefore, in common with all beings living and functioning within the present sphere of the Supreme, **Thought Adjusters** must acquire experience; they must evolve from the lower, inexperienced, to the higher, more experienced, groups.

109:1.4 (1196.1) **Adjusters** pass through a definite developmental career in the mortal mind; they achieve a reality of attainment which is eternally theirs. They progressively acquire **Adjuster** skill and ability as a result of any and all contacts with the material races, regardless of the survival or nonsurvival of their particular mortal subjects. They are also equal partners of the human mind in fostering the evolution of the immortal soul of survival capacity.

109:1.5 (1196.2) The first stage of **Adjuster** evolution is attained in fusion with the surviving soul of a mortal being. Thus, while you are in nature evolving inward and upward from man to God, the **Adjusters** are in nature evolving outward and downward from God to man; and so will the final product of this union of divinity and humanity eternally be the son of man and the son of God.

109:5.5 (1199.6) While the hereditary legacy of cerebral endowment and that of electrochemical overcontrol both operate to delimit the sphere of efficient **Adjuster** activity, no hereditary handicap (in normal minds) ever prevents eventual spiritual achievement. Heredity may interfere with the rate of personality conquest, but it does not prevent eventual consummation of the ascendant adventure. If you will co-operate with your **Adjuster**, the divine gift will, sooner or later, evolve the immortal morontia soul and, subsequent to fusion therewith, will present the new creature to the sovereign Master Son of the local universe and eventually to the **Father of Adjusters** on Paradise.

110:4.2 (1207.2) The Thought Adjuster is engaged in a constant effort so to spiritualize your mind as to evolve your morontia soul; but you yourself are mostly unconscious of this inner ministry. You are quite incapable of distinguishing the product of your own material intellect from that of the conjoint activities of your soul and the Adjuster.

110:4.5 (1207.5) There exists a vast gulf between the human and the divine, between man and God. The Urantia races are so largely electrically and chemically controlled, so highly animallike in their common behavior, so emotional in their ordinary reactions, that it becomes exceedingly difficult for the Monitors to guide and direct them. You are so devoid of courageous decisions and consecrated co-operation that your indwelling Adjusters find it next to impossible to communicate directly with the human mind. Even when they do find it possible to flash a gleam of new truth to the evolving mortal soul, this spiritual revelation often so blinds the creature as to precipitate a convulsion of fanaticism or to initiate some other intellectual upheaval which results disastrously. Many a new religion and strange "ism" has arisen from the aborted, imperfect, misunderstood, and garbled communications of the Thought Adjusters.

110:7.1 (1212.2) The achievement of the seven cosmic circles does not equal Adjuster fusion. There are many mortals living on Urantia who have attained their circles; but fusion depends on yet other greater and more sublime spiritual achievements, upon the attainment of a final and complete attunement of the mortal will with the will of God as it is resident in the Thought Adjuster.

110:7.5 (1212.6) When the evolving soul and the divine Adjuster are finally and eternally fused, each gains all of the experiential qualities of the other. This co-ordinate personality possesses all of the experiential memory of survival once held by the ancestral mortal mind and then resident in the morontia soul, and in addition thereto this potential finaliter embraces all the experiential memory of the Adjuster throughout the mortal indwellings of all time. But it will require an eternity of the future for an Adjuster ever completely to endow the personality partnership with the meanings and values which the divine Monitor carries forward from the eternity of the past.

110:7.7 (1213.2) Adjusters rejoice to make contact with the mortal mind; but they must be patient through the long years of silent sojourn during which they are unable to break through animal resistance and directly communicate with you. The higher the Thought Adjusters ascend in the scale of service, the more efficient they become. But never can they greet you, in the flesh, with the same full, sympathetic, and expressionful affection as they will when you discern them mind to mind on the mansion worlds.

THE ADJUSTER AND THE SOUL

111:0.1 (1215.1) THE presence of the divine Adjuster in the human mind makes it forever impossible for either science or philosophy to attain a satisfactory comprehension of the evolving soul of the human personality. The morontia soul is the

child of the universe and may be really known only through cosmic insight and spiritual discovery.

111:0.2 (1215.2) The concept of a soul and of an indwelling spirit is not new to Urantia; it has frequently appeared in the various systems of planetary beliefs. Many of the Oriental as well as some of the Occidental faiths have perceived that man is divine in heritage as well as human in inheritance. The feeling of the **inner presence** in addition to the external omnipresence of Deity has long formed a part of many Urantian religions. Men have long believed that there is something growing within the human nature, something vital that is destined to endure beyond the short span of temporal life.

111:0.3 (1215.3) Before man realized that his evolving soul was fathered by a **divine spirit**, it was **thought** to reside in different physical organs—the eye, liver, kidney, heart, and later, the brain. The savage associated the soul with blood, breath, shadows and with reflections of the self in water.

111:0.4 (1215.4) In the conception of the atman the Hindu teachers really approximated an appreciation of the nature and presence of the **Adjuster**, but they failed to distinguish the copresence of the evolving and potentially immortal soul. The Chinese, however, recognized two aspects of a human being, the yang and the yin, the soul and the spirit. The Egyptians and many African tribes also believed in two factors, the ka and the ba; the soul was not usually believed to be pre-existent, only the spirit.

111:0.4 (1215.4) In inhabitants of the Nile valley believed that each favored individual had bestowed upon him at birth, or soon thereafter, a protecting spirit which they called the ka. They taught that this guardian spirit remained with the mortal subject throughout life and passed before him into the future estate. On the walls of a temple at Luxor, where is depicted the birth of Amenhotep III, the little prince is pictured on the arm of the Nile god, and near him is another child, in appearance identical with the prince, which is a symbol of that entity which the Egyptians called the ka. This sculpture was completed in the fifteenth century before Christ.

111:0.6 (1215.6) The ka was **thought** to be a superior spirit genius which desired to guide the associated mortal soul into the better paths of temporal living but more especially to influence the fortunes of the human subject in the hereafter. When an Egyptian of this period died, it was expected that his ka would be waiting for him on the other side of the Great River. At first, only kings were supposed to have kas, but presently all righteous men were believed to possess them. One Egyptian ruler, speaking of the ka within his heart, said: "I did not disregard its speech; I feared to transgress its guidance. I prospered thereby greatly; I was thus successful by reason of that which it caused me to do; I was distinguished by its guidance." Many believed that the ka was "an oracle from God in everybody." Many believed that they were to "spend eternity in gladness of heart in the favor of the God that is in you."

111:0.7 (1216.1) Every race of evolving Urantia mortals has a word equivalent to the concept of soul. Many primitive peoples believed the soul looked out upon the world

through human eyes; therefore did they so cravenly fear the malevolence of the evil eye. They have long believed that “the spirit of man is the lamp of the Lord.” The Rig-Veda says: “My mind speaks to my heart.”

The Mind Arena of Choice

111:1.1 (1216.2) Though the work of **Adjusters** is spiritual in nature, they must, perforce, do all their work upon an intellectual foundation. Mind is the human soil from which the spirit Monitor must evolve the morontia soul with the co-operation of the indwelt personality.

111:1.2 (1216.3) There is a cosmic unity in the several mind levels of the universe of universes. Intellectual selves have their origin in the cosmic mind much as nebulae take origin in the cosmic energies of universe space. On the human (hence personal) level of intellectual selves the potential of spirit evolution becomes dominant, with the assent of the mortal mind, because of the spiritual endowments of the human personality together with the creative presence of an **entity-point of absolute value** in such human selves. But such a spirit dominance of the material mind is conditioned upon two experiences: This mind must have evolved up through the ministry of the seven adjutant mind-spirits, and the material (personal) self must choose to co-operate with the indwelling **Adjuster** in creating and fostering the morontia self, the evolutionary and potentially immortal soul.

111:1.3 (1216.4) Material mind is the arena in which human personalities live, are self-conscious, make decisions, choose God or forsake him, eternalize or destroy themselves.

111:1.4 (1216.5) Material evolution has provided you a life machine, your body; the Father himself has endowed you with the purest spirit reality known in the universe, your **Thought Adjuster**. But into your hands, subject to your own decisions, has been given mind, and it is by mind that you live or die. It is within this mind and with this mind that you make those moral decisions which enable you to achieve **Adjuster**likeness, and that is Godlikeness.

111:1.5 (1216.6) Mortal mind is a temporary intellect system loaned to human beings for use during a material lifetime, and as they use this mind, they are either accepting or rejecting the potential of eternal existence. Mind is about all you have of universe reality that is subject to your will, and the soul—the morontia self—will faithfully portray the harvest of the temporal decisions which the mortal self is making. Human consciousness rests gently upon the electrochemical mechanism below and delicately touches the spirit-morontia energy system above. Of neither of these two systems is the human being ever completely conscious in his mortal life; therefore must he work in mind, of which he is conscious. And it is not so much what mind comprehends as what mind desires to comprehend that insures survival; it is not so much what mind is like as what mind is striving to be like that constitutes spirit identification. It is not so much that

man is conscious of God as that man yearns for God that results in universe ascension. What you are today is not so important as what you are becoming day by day and in eternity.

111:1.6 (1217.1) Mind is the cosmic instrument on which the human will can play the discords of destruction, or upon which this same human will can bring forth the exquisite melodies of God identification and consequent eternal survival. The Adjuster bestowed upon man is, in the last analysis, impervious to evil and incapable of sin, but mortal mind can actually be twisted, distorted, and rendered evil and ugly by the sinful machinations of a perverse and self-seeking human will. Likewise can this mind be made noble, beautiful, true, and good—actually great—in accordance with the spirit-illuminated will of a God-knowing human being.

111:1.7 (1217.2) Evolutionary mind is only fully stable and dependable when manifesting itself upon the two extremes of cosmic intellectuality—the wholly mechanized and the entirely spiritualized. Between the intellectual extremes of pure mechanical control and true spirit nature there intervenes that enormous group of evolving and ascending minds whose stability and tranquillity are dependent upon personality choice and spirit identification.

111:1.8 (1217.3) But man does not passively, slavishly, surrender his will to the Adjuster. Rather does he actively, positively, and co-operatively choose to follow the Adjuster's leading when and as such leading consciously differs from the desires and impulses of the natural mortal mind. The Adjusters manipulate but never dominate man's mind against his will; to the Adjusters the human will is supreme. And they so regard and respect it while they strive to achieve the spiritual goals of thought adjustment and character transformation in the almost limitless arena of the evolving human intellect.

111:1.9 (1217.4) Mind is your ship, the Adjuster is your pilot, the human will is captain. The master of the mortal vessel should have the wisdom to trust the divine pilot to guide the ascending soul into the morontia harbors of eternal survival. Only by selfishness, slothfulness, and sinfulness can the will of man reject the guidance of such a loving pilot and eventually wreck the mortal career upon the evil shoals of rejected mercy and upon the rocks of embraced sin. With your consent, this faithful pilot will safely carry you across the barriers of time and the handicaps of space to the very source of the divine mind and on beyond, even to the Paradise Father of Adjusters.

[Once again, we encounter our Heavenly Father's recognition that "intent", with all its aspects of thoughtful creation and experiential meaning, possesses more value than current "actuals". Ideas move us as the deeds of the moment, but ideals generate habits which evolve into traits of character. The hammer of time beats hard against a willful mind. Allow your thoughts the benefits of the temperance and maturation inherent in the inner dialog shared with the spirit of our Creator Father. Build habits that not only create supernal ideals but also spawn beings of capacity to cocreate lives of eternal validity.]

Nature of the Soul

111:2.1 (1217.5) Throughout the mind functions of cosmic intelligence, the totality of mind is dominant over the parts of intellectual function. Mind, in its essence, is functional unity; therefore does mind never fail to manifest this constitutive unity, even when hampered and hindered by the unwise actions and choices of a misguided self. And this unity of mind invariably seeks for spirit co-ordination on all levels of its association with selves of will dignity and ascension prerogatives.

111:2.2 (1217.6) The material mind of mortal man is the cosmic loom that carries the morontia fabrics on which the indwelling **Thought Adjuster** threads the spirit patterns of a universe character of enduring values and divine meanings—a surviving soul of ultimate destiny and unending career, a potential finaliter.

111:2.3 (1218.1) The human personality is identified with mind and spirit held together in functional relationship by life in a material body. This functioning relationship of such mind and spirit does not result in some combination of the qualities or attributes of mind and spirit but rather in an entirely new, original, and unique universe value of potentially eternal endurance, the soul.

111:2.4 (1218.2) There are three and not two factors in the evolutionary creation of such an immortal soul. These three antecedents of the morontia human soul are:

1. The **human mind** and all cosmic influences antecedent thereto and impinging thereon.
2. The **divine spirit indwelling this human mind** and all potentials inherent in such a **fragment of absolute spirituality** together with all associated spiritual influences and factors in human life.
3. The **relationship** between material mind and **divine spirit**, which connotes a value and carries a meaning not found in either of the contributing factors to such an association. The reality of this unique relationship is neither material nor spiritual but morontial. 111:2.5-7 (1218.3-5)

111:2.8 (1218.6) The midway creatures have long denominated this evolving soul of man the mid-mind in contradistinction to the lower or material mind and the higher or cosmic mind. This mid-mind is really a morontia phenomenon since it exists in the realm between the material and the spiritual. The potential of such a morontia evolution is inherent in the two universal urges of mind: the impulse of the finite mind of the creature to know God and attain the divinity of the Creator, and the impulse of the infinite mind of the Creator to know man and attain the experience of the creature.

111:2.9 (1218.7) This supernal transaction of evolving the immortal soul is made possible because the mortal mind is first personal and second is in contact with superanimal realities; it possesses a supermaterial endowment of cosmic ministry which insures the evolution of a moral nature capable of making moral decisions, thereby

effecting a bona fide creative contact with the associated spiritual ministries and with the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**.

111:2.10 (1218.8) The inevitable result of such a contactual spiritualization of the human mind is the gradual birth of a soul, the joint offspring of an adjutant mind dominated by a human will that craves to know God, working in liaison with the spiritual forces of the universe which are under the overcontrol of an **actual fragment of the very God of all creation**—the **Mystery Monitor**. And thus does the material and mortal reality of the self transcend the temporal limitations of the physical-life machine and attain a new expression and a new identification in the evolving vehicle for selfhood continuity, the morontia and immortal soul.

[Pay special attention to not just the elements of the morontial soul – the divine indwelling spirit and the human mind – but also to the fact that it is the relationship between them that creates this vehicle of potential immortality. As moral man develops this relationship through prayer and worship, the Mystery Monitors are able spiritualize these qualities of mind into morontial form, and cocreate the morontial soul.]

The Evolving Soul

111:3.1 (1218.9) The mistakes of mortal mind and the errors of human conduct may markedly delay the evolution of the soul, although they cannot inhibit such a morontia phenomenon when once it has been initiated by the indwelling **Adjuster** with the consent of the creature will. But at any time prior to mortal death this same material and human will is empowered to rescind such a choice and to reject survival. Even after survival the ascending mortal still retains this prerogative of choosing to reject eternal life; at any time before fusion with the **Adjuster** the evolving and ascending creature can choose to forsake the will of the Paradise Father. Fusion with the **Adjuster** signalizes the fact that the ascending mortal has eternally and unreservedly chosen to do the Father's will.

111:3.2 (1219.1) During the life in the flesh the evolving soul is enabled to reinforce the supermaterial decisions of the mortal mind. The soul, being supermaterial, does not of itself function on the material level of human experience. Neither can this subspiritual soul, without the collaboration of some spirit of Deity, such as the **Adjuster**, function above the morontia level. Neither does the soul make final decisions until death or translation divorces it from material association with the mortal mind except when and as this material mind delegates such authority freely and willingly to such a morontia soul of associated function. During life the mortal will, the personality power of decision-choice, is resident in the material mind circuits; as terrestrial mortal growth proceeds, this self, with its priceless powers of choice, becomes increasingly identified with the emerging morontia-soul entity; after death and following the mansion world resurrection, the human personality is completely identified with the morontia self. The soul is thus the embryo of the future morontia vehicle of personality identity.

111:3.3 (1219.2) This immortal soul is at first wholly morontia in nature, but it possesses such a capacity for development that it invariably ascends to the true spirit levels of fusion value with the **spirits of Deity**, usually with the same **spirit of the Universal Father** that initiated such a creative phenomenon in the creature mind.

111:3.4 (1219.3) Both the human mind and the divine **Adjuster** are conscious of the presence and differential nature of the evolving soul—the **Adjuster** fully, the mind partially. The soul becomes increasingly conscious of both the mind and the **Adjuster** as associated identities, proportional to its own evolutionary growth. The soul partakes of the qualities of both the human mind and the divine spirit but persistently evolves toward augmentation of spirit control and divine dominance through the fostering of a mind function whose meanings seek to co-ordinate with true spirit value.

111:3.5 (1219.4) The mortal career, the soul's evolution, is not so much a probation as an education. Faith in the survival of supreme values is the core of religion; genuine religious experience consists in the union of supreme values and cosmic meanings as a realization of universal reality.

111:3.6 (1219.5) Mind knows quantity, reality, meanings. But quality—values—is felt. That which feels is the mutual creation of mind, which knows, and the **associated spirit**, which reality-izes.

111:3.7 (1219.6) In so far as man's evolving morontia soul becomes permeated by truth, beauty, and goodness as the value-realization of God-consciousness, such a resultant being becomes indestructible. If there is no survival of eternal values in the evolving soul of man, then mortal existence is without meaning, and life itself is a tragic illusion. But it is forever true: What you begin in time you will assuredly finish in eternity—if it is worth finishing.

[In this mortal/ divine relationship, the soul creating maturation evolving between man and God depends upon the quality of persistence (faith) inherent in the mind of man and man's estimate of the soul's numinous value. In reflecting God's love for each individual, unique personality of His creation, I find it beautiful that our revelation refers to the soul's spiritual growth not as probationary but rather educational. Spiritual growth is itself compelling and sustained by the love of our Heavenly Father. Inherent in our relationship with our Divine Father is the recognition of its value evidenced by increasing joy in righteousness and the fruits of the spirit.]

The Inner Life

111:4.1 (1219.7) Recognition is the intellectual process of fitting the sensory impressions received from the external world into the memory patterns of the individual. Understanding connotes that these recognized sensory impressions and their associated memory patterns have become integrated or organized into a dynamic network of principles.

111:4.2 (1220.1) Meanings are derived from a combination of recognition and understanding. Meanings are nonexistent in a wholly sensory or material world. Meanings and values are only perceived in the inner or supermaterial spheres of human experience.

111:4.3 (1220.2) The advances of true civilization are all born in this inner world of mankind. It is only the inner life that is truly creative. Civilization can hardly progress when the majority of the youth of any generation devote their interests and energies to the materialistic pursuits of the sensory or outer world.

111:4.4 (1220.3) The inner and the outer worlds have a different set of values. Any civilization is in jeopardy when three quarters of its youth enter materialistic professions and devote themselves to the pursuit of the sensory activities of the outer world. Civilization is in danger when youth neglect to interest themselves in ethics, sociology, eugenics, philosophy, the fine arts, religion, and cosmology.

111:4.5 (1220.4) Only in the higher levels of the superconscious mind as it impinges upon the spirit realm of human experience can you find those higher concepts in association with effective master patterns which will contribute to the building of a better and more enduring civilization. Personality is inherently creative, but it thus functions only in the inner life of the individual.

111:4.6 (1220.5) Snow crystals are always hexagonal in form, but no two are ever alike. Children conform to types, but no two are exactly alike, even in the case of twins. Personality follows types but is always unique.

111:4.7 (1220.6) Happiness and joy take origin in the inner life. You cannot experience real joy all by yourself. A solitary life is fatal to happiness. Even families and nations will enjoy life more if they share it with others.

111:4.8 (1220.7) You cannot completely control the external world—environment. It is the creativity of the inner world that is most subject to your direction because there your personality is so largely liberated from the fetters of the laws of antecedent causation. There is associated with personality a limited sovereignty of will.

111:4.9 (1220.8) Since this inner life of man is truly creative, there rests upon each person the responsibility of choosing as to whether this creativity shall be spontaneous and wholly haphazard or controlled, directed, and constructive. How can a creative imagination produce worthy children when the stage whereon it functions is already preoccupied by prejudice, hate, fears, resentments, revenge, and bigotries?

111:4.10 (1220.9) Ideas may take origin in the stimuli of the outer world, but ideals are born only in the creative realms of the inner world. Today the nations of the world are directed by men who have a superabundance of ideas, but they are poverty-stricken in ideals. That is the explanation of poverty, divorce, war, and racial hatreds.

111:4.11 (1220.10) This is the problem: If freewill man is endowed with the powers of creativity in the inner man, then must we recognize that freewill creativity embraces the potential of freewill destructivity. And when creativity is turned to destructivity, you are

face to face with the devastation of evil and sin—oppression, war, and destruction. Evil is a partiality of creativity which tends toward disintegration and eventual destruction. All conflict is evil in that it inhibits the creative function of the inner life—it is a species of civil war in the personality.

111:4.12 (1221.1) Inner creativity contributes to ennoblement of character through personality integration and selfhood unification. It is forever true: The past is unchangeable; only the future can be changed by the ministry of the present creativity of the inner self.

The Consecration of Choice

111:5.1 (1221.2) The doing of the will of God is nothing more or less than an exhibition of creature willingness to share the inner life with God—with the very God who has made such a creature life of inner meaning-value possible. Sharing is Godlike—divine. God shares all with the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit, while they, in turn, share all things with the divine Sons and spirit Daughters of the universes.

111:5.2 (1221.3) The imitation of God is the key to perfection; the doing of his will is the secret of survival and of perfection in survival.

111:5.3 (1221.4) Mortals live in God, and so God has willed to live in mortals. As men trust themselves to him, so has he—and first—trusted a **part** of himself to be with men; has consented to live in men and to indwell men subject to the human will.

111:5.4 (1221.5) Peace in this life, survival in death, perfection in the next life, service in eternity—all these are achieved (in spirit) now when the creature personality consents—chooses—to subject the creature will to the Father's will. And already has the Father chosen to make a **fragment** of himself subject to the will of the creature personality.

111:5.5 (1221.6) Such a creature choice is not a surrender of will. It is a consecration of will, an expansion of will, a glorification of will, a perfecting of will; and such choosing raises the creature will from the level of temporal significance to that higher estate wherein the personality of the creature son communes with the personality of the spirit Father.

111:5.6 (1221.7) This choosing of the Father's will is the spiritual finding of the spirit Father by mortal man, even though an age must pass before the creature son may actually stand in the factual presence of God on Paradise. This choosing does not so much consist in the negation of creature will—"Not my will but yours be done"—as it consists in the creature's positive affirmation: "It is my will that your will be done." And if this choice is made, sooner or later will the God-choosing son find inner union (fusion) with the **indwelling God fragment**, while this same perfecting son will find supreme personality satisfaction in the worship communion of the personality of man and the personality of his Maker, two personalities whose creative attributes have eternally joined in self-willed mutuality of expression—the birth of another eternal partnership of the will of man and the will of God.

[This distinction between the affirmation “Not my will but yours be done” and the prayer “It is my will that your will be done.” 111:5.5 (1221.6) holds such meaning to those who have chosen the ascension path to Paradise. “Such a creature choice is not a surrender of will. It is a consecration of will, an expansion of will, a glorification of will, a perfecting of will; and such choosing raises the creature will from the level of temporal significance to that higher estate wherein the personality of the creature son communes with the personality of the spirit Father.” 111:5.5 (1221.6) Practice, practice, practice daily communion with your Heavenly Father. Bless each day with the knowledge and understanding that you grow closer to and more like the Creator Father whom you worship, and are revealing more and more the perfection He requests of us. Rejoice!]

The Human Paradox

111:6.1 (1221.8) Many of the temporal troubles of mortal man grow out of his twofold relation to the cosmos. Man is a part of nature—he exists in nature—and yet he is able to transcend nature. Man is finite, but he is indwelt by a **spark of infinity**. Such a dual situation not only provides the potential for evil but also engenders many social and moral situations fraught with much uncertainty and not a little anxiety.

111:6.2 (1222.1) The courage required to effect the conquest of nature and to transcend one’s self is a courage that might succumb to the temptations of self-pride. The mortal who can transcend self might yield to the temptation to deify his own self-consciousness. The mortal dilemma consists in the double fact that man is in bondage to nature while at the same time he possesses a unique liberty—freedom of spiritual choice and action. On material levels man finds himself subservient to nature, while on spiritual levels he is triumphant over nature and over all things temporal and finite. Such a paradox is inseparable from temptation, potential evil, decisional errors, and when self becomes proud and arrogant, sin may evolve.

111:6.3 (1222.2) The problem of sin is not self-existent in the finite world. The fact of finiteness is not evil or sinful. The finite world was made by an infinite Creator—it is the handiwork of his divine Sons—and therefore it must be good. It is the misuse, distortion, and perversion of the finite that gives origin to evil and sin.

111:6.4 (1222.3) The spirit can dominate mind; so mind can control energy. But mind can control energy only through its own intelligent manipulation of the metamorphic potentials inherent in the mathematical level of the causes and effects of the physical domains. Creature mind does not inherently control energy; that is a Deity prerogative. But creature mind can and does manipulate energy just in so far as it has become master of the energy secrets of the physical universe.

111:6.5 (1222.4) When man wishes to modify physical reality, be it himself or his environment, he succeeds to the extent that he has discovered the ways and means of controlling matter and directing energy. Unaided mind is impotent to influence anything material save its own physical mechanism, with which it is inescapably linked. But

through the intelligent use of the body mechanism, mind can create other mechanisms, even energy relationships and living relationships, by the utilization of which this mind can increasingly control and even dominate its physical level in the universe.

111:6.6 (1222.5) Science is the source of facts, and mind cannot operate without facts. They are the building blocks in the construction of wisdom which are cemented together by life experience. Man can find the love of God without facts, and man can discover the laws of God without love, but man can never begin to appreciate the infinite symmetry, the supernal harmony, the exquisite repleteness of the all-inclusive nature of the First Source and Center until he has found divine law and divine love and has experientially unified these in his own evolving cosmic philosophy.

111:6.7 (1222.6) The expansion of material knowledge permits a greater intellectual appreciation of the meanings of ideas and the values of ideals. A human being can find truth in his inner experience, but he needs a clear knowledge of facts to apply his personal discovery of truth to the ruthlessly practical demands of everyday life.

111:6.8 (1222.7) It is only natural that mortal man should be harassed by feelings of insecurity as he views himself inextricably bound to nature while he possesses spiritual powers wholly transcendent to all things temporal and finite. Only religious confidence—living faith—can sustain man amid such difficult and perplexing problems.

111:6.9 (1223.1) Of all the dangers which beset man's mortal nature and jeopardize his spiritual integrity, pride is the greatest. Courage is valorous, but egotism is vainglorious and suicidal. Reasonable self-confidence is not to be deplored. Man's ability to transcend himself is the one thing which distinguishes him from the animal kingdom.

111:6.10 (1223.2) Pride is deceitful, intoxicating, and sin-breeding whether found in an individual, a group, a race, or a nation. It is literally true, "Pride goes before a fall."

The Adjuster's Problem

111:7.1 (1223.3) Uncertainty with security is the essence of the Paradise adventure—uncertainty in time and in mind, uncertainty as to the events of the unfolding Paradise ascent; security in spirit and in eternity, security in the unqualified trust of the creature son in the divine compassion and infinite love of the Universal Father; uncertainty as an inexperienced citizen of the universe; security as an ascending son in the universe mansions of an all-powerful, all-wise, and all-loving Father.

111:7.2 (1223.4) May I admonish you to heed the distant echo of the Adjuster's faithful call to your soul? The indwelling Adjuster cannot stop or even materially alter your career struggle of time; the Adjuster cannot lessen the hardships of life as you journey on through this world of toil. The divine indweller can only patiently forbear while you fight the battle of life as it is lived on your planet; but you could, if you only would—as you work and worry, as you fight and toil—permit the valiant Adjuster to fight with you and for you. You could be so comforted and inspired, so enthralled and intrigued, if you would only allow the Adjuster constantly to bring forth the pictures of the real motive, the

final aim, and the eternal purpose of all this difficult, uphill struggle with the commonplace problems of your present material world.

111:7.3 (1223.5) Why do you not aid the **Adjuster** in the task of showing you the spiritual counterpart of all these strenuous material efforts? Why do you not allow the **Adjuster** to strengthen you with the spiritual truths of cosmic power while you wrestle with the temporal difficulties of creature existence? Why do you not encourage the heavenly helper to cheer you with the clear vision of the eternal outlook of universal life as you gaze in perplexity at the problems of the passing hour? Why do you refuse to be enlightened and inspired by the universe viewpoint while you toil amidst the handicaps of time and flounder in the maze of uncertainties which beset your mortal life journey? Why not allow the **Adjuster** to spiritualize your thinking, even though your feet must tread the material paths of earthly endeavor?

111:7.4 (1223.6) The higher human races of Urantia are complexly admixed; they are a blend of many races and stocks of different origin. This composite nature renders it exceedingly difficult for the **Monitors** to work efficiently during life and adds definitely to the problems of both the **Adjuster** and the guardian seraphim after death. Not long since I was present on Salvington and heard a guardian of destiny present a formal statement in extenuation of the difficulties of ministering to her mortal subject. This seraphim said:

111:7.5 (1223.7) "Much of my difficulty was due to the unending conflict between the two natures of my subject: the urge of ambition opposed by animal indolence; the ideals of a superior people crossed by the instincts of an inferior race; the high purposes of a great mind antagonized by the urge of a primitive inheritance; the long-distance view of a far-seeing **Monitor** counteracted by the nearsightedness of a creature of time; the progressive plans of an ascending being modified by the desires and longings of a material nature; the flashes of universe intelligence cancelled by the chemical-energy mandates of the evolving race; the urge of angels opposed by the emotions of an animal; the training of an intellect annulled by the tendencies of instinct; the experience of the individual opposed by the accumulated propensities of the race; the aims of the best overshadowed by the drift of the worst; the flight of genius neutralized by the gravity of mediocrity; the progress of the good retarded by the inertia of the bad; the art of the beautiful besmirched by the presence of evil; the buoyancy of health neutralized by the debility of disease; the fountain of faith polluted by the poisons of fear; the spring of joy embittered by the waters of sorrow; the gladness of anticipation disillusioned by the bitterness of realization; the joys of living ever threatened by the sorrows of death. Such a life on such a planet! And yet, because of the ever-present help and urge of the **Thought Adjuster**, this soul did achieve a fair degree of happiness and success and has even now ascended to the judgment halls of mansonia."

Survival of the Human Self

112:5.11 (1233.7) There are two difficulties that hamper my efforts to explain just what happens to you in death, the surviving you which is distinct from the departing Adjuster. One of these consists in the impossibility of conveying to your level of comprehension an adequate description of a transaction on the borderland of the physical and morontia realms. The other is brought about by the restrictions placed upon my commission as a revelator of truth by the celestial governing authorities of Urantia. There are many interesting details which might be presented, but I withhold them upon the advice of your immediate planetary supervisors. But within the limits of my permission I can say this much:

112:5.12 (1234.1) There is something real, something of human evolution, something additional to the Mystery Monitor, which survives death. This newly appearing entity is the soul, and it survives the death of both your physical body and your material mind. This entity is the conjoint child of the combined life and efforts of the human you in liaison with the divine you, the Adjuster. This child of human and divine parentage constitutes the surviving element of terrestrial origin; it is the morontia self, the immortal soul.

112:5.13 (1234.2) This child of persisting meaning and surviving value is wholly unconscious during the period from death to repersonalization and is in the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardian throughout this season of waiting. You will not function as a conscious being, following death, until you attain the new consciousness of morontia on the mansion worlds of Satania.

112:5.14 (1234.3) At death the functional identity associated with the human personality is disrupted through the cessation of vital motion. Human personality, while transcending its constituent parts, is dependent on them for functional identity. The stoppage of life destroys the physical brain patterns for mind endowment, and the disruption of mind terminates mortal consciousness. The consciousness of that creature cannot subsequently reappear until a cosmic situation has been arranged which will permit the same human personality again to function in relationship with living energy.

112:5.15 (1234.4) During the transit of surviving mortals from the world of origin to the mansion worlds, whether they experience personality reassembly on the third period or ascend at the time of a group resurrection, the record of personality constitution is faithfully preserved by the archangels on their worlds of special activities. These beings are not the custodians of personality (as the guardian seraphim are of the soul), but it is nonetheless true that every identifiable factor of personality is effectually safeguarded in the custody of these dependable trustees of mortal survival. As to the exact whereabouts of mortal personality during the time intervening between death and survival, we do not know.

112:5.16 (1234.5) The situation which makes repersonalization possible is brought about in the resurrection halls of the morontia receiving planets of a local universe. Here in these life-assembly chambers the supervising authorities provide that relationship of

universe energy—morontial, mindal, and spiritual—which makes possible the reconsciousing of the sleeping survivor. The reassembly of the constituent parts of a onetime material personality involves:

1. The fabrication of a suitable form, a morontia energy pattern, in which the new survivor can make contact with nonspiritual reality, and within which the morontia variant of the cosmic mind can be encircuited.
2. The return of the **Adjuster** to the waiting morontia creature. The **Adjuster** is the eternal custodian of your ascending identity; your **Monitor** is the absolute assurance that you yourself and not another will occupy the morontia form created for your personality awakening. And the **Adjuster** will be present at your personality reassembly to take up once more the role of Paradise guide to your surviving self.
3. When these prerequisites of repersonalization have been assembled, the seraphic custodian of the potentialities of the slumbering immortal soul, with the assistance of numerous cosmic personalities, bestows this morontia entity upon and in the awaiting morontia mind-body form while committing this evolutionary child of the Supreme to eternal association with the waiting **Adjuster**. And this completes the repersonalization, reassembly of memory, insight, and consciousness—identity. 112:5.17-19 (1234.6-5.1)

112:6.7 (1236.5) Mortal mind, prior to death, is self-consciously independent of the **Adjuster** presence; adjutant mind needs only the associated material-energy pattern to enable it to operate. But the morontia soul, being superadjutant, does not retain self-consciousness without the **Adjuster** when deprived of the material-mind mechanism. This evolving soul does, however, possess a continuing character derived from the decisions of its former associated adjutant mind, and this character becomes active memory when the patterns thereof are energized by the returning **Adjuster**.

112:6.8 (1236.6) The persistence of memory is proof of the retention of the identity of original selfhood; it is essential to complete self-consciousness of personality continuity and expansion. Those mortals who ascend without **Adjusters** are dependent on the instruction of seraphic associates for the reconstruction of human memory; otherwise the morontia souls of the Spirit-fused mortals are not limited. The pattern of memory persists in the soul, but this pattern requires the presence of the former **Adjuster** to become immediately self-realizable as continuing memory. Without the **Adjuster**, it requires considerable time for the mortal survivor to re-explore and relearn, to recapture, the memory consciousness of the meanings and values of a former existence.

112:6.9 (1237.1) The soul of survival value faithfully reflects both the qualitative and the quantitative actions and motivations of the material intellect, the former seat of the identity of selfhood. In the choosing of truth, beauty, and goodness, the mortal mind

enters upon its premorontia universe career under the tutelage of the seven adjutant mind-spirits unified under the direction of the spirit of wisdom. Subsequently, upon the completion of the seven circles of premorontia attainment, the superimposition of the endowment of morontia mind upon adjutant mind initiates the prespiritual or morontia career of local universe progression.

112:6.10 (1237.2) When a creature leaves his native planet, he leaves the adjutant ministry behind and becomes solely dependent on morontia intellect. When an ascender leaves the local universe, he has attained the spiritual level of existence, having passed beyond the morontia level. This newly appearing spirit entity then becomes attuned to the direct ministry of the cosmic mind of Orvonton.

117:3.6 (1282.1) Mortal man, being a creature, is not exactly like the Supreme Being, who is deity, but man's evolution does in some ways resemble the growth of the Supreme. Man consciously grows from the material toward the spiritual by the strength, power, and persistency of his own decisions; he also grows as his **Thought Adjuster** develops new techniques for reaching down from the spiritual to the morontial soul levels; and once the soul comes into being, it begins to grow in and of itself.

132:3.10 (1460.3) Universe progress is characterized by increasing personality freedom because it is associated with the progressive attainment of higher and higher levels of self-understanding and consequent voluntary self-restraint. The attainment of perfection of spiritual self-restraint equals completeness of universe freedom and personal liberty. Faith fosters and maintains man's soul in the midst of the confusion of his early orientation in such a vast universe, whereas prayer becomes the great unifier of the various inspirations of the creative imagination and the faith urges of a soul trying to identify itself with the spirit ideals of the **indwelling and associated divine presence**.

132:3.4 (1459.4) Revealed truth, personally discovered truth, is the supreme delight of the human soul; it is the joint creation of the material mind and the **indwelling spirit**. The eternal salvation of this truth-discerning and beauty-loving soul is assured by that hunger and thirst for goodness which leads this mortal to develop a singleness of purpose to do the Father's will, to find God and to become like him. There is never conflict between true knowledge and truth. There may be conflict between knowledge and human beliefs, beliefs colored with prejudice, distorted by fear, and dominated by the dread of facing new facts of material discovery or spiritual progress.

133:6.5 (1478.4) (Jesus) "The soul is the self-reflective, truth-discerning, and spirit-perceiving part of man which forever elevates the human being above the level of the animal world. Self-consciousness, in and of itself, is not the soul. Moral self-consciousness is true human self-realization and constitutes the foundation of the

human soul, and the soul is that part of man which represents the potential survival value of human experience. Moral choice and spiritual attainment, the ability to know God and the urge to be like him, are the characteristics of the soul. The soul of man cannot exist apart from moral thinking and spiritual activity. A stagnant soul is a dying soul. But the soul of man is distinct from the **divine spirit** which dwells within the mind. The **divine spirit** arrives simultaneously with the first moral activity of the human mind, and that is the occasion of the birth of the soul.

