

Experiences

with

Jacob

Part 3

Book 26

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Recommended chronological reading list:

(with regard to Jesus' life in flesh and Spirit, up to the time of the book of Revelation. All books are written by **Max Seltmann**, unless otherwise indicated. The book marked with **bold**, is the book currently opened.)

1. Childhood years of Jesus (Jakob Lorber)
2. Book 1 – John the Baptist
3. Book 2 – John the Apostle in his youth with Jesus (Love overcomes Part 1)
4. Book 3 – Jesus' Life
5. Book 4 – Jesus' Life
6. Book 5 – Jesus' Life
7. Book 6 – Jesus' Life
8. Book 7 – Jesus' Life
9. Book 8 – Jesus' Life
10. Book 9 – Jesus prepares for His ministry Part 1
11. Book 10 – Jesus prepares for His ministry Part 2
12. Great Gospel of John, Volumes 1 – 10 (Jakob Lorber)
13. Great Gospel of John, Volume 11 (Leopoldt Engel)
14. Book 11 - Good Friday
15. Book 12 - Judas Iscariot in the beyond
16. Book 13 - On the road to Emmaus
17. Book 14 - The Risen One!
18. Book 15 - The New Life in man
19. Book 16 – At Bethany – story of Theophilus
20. Book 17 - Ascension
21. Book 18 - Pentecost!
22. Book 19 - Among the first Christians
23. Book 20 - Divine guidance of the first Christians
24. Book 21 - The chamberlain from the Orient
25. Book 22 - The God-spark and Saul's conversion
26. Book 23 - Awakening the Divine life
27. Book 24 - Experiences with Jacob, Part 1
28. Book 25 - Experiences with Jacob, Part 2
- 29. Book 26 - Experiences with Jacob, Part 3**
30. Book 27 - Experiences with Jacob, Part 4
31. Book 28 - Naeme
32. Book 29 - John the Apostle as a guide (Love overcomes Part 2)
33. Book 30 - John the Apostle as a guide (Love overcomes Part 3)

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PART III

1. Departure from Edessa with Ivano's caravan

Jacob did not want anyone present when he departed from Edessa. But the grateful Edessenes insisted on accompanying the caravan taking Jacob to Patmur, for an hour. The caravan leader, Ivano – being much inclined towards Christianity, could hardly believe the sacrifice brought to the departing man. It was a strong caravan of 20 wagons, laden with Persian carpets and fabrics, with accompaniment, for it was troubling times for those rendering transport services. Jacob was no stranger to caravan life, but the way in which Ivano treated his people, demanded great respect. Thinking about the past days, Jacob was inwardly satisfied, he surrendered himself without desire, which made him more and more alive. Ivano noticed this, yet still asked him what was making him so happy.

Jacob: “Yes, dear Ivano, it is difficult to explain that this or that makes me happy, for I can not escape the happiness. My life is a chain of peace and happiness that is inconceivable to you.”

Ivano: “But friend, do remain modest, who knows if you are again going to experience such a farewell as with Edessa. Hethmann already told me about the events in the royal house and at the widow Helena, but believe me, people forget so easily.”

Jacob: “In your opinion, yes – but I what bring, people do not easily forget, for it gets renewed every day! Behold, you will find no gods in Edessa anymore, but all turned to Jesus, the Master of Love; also the priests, and they are pleased to reveal the grace of the Lord to all.”

Ivano: “It's all a mystery to me how you can do all this. I am a follower of your Jesus, but that's why I don't forget my duties and stay the old Ivano.”

Jacob: “Listen, dear Ivano, I am not giving you any prescriptions, since every person is the creator of his own happiness and his inner world. I have not been told to spread a new teaching which Jesus of Nazareth laid on our hearts word for word, but to witness about the life which is revealed in me, because the Spirit of Jesus became my possession. What I do, is also done in this Spirit, therefore I am a servant of love. The Lord Himself is the One who acts – do you understand me?”

Ivano: “I can understand, but there are still things which are incomprehensible to me. For instance: Zeno – our chief priest – whose work it was to establish the pagan deception in our souls, is now the priest of the congregation you have established. Would it not be more correct for another priest to be appointed? Hethmann and Hermes likewise remained, can you guarantee that good would come from it? Why were none of the healed appointed?”

Jacob: “My friend, according to human logic you are right, but the Lord is the commander and executor. A healed person will serve the community out of gratitude towards the Lord, but the saved will serve out of love towards the Lord, because they opened up their hearts fully to the grace of Jesus the Lord.”

Ivano: “But friend, now you bring again another riddle in that you say that the Lord is the commander and executor. Whatever my lord commands, I do – then why the order, when I am the executor myself?”

Jacob: "Ivano, here is a great mystery, revealed only to those who accept the Lord Jesus and remain in His Spirit. Man is the link between God and human, the Creator and the creature. In his mission, he is as a creature, the crown of all creatures – yes, of the whole of creation, because he carries the completely spiritual Godly law in himself.

The natural man of course does not suspect this, because man arranged his life according to the divine laws. In this state man was still master of creation, but inwardly he was the servant of the Great Spirit, who led his spirit very clearly and in the Being of God. Over time, however, man lost himself to the external, with the result of losing his mastership over nature, and became its slave. The revelations of the Great Spirit lessened to the degree of loss and man's inner being starved. But God, Who does not want His works to perish, brought not only for man, but all of creation, the welcome salvation. Man however, having grown intertwined with all the fibers and roots of being with mortal creation, resisted this salvation, because it is only attainable if he would turn to the Spirit of God who brought the salvation. The moment you would turn to the Eternal, Ivano, you would become alive. When you are alive, you search and research, penetrating ever deeper into the nature of the Divine spirit and learn to recognize yourself, as well as all the things that rest in you, that keep you from staying in touch with the divine spirit. In this cognition of yourself, God comes closer and closer to you, and the yearning to look ever more clearly arouses the love of the Divine until finally everything has become manifest. Do you really understand me correctly?"

Ivano: "Oh very well, dear friend, but it is not clear to me yet about God needing man to complete His creation. Good, that God became man in the Saviour Jesus is understandable to me. But why did He make use of such a detour and not force? Why a development that could take centuries, even millennia, if it could be achieved in a few months, is unclear to me."

Jacob: Ivano, when you experience the Lord as the Eternal Love, everything will be light and clear to you; If God created only out of His omnipotence, then His incarnation would be unnecessary. But man came out of the great love and wisdom of God and was called to a free divine life. You know so much in this world. You are well acquainted with your animals, you know their character, peculiarities, their rules, what they need to procreate and be maintained, but neither you nor anyone else will be able to educate them into another nature than the eternal law imprinted upon them. Humans are different – with them, everything is free and they need to be coaxed and educated in everything. The person will form according to the measure of education. He can be taken to a higher as well as a lower level, which is not possible with animals. Why is this? Because the glorious law of love is anchored in the great freedom of man and God's part in man becomes man's continued existence – yes, even more: this portion out of God, makes the human to be human.

