



# Freedom Inside

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## Peace Realized

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Dearest Readers,

It is with a great deal of joy that I decided to continue writing this newsletter. I received quite a few answers to the last issue where I stated that Freedom Inside might be stopping publication. Many of you who wrote will surely wonder where your articles are since I am publishing only a few here.

Let me be clear on what I am choosing to be, and do, from now on.

I will continue to publish as many letters as I can, especially those who share personal experiences.

I will also continue to share your thoughts and feelings about the material found in the CWG books.

But I am choosing to delve deeper into my Self and am inviting you to do the same by pondering all our choices and being even more conscious of our goals.

"I am a Spiritual Peacemaker."

I am a spiritual peacemaker. This is who I choose to be in this next highest version of the greatest ideal I ever held of Who I Really Am.

I am inviting all of you so inclined to share this path with me. This new path is Peace Realized.

How can I BE peace in my life?

How can I live so the I highlight the Peace that is already there?

I can do that by knowing I am Peace, by loving everyone so completely as to help them feel

peaceful within themselves.

Neale Donald Walsch's book, The New Revelations, speaks of five steps to peace. I have written them in this issue's insert.

Please take the time to read them. Ponder them. And let's see how we can "be" peace in our everyday lives.

Let's not try to explain why we believe as we do. Let's not try to convince others that we're "right". Let's be very clear about stating our own opinions, seeing from our own perspectives and allowing everyone the freedom to do the same.

I do not believe that peace is possible without real freedom, that is, freedom....inside.

Let's take the first step to peace.

Janine

## Finding Freedom Inside When Outside

Dear Janine,

Just received your newsletter Freedom Inside. I've been receiving it for some time now and have enjoyed it so tremendously. Such a special warmth of love energy always emanates from your words/ your soul. I've also experienced that with others whose words you have published.

For me, Freedom Inside speaks to so much more than just prisoners inside concrete or wooden walls, and high fences. It speaks to the emerging soul of so many of us.

Your newsletter is an inspiration for me to write my experiences.

My dad started a commune (I'll call, the Ranch) when I was a teenager. He

had received, he said, revelations from Jesus Christ that we were to go back to the land, live close to it and each other, building a community of peace on earth. He, of course, being the Prophet and leader.

Several families of us, listening to the revelations he was receiving, ended up in the Ozarks of Missouri, on a small

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farm that we gradually built to almost 2000 acres. I married a young man, son of another family with us. We all worked hard to build this Ranch. We were told to have all the children we could to build this Kingdom of Peace on Earth.

I was a good follower and "believed" with all my heart and soul for quite a few years.

Then my faith began to be shaken in ways I could not verbalize, or express for years.

I lost two of the 13 babies I had in 19 years. My oldest son lost his hands from electrical burns at 10 years of age. My eldest daughter was married at 14 to a man old enough to be her grandfather. This was okayed by my father through revelations. We were not to question "God's Word".

After almost 20 years at the Ranch, an angel appeared to me and said, "It's time to leave".

With lots of prayers to a higher God than my dad's God, our family, my husband and I, found a way to leave while the prophet was away, endeavoring to bring in more souls for that Kingdom of God.

It was very difficult to go against my dad but the greater part of me knew I had to do it, we had to do it.

My body was giving out. My son with no hands needed broader choices. We all did. My husband was more skilled in quite a few ways than my dad so he was more or less the black sheep (even though a hard worker) among my 7 brothers, other, and my dad at the Ranch.

Leaving was like stepping out on a different planet. The only times I had left the Ranch for many years was when several of us singers went to revivals at different churches to sing.

"Out here" is such a different world. Now, I'm the black sheep, the different thinker than my 7 brothers, one sister and the dear friends I left at the Ranch.

The good parts I still carry with me in

my heart.

A few years ago, I joined a book discussion group, they were discussing *Conversations With God, Book One*. The kind of God I found I believed in. The God of love I'd been praying to and knew was

within me. I'd also been studying Science of Mind and doing

some journaling. Last year, I began putting together with my friend's help, my book "From Out Of The Shadows, Book I". Some of my life experiences from my childhood to just after my last child was born, soon after leaving the Ranch.

Now, I'm continuing with putting Book II together.

Book I, we got together in time to give to my children for Thanksgiving and Xmas last year.

My ex-husband, the father of my children, and some of my children have not read it yet; so set in their resolve to not talk about any past at all. Just bury it deep.

I've found looking at things with love helps me get un-stuck, see a bigger picture. Oh, how I love Neale's "Little Soul And The Sun" story!

Slowly, some of my brothers and others who left the Ranch also read my Book I.

I'm KNOWING conversation will come about it in time.

Meantime, I've let my little child out of the closet. I've finally heard her and given her a voice. I've let her out of her prison, let her speak of some of the unspeakable. And loving her through the process.

Knowing also her voice is the voices (to one degree or another) of many children, many women, many boys, many men, many criminals who haven't been able to voice the unspeakable that got them on a different track, so to speak. We know there are no victims, no right or wrong, only greater understanding on our path.

Also the amputees of all kinds; coming

home from wars, carrying unspeakable things in their heart and soul, scars inside and out.

When do we begin to not put our little children in their inner prisons to begin with??

Can't we help by starting where we are?

Find our freedom inside?

By sharing and listening NOW we help each other know how to not perpetuate the acts that put our inner self in our inner prisons.

How about we keep this conversation going?

We can learn lots from each other inside and out.

Let's claim our "Freedom Inside".

We love you, Janine., and your wonderful good work.

Can I help keep this conversation going?

Blessing Be, Janine

Your friend,

G.J.S.