133:6.6 (1478.5) "The saving or losing of a soul has to do with whether or not the moral consciousness attains survival status through eternal alliance with its associated **immortal spirit endowment**. Salvation is the spiritualization of the self-realization of the moral consciousness, which thereby becomes possessed of survival value. All forms of soul conflict consist in the lack of harmony between the moral, or spiritual, self-consciousness and the purely intellectual self-consciousness.

133:6.7 (1478.6) "The human soul, when matured, ennobled, and spiritualized, approaches the heavenly status in that it comes near to being an entity intervening between the material and the spiritual, the material self and the **divine spirit**. The evolving soul of a human being is difficult of description and more difficult of demonstration because it is not discoverable by the methods of either material investigation or spiritual proving. Material science cannot demonstrate the existence of a soul, neither can pure spirit-testing. Notwithstanding the failure of both material science and spiritual standards to discover the existence of the human soul, every morally conscious mortal knows of the existence of his soul as a real and actual personal experience."

[Material mortal life is transient yet can be experienced as the gateway into an eternally progressive and spiritually resplendent destiny. The vehicle of this transition Jesus tells us is "The soul ... the self-reflective, truth-discerning, and spirit-perceiving part of man which forever elevates the human being above the level of the animal world. 133:6.5 (1478.4) There exists no coercion in the spiritual world, our Paradise Father gives to each of us the choice to pursue or not to pursue the spiritual life, to cocreate or not to cocreate the morontial soul, to eternally survive or to materially perish. Eternal destinies and unfathomable opportunities await this choice, and the God of All Creation loves us so tenderly that He will share this journey into eternity with us, together joined as one being - an ascending pilgrim, a Son of God.]

Adjusters Function – Mortal Death/ Resurrection

Terrestrial Escape

49:6.1 (568.4) All of the differing physical types and planetary series of mortals alike enjoy the ministry of **Thought Adjusters**, guardian angels, and the various orders of the

messenger hosts of the Infinite Spirit. All alike are liberated from the bonds of flesh by the emancipation of natural death, and all alike go thence to the morontia worlds of spiritual evolution and mind progress.

49:6.2 (568.5) From time to time, on motion of the planetary authorities or the system rulers, special resurrections of the sleeping survivors are conducted. Such resurrections occur at least every millennium of planetary time, when not all but “many of those who sleep in the dust awake.” These special resurrections are the occasion for mobilizing special groups of ascenders for specific service in the local universe plan of mortal ascension. There are both practical reasons and sentimental associations connected with these special resurrections.

49:6.3 (568.6) Throughout the earlier ages of an inhabited world, many are called to the mansion spheres at the special and the millennial resurrections, but most survivors are repersonalized at the inauguration of a new dispensation associated with the advent of a divine Son of planetary service.

49:6.4 (568.7) **1. Mortals of the dispensational or group order of survival.** With the arrival of the first **Adjuster** on an inhabited world the guardian seraphim also make their appearance; they are indispensable to terrestrial escape. Throughout the life-lapse period of the sleeping survivors the spiritual values and eternal realities of their newly evolved and immortal souls are held as a sacred trust by the personal or by the group guardian seraphim.

49:6.5 (568.8) The group guardians of assignment to the sleeping survivors always function with the judgment Sons on their world advents. “He shall send his angels, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds.” With each seraphim of assignment to the repersonalization of a sleeping mortal there functions the returned **Adjuster**, the same immortal **Father fragment** that lived in him during the days in the flesh, and thus is identity restored and personality resurrected. During the sleep of their subjects these waiting **Adjusters** serve on Divinington; they never indwell another mortal mind in this interim.

49:6.6 (569.1) While the older worlds of mortal existence harbor those highly developed and exquisitely spiritual types of human beings who are virtually exempt from the morontia life, the earlier ages of the animal-origin races are characterized by primitive mortals who are so immature that fusion with their **Adjusters** is impossible. The reawakening of these mortals is accomplished by the guardian seraphim in conjunction with an individualized portion of the immortal spirit of the Third Source and Center.

49:6.7 (569.2) Thus are the sleeping survivors of a planetary age repersonalized in the dispensational roll calls. But with regard to the nonsalvable personalities of a realm, no immortal spirit is present to function with the group guardians of destiny, and this constitutes cessation of creature existence. While some of your records have pictured these events as taking place on the planets of mortal death, they all really occur on the mansion worlds.

49:6.8 (569.3) **2. Mortals of the individual orders of ascension.** The individual progress of human beings is measured by their successive attainment and traversal (mastery) of the seven cosmic circles. These circles of mortal progression are levels of associated intellectual, social, spiritual, and cosmic-insight values. Starting out in the seventh circle, mortals strive for the first, and all who have attained the third immediately have personal guardians of destiny assigned to them. These mortals may be repersonalized in the morontia life independent of dispensational or other adjudications.

49:6.9 (569.4) Throughout the earlier ages of an evolutionary world, few mortals go to judgment on the third day. But as the ages pass, more and more the personal guardians of destiny are assigned to the advancing mortals, and thus increasing numbers of these evolving creatures are repersonalized on the first mansion world on the third day after natural death. On such occasions the return of the **Adjuster** signals the awakening of the human soul, and this is the repersonalization of the dead just as literally as when the en masse roll is called at the end of a dispensation on the evolutionary worlds.

49:6.10 (569.5) There are three groups of individual ascenders: The less advanced land on the initial or first mansion world. The more advanced group may take up the morontia career on any of the intermediate mansion worlds in accordance with previous planetary progression. The most advanced of these orders really begin their morontia experience on the seventh mansion world.

49:6.11 (569.6) **3. Mortals of the probationary-dependent orders of ascension.** The arrival of an **Adjuster** constitutes identity in the eyes of the universe, and all indwelt beings are on the roll calls of justice. But temporal life on the evolutionary worlds is uncertain, and many die in youth before choosing the Paradise career. Such **Adjuster**-indwelt children and youths follow the parent of most advanced spiritual status, thus going to the system finaliter world (the probationary nursery) on the third day, at a special resurrection, or at the regular millennial and dispensational roll calls.

49:6.12 (570.1) Children who die when too young to have **Thought Adjusters** are repersonalized on the finaliter world of the local systems concomitant with the arrival of either parent on the mansion worlds. A child acquires physical entity at mortal birth, but in the matter of survival all Adjusterless children are reckoned as still attached to their parents.

49:6.13 (570.2) In due course **Thought Adjusters** come to indwell these little ones, while the seraphic ministry to both groups of the probationary-dependent orders of survival is in general similar to that of the more advanced parent or is equivalent to that of the parent in case only one survives. Those attaining the third circle, regardless of the status of their parents, are accorded personal guardians.

49:6.14 (570.3) Similar probation nurseries are maintained on the finaliter spheres of the constellation and the universe headquarters for the Adjusterless children of the primary and secondary modified orders of ascenders.

49:6.15 (570.4) **4. Mortals of the secondary modified orders of ascension.** These are the progressive human beings of the intermediate evolutionary worlds. As a rule they are not immune to natural death, but they are exempt from passing through the seven mansion worlds.

49:6.16 (570.5) The less perfected group reawaken on the headquarters of their local system, passing by only the mansion worlds. The intermediate group go to the constellation training worlds; they pass by the entire morontia regime of the local system. Still farther on in the planetary ages of spiritual striving, many survivors awaken on the constellation headquarters and there begin the Paradise ascent.

49:6.17 (570.6) But before any of these groups may go forward, they must journey back as instructors to the worlds they missed, gaining many experiences as teachers in those realms which they passed by as students. They all subsequently proceed to Paradise by the ordained routes of mortal progression.

49:6.18 (570.7) **5. Mortals of the primary modified order of ascension.** These mortals belong to the Adjuster-fused type of evolutionary life, but they are most often representative of the final phases of human development on an evolving world. These glorified beings are exempt from passing through the portals of death; they are submitted to Son seizure; they are translated from among the living and appear immediately in the presence of the Sovereign Son on the headquarters of the local universe.

49:6.19 (570.8) These are the mortals who fuse with their **Adjusters** during mortal life, and such **Adjuster**-fused personalities traverse space freely before being clothed with morontia forms. These fused souls go by direct **Adjuster** transit to the resurrection halls of the higher morontia spheres, where they receive their initial morontia investiture just as do all other mortals arriving from the evolutionary worlds.

49:6.20 (570.9) This primary modified order of mortal ascension may apply to individuals in any of the planetary series from the lowest to the highest stages of the **Adjuster**-fusion worlds, but it more frequently functions on the older of these spheres after they have received the benefits of numerous sojourns of the divine Sons.

49:6.21 (570.10) With the establishment of the planetary era of light and life, many go to the universe morontia worlds by the primary modified order of translation. Further along in the advanced stages of settled existence, when the majority of the mortals leaving a realm are embraced in this class, the planet is regarded as belonging to this series. Natural death becomes decreasingly frequent on these spheres long settled in light and life.

52:5.6 (596.3) Upon the resurrection of a bestowal Son, on the third day after yielding up his incarnated life, he ascends to the right hand of the Universal Father, receives the assurance of the acceptance of the bestowal mission, and returns to the Creator Son at the headquarters of the local universe. Thereupon the bestowal Avonal and the Creator

Michael send their joint spirit, the Spirit of Truth, into the bestowal world. This is the occasion when the “spirit of the triumphant Son is poured out upon all flesh.” The Universe Mother Spirit also participates in this bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, and concomitant therewith there issues the bestowal edict of the **Thought Adjusters**. Thereafter all normal-minded will creatures of that world will receive **Adjusters** as soon as they attain the age of moral responsibility, of spiritual choice.

109:6.1 (1200.1) **Adjusters** never fail; nothing worth surviving is ever lost; every meaningful value in every will creature is certain of survival, irrespective of the survival or nonsurvival of the meaning-discovering or evaluating personality. And so it is, a mortal creature may reject survival; still the life experience is not wasted; the eternal **Adjuster** carries the worth-while features of such an apparent life of failure over into some other world and there bestows these surviving meanings and values upon some higher type of mortal mind, one of survival capacity. No worth-while experience ever happens in vain; no true meaning or real value ever perishes.

The Ascending Mortals

30:4.1 (340.3) While the mortal survivors of time and space are denominated ascending pilgrims when accredited for the progressive ascent to Paradise, these evolutionary creatures occupy such an important place in these narratives that we here desire to present a synopsis of the following seven stages of the ascending universe career:

1. Planetary Mortals.
2. Sleeping Survivors.
3. Mansion World Students.
4. Morontia Progressors.
5. Superuniverse Wards.
6. Havona Pilgrims.
7. Paradise Arrivals. 30:4.2-8 (340.4-10)

30:4.9 (340.11) The following narrative presents the universe career of an **Adjuster**-indwelt mortal. The Son- and Spirit-fused mortals share portions of this career, but we have elected to tell this story as it pertains to the **Adjuster**-fused mortals, for such a destiny may be anticipated by all of the human races of Urantia.

30:4.10 (340.12) **1. Planetary Mortals.** Mortals are all animal-origin evolutionary beings of ascendant potential. In origin, nature, and destiny these various groups and types of human beings are not wholly unlike the Urantia peoples. The human races of each world receive the same ministry of the Sons of God and enjoy the presence of the ministering spirits of time. After natural death all types of ascenders fraternize as one morontia family on the mansion worlds.

30:4.11 (341.1) **2. Sleeping Survivors.** All mortals of survival status, in the custody of personal guardians of destiny, pass through the portals of natural death and, on the third period, personalize on the mansion worlds. Those accredited beings who have, for any reason, been unable to attain that level of intelligence mastery and endowment of spirituality which would entitle them to personal guardians, cannot thus immediately and directly go to the mansion worlds. Such surviving souls must rest in unconscious sleep until the judgment day of a new epoch, a new dispensation, the coming of a Son of God to call the rolls of the age and adjudicate the realm, and this is the general practice throughout all Nebadon. It was said of Christ Michael that, when he ascended on high at the conclusion of his work on earth, “He led a great multitude of captives.” And these captives were the sleeping survivors from the days of Adam to the day of the Master’s resurrection on Urantia.

30:4.12 (341.2) The passing of time is of no moment to sleeping mortals; they are wholly unconscious and oblivious to the length of their rest. On reassembly of personality at the end of an age, those who have slept five thousand years will react no differently than those who have rested five days. Aside from this time delay these survivors pass on through the ascension regime identically with those who avoid the longer or shorter sleep of death.

30:4.13 (341.3) These dispensational classes of world pilgrims are utilized for group morontia activities in the work of the local universes. There is a great advantage in the mobilization of such enormous groups; they are thus kept together for long periods of effective service.

30:4.14 (341.4) **3. Mansion World Students.** All surviving mortals who reawaken on the mansion worlds belong to this class.

30:4.15 (341.5) The physical body of mortal flesh is not a part of the reassembly of the sleeping survivor; the physical body has returned to dust. The seraphim of assignment sponsors the new body, the morontia form, as the new life vehicle for the immortal soul and for the indwelling of the returned Adjuster. The Adjuster is the custodian of the spirit transcript of the mind of the sleeping survivor. The assigned seraphim is the keeper of the surviving identity—the immortal soul—as far as it has evolved. And when these two, the Adjuster and the seraphim, reunite their personality trusts, the new individual constitutes the resurrection of the old personality, the survival of the evolving morontia identity of the soul. Such a reassociation of soul and Adjuster is quite properly called a resurrection, a reassembly of personality factors; but even this does not entirely explain the reappearance of the surviving personality. Though you will probably never understand the fact of such an inexplicable transaction, you will sometime experientially know the truth of it if you do not reject the plan of mortal survival.

30:4.16 (341.6) The plan of initial mortal detention on seven worlds of progressive training is nearly universal in Orvonton. In each local system of approximately one thousand inhabited planets there are seven mansion worlds, usually satellites or

subsattelites of the system capital. They are the receiving worlds for the majority of ascending mortals.

30:4.17 (341.7) Sometimes all training worlds of mortal residence are called universe "mansions," and it was to such spheres that Jesus alluded when he said: "In my Father's house are many mansions." From here on, within a given group of spheres like the mansion worlds, ascenders will progress individually from one sphere to another and from one phase of life to another, but they will always advance from one stage of universe study to another in class formation.

30:4.18 (342.1) 4. **Morontia Progressors.** From the mansion worlds on up through the spheres of the system, constellation, and the universe, mortals are classed as morontia progressors; they are traversing the transition spheres of mortal ascension. As the ascending mortals progress from the lower to the higher of the morontia worlds, they serve on countless assignments in association with their teachers and in company with their more advanced and senior brethren.

30:4.19 (342.2) Morontia progression pertains to continuing advancement of intellect, spirit, and personality form. Survivors are still three-natured beings. Throughout the entire morontia experience they are wards of the local universe. The regime of the superuniverse does not function until the spirit career begins.

30:4.20 (342.3) Mortals acquire real spirit identity just before they leave the local universe headquarters for the receiving worlds of the minor sectors of the superuniverse. Passing from the final morontia stage to the first or lowest spirit status is but a slight transition. The mind, personality, and character are unchanged by such an advance; only does the form undergo modification. But the spirit form is just as real as the morontia body, and it is equally discernible.

30:4.21 (342.4) Before departing from their native local universes for the superuniverse receiving worlds, the mortals of time are recipients of spirit confirmation from the Creator Son and the local universe Mother Spirit. From this point on, the status of the ascending mortal is forever settled. Superuniverse wards have never been known to go astray. Ascending seraphim are also advanced in angelic standing at the time of their departure from the local universes.

30:4.22 (342.5) 5. **Superuniverse Wards.** All ascenders arriving on the training worlds of the superuniverses become the wards of the Ancients of Days; they have traversed the morontia life of the local universe and are now accredited spirits. As young spirits they begin the ascension of the superuniverse system of training and culture, extending from the receiving spheres of their minor sector in through the study worlds of the ten major sectors and on to the higher cultural spheres of the superuniverse headquarters.

30:4.23 (342.6) There are three orders of student spirits in accordance with their sojourn upon the minor sector, major sectors, and the superuniverse headquarters worlds of spirit progression. As morontia ascenders studied and worked on the worlds of the local universe, so spirit ascenders continue to master new worlds while they practice at giving

out to others that which they have imbibed at the experiential founts of wisdom. But going to school as a spirit being in the superuniverse career is very unlike anything that has ever entered the imaginative realms of the material mind of man.

30:4.24 (342.7) Before leaving the superuniverse for Havona, these ascending spirits receive the same thorough course in superuniverse management that they received during their morontia experience in local universe supervision. Before spirit mortals reach Havona, their chief study, but not exclusive occupation, is the mastery of local and superuniverse administration. The reason for all of this experience is not now fully apparent, but no doubt such training is wise and necessary in view of their possible future destiny as members of the Corps of the Finality.

30:4.25 (342.8) The superuniverse regime is not the same for all ascending mortals. They receive the same general education, but special groups and classes are carried through special courses of instruction and are put through specific courses of training.

30:4.26 (343.1) 6. **Havona Pilgrims.** When spirit development is complete, even though not replete, then the surviving mortal prepares for the long flight to Havona, the haven of evolutionary spirits. On earth you were a creature of flesh and blood; through the local universe you were a morontia being; through the superuniverse you were an evolving spirit; with your arrival on the receiving worlds of Havona your spiritual education begins in reality and in earnest; your eventual appearance on Paradise will be as a perfected spirit.

30:4.27 (343.2) The journey from the superuniverse headquarters to the Havona receiving spheres is always made alone. From now on no more class or group instruction will be administered. You are through with the technical and administrative training of the evolutionary worlds of time and space. Now begins your personal education, your individual spiritual training. From first to last, throughout all Havona, the instruction is personal and threefold in nature: intellectual, spiritual, and experiential.

30:4.28 (343.3) The first act of your Havona career will be to recognize and thank your transport seconaphim for the long and safe journey. Then you are presented to those beings who will sponsor your early Havona activities. Next you go to register your arrival and prepare your message of thanksgiving and adoration for dispatch to the Creator Son of your local universe, the universe Father who made possible your sonship career. This concludes the formalities of the Havona arrival; whereupon you are accorded a long period of leisure for free observation, and this affords opportunity for looking up your friends, fellows, and associates of the long ascension experience. You may also consult the broadcasts to ascertain who of your fellow pilgrims have departed for Havona since the time of your leaving Uversa.

30:4.29 (343.4) The fact of your arrival on the receiving worlds of Havona will be duly transmitted to the headquarters of your local universe and personally conveyed to your seraphic guardian, wherever that seraphim may chance to be.

30:4.30 (343.5) The ascendant mortals have been thoroughly trained in the affairs of the evolutionary worlds of space; now they begin their long and profitable contact with the created spheres of perfection. What a preparation for some future work is afforded by this combined, unique, and extraordinary experience! But I cannot tell you about Havona; you must see these worlds to appreciate their glory or to understand their grandeur.

30:4.31 (343.6) **7. Paradise Arrivals.** On reaching Paradise with residential status, you begin the progressive course in divinity and absonity. Your residence on Paradise signifies that you have found God, and that you are to be mustered into the Mortal Corps of the Finality. Of all the creatures of the grand universe, only those who are Father fused are mustered into the Mortal Corps of the Finality. Only such individuals take the finaliter oath. Other beings of Paradise perfection or attainment may be temporarily attached to this finality corps, but they are not of eternal assignment to the unknown and unrevealed mission of this accumulating host of the evolutionary and perfected veterans of time and space.

30:4.32 (343.7) Paradise arrivals are accorded a period of freedom, after which they begin their associations with the seven groups of the primary supernaphim. They are designated Paradise graduates when they have finished their course with the conductors of worship and then, as finaliters, are assigned on observational and co-operative service to the ends of the far-flung creation. As yet there seems to be no specific or settled employment for the Mortal Corps of Finaliters, though they serve in many capacities on worlds settled in light and life.

30:4.33 (344.1) If there should be no future or unrevealed destiny for the Mortal Corps of the Finality, the present assignment of these ascendant beings would be altogether adequate and glorious. Their present destiny wholly justifies the universal plan of evolutionary ascent. But the future ages of the evolution of the spheres of outer space will undoubtedly further elaborate, and with more repletteness divinely illuminate, the wisdom and loving-kindness of the Gods in the execution of their divine plan of human survival and mortal ascension.

30:4.34 (344.2) This narrative, together with what has been revealed to you and with what you may acquire in connection with instruction respecting your own world, presents an outline of the career of an ascending mortal. The story varies considerably in the different superuniverses, but this recital affords a glimpse of the average plan of mortal progression as it is operative in the local universe of Nebadon and in the seventh segment of the grand universe, the superuniverse of Orvonton.

39:2.11 (430.7) Then process of being enseraphimed is not unlike the experience of death or sleep except that there is an automatic time element in the transit slumber. You are consciously unconscious during seraphic rest. But the **Thought Adjuster** is wholly and fully conscious, in fact, exceptionally efficient since you are unable to oppose, resist, or otherwise hinder creative and transforming work.

47:2.4 (532.2) All children on the evolving worlds who have **Thought Adjusters**, but who before death had not made a choice concerning the Paradise career, are also repersonalized on the finaliter world of the system, where they likewise grow up in the families of the Material Sons and their associates as do those little ones who arrived without **Adjusters**, but who will subsequently receive the **Mystery Monitors** after attaining the requisite age of moral choice.

47:3.2 (532.8) The very center of all activities on the first mansion world is the resurrection hall, the enormous temple of personality assembly. This gigantic structure consists of the central rendezvous of the seraphic destiny guardians, the **Thought Adjusters**, and the archangels of the resurrection. The Life Carriers also function with these celestial beings in the resurrection of the dead.

47:3.3 (533.1) The mortal-mind transcripts and the active creature-memory patterns as transformed from the material levels to the spiritual are the individual possession of the detached **Thought Adjusters**; these spiritized factors of mind, memory, and creature personality are forever a part of such **Adjusters**. The creature mind-matrix and the passive potentials of identity are present in the morontia soul intrusted to the keeping of the seraphic destiny guardians. And it is the reuniting of the morontia-soul trust of the seraphim and the spirit-mind trust of the **Adjuster** that reassembles creature personality and constitutes resurrection of a sleeping survivor.

48:1.6 (542.3) In the days of the mortal flesh the **divine spirit** indwells you, almost as a thing apart — in reality an invasion of man by the **bestowed spirit of the Universal Father**. But in the morontia life the spirit will become a real part of your personality, and as you successively pass through the 570 progressive transformations, you ascend from the material to the spiritual estate of creature life.

109:6.2 (1200.2) As related to fusion candidates, if a **Mystery Monitor** is deserted by the mortal associate, if the human partner declines to pursue the ascending career, when released by natural death (or prior thereto), the **Adjuster** carries away everything of survival value which has evolved in the mind of that nonsurviving creature. If an **Adjuster** should repeatedly fail to attain fusion personality because of the nonsurvival of successive human subjects, and if this Monitor should subsequently be personalized, all the acquired experience of having indwelt and mastered all these mortal minds would become the actual possession of such a newly **Personalized Adjuster**, an endowment to be enjoyed and utilized throughout all future ages. A **Personalized Adjuster** of this order is a composite assembly of all the survival traits of all his former creature hosts.

Thought Adjuster Destiny

Ascendant Destinies

L. 13:1.22 (147.3) The secrets of Ascendington include the mystery of the gradual and certain building up in the material and mortal mind of a spiritual and potentially immortal counterpart of character and identity. This phenomenon constitutes one of the most perplexing mysteries of the universes—the evolution of an immortal soul within the mind of a mortal and material creature.

22:7.4 (249.4) The ascendant **Adjuster**-fused mortal finaliters who have attained certain levels of Paradise culture and spiritual development are among those who can essay to trinitize a creature being. Mortal-finaliter companies, when stationed on Paradise, are granted a recess every millennium of Havona time. There are seven different ways such finaliters may elect to spend this duty-free period, and one of these is, in association with some fellow finaliter or some Paradise-Havona personality, to attempt the enactment of creature trinitization.

27:7.8 (305.1) After the attainment of the supreme satisfaction of the fullness of worship, you are qualified for admission to the Corps of the Finality. The ascendant career is well-nigh finished, and the seventh jubilee prepares for celebration. The first jubilee marked the mortal agreement with the **Thought Adjuster** when the purpose to survive was sealed; the second was the awakening in the morontia life; the third was the fusion with the **Thought Adjuster**; the fourth was the awakening in Havona; the fifth celebrated the finding of the Universal Father; and the sixth jubilee was the occasion of the Paradise awakening from the final transit slumber of time. The seventh jubilee marks entrance into the mortal finaliter corps and the beginning of the eternity service. The attainment of the seventh stage of spirit realization by a finaliter will probably signalize the celebration of the first of the jubilees of eternity.

40:10.1 (452.1) Spirit-fused mortals are, generally speaking, confined to a local universe; Son-fused survivors are restricted to a superuniverse; **Adjuster**-fused mortals are destined to penetrate the universe of universes. The **spirits of mortal fusion** always ascend to the level of origin; such spirit entities unfailingly return to the sphere of primal source.

40:10.2 (452.2) Spirit-fused mortals are of the local universe; they do not, ordinarily, ascend beyond the confines of their native realm, beyond the boundaries of the space range of the **spirit** that pervades them. Son-fused ascenders likewise rise to the source of **spirit endowment**, for much as the Truth Spirit of a Creator Son focalizes in the associated Divine Minister, so is his “fusion spirit” implemented in the Reflective Spirits of the higher universes. Such spirit relationship between the local and the superuniverse levels of God the Sevenfold may be difficult of explanation but not of discernment, being

unmistakably revealed in those children of the Reflective Spirits — the seoraphic Voices of the Creator Sons. The Thought Adjuster, hailing from the Father on Paradise, never stops until the mortal son stands face to face with the eternal God.

40:10.3 (452.3) The mysterious variable in associative technique whereby a mortal being does not or cannot become eternally fused with the indwelling Thought Adjuster may seem to disclose a flaw in the ascension scheme; Son and Spirit fusion do, superficially, resemble compensations of unexplained failures in some detail of the Paradise-attainment plan; but all such conclusions stand in error; we are taught that all these happenings unfold in obedience to the established laws of the Supreme Universe Rulers.

40:10.5 (452.5) That mortal destinies do thus vary in no wise proves that one is necessarily greater or lesser than another, merely that they differ. Adjuster-fused ascenders do indeed have a grand and glorious career as finaliters spread out before them in the eternal future, but this does not mean that they are preferred above their ascendant brethren. There is no favoritism, nothing arbitrary, in the selective operation of the divine plan of mortal survival.

40:10.6 (453.1) While the Adjuster-fused finaliters obviously enjoy the widest service opportunity of all, the attainment of this goal automatically shuts them off from the chance to participate in the agelong struggle of some one universe or superuniverse, from the earlier and less settled epochs to the later and established eras of relative perfection attainment. Finaliters acquire a marvelous and far-flung experience of transient service in all seven segments of the grand universe, but they do not ordinarily acquire that intimate knowledge of any one universe which even now characterizes the Spirit-fused veterans of the Nebadon Corps of Completion. These individuals enjoy an opportunity to witness the ascending processional of the planetary ages as they unfold one by one on ten million inhabited worlds. And in the faithful service of such local universe citizens, experience superimposes upon experience until the fullness of time ripens that high quality of wisdom which is engendered by focalized experience — authoritative wisdom—and this in itself is a vital factor in the settling of any local universe.

40:10.8 (453.3) What the ultimate destiny of these stationary orders of local and of superuniverse citizenship will be we do not know, but it is quite possible that, when the Paradise finaliters are pioneering the expanding frontiers of divinity in the planetary systems of the first outer space level, their Son- and Spirit-fused brethren of the ascendant evolutionary struggle will be acceptably contributing to the maintenance of the experiential equilibrium of the perfected superuniverses while they stand ready to welcome the incoming stream of Paradise pilgrims who may, at that distant day, pour in through Orvonton and its sister creations as a vast spirit-questing torrent from these now uncharted and uninhabited galaxies of outer space.

40:10.11 (453.6) Father-fused mortals are potential finaliters; their destination is the Universal Father, and him they do attain, but within the purview of the present universe age, finaliters, as such, are not destiny attainers. They remain unfinished creatures—sixth-stage spirits—and hence nonactive in the evolutionary domains of prelight-and-life status.

40:10.12 (454.1) When a mortal finaliter is Trinity embraced—becomes a Trinitized Son, such as a Mighty Messenger—then has that finaliter attained destiny, at least for the present universe age. Mighty Messengers and their fellows may not in the exact sense be seventh-stage spirits, but in addition to other things the Trinity embrace endows them with everything which a finaliter will sometime achieve as a seventh-stage spirit. After Spirit-fused or Son-fused mortals are trinitized, they pass through the Paradise experience with the Adjuster-fused ascenders, with whom they are then identical in all matters pertaining to superuniverse administration. These Trinitized Sons of Selection or of Attainment at least for now are finished creatures, in contrast to the finaliters, who are at present unfinished creatures.

40:10.13 (454.2) Thus, in the final analysis, it would be hardly proper to use the words “greater” or “lesser” in contrasting the destinies of the ascending orders of sonship. Every such son of God shares the fatherhood of God, and God loves each of his creature sons alike; he is no more a respecter of ascendant destinies than is he of the creatures who may attain such destinies. The Father loves each of his sons, and that affection is not less than true, holy, divine, unlimited, eternal, and unique—a love bestowed upon this son and upon that son, individually, personally, and exclusively. And such a love utterly eclipses all other facts. Sonship is the supreme relationship of the creature to the Creator.

40:10.14 (454.3) As mortals you can now recognize your place in the family of divine sonship and begin to sense the obligation to avail yourselves of the advantages so freely provided in and by the Paradise plan for mortal survival, which plan has been so enhanced and illuminated by the life experience of a bestowal Son. Every facility and all power have been provided for insuring your ultimate attainment of the Paradise goal of divine perfection.

[It is worth noting that Urantia mortals may not have the Corps of Finality as a destiny: “Every ascendant mortal of insurrectionary experience who functions loyally in the face of rebellion is eventually destined to become a Mighty Messenger of the superuniverse service. Likewise is any ascendant creature who effectively prevents such upheavals of error, evil, or sin; for action designed to prevent rebellion or to effect higher types of loyalty in a universe crisis is regarded as of even greater value than loyalty in the face of actual rebellion.” 22:2.3 (245.3)]

The Trinitized Sons of Attainment — the Mighty Messengers, Those High in Authority, and Those without Name and Number — are all Adjuster-fused ascendant mortals who have attained Paradise and the Corps of the Finality. But they are not finaliters; when

they have been Trinity embraced, their names are removed from the finaliter roll call. The new sons of this order pass through specific courses of training, for comparatively short periods, on the circuit headquarters planets of the Havona circuits under the direction of the Eternals of Days. Thereafter they are assigned to the services of the Ancients of Days in the seven superuniverses.

22:3.1 (246.2) Those High in Authority, the second group of the Trinitized Sons of Attainment, are all **Adjuster**-fused beings of mortal origin. These are the perfected mortals who have exhibited superior administrative ability and have shown extraordinary executive genius throughout their long ascending careers. They are the cream of governing ability derived from the surviving mortals of space.

Destiny of Personalized Adjusters

109:7.1 (1201.2) We cannot state whether or not non-**Adjuster Father fragments** are personalizable, but you have been informed that personality is the sovereign freewill bestowal of the Universal Father. As far as we know, the **Adjuster** type of **Father fragment** attains personality only by the acquirement of personal attributes through service-ministry to a personal being. These **Personalized Adjusters** are at home on Divinington, where they instruct and direct their prepersonal associates.

109:7.2 (1201.3) **Personalized Thought Adjusters** are the untrammelled, unassigned, and sovereign stabilizers and compensators of the far-flung universe of universes. They combine the Creator and creature experience—existential and experiential. They are conjoint time and eternity beings. They associate the prepersonal and the personal in universe administration.

109:7.3 (1201.4) **Personalized Adjusters** are the all-wise and powerful executives of the Architects of the Master Universe. They are the personal agents of the full ministry of the Universal Father—personal, prepersonal, and superpersonal. They are the personal ministers of the extraordinary, the unusual, and the unexpected throughout all the realms of the transcendental absonite spheres of the domain of God the Ultimate, even to the levels of God the Absolute.

109:7.4 (1201.5) They are the exclusive beings of the universes who embrace within their being all the known relationships of personality; they are omnipersonal—they are before personality, they are personality, and they are after personality. They minister the personality of the Universal Father as in the eternal past, the eternal present, and the eternal future.

109:7.5 (1201.6) Existential personality on the order of the infinite and absolute, the Father bestowed upon the Eternal Son, but he chose to reserve for his own ministry the experiential personality of the type of the **Personalized Adjuster** bestowed upon the existential prepersonal **Adjuster**; and they are thus both destined to the future eternal superpersonality of the transcendental ministry of the absonite realms of the Ultimate, the Supreme-Ultimate, even to the levels of the Ultimate-Absolute.

109:7.6 (1201.7) Seldom are the **Personalized Adjusters** seen at large in the universes. Occasionally they consult with the Ancients of Days, and sometimes the **Personalized Adjusters** of the sevenfold Creator Sons come to the headquarters worlds of the constellations to confer with the Vorondadek rulers.

109:7.7 (1201.8) When the planetary Vorondadek observer of Urantia—the Most High custodian who not long since assumed an emergency regency of your world—asserted his authority in the presence of the resident governor general, he began his emergency administration of Urantia with a full staff of his own choosing. He immediately assigned to all his associates and assistants their planetary duties. But he did not choose the three **Personalized Adjusters** who appeared in his presence the instant he assumed the regency. He did not even know they would thus appear, for they did not so manifest their divine presence at the time of a previous regency. And the Most High regent did not assign service or designate duties for these volunteer **Personalized Adjusters**. Nevertheless, these three omnipersonal beings were among the most active of the numerous orders of celestial beings then serving on Urantia.

109:7.8 (1202.1) **Personalized Adjusters** perform a wide range of services for numerous orders of universe personalities, but we are not permitted to discuss these ministries with **Adjuster**-indwelt evolutionary creatures. These extraordinary human divinities are among the most remarkable personalities of the entire grand universe, and no one dares to predict what their future missions may be.

[Reading that the **Personalized Adjusters** are seldom seen at large in the universes we may marvel that three of them are currently on duty and among the most active of the numerous orders of celestial beings in service on Urantia. We decry the woes and travails of our isolation, and yet take joy in the knowledge that our Creator Father is paying us special attention.]

112:7.10 (1238.5) Throughout all this magnificent ascent the **Thought Adjuster** is the divine pledge of the future and full spiritual stabilization of the ascending mortal. Meanwhile the presence of the mortal free will affords the **Adjuster** an eternal channel for the liberation of the divine and infinite nature. Now have these two identities become one; no event of time or of eternity can ever separate man and **Adjuster**; they are inseparable, eternally fused.

112:7.11 (1238.6) On the **Adjuster**-fusion worlds the destiny of the **Mystery Monitor** is identical with that of the ascending mortal — the Paradise Corps of the Finality. And neither **Adjuster** nor mortal can attain that unique goal without the full co-operation and faithful help of the other. This extraordinary partnership is one of the most engrossing and amazing of all the cosmic phenomena of this universe age.

117:5.3 (1286.1) The evolving immortal soul of man, the joint creation of the material mind and the **Adjuster**, ascends as such to Paradise and subsequently, when mustered

into the Corps of the Finality, becomes allied in some new way with the spirit-gravity circuit of the Eternal Son by a technique of experience known as *finaliter transcendation*. Such finaliters thus become acceptable candidates for experiential recognition as personalities of God the Supreme. And when these mortal intellects in the unrevealed future assignments of the Corps of the Finality attain the seventh stage of spirit existence, such dual minds will become triune. These two attuned minds, the human and the divine, will become glorified in union with the experiential mind of the then actualized Supreme Being.

117:5.11 (1287.2) Even the experience of man and **Adjuster** must find echo in the divinity of God the Supreme, for, as the **Adjusters** experience, they are like the Supreme, and the evolving soul of mortal man is created out of the pre-existent possibility for such experience within the Supreme.

117:6.7 (1288.6) Upon the completion of the sixth stage of existence and the entrance upon the seventh and final stage of spirit status, there will probably ensue the advancing ages of enriching experience, ripening wisdom, and divinity realization. In the nature of the finaliter this will probably equal the completed attainment of the mind struggle for spirit self-realization, the completion of the co-ordination of the ascendant man-nature with the divine **Adjuster**-nature within the limits of finite possibilities. Such a magnificent universe self thus becomes the eternal finaliter son of the Paradise Father as well as the eternal universe child of the Mother Supreme, a universe self qualified to represent both the Father and Mother of universes and personalities in any activity or undertaking pertaining to the finite administration of created, creating, or evolving things and beings.

[Thus, it would seem that even for Finaliters who are not children of insurrection like the Mighty Messengers, and, who after *finaliter transcendation* “in the unrevealed future assignments of the Corps of the Finality attain the seventh stage of spirit existence” 117:5.3 (1286.1), also, will eventuate some sort of trinitization with the Supreme Being. It would appear then that all ascending mortals, who achieve Finaliter status are destined to experience trinitization with the Supreme Being either in the Grand or Master universe. Indeed, this, of course, would be the expected destiny for those who, from the base level of mortal existence, have achieved the fullness of experiential divinity attainment in the Supreme universe.]