Ivano: "You have told me a lot in just a few words. Now I understand the Saviour Jesus where He said: "Come to Me, I am your Helper and Saviour, sent by the Father in heaven!" But something else is still not clear to me: God became human, lived like a human and had to struggle and produce like any human, while the divine powers could not and can not be separated from all which is Divine. How then could the act of salvation of this God-man be something great, while all powers were at His disposal? I know that death on the cross is hard, even for a just man. But what does it mean for a person full of divine power, to die in such a way? More and more questions come up in me that is still unanswered."

Jacob: "Ivano, it is a good thing that you get these questions out of your system. It is not good to judge the Lord's life, Spirit and Being by human standards. You believe God

became man – good. Now it only needs to become clear to you why God became a man – why this detour, as you have expressed it. Now listen: Because the freedom of many created great spirits – above all that of the great spirit of light – was abused, love separated itself from His omnipotence in the heart of God and grew into an entity, which embraced all that separated and got lost, with strong power, and sought a means of preservation and perfection. This Love became the Son of Man. In order to procure a complete salvation, the Son had to clothe Himself with that matter which needed salvation. It is a false picture to believe that the Son of man Jesus, was merely gifted with all divine power and might. Then you are erring greatly. I know out of experience how it was with the child, the youth and the developing man Jesus. He had to gain and appropriate everything, He had it not one degree better than us, although there was a strong soul in Him. This however was necessary, since [this soul] was the bearer of the Spirit of God in all it's fullness.

This Spirit of God became the leader of the soul of Jesus! He was conscious of His mission, therefore there was no evasion or doubt. The goal, which was incessantly before His eyes and His clearly recognized mission, enlivened His love unto the work of redemption and awakened all the powers that laid in Him like seeds. If you had seen his struggle in Gethsemane as we disciples experienced it, you would never think Jesus was filled with divine powers. On the contrary, there He was empty inside. He knew about His struggle, His suffering and dying. He had to, like no man yet, struggle for help and strength! But the worst thing is that we did not understand the Lord and Master in this decisive hour. Can you now imagine what it was like for Jesus in this hour, because of the great infinite love that matured in the Heart of Jesus? He was able to endure the most severe and bitter and He died for all of us so that we might live!

Ivano: You, Jacob; no-one has ever presented the Life to me like that before, although I believe in Him. But now I feel in myself that I have done Him a great injustice. How can I make amends?”

Jacob: “Ivano, the man Jesus, who was able to die for the people out of love, has atoned for your guilt and above that, also gave you His Spirit of love! If your faith is serious, then do not stay there only, but embrace Jesus' life – make others happy as much as you can, help all afflicted and oppressed, then will not only His eyes, but also His full love and mercy rest on you and you will become aware of the blessing coming from His love and mercy! How much greatness did His love create in Edessa! This is only the beginning; For in those who stand in the love of the Lord, a seed was planted which produced glorious fruit!

Ivano: Jacob, how do you know that you are connected to the Holy One. Does death have not the slightest point of entrance into you anymore, or do you still see Him as He appeared to you?”

Jacob: “Ivano, love Him and from this love, all people – then everything will be alive to you. This very life is the proof that Jesus lives. I do not miss the Master at all. To me, His death was the stepping stone into His life and Being. Without His death we would have remained the old and the law would still be over us as before, but due to His great sacrificial love, life and power streams to us from hour to hour to the measure of our love for people in the Spirit of His love!”

Ivano: “I thank you, Jacob, your words clearly showed me the way; for now I know no better way – Jesus.”

It was getting hot; Ivano kept his caravan on a wooded hill, because the people and animals needed rest and refreshment. As usual, the wagons were brought close together, the animals were released, searching for their feed, but they lacked water. As an experienced caravan leader, he found damp spots where he dug for water, but today his knowledge failed him.

Jacob, who accompanied him, said: Ivano, Jesus in you knows also about water. Why do you not ask Him where you should search? He is a helper and gives support in external things.”

Ivano: “I never thought of that, Jacob, but your speech tells me that you know about a source. Please, show me the place.”

Jacob: “There, at the big rock, you will find ample water. But you will have to dig ten feet deep.”

Ivano: “Jacob, if anyone else would have told me that, I would laugh at him, but I do believe you!”

So it was – good, pure water filled the hole Ivano ordered to be dug. Jacob was therefore worshipped as being divine by the drivers. Ivano kept experiencing new things through Jacob; only once a problem arose when an animal strayed and broke his leg. “Why – why did the Saviour not reveal that”, he complained, “we should have taken more care through these stony areas.”

But Jacob remained completely calm and said: “Ivano is searching also here to find some revelation about grace and guidance. Never will anything happen in your world that could not be of lasting use to you. Certainly, it is a pity for the beast, but greater is the gain of the divine portion in you, so that you may surrender to the guidance of God! By complaining, you complicate things for yourself and those in your service, while in patience and devotion, peace spreads in you and around you!”

They finally arrived at a more inhabited area, where Ivano could enter into an inn and give proper care and rest, especially to the animals.

2. Arrival in Patmur, at Nicolaus

During the evening meal, Ivano said: "Jacob, you became a true brother to me! Now we have to part! How I will miss you! When will I see you again? These days were a gift from Jesus."

Jacob: "You are right, Ivano, to look upon these days as a gift of grace. But greater is the joy of the Lord and Master Jesus, because you opened your heart to Jesus! From now on, your people will cling to you with much greater love, for they, too, grasp the teaching of the Master and see the grace that emanates from Him."

Then the innkeeper stepped closer and spoke: "Ivano, have you experienced something new about Jesus from this friend? I receive very little information out of Jerusalem, what I hear does not sound good."

Ivano: "I can tell you better things and give you great joy with this brother, who is a disciple of the Lord in your house."

Innkeeper: "If this is so, dear Ivano, then you are not my guests, but my brothers! How often have I longed for this hour, to hear the truth from an appointed mouth. The Jews act badly towards us heathens. New infamous acts are constantly done against the followers of Jesus. I am happy to be a Roman subject, at least my house is kept from the filth; but now I want to bring the message to my people and take care for a good drink."

Jacob wanted to decline, but Nicolaus, the innkeeper, said: "To speak the truth, no sacrifice is too great for me – rather poor and informed, than rich and in error."

Jacob: "Do as your heart dictates, your love is the key to the doors of your fellow men. Only this love has the power to elevate your fellow men to sisters and brothers"

The cups were filled, some jars with sour wine was put on the table – then also the hostess came with her sons and daughters. The welcome was warm, albeit restrained.

Nicolaus said: "Forgive that the children are still so reserved. In them is more fear than trust. Only yesterday here were some temple-priests, whom I had to remove from the house; but now all is good, the sun finally shines again for us and brought us certainty."

The joy soon spilled over to the others also staying at the inn, and all of them soon knew about the disciple of the crucified Saviour who stayed among them. Driven by his innermost love, Jacob greeted each guest and added a few words of blessing. There was not one who would reject this simple love. Thus the hearts of all were already won, before he had proclaimed only one word from the Lord. Now he stood in their midst and said: "My friends, I did not come here out of myself, but by commission of the Lord and Master Jesus, of whom You have heard that He was crucified; but this Jesus did not remain in death, but entered into a life, which He gained for all who believes in Him and acts according to His teaching. His teaching is the singular law of love. This life which He gained for our sake, is closely knit with the law of love. It can only be achieved in the Spirit which inspired Jesus. It is the power of love, the light of grace, and the glorious consciousness of being safe in Him for time and eternity!