Colorado

Dearest G.J.S.,

*What an incredible experience you just shared with us. Thank you so much.*

*Isn't life wonderful, that it shows us contrasts so we can recognize who we are when seeing who we are not!*

*How wondrously lucky you were to live through such a self-defining experience! To be able to know the God of Love when comparing Him/Her to one more fearless; to be able to experience the joy of choosing for yourself who you are after having your choices made for you for so long!*

*What a wonderful road you chose for yourself to travel. Thank you so much for sharing it with us, along with some of the great gifts you found along the way.*

*May you always see your blessings.*

*With much love*

*Janine*

## God's Gift

Imagine, if you will, that you've been given a large package.  
 Within that package are 365 beautifully wrapped gifts.  
 You are told that you can open only one gift per  
 day and that each gift contains some exquisite,  
 precious, priceless wonder.  
 Each day we are given a precious gift,  
 wrapped in the blue of the sky, the green of the  
 grass, and the whisper of the wind. We are given  
 the gift of twenty-four irreplaceable hours that no amount  
 of money can ever buy. What if we were to approach  
 each day knowing that it is a glorious gift, simply waiting  
 to be opened and lived? Each of us is given the gift of today--  
 a day more priceless than the most exquisite gem.  
 Our mandate is to go forth and live each moment of this day,  
 for truly it is God's priceless gift to you and me.  
 And this, dear ones, will in turn be your contribution to

PEACE ON EARTH  
 -Author Unknown

## Never Too Late To Learn

Dearest Janine,  
 I have decided to share my thoughts with you and some of your outside readers...first I would like to thank you myself for being that avenue for those on the inside, because without you showing your unconditional love a lot of us on the inside would be completely lost. I was introduced to the Conversations With God material just about 2 years ago and this material has made a difference in my life. I am originally from the inner city of Detroit, Michigan, and I know what hard life is about. Coming from a background where at night you go to bed wondering where your next meal will come from is not a happy feeling. But the point I'm trying to make is regardless of where I come from or where I have been in my life journey, the Conversations With God material has become a way of life for me and the information you have shared in the past has given me great joy in my life. So my message to all of those on the inside, as well as on the outside, is this. I think it is truly time to come forward and show our love and support and give something back.

I know before CWG, I did not have the mindset to think about things of this nature, but being 45 years young I can honestly say and believe that we are never too old to learn! So if you don't mind sharing my letter with our readers, be they on the outside or the inside, we can learn from everyone.

I have a request of you, if you have the time. I have lived a life of crime for the majority of my 45 years here on earth and I would like to know if you would take time to hear about it and hopefully we could share it with our readers in hopes that my past experience can help someone not to make the mistakes I have made. Please let me know, okay?

Sincerely yours,  
 D.S.  
 California

Dear D.S.  
 Thank you so much for your letter. As you know I wasn't at all sure I would be receiving any more. I was never so happy to be wrong in my life. I agree with you completely when you say we're never too old to learn.

*I first read CWG Book One in 1995 (I was 44) and have been recreating myself consciously ever since. What a wonderful time I've had! Freedom Inside is a tool I've chosen to share my growth with you.*

*As for your request to share your experience with us all, I say, "Yes! Yes! Yes! A thousand times, Yes!". This is why Freedom Inside was first created. This is what it's all about. So, PLEASE write and share all you can with us. Your thoughts will be received with all the love we are.*

*This goes for all of you. Please write and share your experiences with us. Share what works for YOU, knowing that the more you share it, the more you will experience it.*

*Share what didn't work for you or what doesn't work now, if you feel like doing that. Knowing who we are NOT also helps us grow in understanding.*

*It is also the first step to peace.*

*Thank you, D.S. for being you.  
 With much love,*

*Janine*

# ***Five Steps to Peace***

This is from Neale Donald Walsch's book: *The New Revelations*, pp.48-50

**Yes, there are other problems facing humanity. There are problems of hunger, of poverty, of crime and corruption, of political turmoil and governmental abuse and corporate greed, and many other social problems as well. But all of these -all of these- are spiritual problems at their base.**

**That is the point. That is the focus of this discussion. For if your spiritual understandings were complete, none of these problems would exist.**

*You would not allow them to.*

**Yet, it is many of your largest and most powerful and influential organized religions that will not *allow* your spiritual understandings to be complete, for they do not provide a space for it. They do not permit your contemplations to seriously venture beyond the boundaries of their own doctrines.**

**And so, even as your planet faces a spiritual problem of gigantic proportion, you are trying to solve the problem by temporal means. You are rushing around creating the symptoms, rather than the cause, of your worldwide disease.**

**You are seeking to bring about, for humanity as a whole, excitement, enlargement, unlimitedness, exuberance, joy, healing, and peace. But you are attempting to do this with politics, with economics, with education, with social programs, even with bombs.**

*It cannot be done that way.*

**You are trying to fix everything except what needs to be fixed. You are trying to change everything except what needs to be changed.**

**You are addressing everything but your most basic beliefs. *Yet it is your most basic beliefs that are creating the problem.***

**That is why the Five Steps to Peace have to do with God and the spirit, not with the body.**

(...)

**Yes, you can choose to take these steps now if changing your world, and the self-destructive direction in which it is moving, is what you wish to achieve. Make this declaration:**

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*Dearest Readers,*

*Let's take these Five Steps To Peace, one at a time.*

*Step One:*

- What are the "old beliefs about God and Life" that are no longer working in YOUR life?*
- What changes have YOU made in your life to let go of these beliefs?*

*Ponder these questions. Make new choices about who you are and then write to me, if you feel the call, and share these past truths with others who may have had or are still having the same kind of experiences.*

*In total Peace*

*Janine*



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