56:3.2 (639.2) Paradise spirit realities are likewise one, but in all time-space situations and relations this single spirit is revealed in the dual phenomena of the spirit personalities and emanations of the Eternal Son and the spirit personalities and influences of the Infinite Spirit and associated creations; and there is yet a third — pure-spirit fragmentations — the Father’s bestowal of the **Thought Adjusters** and other spirit entities which are prepersonal.

56:3.5 (639.5) Perfected creature existence can be attained, sustained, and eternalized by the fusion of self-conscious mind with a fragment of the pre-Trinity spirit endowment

of some one of the persons of the Paradise Trinity. The mortal mind is the creation of the Sons and Daughters of the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit and, when fused with the **Thought Adjuster** from the Father, partakes of the threefold spirit endowment of the evolutionary realms. But these three spirit expressions become perfectly unified in the finalizers, even as they were in eternity so unified in the Universal I AM ere he ever became the Universal Father of the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit.

56:4.1 (639.7) The Universal Father is a divinely unified personality; hence will all his ascendant children who are carried to Paradise by the rebound momentum of the **Thought Adjusters**, who went forth from Paradise to indwell material mortals in obedience to the Father's mandate, likewise be fully unified personalities ere they reach Havona.

[It is written that the deities chose "to create mortal man in their divine image." 32:2.8 (359.5). For material beings, the egotism to embrace such a destiny seems staggering, yet in fact, such is providence. It is our fate not to be deity, but rather to be personally and perfectly unified in our spiritual heritage and destiny, just as the three persons of deity are unified in the Universal I AM. From the shadowy dust of material reality, our Creator Father gifts us the embryonic elements of form, mind, and spirit directed by **unique individuality of divine source** and embowed with freedom of choice and then personally fosters us in the cocreation of finite Gods, a grand experiment of deity expansion in the time/space creation! Wow!]

(Jesus - The "Fear of the Lord")

149:6.9 (1676.3) "Out of your wrong concepts of the Father in heaven grow your false ideas of humility and springs much of your hypocrisy. Man may be a worm of the dust by nature and origin, but when he becomes indwelt by **my Father's spirit**, that man becomes divine in his destiny. The bestowal **spirit of my Father** will surely return to the divine source and universe level of origin, and the human soul of mortal man which shall have become the reborn child of this **indwelling spirit** shall certainly ascend with the **divine spirit** to the very presence of the eternal Father.

Mortal Cooperation

3:1.11 (46.3) While the Father parentally encircuits all his sons — all personalities — his influence in them is limited by the remoteness of their origin from the Second and the Third Persons of Deity and augmented as their destiny attainment nears such levels. The fact of God's presence in creature minds is determined by whether or not they are indwelt by **Father fragments**, such as the **Mystery Monitors**, but his effective presence is determined by the degree of co-operation accorded these indwelling **Adjusters** by the minds of their sojourn.

The Approach to God

5:1.1 (62.3) The inability of the finite creature to approach the infinite Father is inherent, not in the Father's aloofness, but in the finiteness and material limitations of created beings. The magnitude of the spiritual difference between the highest personality of universe existence and the lower groups of created intelligences is inconceivable. Were it possible for the lower orders of intelligence to be transported instantly into the presence of the Father himself, they would not know they were there. They would there be just as oblivious of the presence of the Universal Father as where they now are. There is a long, long road ahead of mortal man before he can consistently and within the realms of possibility ask for safe conduct into the Paradise presence of the Universal Father. Spiritually, man must be translated many times before he can attain a plane that will yield the spiritual vision which will enable him to see even any one of the Seven Master Spirits.

5:1.2 (62.4) Our Father is not in hiding; he is not in arbitrary seclusion. He has mobilized the resources of divine wisdom in a never-ending effort to reveal himself to the children of his universal domains. There is an infinite grandeur and an inexpressible generosity connected with the majesty of his love which causes him to yearn for the association of every created being who can comprehend, love, or approach him; and it is, therefore, the limitations inherent in you, inseparable from your finite personality and material existence, that determine the time and place and circumstances in which you may achieve the goal of the journey of mortal ascension and stand in the presence of the Father at the center of all things.

5:1.3 (63.1) Although the approach to the Paradise presence of the Father must await your attainment of the highest finite levels of spirit progression, you should rejoice in the recognition of the ever-present possibility of immediate communion with the **bestowal spirit** of the Father so intimately associated with your inner soul and your spiritualizing self.

5:1.4 (63.2) The mortals of the realms of time and space may differ greatly in innate abilities and intellectual endowment, they may enjoy environments exceptionally favorable to social advancement and moral progress, or they may suffer from the lack of almost every human aid to culture and supposed advancement in the arts of civilization; but the possibilities for spiritual progress in the ascension career are equal to all; increasing levels of spiritual insight and cosmic meanings are attained quite independently of all such sociomoral differentials of the diversified material environments on the evolutionary worlds.

5:1.5 (63.3) However Urantia mortals may differ in their intellectual, social, economic, and even moral opportunities and endowments, forget not that their spiritual endowment is uniform and unique. They all enjoy the same divine presence of the **gift from the Father**, and they are all equally privileged to seek intimate personal communion with

this **indwelling spirit of divine origin**, while they may all equally choose to accept the uniform spiritual leading of these **Mystery Monitors**.

5:1.6 (63.4) If mortal man is wholeheartedly spiritually motivated, unreservedly consecrated to the doing of the Father's will, then, since he is so certainly and so effectively spiritually endowed by the **indwelling and divine Adjuster**, there cannot fail to materialize in that individual's experience the sublime consciousness of knowing God and the supernal assurance of surviving for the purpose of finding God by the progressive experience of becoming more and more like him.

5:1.7 (63.5) Man is spiritually indwelt by a surviving **Thought Adjuster**. If such a human mind is sincerely and spiritually motivated, if such a human soul desires to know God and become like him, honestly wants to do the Father's will, there exists no negative influence of mortal deprivation nor positive power of possible interference which can prevent such a divinely motivated soul from securely ascending to the portals of Paradise.

5:1.8 (63.6) The Father desires all his creatures to be in personal communion with him. He has on Paradise a place to receive all those whose survival status and spiritual nature make possible such attainment. Therefore settle in your philosophy now and forever: To each of you and to all of us, God is approachable, the Father is attainable, the way is open; the forces of divine love and the ways and means of divine administration are all interlocked in an effort to facilitate the advancement of every worthy intelligence of every universe to the Paradise presence of the Universal Father.

5:1.9 (63.7) The fact that vast time is involved in the attainment of God makes the presence and personality of the Infinite none the less real. Your ascension is a part of the circuit of the seven superuniverses, and though you swing around it countless times, you may expect, in spirit and in status, to be ever swinging inward. You can depend upon being translated from sphere to sphere, from the outer circuits ever nearer the inner center, and some day, doubt not, you shall stand in the divine and central presence and see him, figuratively speaking, face to face. It is a question of the attainment of actual and literal spiritual levels; and these spiritual levels are attainable by any being who has been indwelt by a **Mystery Monitor**, and who has subsequently eternally fused with that **Thought Adjuster**.

5:2.5 (65.1) It is exceedingly difficult for the meagerly spiritualized, material mind of mortal man to experience marked consciousness of the spirit activities of such divine entities as the **Paradise Adjusters**. As the soul of joint mind and **Adjuster** creation becomes increasingly existent, there also evolves a new phase of soul consciousness which is capable of experiencing the presence, and of recognizing the spirit leadings and other supermaterial activities, of the **Mystery Monitors**.

5:2.6 (65.2) The entire experience of **Adjuster** communion is one involving moral status, mental motivation, and spiritual experience. The self-realization of such an achievement is mainly, though not exclusively, limited to the realms of soul consciousness, but the

proofs are forthcoming and abundant in the manifestation of the fruits of the spirit in the lives of all such inner-spirit contactors.

5:5.13 (69.8) Eternal survival of personality is wholly dependent on the choosing of the mortal mind, whose decisions determine the survival potential of the immortal soul. When the mind believes God and the soul knows God, and when, with the fostering **Adjuster**, they all *desire* God, then is survival assured. Limitations of intellect, curtailment of education, deprivation of culture, impoverishment of social status, even inferiority of the human standards of morality resulting from the unfortunate lack of educational, cultural, and social advantages, cannot invalidate the presence of the **divine spirit** in such unfortunate and humanly handicapped but believing individuals. The indwelling of the **Mystery Monitor** constitutes the inception and insures the possibility of the potential of growth and survival of the immortal soul.

5:5.14 (70.1) The ability of mortal parents to procreate is not predicated on their educational, cultural, social, or economic status. The union of the parental factors under natural conditions is quite sufficient to initiate offspring. A human mind discerning right and wrong and possessing the capacity to worship God, in union with a divine **Adjuster**, is all that is required in that mortal to initiate and foster the production of his immortal soul of survival qualities if such a spirit-endowed individual seeks God and sincerely desires to become like him, honestly elects to do the will of the Father in heaven.

26:4.15 (290.5) *Ability to comprehend is the mortal passport to Paradise.* Willingness to believe is the key to Havona. The acceptance of sonship, co-operation with the indwelling **Adjuster**, is the price of evolutionary survival.

32:3.4 (360.6) With the exception of the deity presence of the Father, every local universe is, in a certain sense, a duplication of the administrative organization of the central or pattern creation. Although the Universal Father is personally present in the residential universe, he does not indwell the minds of the beings originating in that universe as he does literally dwell with the souls of the mortals of time and space. There seems to be an all-wise compensation in the adjustment and regulation of the spiritual affairs of the far-flung creation. In the central universe the Father is personally present as such but absent in the minds of the children of that perfect creation; in the universes of space the Father is absent in person, being represented by his Sovereign Sons, while he is intimately present in the minds of his mortal children, being spiritually represented by the prepersonal presence of the **Mystery Monitors** that reside in the minds of these will creatures.

32:3.8 (361.3) Excepting perfect beings of Deity origin, all will creatures in the superuniverses are of evolutionary nature, beginning in lowly estate and climbing ever upward, in reality inward. Even highly spiritual personalities continue to ascend the

scale of life by progressive translations from life to life and from sphere to sphere. And in the case of those who entertain the **Mystery Monitors**, there is indeed no limit to the possible heights of their spiritual ascent and universe attainment.

32:4.1 (362.5) Do not entertain the idea that, since the Universal Father has delegated so much of himself and his power to others, he is a silent or inactive member of the Deity partnership. Aside from personality domains and **Adjuster** bestowal, he is apparently the least active of the Paradise Deities in that he allows his Deity co-ordinates, his Sons, and numerous created intelligences to perform so much in the carrying out of his eternal purpose. He is the silent member of the creative trio only in that he never does aught which any of his co-ordinate or subordinate associates can do.

32:4.7 (363.5) The indwelling **Adjusters** are one of God's separate but unified modes of contact with the creatures of his all but infinite creation. Thus does he who is invisible to mortal man manifest his presence, and could he do so, he would show himself to us in still other ways, but such further revelation is not divinely possible.

34:7.1 (382.1) The flesh, the inherent nature derived from the animal-origin races, does not naturally bear the fruits of the divine Spirit. When the mortal nature has been upstepped by the addition of the nature of the Material Sons of God, as the Urantia races were in a measure advanced by the bestowal of Adam, then is the way better prepared for the Spirit of Truth to co-operate with the indwelling **Adjuster** to bring forth the beautiful harvest of the character fruits of the spirit. If you do not reject this spirit, even though eternity may be required to fulfill the commission, "he will guide you into all truth."

40:7.1 (448.8) The sending of **Adjusters**, their indwelling, is indeed one of the unfathomable mysteries of God the Father. These **fragments of the divine nature** of the Universal Father carry with them the potential of creature immortality. **Adjusters** are immortal spirits, and union with them confers eternal life upon the soul of the fused mortal.

40:7.2 (448.9) Your own races of surviving mortals belong to this group of the ascending Sons of God. You are now planetary sons, evolutionary creatures derived from the Life Carrier implantations and modified by the Adamic-life infusion, hardly yet ascending sons; but you are indeed sons of ascension potential — even to the highest heights of glory and divinity attainment — and this spiritual status of ascending sonship you may attain by faith and by freewill co-operation with the spiritualizing activities of the indwelling **Adjuster**. When you and your **Adjusters** are finally and forever fused, when you two are made one, even as in Christ Michael the Son of God and the Son of Man are one, then in fact have you become the ascending sons of God.

[This is a nice clarification of the paradise path of material life: As mortal creatures, we are Sons of ascension potential, but classified as planetary sons. It is only after adjust fusion that we achieve the distinction of ascending Sons of God.]

95:3.2 (1045.5) Moral evolution is not wholly dependent on revelation. High moral concepts can be derived from man's own experience. Man can even evolve spiritual values and derive cosmic insight from his personal experiential living because a **divine spirit** indwells him. Such natural evolutions of conscience and character were also augmented by the periodic arrival of teachers of truth, in ancient times from the second Eden, later on from Melchizedek's headquarters at Salem.

100:2.5 (1096.2) Actual spiritual status is the measure of Deity attainment, **Adjuster** attainment. The achievement of finality of spirituality is equivalent to the attainment of the maximum of reality, the maximum of Godlikeness. Eternal life is the endless quest for infinite values.

101:2.14 (1107.4) Your deepest nature — the divine **Adjuster** — creates within you a hunger and thirst for righteousness, a certain craving for divine perfection. [In Buddhist circles, I've heard of this perfection hunger described as similar to a red, hot cannonball sitting in the depths of one's gut, simply impossible to ignore.] Religion is the faith act of the recognition of this inner urge to divine attainment; and thus is brought about that soul trust and assurance of which you become conscious as the way of salvation, the technique of the survival of personality and all those values which you have come to look upon as being true and good.

102:1.1 (1118.4) The work of the **Thought Adjuster** constitutes the explanation of the translation of man's primitive and evolutionary sense of duty into that higher and more certain faith in the eternal realities of revelation. There must be perfection hunger in man's heart to insure capacity for comprehending the faith paths to supreme attainment. If any man chooses to do the divine will, he shall know the way of truth. It is literally true, "Human things must be known in order to be loved, but divine things must be loved in order to be known." But honest doubts and sincere questionings are not sin; such attitudes merely spell delay in the progressive journey toward perfection attainment. Childlike trust secures man's entrance into the kingdom of heavenly ascent, but progress is wholly dependent on the vigorous exercise of the robust and confident faith of the full-grown man.

102:1.6 (1119.5) The indwelling **Thought Adjuster** unflinchingly arouses in man's soul a true and searching hunger for perfection together with a far-reaching curiosity which can be adequately satisfied only by communion with God, the divine source of that **Adjuster**. The hungry soul of man refuses to be satisfied with anything less than the personal

realization of the living God. Whatever more God may be than a high and perfect moral personality, he cannot, in our hungry and finite concept, be anything less.

103:2.5 (1131.4) The psychology of a child is naturally positive, not negative. So many mortals are negative because they were so trained. When it is said that the child is positive, reference is made to his moral impulses, those powers of mind whose emergence signals the arrival of the **Thought Adjuster**.

103:2.6 (1131.5) In the absence of wrong teaching, the mind of the normal child moves positively, in the emergence of religious consciousness, toward moral righteousness and social ministry, rather than negatively, away from sin and guilt. There may or may not be conflict in the development of religious experience, but there are always present the inevitable decisions, effort, and function of the human will.

103:2.7 (1131.6) Moral choosing is usually accompanied by more or less moral conflict. And this very first conflict in the child mind is between the urges of egoism and the impulses of altruism. The **Thought Adjuster** does not disregard the personality values of the egoistic motive but does operate to place a slight preference upon the altruistic impulse as leading to the goal of human happiness and to the joys of the kingdom of heaven.

103:5.1 (1133.6) The early evolutionary mind gives origin to a feeling of social duty and moral obligation derived chiefly from emotional fear. The more positive urge of social service and the idealism of altruism are derived from the direct impulse of the **divine spirit** indwelling the human mind.

Human happiness is achieved only when the ego desire of the self and the altruistic urge of the higher self (**divine spirit**) are co-ordinated and reconciled by the unified will of the integrating and supervising personality. The mind of evolutionary man is ever confronted with the intricate problem of refereeing the contest between the natural expansion of emotional impulses and the moral growth of unselfish urges predicated on spiritual insight — genuine religious reflection.

[This passage offers a wonderful illustration of the workings of our **Mystery Monitors**.

The indwelling spirits always choose to act with the greatest respect of the human personality, offering “slight preference” and “urges” toward more spiritualized behavior in the choices of the “ego desire of the self and the altruistic urge of the higher self (**divine spirit**)”. 103:5.5 (1134.3) Always are the higher adjuvant mind spirit influences augmented by the presence of the **Father fragments**.]

111:7.5 (1223.7) (a Guardian of Destiny speaks) - “Much of my difficulty was due to the unending conflict between the two natures of my subject: the urge of ambition opposed by animal indolence; the ideals of a superior people crossed by the instincts of an inferior race; the high purposes of a great mind antagonized by the urge of a primitive inheritance; the long-distance view of a far-seeing **Monitor** counteracted by the nearsightedness of a creature of time; the progressive plans of an ascending being

modified by the desires and longings of a material nature; the flashes of universe intelligence cancelled by the chemical-energy mandates of the evolving race; the urge of angels opposed by the emotions of an animal; the training of an intellect annulled by the tendencies of instinct; the experience of the individual opposed by the accumulated propensities of the race; the aims of the best overshadowed by the drift of the worst; the flight of genius neutralized by the gravity of mediocrity; the progress of the good retarded by the inertia of the bad; the art of the beautiful besmirched by the presence of evil; the buoyancy of health neutralized by the debility of disease; the fountain of faith polluted by the poisons of fear; the spring of joy embittered by the waters of sorrow; the gladness of anticipation disillusioned by the bitterness of realization; the joys of living ever threatened by the sorrows of death. Such a life on such a planet! And yet, because of the ever-present help and urge of the **Thought Adjuster**, this soul did achieve a fair degree of happiness and success and has even now ascended to the judgment halls of mansonia.”

108:2.5 (1187.4) Before the times of the pouring out of the Spirit of Truth upon the inhabitants of an evolutionary world, the **Adjusters'** bestowal appears to be determined by many spirit influences and personality attitudes. We do not fully comprehend the laws governing such bestowals; we do not understand just what determines the release of the **Adjusters** who have volunteered to indwell such evolving minds. But we do observe numerous influences and conditions which appear to be associated with the arrival of the **Adjusters** in such minds prior to the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, and they are:

1. The assignment of personal seraphic guardians. If a mortal has not been previously indwelt by an **Adjuster**, the assignment of a personal guardian brings the **Adjuster** forthwith. There exists some very definite but unknown relation between the ministry of **Adjusters** and the ministry of personal seraphic guardians.
2. The attainment of the third circle of intellectual achievement and spiritual attainment. I have observed **Adjusters** arrive in mortal minds upon the conquest of the third circle even before such an accomplishment could be signalized to the local universe personalities concerned with such matters.
3. Upon the making of a supreme decision of unusual spiritual import. Such human behavior in a personal planetary crisis usually is attended by the immediate arrival of the waiting **Adjuster**.
4. The spirit of brotherhood. Regardless of the attainment of the psychic circles and the assignment of personal guardians—in the absence of anything resembling a crisis decision—when an evolving mortal becomes dominated by the love of his fellows and consecrated to unselfish ministry to his brethren in the

flesh, the waiting **Adjuster** unvaryingly descends to indwell the mind of such a mortal minister.

5. Declaration of intention to do the will of God. We observe that many mortals on the worlds of space may be apparently in readiness to receive **Adjusters**, and yet the **Monitors** do not appear. We go on watching such creatures as they live from day to day, and presently they quietly, almost unconsciously, arrive at the decision to begin the pursuit of the doing of the will of the Father in heaven. And then we observe the immediate dispatch of the **Thought Adjusters**.

6. Influence of the Supreme Being. On worlds where the **Adjusters** do not fuse with the evolving souls of the mortal inhabitants, we observe **Adjusters** sometimes bestowed in response to influences which are wholly beyond our comprehension. We conjecture that such bestowals are determined by some cosmic reflex action originating in the Supreme Being. As to why these **Adjusters** can not or do not fuse with these certain types of evolving mortal minds we do not know. Such transactions have never been revealed to us. 108:2.6-11 (1187.5- 8.2)

Indwelling the Mortal Mind

110:1.1 (1203.3) **Adjusters** should not be thought of as living in the material brains of human beings. They are not organic parts of the physical creatures of the realms. The **Thought Adjuster** may more properly be envisaged as indwelling the mortal mind of man rather than as existing within the confines of a single physical organ. And indirectly and unrecognized the **Adjuster** is constantly communicating with the human subject, especially during those sublime experiences of the worshipful contact of mind with spirit in the superconsciousness.

110:1.2 (1203.4) I wish it were possible for me to help evolving mortals to achieve a better understanding and attain a fuller appreciation of the unselfish and superb work of the **Adjusters** living within them, who are so devoutly faithful to the task of fostering man's spiritual welfare. These **Monitors** are efficient ministers to the higher phases of men's minds; they are wise and experienced manipulators of the spiritual potential of the human intellect. These **heavenly helpers** are dedicated to the stupendous task of guiding you safely inward and upward to the celestial haven of happiness. These **tireless toilers** are consecrated to the future personification of the triumph of divine truth in your life everlasting. They are the **watchful workers** who pilot the God-conscious human mind away from the shoals of evil while expertly guiding the evolving soul of man toward the divine harbors of perfection on far-distant and eternal shores. The **Adjusters** are **loving leaders**, your **safe and sure guides** through the dark and uncertain mazes of your short earthly career; they are the **patient teachers** who so constantly urge their subjects forward in the paths of progressive perfection. They are the **careful**

custodians of the sublime values of creature character. I wish you could love them more, co-operate with them more fully, and cherish them more affectionately.

110:1.3 (1204.1) Although the **divine indwellers** are chiefly concerned with your spiritual preparation for the next stage of the never-ending existence, they are also deeply interested in your temporal welfare and in your real achievements on earth. They are delighted to contribute to your health, happiness, and true prosperity. They are not indifferent to your success in all matters of planetary advancement which are not inimical to your future life of eternal progress.

110:1.4 (1204.2) Adjusters are interested in, and concerned with, your daily doings and the manifold details of your life just to the extent that these are influential in the determination of your significant temporal choices and vital spiritual decisions and, hence, are factors in the solution of your problem of soul survival and eternal progress. The **Adjuster**, while passive regarding purely temporal welfare, is divinely active concerning all the affairs of your eternal future.

110:1.5 (1204.3) The **Adjuster** remains with you in all disaster and through every sickness which does not wholly destroy the mentality. But how unkind knowingly to defile or otherwise deliberately to pollute the physical body, which must serve as the earthly tabernacle of this marvelous **gift from God**. All physical poisons greatly retard the efforts of the **Adjuster** to exalt the material mind, while the mental poisons of fear, anger, envy, jealousy, suspicion, and intolerance likewise tremendously interfere with the spiritual progress of the evolving soul.

110:1.6 (1204.4) Today you are passing through the period of the courtship of your **Adjuster**; and if you only prove faithful to the trust reposed in you by the **divine spirit** who seeks your mind and soul in eternal union, there will eventually ensue that morontia oneness, that supernal harmony, that cosmic co-ordination, that divine attunement, that celestial fusion, that never-ending blending of identity, that oneness of being which is so perfect and final that even the most experienced personalities can never segregate or recognize as separate identities the fusion partners—mortal man and divine **Adjuster**. [Once again, is confirmed the fact that the **Adjuster** indwells the human mind rather than existing within a material organ such as the brain. These marvelously **divine gifts** work constantly to uplift the “spiritual potentials of the human intellect” and urge their subjects along the “path of progressive perfection”. Though deeply interested in your health, happiness, and prosperity as these material values affect your temporal choices and spiritual decisions, the **Adjusters** are primarily concerned with the next or morontial life of ascending existence. It is their task to foster the spiritualization of your thoughts and to construct in your super-consciousness the duplicate of the morontial mind that will guide you in the pre-spirit career. Take care to not defile and demean these **spirit entities** with not only physical poisons, but particularly eschew the mental poisons of fear, anger, envy, jealousy, suspicion, and intolerance. If you have faith, soul survival and eternal progress are yours for the choosing.]

Adjusters and Human Will

110:2.1 (1204.5) When **Thought Adjusters** indwell human minds, they bring with them the model careers, the ideal lives, as determined and foreordained by themselves and the **Personalized Adjusters** of Divinington, which have been certified by the **Personalized Adjuster** of Urantia. Thus they begin work with a definite and predetermined plan for the intellectual and spiritual development of their human subjects, but it is not incumbent upon any human being to accept this plan. You are all subjects of predestination, but it is not foreordained that you must accept this divine predestination; you are at full liberty to reject any part or all of the **Thought Adjusters'** program. It is their mission to effect such mind changes and to make such spiritual adjustments as you may willingly and intelligently authorize, to the end that they may gain more influence over the personality directionization; but under no circumstances do these divine **Monitors** ever take advantage of you or in any way arbitrarily influence you in your choices and decisions. The **Adjusters** respect your sovereignty of personality; they are always subservient to your will.

110:2.2 (1204.6) They are persistent, ingenious, and perfect in their methods of work, but they never do violence to the volitional selfhood of their hosts. No human being will ever be spiritualized by a divine **Monitor** against his will; survival is a gift of the Gods which must be desired by the creatures of time. In the final analysis, whatever the **Adjuster** has succeeded in doing for you, the records will show that the transformation has been accomplished with your co-operative consent; you will have been a willing partner with the Adjuster in the attainment of every step of the tremendous transformation of the ascension career.

110:2.3 (1205.1) **The Adjuster** is not trying to control your thinking, as such, but rather to spiritualize it, to eternalize it. Neither angels nor **Adjusters** are devoted directly to influencing human thought; that is your exclusive personality prerogative. The **Adjusters** are dedicated to improving, modifying, adjusting, and co-ordinating your thinking processes; but more especially and specifically they are devoted to the work of building up spiritual counterparts of your careers, morontia transcripts of your true advancing selves, for survival purposes.

110:2.4 (1205.2) **Adjusters** work in the spheres of the higher levels of the human mind, unceasingly seeking to produce morontia duplicates of every concept of the mortal intellect. There are, therefore, two realities which impinge upon, and are centered in, the human mind circuits: one, a mortal self evolved from the original plans of the Life Carriers, the other, an **immortal entity** from the high spheres of Divinington, an **indwelling gift** from God. But the mortal self is also a personal self; it has personality.

110:2.5 (1205.3) You as a personal creature have mind and will. The **Adjuster** as a prepersonal creature has premind and prewill. If you so fully conform to the **Adjuster's** mind that you see eye to eye, then your minds become one, and you receive the

reinforcement of the Adjuster's mind. Subsequently, if your will orders and enforces the execution of the decisions of this new or combined mind, the Adjuster's prepersonal will attains to personality expression through your decision, and as far as that particular project is concerned, you and the Adjuster are one. Your mind has attained to divinity attunement, and the Adjuster's will has achieved personality expression.

110:2.6 (1205.4) To the extent that this identity is realized, you are mentally approaching the morontia order of existence. Morontia mind is a term signifying the substance and sum total of the co-operating minds of diversely material and spiritual natures. Morontia intellect, therefore, connotes a dual mind in the local universe dominated by one will. And with mortals this is a will, human in origin, which is becoming divine through man's identification of the human mind with the mindedness of God.

[These paragraphs add clarity to the techniques of the Adjusters in creating within the human material mind a spiritual counterpart or duplicate, which, after material death is sufficient to foster the union of personality identity with the morontial form, the indwelling gift of the Father, and the morontial type mind. The unique identity within which this dual mind of animal origin and spiritual destiny functions will experience spiritual growth and eventually immortality to the extent that it is able to so fully conform to the Adjuster's mind that the Adjuster's will achieves personality expression, and your mind attains to divinity attunement and eventual Adjuster fusion. The heritage of material beings is divine, yet the choice to pursue the Ascension path to eternity is inalienably yours. Mystery Monitors are always subservient to your will.]

Co-operation with the Adjuster

110:3.1 (1205.5) Adjusters are playing the sacred and superb game of the ages; they are engaged in one of the supreme adventures of time in space. And how happy they are when your co-operation permits them to lend assistance in your short struggles of time as they continue to prosecute their larger tasks of eternity. But usually, when your Adjuster attempts to communicate with you, the message is lost in the material currents of the energy streams of human mind; only occasionally do you catch an echo, a faint and distant echo, of the divine voice.

110:3.2 (1205.6) The success of your Adjuster in the enterprise of piloting you through the mortal life and bringing about your survival depends not so much on the theories of your beliefs as upon your decisions, determinations, and steadfast faith. All these movements of personality growth become powerful influences aiding in your advancement because they help you to co-operate with the Adjuster; they assist you in ceasing to resist. Thought Adjusters succeed or apparently fail in their terrestrial undertakings just in so far as mortals succeed or fail to co-operate with the scheme whereby they are to be advanced along the ascending path of perfection attainment. The secret of survival is wrapped up in the supreme human desire to be Godlike and in

the associated willingness to do and be any and all things which are essential to the final attainment of that overmastering desire.

110:3.3 (1206.1) When we speak of an **Adjuster's** success or failure, we are speaking in terms of human survival. **Adjusters** never fail; they are of the divine essence, and they always emerge triumphant in each of their undertakings.

110:3.4 (1206.2) I cannot but observe that so many of you spend so much time and thought on mere trifles of living, while you almost wholly overlook the more essential realities of everlasting import, those very accomplishments which are concerned with the development of a more harmonious working agreement between you and your **Adjusters**. The great goal of human existence is to attune to the divinity of the indwelling **Adjuster**; the great achievement of mortal life is the attainment of a true and understanding consecration to the eternal aims of the **divine spirit who waits and works within your mind**. But a devoted and determined effort to realize eternal destiny is wholly compatible with a lighthearted and joyous life and with a successful and honorable career on earth. Co-operation with the **Thought Adjuster** does not entail self-torture, mock piety, or hypocritical and ostentatious self-abasement; the ideal life is one of loving service rather than an existence of fearful apprehension.

110:3.5 (1206.3) Confusion, being puzzled, even sometimes discouraged and distracted, does not necessarily signify resistance to the leadings of the indwelling **Adjuster**. Such attitudes may sometimes connote lack of active co-operation with the divine **Monitor** and may, therefore, somewhat delay spiritual progress, but such intellectual emotional difficulties do not in the least interfere with the certain survival of the God-knowing soul. Ignorance alone can never prevent survival; neither can confusional doubts nor fearful uncertainty. Only conscious resistance to the Adjuster's leading can prevent the survival of the evolving immortal soul.

110:3.6 (1206.4) You must not regard co-operation with your **Adjuster** as a particularly conscious process, for it is not; but your motives and your decisions, your faithful determinations and your supreme desires, do constitute real and effective co-operation. You can consciously augment **Adjuster** harmony by:

1. Choosing to respond to divine leading; sincerely basing the human life on the highest consciousness of truth, beauty, and goodness, and then co-ordinating these qualities of divinity through wisdom, worship, faith, and love.
2. Loving God and desiring to be like him—genuine recognition of the divine fatherhood and loving worship of the heavenly Parent.
3. Loving man and sincerely desiring to serve him—wholehearted recognition of the brotherhood of man coupled with an intelligent and wise affection for each of your fellow mortals.
4. Joyful acceptance of cosmic citizenship—honest recognition of your progressive obligations to the Supreme Being, awareness of the interdependence of evolutionary man and evolving Deity. This is the birth of

cosmic morality and the dawning realization of universal duty. 110:3.7-10
(1206.5-8)

[Recognize that it is your “motives and your decisions, your faithful determinations and your supreme desires” 110:3.6 (1206.4) – your intents and conscious cooperation - to listen to the divine leading of the **indwelling spirit**, to lovingly worship our Creator Father, sincerely desire to serve our brothers, and to joyfully accept cosmic citizenship, that secures **Adjuster** cooperation. This is the goal of material life and the secret of existence – the desire to be God like; perfect in your spirit of existence, as God is perfect.]

The Adjuster’s Work in the Mind

110:4.1 (1207.1) **Adjusters** are able to receive the continuous stream of cosmic intelligence coming in over the master circuits of time and space; they are in full touch with the spirit intelligence and energy of the universes. But these **mighty indwellers** are unable to transmit very much of this wealth of wisdom and truth to the minds of their mortal subjects because of the lack of commonness of nature and the absence of responsive recognition.

110:4.2 (1207.2) The **Thought Adjuster** is engaged in a constant effort so to spiritualize your mind as to evolve your morontia soul; but you yourself are mostly unconscious of this inner ministry. You are quite incapable of distinguishing the product of your own material intellect from that of the conjoint activities of your soul and the **Adjuster**.

110:4.3 (1207.3) Certain abrupt presentations of thoughts, conclusions, and other pictures of mind are sometimes the direct or indirect work of the **Adjuster**; but far more often they are the sudden emergence into consciousness of ideas which have been grouping themselves together in the submerged mental levels, natural and everyday occurrences of normal and ordinary psychic function inherent in the circuits of the evolving animal mind. (In contrast with these subconscious emanations, the revelations of the **Adjuster** appear through the realms of the superconscious.)

110:4.4 (1207.4) Trust all matters of mind beyond the dead level of consciousness to the custody of the **Adjusters**. In due time, if not in this world then on the mansion worlds, they will give good account of their stewardship, and eventually will they bring forth those meanings and values intrusted to their care and keeping. They will resurrect every worthy treasure of the mortal mind if you survive.

110:4.5 (1207.5) There exists a vast gulf between the human and the divine, between man and God. The Urantia races are so largely electrically and chemically controlled, so highly animallike in their common behavior, so emotional in their ordinary reactions, that it becomes exceedingly difficult for the **Monitors** to guide and direct them. You are so devoid of courageous decisions and consecrated co-operation that your indwelling **Adjusters** find it next to impossible to communicate directly with the human mind. Even when they do find it possible to flash a gleam of new truth to the evolving mortal soul, this spiritual revelation often so blinds the creature as to precipitate a convulsion of

fanaticism or to initiate some other intellectual upheaval which results disastrously. Many a new religion and strange “ism” has arisen from the aborted, imperfect, misunderstood, and garbled communications of the **Thought Adjusters**.

110:4.6 (1207.6) For many thousands of years, so the records of Jerusalem show, in each generation there have lived fewer and fewer beings who could function safely with self-acting **Adjusters**. This is an alarming picture, and the supervising personalities of Satania look with favor upon the proposals of some of your more immediate planetary supervisors who advocate the inauguration of measures designed to foster and conserve the higher spiritual types of the Urantia races.

The Attainment of Immortality

110:7.1 (1212.2) The achievement of the seven cosmic circles does not equal **Adjuster** fusion. There are many mortals living on Urantia who have attained their circles; but fusion depends on yet other greater and more sublime spiritual achievements, upon the attainment of a final and complete attunement of the mortal will with the will of God as it is resident in the **Thought Adjuster**.

110:7.2 (1212.3) When a human being has completed the circles of cosmic achievement, and further, when the final choosing of the mortal will permits the **Adjuster** to complete the association of human identity with the morontial soul during evolutionary and physical life, then do such consummated liaisons of soul and **Adjuster** go on independently to the mansion worlds, and there is issued the mandate from Uversa which provides for the immediate fusion of the **Adjuster** and the morontial soul. This fusion during physical life instantly consumes the material body; the human beings who might witness such a spectacle would only observe the translating mortal disappear “in chariots of fire.”

110:7.3 (1212.4) Most **Adjusters** who have translated their subjects from Urantia were highly experienced and of record as previous indwellers of numerous mortals on other spheres. Remember, **Adjusters** gain valuable indwelling experience on planets of the loan order; it does not follow that **Adjusters** only gain experience for advanced work in those mortal subjects who fail to survive.

110:7.4 (1212.5) Subsequent to mortal fusion the **Adjusters** share your destiny and experience; they are you. After the fusion of the immortal morontia soul and the associated **Adjuster**, all of the experience and all of the values of the one eventually become the possession of the other, so that the two are actually one entity. In a certain sense, this new being is of the eternal past as well as for the eternal future. All that was once human in the surviving soul and all that is experientially divine in the **Adjuster** now become the actual possession of the new and ever-ascending universe personality. But on each universe level the Adjuster can endow the new creature only with those attributes which are meaningful and of value on that level. An absolute oneness with the divine **Monitor**, a complete exhaustion of the endowment of an **Adjuster**, can only be

achieved in eternity subsequent to the final attainment of the Universal Father, the Father of spirits, ever the source of these **divine gifts**.

110:7.5 (1212.6) When the evolving soul and the divine **Adjuster** are finally and eternally fused, each gains all of the experiential qualities of the other. This co-ordinate personality possesses all of the experiential memory of survival once held by the ancestral mortal mind and then resident in the morontia soul, and in addition thereto this potential finaliter embraces all the experiential memory of the **Adjuster** throughout the mortal indwellings of all time. But it will require an eternity of the future for an **Adjuster** ever completely to endow the personality partnership with the meanings and values which the divine **Monitor** carries forward from the eternity of the past.

110:7.6 (1213.1) But with the vast majority of Urantians the **Adjuster** must patiently await the arrival of death deliverance; must await the liberation of the emerging soul from the well-nigh complete domination of the energy patterns and chemical forces inherent in your material order of existence. The chief difficulty you experience in contacting with your **Adjusters** consists in this very inherent material nature. So few mortals are real thinkers; you do not spiritually develop and discipline your minds to the point of favorable liaison with the divine **Adjusters**. The ear of the human mind is almost deaf to the spiritual pleas which the **Adjuster** translates from the manifold messages of the universal broadcasts of love proceeding from the Father of mercies. The **Adjuster** finds it almost impossible to register these inspiring spirit leadings in an animal mind so completely dominated by the chemical and electrical forces inherent in your physical natures.