You, Nicolaus, would like to ask how it is that so many must suffer and die for the sake of

the Lord - I say to you: Those who suffer and die for the sake of the Lord is carried by Himself, His grace is mighty in them. All suffering and woe are sweetened by the presence of the Lord, who can not judge His enemies, for the sake of the salvation of all! Although death is harsh and cruel, if you talked to all those who died for the Lord, you would be astonished at their statements. Life has won the victory over death, so death has no fear anymore, but is the entrance into a life of true happiness! Are you satisfied?"

Nicolaus: "Your words are delightful and convincing, but our human thinking and emotions oppose it, as we receive news of gruesome acts. Why, why, you dear disciple of the Lord, does the Lord not prevent it? You did indeed say, in order to not hinder the salvation of these, I do not get it! Did Jesus change? What did we hear about great exploits. Here at this table, His power and glory is exalted, while these days, everything is dumb and anxious. Just to pronounce the name Jesus, makes one anxious! It is dangerous to confess Him; for the temple's minions are everywhere, joyfully dragging off those confessing Jesus."

Jacob: "You said it rightly, Nicolaus, the enemy of life is at the height of his night. He wants to throw the Resurrected One into death forever, but since Jesus entered into His Eternal possession, He left us His Word and Spirit, which leads us into all wisdom and truth and enlivens us to the eternal and true life out of Him! In this life you are connected to the life of all life, no enemy is able to disturb this feast; for Jesus is the power and also the victory!"

Nicolaus ordered a meal to be served, this was the kind of joyfulness he loved so much. Then the two temple priests whom Nicolaus turned out of his house before, entered. With great impertinence they wanted to know the reason why everyone was in such a good mood and what was the reason for such a frugal meal.

Nicolaus said: "I have not called for you, and will also not answer your questions – but in case you forgot that this is a Roman inn, I will make use of my house rights."

Temple priest: "That's not what it meant, dear friend, I see only a few who are of our faith. It is our duty to watch over them. Oh, what do I see, the carpenter Joseph's son is here, then our presence here is doubly needed, he belongs to the twelve outlaws."

"Stop, not a word anymore", Nicolaus said, "you may regard Jesus as an outlaw, to us He is the greatest Benefactor. It is a good thing that this disciple is here, so he can uncover your hatred and webs of lies about Jesus."

Temple priest: "Dear innkeeper, do not be so convinced about the Nazarene; for in Nazareth, they do not speak much good of Him. Even this disciple has to admit how loveless and obstinate his brother was. I know the circumstances pretty well; there was seldom peace in Joseph's house, as it should be with the children of Israel. That there are no followers out of Nazareth, is telling for us."

Jacob: "You are Simon, son of Joram, you were only for a short time during your youth in Nazareth. It is true that the Nazarenes spoke bad of Jesus for a while, since also they, same as us, did not understand Jesus' struggle. Jesus was not popular with your parents, you could not stand Him at all, without coming into closer contact with Him. You went away, so you could not form an opinion of His development. Today you are a temple priest like your father, you have to act according to the rules of the temple, explaining every good deed of the Master Jesus as being done with the help of Beelzebub. Why did you not feel with those He had saved from their sufferings and agony? Who are – like those of the

temple – so quickly done with their judgement, is not worthy that the infinite love from God in Jesus is revealed to them. If you, Simon, would have a wife or daughter who is sick to death, and a saviour came and healed her, would you not be filled with warm gratitude? But what did you do? Such grateful people you put into prison without regard for their age or family. Here, where you are only guests yourselves, you want to practice your beloved craft – to hunt down people for the sake of the temple's reward: to continue to persecute."

Simon forced himself to remain calm, but he said: "Jacob, do not go too far, for there are heavy penalties for these allegations and insults of a servant of God."

But Jacob said: "Upon your threats I say to you that I do not fear them, but I owe it to all who are here to prove how little you are a servant of God! Nicolaus, send over five men to the "Wild Men Inn". There are two temple servants, holding captive three women and a man, bound by hands and feet. Let them be brought here, then this priest can prove his servanthood to God."

Nicolaus said: "Jacob, how did you know this, for if this is true, I am the principal of the community, then the court will have to talk."

Simon wanted to object, but Nicolaus said: "Wait for what would become of this story, within half an hour, we will know everything."

Jacob said: "Nicolaus, do you truly believe that I could accuse someone of a crime out of my own? Accept this as a proof from the Saviour Jesus and you will have the fulfillment of your longing. But be assured, Simon has bad intentions!"

Nicolaus: "Do not worry, an old soldier does not rush in so quickly."

He got up and whistled for his dog, who quickly came. He pointed at Simon and said: "Watch him well, my friend!"

The big dog crouched down in front of Simon, growling and staring at Simon. All the men in the inn set out for the "Wild Man" - partly out of curiosity, partly out of anger at the two priests. They had to obey Jacob's words. As the men left the room with much noise, Simon looked around – the dog was watching him indifferently. Simon made some movements on which the dog did not react. Then he quickly reached under his coat and tried to stab the dog with a sharp knife; but the dog had Simon down on the ground with one jump. Those present did not see this happen, for they were gathered around Jacob. But now they were dismayed to see the dog mauling Simon.

Nicolaus called out: "Let go, Caesar, let go – you did well."

He took the knife which fell on the floor and said: "Simon, you indeed did not expect that. The knife will weigh heavily against you, since when do priests go armed in Jehova's service? You yourself are responsible for the wounds Caesar incurred on you. The only thing I will allow you to do, is to clean your wounds, for dog bites can be dangerous."

Nicolaus brought his daughter Irene. She washed the wounds with vinegar, without paying attention to the pain of the injured. In the meantime, the men who went to get the captives returned, but they have bound both temple priests who refused to release the prisoners. There was so much commotion in the guest room, that Nicolaus had to make a call for order. The captive man was an acquaintance of Nicolaus.

[The man:] "You know that my wife has died, my small estate now and then needs some

female help. These are my three sisters-in-law, who help together with my children. How the priest discovered that we are followers of Jesus is a riddle to me, I did not betray anything myself.”

“I am to blame”, said one [of the sisters-in-law], “This man here asked for a piece of bread for the sake of the love of Jesus, so I betrayed myself and with it, also the others. I beg forgiveness from the bottom of my heart, that I was so foolish to believe their peace.”

Nicolaus: “Do not worry anymore! Your betrayal is no betrayal, but a confession, for which we all thank you; but it is most important to me [to know] how you got caught!”

