



Logopraxis

A PROCESS ORIENTATED APPROACH TO ENGAGING WITH SACRED TEXT

Shifting from Historicals to Mental Processes

- ▶ LP is a process orientated approach to engaging with the Texts of Divine revelation
- ▶ The place and use of historicals in support of working with mental processes
- ▶ How to shift our perspective from an external to an internal orientation
 - ▶ Transposing the past tense with the present tense
 - ▶ Finding the principal truths for a reading
 - ▶ Developing a work focus (task) using verb primers with principal truths
- ▶ Transposing representative things with their spiritual meaning

Shifting to a Process Orientation: Tenses

Gen 39:21-23

- ▶ 5040. Verses 21-23. And Jehovah **was** with Joseph, and **inclined** mercy unto him, and **gave** him grace in the eyes of the prince of the prison house. And the prince of the prison house **gave** into Joseph's hand all the bound ones that **were** in the prison house; and whatsoever they **did** there, he **was** the doer. The prince of the prison house **saw** naught of anything that **was** in his hand, because Jehovah **was** with him; and that which he **did**, Jehovah **made** it to prosper.

Conversion to Present Tense

- ▶ 5040. Verses 21-23. And Jehovah **is** with Joseph, and **is inclining** mercy unto him, and **is giving** him grace in the eyes of the prince of the prison house. And the prince of the prison house **is giving** into Joseph's hand all the bound ones that **are** in the prison house; and whatsoever they **are doing** there, he **is** the doer. The prince of the prison house **is seeing** naught of anything that **is** in his hand, because Jehovah **is** with him; and that which he **is doing**, Jehovah **is making** it to prosper.

Finding the Principal Truths

The Summary Explanation

- ▶ 5040 "And Jehovah was with Joseph," **signifies** that **the Divine was in Him**; "and inclined mercy unto him," **signifies the Divine love in everything**; "and gave him grace in the eyes of the prince of the prison house," **signifies relief in consequence**; "and the prince of the prison house," **signifies truth governing in a state of temptations**; "gave into Joseph's hand all the bound ones that were in the prison house," **signifies from Himself over all falsities**; "and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer," **signifies absolute power**; "the prince of the prison house saw naught of anything that was in his hand," **signifies** that **He Himself governed truth**; "because Jehovah was with him," **signifies from the Divine which was in Him**; "and that which he did, Jehovah made it to prosper," **signifies** that **the Divine providence was from Himself**.

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Placing the Emphasis on the Word as the Lord

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Principles More Fully Stated

- ▶ The Divine **is** in the **Word**
- ▶ Divine love **is** in everything
- ▶ Where this **is** acknowledged (as a matter of life) there is relief
- ▶ There **is** always support through **the Word/truths** for navigating states of temptation
- ▶ Truths govern every state of temptation
- ▶ All truths governing temptations are from the **Word** and these govern all falsities
- ▶ The **Word** has absolute power over the process
- ▶ The **Word** govern**s** all aspects of the process by means of truths
- ▶ This is **being** done from the Divine love that **is** within **truths/Word** (Divine Love being nothing else than the love for the salvation of the human race)
- ▶ All of Divine Providence (i.e. all provision for the salvation of the human race) **is** from **Word**.

From Raw Principles to Inner Work

Principles

- ▶ The Divine is inwardly present in the Word
- ▶ Divine love is within every individual thing
- ▶ Where this is acknowledged (as a matter of life) there is consolation
- ▶ There is always support through the Word/truths for navigating states of temptation
- ▶ The Word has absolute power over the process
- ▶ All of Divine Providence (i.e. all provision for the salvation of the human race) is from Word.

Verb Primers

what are my inner responses while...	reading the text – what does it look and feel like to recognise the Divine inwardly present there?
be aware of...	the Divine love within every individual thing both pleasant and disruptive
to reflect on experiences...	of finding consolation in the acknowledgment of truths and contrast this with states where falsities are active
try to find...	the active falsity and the active truth in states of temptation/struggle
to accept and consciously acknowledge...	that the Word has absolute power over the process I'm experiencing and to reflect on my changes of state when I do this
to cultivate an awareness of...	the Divine Providence operating by means of truths from the Word

Tasks

Replacing Reps with their Spiritual Meaning

The Text in Present Tense

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With Representatives Removed

- ▶ And the love for the salvation of the human race (**Jehovah**) is within the Word (**Joseph**) and flows into all its principle truths (**prince of the prison house**) through which all falsities (**the bound**) present in states of temptation (**in the prison house**) are governed and laid waste. Absolute power (**the doer**) to save the human race belongs to the Word alone, for the Word alone governs the activity of truth (**seeing naught of anything that is in his hand**). In the Word and its truths is the love for the salvation of the human race (**Jehovah is with Him**) and in this is all provision for regeneration of the human mind (**Jehovah making to prosper**).