110:7.7 (1213.2) **Adjusters** rejoice to make contact with the mortal mind; but they must be patient through the long years of silent sojourn during which they are unable to break through animal resistance and directly communicate with you. The higher the **Thought Adjusters** ascend in the scale of service, the more efficient they become. But never can they greet you, in the flesh, with the same full, sympathetic, and expressionful affection as they will when you discern them mind to mind on the mansion worlds.

110:7.8 (1213.3) During mortal life the material body and mind separate you from your **Adjuster** and prevent free communication; subsequent to death, after the eternal fusion, you and the **Adjuster** are one—you are not distinguishable as separate beings—and thus there exists no need for communication as you would understand it.

110:7.9 (1213.4) While the voice of the **Adjuster** is ever within you, most of you will hear it seldom during a lifetime. Human beings below the third and second circles of attainment rarely hear the Adjuster's direct voice except in moments of supreme desire, in a supreme situation, and consequent upon a supreme decision.

110:7.10 (1213.5) During the making and breaking of a contact between the mortal mind of a destiny reservist and the planetary supervisors, sometimes the indwelling **Adjuster** is so situated that it becomes possible to transmit a message to the mortal partner. Not long since, on Urantia, such a message was transmitted by a self-acting

Adjuster to the human associate, a member of the reserve corps of destiny. This message was introduced by these words: “And now, without injury or jeopardy to the subject of my solicitous devotion and without intent to overchastise or discourage, for me, make record of this my plea to him.” Then followed a beautifully touching and appealing admonition. Among other things, the Adjuster pleaded “that he more faithfully give me his sincere co-operation, more cheerfully endure the tasks of my emplacement, more faithfully carry out the program of my arrangement, more patiently go through the trials of my selection, more persistently and cheerfully tread the path of my choosing, more humbly receive credit that may accrue as a result of my ceaseless endeavors— thus transmit my admonition to the man of my indwelling. Upon him I bestow the supreme devotion and affection of a divine spirit. And say further to my beloved subject that I will function with wisdom and power until the very end, until the last earth struggle is over; I will be true to my personality trust. And I exhort him to survival, not to disappoint me, not to deprive me of the reward of my patient and intense struggle. On the human will our achievement of personality depends. Circle by circle I have patiently ascended this human mind, and I have testimony that I am meeting the approval of the chief of my kind. Circle by circle I am passing on to judgment. I await with pleasure and without apprehension the roll call of destiny; I am prepared to submit all to the tribunals of the Ancients of Days.”

112:0.1 (1225.1) THE evolutionary planets are the spheres of human origin, the initial worlds of the ascending mortal career. Urantia is your starting point; here you and your divine **Thought Adjuster** are joined in temporary union. You have been endowed with a perfect guide; therefore, if you will sincerely run the race of time and gain the final goal of faith, the reward of the ages shall be yours; you will be eternally united with your indwelling **Adjuster**. Then will begin your real life, the ascending life, to which your present mortal state is but the vestibule. Then will begin your exalted and progressive mission as finaliters in the eternity which stretches out before you. And throughout all of these successive ages and stages of evolutionary growth, there is one part of you that remains absolutely unaltered, and that is personality — permanence in the presence of change.

112:2.15 (1229.2) The purpose of cosmic evolution is to achieve unity of personality through increasing spirit dominance, volitional response to the teaching and leading of the **Thought Adjuster**. Personality, both human and superhuman, is characterized by an inherent cosmic quality which may be called “the evolution of dominance,” the expansion of the control of both itself and its environment.

112:7.1 (1237.3) **Thought Adjuster** fusion imparts eternal actualities to personality which were previously only potential. Among these new endowments may be mentioned:

fixation of divinity quality, past-eternity experience and memory, immortality, and a phase of qualified potential absoluteness.

112:7.2 (1237.4) When your earthly course in temporary form has been run, you are to awaken on the shores of a better world, and eventually you will be united with your faithful **Adjuster** in an eternal embrace. And this fusion constitutes the mystery of making God and man one, the mystery of finite creature evolution, but it is eternally true. Fusion is the secret of the sacred sphere of Ascendington, and no creature, save those who have experienced fusion with the spirit of Deity, can comprehend the true meaning of the actual values which are conjoined when the identity of a creature of time becomes eternally one with the spirit of Paradise Deity.

112:7.6 (1238.1) On the evolutionary worlds, selfhood is material; it is a thing in the universe and as such is subject to the laws of material existence. It is a fact in time and is responsive to the vicissitudes thereof. *Survival decisions must here be formulated.* In the morontia state the self has become a new and more enduring universe reality, and its continuing growth is predicated on its increasing attunement to the mind and spirit circuits of the universes. *Survival decisions are now being confirmed.* When the self attains the spiritual level, it has become a secure value in the universe, and this new value is predicated upon the fact that *survival decisions have been made*, which fact has been witnessed by eternal fusion with the **Thought Adjuster**. And having achieved the status of a true universe value, the creature becomes liberated in potential for the seeking of the highest universe value — God.

112:7.10 (1238.5) Throughout all this magnificent ascent the **Thought Adjuster** is the divine pledge of the future and full spiritual stabilization of the ascending mortal. Meanwhile the presence of the mortal free will affords the **Adjuster** an eternal channel for the liberation of the divine and infinite nature. Now have these two identities become one; no event of time or of eternity can ever separate man and **Adjuster**; they are inseparable, eternally fused.

112:7.11 (1238.6) On the **Adjuster**-fusion worlds the destiny of the **Mystery Monitor** is identical with that of the ascending mortal — the Paradise Corps of the Finality. And neither **Adjuster** nor mortal can attain that unique goal without the full co-operation and faithful help of the other. This extraordinary partnership is one of the most engrossing and amazing of all the cosmic phenomena of this universe age.

118:5.2 (1299.2) In the beginning the Father does all, but as the panorama of eternity unfolds in response to the will and mandates of the Infinite, it becomes increasingly apparent that creatures, even men, are to become God's partners in the realization of finality of destiny. And this is true even in the life in the flesh; when man and God enter into partnership, no limitation can be placed upon the future possibilities of such a partnership. When man realizes that the Universal Father is his partner in eternal

progression, when he fuses with the **indwelling Father presence**, he has, in spirit, broken the fetters of time and has already entered upon the progressions of eternity in the quest for the Universal Father.

[The Paradise Corps of the Finality is now more clearly understood as the destiny of the Ascending Sons of God, unique beings created by the fusion of the **indwelling spirit of God** and the personality of mortal man in an inconceivable adventure of divinity perfection and attainment in the time/space cosmos and in the eternalization of the experiential and existential qualities of the finite God of the Supremacy. The adventures of the material, the morontial, the spiritual, the Supreme, the Ultimate, and perhaps, even the Absolute is revealed for those who choose the path of faith. God offers us the blessing of partaking in the expansion of existential deity by the technique of sharing with Him the evolution of experiential deity from finite personality. What might be the opportunities resident in the Unqualified Absolute? Allow your mind to rest for some brief moments on a truly inconceivable task: reflect upon the value, the true meanings of God's love.]

Adjuster and Jesus

7:5.2 (86.3) The Eternal Son cannot contact directly with human beings as does the Father through the gift of the prepersonal **Thought Adjusters**, but the Eternal Son does draw near to created personalities by a series of downstepping gradations of divine sonship until he is enabled to stand in man's presence and, at times, as man himself.

7:5.3 (86.4) The purely personal nature of the Eternal Son is incapable of fragmentation. The Eternal Son ministers as a spiritual influence or as a person, never otherwise. The Son finds it impossible to become a part of creature experience in the sense that the Father-**Adjuster** participates therein, but the Eternal Son compensates this limitation by the technique of bestowal. What the experience of **fragmented entities** means to the Universal Father, the incarnation experiences of the Paradise Sons mean to the Eternal Son.

7:5.4 (86.5) The Eternal Son comes not to mortal man as the divine will, the **Thought Adjuster** indwelling the human mind, but the Eternal Son did come to mortal man on Urantia when the divine *personality* of his Son, Michael of Nebadon, incarnated in the human nature of Jesus of Nazareth. To share the experience of created personalities, the Paradise Sons of God must assume the very natures of such creatures and incarnate their divine personalities as the actual creatures themselves. Incarnation, the secret of Sonarington, is the technique of the Son's escape from the otherwise all-encompassing fetters of personality absolutism.

10:3.18 (112.2) The Eternal Son seems to function as one with the Father in all spiritual respects except in the bestowals of the **God fragments** and in other prepersonal activities. Neither is the Son closely identified with the intellectual activities of material creatures nor with the energy activities of the material universes. As absolute the Son functions as a person and only in the domain of the spiritual universe.

13:1.8 (145.3) *The secrets of Sonarington* include the secret of the incarnation of the divine Sons. When a Son of God becomes a Son of Man, is literally born of woman, as occurred on your world nineteen hundred years ago, it is a universal mystery. It is occurring right along throughout the universes, and it is a Sonarington secret of divine sonship. The **Adjusters** are a mystery of God the Father. The incarnation of the divine Sons is a mystery of God the Son; it is a secret locked up in the seventh sector of Sonarington, a realm penetrated by none save those who have personally passed through this unique experience. Only those phases of incarnation having to do with your ascension career have been brought to your notice. There are many other phases of the mystery of the incarnation of the Paradise Sons of unrevealed types on missions of universe service which are undisclosed to you. And there are still other Sonarington mysteries.

16:9.6 (196.2) Jesus not only revealed God to man, but he also made a new revelation of man to himself and to other men. In the life of Jesus you see man at his best. Man thus becomes so beautifully real because Jesus had so much of God in his life, and the realization (recognition) of God is inalienable and constitutive in all men.

20:4.3 (227.1) When incarnated on either bestowal or magisterial missions, the Paradise Sons have experienced **Adjusters**, and these **Adjusters** are different for each incarnation. The **Adjusters** that occupy the minds of the incarnated Sons of God can never hope for personality through fusion with the human-divine beings of their indwelling, but they are often personalized by fiat of the Universal Father. Such **Adjusters** form the supreme Divinington council of direction for the administration, identification, and dispatch of **Mystery Monitors** to the inhabited realms. They also receive and accredit **Adjusters** on their return to the "bosom of the Father" upon the mortal dissolution of their earthly tabernacles. In this way the faithful **Adjusters** of the world judges become the exalted chiefs of their kind.

20:6.4 (229.3) When a bestowal Son has mastered the experience of living the mortal life, when he has achieved perfection of attunement with his indwelling **Adjuster**, thereupon he begins that part of his planetary mission designed to illuminate the minds and to inspire the souls of his brethren in the flesh. As teachers, these Sons are exclusively devoted to the spiritual enlightenment of the mortal races on the worlds of their sojourn.

134:7.6 (1492.6) The indwelling **Thought Adjuster** now led Jesus to forsake the dwelling places of men and betake himself up to Mount Hermon that he might finish his work of mastering his human mind and complete the task of effecting his full consecration to the remainder of his lifework on earth.

134:8.2 (1493.1) The first day, after he had left Tiglath, Jesus had ascended the mountain only a short way when he paused to pray. Among other things he asked his Father to send back the guardian seraphim to "be with Tiglath." He requested that he be permitted to go up to his last struggle with the realities of mortal existence alone. And his request was granted. He went into the great test with only his indwelling **Adjuster** to guide and sustain him.

134:8.4 Jesus spent the last three weeks of August and the first three weeks of September on Mount Hermon. During these weeks he finished the mortal task of achieving the circles of mind-understanding and personality-control. Throughout this period of communion with his heavenly Father the indwelling **Adjuster** also completed the assigned services. The mortal goal of this earth creature was there attained. Only the final phase of mind and **Adjuster** attunement remained to be consummated.

[In the 7th bestowal of Michael of Nebadon, this transition from mastering the experience of mortal life to a teacher's task of revealing his Eternal Father in Heaven to his brothers in the flesh, occurred during the Master's sojourn on Mount Hermon in August A.D. 25. The "final phase of mind and **Adjuster** attunement" were completed at his baptism in the Jordan river in January A.D. 26.

158:3.1 (1755.1) ...The transfiguration was the occasion of:

1. The acceptance of the fullness of the bestowal of the incarnated life of Michael on Urantia by the Eternal Mother-Son of Paradise. As far as concerned the requirements of the Eternal Son, Jesus had now received assurance of their fulfillment. And Gabriel brought Jesus that assurance.
2. The testimony of the satisfaction of the Infinite Spirit as to the fullness of the Urantia bestowal in the likeness of mortal flesh. The universe representative of the Infinite Spirit, the immediate associate of Michael on Salvington and his ever-present coworker, on this occasion spoke through the Father Melchizedek.

158:3.2-3 (1755.2-3)]

93:2.7 (1016.1) This incarnated Melchizedek received a **Thought Adjuster**, who indwelt his superhuman personality as the monitor of time and the mentor of the flesh, thus gaining that experience and practical introduction to Urantian problems and to the technique of indwelling an incarnated Son which enabled this spirit of the Father to function so valiantly in the human mind of the later Son of God, Michael, when he appeared on earth in the likeness of mortal flesh. And this is the only **Thought Adjuster** who ever functioned in two minds on Urantia, but both minds were divine as well as human.

100:2.7 (1096.4) Jesus portrayed the profound surety of the God-knowing mortal when he said: “To a God-knowing kingdom believer, what does it matter if all things earthly crash?” Temporal securities are vulnerable, but spiritual sureties are impregnable. When the flood tides of human adversity, selfishness, cruelty, hate, malice, and jealousy beat about the mortal soul, you may rest in the assurance that there is one inner bastion, the citadel of the spirit, which is absolutely unassailable; at least this is true of every human being who has dedicated the keeping of his soul to the **indwelling spirit** of the eternal God.

109:6.3 (1200.3) When **Adjusters** of long universe experience volunteer to indwell divine Sons on bestowal missions, they full well know that personality attainment can never be achieved through this service. But often does the Father of spirits grant personality to these volunteers and establish them as directors of their kind. These are the personalities honored with authority on Divinington. And their unique natures embody the mosaic humanity of their multiple experiences of mortal indwelling and also the spirit transcript of the human divinity of the Paradise bestowal Son of the terminal indwelling experience.

109:6.4 (1200.4) The activities of **Adjusters** in your local universe are directed by the **Personalized Adjuster** of Michael of Nebadon, that very **Monitor** who guided him step by step when he lived his human life in the flesh of Joshua ben Joseph. Faithful to his trust was this extraordinary **Adjuster**, and wisely did this valiant **Monitor** direct the human nature, ever guiding the mortal mind of the Paradise Son in the choosing of the path of the Father’s perfect will. This **Adjuster** had previously served with Machiventa Melchizedek in the days of Abraham and had engaged in tremendous exploits both previous to this indwelling and between these bestowal experiences.

109:6.5 (1200.5) This **Adjuster** did indeed triumph in Jesus’ human mind—that mind which in each of life’s recurring situations maintained a consecrated dedication to the Father’s will, saying, “Not my will, but yours, be done.” Such decisive consecration constitutes the true passport from the limitations of human nature to the finality of divine attainment.

109:6.6 (1200.6) This same **Adjuster** now reflects in the inscrutable nature of his mighty personality the prebaptismal humanity of Joshua ben Joseph, the eternal and living transcript of the eternal and living values which the greatest of all Urantians created out of the humble circumstances of a commonplace life as it was lived to the complete exhaustion of the spiritual values attainable in mortal experience.

(Immanuel’s the Bestowal Mandates to Jesus, at the inauguration of his 7th bestowal)

120:2.6 (1328.3) “6. On the planet of your bestowal, set rebellion-segregated man spiritually free. On Urantia, make a further contribution to the sovereignty of the Supreme, thus extending the establishment of this sovereignty throughout the broad domains of your personal creation. In this, your material bestowal in the likeness of the flesh, you are about to experience the final enlightenment of a time-space Creator, the dual experience of working within the nature of man with the will of your Paradise Father. In your temporal life the will of the finite creature and the will of the infinite Creator are to become as one, even as they are also uniting in the evolving Deity of the Supreme Being. Pour out upon the planet of your bestowal the Spirit of Truth and thus make all normal mortals on that isolated sphere immediately and fully accessible to the ministry of the **segregated presence of our Paradise Father**, the **Thought Adjusters** of the realms.

120:2.9 (1329.1) “9” ... I caution you ever to bear in mind that, while in fact you are to become an ordinary human of the realm, in potential you will remain a Creator Son of the Paradise Father. Throughout this incarnation, although you will live and act as a Son of Man, the creative attributes of your personal divinity will follow you from Salvington to Urantia. It will ever be within your power-of-will to terminate the incarnation at any moment subsequent to the arrival of your **Thought Adjuster**. Prior to the arrival and reception of the **Adjuster** I will vouch for your personality integrity. But subsequent to the arrival of your **Adjuster** and concomitant with your progressive recognition of the nature and import of your bestowal mission, you should refrain from the formulation of any superhuman will-to-attainment, achievement, or power in view of the fact that your creator prerogatives will remain associated with your mortal personality because of the inseparability of these attributes from your personal presence. But no superhuman repercussions will attend your earthly career apart from the will of the Paradise Father unless you should, by an act of conscious and deliberate will, make an undivided decision which would terminate in whole-personality choice.

120:3.9 (1330.4) ... In all other details of your oncoming bestowal we would commit you to the leading of the indwelling **Adjuster**, the teaching of the ever-present **divine spirit of human guidance**, and the **reason-judgment of your expanding human mind of hereditary endowment**. Such an association of creature and Creator attributes will enable you to live for us the perfect life of man on the planetary spheres, not necessarily perfect as regarded by any one man in any one generation on any one world (much less on Urantia) but wholly and supremely replete as evaluated on the more highly perfected and perfecting worlds of your far-flung universe.

121:8.1 (1341.2) As far as possible, consistent with our mandate, we have endeavored to utilize and to some extent co-ordinate the existing records having to do with the life of Jesus on Urantia. Although we have enjoyed access to the lost record of the Apostle Andrew and have benefited from the collaboration of a vast host of celestial beings who

were on earth during the times of Michael's bestowal (notably his now **Personalized Adjuster**), it has been our purpose also to make use of the so-called Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

121:6.5 (1339.1) Many, but not all, of Philo's inconsistencies resulting from an effort to combine Greek mystical philosophy and Roman Stoic doctrines with the legalistic theology of the Hebrews, Paul recognized and wisely eliminated from his pre-Christian basic theology. Philo led the way for Paul more fully to restore the concept of the Paradise Trinity, which had long been dormant in Jewish theology. In only one matter did Paul fail to keep pace with Philo or to transcend the teachings of this wealthy and educated Jew of Alexandria, and that was the doctrine of the atonement; Philo taught deliverance from the doctrine of forgiveness only by the shedding of blood. He also possibly glimpsed the reality and presence of the **Thought Adjusters** more clearly than did Paul. But Paul's theory of original sin, the doctrines of hereditary guilt and innate evil and redemption therefrom, was partially Mithraic in origin, having little in common with Hebrew theology, Philo's philosophy, or Jesus' teachings. Some phases of Paul's teachings regarding original sin and the atonement were original with himself.

136:1.4 (1510.1) The Jews had been brought up to believe in the doctrine of the Shekinah. But this reputed symbol of the **Divine Presence** was not to be seen in the temple. They believed that the coming of the Messiah would effect its restoration. They held confusing ideas about racial sin and the supposed evil nature of man. Some taught that Adam's sin had cursed the human race, and that the Messiah would remove this curse and restore man to divine favor. Others taught that God, in creating man, had put into his being both good and evil natures; that when he observed the outworking of this arrangement, he was greatly disappointed, and that "He repented that he had thus made man." And those who taught this believed that the Messiah was to come in order to redeem man from this inherent evil nature.

123:2.1 (1357.5) In something more than a year after the return to Nazareth the boy Jesus arrived at the age of his first personal and wholehearted moral decision; and there came to abide with him a **Thought Adjuster**, a divine gift of the Paradise Father, which had aforesaid served with Machiventa Melchizedek, thus gaining the experience of functioning in connection with the incarnation of a supermortal being living in the likeness of mortal flesh. This event occurred on February 11, 2 B.C. Jesus was no more aware of the coming of the divine **Monitor** than are the millions upon millions of other children who, before and since that day, have likewise received these **Thought Adjusters** to indwell their minds and work for the ultimate spiritualization of these minds and the eternal survival of their evolving immortal souls.

123:2.2 (1357.6) On this day in February the direct and personal supervision of the Universe Rulers, as it was related to the integrity of the childlike incarnation of Michael, terminated. From that time on throughout the human unfolding of the incarnation, the

guardianship of Jesus was destined to rest in the keeping of this indwelling **Adjuster** and the associated seraphic guardians, supplemented from time to time by the ministry of midway creatures assigned for the performance of certain definite duties in accordance with the instruction of their planetary superiors.

126:0.1 (1386.1) OF ALL Jesus' earth-life experiences, the fourteenth and fifteenth years were the most crucial. These two years, after he began to be self-conscious of divinity and destiny, and before he achieved a large measure of communication with his indwelling **Adjuster**, were the most trying of his eventful life on Urantia. It is this period of two years which should be called the great test, the real temptation. No human youth, in passing through the early confusions and adjustment problems of adolescence, ever experienced a more crucial testing than that which Jesus passed through during his transition from childhood to young manhood.

127:2.12 (1398.4) This year Jesus made great progress in the organization of his mind. Gradually he had brought his divine and human natures together, and he accomplished all this organization of intellect by the force of his own *decisions* and with only the aid of his indwelling **Monitor**, just such a **Monitor** as all normal mortals on all postbestowal-Son worlds have within their minds. So far, nothing supernatural had happened in this young man's career except the visit of a messenger, dispatched by his elder brother Immanuel, who once appeared to him during the night at Jerusalem.

129:1.14 (1421.4) This year Jesus made great advances in the ascendant mastery of his human mind and attained new and high levels of conscious contact with his indwelling **Thought Adjuster**.

129:3.9 (1424.4) On this Mediterranean journey Jesus made great advances in his human task of mastering the material and mortal mind, and his indwelling **Adjuster** made great progress in the ascension and spiritual conquest of this same human intellect. By the end of this tour Jesus virtually knew — with all human certainty — that he was a Son of God, a Creator Son of the Universal Father. The **Adjuster** more and more was able to bring up in the mind of the Son of Man shadowy memories of his Paradise experience in association with his divine Father ere he ever came to organize and administer this local universe of Nebadon. Thus did the **Adjuster**, little by little, bring to Jesus' human consciousness those necessary memories of his former and divine existence in the various epochs of the well-nigh eternal past. The last episode of his prehuman experience to be brought forth by the **Adjuster** was his farewell conference with Immanuel of Salvington just before his surrender of conscious personality to embark upon the Urantia incarnation. And this final memory picture of prehuman

existence was made clear in Jesus' consciousness on the very day of his baptism by John in the Jordan.

129:4.1 (1424.5) To the onlooking celestial intelligences of the local universe, this Mediterranean trip was the most enthralling of all Jesus' earth experiences, at least of all his career right up to the event of his crucifixion and mortal death. This was the fascinating period of his *personal ministry* in contrast with the soon-following epoch of public ministry. This unique episode was all the more engrossing because he was at this time still the carpenter of Nazareth, the boatbuilder of Capernaum, the scribe of Damascus; he was still the Son of Man. He had not yet achieved the complete mastery of his human mind; the **Adjuster** had not fully mastered and counterparted the mortal identity. He was still a man among men.

129:4.2 (1425.1) The purely human religious experience — the personal spiritual growth — of the Son of Man well-nigh reached the apex of attainment during this, the twenty-ninth year. This experience of spiritual development was a consistently gradual growth from the moment of the arrival of his **Thought Adjuster** until the day of the completion and confirmation of that natural and normal human relationship between the material mind of man and the mind-endowment of the spirit — the phenomenon of the making of these two minds one, the experience which the Son of Man attained in completion and finality, as an incarnated mortal of the realm, on the day of his baptism in the Jordan.

129:4.5 (1425.4) Jesus knows about the thoughts and feelings, the urges and impulses, of the evolutionary and ascendant mortals of the realms, from birth to death. He has lived the human life from the beginnings of physical, intellectual, and spiritual selfhood up through infancy, childhood, youth, and adulthood — even to the human experience of death. He not only passed through these usual and familiar human periods of intellectual and spiritual advancement, but he *also* fully experienced those higher and more advanced phases of human and **Adjuster** reconciliation which so few Urantia mortals ever attain. And thus he experienced the full life of mortal man, not only as it is lived on your world, but also as it is lived on all other evolutionary worlds of time and space, even on the highest and most advanced of all the worlds settled in light and life.

130:2.9 (1431.4) The next day Ganid talked all this over with his father, and it was in answer to Gonod's question that Jesus explained that "human wills which are fully occupied with passing only upon temporal decisions having to do with the material problems of animal existence are doomed to perish in time. Those who make wholehearted moral decisions and unqualified spiritual choices are thus progressively identified with the **indwelling and divine spirit**, and thereby are they increasingly transformed into the values of eternal survival — unending progression of divine service."

(Zoroastrianism)

131:5.4 (1449.7) “Lord, teach us how to live this life in the flesh while preparing for the next life of the spirit. Speak to us, Lord, and we will do your bidding. Teach us the good paths, and we will go right. Grant us that we may attain union with you. We know that the religion is right which leads to union with righteousness. God is our wise nature, best thought, and righteous act. May God grant us unity with the **divine spirit** and immortality in himself!

(Jesus’ Discourse on Good and Evil in modern phraseology)

132:2.2 (1457.5) My brother, good and evil are merely words symbolizing relative levels of human comprehension of the observable universe. If you are ethically lazy and socially indifferent, you can take as your standard of good the current social usages. If you are spiritually indolent and morally unprogressive, you may take as your standards of good the religious practices and traditions of your contemporaries. But the soul that survives time and emerges into eternity must make a living and personal choice between good and evil as they are determined by the true values of the spiritual standards established by the **divine spirit** which the Father in heaven has sent to dwell within the heart of man. This **indwelling spirit** is the standard of personality survival.

132:2.5 (1458.2) Goodness is always growing toward new levels of the increasing liberty of moral self-realization and spiritual personality attainment — the discovery of, and identification with, the indwelling **Adjuster**. An experience is good when it heightens the appreciation of beauty, augments the moral will, enhances the discernment of truth, enlarges the capacity to love and serve one’s fellows, exalts the spiritual ideals, and unifies the supreme human motives of time with the eternal plans of the indwelling **Adjuster**, all of which lead directly to an increased desire to do the Father’s will, thereby fostering the divine passion to find God and to be more like him.

[These words and others associated with the Golden Rule, the First Commandment, the value of ministry and service are central to the core teachings of the Master and always seem to augment and elevate our understanding of God’s love as we read them anew in our revelation.]

132:3.10 (1460.3) Universe progress is characterized by increasing personality freedom because it is associated with the progressive attainment of higher and higher levels of self-understanding and consequent voluntary self-restraint. The attainment of perfection of spiritual self-restraint equals completeness of universe freedom and personal liberty. Faith fosters and maintains man’s soul in the midst of the confusion of his early orientation in such a vast universe, whereas prayer becomes the great unifier of the various inspirations of the creative imagination and the faith urges of a soul trying to identify itself with the spirit ideals of the **indwelling and associated divine presence**.

133:3.7 (1472.6) As they stood there in the moonlight, Jesus went on to say: “There lives within every human mind a **divine spirit**, the gift of the Father in heaven. This **good spirit** ever strives to lead us to God, to help us to find God and to know God; but also within mortals there are many natural physical tendencies which the Creator put there to serve the well-being of the individual and the race. Now, oftentimes, men and women become confused in their efforts to understand themselves and to grapple with the manifold difficulties of making a living in a world so largely dominated by selfishness and sin. I perceive, Ganid, that neither of these women is willfully wicked. I can tell by their faces that they have experienced much sorrow; they have suffered much at the hands of an apparently cruel fate; they have not intentionally chosen this sort of life; they have, in discouragement bordering on despair, surrendered to the pressure of the hour and accepted this distasteful means of obtaining a livelihood as the best way out of a situation that to them appeared hopeless. Ganid, some people are really wicked at heart; they deliberately choose to do mean things, but, tell me, as you look into these now tear-stained faces, do you see anything bad or wicked?” And as Jesus paused for his reply, Ganid’s voice choked up as he stammered out his answer: “No, Teacher, I do not. And I apologize for my rudeness to them — I crave their forgiveness.” Then said Jesus: “And I bespeak for them that they have forgiven you as I speak for my Father in heaven that he has forgiven them. Now all of you come with me to a friend’s house where we will seek refreshment and plan for the new and better life ahead.” Up to this time the amazed women had not uttered a word; they looked at each other and silently followed as the men led the way.

133:4.6 (1474.6) To the Greek contractor and builder he said: “My friend, as you build the material structures of men, grow a spiritual character in the similitude of the **divine spirit** within your soul. Do not let your achievement as a temporal builder outrun your attainment as a spiritual son of the kingdom of heaven. While you build the mansions of time for another, neglect not to secure your title to the mansions of eternity for yourself. Ever remember, there is a city whose foundations are righteousness and truth, and whose builder and maker is God.”

133:4.8 (1475.1) To the mistress of the Greek inn he said: “Minister your hospitality as one who entertains the children of the Most High. Elevate the drudgery of your daily toil to the high levels of a fine art through the increasing realization that you minister to God in the persons whom he indwells by **his spirit** which has descended to live within the hearts of men, thereby seeking to transform their minds and lead their souls to the knowledge of the Paradise Father of all these **bestowed gifts of the divine spirit.**”

133:4.10 (1475.3) To the traveler from Britain he said: “My brother, I perceive you are seeking for truth, and I suggest that the **spirit of the Father** of all truth may chance to

dwell within you. Did you ever sincerely endeavor to talk with the **spirit of your own soul**? Such a thing is indeed difficult and seldom yields consciousness of success; but every honest attempt of the material mind to communicate with its **indwelling spirit** meets with certain success, notwithstanding that the majority of all such magnificent human experiences must long remain as superconscious registrations in the souls of such God-knowing mortals.”

133:6.5 (1478.4) “The soul is the self-reflective, truth-discerning, and spirit-perceiving part of man which forever elevates the human being above the level of the animal world. Self-consciousness, in and of itself, is not the soul. Moral self-consciousness is true human self-realization and constitutes the foundation of the human soul, and the soul is that part of man which represents the potential survival value of human experience. Moral choice and spiritual attainment, the ability to know God and the urge to be like him, are the characteristics of the soul. The soul of man cannot exist apart from moral thinking and spiritual activity. A stagnant soul is a dying soul. But the soul of man is distinct from the **divine spirit** which dwells within the mind. The **divine spirit** arrives simultaneously with the first moral activity of the human mind, and that is the occasion of the birth of the soul.

133:6.6 (1478.5) “The saving or losing of a soul has to do with whether or not the moral consciousness attains survival status through eternal alliance with its associated immortal spirit endowment. Salvation is the spiritualization of the self-realization of the moral consciousness, which thereby becomes possessed of survival value. All forms of soul conflict consist in the lack of harmony between the moral, or spiritual, self-consciousness and the purely intellectual self-consciousness.

133:6.7 (1478.6) “The human soul, when matured, ennobled, and spiritualized, approaches the heavenly status in that it comes near to being an entity intervening between the material and the spiritual, the material self and the **divine spirit**. The evolving soul of a human being is difficult of description and more difficult of demonstration because it is not discoverable by the methods of either material investigation or spiritual proving. Material science cannot demonstrate the existence of a soul, neither can pure spirit-testing. Notwithstanding the failure of both material science and spiritual standards to discover the existence of the human soul, every morally conscious mortal knows of the existence of his soul as a real and actual personal experience.”

Discourse on Mind

133:7.6 (1479.6) My son, I have already told you much about the mind of man and the **divine spirit** that lives therein, but now let me emphasize that self-consciousness is a reality. When any animal becomes self-conscious, it becomes a primitive man. Such an attainment results from a co-ordination of function between impersonal energy and

spirit-conceiving mind, and it is this phenomenon which warrants the bestowal of an absolute focal point for the human personality, the spirit of the Father in heaven.

133:7.7 (1479.7) Ideas are not simply a record of sensations; ideas are sensations plus the reflective interpretations of the personal self; and the self is more than the sum of one's sensations. There begins to be something of an approach to unity in an evolving selfhood, and that unity is derived from the indwelling presence of a part of absolute unity which spiritually activates such a self-conscious animal-origin mind.

133:7.8 (1479.8) No mere animal could possess a time self-consciousness. Animals possess a physiological co-ordination of associated sensation-recognition and memory thereof, but none experience a meaningful recognition of sensation or exhibit a purposeful association of these combined physical experiences such as is manifested in the conclusions of intelligent and reflective human interpretations. And this fact of self-conscious existence, associated with the reality of his subsequent spiritual experience, constitutes man a potential son of the universe and foreshadows his eventual attainment of the Supreme Unity of the universe.

133:7.9 (1480.1) Neither is the human self merely the sum of the successive states of consciousness. Without the effective functioning of a consciousness sorter and associator there would not exist sufficient unity to warrant the designation of a selfhood. Such an ununified mind could hardly attain conscious levels of human status. If the associations of consciousness were just an accident, the minds of all men would then exhibit the uncontrolled and random associations of certain phases of mental madness.

133:7.10 (1480.2) A human mind, built up solely out of the consciousness of physical sensations, could never attain spiritual levels; this kind of material mind would be utterly lacking in a sense of moral values and would be without a guiding sense of spiritual dominance which is so essential to achieving harmonious personality unity in time, and which is inseparable from personality survival in eternity.

133:7.11 (1480.3) The human mind early begins to manifest qualities which are supermaterial; the truly reflective human intellect is not altogether bound by the limits of time. That individuals so differ in their life performances indicates, not only the varying endowments of heredity and the different influences of the environment, but also the degree of unification with the indwelling spirit of the Father which has been achieved by the self, the measure of the identification of the one with the other.

133:7.12 (1480.4) The human mind does not well stand the conflict of double allegiance. It is a severe strain on the soul to undergo the experience of an effort to serve both good and evil. The supremely happy and efficiently unified mind is the one wholly dedicated to the doing of the will of the Father in heaven. Unresolved conflicts destroy unity and may terminate in mind disruption. But the survival character of a soul is not fostered by attempting to secure peace of mind at any price, by the surrender of noble aspirations, and by the compromise of spiritual ideals; rather is such peace

attained by the stalwart assertion of the triumph of that which is true, and this victory is achieved in the overcoming of evil with the potent force of good.

134:1.7 (1484.4) This was one of the more unusual years in the inner experience of the Son of Man; great progress was made in effecting working harmony between his human mind and the indwelling **Adjuster**. The **Adjuster** had been actively engaged in reorganizing the thinking and in rehearsing the mind for the great events which were in the not then distant future. The personality of Jesus was preparing for his great change in attitude toward the world. These were the in-between times, the transition stage of that being who began life as God appearing as man, and who was now making ready to complete his earth career as man appearing as God.

134:9.3 (1494.6) Both of them were present at the solemn services of the day of atonement. John was much impressed by the ceremonies of this day of all days in the Jewish religious ritual, but Jesus remained a thoughtful and silent spectator. To the Son of Man this performance was pitiful and pathetic. He viewed it all as misrepresentative of the character and attributes of his Father in heaven. He looked upon the doings of this day as a travesty upon the facts of divine justice and the truths of infinite mercy. He burned to give vent to the declaration of the real truth about his Father's loving character and merciful conduct in the universe, but his faithful **Monitor** admonished him that his hour had not yet come. But that night, at Bethany, Jesus did drop numerous remarks which greatly disturbed John; and John never fully understood the real significance of what Jesus said in their hearing that evening.

135:9.7 (1495.4) It was early on the morning of morning of Sabbath, February 23, that the company of John, engaged in eating their morning meal, looked up toward the north and beheld Jesus coming to them. As he approached them, John stood upon a large rock and, lifting up his sonorous voice, said: "Behold the Son of God, the deliverer of the world! This is he of whom I have said, 'After me there will come one who is preferred before me because he was before me.' For this cause came I out of the wilderness to preach repentance and to baptize with water, proclaiming that the kingdom of heaven is at hand. And now comes one who shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit. And I beheld the **divine spirit** descending upon this man, and I heard the voice of God declare, 'This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.'"

136:2.2 (1511.1) When Jesus of Nazareth went down into the Jordan to be baptized, he was a mortal of the realm who had attained the pinnacle of human evolutionary ascension in all matters related to the conquest of mind and to self-identification with the spirit. He stood in the Jordan that day a perfected mortal of the evolutionary worlds of time and space. Perfect synchrony and full communication had become established

between the mortal mind of Jesus and the indwelling spirit **Adjuster**, the **divine gift** of his Father in Paradise. And just such an **Adjuster** indwells all normal beings living on Urantia since the ascension of Michael to the headship of his universe, except that Jesus' **Adjuster** had been previously prepared for this special mission by similarly indwelling another superhuman incarnated in the likeness of mortal flesh, Machiventa Melchizedek.