Schimba: “It is easy, my sisters-in-law live at the other end of the town. As soon as they entered my hut, this priest came and demanded that I curse the Nazarene three times and make a greater sacrifice, being guilty unto death. I firmly refused, on which he slapped me through my face and left the house. We believed that the danger was over, for the day proceeded without incident. But as soon as the three were about to leave for their home, these four tyrants came, overpowered first me and then my sisters-in-law. We had to look on while they plundered my supplies. They even ate of my bread - when I protested, I again received some blows - and then followed the night. My children hid from the tyrants in the barn, I still do not know what became of them. One left, but soon returned with a wagon, on which the four of us had to climb, lest we all would be beaten. That was yesterday; they went to the "Wild Man", but there was no way we could make ourselves to be seen, since we were strictly guarded. Now we are here. Someone told us that a disciple of Jesus ordered us to be freed.”

Nicolaus said: "This is so, dear Schimba, this is Jacob, whom the faithful Saviour brought in among us."

Schimba: "Let me thank you, Jacob! I unfortunately have to look for my children, they will not know where we are."

Jacob: “Do that, Schimba, but come back tomorrow. The sisters may stay here, it is enough if a messenger would inform your mother-in-law.”

Schimba: “I will come as soon as possible, my heart is full of gratitude and joy, but I ask for some food for myself, we had nothing to eat for a day.”

The four satisfied themselves at a table – then Schimba hurried off to his homestead. Nicolaus let the four templars be guarded in a room, then he said: “Jacob, the unpleasant part is over for sure; bring again order into our troubled minds. Behold, all of us hunger after a word from Jesus, we are burning to be introduced to the Being of Jesus, who died for us out of love.”

Jacob answered: “Dear brothers, dear sisters! I understand your longing. We also had to experience the same when He, our Master was ripped away from us. For three days we were in sorrow and mourning and how wonderful everything has become! The greatest joy was not that He was again restored in His imperishable body, but that He gave us His Spirit, Who guides us in all wisdom and truth. Your longing is also the Master's longing. Therefore, open up your hearts, forget what is behind us, then His Love will make us free and joyful – but not only for now, but for all of eternity! You saw the fruit of the spirit of the world in the deeds of these Templars. You turned your hearts away in disgust from this lowliness and wrongfulness, and why? Because the spirit in you could rise up to open the door for the true and eternal Spirit of God. The sweetest words from Jesus' mouth were:

'Come to Me, all who labour and are heavily laden – I will quicken you!'

Do not think that He said these words because the Spirit of Love was revealed in His Being – oh no – He said these words, because, through the unification with God in the depths of His heart, His love became so great and powerful, that He could be a Saviour and Redeemer. In the hour when all despised, hated and rejected Him – on the cross – He could still say: 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing!' See, in this word lies the greatest "Confession of Love", here He manifested the power of His salvational and redemptive love, which – even in death – still kept open the way for the enemy of all life! The termination of His life, the mourning for our beloved Master, rendered us exhausted and discouraged; but when He came to us in His glorious love, which now made us see His life in a new light, there, dear brothers and sisters, a stroke was drawn through our past lives – and the new life out of grace and love could unfold in us according to the degree of our love towards Him and our neighbour! As new things are daily manifested in us in our spirits, so also in you, new things will always be revealed through the Spirit of His love and grace. You will also be made free from the old concepts created in you by the law and false education; yes, even push the boundaries where the life out of God was stifled. After all, the Lord and Master knew about everything! Already as a child, He knew about His mission and did not shy away from wrestling in and with Himself; for everything which is in us, was also in Him. And why so? Because a way had to be built for all those living in rebellion, by which redemption would be possible.

Also our forefathers wrestled with this spirit. It was not possible for them to break down the barriers in themselves in order to give the eternal Spirit of God the opportunity to give their own spirit the awareness that it is a part of the eternal Spirit of God. In this inner consciousness, our souls can be guided by the Spirit on the prepared way towards salvation! See, dear sisters, in your sorrow and suffering inflicted upon you by the servants who served the enemy of life under a false pretense – you have made a great step towards the eternal and free life out of God. Love has revealed itself to you, Who only wants to help and give freedom. Allow your longing to constantly increase, to completely recognize the One who wants to give you much more; for as you desire to enter into communion with Him, so He, too, as the eternal love, desires to remain in eternal union with you."

Nicolaus: "Dear Jacob, your words are like a gentle rain on dry land. In every word there is the desire that life should pulsate in everyone - and everyone should strive towards Him where there is light and clarity, joy and contentment; but you also let it be understood that the Eternal Savior and Holy Master carry this longing in Him. He is the Lord, can He not take in His boundless love whatever He wants, why still the yearning, where He can merely take what He needs in love?"

Jacob: "There is much to your question, my Nicolaus, but are you not also a father of your children, whom you love? Just as you must refuse some wishes because of the immaturity of your children, so does the eternal Father! See, His love and wisdom has taken care of everyone and everything. Not a single being in the whole of infinity should ever have cause to lament or reproach. Through His Incarnation, He put man on a level that allows full development. He made the beginning Himself, by putting Himself as a human on the level of a human, took up a soul-cloak with the same potential as what any other human soul carries in his soul. His struggle as human was not the earth carrying Him, but it was a struggle to ennoble all that He recognized as being inferior in Him to glorify the human unto divinity. He succeeded! Therefore, all powers were at His disposal, which he lifted from the impurities in His soul unto divine level, and which became His free property. His words were: 'All power is given to Me in heaven and on earth.' [That is] The testimony that

He had regained the lost dominion that once belonged to the first created man. Now the way was free for all human children and a barrier was placed before eternal damnation. The way was also now opened for God to again approach His lost children. Until His Incarnation, God could only speak through the mouth of His prophets, whom He had chosen with great difficulty and patience, but now He can speak and reveal Himself to every child, but only according to the gifts of the awakened spiritual life. What a holy breeze surrounds those who are living fully in His love and in His Spirit! With holy reverence, Eternal Love serves those children who want to mature to the degree where it could become one with God! Yes, my dears, become one with Him in service, in love, that all may experience everything and feel the power of faith and the grace of the living God, which will arise in every child, to become a saviour and a redeemer! Then the word will come true: 'By this the world shall know that you are My children.'

Love each other and love all people in this spirit, then you open the door of life towards the true kingdom of heaven, which found its beginning and grounds in you. Then man knows only one great task: to glorify the grace which enlivens him, and to do holy deeds according to the holy Word of His teaching of love! Have you understood me? Free your hearts completely! The freer you become, the more alive you will become in yourselves; the greater the consciousness, even so greater the divine life, and also the greater the responsibility. God does not strew His Spiritual gifts around, even though He is overly rich and the Lord of endless treasures; but because the gift of grace should awaken new life, to save all from death, to enter into the eternal life."

Nicolaus: "Jacob, you lead us ever deeper into the life of God. We foresee the greatness of His love and grace, but how far are we still removed from where we too can love and believe that the eternal God can rejoice over us? There is already a yearning in your words to show us all that we, too, associate with God, the Eternal and the Holy, as children do with their Father! But if I understand you correctly, is our immaturity, our still too great inertia, the evil keeping us from fulfillment? Tell us how we can achieve this maturity the quickest way - we shall not lack the will. The same goes for my brothers."

