



***May we stand in Light and  
Perform our obligations and duties  
To the surrounding Life to be enlightened.***

***May we float in Love and  
Share such Love and Compassion  
With the fellow beings to be fulfilled.***

***May we tune up to the Will and  
Thereby alert our wills to gaze the Plan  
And cause the work of Goodwill.***

***May the Light, Love and Will  
Synthesize our lives into the One Life.***

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*Culture demands a delicate handling of everything in creation. Though man is intellectually advancing, there is a very perceptible fall in his delicacy in handling life: Economic considerations decide the trend, power and money manipulate morality and values.*

*We have to know how things are on the planet and put up a dam against material aggression and unethical actions with thoughts and deeds of good will. Especially through groups the collective power of the soul can express itself in social life and thus fight the global crisis of character. On the basis of the teachings of the Eternal Wisdom, "Good Will in Action" wants to give encouragement for this.*

## **MONEY AND GOOD WILL**

### **THE SERVANT AS MASTER**

In today's life money plays a key role, it is an important means to organise man's living together and the order of society. Money is an invention of man, a tool for exchange of goods and facilities. It is an instrument in service of man, but today the servant has become the master and men are prisoners of their own system. Commercial thinking is omnipresent; economic considerations determine our actions, not only in economy and technology, but also in education and science, in health and social services, in the leisure and the religious fields. A large part of the creative faculties of man is concentrated on moneymaking. A big game of speculation has developed around money. A huge activity in the intangible areas causes tremendous accumulations of capital in the hands of small groups. While in the past the money was always linked with the production of goods, today's speculation business is completely delinked from the national product. The price of shares has no correlation to the performance of a company, it behaves like the weather. Nobody understands the highs and lows except the big brokers. With the stake of billions of dollars the profits thrive - at the expense of humanity. Money rules morality. With clever manipulations the rich evade their profits from society and make the laws in their favour. Profits gained with credits and interest loads bring big areas of trade and industry, even entire nations into subjection.

Many people therefore believe that money represents the bad in society against which one has to fight. Money however is neither good nor bad. It is an energy, like electricity, and energies are impersonal. All depends on how they are used. If we put money to a positive use, we can do much good and can also be active on a larger scale and on wider fields. Without the necessary means you cannot work in this measure. By using money rightly you can express a lot of love. In the hand of men and women of good will money works wonders, in the hands of ignorants it can cause great harm. Therefore it depends on the consciousness of the individual in possession of the money. Money must not be misused, but has to be used in the right way. It is a very important factor for creating and upholding an equilibrium. We should never neglect the energy connected with money, otherwise we will experience nasty surprises. We must learn to handle it properly and to use it in a positive way, for the good of man and of nature. Up to now however there are only a few who are able to do so. Purity in our motives is the strong magnetic power attracting the right persons and means for the work of good will.

### **THE TRICK OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY**

Earlier the supply of goods and services was as per the demand. The human demand was responded to by the business community. But today smart business produce goods and services as per their choice and create de-

mand through bombarding advertisement techniques. They make us believe that we need many more things than we actually need. They make unhealthy foods (with chemicals, stored foods, fast foods, artificial drinks) as well as medicines full of poison, seemingly for the well-being of humanity. Especially business with the human weaknesses flourish: with alcohol, tobacco and drugs, with nightlife and gambling, not to speak of weapons and corruption...

A wise man from Tibet by name Djwhal Khul stated, if ten percent out of the wasteful expenditure of the developed nations is diverted to the poor nations the poverty on this planet can be eliminated. We should think about it, but we are put into a 'make-believe world': We feel unrequired things as required and always feel short of money. To overcome the shortage of money the credit system has been invented. You can borrow money and buy a car, a house plus domestic appliances. With this you can impress your neighbours and thus live in a wrong prestige. Through the urge to fulfil your desires you have mortgaged your life for the next 20 years. You have lost your freedom, for in order to ensure your payments you are obliged to continue to earn as much as now. And you are worried that you might be no more able to keep up with your obligations. What a trick, and how quickly people fall into this trap! They have no time to think, to discriminate and to decide. And those who have no time can also do shopping via internet or telephone and get the products delivered at home. You only have to tell the number of the credit card. The service mentality is great. If this readiness for service could take another direction, a lot could be done.

## LOOSENING THE GRIP

Since we cannot change the situations right away at the global level, we should start at the individual level. The way to a right use of money, but also of property, power, or other things, consists in using it in a responsible manner. There is nothing bad about power, money etc., but whenever we want to possess them, they possess us. The moment we hold them, they are holding us. "That which you hold, holds you", is a deep spiritual truth. If we hold something in the hand, we feel that we are holding it. But the thing is also holding the hand, because we cannot do anything

else with it. Only if we release the things we hold and also free ourselves from debts, we can overcome the conditioning of the material. The personality however tries to grab at all opportune times, its grip dies only very slowly.

The knowers always give and don't receive. Only the ignorants look happy when they receive. The wise ones know that they become prisoners of that which they collect. Therefore they don't accept gifts except if they know that they can give still better gifts. They don't give *for* something, but out of love. They distribute what they have collected around themselves, not only money, but also food, clothing, intelligence, power and wisdom. They know that everything is energy given to us as a loan. Our giving should be greater than the receiving. If we organise our lives in simplicity and avoid accumulations, we can use the money thus set free to help people. Responsible-minded people put ten per cent of what they get aside to support the needy, to foster good will, education and development of consciousness or a right relation between people and towards nature. We should do some service besides the professional activity, without getting money for it. Our contentment grows and we are released from our personality the more we give and sacrifice - but without pressure. A teacher who saw how his disciple felt pain while giving said: "*If something in you complains while giving, stop for the moment, because no one demands that you should give. Give as far as it gives you pleasure. Give as much as you can give, and then forget it! If you feel something when giving more, stop at that point. Slowly you will learn to give more.*"

If we handle the energy of money with responsibility and detachment, money will also come to us, which then we can distribute to others. We should give with a sense of discrimination, so that our giving is not misused or exploited. With right giving and distributing we can support positive, life-supporting initiatives and activities for the good of mankind. Thus the right use of money brings happiness and fulfilment.

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