136:2.3 (1511.2) Ordinarily, when a mortal of the realm attains such high levels of personality perfection, there occur those preliminary phenomena of spiritual elevation which terminate in eventual fusion of the matured soul of the mortal with its associated divine **Adjuster**. And such a change was apparently due to take place in the personality experience of Jesus of Nazareth on that very day when he went down into the Jordan with his two brothers to be baptized by John. This ceremony was the final act of his purely human life on Urantia, and many superhuman observers expected to witness the fusion of the **Adjuster** with its indwelt mind, but they were all destined to suffer disappointment. Something new and even greater occurred. As John laid his hands upon Jesus to baptize him, the indwelling **Adjuster** took final leave of the perfected human soul of Joshua ben Joseph. And in a few moments this **divine entity** returned from Divinington as a **Personalized Adjuster** and chief of his kind throughout the entire local universe of Nebadon. Thus did Jesus observe his own former **divine spirit** descending on its return to him in **personalized** form. And he heard this same **spirit of Paradise origin** now speak, saying, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." And John, with Jesus' two brothers, also heard these words. John's disciples, standing by the water's edge, did not hear these words, neither did they see the apparition of the **Personalized Adjuster**. Only the eyes of Jesus beheld the **Personalized Adjuster**.

136:2.4 (1511.3) When the returned and now exalted **Personalized Adjuster** had thus spoken, all was silence. And while the four of them tarried in the water, Jesus, looking up to the near-by **Adjuster**, prayed: "My Father who reigns in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come! Your will be done on earth, even as it is in heaven." When he had prayed, the "heavens were opened," and the Son of Man saw the vision, presented by the now **Personalized Adjuster**, of himself as a Son of God as he was before he came to earth in the likeness of mortal flesh, and as he would be when the incarnated life should be finished. This heavenly vision was seen only by Jesus.

136:2.5 It was the voice of the **Personalized Adjuster** that John and Jesus heard, speaking in behalf of the Universal Father, for the **Adjuster** is of, and as, the Paradise Father. Throughout the remainder of Jesus' earth life this **Personalized Adjuster** was associated with him in all his labors; Jesus was in constant communion with this exalted **Adjuster**.

136:3.2 (1512.6) After his baptism he entered upon the forty days of adjusting himself to the changed relationships of the world and the universe occasioned by the personalization of his **Adjuster**. During this isolation in the Peraan hills he determined upon the policy to be pursued and the methods to be employed in the new and changed phase of earth life which he was about to inaugurate.

136:3.4 (1513.1) While wandering about in the hills, seeking a suitable shelter, Jesus encountered his universe chief executive, Gabriel, the Bright and Morning Star of Nebadon. Gabriel now re-established personal communication with the Creator Son of the universe; they met directly for the first time since Michael took leave of his associates on Salvington when he went to Edentia preparatory to entering upon the Urantia bestowal. Gabriel, by direction of Immanuel and on authority of the Uversa Ancients of Days, now laid before Jesus information indicating that his bestowal experience on Urantia was practically finished so far as concerned the earning of the perfected sovereignty of his universe and the termination of the Lucifer rebellion. The former was achieved on the day of his baptism when the personalization of his **Adjuster** demonstrated the perfection and completion of his bestowal in the likeness of mortal flesh, and the latter was a fact of history on that day when he came down from Mount Hermon to join the waiting lad, Tiglath. Jesus was now informed, upon the highest authority of the local universe and the superuniverse, that his bestowal work was finished in so far as it affected his personal status in relation to sovereignty and rebellion. He had already had this assurance direct from Paradise in the baptismal vision and in the phenomenon of the personalization of his indwelling **Thought Adjuster**.

136:4.10 (1515.4) The forty days in the mountain wilderness were not a period of great temptation but rather the period of the Master's *great decisions*. During these days of lone communion with himself and his Father's immediate presence — the **Personalized Adjuster** (he no longer had a personal seraphic guardian) — he arrived, one by one, at the great decisions which were to control his policies and conduct for the remainder of his earth career. Subsequently the tradition of a great temptation became attached to this period of isolation through confusion with the fragmentary narratives of the Mount Hermon struggles, and further because it was the custom to have all great prophets and human leaders begin their public careers by undergoing these supposed seasons of fasting and prayer. It had always been Jesus' practice, when facing any new or serious decisions, to withdraw for communion with his own **spirit** that he might seek to know the will of God.

The First Great Decision

136:5.1 (1516.1) On the third day after beginning this conference with himself and his **Personalized Adjuster**, Jesus was presented with the vision of the assembled celestial hosts of Nebadon sent by their commanders to wait upon the will of their beloved

Sovereign. This mighty host embraced twelve legions of seraphim and proportionate numbers of every order of universe intelligence. And the first great decision of Jesus' isolation had to do with whether or not he would make use of these mighty personalities in connection with the ensuing program of his public work on Urantia.

136:5.2 (1516.2) Jesus decided that he would *not* utilize a single personality of this vast assemblage unless it should become evident that this was his *Father's will*.

Notwithstanding this general decision, this vast host remained with him throughout the balance of his earth life, always in readiness to obey the least expression of their Sovereign's will. Although Jesus did not constantly behold these attendant personalities with his human eyes, his associated **Personalized Adjuster** did constantly behold, and could communicate with, all of them.

136:5.3 (1516.3) Before coming down from the forty days' retreat in the hills, Jesus assigned the immediate command of this attendant host of universe personalities to his recently **Personalized Adjuster**, and for more than four years of Urantia time did these selected personalities from every division of universe intelligences obediently and respectfully function under the wise guidance of this exalted and experienced **Personalized Mystery Monitor**. In assuming command of this mighty assembly, the **Adjuster**, being a onetime part and essence of the Paradise Father, assured Jesus that in no case would these superhuman agencies be permitted to serve, or manifest themselves in connection with, or in behalf of, his earth career unless it should develop that the Father willed such intervention. Thus by one great decision Jesus voluntarily deprived himself of all superhuman co-operation in all matters having to do with the remainder of his mortal career unless the Father might independently choose to participate in some certain act or episode of the Son's earth labors.

136:5.4 (1516.4) In accepting this command of the universe hosts in attendance upon Christ Michael, the **Personalized Adjuster** took great pains to point out to Jesus that, while such an assembly of universe creatures could be limited in their *space* activities by the delegated authority of their Creator, such limitations were not operative in connection with their function in *time*. And this limitation was dependent on the fact that **Adjusters** are nontime beings when once they are personalized. Accordingly was Jesus admonished that, while the **Adjuster's** control of the living intelligences placed under his command would be complete and perfect as to all matters involving *space*, there could be no such perfect limitations imposed regarding *time*. Said the **Adjuster**: "I will, as you have directed, enjoin the employment of this attendant host of universe intelligences in any manner in connection with your earth career except in those cases where the Paradise Father directs me to release such agencies in order that his divine will of your choosing may be accomplished, and in those instances where you may engage in any choice or act of your divine-human will which shall only involve departures from the natural earth order as to *time*. In all such events I am powerless, and your creatures here assembled in perfection and unity of power are likewise helpless. If your united

natures once entertain such desires, these mandates of your choice will be forthwith executed. Your wish in all such matters will constitute the abridgment of time, and the thing projected *is* existent. Under my command this constitutes the fullest possible limitation which can be imposed upon your potential sovereignty. In my self-consciousness time is nonexistent, and therefore I cannot limit your creatures in anything related thereto.”

136:5.6 (1517.2) Through the supervising control of his associated and **Personalized Adjuster** it was possible for Michael perfectly to limit his personal earth activities with reference to space, but it was not possible for the Son of Man thus to limit his new earth status as potential Sovereign of Nebadon as regards *time*. And this was the actual status of Jesus of Nazareth as he went forth to begin his public ministry on Urantia.

137:4.12 (1530.4) It was gradually dawning upon Jesus what had happened. Of all persons present at the marriage feast of Cana, Jesus was the most surprised. Others had expected him to work a wonder, but that was just what he had purposed not to do. And then the Son of Man recalled the admonition of his **Personalized Thought Adjuster** in the hills. He recounted how the **Adjuster** had warned him about the inability of any power or personality to deprive him of the creator prerogative of independence of time. On this occasion power transformers, midwayers, and all other required personalities were assembled near the water and other necessary elements, and in the face of the expressed wish of the Universe Creator Sovereign, there was no escaping the instantaneous appearance of *wine*. And this occurrence was made doubly certain since the **Personalized Adjuster** had signified that the execution of the Son’s desire was in no way a contravention of the Father’s will.

136:6.2 (1518.1) Jesus thus settled upon another and consistent policy for the remainder of his earth labors. As far as his personal necessities were concerned, and in general even in his relations with other personalities, he now deliberately chose to pursue the path of normal earthly existence; he definitely decided against a policy which would transcend, violate, or outrage his own established natural laws. But he could not promise himself, as he had already been warned by his **Personalized Adjuster**, that these natural laws might not, in certain conceivable circumstances, be greatly *accelerated*. In principle, Jesus decided that his lifework should be organized and prosecuted in accordance with natural law and in harmony with the existing social organization. The Master thereby chose a program of living which was the equivalent of deciding against miracles and wonders. Again he decided in favor of “the Father’s will”; again he surrendered everything into the hands of his Paradise Father.

136:7.3 (1519.7) Understanding all of this and knowing that the Master refused to work in defiance of his established laws of nature in so far as his personal conduct was concerned, you know of a certainty that he never walked on the water nor did anything else which was an outrage to his material order of administering the world; always, of

course, bearing in mind that there had, as yet, been found no way whereby he could be wholly delivered from the lack of control over the element of time in connection with those matters put under the jurisdiction of the **Personalized Adjuster**.

136:8.3 (1520.4) Throughout all this momentous dialogue of Jesus' communing with himself, there was present the human element of questioning and near-doubting, for Jesus was man as well as God. It was evident he would never be received by the Jews as the Messiah if he did not work wonders. Besides, if he would consent to do just one unnatural thing, the human mind would know of a certainty that it was in subservience to a truly divine mind. Would it be consistent with "the Father's will" for the divine mind to make this concession to the doubting nature of the human mind? Jesus decided that it would not and cited the presence of the **Personalized Adjuster** as sufficient proof of divinity in partnership with humanity.

136:9.8 (1522.7) Jesus of Nazareth reached the conclusion that such utterances did not refer to him. At last, and finally, the human mind of the Son of Man made a clean sweep of all these Messianic difficulties and contradictions — Hebrew scriptures, parental training, chazan teaching, Jewish expectations, and human ambitious longings; once and for all he decided upon his course. He would return to Galilee and quietly begin the proclamation of the kingdom and trust his Father (the **Personalized Adjuster**) to work out the details of procedure day by day.

136:10.1 (1523.6) On the last day of this memorable isolation, before starting down the mountain to join John and his disciples, the Son of Man made his final decision. And this decision he communicated to the **Personalized Adjuster** in these words, "And in all other matters, as in these now of decision-record, I pledge you I will be subject to the will of my Father." And when he had thus spoken, he journeyed down the mountain. And his face shone with the glory of spiritual victory and moral achievement.

138:8.8 (1545.9) Jesus made plain to his apostles the difference between the repentance of so-called good works as taught by the Jews and the change of mind by faith — the new birth — which he required as the price of admission to the kingdom. He taught his apostles that faith was the only requisite to entering the Father's kingdom. John had taught them "repentance — to flee from the wrath to come." Jesus taught, "Faith is the open door for entering into the present, perfect, and eternal love of God." Jesus did not speak like a prophet, one who comes to declare the word of God. He seemed to speak of himself as one having authority. Jesus sought to divert their minds from miracle seeking to the finding of a real and personal experience in the satisfaction and assurance of the **indwelling of God's spirit** of love and saving grace.

140:1.3 (1568.6) "The power of this kingdom shall consist, not in the strength of armies nor in the might of riches, but rather in the glory of the **divine spirit** that shall come to teach the minds and rule the hearts of the reborn citizens of this heavenly kingdom, the

sons of God. This is the brotherhood of love wherein righteousness reigns, and whose battle cry shall be: Peace on earth and good will to all men. This kingdom, which you are so soon to go forth proclaiming, is the desire of the good men of all ages, the hope of all the earth, and the fulfillment of the wise promises of all the prophets.

140:5.13 (1574.6) To see God — by faith — means to acquire true spiritual insight. And spiritual insight enhances Adjuster guidance, and these in the end augment God-consciousness. And when you know the Father, you are confirmed in the assurance of divine sonship, and you can increasingly love each of your brothers in the flesh, not only as a brother — with brotherly love — but also as a father — with fatherly affection.

141:5.1 (1591.6) One of the most eventful of all the evening conferences at Amathus was the session having to do with the discussion of spiritual unity. James Zebedee had asked, “Master, how shall we learn to see alike and thereby enjoy more harmony among ourselves?” When Jesus heard this question, he was stirred within his spirit, so much so that he replied: “James, James, when did I teach you that you should all see alike? I have come into the world to proclaim spiritual liberty to the end that mortals may be empowered to live individual lives of originality and freedom before God. I do not desire that social harmony and fraternal peace shall be purchased by the sacrifice of free personality and spiritual originality. What I require of you, my apostles, is spirit unity—and that you can experience in the joy of your united dedication to the wholehearted doing of the will of my Father in heaven. You do not have to see alike or feel alike or even think alike in order spiritually to be alike. Spiritual unity is derived from the consciousness that each of you is indwelt, and increasingly dominated, by the spirit gift of the heavenly Father. Your apostolic harmony must grow out of the fact that the spirit hope of each of you is identical in origin, nature, and destiny.

141:5.2 (1591.7) “In this way you may experience a perfected unity of spirit purpose and spirit understanding growing out of the mutual consciousness of the identity of each of your indwelling Paradise spirits; and you may enjoy all of this profound spiritual unity in the very face of the utmost diversity of your individual attitudes of intellectual thinking, temperamental feeling, and social conduct. Your personalities may be refreshingly diverse and markedly different, while your spiritual natures and spirit fruits of divine worship and brotherly love may be so unified that all who behold your lives will of a surety take cognizance of this spirit identity and soul unity; they will recognize that you have been with me and have thereby learned, and acceptably, how to do the will of the Father in heaven. You can achieve the unity of the service of God even while you render such service in accordance with the technique of your own original endowments of mind, body, and soul.

(phases of the growth of the God idea)

142:3.8 (1598.9) 6. The Father in heaven. And now do we know God as our Father in heaven. Our teaching provides a religion wherein the believer is a son of God. That is

the good news of the gospel of the kingdom of heaven. Coexistent with the Father are the Son and the Spirit, and the revelation of the nature and ministry of these Paradise Deities will continue to enlarge and brighten throughout the endless ages of the eternal spiritual progression of the ascending sons of God. At all times and during all ages the true worship of any human being — as concerns individual spiritual progress — is recognized by the **indwelling spirit** as homage rendered to the Father in heaven.

143:2.7 (1610.2) “Your sonship is grounded in faith, and you are to remain unmoved by fear. Your joy is born of trust in the divine word, and you shall not therefore be led to doubt the reality of the Father’s love and mercy. It is the very goodness of God that leads men into true and genuine repentance. Your secret of the mastery of self is bound up with your faith in the **indwelling spirit**, which ever works by love. Even this saving faith you have not of yourselves; it also is the gift of God. And if you are the children of this living faith, you are no longer the bondslaves of self but rather the triumphant masters of yourselves, the liberated sons of God.

144:5.1 (1621.11) From time to time, during the remainder of Jesus’ sojourn on earth, he brought to the notice of the apostles several additional forms of prayer, but he did this only in illustration of other matters, and he enjoined that these “parable prayers” should not be taught to the multitudes. Many of them were from other inhabited planets, but this fact Jesus did not reveal to the twelve. Among these prayers were the following:

Glorious Father and Mother, in one parent combined,
Loyal would we be to your divine nature.
Your own self to live again in and through us
By the gift and bestowal of your **divine spirit**,
Thus reproducing you imperfectly in this sphere
As you are perfectly and majestically shown on high.
Give us day by day your sweet ministry of brotherhood
And lead us moment by moment in the pathway of loving service.
Be you ever and unfailingly patient with us
Even as we show forth your patience to our children.
Give us the divine wisdom that does all things well
And the infinite love that is gracious to every creature.
Bestow upon us your patience and loving-kindness
That our charity may enfold the weak of the realm.
And when our career is finished, make it an honor to your name,
A pleasure to your good spirit, and a satisfaction to our soul helpers.
Not as we wish, our loving Father, but as you desire the eternal good of your mortal children,
Even so may it be. 144:5.51-68 (1623.4-21)

145:2.9 (1630.5) Then the Master portrayed that the Father in heaven, after man discerns this spiritual freedom, wills that his children on earth should begin that eternal ascent of the Paradise career which consists in the creature's conscious response to the divine urge of the **indwelling spirit** to find the Creator, to know God and to seek to become like him.

145:3.10 (1633.1) Jesus had passed the responsibility of this healing decision to the ruling of his Father. Evidently the Father's will interposed no objection, for the words of the Master had scarcely been uttered when the assembly of celestial personalities serving under the command of Jesus' **Personalized Thought Adjuster** was mightily astir. The vast retinue descended into the midst of this motley throng of afflicted mortals, and in a moment of time 683 men, women, and children were made whole, were perfectly healed of all their physical diseases and other material disorders. Such a scene was never witnessed on earth before that day, nor since. And for those of us who were present to behold this creative wave of healing, it was indeed a thrilling spectacle.

145:3.11 (1633.2) But of all the beings who were astonished at this sudden and unexpected outbreak of supernatural healing, Jesus was the most surprised. In a moment when his human interests and sympathies were focused upon the scene of suffering and affliction there spread out before him, he neglected to bear in his human mind the admonitory warnings of his **Personalized Adjuster** regarding the impossibility of limiting the time element of the creator prerogatives of a Creator Son under certain conditions and in certain circumstances. Jesus desired to see these suffering mortals made whole if his Father's will would not thereby be violated. The **Personalized Adjuster** of Jesus instantly ruled that such an act of creative energy at that time would not transgress the will of the Paradise Father, and by such a decision — in view of Jesus' preceding expression of healing desire — the creative act *was*. What a *Creator Son* desires and his Father *wills* IS. Not in all of Jesus' subsequent earth life did another such en masse physical healing of mortals take place.

146:2.14 (1640.3) 13. Jesus taught that the prayer for divine guidance over the pathway of earthly life was next in importance to the petition for a knowledge of the Father's will. In reality this means a prayer for divine wisdom. Jesus never taught that human knowledge and special skill could be gained by prayer. But he did teach that prayer is a factor in the enlargement of one's capacity to receive the presence of the **divine spirit**. When Jesus taught his associates to pray in the spirit and in truth, he explained that he referred to praying sincerely and in accordance with one's enlightenment, to praying wholeheartedly and intelligently, earnestly and steadfastly.

146:2.17 (1641.1) 16. Jesus taught his followers that, when they had made their prayers to the Father, they should remain for a time in silent receptivity to afford the indwelling spirit the better opportunity to speak to the listening soul. The **spirit of the Father** speaks

best to man when the human mind is in an attitude of true worship. We worship God by the aid of the **Father's indwelling spirit** and by the illumination of the human mind through the ministry of truth. Worship, taught Jesus, makes one increasingly like the being who is worshiped. Worship is a transforming experience whereby the finite gradually approaches and ultimately attains the presence of the Infinite.

146:3.6 (1642.2) "While you cannot observe the **divine spirit** at work in your minds, there is a practical method of discovering the degree to which you have yielded the control of your soul powers to the teaching and guidance of this **indwelling spirit** of the heavenly Father, and that is the degree of your love for your fellow men. This **spirit of the Father** partakes of the love of the Father, and as it dominates man, it unfailingly leads in the directions of divine worship and loving regard for one's fellows. At first you believe that you are sons of God because my teaching has made you more conscious of the inner leadings of our **Father's indwelling presence**; but presently the Spirit of Truth shall be poured out upon all flesh, and it will live among men and teach all men, even as I now live among you and speak to you the words of truth. And this Spirit of Truth, speaking for the spiritual endowments of your souls, will help you to know that you are the sons of God. It will unfailingly bear witness with the **Father's indwelling presence**, your **spirit**, then dwelling in all men as it now dwells in some, telling you that you are in reality the sons of God.

(Jesus - The "Fear of the Lord")

149:6.9 (1676.3) "Out of your wrong concepts of the Father in heaven grow your false ideas of humility and springs much of your hypocrisy. Man may be a worm of the dust by nature and origin, but when he becomes indwelt by **my Father's spirit**, that man becomes divine in his destiny. The bestowal **spirit of my Father** will surely return to the divine source and universe level of origin, and the human soul of mortal man which shall have become the reborn child of this **indwelling spirit** shall certainly ascend with the **divine spirit** to the very presence of the eternal Father.

150:5.2 (1682.4) "When men and women ask what shall we do to be saved, you shall answer, Believe this gospel of the kingdom; accept divine forgiveness. By faith recognize the **indwelling spirit of God**, whose acceptance makes you a son of God. Have you not read in the Scriptures where it says, 'In the Lord have I righteousness and strength.' Also where the Father says, 'My righteousness is near; my salvation has gone forth, and my arms shall enfold my people.' 'My soul shall be joyful in the love of my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation and has covered me with the robe of his righteousness.' Have you not also read of the Father that his name 'shall be called the Lord our righteousness.' 'Take away the filthy rags of self-righteousness and clothe my son with the robe of divine righteousness and eternal salvation.' It is forever

true, 'the just shall live by faith.' Entrance into the Father's kingdom is wholly free, but progress — growth in grace — is essential to continuance therein.

153:2.11 (1711.3) By this time there was much murmuring in the synagogue, and such a tumult was threatened that Jesus stood up and said: "Let us be patient; the truth never suffers from honest examination. I am all that you say but more. The Father and I are one; the Son does only that which the Father teaches him, while all those who are given to the Son by the Father, the Son will receive to himself. You have read where it is written in the Prophets, 'You shall all be taught by God,' and that 'Those whom the Father teaches will hear also his Son.' Every one who yields to the teaching of the **Father's indwelling spirit** will eventually come to me. Not that any man has seen the Father, but the **Father's spirit** does live within man. And the Son who came down from heaven, he has surely seen the Father. And those who truly believe this Son already have eternal life.

153:3.2 (1712.2) One of the visiting Pharisees, mounting a lampstand, shouted out this question: "You tell us that you are the bread of life. How can you give us your flesh to eat or your blood to drink? What avail is your teaching if it cannot be carried out?" And Jesus answered this question, saying: "I did not teach you that my flesh is the bread of life nor that my blood is the water thereof. But I did say that my life in the flesh is a bestowal of the bread of heaven. The fact of the Word of God bestowed in the flesh and the phenomenon of the Son of Man subject to the will of God, constitute a reality of experience which is equivalent to the divine sustenance. You cannot eat my flesh nor can you drink my blood, but you can become one in spirit with me even as I am one in spirit with the Father. You can be nourished by the eternal word of God, which is indeed the bread of life, and which has been bestowed in the likeness of mortal flesh; and you can be watered in soul by the **divine spirit**, which is truly the water of life. The Father has sent me into the world to show how he desires to indwell and direct all men; and I have so lived this life in the flesh as to inspire all men likewise ever to seek to know and do the will of the indwelling heavenly Father."

155:5.12 (1729.7) And Jesus went on to say: "At Jerusalem the religious leaders have formulated the various doctrines of their traditional teachers and the prophets of other days into an established system of intellectual beliefs, a religion of authority. The appeal of all such religions is largely to the mind. And now are we about to enter upon a deadly conflict with such a religion since we will so shortly begin the bold proclamation of a new religion — a religion which is not a religion in the present-day meaning of that word, a religion that makes its chief appeal to the **divine spirit of my Father** which resides in the mind of man; a religion which shall derive its authority from the fruits of its acceptance

that will so certainly appear in the personal experience of all who really and truly become believers in the truths of this higher spiritual communion.”

155:6.4 Your religion shall change from the mere intellectual belief in traditional authority to the actual experience of that living faith which is able to grasp the reality of God and all that relates to the **divine spirit** of the Father. The religion of the mind ties you hopelessly to the past; the religion of the spirit consists in progressive revelation and ever beckons you on toward higher and holier achievements in spiritual ideals and eternal realities.

157:4.5 (1747.3) Jesus, still standing, then said to the twelve: “You are my chosen ambassadors, but I know that, in the circumstances, you could not entertain this belief as a result of mere human knowledge. This is a revelation of the **spirit of my Father** to your inmost souls. And when, therefore, you make this confession by the insight of the **spirit of my Father** which dwells within you, I am led to declare that upon this foundation will I build the brotherhood of the kingdom of heaven. Upon this rock of spiritual reality will I build the living temple of spiritual fellowship in the eternal realities of my Father’s kingdom. All the forces of evil and the hosts of sin shall not prevail against this human fraternity of the **divine spirit**. And while my **Father’s spirit** shall ever be the **divine guide and mentor** of all who enter the bonds of this spirit fellowship, to you and your successors I now deliver the keys of the outward kingdom — the authority over things temporal — the social and economic features of this association of men and women as fellows of the kingdom.” And again he charged them, for the time being, that they should tell no man that he was the Son of God.

158:3.4 (1755.4) Jesus welcomed this testimony regarding the success of his earth mission presented by the messengers of the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit, but he noted that his Father did not indicate that the Urantia bestowal was finished; only did the unseen presence of the Father bear witness through Jesus **‘Personalized Adjuster**, saying, “This is my beloved Son; give heed to him.” And this was spoken in words to be heard also by the three apostles.

159:3.2 (1765.4) Always respect the personality of man. Never should a righteous cause be promoted by force; spiritual victories can be won only by spiritual power. This injunction against the employment of material influences refers to psychic force as well as to physical force. Overpowering arguments and mental superiority are not to be employed to coerce men and women into the kingdom. Man’s mind is not to be crushed by the mere weight of logic or overawed by shrewd eloquence. While emotion as a factor in human decisions cannot be wholly eliminated, it should not be directly appealed to in the teachings of those who would advance the cause of the kingdom. Make your appeals directly to the **divine spirit** that dwells within the minds of men. Do

not appeal to fear, pity, or mere sentiment. In appealing to men, be fair; exercise self-control and exhibit due restraint; show proper respect for the personalities of your pupils. Remember that I have said: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock, and if any man will open, I will come in."

159:3.6 (1766.2) Sometime the children of the kingdom will realize that strong feelings of emotion are not equivalent to the leadings of the **divine spirit**. To be strongly and strangely impressed to do something or to go to a certain place, does not necessarily mean that such impulses are the leadings of the **indwelling spirit**.

159:3.12 (1766.8) When my children once become self-conscious of the assurance of the **divine presence**, such a faith will expand the mind, ennoble the soul, reinforce the personality, augment the happiness, deepen the spirit perception, and enhance the power to love and be loved.

160:1.14 (1774.6) In a continually changing world, in the midst of an evolving social order, it is impossible to maintain settled and established goals of destiny. Stability of personality can be experienced only by those who have discovered and embraced the living God as the eternal goal of infinite attainment. And thus to transfer one's goal from time to eternity, from earth to Paradise, from the human to the divine, requires that man shall become regenerated, converted, be born again; that he shall become the re-created child of the **divine spirit**; that he shall gain entrance into the brotherhood of the kingdom of heaven. All philosophies and religions which fall short of these ideals are immature. The philosophy which I teach, linked with the gospel which you preach, represents the new religion of maturity, the ideal of all future generations. And this is true because our ideal is final, infallible, eternal, universal, absolute, and infinite.

162:6.3 (1796.1) At the conclusion of this early morning service Jesus continued to teach the multitude, saying: "Have you not read in the Scripture: 'Behold, as the waters are poured out upon the dry ground and spread over the parched soil, so will I give the spirit of holiness to be poured out upon your children for a blessing even to your children's children'? Why will you thirst for the ministry of the spirit while you seek to water your souls with the traditions of men, poured from the broken pitchers of ceremonial service? That which you see going on about this temple is the way in which your fathers sought to symbolize the bestowal of the **divine spirit** upon the children of faith, and you have done well to perpetuate these symbols, even down to this day. But now has come to this generation the revelation of the Father of spirits through the bestowal of his Son, and all of this will certainly be followed by the bestowal of the spirit of the Father and the Son upon the children of men. To every one who has faith shall this bestowal of the spirit become the true teacher of the way which leads to life everlasting, to the true waters of life in the kingdom of heaven on earth and in the Father's Paradise over there."

168:1.2 (1844.1) It is difficult to explain to human minds just why Jesus wept. While we have access to the registration of the combined human emotions and divine thoughts, as of record in the mind of the **Personalized Adjuster**, we are not altogether certain about the real cause of these emotional manifestations. We are inclined to believe that Jesus wept because of a number of thoughts and feelings which were going through his mind at this time, such as:

168:1.6 (1844.5) And now we may relate an interesting and instructive fact: Although this narrative unfolds as an apparently natural and normal event in human affairs, it has some very interesting side lights. While the messenger went to Jesus on Sunday, telling him of Lazarus's illness, and while Jesus sent word that it was "not to the death," at the same time he went in person up to Bethany and even asked the sisters, "Where have you laid him?" Even though all of this seems to indicate that the Master was proceeding after the manner of this life and in accordance with the limited knowledge of the human mind, nevertheless, the records of the universe reveal that Jesus' **Personalized Adjuster** issued orders for the indefinite detention of Lazarus's **Thought Adjuster** on the planet subsequent to Lazarus's death, and that this order was made of record just fifteen minutes before Lazarus breathed his last.

168:1.10 (1845.1) The small group assembled before Lazarus's tomb little realized the presence near at hand of a vast concourse of all orders of celestial beings assembled under the leadership of Gabriel and now in waiting, by direction of the **Personalized Adjuster** of Jesus, vibrating with expectancy and ready to execute the bidding of their beloved Sovereign.

168:2.6 (1846.5) As Lazarus came out of the tomb, the **Personalized Adjuster** of Jesus, now chief of his kind in this local universe, gave command to the former **Adjuster** of Lazarus, now in waiting, to resume abode in the mind and soul of the resurrected man.

170:5.12 (1865.2) The Master fully realized that certain social results would appear in the world as a consequence of the spread of the gospel of the kingdom; but he intended that all such desirable social manifestations should appear as unconscious and inevitable outgrowths, or natural fruits, of this inner personal experience of individual believers, this purely spiritual fellowship and communion with the **divine spirit** which indwells and activates all such believers.

(Speaking to the Greeks at Nicodemus' home)

174:5.10 (1904.1) When Jesus had thus spoken, the **Personalized Adjuster** of his indwelling during prebaptismal times appeared before him, and as he paused noticeably, this now mighty **spirit of the Father's representation** spoke to Jesus of Nazareth, saying: "I have glorified my name in your bestowals many times, and I will glorify it once more."

176:3.3 (1916.3) "Each generation of believers should carry on their work, in view of the possible return of the Son of Man, exactly as each individual believer carries forward his lifework in view of inevitable and ever-impending natural death. When you have by faith once established yourself as a son of God, nothing else matters as regards the surety of survival. But make no mistake! this survival faith is a living faith, and it increasingly manifests the fruits of that **divine spirit** which first inspired it in the human heart. That you have once accepted sonship in the heavenly kingdom will not save you in the face of the knowing and persistent rejection of those truths which have to do with the progressive spiritual fruit-bearing of the sons of God in the flesh. You who have been with me in the Father's business on earth can even now desert the kingdom if you find that you love not the way of the Father's service for mankind.

(Jesus - Discourse on Sonship and Citizenship restated in modern language)

178:1.13 (1931.4) When a kingdom believer is called upon to serve the civil government, let him render such service as a temporal citizen of such a government, albeit such a believer should display in his civil service all of the ordinary traits of citizenship as these have been enhanced by the spiritual enlightenment of the ennobling association of the mind of mortal man with the **indwelling spirit** of the eternal God. If the unbeliever can qualify as a superior civil servant, you should seriously question whether the roots of truth in your heart have not died from the lack of the living waters of combined spiritual communion and social service. The consciousness of sonship with God should quicken the entire life service of every man, woman, and child who has become the possessor of such a mighty stimulus to all the inherent powers of a human personality.

179:5.6 (1942.5) This supper of remembrance, when it is partaken of by those who are Son-believing and God-knowing, does not need to have associated with its symbolism any of man's puerile misinterpretations regarding the meaning of the divine presence, for upon all such occasions the Master is really present. The remembrance supper is the believer's symbolic rendezvous with Michael. When you become thus spirit-conscious, the Son is actually present, and his spirit fraternizes with the **indwelling fragment** of his Father.

(Jesus at prayer in Gethsemane)

182:3.8 (1969.3) The assembled hosts of a vast creation are now hovered over this scene under the transient joint command of Gabriel and the **Personalized Adjuster** of Jesus. The division commanders of these armies of heaven have repeatedly been warned not to interfere with these transactions on earth unless Jesus himself should order them to intervene.

188:3.4 (2014.7) We are not able fully to explain just what happened to Jesus of Nazareth during this period of a day and a half when he was supposed to be resting in Joseph's new tomb. Apparently he died the same natural death on the cross as would any other mortal in the same circumstances. We heard him say, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." We do not fully understand the meaning of such a statement inasmuch as his **Thought Adjuster** had long since been personalized and so maintained an existence apart from Jesus' mortal being. The **Master's Personalized Adjuster** could in no sense be affected by his physical death on the cross. That which Jesus put in the Father's hands for the time being must have been the spirit counterpart of the **Adjuster's** early work in spiritizing the mortal mind so as to provide for the transfer of the transcript of the human experience to the mansion worlds. There must have been some spiritual reality in the experience of Jesus which was analogous to the spirit nature, or soul, of the faith-growing mortals of the spheres. But this is merely our opinion — we do not really know what Jesus commended to his Father.

188:3.7 (2015.3) 2. The former **Thought Adjuster of Jesus** we know to have been present on earth during this period and in personal command of the assembled celestial hosts.

188:3.8 (2015.4) 3. The acquired spirit identity of the man of Nazareth which was built up during his lifetime in the flesh, first, by the direct efforts of his **Thought Adjuster**, and later, by his own perfect adjustment between the physical necessities and the spiritual requirements of the ideal mortal existence, as it was effected by his never-ceasing choice of the Father's will, must have been consigned to the custody of the Paradise Father. Whether or not this spirit reality returned to become a part of the resurrected personality, we do not know, but we believe it did. But there are those in the universe who hold that this soul-identity of Jesus now reposes in the "bosom of the Father," to be subsequently released for leadership of the Nebadon Corps of the Finality in their undisclosed destiny in connection with the uncreated universes of the unorganized realms of outer space.

189:0.1 (2020.1) SOON after the burial of Jesus on Friday afternoon, the chief of the archangels of Nebadon, then present on Urantia, summoned his council of the resurrection of sleeping will creatures and entered upon the consideration of a possible technique for the restoration of Jesus. These assembled sons of the local universe, the creatures of Michael, did this on their own responsibility; Gabriel had not assembled them. By midnight they had arrived at the conclusion that the creature could do nothing to facilitate the resurrection of the Creator. They were disposed to accept the advice of Gabriel, who instructed them that, since Michael had "laid down his life of his own free will, he also had power to take it up again in accordance with his own determination." Shortly after the adjournment of this council of the archangels, the Life Carriers, and

their various associates in the work of creature rehabilitation and morontia creation, the **Personalized Adjuster of Jesus**, being in personal command of the assembled celestial hosts then on Urantia, spoke these words to the anxious waiting watchers:

189:0.2 (2020.2) “Not one of you can do aught to assist your Creator-father in the return to life. As a mortal of the realm he has experienced mortal death; as the Sovereign of a universe he still lives. That which you observe is the mortal transit of Jesus of Nazareth from life in the flesh to life in the morontia. The spirit transit of this Jesus was completed at the time I separated myself from his personality and became your temporary director. Your Creator-father has elected to pass through the whole of the experience of his mortal creatures, from birth on the material worlds, on through natural death and the resurrection of the morontia, into the status of true spirit existence. A certain phase of this experience you are about to observe, but you may not participate in it. Those things which you ordinarily do for the creature, you may not do for the Creator. A Creator Son has within himself the power to bestow himself in the likeness of any of his created sons; he has within himself the power to lay down his observable life and to take it up again; and he has this power because of the direct command of the Paradise Father, and I know whereof I speak.”

189:0.3 (2020.3) When they heard the **Personalized Adjuster** so speak, they all assumed the attitude of anxious expectancy, from Gabriel down to the most humble cherubim. They saw the mortal body of Jesus in the tomb; they detected evidences of the universe activity of their beloved Sovereign; and not understanding such phenomena, they waited patiently for developments.

189:1.11 (2022.2) After Jesus had spoken, he signaled to the **Personalized Adjuster**, and all universe intelligences who had been assembled on Urantia to witness the resurrection were immediately dispatched to their respective universe assignments.

189:3.4 (2024.6) When the signal of the planetary resurrection had been received by the chief of archangels, the **Personalized Adjuster of the Son of Man** relinquished his authority over the celestial hosts assembled on Urantia, turning all these sons of the local universe back to the jurisdiction of their respective commanders. And when he had done this, he departed for Salvington to register with Immanuel the completion of the mortal transit of Michael. And he was immediately followed by all the celestial host not required for duty on Urantia. But Gabriel remained on Urantia with the morontia Jesus.