Jacob: "Nicolaus, the old and wrong ideas are the greatest evil. This applies to all, one has to recognize oneself, so many things still live in every human being that still belongs to the earth; this is the most important focus, because it stands in direct opposition against heaven! It is necessary to separate the love for the earthly and the heavenly, for man can not weave these together – why then? Because everything that belongs to the earthly, enslaves the soul; while everything that belongs to the eternal, gives freedom to the soul and the spirit. This gives you the right picture on Simon, the priest."

Nicolaus: "If I understood you correctly, then the love of the Divine must be the driving force of all action. Of course, that is still completely missing. It will be hard to achieve the right degree of maturity to be able to commune with God, which is our longing."

Jacob: "Nicolaus, with these false concepts you will never reach the goal! God as the eternal Love wants to be searched for, but He is also searching for you, otherwise you would not be here. Set reason aside for once, search with your heart – but there, where it is to be found – yourself! Surround all of your human brothers with the Law of Love, and you are well on your way to connecting with Him. But do not expect that He comes to you outwardly, but completely silently and quietly in the little chamber of your heart."

One of Simon's sisters: "Dear disciple Jacob! If you would not have come, would I have been able to endure? Because all our requests seemed to be in vain, it was only good that the two priests always left us alone. We ourselves are not yet strong enough to endure

these serious trials, and you are right that we still lack much to be firm in faith and strong in trust. Therefore thank Him for His goodness!"

Jacob: "Do not worry about anything more, than that you can still love more; for it is precisely this love in you that is His life. Never let the thought arise that you could fail, but be certain that the glorious Master of Love will carry you in all situations, support you, even in the trial. To be tested by Him means to be accepted, that is, to be honoured, to be received into the covenant of those who are the bearers of life in His Spirit!

My dear ones, His love can never really be described, but only reveal it's innermost being. Now that you know that, it will be easy for you to penetrate completely into His Spirit, who in all things shows you the pure truth, the right life that you now have to live. We too had to fight for this truth. Now that we live it out, God is no longer alien to us, but has become a Father, who gives us all the treasures of His love."

Isidore said: "Oh dear messenger of our Savior, your words are like a sweet bread, but it makes one even more hungry. What have we all heard! The desire to encounter one who has lived with Jesus, the good Saviour, kept increasing. You are one of those whom I may ask to tell us something of His miracles, of His love that filled all people, so that all those who were there with Him, were steeped in the truth and divinity of His love and mission. What we heard enlivened us, it was so powerful that we believed in the only begotten Son. How would it be if we could receive His word from Himself, or from one of His called ones! I feel it in me that these words you gave us, penetrated deep into my innermost being. Oh, let even more of His word and life penetrate even deeper into my inner and innermost being, that nothing can separate us anymore from Him, who died and created a heaven out of love, in which all should be saved!"

Jacob: "Behold, my brother and all of you: the word of the Lord and life is a spring that never dries up or fails – whether it comes from my, or another's mouth. It will always have the same power and effect, for His Word is a seed. When it is received with a believing heart, it will have it's effect, but it depends on the spirit in which it is given to you. To judge that is probably not easy, but the moment you realize His nature and appropriated it, everything is clear and light to you. It has often happened that the Lord Himself was not understood or acknowledged.

I remember Brother Judas, who walked with us all the time and yet could not recognize or even acquire His nature of love. How many battles did we experience that the Lord had to fight, only because love was considered weakness, or unworthy of a man. Those who wanted to reason everything with their minds needed long sessions; but how easily and fast was the greatest manifested miracles accepted by those who embraced Jesus meekly and like children. Nor could Jesus act according to His inherent wisdom, but often - almost always - had to take refuge in love, [and] had to put himself entirely on the ground of those who listened to Him. Likewise with the miracles or with the healings. First, the ground had to be receptive. The miracle alone would not produce the results - but His word, His teaching, which you also have."

Isidore: "It might be the same words, but after all, not the same words. The other words increased the hunger, but His words satisfies the hunger, stills the longing and brings the heart to rest! We therefore thank the Lord that He has sent you to our midst. I have only one request: stay longer, we also need you for our sick and our enemies."

Jacob: "Do not worry about all of that; for this does not happen according to our, but according to His will! We only wanted to please the Lord, Who is in our midst, even in this

hour! But I will gladly do according to your words and bring you some which will reveal even more of His love...

We were in Bethany - many guests, friends and enemies came daily. Lazarus remained one and the same for everyone. One day, two strangers came – business friends of brother Lazarus. The business was soon done, when one asked: 'Lazarus, how do you manage everything so wonderfully? With others it is trouble upon trouble, but you're a good man to do business with.'

Lazarus: 'I can not explain it to you with one word. But you will not accept that I have a helper in the Saviour Jesus, because I know your opinion on this.'

The business friend: 'Do not start again, dear Lazarus! You know the faith of my fathers is inviolable to me. I just can not understand you that you are still obedient to the temple and also to the Romans. It would be a blatant impossibility for me to offer hospitality to Romans.'

Lazarus: 'Nothing easier than that; for I do not see in my guests the Templar or the Roman, but the human brother whom God sent to my house. Yes, even more, in every man, also in you, God comes to us as a guest, and that fills me with holy joy!'

Business friend: 'Lazarus, you are a magnificent person, but do not mind me, you are also a fanatic, as there are so many today, who are infected by the Nazarene sect.'

'Oh-ho!', Lazarus said, 'since when do you make statements which you cannot prove. It can not be fanaticism, since I have a set table for everyone. Or do you think I could do everything smoothly out of myself? There you are greatly mistaken! I am only enabled by the Nazarene to act like this and to see in every person the expression given me by God, as if He is my guest Himself.'

Business friend: 'Lazarus, do not sin! You know that I draw sharp boundaries since my children went to the grave before me.'

Lazarus: 'I know all about that, Isodor, but you are bitter, so you are inaccessible to this joy, to all happiness. But should it always stay that way? See, I want to show you how right I am and how unreasonable you are. See, I have fifty guests over there. I say that God has come as a guest in every one of them. Please go to any one, talk to him for a few minutes at your convenience. If you are disappointed, then you should be right and never again will I reproach you.'

Isodor: Lazarus, you are making a fool of yourself. You are going too far. I will not do it, for I do not want others to not understand you.'

Lazarus: 'Isodor, I will not force you, but because I want to bind you even more to me, I still ask you – do try it – so that you can bind me also more to you.'

Isodor looked intently at Lazarus and said: 'Good, Lazarus, I will try for your friendship's sake, although I promise nothing.'

Then Isodor watched the guests intently, his gaze stayed set on Jesus – then he went over and said: 'Lazarus gave me permission to talk to you; forgive me that I intrude and disturb you in your conversation.'

Jesus spoke: 'A hearty welcome to both of you! It is after all to prove to you that Lazarus

does not act out of blind weakness or fanaticism, but out of the impulse of his inhabiting divine life, which you do not believe in.'

Isodor: 'Are you omniscient, or did Lazarus gave you a sign?'