193:2.2 (2054.3) “Peace be upon you. You rejoice to know that the Son of Man has risen from the dead because you thereby know that you and your brethren shall also survive mortal death. But such survival is dependent on your having been previously born of the spirit of truth-seeking and God-finding. The bread of life and the water thereof are given only to those who hunger for truth and thirst for righteousness — for God. The fact that the dead rise is not the gospel of the kingdom. These great truths

and these universe facts are all related to this gospel in that they are a part of the result of believing the good news and are embraced in the subsequent experience of those who, by faith, become, in deed and in truth, the everlasting sons of the eternal God. My Father sent me into the world to proclaim this salvation of sonship to all men. And so send I you abroad to preach this salvation of sonship. Salvation is the free gift of God, but those who are born of the spirit will immediately begin to show forth the fruits of the spirit in loving service to their fellow creatures. And the fruits of the **divine spirit** which are yielded in the lives of spirit-born and God-knowing mortals are: loving service, unselfish devotion, courageous loyalty, sincere fairness, enlightened honesty, undying hope, confiding trust, merciful ministry, unfailing goodness, forgiving tolerance, and enduring peace. If professed believers bear not these fruits of the **divine spirit** in their lives, they are dead; the Spirit of Truth is not in them; they are useless branches on the living vine, and they soon will be taken away. My Father requires of the children of faith that they bear much spirit fruit. If, therefore, you are not fruitful, he will dig about your roots and cut away your unfruitful branches. Increasingly, must you yield the fruits of the spirit as you progress heavenward in the kingdom of God. You may enter the kingdom as a child, but the Father requires that you grow up, by grace, to the full stature of spiritual adulthood. And when you go abroad to tell all nations the good news of this gospel, I will go before you, and my Spirit of Truth shall abide in your hearts. My peace I leave with you.”

194:2.11 (2061.9) Since the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, man is subject to the teaching and guidance of a threefold spirit endowment: the spirit of the Father, the **Thought Adjuster**; the spirit of the Son, the Spirit of Truth; the spirit of the Spirit, the Holy Spirit.

194:2.12 (2062.1) In a way, mankind is subject to the double influence of the sevenfold appeal of the universe spirit influences. The early evolutionary races of mortals are subject to the progressive contact of the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe Mother Spirit. As man progresses upward in the scale of intelligence and spiritual perception, there eventually come to hover over him and dwell within him the seven higher spirit influences. And these seven spirits of the advancing worlds are:

1. The bestowed spirit of the Universal Father — the **Thought Adjusters**.
2. The spirit presence of the Eternal Son — the spirit gravity of the universe of universes and the certain channel of all spirit communion.
3. The spirit presence of the Infinite Spirit — the universal spirit-mind of all creation, the spiritual source of the intellectual kinship of all progressive intelligences.
4. The spirit of the Universal Father and the Creator Son — the Spirit of Truth, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Son.

5. The spirit of the Infinite Spirit and the Universe Mother Spirit — the Holy Spirit, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Spirit.
6. The mind-spirit of the Universe Mother Spirit — the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe.
7. The spirit of the Father, Sons, and Spirits — the new-name spirit of the ascending mortals of the realms after the fusion of the mortal spirit-born soul with the **Paradise Thought Adjuster** and after the subsequent attainment of the divinity and glorification of the status of the Paradise Corps of the Finality 194:2.13-19 (2062.2-8).

194:2.3 (2061.1) This bestowal of the Son's spirit effectively prepared all normal men's minds for the subsequent universal bestowal of the Father's spirit (the **Adjuster**) upon all mankind. In a certain sense, this Spirit of Truth is the spirit of both the Universal Father and the Creator Son.

195:7.5 (2078.8) The realities and values of spiritual progress are not a "psychologic projection" — a mere glorified daydream of the material mind. Such things are the spiritual forecasts of the **indwelling Adjuster**, the **spirit of God** living in the mind of man. And let not your dabbings with the faintly glimpsed findings of "relativity" disturb your concepts of the eternity and infinity of God. And in all your solicitation concerning the necessity for *self-expression* do not make the mistake of failing to provide for **Adjuster-expression**, the manifestation of your real and better self.

196:0.1 (2087.1) JESUS enjoyed a sublime and wholehearted faith in God. He experienced the ordinary ups and downs of mortal existence, but he never religiously doubted the certainty of God's watchcare and guidance. His faith was the outgrowth of the insight born of the activity of the **divine presence**, his **indwelling Adjuster**. His faith was neither traditional nor merely intellectual; it was wholly personal and purely spiritual.

196:0.5 (2087.5) Theology may fix, formulate, define, and dogmatize faith, but in the human life of Jesus faith was personal, living, original, spontaneous, and purely spiritual. This faith was not reverence for tradition nor a mere intellectual belief which he held as a sacred creed, but rather a sublime experience and a profound conviction which securely held him. His faith was so real and all-encompassing that it absolutely swept away any spiritual doubts and effectively destroyed every conflicting desire. Nothing was able to tear him away from the spiritual anchorage of this fervent, sublime, and undaunted faith. Even in the face of apparent defeat or in the throes of disappointment and threatening despair, he calmly stood in the **divine presence** free from fear and fully conscious of spiritual invincibility. Jesus enjoyed the invigorating assurance of the possession of unflinching faith, and in each of life's trying situations he

unfailingly exhibited an unquestioning loyalty to the Father's will. And this superb faith was undaunted even by the cruel and crushing threat of an ignominious death.

196:0.11 (2089.1) In the earthly life of Jesus, religion was a living experience, a direct and personal movement from spiritual reverence to practical righteousness. The faith of Jesus bore the transcendent fruits of the **divine spirit**. His faith was not immature and credulous like that of a child, but in many ways it did resemble the unsuspecting trust of the child mind. Jesus trusted God much as the child trusts a parent. He had a profound confidence in the universe — just such a trust as the child has in its parental environment. Jesus' wholehearted faith in the fundamental goodness of the universe very much resembled the child's trust in the security of its earthly surroundings. He depended on the heavenly Father as a child leans upon its earthly parent, and his fervent faith never for one moment doubted the certainty of the heavenly Father's overcare. He was not disturbed seriously by fears, doubts, and skepticism. Unbelief did not inhibit the free and original expression of his life. He combined the stalwart and intelligent courage of a full-grown man with the sincere and trusting optimism of a believing child. His faith grew to such heights of trust that it was devoid of fear.

196:1.6 (2091.2) Just as men must progress from the consciousness of the human to the realization of the divine, so did Jesus ascend from the nature of man to the consciousness of the nature of God. And the Master made this great ascent from the human to the divine by the conjoint achievement of the faith of his mortal intellect and the acts of his indwelling **Adjuster**. The fact-realization of the attainment of totality of divinity (all the while fully conscious of the reality of humanity) was attended by seven stages of faith consciousness of progressive divinization. These stages of progressive self-realization were marked off by the following extraordinary events in the Master's bestowal experience:

1. arrival of the **Thought Adjuster**.
2. The messenger of Immanuel who appeared to him at Jerusalem when he was about twelve years old.
3. manifestations attendant upon his baptism.
4. The experiences on the Mount of Transfiguration.
5. The morontia resurrection.
6. The spirit ascension.
7. The final embrace of the Paradise Father, conferring unlimited sovereignty of his universe. 196:1.7-13 (2091.3-9)

196:2.4 (2092.2) But the greatest mistake was made in that, while the human Jesus was recognized as *having* a religion, the divine Jesus (Christ) almost overnight became a religion. Paul's Christianity made sure of the adoration of the divine Christ, but it almost wholly lost sight of the struggling and valiant human Jesus of Galilee, who, by

the valor of his personal religious faith and the heroism of his **indwelling Adjuster**, ascended from the lowly levels of humanity to become one with divinity, thus becoming the new and living way whereby all mortals may so ascend from humanity to divinity. Mortals in all stages of spirituality and on all worlds may find in the personal life of Jesus that which will strengthen and inspire them as they progress from the lowest spirit levels up to the highest divine values, from the beginning to the end of all personal religious experience.

196:3.1 (2093.6) Personal, spiritual religious experience is an efficient solvent for most mortal difficulties; it is an effective sorter, evaluator, and adjuster of all human problems. Religion does not remove or destroy human troubles, but it does dissolve, absorb, illuminate, and transcend them. True religion unifies the personality for effective adjustment to all mortal requirements. Religious faith — the positive leading of the **indwelling divine presence** — unfailingly enables the God-knowing man to bridge that gulf existing between the intellectual logic which recognizes the Universal First Cause as *It* and those positive affirmations of the soul which aver this First Cause is *He*, the heavenly Father of Jesus' gospel, the personal God of human salvation.

196:3.6 (2094.5) The mind of man can attain high levels of spiritual insight and corresponding spheres of divinity of values because it is not wholly material. There is a **spirit nucleus** in the mind of man — the **Adjuster** of the divine presence. There are three separate evidences of this **spirit indwelling** of the human mind:

1. Humanitarian fellowship — love. The purely animal mind may be gregarious for self-protection, but only the spirit-indwelt intellect is unselfishly altruistic and unconditionally loving.
2. Interpretation of the universe — wisdom. Only the spirit-indwelt mind can comprehend that the universe is friendly to the individual.
3. Spiritual evaluation of life — worship. Only the spirit-indwelt man can realize the **divine presence** and seek to attain a fuller experience in and with this **foretaste of divinity**. 196:3.7-9 (2094.6-8)

196:3.21 (2095.5) The exquisite and transcendent experience of loving and being loved is not just a psychic illusion because it is so purely subjective. The one truly divine and objective reality that is associated with mortal beings, the **Thought Adjuster**, functions to human observation apparently as an exclusively subjective phenomenon. Man's contact with the highest objective reality, God, is only through the purely subjective experience of knowing him, of worshiping him, of realizing sonship with him.

196:3.26 (2096.2) The evolutionary mind is able to discover law, morals, and ethics; but the bestowed spirit, the **indwelling Adjuster**, reveals to the evolving human mind the lawgiver, the Father-source of all that is true, beautiful, and good; and such an

illuminated man has a religion and is spiritually equipped to begin the long and adventurous search for God.

196:3.35 (2097.3) And God-consciousness is equivalent to the integration of the self with the universe, and on its highest levels of spiritual reality. Only the spirit content of any value is imperishable. Even that which is true, beautiful, and good may not perish in human experience. If man does not choose to survive, then does the surviving **Adjuster** conserve those realities born of love and nurtured in service. And all these things are a part of the Universal Father. The Father is living love, and this life of the Father is in his Sons. And the spirit of the Father is in his Sons' sons — mortal men. When all is said and done, the Father idea is still the highest human concept of God.

Adjusters and the Supreme

16:9.3 (195.9) If mortal man fails to survive natural death, the real spiritual values of his human experience survive as a part of the continuing experience of the **Thought Adjuster**. The personality values of such a nonsurvivor persist as a factor in the personality of the actualizing Supreme Being. Such persisting qualities of personality are deprived of identity but not of experiential values accumulated during the mortal life in the flesh. The survival of identity is dependent on the survival of the immortal soul of morontia status and increasingly divine value. Personality identity survives in and by the survival of the soul.

55:6.4 (630.7) The **Adjusters** continue to come as in former evolutionary eras, and as the epochs pass, these mortals are increasingly able to commune with the **indwelling Father fragment**. During the embryonic and prespiritual stages of development the adjutant mind-spirits are still functioning. The Holy Spirit and the ministry of angels are even more effective as the successive epochs of settled life are experienced. In the fourth stage of light and life the advanced mortals seem to experience considerable conscious contact with the spirit presence of the Master Spirit of superuniverse jurisdiction, while the philosophy of such a world is focused upon the attempt to comprehend the new revelations of God the Supreme. More than one half of the human inhabitants on planets of this advanced status experience translation to the morontia state from among the living. Even so, "old things are passing away; behold, all things are becoming new."

56:8.2 (643.5) Ascendant finaliters, having been born in the local universes, nurtured in the superuniverses, and trained in the central universe, embrace in their personal experiences the full potential of the comprehension of the time-space divinity of God the

Sevenfold unifying in the Supreme. Finaliters serve successively in superuniverses other than those of nativity, thereby superimposing experience upon experience until the fullness of the sevenfold diversity of possible creature experience has been encompassed. Through the ministry of the indwelling **Adjusters** the finaliters are enabled to *find* the Universal Father, but it is by these techniques of experience that such finaliters come really to *know* the Supreme

Being, and they are destined to the service and the *revelation* of this Supreme Deity in and to the future universes of outer space.

UNIVERSE LEVELS OF REALITY

101:2.12 (1107.2) Revelation as an epochal phenomenon is periodic; as a personal human experience it is continuous. Divinity functions in mortal personality as the **Adjuster** gift of the Father, as the Spirit of Truth of the Son, and as the Holy Spirit of the Universe Spirit, while these three supermortal endowments are unified in human experiential evolution as the ministry of the Supreme.

101:6.2 (1111.6) Throughout all religious experience, from its earliest inception on the material level up to the time of the attainment of full spirit status, the **Adjuster** is the **secret of the personal realization of the reality of the existence of the Supreme**; and this same **Adjuster** also holds the secrets of your faith in the transcendental attainment of the Ultimate. The experiential personality of evolving man, united to the **Adjuster** essence of the existential God, constitutes the potential completion of supreme existence and is inherently the basis for the superfinite eventuation of transcendental personality.

[Within the bounds of a material energy system, the heritage factors of the three existential persons of deity, the Father, Son, and Infinite Spirit, join in association with a personality fragment of the Father of all Creation for the purpose of realizing through evolutionary co-creation, a triune entity of divinity perfection, and thereby contributing to the actuality of the finite Supreme God of time in space.]

101:6.6 (1112.2) With man, the eventual fusion and resultant oneness with the indwelling **Adjuster** — the personality synthesis of man and the essence of God — constitute him, in potential, a living part of the Supreme and insure for such a onetime mortal being the eternal birthright of the endless pursuit of finality of universe service for and with the Supreme.

101:6.7 (1112.3) Revelation teaches mortal man that, to start such a magnificent and intriguing adventure through space by means of the progression of time, he should begin by the organization of knowledge into idea-decisions; next, mandate wisdom to labor unremittingly at its noble task of transforming self-possessed ideas into increasingly practical but nonetheless supernal ideals, even those concepts which are so reasonable as ideas and so logical as ideals that the **Adjuster** dares so to combine

and spiritize them as to render them available for such association in the finite mind as will constitute them the actual human complement thus made ready for the action of the Truth Spirit of the Sons, the time-space manifestations of Paradise truth — universal truth. The co-ordination of idea-decisions, logical ideals, and divine truth constitutes the possession of a righteous character, the prerequisite for mortal admission to the ever-expanding and increasingly spiritual realities of the morontia worlds.

[For the material sons of God, an initial step in their contribution to the actualization of God the Supreme, is the mastery of the material mind in preparation for the cooperative effort with the **indwelling spirit of God** to spiritualize an immortal soul, the energy medium for the dominance of energy-matter by spirit. Here we began to understand and recognize not just the opportunity, but the duty of the material personality to choose a life, if not an eternal goal, of spiritual self-revelation. It will be through faith in divine realities that we desire to organize “knowledge into ideas-decisions”, “mandate wisdom” to transform these ideas into “supernal ideals” 101:6.7 (1112.3), and combine and spiritualize them in cooperation with the Truth Spirit of the Sons.]

105:6.5 (1159.5) 4. *The divinity response* to the imperfection inherent in the time lag of evolution is disclosed in the compensating presence of God the Sevenfold, by whose activities that which is perfecting is integrated with both the perfect and the perfected. This time lag is inseparable from evolution, which is creativity in time. Because of it, as well as for other reasons, the almighty power of the Supreme is predicated on the divinity successes of God the Sevenfold. This time lag makes possible creature participation in divine creation by permitting creature personalities to become partners with Deity in the attainment of maximum development. Even the material mind of the mortal creature thus becomes partner with the divine **Adjuster** in the dualization of the immortal soul. God the Sevenfold also provides techniques of compensation for the experiential limitations of inherent perfection as well as compensating the preascension limitations of imperfection.

106:2.3 (1164.6) Spirit, in the last analysis, comes from Paradise through Havona. Energy-matter seemingly evolves in the depths of space and is organized as power by the children of the Infinite Spirit in conjunction with the Creator Sons of God. And all of this is experiential; it is a transaction in time and space involving a wide range of living beings including even Creator divinities and evolutionary creatures. The power mastery of the Creator divinities in the grand universe slowly expands to encompass the evolutionary settling and stabilizing of the time-space creations, and this is the flowering of the experiential power of God the Sevenfold. It encompasses the whole gamut of divinity attainment in time and space from the **Adjuster** bestowals of the Universal Father to the life bestowals of the Paradise Sons. This is earned power, demonstrated

power, experiential power; it stands in contrast to the eternity power, the unfathomable power, the existential power of the Paradise Deities.

113:4.6 (1245.6) The ministering personality of the guardian seraphim, the God presence of the indwelling **Adjuster**, the encircuited action of the Holy Spirit, and the Son-consciousness of the Spirit of Truth are all divinely correlated into a meaningful unity of spiritual ministry in and to a mortal personality. Though hailing from different sources and different levels, these celestial influences are all integrated in the enveloping and evolving presence of the Supreme Being.

112:5.2 (1232.3) That which comes from the Father is like the Father eternal, and this is just as true of personality, which God gives by his own freewill choice, as it is of the divine **Thought Adjuster**, an actual **fragment of God**. Man's personality is eternal but with regard to identity a conditioned eternal reality. Having appeared in response to the Father's will, personality will attain Deity destiny, but man must choose whether or not he will be present at the attainment of such destiny. In default of such choice, personality attains experiential Deity directly, becoming a part of the Supreme Being. The cycle is foreordained, but man's participation therein is optional, personal, and experiential.

116:3.3 (1271.1) 2. The personality revelations of the Second Source and Center. The mind presences of the Conjoint Actor unify the spirit of divinity with the pattern of energy. The bestowal incarnations of the Eternal Son and his Paradise Sons unify, actually fuse, the divine nature of a Creator with the evolving nature of a creature. The Supreme is both creature and creator; the possibility of his being such is revealed in the bestowal actions of the Eternal Son and his co-ordinate and subordinate Sons. The bestowal orders of sonship, the Michaels and the Avonals, actually augment their divine natures with bona fide creature natures which have become theirs by the living of the actual creature life on the evolutionary worlds. When divinity becomes like humanity, inherent in this relationship is the possibility that humanity can become divine.

116:3.4 (1271.2) 3. *The **indwelling presences** of the First Source and Center.* Mind unifies spirit causations with energy reactions; bestowal ministry unifies divinity descensions with creature ascensions; and the **indwelling fragments** of the Universal Father actually unify the evolving creatures with God on Paradise. There are many such **presences of the Father** which indwell numerous orders of personalities, and in mortal man these **divine fragments of God** are the **Thought Adjusters**. The Mystery Monitors are to human beings what the Paradise Trinity is to the Supreme Being. The **Adjusters** are **absolute foundations**, and upon absolute foundations freewill choice can cause to be evolved the divine reality of an eternaliter nature, finaliter nature in the case of man, Deity nature in God the Supreme.

116:7.5 (1276.6) Human beings are capable of making an everlasting self-identification with total and indestructible universe reality — fusion with the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**. Likewise does the Supreme everlastingly depend on the absolute stability of Original Deity, the Paradise Trinity.

117:0.3 (1278.3) When an evolving mind becomes attuned to the circuits of cosmic mind, when an evolving universe becomes stabilized after the pattern of the central universe, when an advancing spirit contacts the united ministry of the Master Spirits, when an ascending mortal personality finally attunes to the divine leading of the indwelling **Adjuster**, then has the actuality of the Supreme become real by one more degree in the universes; then has the divinity of Supremacy advanced one more step toward cosmic realization.

117:3.5 (1281.7) Mortal man is more than figuratively made in the image of God. From a physical standpoint this statement is hardly true, but with reference to certain universe potentialities it is an actual fact. In the human race, something of the same drama of evolutionary attainment is being unfolded as takes place, on a vastly larger scale, in the universe of universes. Man, a volitional personality, becomes creative in liaison with an **Adjuster**, an impersonal entity, in the presence of the finite potentialities of the Supreme, and the result is the flowering of an immortal soul. In the universes the Creator personalities of time and space function in liaison with the impersonal spirit of the Paradise Trinity and become thereby creative of a new power potential of Deity reality.

117:3.6 (1282.1) Mortal man, being a creature, is not exactly like the Supreme Being, who is deity, but man's evolution does in some ways resemble the growth of the Supreme. Man consciously grows from the material toward the spiritual by the strength, power, and persistency of his own decisions; he also grows as his **Thought Adjuster** develops new techniques for reaching down from the spiritual to the morontial soul levels; and once the soul comes into being, it begins to grow in and of itself.

117:3.8 (1282.3) The Father collaborates with the Conjoint Actor in manipulating the energies of Paradise and in rendering these responsive to the Supreme. The Father collaborates with the Eternal Son in the production of Creator personalities whose acts will sometime culminate in the sovereignty of the Supreme. The Father collaborates with both Son and Spirit in the creation of Trinity personalities to function as rulers of the grand universe until such time as the completed evolution of the Supreme qualifies him to assume that sovereignty. The Father co-operates with his Deity and non-Deity co-ordinates in these and many other ways in the furtherance of the evolution of Supremacy, but he also functions alone in these matters. And his solitary function is probably best revealed in the ministry of the **Thought Adjusters** and their associated entities.

117:3.9 (1282.4) Deity is unity, existential in the Trinity, experiential in the Supreme, and, in mortals, creature-realized in **Adjuster** fusion. The presence of the **Thought Adjusters** in mortal man reveals the essential unity of the universe, for man, the lowest possible type of universe personality, contains within himself an actual **fragment** of the highest and eternal reality, even the original Father of all personalities.

117:3.10 (1282.5) The Supreme Being evolves by virtue of his liaison with the Paradise Trinity and in consequence of the divinity successes of the creator and administrator children of that Trinity. Man's immortal soul evolves its own eternal destiny by association with the **divine presence** of the Paradise Father and in accordance with the personality decisions of the human mind. What the Trinity is to God the Supreme, the **Adjuster** is to evolving man.

117:4.3 (1283.5) God is so trusting, so loving, that he gives a portion of his divine nature into the hands of even human beings for safekeeping and self-realization. The Father nature, the **Adjuster presence**, is indestructible regardless of the choice of the mortal being. The child of the Supreme, the evolving self, can be destroyed notwithstanding that the potentially unifying personality of such a misguided self will persist as a factor of the Deity of Supremacy.

117:4.8 (1284.4) The temporal relation of man to the Supreme is the foundation for cosmic morality, the universal sensitivity to, and acceptance of, *duty*. This is a morality which transcends the temporal sense of relative right and wrong; it is a morality directly predicated on the self-conscious creature's appreciation of experiential obligation to experiential Deity. Mortal man and all other finite creatures are created out of the living potential of energy, mind, and spirit existent in the Supreme. It is upon the Supreme that the **Adjuster**-mortal ascender draws for the creation of the immortal and divine character of a finaliter. It is out of the very reality of the Supreme that the **Adjuster**, with the consent of the human will, weaves the patterns of the eternal nature of an ascending son of God.

117:4.9 (1284.5) The evolution of **Adjuster** progress in the spiritualizing and eternalizing of a human personality is directly productive of an enlargement of the sovereignty of the Supreme. Such achievements in human evolution are at the same time achievements in the evolutionary actualization of the Supreme. While it is true that creatures could not evolve without the Supreme, it is probably also true that the evolution of the Supreme can never be fully attained independent of the completed evolution of all creatures. Herein lies the great cosmic responsibility of self-conscious personalities: That Supreme Deity is in a certain sense dependent on the choosing of the mortal will. And the mutual progression of creature evolution and of Supreme evolution is faithfully and fully indicated to the Ancients of Days over the inscrutable mechanisms of universe reflectivity.

117:4.12 (1285.1) Into the keeping of mortal man has been given not only the Adjuster presence of the Paradise Father but also control over the destiny of an infinitesimal fraction of the future of the Supreme. For as man attains human destiny, so does the Supreme achieve destiny on deity levels.

117:5.3 (1286.1) The evolving immortal soul of man, the joint creation of the material mind and the Adjuster, ascends as such to Paradise and subsequently, when mustered into the Corps of the Finality, becomes allied in some new way with the spirit-gravity circuit of the Eternal Son by a technique of experience known as *finaliter transcendation*. Such finaliters thus become acceptable candidates for experiential recognition as personalities of God the Supreme. And when these mortal intellects in the unrevealed future assignments of the Corps of the Finality attain the seventh stage of spirit existence, such dual minds will become triune. These two attuned minds, the human and the divine, will become glorified in union with the experiential mind of the then actualized Supreme Being.

117:5.11 (1287.2) Even the experience of man and Adjuster must find echo in the divinity of God the Supreme, for, as the Adjusters experience, they are like the Supreme, and the evolving soul of mortal man is created out of the pre-existent possibility for such experience within the Supreme.

117:6.3 (1288.2) What Michael is to Nebadon, the Supreme is to the finite cosmos; his Deity is the great avenue through which the love of the Father flows outward to all creation, and he is the great avenue through which finite creatures pass inward in their quest of the Father, who is love. Even Thought Adjusters are related to him; in original nature and divinity they are like the Father, but when they experience the transactions of time in the universes of space, they become like the Supreme.

117:6.5 (1288.4) The morontia soul of an evolving mortal is really the son of the Adjuster action of the Universal Father and the child of the cosmic reaction of the Supreme Being, the Universal Mother. The mother influence dominates the human personality throughout the local universe childhood of the growing soul. The influence of the Deity parents becomes more equal after the Adjuster fusion and during the superuniverse career, but when the creatures of time begin the traversal of the central universe of eternity, the Father nature becomes increasingly manifest, attaining its height of finite manifestation upon the recognition of the Universal Father and the admission into the Corps of the Finality.

117:6.6 (1288.5) In and through the experience of finaliter attainment the experiential mother qualities of the ascending self become tremendously affected by contact and infusion with the spirit presence of the Eternal Son and the mind presence of the Infinite Spirit. Then, throughout the realms of finaliter activity in the grand universe, there appears a new awakening of the latent mother potential of the Supreme, a new

realization of experiential meanings, and a new synthesis of experiential values of the entire ascension career. It appears that this realization of self will continue in the universe careers of the sixth-stage finaliters until the mother inheritance of the Supreme attains to finite synchrony with the Adjuster inheritance of the Father. This intriguing period of grand universe function represents the continuing adult career of the ascendant and perfected mortal.

117:6.7 (1288.6) Upon the completion of the sixth stage of existence and the entrance upon the seventh and final stage of spirit status, there will probably ensue the advancing ages of enriching experience, ripening wisdom, and divinity realization. In the nature of the finaliter this will probably equal the completed attainment of the mind struggle for spirit self-realization, the completion of the co-ordination of the ascendant man-nature with the divine Adjuster-nature within the limits of finite possibilities. Such a magnificent universe self thus becomes the eternal finaliter son of the Paradise Father as well as the eternal universe child of the Mother Supreme, a universe self qualified to represent both the Father and Mother of universes and personalities in any activity or undertaking pertaining to the finite administration of created, creating, or evolving things and beings.

117:6.10 (1289.3) All true love is from God, and man receives the divine affection as he himself bestows this love upon his fellows. Love is dynamic. It can never be captured; it is alive, free, thrilling, and always moving. Man can never take the love of the Father and imprison it within his heart. The Father's love can become real to mortal man only by passing through that man's personality as he in turn bestows this love upon his fellows. The great circuit of love is from the Father, through sons to brothers, and hence to the Supreme. The love of the Father appears in the mortal personality by the ministry of the indwelling Adjuster. Such a God-knowing son reveals this love to his universe brethren, and this fraternal affection is the essence of the love of the Supreme.

117:6.18 (1290.4) Man's sometime attainment of the Supreme is consequent upon his fusion with the spirit of Paradise Deity. With Urantians this spirit is the Adjuster presence of the Universal Father; and though the Mystery Monitor is from the Father and like the Father, we doubt that even such a divine gift can achieve the impossible task of revealing the nature of the infinite God to a finite creature. We suspect that what the Adjusters will reveal to future seventh-stage finaliters will be the divinity and nature of God the Supreme. And this revelation will be to a finite creature what the revelation of the Infinite would be to an absolute being.

[In original nature and divinity destiny, mortal beings bare the birthmark of the Infinite Father, but through ascendant experience, we are also the children of the Creator Sons of the Eternal Son and the Daughters of the Infinite Spirit; we are the result of the Adjuster inheritance of the Father and the mother inheritance – the cosmic reaction of the Supreme Being. "The Mystery Monitors are to human beings what the Paradise Trinity is to the Supreme Being." 101:6.7 (1112.3.) Having achieved Paradise, and the

Corps of the Finality by the technique of evolutionary assent from material spheres, we will be embraced and eternalized by God the Supreme. We are in truth, destiny and fact children of the Mother Supreme.]

117:7.6 (1291.10) It may be that on the upper limits of the finite, where time conjoins transcended time, there is some sort of blurring and blending of sequence. It may be that the Supreme is able to forecast his universe presence onto these supertime levels and then to a limited degree anticipate future evolution by reflecting this future forecast back to the created levels as the Immanence of the Projected Incomplete. Such phenomena may be observed wherever finite makes contact with superfinite, as in the experiences of human beings who are indwelt by **Thought Adjusters** that are veritable predictions of man's future universe attainments throughout all eternity.

118:1.10 (1296.2) On the absolute and eternal level, potential reality is just as meaningful as actual reality. Only on the finite level and to time-bound creatures does there appear to be such a vast difference. To God, as absolute, an ascending mortal who has made the eternal decision is already a Paradise finaliter. But the Universal Father, through the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**, is not thus limited in awareness but can also know of, and participate in, every temporal struggle with the problems of the creature ascent from animallike to Godlike levels of existence.

118:9.3 (1303.4) The man is a machine, a living mechanism; his roots are truly in the physical world of energy. Many human reactions are mechanical in nature; much of life is machinelike. But man, a mechanism, is much more than a machine; he is mind endowed and spirit indwelt; and though he can never throughout his material life escape the chemical and electrical mechanics of his existence, he can increasingly learn how to subordinate this physical-life machine to the directive wisdom of experience by the process of consecrating the human mind to the execution of the spiritual urges of the indwelling Thought **Adjuster**.

118:9.3 (1303.4) The life mechanism of the mortal personality, the human body, is the product of supermortal creative design; therefore it can never be perfectly controlled by man himself. Only when ascending man, in liaison with the fused **Adjuster**, self-creates the mechanism for personality expression, will he achieve perfected control thereof.

(Immanuel – giving the 7th Bestowal mandate to Michael of Nebadon)

120:2.6 (1328.3) "6. On the planet of your bestowal, set rebellion-segregated man spiritually free. On Urantia, make a further contribution to the sovereignty of the Supreme, thus extending the establishment of this sovereignty throughout the broad domains of your personal creation. In this, your material bestowal in the likeness of the flesh, you are about to experience the final enlightenment of a time-space Creator, the dual experience of working within the nature of man with the will of your Paradise Father. In your temporal life the will of the finite creature and the will of the infinite

Creator are to become as one, even as they are also uniting in the evolving Deity of the Supreme Being. Pour out upon the planet of your bestowal the Spirit of Truth and thus make all normal mortals on that isolated sphere immediately and fully accessible to the ministry of the **segregated presence of our Paradise Father**, the **Thought Adjusters** of the realms.

Concepts/ Understanding

110:0.2 (1203.2) As far as I am conversant with the affairs of a universe, I regard the love and devotion of a **Thought Adjuster** as the most truly divine affection in all creation. The love of the Sons in their ministry to the races is superb, but the devotion of an **Adjuster** to the individual is touchingly sublime, divinely Fatherlike. The Paradise Father has apparently reserved this form of personal contact with his individual creatures as an exclusive Creator prerogative. And there is nothing in all the universe of universes exactly comparable to the marvelous ministry of these **impersonal entities** that so fascinatingly indwell the children of the evolutionary planets.

118:8.2 (1301.7) Mortal man is a machine, a living mechanism; his roots are truly in the physical world of energy. Many human reactions are mechanical in nature; much of life is machinelike. But man, a mechanism, is much more than a machine; he is mind endowed and spirit indwelt; and though he can never throughout his material life escape the chemical and electrical mechanics of his existence, he can increasingly learn how to subordinate this physical-life machine to the directive wisdom of experience by the process of consecrating the human mind to the execution of the spiritual urges of the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- **Thought Adjusters** are **fragments of Absolute divinity**
- **Thought Adjusters** reside in the minds of mortals
- God's relationship with mortal beings is personal]

101:1.3 (1104.6) The **divine spirit** makes contact with mortal man, not by feelings or emotions, but in the realm of the highest and most spiritualized thinking. It is your *thoughts*, not your feelings, that lead you Godward. The **divine nature** may be perceived only with the eyes of the mind. But the mind that really discerns God, hears the indwelling **Adjuster**, is the pure mind. "Without holiness no man may see the Lord." All such inner and spiritual communion is termed spiritual insight. Such religious experiences result from the impress made upon the mind of man by the combined operations of the **Adjuster** and the Spirit of Truth as they function amid and upon the ideas, ideals, insights, and spirit strivings of the evolving sons of God.

101:1.4 (1105.1) Religion lives and prospers, then, not by sight and feeling, but rather by faith and insight. It consists not in the discovery of new facts or in the finding of a unique experience, but rather in the discovery of new and spiritual meanings in facts already well known to mankind. The highest religious experience is not dependent on prior acts of belief, tradition, and authority; neither is religion the offspring of sublime feelings and purely mystical emotions. It is, rather, a profoundly deep and actual experience of spiritual communion with the spirit influences resident within the human mind, and as far as such an experience is definable in terms of psychology, it is simply the experience of experiencing the reality of believing in God as the reality of such a purely personal experience.

[Thought Adjusters first come to reside in the mortal mind at the first moral thought, often reflecting a choice about an act of altruism. This is the initiation of a lifelong ministry, perhaps an eternal ministry by these marvelous entities, to spiritualize our thoughts and prepare us for the ascension path of the Sons of God. There is great benefit in keeping the body healthy and free of toxins and the mind uninhibited by mental poisons – “pure and shining within and without” – but the most valuable assistance we can offer the divine spirit is to develop a regular practice of meditation, prayer, and worship. Religion is in truth the nourishment of a relationship with God, It is the living experience of sharing the inner life with your spiritual Father.]

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- The second manifestation of personality, existing between purely mortal and purely spiritual existences is the morontial soul, and it is built upon the *relationship* between the mortal human mind and the indwelling presence of God, the Thought Adjuster].

34:6.13 (381.7) The consciousness of the spirit domination of a human life is presently attended by an increasing exhibition of the characteristics of the Spirit in the life reactions of such a spirit-led mortal, “for the fruits of the spirit are love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.” Such spirit-guided and divinely illuminated mortals, while they yet tread the lowly paths of toil and in human faithfulness perform the duties of their earthly assignments, have already begun to discern the lights of eternal life as they glimmer on the faraway shores of another world; already have they begun to comprehend the reality of that inspiring and comforting truth, “The kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.” And throughout every trial and in the presence of every hardship, spirit-born souls are sustained by that hope which transcends all fear because the love of God is shed abroad in all hearts by the presence of the divine Spirit.

[As we choose to follow the path of spiritual light, increasingly will we become more and more aware of the will of God and bear the fragrance of the spirit, as the fruits of his

presence becomes more apparent in our lives. The God of light and life, our divine parent, will share with us his presence forever, should this be our desire.]

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- Free will choice to “do the will of God” leads to fusion with the **indwelling Divine Presence** and secures immortality.]

110:7.10 (1213.5) During the making and breaking of a contact between the mortal mind of a destiny reservist and the planetary supervisors, sometimes the **indwelling Adjuster** is so situated that it becomes possible to transmit a message to the mortal partner. Not long since, on Urantia, such a message was transmitted by a self-acting **Adjuster** to the human associate, a member of the reserve corps of destiny. This message was introduced by these words: “And now, without injury or jeopardy to the subject of my solicitous devotion and without intent to overchastise or discourage, for me, make record of this my plea to him.” Then followed a beautifully touching and appealing admonition. Among other things, the **Adjuster** pleaded “that he more faithfully give me his sincere co-operation, more cheerfully endure the tasks of my emplacement, more faithfully carry out the program of my arrangement, more patiently go through the trials of my selection, more persistently and cheerfully tread the path of my choosing, more humbly receive credit that may accrue as a result of my ceaseless endeavors — thus transmit my admonition to the man of my indwelling. Upon him I bestow the supreme devotion and affection of a divine spirit. And say further to my beloved subject that I will function with wisdom and power until the very end, until the last earth struggle is over; I will be true to my personality trust. And I exhort him to survival, not to disappoint me, not to deprive me of the reward of my patient and intense struggle. On the human will our achievement of personality depends. Circle by circle I have patiently ascended this human mind, and I have testimony that I am meeting the approval of the chief of my kind. Circle by circle I am passing on to judgment. I await with pleasure and without apprehension the roll call of destiny; I am prepared to submit all to the tribunals of the Ancients of Days.”

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- In the experiential time/space creation the actualization of divinity destiny from the potentials of planetary mortals and the actualization of Deity from the potentials of finite origin are co-dependent and co-operative.]

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that they will have other and even more supernal tasks to perform in the distant future after the seven superuniverses have become settled in light and life, and when the finite God has finally emerged from the mystery which now surrounds this Supreme Deity.

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112:7.17 (1239.6) We believe that the mortals of **Adjuster** fusion, together with their finaliter associates, are destined to function in some manner in the administration of the universes of the first outer space level. We have not the slightest doubt that in due time these enormous galaxies will become inhabited universes. And we are equally convinced that among the administrators thereof will be found the Paradise finaliters whose natures are the cosmic consequence of the blending of creature and Creator.

112:7.18 (1239.7) What an adventure! What a romance! A gigantic creation to be administered by the children of the Supreme, these **personalized and humanized Adjusters**, these **Adjusterized** and eternalized mortals, these mysterious combinations and eternal associations of the **highest known manifestation of the essence of the First Source and Center** and the lowest form of intelligent life capable of comprehending and attaining the Universal Father. We conceive that such amalgamated beings, such partnerships of Creator and creature, will become superb rulers, matchless administrators, and understanding and sympathetic directors of any and all forms of intelligent life which may come into existence throughout these future universes of the first outer space level.