Jesus: 'Dear friend, you are surprised by My answer. I could tell you much more, but it will be enough if I tell you, your friend Lazarus has chosen the better part! Believe his words and keep his friendship – even more, become one – since he is a blessed of the Lord! But to give you an unmistakable proof that God is here in Me as a guest, ask Me for something only God can do. But it has to be something natural.'

Isodor: 'Dear friend! Whoever you are, I demand nothing; because it is proof enough to me that God is present in you. Only I can not understand all this! Or could you help me without my being unfaithful?'

Jesus: 'I could do that, but how would you feel about honouring your faith; but what is faith if it does not carry you in all life-situations, and you get overthrown by the slightest test? See, when your children were taken, you doubted, you've torn your innocent garment into a hundred pieces. You almost lost your wife, was it not for the two sisters of your friend Lazarus. Tell me, is that faith?'

Isodor: 'Stop that, dear friend, do not remind me of the most difficult hours of my life, but tell me, who revealed it to you?'

Jesus: 'Dear friend, it must be a poor God in Me who would not be able to see into the depths of your soul; therefore I tell you, I could tell you much more, but why do you not speak the wish which is burning in your soul?'

Isodor: 'Now I can not evade any words or questions any more, since You also know what is my greatest longing.'

Jesus: 'Poor, poor friend – how little do you know your God! First you are afraid of violating your belief and then you are afraid of God! Behold - in Me God is at home, true and truthfully; he who speaks to Me, also speaks to God! All the brothers here, as well as your friend Lazarus knows this, what is it to violate our wrongful faith? Nothing! But you need to be careful not to deny your living God whom you have vowed to serve in living faith! Behold, it is your desire to see your children once again and to speak a few words with them. But your faith has them in their graves until the resurrection. And I tell you, you are in grave error – your children live and are awaiting the hour when I will open the door leading to life!'

Isodor looked quite shaken to Jesus and said: 'If your eyes would not look at me with so much love, I would fear you; for it is true, but what can I do. I may not leave the faith of my fathers.'

Jesus answered: 'Neither shall you do that, but believe in the living God who lives in Me, and now is speaking to you: open your eyes and your ears, that you may see and experience the wonder of His love and then tell me whether you can still keep up the old concept of your God.'

Then, before our eyes, the walls of the house disappeared and there in front of us laid a beautiful landscape of a beautiful mountain, a beautiful light which allowed us to see everything clearly and many people of both genders working on rocky gardens, aroused our interest; at once, two clad in radiant clothing came over to us, calling out: 'Father,

Father, have you also now come to us? We've been waiting for you all this time – is mother also coming soon?’

Isodor spread out his arms to embrace them both, but he could not utter a word – then a lovely figure separated from the others: 'Believe and trust Him, Who gave you the grace of this vision. We, too, long for the hour when the door of life will be open to all - to all. Do not be afraid of what you call sin. But live a life of love in God, which is mentioned in our world as in yours!'

The vision faded away. After a while, Isodor said: 'Friend, if this was not a dream, but a reality, then I am a beaten man, then my austere life was a great error and my fear of God was a sin against life!'

Jesus said: 'God is just and straightens all crooked ways, but He cannot give love where there is still fear and too much self-love. In the future, keep closer to the advice that the lovely figure gave you, then it will become clear to you how God seeks after you! But the coming Messiah will never be the way He lives in your imagination!'

Then Isodor grabbed the Master's hands and said: 'Now I think I know who you are! You are the Nazarene whom I always reckoned to be a fool – let me make up for my mistake, for from now on, I will strive to be like Lazarus!'

Jesus answered: 'Then stay with Lazarus for today. You won more life than you would with those you still wanted to visit; for they will come to Lazarus still today. I tell you this, that you might know God reveals things to people who are still of earthly nature. God can do anything, but one thing He can not do – to give you a different idea about Himself. This, man has to do for himself. Therefore experience today by His grace another proof of His love which should also be the salvation of all people!

Jacob: “So, dear brothers and sisters, it became a day of salvation, just as today is a gift of God's over-great love, by which salvation is offered to all people in Jesus, unto eternal salvation. Blessed are those who make it their own!”

The next day, Schimba arrived early in the morning. With great joy, he related that when he arrived at his house, everything was in great order. A young man came to his neighbour and asked her with friendly words to accommodate the children and cattle, for Schimba and his sisters-in-law were taken away – but they would be back in less than three days. So, everything was in perfect order.

The small company, who was already up, was not a little surprised by Schimba's report. But when Jacob came among them to speak a few words to them, the joy was all the greater.

3. Departure of Ivano's caravan

Ivano had to move on - he embraced Jacob and said: "Brother, never will I be able to forget you, because through you I got to know the Lord and the Savior - how different the world now looks! How important does earth-life now seem to me, and how great the smallest task, since it is important to help with the great work of the Lord!"

Jacob: "Go with the living God, who is the Father of all those who love Him like a child! From now on, you will also hear His voice in you. Be blessed in His Spirit, and the love of the Lord in you, will prove His power! Go in peace!"

After breakfast, Nicholas came excitedly to Jacob and says: "Brother, the priest Caesar has bitten, is very dizzy. He has a high wound-fever; if he gets no help, he will be lost. What can we do?"

Jacob: "Help, Nicolaus, only help! Lay your hands on him in the Name of the Lord, then it will go better with him. He is not our enemy, but only a deluded person."

Nicolaus: "Jacob, I can not rightly understand that – he is our enemy and the Lord's enemy! Whatever he is guilty of, he needs to atone for."

Jacob: "You should not think like that, brother – but how the Lord would act in such a case, for you stand in the Lord's place here. His Spirit can only work in you, if you are completely on the grounds of His Being, not degrading yourself or the Lord; if you have love and compassion, but you increase His love and His life – you thereby overcome your pride and humble yourself before the Lord – then His Spirit in you will break through!"

Nicolaus: "Jacob, I want to ask you – why do you not want to lay hands on Simon?"

Jacob: "For it is the Lord and Master's will – you need to become steadfast, fireproof in the love, the Lord needs you! Search in yourself, there you will find the full solution."

Nicolaus: "Such shall the will of the Lord happen. But You, Lord Jesus, give me the right power and the right understanding."

Nicolaus went alone to the room where the templars were. Simon moaned for fever, the others where at a loss. Then Nicolaus said: "Why do you not give your brother any relief, you are then connected with him. Or did you forget that you are members of the temple? It is not mine, but your fault that you are now captives."

4. Healing of the Chief Priest Simon, conversion of the other 3 priests

Now he went over to Simon's bed. He watched him for a lengthy time, then he laid his hands on him and prayed out loud: 'Lord Jesus, You good Saviour and Master, I need your power and your help! This blind and lost person wanted to do You harm in his false and wrongful hatred and harmed himself in the process! Oh, would You help him! Do not let him perish, but give him a new opportunity that he can become a new and better person. Fill me with the power of Your love, so that Your stream of life may enliven him and let the fever go away!

Nicolaus remained in prayer for a full 7 minutes, then Simon calmed down – the fever was gone.