112:7.19 (1240.1) True it is, you mortals are of earthly, animal origin; your frame is indeed dust. But if you actually will, if you really desire, surely the heritage of the ages is yours, and you shall someday serve throughout the universes in your true characters—children of the Supreme God of experience and divine sons of the Paradise Father of all personalities.

117:4.12 (1285.1) Into the keeping of mortal man has been given not only the **Adjuster** presence of the Paradise Father but also control over the destiny of an infinitesimal fraction of the future of the Supreme. For as man attains human destiny, so does the Supreme achieve destiny on deity levels.

117:5.3 (1286.1) The evolving immortal soul of man, the joint creation of the material mind and the **Adjuster**, ascends as such to Paradise and subsequently, when mustered into the Corps of the Finality, becomes allied in some new way with the spirit-gravity

circuit of the Eternal Son by a technique of experience known as *finaliter transcendation*. Such finaliters thus become acceptable candidates for experiential recognition as personalities of God the Supreme. And when these mortal intellects in the unrevealed future assignments of the Corps of the Finality attain the seventh stage of spirit existence, such dual minds will become triune. These two attuned minds, the human and the divine, will become glorified in union with the experiential mind of the then actualized Supreme Being.

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117:6.7 (1288.6) Upon the completion of the sixth stage of existence and the entrance upon the seventh and final stage of spirit status, there will probably ensue the advancing ages of enriching experience, ripening wisdom, and divinity realization. In the nature of the finaliter this will probably equal the completed attainment of the mind struggle for spirit self-realization, the completion of the co-ordination of the ascendant man-nature with the divine **Adjuster**-nature within the limits of finite possibilities. Such a magnificent universe self thus becomes the eternal finaliter son of the Paradise Father as well as the eternal universe child of the Mother Supreme, a universe self qualified to represent both the Father and Mother of universes and personalities in any activity or undertaking pertaining to the finite administration of created, creating, or evolving things and beings.

[Organizing threads of understanding

- The prepersonal *mindedness* of **Thought Adjusters** is ancestral to the *minds* of the Conjoint Actor, a monistic level antecedent to energy and spirit differentiation 107:5.5 (1182.1)
- When a **Thought Adjuster** is fused with the evolving immortal morontia soul of the surviving human, the mind of the **Adjuster** can only be identified as persisting apart from the creature's mind until the ascending mortal attains spirit levels of universe progression.]

112:0.1 (1225.1) THE evolutionary planets are the spheres of human origin, the initial worlds of the ascending mortal career. Urantia is your starting point; here you and your divine **Thought Adjuster** are joined in temporary union. You have been endowed with a perfect guide; therefore, if you will sincerely run the race of time and gain the final goal of faith, the reward of the ages shall be yours; you will be eternally united with your indwelling **Adjuster**. Then will begin your real life, the ascending life, to which your present mortal state is but the vestibule. Then will begin your exalted and progressive mission as finaliters in the eternity which stretches out before you. And throughout all of

these successive ages and stages of evolutionary growth, there is one part of you that remains absolutely unaltered, and that is personality — permanence in the presence of change.

112:7.10 (1238.5) Throughout all this magnificent ascent the **Thought Adjuster** is the divine pledge of the future and full spiritual stabilization of the ascending mortal. Meanwhile the presence of the mortal free will affords the **Adjuster** an eternal channel for the liberation of the divine and infinite nature. Now have these two identities become one; no event of time or of eternity can ever separate man and **Adjuster**; they are inseparable, eternally fused.

112:7.11 (1238.6) On the **Adjuster**-fusion worlds the destiny of the **Mystery Monitor** is identical with that of the ascending mortal — the Paradise Corps of the Finality. And neither **Adjuster** nor mortal can attain that unique goal without the full co-operation and faithful help of the other. This extraordinary partnership is one of the most engrossing and amazing of all the cosmic phenomena of this universe age.

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- At finaliter levels, certain phases of mind transmute or “supremacize”, forming a union where there had previously been a liaison of divine and human functioning.]

40:10.11 (453.6) Father-fused mortals are potential finaliters; their destination is the Universal Father, and him they do attain, but within the purview of the present universe age, finaliters, as such, are not destiny attainers. They remain unfinished creatures — sixth-stage spirits — and hence nonactive in the evolutionary domains of prelight-and-life status.

40:10.12 (454.1) When a mortal finaliter is Trinity embraced — becomes a Trinitized Son, such as a Mighty Messenger — then has that finaliter attained destiny, at least for the present universe age. Mighty Messengers and their fellows may not in the exact sense be seventh-stage spirits, but in addition to other things the Trinity embrace endows them with everything which a finaliter will sometime achieve as a seventh-stage spirit. After Spirit-fused or Son-fused mortals are trinitized, they pass through the Paradise experience with the **Adjuster**-fused ascenders, with whom they are then identical in all matters pertaining to superuniverse administration. These Trinitized Sons of Selection or of Attainment at least for now are finished creatures, in contrast to the finaliters, who are at present unfinished creatures.

40:10.14 (454.3) As mortals you can now recognize your place in the family of divine sonship and begin to sense the obligation to avail yourselves of the advantages so freely provided in and by the Paradise plan for mortal survival, which plan has been so enhanced and illuminated by the life experience of a bestowal Son. Every facility and all

power have been provided for insuring your ultimate attainment of the Paradise goal of divine perfection.

112:2.15 (1229.2) The purpose of cosmic evolution is to achieve unity of personality through increasing spirit dominance, volitional response to the teaching and leading of the **Thought Adjuster**. Personality, both human and superhuman, is characterized by an inherent cosmic quality which may be called “the evolution of dominance,” the expansion of the control of both itself and its environment.

1. The prefinaliter or God-seeking experience of augmenting the self-realization through a technique of identity expansion and actualization together with cosmic problem solving and consequent universe mastery.

- 2 The postfinaliter or God-revealing experience of the creative expansion of self-realization through revealing the Supreme Being of experience to the God-seeking intelligences who have not yet attained the divine levels of Godlikeness.

112:2.17-18 (1229.4-5)

Final Thoughts

Man and God – the personal relationship

40:7.5 (449.3) Fusion with a **fragment of the Universal Father** is equivalent to a divine validation of eventual Paradise attainment, and such **Adjuster**-fused mortals are the only class of human beings who all traverse the Havona circuits and find God on Paradise. To the **Adjuster**-fused mortal the career of universal service is wide open. What dignity of destiny and glory of attainment await every one of you! Do you fully appreciate what has been done for you? Do you comprehend the grandeur of the heights of eternal achievement which are spread out before you? — even you who now trudge on in the lowly path of life through your so-called “vale of tears”?

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110:3.6 (1206.4) You must not regard co-operation with your **Adjuster** as a particularly conscious process, for it is not; but your motives and your decisions, your faithful determinations and your supreme desires, do constitute real and effective co-operation. You can consciously augment **Adjuster** harmony by:

1. Choosing to respond to divine leading; sincerely basing the human life on the highest consciousness of truth, beauty, and goodness, and then co-ordinating these qualities of divinity through wisdom, worship, faith, and love.
2. Loving God and desiring to be like him—genuine recognition of the divine fatherhood and loving worship of the heavenly Parent.
3. Loving man and sincerely desiring to serve him—wholehearted recognition of the brotherhood of man coupled with an intelligent and wise affection for each of your fellow mortals.
4. Joyful acceptance of cosmic citizenship — honest recognition of your progressive obligations to the Supreme Being, awareness of the interdependence of evolutionary man and evolving Deity. This is the birth of cosmic morality and the dawning realization of universal duty. 110:3.7-10 (1206.5-6.8)

111:2.2 (1217.6) The material mind of mortal man is the cosmic loom that carries the morontia fabrics on which the indwelling **Thought Adjuster** threads the spirit patterns of a universe character of enduring values and divine meanings — a surviving soul of ultimate destiny and unending career, a potential finaliter.

111:2.4 (1218.2) There are three and not two factors in the evolutionary creation of such an immortal soul. These three antecedents of the morontia human soul are:

1. The human mind and all cosmic influences antecedent thereto and impinging thereon.
2. The **divine spirit** indwelling this human mind and all potentials inherent in such a **fragment of absolute spirituality** together with all associated spiritual influences and factors in human life.
3. The relationship between material mind and **divine spirit**, which connotes a value and carries a meaning not found in either of the contributing factors to such an association. The reality of this unique relationship is neither material nor spiritual but morontial. It is the soul. 111:2.5-7 (1218.3-5)

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[The Urantia Book reveals that within the time/space creation, there exists the potential for the actualization of three experiential deities – God the Supreme, God the Ultimate, and God the Absolute. The revelation of these deities in time space will be the actualizing or evolving, eventuating or experientializing expansion of deity! The reader may wish to review the Forward section II. God.]

1:5.14 God, being eternal, universal, absolute, and infinite, does not grow in knowledge nor increase in wisdom. God does not acquire experience, as finite man might conjecture or comprehend, but he does, within the realms of his own eternal personality, enjoy those continuous expansions of self-realization which are in certain ways comparable to, and analogous with, the acquirement of new experience by the finite creatures of the evolutionary worlds.

The First Source and Center of Creation has within this time/space creation affected a pathway for the generation of a new and unique revelation of experiential Deity. The mortal ascension career is an essential part of our Heavenly Father's plan. We, a vast retinue of diverse creatures born of the dust of the universes, indwelt by a **prepersonal fragment of the Creator Of All Things**, and spiritualized in cooperation with a numinous cosmic association of celestial personalities, have been blessed with unique personality and through the technique of personal choice, the goal of potentially achieving the cocreation of divinity perfection of personality status. At the full fruition of the eras of Light and Life, when the energy matter of the super universes has achieved the perfection of Paradise, when all of the creatures of evolutionary origin have achieved the spiritual status of divine perfection, and when the Trinity functions for the Supreme Being as our Thought Adjusters function for us, we will see the actualization of the first finite God of time space – God the Supreme. We will participate in and be a part of the expansion of deity! Can you now understand why the revelator are so rapturous in asking if we understand what God has offered us? Add to this knowledge the recognition that throughout this epic eternal journey, we will be enshrouded in God's love, for indeed, it is true, fusion with the **indwelling Adjuster**, eternalizes our divine heritage – we are in fact and truth Sons of God. The Universal Father's love will abide with us forever. "... The Father is living love, and this life of the Father is in his Sons. And the spirit of the Father is in his Sons' sons—mortal men. When all is said and done, the Father idea is still the highest human concept of God." 196:3.35 (2097.3)]

The Ascension Path

108:6.8 (1194.1) You humans have begun an endless unfolding of an almost infinite panorama, a limitless expanding of never-ending, ever-widening spheres of opportunity for exhilarating service, matchless adventure, sublime uncertainty, and boundless attainment. When the clouds gather overhead, your faith should accept the fact of the presence of the indwelling **Adjuster**, and thus you should be able to look beyond the mists of mortal

uncertainty into the clear shining of the sun of eternal righteousness on the beckoning heights of the mansion worlds of Satania.

107:1.6 (1177.7) ... In the last analysis, the **Father fragments** must be the gift of the absolute God to those creatures whose destiny encompasses the possibility of the attainment of God as absolute.

107:4.7 (1181.3) Can you really realize the true significance of the **Adjuster's** indwelling? Do you really fathom what it means to have an **absolute fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity**, the Universal Father, indwelling and fusing with your finite mortal natures? When mortal man fuses with an **actual fragment of the existential Cause of the total cosmos**, no limit can ever be placed upon the destiny of such an unprecedented and unimaginable partnership. In eternity, man will be discovering not only the infinity of the objective Deity but also the unending potentiality of the **subjective fragment** of this same God. Always will the **Adjuster** be revealing to the mortal personality the wonder of God, and never can this supernal revelation come to an end, for the **Adjuster** is of God and as God to mortal man.

107:7.7 (1184.2) There are no created beings that would not delight to be hosts to the **Mystery Monitors**, but no orders of beings are thus indwelt excepting evolutionary will creatures of finaliter destiny.

112:7.6 (1238.1) On the evolutionary worlds, selfhood is material; it is a thing in the universe and as such is subject to the laws of material existence. It is a fact in time and is responsive to the vicissitudes thereof. Survival decisions must here be formulated. In the morontia state the self has become a new and more enduring universe reality, and its continuing growth is predicated on its increasing attunement to the mind and spirit circuits of the universes. Survival decisions are now being confirmed. When the self attains the spiritual level, it has become a secure value in the universe, and this new value is predicated upon the fact that survival decisions have been made, which fact has been witnessed by eternal fusion with the **Thought Adjuster**. And having achieved the status of a true universe value, the creature becomes liberated in potential for the seeking of the highest universe value — God.

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[Our revelation teaches that though the mortal sons of God do indeed move physically through time and space along the ascension path, the metanoia can be better understood as an inner journey of recognition and attainment of higher and higher meaning values of God. I am honestly unable to contemplate anything more worthy of

eternal life, than the unending discovery of deity, the meaning values and progressive personal realization of our Universal Father. Imagine for a moment if you would, that during this journey of progressive divinity attainment, this life of endless growth, achievement, opportunity, service, and challenge, will always present on retrospection, the recognition of even greater and more supernal experience than could possibly be imagined, hidden in the potentials of further Father recognition yet to be achieved!]

Mortal Man, Thought Adjusters, and the Supreme

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[Let's add another layer of comprehension to the grandeur and magnificent of this revealed eternity in the Family of the First Source and Center. We understand the indwelling Adjuster is an absolute fragment of the absolute and infinite Deity – it possesses mind which predates the mindedness of the time space creation and is eternal and existential as is Absolute Deity. Indeed, we are told that "... no limit can ever be placed upon the destiny of such an unprecedented and unimaginable partnership..."

107:4.7 (1181.3) It is also true that the destiny of perfected Finaliters of seventh stage spiritual status impinges upon God the Absolute.

In a somewhat likewise manner, the spiritual path of creature personality towards finality of status in association with a fragment of indwelling deity, can be compared in process with the developing deification of the Supreme Being. As the Father Fragments are the divine center for the actualization of the experiential divine perfection achievements of the mortal origin personalities of the time space creation, so is the Trinity the

focalization and the summation of the spiritual and divinity value of the supreme experiential achievements of perfection of all universe personality. In the far distant future when each and every personality of time space has achieved divine status, we will see the actualization of the deity of evolutionary experiential origin, God the Supreme, and in the yet more distant future, when the limits of divine experiential and eventuated creation have been exhausted, then perhaps, experiential deity, and the creatures derived from them, may also stand at the threshold of God the Absolute, at the edges of the time space creation, where Absolute Deity is existential.

Destiny

118:5.2 (1299.2) In the beginning the Father does all, but as the panorama of eternity unfolds in response to the will and mandates of the Infinite, it becomes increasingly apparent that creatures, even men, are to become God's partners in the realization of finality of destiny. And this is true even in the life in the flesh; when man and God enter into partnership, no limitation can be placed upon the future possibilities of such a partnership. When man realizes that the Universal Father is his partner in eternal progression, when he fuses with the **indwelling Father presence**, he has, in spirit, broken the fetters of time and has already entered upon the progressions of eternity in the quest for the Universal Father.

118:8.2 (1301.7) Mortal man is a machine, a living mechanism; his roots are truly in the physical world of energy. Many human reactions are mechanical in nature; much of life is machinelike. But man, a mechanism, is much more than a machine; he is mind endowed and spirit indwelt; and though he can never throughout his material life escape the chemical and electrical mechanics of his existence, he can increasingly learn how to subordinate this physical-life machine to the directive wisdom of experience by the process of consecrating the human mind to the execution of the spiritual urges of the indwelling **Thought Adjuster**

194:2.11 (2061.9) Since the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, man is subject to the teaching and guidance of a threefold spirit endowment: the spirit of the Father, the **Thought Adjuster**; the spirit of the Son, the Spirit of Truth; the spirit of the Spirit, the Holy Spirit.

194:2.12 (2062.1) In a way, mankind is subject to the double influence of the sevenfold appeal of the universe spirit influences. The early evolutionary races of mortals are subject to the progressive contact of the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe Mother Spirit. As man progresses upward in the scale of intelligence and spiritual perception, there eventually come to hover over him and dwell within him the seven higher spirit influences. And these seven spirits of the advancing worlds are:

1. The bestowed spirit of the Universal Father — the **Thought Adjusters**.
2. The spirit presence of the Eternal Son — the spirit gravity of the universe of universes and the certain channel of all spirit communion.

3. The spirit presence of the Infinite Spirit — the universal spirit-mind of all creation, the spiritual source of the intellectual kinship of all progressive intelligences.
4. The spirit of the Universal Father and the Creator Son — the Spirit of Truth, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Son.
5. The spirit of the Infinite Spirit and the Universe Mother Spirit — the Holy Spirit, generally regarded as the spirit of the Universe Spirit.
6. The mind-spirit of the Universe Mother Spirit — the seven adjutant mind-spirits of the local universe.
7. The spirit of the Father, Sons, and Spirits — the new-name spirit of the ascending mortals of the realms after the fusion of the mortal spirit-born soul with the Paradise **Thought Adjuster** and after the subsequent attainment of the divinity and glorification of the status of the Paradise Corps of the Finality. 194:2.13-19 (2062.2-8)

195:10.3 (2084.3) Ever bear in mind—God and men need each other. They are mutually necessary to the full and final attainment of eternal personality experience in the divine destiny of universe finality.

196:3.21 (2095.5) The exquisite and transcendent experience of loving and being loved is not just a psychic illusion because it is so purely subjective. The one truly divine and objective reality that is associated with mortal beings, the **Thought Adjuster**, functions to human observation apparently as an exclusively subjective phenomenon. Man's contact with the highest objective reality, God, is only through the purely subjective experience of knowing him, of worshiping him, of realizing sonship with him.

196:3.34 (2097.2) The great challenge to modern man is to achieve better communication with the divine Monitor that dwells within the human mind. Man's greatest adventure in the flesh consists in the well-balanced and sane effort to advance the borders of self-consciousness out through the dim realms of embryonic soul-consciousness in a wholehearted effort to reach the borderland of spirit-consciousness — contact with the **divine presence**. Such an experience constitutes God-consciousness, an experience mightily confirmative of the pre-existent truth of the religious experience of knowing God. Such spirit-consciousness is the equivalent of the knowledge of the actuality of sonship with God. Otherwise, the assurance of sonship is the experience of faith.

196:3.35 (2097.3) And God-consciousness is equivalent to the integration of the self with the universe, and on its highest levels of spiritual reality. Only the spirit content of any value is imperishable. Even that which is true, beautiful, and good may not perish in human experience. If man does not choose to survive, then does the surviving **Adjuster** conserve those realities born of love and nurtured in service. And all these things are a part of the Universal Father. The Father is living love, and this life of the Father is in his

Sons. And the spirit of the Father is in his Sons' sons — mortal men. When all is said and done, the Father idea is still the highest human concept of God.

[More and more, as we meditate, pray, and worship, the vast reality (Truth) of the time space creation – populated by perfected and perfecting personalities; by beings of evolutionary, experiential, existential, transcendental, and absonite status; and by individuals of mortal, morantial, spiritual, and divine status – reveals the dominance of the Creator Father's love. He has set before us a path of ascension blessed and consecrated by a myriad of beings devoted to our service ministry; satiate with opportunities of service and knowledge attainment; replete with spiritually divine attainment opportunities, and shared with the eternal loving guidance of his personal Indwelling Presence. For those faith inspired individuals who would choose the Family of God as the bosom of the entire effort of life, from which the spiritual fruits of righteousness flow effortlessly to their brothers and sisters as blessings and for whom the will of God is expressed as the love of God in the lives that they lead, a life of endlessly progressive spiritual reality and divinity attainment becomes the reality of eternal experience.]

[Organizing threads of understanding:

- Thought Adjusters are fragments of Absolute divinity
- Thought Adjusters reside in the minds of mortals
- God's relationship with mortal beings is *personal*
- The second manifestation of personality, existing between purely mortal and purely spiritual existences is the morontial soul, and it is built upon the *relationship* between the mortal human mind and the indwelling presence of God, the Thought Adjuster.
- Free will choice to “do the will of God” leads to fusion with the indwelling Divine Presence and secures immortality.
- In the experiential time/space creation the actualization of divinity destiny from the potentials of planetary mortals and the actualization of Deity from the potentials of finite origin are co-dependent and co-operative.
- The prepersonal *mindedness* of Thought Adjusters is ancestral to the *minds* of the Conjoint Actor, a monistic level antecedent to energy and spirit differentiation 107:5.5 (1182.1)
- When a Thought Adjuster is fused with the evolving immortal morontia soul of the surviving human, the mind of the Adjuster can only be identified as persisting apart from the creature's mind until the ascending mortal attains spirit levels of universe progression.
- At finaliter levels, certain phases of mind transmute or “supremacize”, forming a union where there had previously been a liaison of divine and human functioning.

- **Thought Adjusters** represent the love and purpose of the First Source and Center of Creation in combining mortal and deity personality in order to craft deity expansion and expression in the time space creation by the technique of co-evolutionary experiential perfection attainment by mind mastery through free will choice.]

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Thought

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thought (thôt), *n.* [ME. *poȝht*, *poũht*, AS. *pōht*, *geþōht*, fr. *þencan* to think; akin to D. *gedachte* thought, MHG. *dāht*, *gedāht*, Icel. *þōttr*, *þōtti*. See THINK.] **1.** Act or state of thinking; mental concentration on ideas as disting. from sense perceptions or emotions; reflection; cogitation.
2. Hence, a mental state chiefly characterized by a process of reflection; as: **a** Solicitude; anxious care; concern.
Take no *thought* for your life, what ye shall eat. *Matt.* vi. 25.
b Meditation; serious consideration.
Fell this knyht in mochel *thought*. *Gower.*
c Sorrowful thinking; grievous or pensive reflection.
Thought and affliction, passion, hell itself. *Hamlet.*
3. A habit of thought; typical or customary ideas and impulses; hence, a natural group or sequence, or a particular development, of ideas, esp. one taken as expressing the dominant conception of a society, historical period, or department of culture; as, modern scientific *thought*.
Rich he was of holy *thought* and work. *Chaucer.*

4. The thinking process taken as abstract or as personified; the function of conceiving, judging, and reasoning; understanding; intellect; as, man is endowed with *thought*.
This [faculty], to which I gave the name of the "elaborative faculty,"—the faculty of relations or comparison,—constitutes what is properly denominated *thought*. *Sir W. Hamilton.*
Sense particulars have reality indeed, but they have no universality; while the logical relations of ideas have universality but no reality, in other words, are in the first instance only *thought*, not knowledge. *James Ward.*
5. That which is thought; an idea or concept, a judgment, or a more elaborate construction of the reason; often, an imagining, fancy, opinion, disposition, or intention.
There is pansies, that 's for *thoughts*. *Shak.*
Thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears. *Wordsworth.*
6. The mental as distinguished from the material; consciousness; sentience.
The idea of . . . *thought* as a nonextended reality, Spinoza derived from Descartes. *N. Int. Encyc.*
7. A little; a trifle; as, be a *thought* more courteous.
Syn.— Idea, conception, imagination, conceit, notion, consideration; meditation, contemplation, deliberation.

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thought [*thawt*]

noun

1. the product of mental activity; that which one thinks: *a body of thought.*
2. a single act or product of thinking; idea or notion: *to collect one's thoughts.*
3. the act or process of thinking; mental activity: *Thought as well as action wearies us.*
4. the capacity or faculty of thinking, reasoning, imagining, etc.: *All her thought went into her work.*
5. a consideration or reflection: *Thought of death terrified her.*
6. meditation, contemplation, or recollection: *deep in thought.*

7. intention, design, or purpose, especially a half-formed or imperfect intention: *We had some thought of going.*
8. anticipation or expectation: *I had no thought of seeing you here.*
9. consideration, attention, care, or regard: *She took no thought of her appearance.*
10. a judgment, opinion, or belief: *According to his thought, all violence is evil.*
11. the intellectual activity or the ideas, opinions, etc., characteristic of a particular place, class, or time: *Greek thought.*
12. a very small amount; a touch; bit; trifle: *The steak is a thought underdone.*

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Noun: Idea, Concept

1 meditation, rumination, deliberation, reflection; cogitation, anxiety, assessment, belief, concern, dream, expectation, feeling, hope, image, intention, judgment, knowledge, notion, opinion, plan, prospect, theory, thinking, understanding, view, worry

2 aim, appreciation, aspiration, assumption, attentiveness, brainchild, brainstorm, caring, compassion, conception, conjecture, conviction design, drift, estimation, fancy, guess, hypothesis, inference, intuition, kindness, object, premise, purpose, regard, reverie, solicitude, supposition, sympathy

Noun: Formation of mental object

1 attention, hope, logic, reflection, speculation, thinking, understanding

2 anticipation, apprehending, cerebration, cogitation, cognition, concluding, consideration, considering, contemplation, deducing, deduction, deliberation, deriving, discerning, heed, ideation, inducing, inferring, introspection, intuition, judging, knowing, meditation, musing

perceiving, rationalization, rationalizing, realizing, reasoning, regard, rumination, scrutiny, seeing, study, theorization, brainwork

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thought noun \ 'thòt

1: something that is thought: such as

a: an individual act or product of thinking

b: a developed intention or plan had no *thought* of leaving home

c: something (such as an opinion or belief) in the mind he spoke his *thoughts* freely

d: the intellectual product or the organized views and principles of a period, place, group, or individual contemporary Western *thought*

2 a: the action or process of thinking : COGITATION

b: serious consideration : REGARD

c: *archaic* : RECOLLECTION, REMEMBRANCE

3. a: reasoning power

b: the power to imagine : CONCEPTION

a thought: a little : SOMEWHAT *a thought* too much vinegar in the dressing

Adjuster

Websters Dictionary 1924

ad-just' (ă-jŭst'), *v. t.*; AD-JUST'ED; AD-JUST'ING. [F. *ajuster*; à (L. *ad*) + *juste* just, L. *justus* just, right. The word was somewhat confused with earlier E. *adjoust* to add, fr. OF. *ajouster*, F. *ajouter*; L. *ad* + *juxta* near. See JUST, *a.*]
1. To settle or arrange; to free from differences or discrepancies; to bring to a satisfactory state, so that parties are agreed; as, to *adjust* accounts; to *adjust* an average; to *adjust* the amount of a loss by fire (cf. ADJUSTER).
2. To make exact; to fit; to make correspondent or conformable; to bring into proper relations; as, to *adjust* a garment to the body, or things to a standard; — with *to* or *by*, and sometimes *with*.
3. To put in order; to regulate, or reduce to system.
Adjusting the orthography. *Johnson.*
4. To bring to a true relative position, as the parts of an instrument; to regulate for use; as, to *adjust* a telescope.
Syn.—Settle, arrange, regulate; adapt, suit, set right, rectify. See CONFORM.
ad-just'er (ă-jŭs'tēr), *n.* One that adjusts something; specif., one who makes adjustment of claims or liabilities, esp. in cases of general average, or of losses by fire.

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adjuster or ad·jus·tor [*uh-juhs-ter*]

noun

1. a person or thing that adjusts.
2. an insurance company representative who investigates claims and makes settlement recommendations based on the estimate of the damages and the company's liability.

Thesaurus

1 dial, , knob, switch

2 toggle, tuner, on/off, power switch

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adjuster *noun* ad·just·er | \ ə-'jə-stər

: one that adjusts

especially : an insurance agent who investigates personal or property damage and makes estimates for effecting settlements

Changer

Websters Dictionary 1924

chang'er (chān'jēr), *n.* [Cf. ŌF. *changeor*, F. *changeur*.]

1. One who changes or alters the form of anything.
2. A money changer. *Archaic.* *John ii. 14.*
3. One apt to change; an inconstant person. *Rare.*
4. The keeper of a change house. *Scot.*

change (chānj), *n.* [F. *change*, fr. *changer*. See CHANOE, *v. t.*] 1. A succession or substitution of one thing in the place of another; alteration of conditions or circumstances; variety; as, a *change* of seasons.

Our fathers did for *change* to France repair. *Dryden.*

2. Exchange; specif., exchange of merchandise; commerce. *Obs.* *Shak.*

3. A place where merchants and others meet to transact business; a building appropriated for mercantile transactions; an exchange; — now chiefly used with *on* or *upon*.

Since 1800, in this sense, *change* has been usually treated, erroneously, as a contraction of *Exchange*, and written 'Change.' *Oxf. E. D.*

4. Any variation or alteration; a passing from one state or form to another; mutation; as, a *change* of habits.

All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my *change* come. *Job* xiv. 14.

5. Changefulness; caprice; inconstancy; fickleness. *Obs.*

For there can live no hatred in thine eye;
Therefore in that I cannot know thy *change*. *Shak.*

6. Change of key; modulation.

Changes are commonly spoken of as of three kinds, representing three degrees of abruptness . . . the diatonic . . . the chromatic . . . the enharmonic. *Grove's Dict. of Music.*

7. Of the moon, a passing from one moon or monthly revolution to another; the coming of the new moon; also, a passing from one phase to another.

8. That which makes a variety, or may be substituted.

Thirty *change* [R. V. *changes*] of garments. *Judg.* xiv. 12.

9. **a** Money of lower denomination, or of one currency, exchanged for money of higher denomination, or of another currency; the money by means of which the larger coins and bank bills are made available in small dealings; — often with adj. *small*. **b** The balance returned when payment is tendered by a coin or note exceeding the sum due.

10. Something given or taken in return; — used in such phrases as *to give* (one) *change*, to do (one) a service, or ironically to give (one) his deserts; *to take one's*, or *the change out of*, to take (one's) revenge on (a person), or for (a thing); *take your change out of that*, said when a "settler" has been given in the shape of either a repartee or a blow. *Slang, Eng.* *Oxf. E. D.*

She generally took the *change* out of him. *R. D. Blackmore.*

11. *Math.* Alteration in the order of a series; permutation; — used in the *pl.*

12. *Music.* Any order in which a set of bells is struck, properly other than that of the diatonic scale, but loosely including it; — chiefly in the *pl.* See CHANGE RINGING.

13. *Hunting.* Act of taking a stag, etc., met by chance for the one pursued; — chiefly in *to hunt change*. *Obs. or R.*

14. A change house; an alehouse. *Scot.*

Syn. — CHANGE, MUTATION, VICISSITUDE. CHANGE is the general term for variation or alteration of whatever sort, whether in form, substance, aspect, or position; as, "The sundry and manifold *changes* of the world" (*Bk. of Com. Prayer*). MUTATION suggests the process of change, or its more abstract qualities; as, "T is too late to be ambitious. The great *mutations* of the world are acted" (*Sir T. Browne*). VICISSITUDE suggests succession or alternation, frequently of a disturbing character; as, "Happiness . . . is mingled with evils, with fears, with *vicissitudes* of sorrow and trouble" (*Bp. Hall*); "A continual delight, like walking in a wood where there is a general sameness in the scenery, and yet a constant *vicissitude* of light and shade" (*Lowell*). *Vicissitude* often denotes regular change or alternation; as, "Light and darkness in perpetual round lodge and dislodge by turns — which makes through Heaven grateful *vicissitude*, like day and night" (*Milton*). See CHANGE (*v. i. & v. t.*), EXCHANGE.

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changer [cheyn-jer]

noun

a person or thing that changes something.

record changer.

Obsolete. a moneychanger.

Thesaurus

1 marketer, wholesaler

2 banker, bursar, businessperson, Chandler, dispenser, merchant, retailer, speculator
trader, tradesman, trafficker, vendor, tradesperson

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change verb \ 'chānj

transitive verb

1. a : to make different in some particular : ALTER
never bothered to change the will
b : to make radically different : TRANSFORM
can't change human nature
c : to give a different position, course, or direction to
changed his residence from Ohio to California
2. a : to replace with another
let's change the subject
b : to make a shift from one to another : SWITCH
always changes sides in an argument
c : to exchange for an equivalent sum of money (as in smaller denominations or
in a foreign currency)
change a 20-dollar bill
d : to undergo a modification of
foliage changing color
e : to put fresh clothes or covering on
change a bed

intransitive verb

- 1 : to become different
some things never change
- 2 : to undergo transformation, transition, or substitution
winter changed to spring
- 3 : EXCHANGE, SWITCH
neither liked his seat so they changed with each other

- 4 : to put on different clothes
 need a few minutes to change for dinner
- 5 : to shift one's means of conveyance : TRANSFER
 on the bus trip he had to change twice
- 6: of the voice : to shift to lower register : BREAK
 His voice started to change when he turned 13.
- 7: of the moon
 : to pass from one phase (see PHASE entry 1 sense 1) to another
 change hands
 : to pass from the possession of one owner to that of another
 money changes hands many times noun
- 1 : the act, process, or result of changing: such as
 a : ALTERATION
 a *change* in the weather
- b : TRANSFORMATION
 a time of vast social *change*
 going through *changes*
- c : SUBSTITUTION
 a *change* of scenery
- d : the passage of the moon from one monthly revolution (see REVOLUTION sense 1a) to another
 also : the passage of the moon from one phase (see PHASE entry 1 sense 1) to another
- e : MENOPAUSE
- 2 : a : money in small denominations received in exchange for an equivalent sum in larger denominations
 b : money returned when a payment exceeds the amount due
 a cashier quick at making *change*
 c : coins especially of low denominations
 a pocketful of change
 d : a negligible additional amount
 only six minutes and *change* left in the game
 e : MONEY sense 1
 cost a large chunk of *change*
- 3 : a fresh set of clothes
- 4: *British* : EXCHANGE sense 5a
- 5 : CHANGEUP
- 6 : an order in which a set of bells is struck in change ringing

Controller

Websters Dictionary 1924

con-trol'ler (-tēr), *n.* [From CONTROL, *v. t.* : cf. F. *contrôleur*.] **1.** One who keeps a counter-roll to control accounts; an officer appointed to check expenditure, as a steward; any of various public officers, or officers of corporations, having similar duties; — often used as a title of office. More commonly as the title of a public official written *comptroller* (which see).

2. *Specif. : Brit. Navy.* A member of the admiralty having the title, in full, of Additional Naval Lord and Controller, who has charge of whatever concerns the material of the fleet, as the construction and equipment of ships.

3. One that controls or has power or authority to control; one who governs.

The great *controller* of our fate. *Dryden.*

4. *Naut.* An iron block, usually bolted to a ship's deck, for controlling the movement of a chain cable. The links of the cable tend to drop into hollows in the block, and thus hold fast until disengaged.

In the merchant service, the *controller* is called a compressor.

A. M. Knight.

5. *Elec.* Any electric device for controlling a circuit or system; *specif. :* **a** An electromagnet, excited by the main current, for throwing a regulator magnet into or out of circuit in an automatic device for constant current regulation. **b** A kind of multiple switch for gradually admitting the current to, or shutting it off from, an electric motor; as, a *car controller* for an electric railway car.

6. *Mach.* A lever controlling the speed of an engine; — applied esp. to the lever governing a throttle valve, as of a steam or gasoline engine, esp. on an automobile.

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controller [*kuhn-troh-ler*]

noun

1. an employee, often an officer, of a business firm who checks expenditures, finances, etc.; comptroller.
2. a person who regulates, directs, or restrains.
3. *British Aeronautics.* a dispatcher.
4. a regulating mechanism; governor.
5. Also called control unit, processor. *Computers.* the key component of a device, as a terminal, printer, or external storage unit, that contains the circuitry necessary to interpret and execute instructions fed into the device.
6. *Digital Technology.* a remote piece of hardware used to direct or control an electronic device: *a video game controller.*

Thesaurus

- 1 auditor, detective, investigator, monitor, police office
- 3 assessor, checker, overseer, reviewer, scrutinizer, sleuth, tester, private eye

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controller noun con·trol·ler | \ kən-'trō-lər

1 a: COMPTROLLER sense 1

b : COMPTROLLER sense 2

c : the chief accounting officer of a business enterprise or an institution (such as college)

a

2 a : one that controls or has power or authority to control

air traffic *controller*

b : CONTROL sense 3a

Mystery

Websters Dictionary 1924

mys'ter-y (mĭs'tĕr-ĭ), *n.*; *pl.* MYSTERIES (-ĭz). [L. *mysterium*, Gr. *μυστήριον*, fr. *μύσθη* one initiated in mysteries; cf. *μύειν* to initiate into the mysteries.] **1.** *Class. Relig.* A rite to which only privileged worshipers were admitted, and that after preparatory ceremonies and under obligation of secrecy. They appear all to have had the purpose of imparting precepts and semimagical formulæ supposed to ennoble this life and to impart a belief in a future life. The most important of the Greek mysteries were the Eleusinian, Orphic, and Samothracian. In later Roman times the Mithraic mysteries became widespread.

In general, by a *mystery* is meant a rite in which certain sacra are exhibited, which cannot be safely seen by the worshiper till he has undergone certain purifications. *J. E. Harrison.*

2. A similar secret rite or doctrine in primitive religion.

Even some of the most backward savages make a perhaps half-conscious distinction between their mythology and their religion. As to the former, they are communicative; as to the latter, they jealously guard their secret in sacred *mysteries*. *A. Lang.*

3. A profound secret; something wholly unknown, or something kept cautiously concealed, and therefore exciting curiosity or wonder; an enigma; something that has not been, or cannot be, explained; hence, something, as a religious truth or fact, that is beyond human comprehension; a sacred and at the same time mysterious thing; specif., *Eccl.*, esp. in the primitive church and in the Eastern Church, a sacrament, as the Eucharist.

We speak the wisdom of God in a *mystery*. *1 Cor. ii. 7.*

The sweet *mysteries* of maiden thought. *G. W. Cable.*

If God should please to reveal unto us this great *mystery* of the Trinity, or some other *mysteries* in our holy religion, we should not be able to understand them. *Swift.*

What the Latins called "sacraments," the Greeks called "*mysteries*." *G. P. Fisher.*

By the *mystery* of thy holy Incarnation. *Bk. of Com. Prayer.*

4. *pl. Eccl.* The consecrated elements in the Eucharist.

5. A medieval dramatic representation or composition of a type based on Scriptural subjects, often an event or events in the life of Christ; also, the type itself; as, the Chester *Mysteries*, consisting of dramas acted by craft associations in Chester from the 13th to the 16th century.

Cf. MIRACLE PLAY, MORALITY, 2 c.

mys'ter-y, *n.* [For *mister*, OF. *mestier*, F. *métier*. See MISTER a trade.] A trade; handicraft; art; craft; occupation; calling; office; also, a body of persons engaged in a particular trade, handicraft, or the like. *Obs.*

Fie upon him, he will discredit our *mystery*. *Shak.*

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mystery [*mis-tuh-ree*, -tree]

noun, plural *mys-ter-ies*.

1. anything that is kept secret or remains unexplained or unknown: *the mysteries of nature*.
2. any affair, thing, or person that presents features or qualities so obscure as to arouse curiosity or speculation: *The masked guest is an absolute mystery to everyone*.

3. a novel, short story, play, or film whose plot involves a crime or other event that remains puzzlingly unsettled until the very end: *a mystery by Agatha Christie*.
4. obscure, puzzling, or mysterious quality or character: *the mystery of Mona Lisa's smile*.
5. any truth that is unknowable except by divine revelation.
6. (in the Christian religion)
 - a) a sacramental rite.
 - b) the Eucharist.
7. an incident or scene in connection with the life of Christ, regarded as of special significance: *the mysteries of the Passion*.
8. any of the 15 events in the lives of Christ and the Virgin Mary meditated upon during the recitation of the rosary.
9. **mysteries**,
 - a) ancient religions that admitted candidates by secret rites and rituals the meaning of which was known only to initiated worshipers.
 - b) any rites or secrets known only to those initiated: *the mysteries of Freemasonry*.
 - c) (in the Christian religion) the Eucharistic elements.
10. mystery play.
- 11.

Thesaurus

1 conundrum, enigma, problem, question, riddle, secrecy, subtlety, thriller
 2 abstruseness, charade, chiller, cliffhanger, crux, cryptogram, difficulty, grabber, inscrutability
 mystification, occult, oracle, perplexity, poser, puzzlement, rebus, rune, sphinx, stickler, stumper
 teaser, twister, whodunit, why, brainteaser, braintwister, closed book, inscrutableness, mindboggler, sixty-four-thousand-dollar question, rough nut to crack

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mystery noun (1) mys-tery | \ 'mi-st(ə-)rē \
 (Entry 1 of 2)

- 1
 - a : something not understood or beyond understanding : ENIGMA
 The *mystery* of his disappearance has never been solved.
 - b : a piece of fiction dealing usually with the solution of a mysterious crime
 Reading *mysteries* was her favorite pastime.
 - c : the secret or specialized practices or ritual peculiar to an occupation or a body of people
 the *mysteries* of the tailor's craft
 - d obsolete : a private secret

2 : profound, inexplicable, or secretive quality or character

the *mystery* of her smile

the *mysteries* and beauties of nature

3 a : a religious truth that one can know only by revelation and cannot fully understand

the *mystery* of the Trinity

b(1) : any of the 20 events (such as the Nativity, the Crucifixion, or the Assumption) serving as a subject for meditation during the saying of the rosary

(2) capitalized : a Christian sacrament

specifically : EUCHARIST

c(1) : a secret religious rite believed (as in Eleusinian and Mithraic cults) to impart enduring bliss to the initiate

(2) : a cult devoted to such rites

4 : MYSTERY PLAY

(Entry 2 of 2)

1 archaic : TRADE, CRAFT

2 archaic : a body of persons engaged in a particular trade, business, or profession : GUILD

Monitor

Websters Dictionary 1924

mon'i-tor (mŏn'i-tēr), *n.* [L., fr. *monere*. See **MONITION**; cf. **MENTOR**.] **1.** One who admonishes; one who warns of faults, informs of duty, or gives advice and instruction, esp. in reproof or caution; also, *Obs.*, an inciter; instigator.

You need not be a *monitor* to the king. *Bacon.*

2. Hence, specif., a pupil in a school, or (now only in America) a student in a college, selected to perform some special duty or duties, usually connected with discipline, as, in a school, to have charge of a schoolroom in the absence of the instructor, to note absences or breaches of the rules, or to instruct a division or class, or, in a college, to keep a record of attendance.

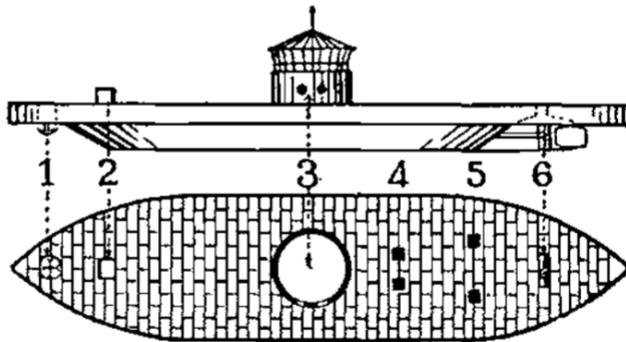
3. That which warns, reminds, advises, or instructs, as a Masonic manual of instruction; a warning; a reminder.

4. = **BACKBOARD**, **3.** *Obs.*

5. Any of certain large pleurodont lizards constituting the genus *Varanus* and the family Varanidæ, of Africa, southern Asia, and Australia. They have a long, smooth, protractile, deeply bifid tongue, a well-developed neck, strong limbs, a very long, often compressed tail, and are covered with very small scales. Many of them are semiaquatic, but some live in forests and others in dry, sandy regions. They are all rapacious and some reach a length of 5 to 7 feet. The African *V. niloticus* is the best-known species.

6. [So called from the name given by Captain Ericsson, its designer,

to the first ship of the kind, *Monitor*, which was built by the United States in 1862 and which on March 9, 1862, met and checked the Confederate ram Merrimac in



Side Elevation and Deck Plan of Ericsson's *Monitor*. 1 Anchor Well; 2 Pilot House; 3 Turret (the Canopy was removed during action); 4 Smokestacks; 5 Blower Pipes; 6 Propeller Well.

Hampton Roads, Va.] A heavily armored war vessel, with very low freeboard, esp. in the earlier models, having one or more heavily armored revolving turrets, carrying heavy guns. Monitors are designed for coast defense, almost exclusively, and hence sacrifice speed and coal capacity to steadiness as gun platforms and to thickness of armor.

7. In technical senses: **a** *Mach.* See **2d LATHE**, *n.*, **1.**

b Short for **MONITOR ROOF**, **MONITOR TOP**, **MONITOR NOZZLE**.

c *Metal.* = **IRONCLAD**, *n.*, **2.** **d** *Logging.* = **CATAMARAN**, **4.**

Western U. S. **e** A one-story business block. *Local, U. S.*

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monitor [mon-i-ter]

noun

1. (especially formerly) a student appointed to assist in the conduct of a class or school, as to help take attendance or keep order.
2. a person appointed to supervise students, applicants, etc., taking an examination, chiefly to prevent cheating; proctor.
3. a person who admonishes, especially with reference to conduct.
4. something that serves to remind or give warning.
5. a device or arrangement for observing, detecting, or recording the operation of a machine or system, especially an automatic control system.
6. an instrument for detecting dangerous gases, radiation, etc.
 - a) *Radio and Television.* a receiving apparatus used in a control room, especially to provide a steady check of the quality of an audio or video transmission.
 - b) a similar apparatus placed in various parts of a studio so that an audience can watch a recorded portion of a show, the performer can see the various segments of a program, etc.
 - c) any such receiving apparatus used in a closed-circuit system, as in an operating room.
7. *Computers.*
 - a) the screen component of a computer, especially a free-standing screen.
 - b) a control program. Compare operating system.
 - c) a group of systems used to measure the performance of a computer system.
8. *Nautical.*
 - a) a former U.S. steam-propelled, armored warship of very low freeboard, having one or more turrets and used for coastal defense.
 - b) (*initial capital letter, italics*) the first of such warships, used against the Confederate ironclad warship *Merrimac* at Hampton Roads, Va., in 1862.
9. a raised construction straddling the ridge of a roof and having windows or louvers for lighting or ventilating a building, as a factory or warehouse.
10. an articulated mounting for a nozzle, usually mechanically operated, which permits a stream of water to be played in any desired direction, as in firefighting or hydraulic mining.
11. Also called giant. (in hydraulic mining) a nozzle for dislodging and breaking up placer deposits with a jet of water.
12. any of various large lizards of the family Varanidae, of Africa, southern Asia, the East Indies, and Australia, fabled to give warning of the presence of crocodiles: several species are endangered.

verb (used with object)

13. *Radio and Television.*
 - a) to listen to (transmitted signals) on a receiving set in order to check the quality of the transmission.

- b) to view or listen to (television or radio transmissions) in order to check the quality of the video or audio.
- c) to listen to (a radio conversation or channel); keep tuned to.
- 14. to observe, record, or detect (an operation or condition) with instruments that have no effect upon the operation or condition.
- 15. to oversee, supervise, or regulate: *to monitor the administering of a test.*
- 16. to watch closely for purposes of control, surveillance, etc.; keep track of; check continually: *to monitor one's eating habits.*

verb (used without object)

- 17. to serve as a monitor, detector, supervisor, etc.
- 18.

Thesaurus

- 1 auditor
- 2 adviser, counselor, director, guide, informant, invigilator, listener, overseer, supervisor, watchdog, eaves-dropper

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monitor noun mon-i-tor | \ 'mä-nə-tər \

Entry 1 of 2)

- 1
 - a : a student appointed to assist a teacher
 - b : one that warns or instructs
 - monitors and instructors for troops green in the art of war
— New York Times
 - c: one that monitors or is used in monitoring: such as
 - (1) : an electronic device with a screen used for display (as of television pictures or computer information)
 - (2) : a device for observing a biological condition or function
 - a heart monitor
 - 2 : MONITOR LIZARD
 - 3 [Monitor, first ship of the type]
 - a : a heavily armored warship formerly used in coastal operations having a very low freeboard and one or more revolving gun turrets
 - b : a small modern warship with shallow draft (see DRAFT entry 1 sense 8) for coastal bombardment
 - 4 : a raised central portion of a roof having low windows or louvers for providing light and air
 - monitor verb
 - monitored; monitoring \ 'mä-nə-t(ə-)rɪŋ \
- (Entry 2 of 2)

transitive verb

: to watch, keep track of, or check usually for a special purpose

Nurses monitored the patient's heart rate.

Fragment

Websters Dictionary 1924

frag'ment (frăg'měnt), *n.* [L. *fragmentum*, fr. *frangere* to break: cf. F. *fragment*. See BREAK, *v. t.*] A part broken off; a small detached portion; an imperfect or incomplete part; as, a *fragment* of an ancient writing.
Gather up the *fragments* that remain. *John vi. 12.*
Syn. — See PART.

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fragment [*noun* frag-muhnt; *verb* frag-muhnt, -ment, frag-ment]fragment.

noun

1. a part broken off or detached: *scattered fragments of the broken vase.*
2. an isolated, unfinished, or incomplete part: *She played a fragment of her latest composition.*
3. an odd piece, bit, or scrap.

verb (used without object)

4. to collapse or break into fragments; disintegrate: *The chair fragmented under his weight.*

verb (used with object)

5. to break (something) into pieces or fragments; cause to disintegrate: *Outside influences soon fragmented the Mayan culture.*
6. to divide into fragments; disunify.
7. *Computers.* to store (data from a file) in noncontiguous sectors on a disk drive, splitting the file into smaller pieces and breaking up available free space on the disk.: Compare defragment.

Thesaurus

- 1 bit, chunk, hunk, lump, particle, piece, portion, remnant, scrap, shred, sliver
 - 2 ace, atom, bite, crumb, cut, end, fraction, gob, grain, iota, job, minim, morsel, share, shiver
- Slice, smithereen

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fragment noun frag-ment | \ 'frag-mənt \

(Entry 1 of 2)

: a part broken off, detached, or incomplete

The dish lay in fragments on the floor.

verb frag·ment | \ 'frag-, ment \
(Entry 2 of 2)

intransitive verb

: to fall to pieces

transitive verb

: to break up or apart into fragments

Divine

Websters Dictionary 1924

di-vine' (dĭ-vīn'), *a.*; DI-VIN'ER (-vīn'ēr); DI-VIN'EST (-ĕst).

[ME. also *devin*, OF. *divin*, *devin*, F. *divin*, L. *divinus* divine, divinely inspired, fr. *divus*, *dius*, belonging to a deity; akin to Gr. *δῖος*, and L. *deus* God. See DEITY.] 1. Of or pertaining to God; as, *divine* perfections; the *divine* will. "The immensity of the *divine* nature." *Paley*.

2. Proceeding from God; as, *divine* judgments.

3. Appropriated to God, or celebrating his praise; religious; pious; holy; as, *divine* service; *divine* songs.

4. Pertaining to, or proceeding from, a deity; of the nature of a god or gods. "The *divine* Apollo said." *Shak*.

5. Godlike; heavenly; excellent in the highest degree; supremely admirable; apparently above what is human; — in this sense admitting of comparison; as, the *divinest* mind. *Sir J. Davies*. "The *divine* Desdemona." *Shak*.

But not to one in this benighted age
Is that *diviner* inspiration given. *Gray*.

6. Presageful; foreboding; prescient. *Obs*.
His heart, *divine* of something ill. *Milton*.

7. Relating to divinity or theology; religious; sacred.
Church history and other *divine* learning. *South*.

Syn. — Supernatural, superhuman, godlike, heavenly, celestial; pious, holy, sacred; preëminent.

Divine Comedy. = DIVINA COMMEDIA. — **d. right**, or **d. right of kings**, the right of a king to rule as posited by the patriarchal theory of government, esp. under the doctrine that no misconduct and no dispossession can forfeit the right of a monarch or his heirs to the throne, and to the obedience of the people. — **d. service**, the worship of God, or a spiritual service forming a part of this. — **d. tree.** = BHUTAN CYPRESS.

di-vine', *n.* [OF. *devin*, LL. *divinus*. See DIVINE, *a.*] 1. A diviner; soothsayer. *Obs*.

2. A minister of the gospel; a priest; a clergyman.
The first *divines* of New England were surpassed by none in extensive erudition. *J. Woodbridge*.

3. One skilled in divinity; a theologian. "Poets were the first *divines*." *Denham*.

4. A priest or scholar of a heathen religion. *Obs*.

di-vine', *v. t.*; DI-VINED' (-vīnd'); DI-VIN'ING (-vīn'Ing). [ME. also *devinen*, F. *deviner*, L. *divinare*. See DIVINATION.]

1. To discover or make known, as if by divination; to interpret; to disclose. *Obs*.

2. To perceive through reasoning, sympathy, or intuition; to detect; to conjecture; as, to *divine* another's need.

3. To foresee or foreknow; to anticipate.
A sagacity which *divined* the evil designs. *Bancroft*.

4. To foretell; to predict; to presage; to portend. *Obs. or R.*
Darest thou . . . *divine* his downfall? *Shak*.

5. To contrive; to devise. *Obs*.

6. To render divine; to deify. *Obs*.

Syn. — Guess, conjecture, surmise; foretell, predict, presage, prophesy, prognosticate, forebode.

di-vine' (dĭ-vīn'), *v. i.* 1. To use or practice divination; to foretell by divination; to utter prognostications; to prophesy.

The prophets thereof *divine* for money. *Micah* iii. 11.

2. To have or feel a presage or foreboding.
Suggest but truth to my *divining* thoughts. *Shak*.

3. To conjecture or guess; as, to *divine* rightly.

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divine [dih-vahyn]

adjective, di-vin-er, di-vin-est.

1. of or relating to a god, especially the Supreme Being.
2. addressed, appropriated, or devoted to God or a god; religious; sacred: *divine worship.*
3. proceeding from God or a god: *divine laws;divine guidance.*
4. godlike; characteristic of or befitting a deity: *divine magnanimity.*
5. heavenly; celestial: *the divine kingdom.*
6. extremely good; unusually lovely: *He has the most divine tenor voice.*
7. being a god; being God: *Zeus, Hera, and other divine beings in Greek mythology.*
8. of superhuman or surpassing excellence: *Beauty is divine.*
9. *Obsolete.* of or relating to divinity or theology.

noun

10. a theologian; scholar in religion.
11. a priest or member of the clergy.
12. the Divine,
 - a) God.
 - b) (sometimes lowercase) the spiritual aspect of humans; the group of attributes and qualities of humankind regarded as godly or godlike.

verb (used with object), di-vined, di-vin-ing.

13. to discover or declare (something obscure or in the future) by divination; prophesy.
14. to discover (water, metal, etc.) by means of a divining rod.
15. to perceive by intuition or insight; conjecture:
She divined personal details about her customers based on their clothing and accents.
It was not difficult to divine his true intent.
16. Archaic. to portend.

verb (used without object), di-vined, di-vin-ing.

17. to use or practice divination; prophesy.
8. to have perception by intuition or insight; conjecture.
- 9.

Thesaurus

- 1 angelic, celestial, eternal, heavenly, holy, marvelous, mystical, religious, sacred, spiritual
supernatural, transcendent, wonderful
- 2 almighty, anointed, consecrated, exalted, hallowed, sanctified, superlative, all-powerful

ambrosial, beatific, beautiful, blissful, deific, deistic, excellent, glorious, godly, immaculate
magnificent, omnipotent, omnipresent, omniscient, rapturous, sacramental, sacrosanct
splendid, superhuman, supreme, theistic, transcendental, transmundane, unearthly

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divine di·vine | \ də-ˈvīn \

adjective (Entry 1 of 3)

1 *religion*

a : of, relating to, or proceeding directly from God (see GOD entry 1 sense 1) or a god (see GOD entry 1 sense 2)

divine inspiration

divine love

praying for *divine* intervention

b : being a deity

the *divine* Savior

a *divine* ruler

c : directed to a deity

divine worship

2 a : supremely good : SUPERB

The meal was just *divine*.

b : HEAVENLY, GODLIKE

noun (Entry 2 of 3)

1 *religion* : CLERGYMAN

a Puritan divine

2 *religion* : THEOLOGIAN

verb (Entry 3 of 3)

transitive verb

1 : to discover by intuition or insight : INFER

divine the truth

2 : to discover or locate (something, such as underground water or minerals) usually by means of a divining rod

intransitive verb

1 : to seek to predict future events or discover hidden knowledge usually by the interpretation of omens or by the aid of supernatural powers : to practice

divination : PROPHECY

2 : to perceive intuitively

Soul

Websters Dictionary 1924

soul (sōl), *n.* [ME. *soule*, *saule*, AS. *sāwel*, *sāwl*; akin to OFries. *sēle*, OS. *sēola*, D. *ziel*, G. *seele*, OHG. *sēla*, *sēula*, Icel. *sāla*, Sw. *själ*, Dan. *sjæl*, Goth. *saiwala*; orig. uncert.] **1.** An entity conceived as the essence, substance, or actuating cause of individual life, esp. of life manifested in psychical activities; the vehicle of individual existence, separate in nature from the body and usually held to be separable in existence. The use of such terms as "breath" (Heb. *nephesh*, Gr. *πνεῦμα*, Lat. *anima*, *spiritus*) and "shadow," or "shade" (Egypt. *ba*, Gr. *σκιά*, Lat. *umbra*), shows the nature of the earliest conceptions of the soul. The Egyptian distinction of *ba* and *chiu* (see BA), *soul* and *spirit* (Gr. and Biblical *ψυχή* and *πνεῦμα*) dates from the earliest times, and the characteristic Egyptian conception of the divine origin of the soul, of its earthly life as a warfare between good and evil, and of its future state as determined by a divine judgment, outlines also the main belief of all Western peoples. The Christian conception of the soul derives from the Greek as well as from the Bible. "Soul is throughout a great part of the Bible simply the equivalent of 'life' embodied in living creatures. In the earlier usage of the Old Testament it has no reference to the later philosophical meaning — the animating principle, still less to the idea of an 'immaterial nature' which will survive the body." — *Dict. of the Bible (Hastings)*. The more exact determination of the Christian conception was reserved for the Church Fathers, especially St. Augustine, who taught that it is simple, immaterial, and spiritual, devoid of quantity and spatial extension. He argued its immortality from the fact that it is the repository of imperishable truth; and he distinguished its lower, appetitive and sensuous, from its higher, or spiritual, volitional, and cognitive, nature. Descartes, with his theory of bodily automatism and his doctrine that the essential nature of the soul is rational thinking, which the brutes cannot share, gave a new form to the problem of the soul's nature. Three types of conception have been formulated in answer. First, the soul has been treated as an entity or subject manifested especially in man's volitional and thinking activities; it is the subject of the experience mediated by the body; it is not the mind, but that which thinks and wills. Second, the soul is identified with the mind or with conscious experience; this is the usual sense of the word in psychology and is the general conception of idealists. Third, the soul is treated as a function, or the sum of the functions of the brain: thus Pierre J. G. Cabanis (1757-1808) taught that the brain secretes thought as the stomach digests food. Some conceptions, such as that of Fechner that the soul is the whole unitary spiritual process in conjunction with the whole unitary bodily process, appear to stand midway between the idealistic and materialistic views. Cf. ANIMISM, TRANSMIGRATION. See GHOST, *n.*, 1, SPIRIT.

2. Hence, the psychical or spiritual nature of the universe conceived as related to the physical world as the human soul to the human body; the world soul.

3. Man's moral and emotional nature as distinguished from his intellect; hence, expression which effectively presents or arouses emotion and sentiment.

4. The seat of real life, vitality, or action; the animating or essential part. "The hidden soul of harmony." *Milton*.

5. The leader; inspirer; moving spirit; the heart; as, the soul of an enterprise; the soul of kindness.

6. Courage; spirit; fervor; affection, or any other noble manifestation of the heart or moral nature.

7. A human being; a person; — a familiar appellation, usually with a qualifying epithet; as, poor soul.

8. A disembodied spirit, or a spiritual being.

That to his only Son . . . every soul in heaven

Syn. — SOUL, SPIRIT are often convertible terms, esp. in their denotation. But in ordinary usage (for technical distinctions see defs.) SOUL is apt to connote greater depth of feeling or sentiment than SPIRIT, which suggests more strongly vital energy or (often) independence of bodily form; as, “God is *soul*, *souls* I and thou: with *souls* should *souls* have place” (*R. Browning*); “Speak to Him, thou, for He hears, and *spirit* with *spirit* can meet” (*Tennyson*); “Call the world, if you please, ‘The vale of *Soul* making’ . . . I say ‘*Soul* making’ — *Soul* as distinguished from *Intelligence*” (*Keats*); “Difficulties nerve the *spirit* of a man” (*id.*); “When my lips just touched your cheek—touch which let my *soul* come through” (*R. Browning*); “And our *spirits* rushed together at the touching of the lips” (*Tennyson*);

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soul [sohl]

noun

1. the principle of life, feeling, thought, and action in humans, regarded as a distinct entity separate from the body, and commonly held to be separable in existence from the body; the spiritual part of humans as distinct from the physical part.
2. the spiritual part of humans regarded in its moral aspect, or as believed to survive death and be subject to happiness or misery in a life to come: *arguing the immortality of the soul*.
3. the disembodied spirit of a deceased person: *He feared the soul of the deceased would haunt him*.
4. the emotional part of human nature; the seat of the feelings or sentiments.
5. a human being; person.
6. high-mindedness; noble warmth of feeling, spirit or courage, etc.
7. the animating principle; the essential element or part of something.
8. the inspirer or moving spirit of some action, movement, etc.
9. the embodiment of some quality: *He was the very soul of tact*.
10. (*initial capital letter*) *Christian Science*. God; the divine source of all identity and individuality.
11. shared ethnic awareness and pride among Black people, especially Black Americans.
12. deeply felt emotion, as conveyed or expressed by a performer or artist.
13. soul music.

adjective

14. of, characteristic of, or for Black Americans or their culture: *soul newspapers*.
- 15.

Thesaurus

1 Conscience, courage, ego, feeling, genius, heart, intellect, intelligence, life, mind, personality, spirit, stuff, thought, vitality

2 anima, animation, animus, ardor, bosom, bottom, breast, cause, disposition, essence, fervor, force, individuality, marrow, nobility, noumenon, pith, principle
quintessence, reason, substance, vivacity
4 animating principle, breath of life, pneuma, recesses of heart ,secret self, spiritual being, vital force, élan vital

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soul 'sōl

noun

1: the immaterial essence, animating principle, or actuating cause of an individual life

2

a: the spiritual principle embodied in human beings, all rational and spiritual beings, or the universe

b: capitalized Christian Science : GOD sense 1b

3: a person's total self

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a: an active or essential part

b: a moving spirit : LEADER

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a: the moral and emotional nature of human beings

b: the quality that arouses emotion and sentiment

c: spiritual or moral force : FERVOR

6: PERSON not a soul in sight

7: PERSONIFICATION she is the soul of integrity

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a: a strong positive feeling (as of intense sensitivity and emotional fervor) conveyed especially by African American performers

b: cultural consciousness and pride among people of African heritage

c: SOUL MUSIC

d: SOUL FOOD

e: SOUL BROTHER

adjective

: of, relating to, or characteristic of Black Americans or their culture

It will feature various local musicians such as Faithe, Rashawn Stallworth and Jamal Steele, all who embody a hip-hop and soul style to their music.

—Kamal Morgan

see also SOUL BROTHER, SOUL FOOD, SOUL MUSIC, SOUL SISTER

spirit

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spir'it (spīr'it), *n.* [OF. *espirit*, *esperit*, F. *esprit*, L. *spiritus*, fr. *spirare* to breathe, to blow. Cf. CONSPIRE, EXPIRE, ESPRIT, SPRITE.] **1.** The breath of life ; life, or the life principle, conceived as a kind of breath or vapor animating the body, or, in man, mediating between body and soul. The Galenic notion, accepted in the physiology of the Middle Ages, was that the spirit in the body existed in three kinds or degrees: (1) The **natural spirit**, a vapor rising from the blood and having its seat in the liver, was considered the principle of the "natural" functions of nutrition, growth, and generation. (2) The **vital spirit**, transformed from the natural spirit, in the heart, by mixture with the air of respiration, had the "vital" functions, conveying heat and life through the arteries to the whole body. (3) The **animal spirit**, converted in the brain from the vital spirit, included the rational principle, and had the "animal" functions of distributing the power of motion and feeling through the nerves. See ANIMAL, *a.*, 1.

2. The life principle viewed as the "breath" or gift of deity ; hence, the agent of vital and conscious functions in man ; the soul. *Spirit* (Heb. *nephesh*, usually translated "soul" in the Bible, Gr. *πνεῦμα*, Lat. *spiritus*) and *soul* are used sometimes as synonyms, sometimes as naming different elements in man's immaterial nature. In former use, *spirit* often denoted (as in def. 1) the vital principle of the body, as something inferior to *soul*. In current use *spirit* denotes a disembodied soul or (as in def. 5) an immaterial being which never had a body. Thus we speak of "spirits of the dead," "spirit return," the "land" or "realm of spirits." See SOUL, 1, GHOST, 3.

I am thy father's *spirit* ;

Doomed for a certain time to walk the night. *Shak.*

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the *spirit* shall return unto God who gave it. *Eccl. xii. 7.*

Spirit is a substance wherein thinking, knowing, doubting, and a power of moving, do subsist. *Locke.*

3. [*often cap.*] In the abstract, life or consciousness viewed as an independent type of existence; as, idealists maintain that the essential nature of the universe is *spirit*, pantheists that *spirit* pervades the universe. In this sense *spirit* denotes a quality or being similar to man's psychical or vital nature, conceived as a characteristic of nature or of deity. Thus, in Hebrew, *ruakh*, usually translated "spirit" in the Bible, denotes the divine breath independent of as well as in the body, and *nephesh*, "soul, spirit," denotes only the embodied breath. *Spirit* is also used to translate such terms (often rendered *mind*) as the Greek *voûs* (see *NOUS*, 1), Latin *mens*, German *Geist*, esp. in connection with idealistic theories. See *IDEALISM*, 1.

4. [*cap.*] A part of the divine nature; the Holy Spirit.

5. Any supernatural being; an apparition; a specter; a ghost; also, sometimes, a sprite; a fairy; an elf.

Whilst young, preserve his tender mind from all impressions of *spirits* and goblins in the dark
Locke.

6. An individual; a person; — esp. with reference to characteristics of mind or temper; as, a ruling *spirit*; a schismatic *spirit*; a bold *spirit*. Cf. *SOUL*, 7.

7. Temper or disposition of mind; mood; disposition; — often in *pl.*; as, to be cheerful, or in good *spirits*; to be downhearted, or in bad *spirits*.

God has . . . made a *spirit* of building succeed a *spirit* of pulling down.
South.

A perfect judge will read each work of wit

With the same *spirit* that its author writ.

Pope.

8. Specif., stimulated or high spirits; liveliness, energy, vivacity, ardor, enthusiasm, courage, etc.; as, to speak or act with *spirit*; to display *spirit* in the presence of danger.

"Write it then, quickly," replied Bede; and summoning all his *spirits* together, like the last blaze of a candle going out, he indited it, and expired.

Fuller.

9. As a translation of the word *Geist* in the Hegelian philosophy, the complex of human institutions, family, society, state, church, and the productions in art, poetry, science, and culture.

W. T. Harris.

10. Intent; real meaning; — opposed to the *letter*, or to *formal statement*; also, characteristic quality, esp. such as is derived from the individual genius or the personal character; as, the *spirit* of an enterprise.

11. In nature, any volatile or airy agent or essence; esp., a life-giving substance or animating principle viewed as in natural bodies. *Obs. or Hist.*

All bodies have *spirits* . . . within them.

Bacon.

12. Hence: **a** *Alchemy*. Any of four substances, sulphur, sal ammoniac, quicksilver, and arsenic (orpiment).

The four *spirits* and the bodies seven.

Chaucer.

b In the old chemistry, any liquid produced by distillation; in modern use, any strong distilled alcoholic liquor; esp., ordinary, or ethyl, alcohol, the *spirits*, or *spirit*, of wine (it having been first distilled from wine); — often in *pl.*

Spirits implies *spirit* of any description, and all liquors, mixtures, and compounds made with the same

Encyc. Brit.

c *Pharm.* A solution in alcohol of a volatile principle. Cf. *TINCTURE*. *U. S. Disp.* **d** *Dyeing*. Any of various solutions, esp. of tin salts, used as mordants; as, tin *spirits*, aniline *spirit*, etc.

13. A rough breathing; an aspirate, as the letter *h*; also, a mark to denote aspiration; a breathing. *Obs.*

Be it a letter or *spirit*, we have great use for it. *B. Jonson.*

Syn. — Life, ardor, energy, fire, courage, animation, cheerfulness, vivacity, enterprise. See *SOUL*, *GHOST*.

spirit of alum, an aqueous solution of sulphur dioxide. — **s.** of copper, acetic acid obtained by distilling copper acetate.

— **s.**, or **spirits, of hartshorn**, a solution of ammonia in water; — so called because formerly obtained from hartshorn having by destructive distillation, or of *Methuen*

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spirit [spir-it]

noun

1. the principle of conscious life; the vital principle in humans, animating the body or mediating between body and soul.
2. the incorporeal part of humans: *present in spirit though absent in body*.
3. the soul regarded as separating from the body at death.
4. conscious, incorporeal being, as opposed to matter: *the world of spirit*.
5. a supernatural, incorporeal being, especially one inhabiting a place, object, etc., or having a particular character: *evil spirits*.
6. a fairy, sprite, or elf.
7. an angel or demon.
8. an attitude or principle that inspires, animates, or pervades thought, feeling, or action: *the spirit of reform*.
9. (initial capital letter) the divine influence as an agency working in the human heart.
10. a divine, inspiring, or animating being or influence. Numbers 11:25; Isaiah 32:15.
11. (initial capital letter) the third person of the Trinity; Holy Spirit.
12. the soul or heart as the seat of feelings or sentiments, or as prompting to action: *a man of broken spirit*.
13. spirits, feelings or mood with regard to exaltation or depression: *low spirits; good spirits*.
14. excellent disposition or attitude in terms of vigor, courage, firmness of intent, etc.; mettle: *That's the spirit!*
15. temper or disposition: *meeek in spirit*.
16. an individual as characterized by a given attitude, disposition, character, action, etc.: *A few brave spirits remained to face the danger*.
17. the dominant tendency or character of anything: *the spirit of the age*.
18. vigorous sense of membership in a group: *college spirit*.
19. the general meaning or intent of a statement, document, etc. (opposed to letter): *the spirit of the law*.
20. *Chemistry*. the essence or active principle of a substance as extracted in liquid form, especially by distillation.
21. Often **spirits** . a strong distilled alcoholic liquor.
22. *Chiefly British*. alcohol.
23. *Pharmacology*. a solution in alcohol of an essential or volatile principle; essence (def. 3).
24. any of certain subtle fluids formerly supposed to permeate the body.
25. **the Spirit**, God

adjective

26. pertaining to something that works by burning alcoholic spirits: *a spirit stove*.

27. of or relating to spiritualist bodies or activities.

verb (used with object)

28. to animate with fresh ardor or courage; inspire.

29. to encourage; urge on or stir up, as to action.

30. to carry off mysteriously or secretly (often followed by *away* or *off*): *His captors spirited him away*.

Thesaurus

1 character, courage, energy, enthusiasm, essence, heart, humor, life, mood, morale, quality, resolve, temperament, vigor, vitality, warmth, will

2 air, animation, ardor, backbone, boldness, breath, complexion, dauntlessness, disposition

Earnestness, enterprise, fire, force, gameness, grit, guts, jazz, liveliness, mettle, motivation, nerve, oomph, outlook, psyche, resolution, sparkle, spunk, stoutheartedness, substance, temper, tenor, willpower, zest, frame of mind, life force, vital spark

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spirit spir-it | \ 'spir-ət \

noun (Entry 1 of 2)

1 : an animating or vital principle held to give life to physical organisms

2 : a supernatural being or essence: such as

a capitalized : HOLY SPIRIT

b : SOUL sense 2a

c : an often malevolent being that is bodiless but can become visible

specifically : GHOST sense 2

d : a malevolent being that enters and possesses a human being

3 : temper or disposition of mind or outlook especially when vigorous or animated in high spirits

4 : the immaterial intelligent or sentient part of a person

5 a : the activating or essential principle influencing a person acted in a spirit of helpfulness

b : an inclination, impulse, or tendency of a specified kind : MOOD

6 a : a special attitude or frame of mind

the money-making spirit was for a time driven back

— J. A. Froude

b : the feeling, quality, or disposition characterizing something undertaken in a spirit of fun

- 7 : a lively or brisk quality in a person or a person's actions
- 8 : a person having a character or disposition of a specified nature
- 9 : a mental disposition characterized by firmness or assertiveness
denied the charge with spirit
- 10 a: DISTILLATE sense 1: such as
(1) : the liquid containing ethanol and water that is distilled from an alcoholic liquid or mash —often used in plural
(2) : any of various volatile liquids obtained by distillation or cracking (as of petroleum, shale, or wood) —often used in plural
b : a usually volatile organic solvent (such as an alcohol, ester, or hydrocarbon)
- 11 a : prevailing tone or tendency
spirit of the age
b : general intent or real meaning
spirit of the law
- 12 : an alcoholic solution of a volatile substance
spirit of camphor
- 13 : enthusiastic loyalty
school spirit
- 14 capitalized, Christian Science : GOD sense 1b
- verb (Entry 2 of 2)
- transitive verb
- 1 : to infuse with spirit
especially : ANIMATE
hope and apprehension of feasibility spirits all industry — John Goodman
- 2 : to carry off usually secretly or mysteriously
was hustled into a ... motorcar and spirited off to the country — W. L. Shirer

Indwelling

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in'dwell' (In'dwĕl'), *v. t. & i.*; **IN'DWELT'** (-dwĕlt'); **IN'DWELL'ING.** To dwell in; to abide within; to inhabit.
The Holy Ghost became a dove, not as a symbol, but as a constantly *in'dwell'* form. *Milman.*

in'dwell'er (-ĕr), *n.* An inhabitant; also, a sojourner.

in'dwell'ing, *n.* Residence within, as in the heart.

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indwell [in-dwel]

verb (used with object), in-dwelt, in-dwell-ing.

1. to inhabit.
2. to possess (a person), as a moral principle or motivating force: *compassion that indwells the heart.*

verb (used without object), **in-dwelt**, **in-dwell-ing**.

3. to dwell (usually followed by in).

4. to abide within, as a guiding force, motivating principle, etc. (usually followed by in): *a divine spirit indwelling in nature and the universe.*

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Thesaurus

1 locate, occupy, populate, possess, reside,

2 abide, crash, dwell, live, lodge, park, people, perch, roost, settle, squat, stay, tenant
make one's home

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indwell verb in-dwell | \ in-'dwel , 'in-,dwel \

intransitive verb

: to exist as an inner activating spirit, force, or principle

transitive verb

: to exist within as an activating spirit, force, or principle