Turning to the priests, Nicolaus said: "You were witnesses that the Lord Jesus, whom you wanted to destroy, once more allowed mercy! Repent and free yourselves from your error; for just as the Lord and Master helped your blinded brother, He likewise can apply His power to ruin you. What did you get from your wild life – nothing but danger! If I would give you over to the Roman courts, there would not be much left of your glory; for your crime was to attack defenseless people!"

One of the priests said: "You have spoken well, what do you know about our lives! We have to obey when the temple commands; what do we care about the Nazarene, of whose death we are convinced, and to believe in His resurrection, our minds forbid. You see that our acts and deeds are no crime according to the temple. If you could convince me that I am really mistaken, then I would be a fool to continue my current life, of which I've had enough. I have a wife and children! By grace and disgrace, I got involved with the temple - so I break my oath."

Nicolaus: "In this tone, I am willing to continue talking with you. Do you two also think like this?"

The priest: "Dear innkeeper, they are as obligated as we are, but they are without guilt in this assault!!"

Nicolaus: "Good – promise me that you will not flee, then you are free. But do not forget that my dog has sharp eyes and even sharper teeth! You do not need to worry about Simon, he is in our care."

Simon recovered quickly – the wounds did look bad, but there were no signs of worsening. The others remained in the guest room without any need, they were just happy to be free men again. Schimba and his sisters-in-law decided to refrain from legal persecution. Then Jacob said: "Dear brothers and sisters! My heart is now full of holy joy! Your love for Jesus gained a victory like you can not imagine. There is joy upon joy in heaven – you will have it's echo in your hearts, and the Lord can express His gratitude to you. It is good to repay someone who has done good to us with good, but to repay someone who meant us harm with good, that is divine! You will recognize the Lord Saviour with even greater glory. The life of His love in you will loosen much more in you if you remain in Him. For as long as He has lived among us as a human, we saw His glory – but now we experience it; not as a gift, but as a life of our own! This life continuously reveals new heavenly life, so much so

that I can say with certainty: I do not live anymore, but He lives in me, and I in Him! Do we need any more evidence? See Schimba, I could give you promises in the Name of the Lord. But it would be very much inferior to if the Lord Himself – whose help you gained through the coronation of His love in you – can communicate with you in person, and reveal everything to you Himself.

So listen to what else His Spirit in me wants to say to all of you. His eyes are searching for hearts who yearn after Him; who want to commune with Him; but not as Lord and servant, but like a Father and child. Yes, even more – His love is so penetrating, that it is His only wish to finish off His work in the hearts of His children who carry His life in them. Even more - it is His greatest bliss to serve His children as He has served us as a human, as no eye have seen and no ear has heard, what He has prepared for those who took up His life in themselves. You ask, how is this possible, He is the Lord and we are sinful creatures -on this, the Lord says: **“Creatures of the most glorious kind may enchant My eyes, but My longing is for children to whom I can be only Father, with whom I can communicate. Even more, with whom I can bless the depths and the holy without violating My holiness. My Holiness drew and had to draw boundaries, but with the childlikeness of My children who stand in My Spirit, it is possible to overcome all boundaries and let the light of My love shine to illuminate the way that My love created, for all to be able to find Me themselves and experience My love, My grace and My mercy!**

By your love towards My enemies, you opened the door to your salvation. I Myself could not, and was not allowed to do this. But I can not deny My children anything they find in Me, which is My greatest desire and longing – to save My enemy and to stifle his will and works. Listen, not to inhibit – for if I would touch the freedom of a single being, the bliss of all would be endangered. But My child who recognizes the freedom, experiences in himself the essence of My love and acts after the urge of My love in himself and can do things which I have to deny Myself! His gratitude is therefore boundless and his happiness is the compensation for what he suffers and endures in order to save that very spirit. As long as it was still only a longing, the spirit was still vulnerable, but now that it was given fulfillment, it became a property of the earth, and heaven and earth melted together. The way to Me was paved for My children and I can call those Mine, who carry My life in them and embody My word and glorify My life.”

Schimba: “Oh brother Jacob, what a word you gave us through Jesus? What we considered to be a weakness, you revealed to us to be the greatest act of love; in me is a nudge, yes even a joy, that I am able to endure and tolerate even greater things; but not out of powerlessness, but with a power like never before. Is this alright?”

Jacob: “Schimba, do not ask, but give thanks and search in yourself in order to see Him who have proven Himself so gloriously, for He is among us – His words through my heart is not yet enough proof, but what you see, feel and experience.”

Schimba wanted to say something, but as some women with children came, he remained silent. One of the women said to Nicolaus: “We heard that a disciple of Jesus has come, so we came with our sick children to ask him to heal our children.”

Jacob: “You are at the right place, but why do you not believe that Jesus arose from death – your children would have been healed long since and you would not have had to suffer.”

One of the women: “You are right, we could not believe that Jesus rose from death – it is rather hard to believe. One says this, the other that, everyone has something different to

say.”

Jacob: “Woman, if the Master would not have risen from the grave, then His and also our mission would be worthless; but you do know the Scripture – is it not written that He has gained victory over death and brought eternal life to all? This did happen. But all who believe in Him will be aware that the Scriptures had been fulfilled! How can I then prove it to you if you don't believe God – therefore go within yourselves and eradicate all doubt in you, only then can you see the glory of God. Had you believed like Schimba and his sisters-in-law, you would have long since taken part in the grace to experience Jesus in His infinite love.”

Another woman spoke, weeping: “It is our unbelief's fault, give us back our peace. I believe what you now are telling us, and show every priest the door; for they were the ones who took our peace from us and made the resurrection of the Saviour a lie and a deception.”

Jacob: “Do not accuse anyone, for everyone is responsible for himself! That you may experience that I am right, go to your brother Schimba. He will heal your children in the Name of the Lord.”

Schimba: “Brother Jacob, why then me, they came to you in full trust?”

Jacob: “Brother, did you already forget the glorious revelation? Is the Lord not waiting on your love, which is a product of His love in you? Take on the task with the steadfast faith that His love will be fulfilled in you, do not resist the Spirit, allow yourself to be guided and lead by Him, even if you see no result. The work is yours, but the success is the Lord's work. Believe and trust and become increasingly more familiar with your Saviour, your Jesus and Redeemer!”

Schimba: “If so, then dear Saviour, in Your Name and in Your love, give success!”

Schimba went over to the sister who has accused herself, and said: “You heard what Jacob, the disciple said. Come, ask with me for the blessing and victory of His love in us. Lord Jesus, we are dependent on you, help us to trust in you and give us your strength and your love. Let a stream come to life in us, to revive in us what would inspire and heal our love, what we want to heal through Your love. I thank You, my Saviour and my God, that You have already fulfilled our request. Amen!”

The boy whom Shimba put his hand on while praying was healthy, all the red marks on his body were gone. Then the woman fell down and stammered words of thanks.

5. Lydia gets healed

In the meantime, Schimba laid his hand on another boy and the same miracle happened. Before the mother could really think, the third woman came. She hesitatingly said: "Schimba, may I come too - you know me, I am full of sin - also to be well, do not reject me, it was I who betrayed you, because the priest wanted to pray for me."

Schimba: "You, Lydia, are making my service difficult, I have not always loved you as a sister! You were always devoted to my wife, with what did I cause you trouble, so that I may ask your forgiveness. That you betrayed me and my sisters-in-law had to be like this, because otherwise the life of the Savior Jesus would not have been revealed. You are free from guilt in my eyes, do also set me free, then the glorious Savior will prove to you that He has forgiven you everything. But You, most glorious and most faithful Saviour, renew our bond and do heal Lydia through Your power and grace; Your will is our will, Your peace is our sanctuary now and for ever! Amen!"

Jacob: "Thus I also say in the Name of the Lord – Amen! Be blessed in the Name of the Lord and in His love! But you, Lydia, will need to love much, for the eyes of the Lord to again rest on you with pleasure. The Lord forgave your mistakes, do penance with doubled love, and therefore, be healed in Jesus' Name – Amen!"

Lydia could only cry. With tears in her eyes, she said, "From now on, thank you, Lord Jesus, but not in words, but in my life, which you gave me anew. Everyone should be witness to the promise of what I now vow. Only you, my Lord and God, my Savior and Redeemer, will own my life. Wherever You place me, my eyes will seek for You; I will be there where there is service to perform in Your love and grace, and my lips shall utter no words that could diminish You. To be able to accomplish this, I ask You, You faithful Jesus, for Your strength and for success. You filled me again with strength, I feel new life in me. My life – it is Your's – for as long as it is Your will – Amen!"

The others were deeply touched by this – then Jacob said: "Lydia, the Lord does not ask for any promises, but since you gave it, you owe it to yourself. Do not disappoint the Lord a second time! You are healthy by the grace of the Lord, become a witness to the Lord! He will give you the right strength."

The three templars were not a little amazed at these events, then Elias the priest said: "I am amazed at the nature of your faith and your healings; if I had known this before, I would never resort to doing the criminal services for the temple. What has been reported to us from Jerusalem!? What Simon has not affirmed and now I experience the simplicity in a natural, sweet way! Dear innkeeper, I have no words left; even if I don't become a Nazarene, I will not remain a priest!"

Nicolaus: "I knew that you were convinced of this truth. You need not become a Nazarene, but a just and straight-forward person, proving everything in the right order and keeping to all which is good and true. Stay in my house for as long as you want. A lot of Romans and merchants come around here, here will be a new life for you. First, become a Roman to loosen yourself properly from the temple."

Elias: "Good – I accept your offer, what will become of Simon?"

Nicolaus: "Leave this to Simon, think of yourself for now, that you might be even more

convinced. Jacob is still among us. This means that the Lord Himself is still present in his Spirit! Do you not want to get acquainted with him?"

Elias: "Gladly, if I do not rob you!"

Jacob: "Elias, you are the son of a pious mother. Her greatest desire was to make you a priest. I would not so lightly dismiss the office and dignity of a priest, but become a righteous priest. Neither the temple, nor false priests can stop the truth about Jesus. Like a rising sun represses the night with its rays, so will the doctrine of the Lord and Master Jesus supplant all that is false and wrong, and the temple will become a victim of its own greed and domination. Until now, I have always experienced the full victory of the love and grace of Jesus. I have been experiencing the transformations for months, and you will not be able to exclude yourself from it; for the gospel of the Savior Jesus is a power that blesses those who believe in it! Or do you have another opinion?"

Elias: "I can promise nothing. I do not want to be misled a second time. Simon has created mountains of doubt in me!"

Jacob: "Everything will be organised in you with the dear Master's help – if you seriously want it. It is the Master's most glorious move of love to help where there is an honest yearning – and where the Master helps, everything is good! Look at Schimba. Only yesterday a victim of hate and today a servant of love! See Lydia, how she is revived now, and what would happen to her if she had stayed in the bonds of the temple? Therefore, wait on the Lord, for He is waiting for you!"

Elias: "I feel your love, Jacob. It is not easy for me to commit myself to full readiness; I am now faced with facts and everything in me is agitated. But tell me one thing, is your ability to forgive so quickly a policy, or true love? Never in my whole life have I heard that after a crime, one is still served with good deeds. Tonight, [I thought] my life was over with. The Romans know no mercy. But now I am experiencing a state for which I have no words. Instead of the cross, an even freer and calmer life. Truly, this is more than grace and for this I thank the Saviour Jesus, whose followers I drove away and made a profitable business out of it."

Jacob: Behold, the Lord knows about everything, He also knows the sufferings of His faithful ones. He wants to prevent all this; but it would be an opportunity to win over His opponents! It is precisely this love, which is so little understood, that works! In our earthly life one still experiences love, but not the heavenly kind. In the great and mighty mission of the Master Jesus, only one goal was pursued – to give that holy and compassionate love to this our earth, which was called to give divine children to the holy God and Father! Exactly because of this love, He took on earthly dress and converted in Himself the curse clinging to all created beings, into blessing. Only in this love, can this wonderful goal be achieved. He therefore took all blame on Himself and shed blood to clear the way for salvation and redemption, which was hindered by the fallen and blinded son.

Can you imagine what would have happened with Jesus' enemies! Chaos would ensue, and for ages, there would not be any possibility to escape the curse's most gruesome impact. Despite all this, much suffering will still happen on this earth, because this love will not be accepted or lived.

Or, my dear Elias, do you know about another way by which everyone can be saved? The temple, as the external sign of His presence, is the exact opposite as what it is supposed to be. All other institutions pass by this great love, and everything goes to ruin!"

Elias: "If I am to be honest, I have to agree with you. Now I can also not grasp or believe that Jesus would be such a person. Consider His mysterious birth, all circumstances around it should speak for Him. When looking at the relationship with certain women in Bethany and Jerusalem, then one has to be convinced that His divine glory could not be far away. He might have been a person with extraordinary abilities, but I can go no further. Our prophets were also called men. Their words give direction even today and their revelations are pure words from God. Make Jesus a prophet, and I want to believe in Him!"

Jacob: "Not so, dear friend – with your attitude towards Jesus, you will not reach true salvation. The slightest shadow you cast on Jesus is a gulf that separates you from Him. This is the imperious work of the false and haughty spirit that reigns in the temple - but they never tried to fathom the truth about Jesus! I admit that it was very difficult to understand Jesus. We ourselves were often mad at Him and only because we couldn't get away from the old education. We complicated His struggle to become One with God and later learned that we were in the greatest error. But now the glorious life in it's perfection as the highest life of grace stands before our spiritual eye and shows us the way He has paved for us. When we see Him, we experience not only the truth about Jesus, but Himself in His most glorious being, and are filled with His power, His peace, and His life of salvation."

Elias said: "I can say nothing against your conviction, but I will make an effort! Through the assignment of the innkeeper, my life has been sent on a different course. I do wish I could become such a satisfied person!"

Jacob: "Elias, this makes me happy, and I know you will become that! But now I want to ask you to go to Simon and see if you can win him over. Since you have to make amends in your life, start with Simon, do it in the name of the true and living God, Whose priest you are - and you will succeed."

Elias replied, "I will do it, God will not deny His assistance. May I take Schimba with me for support?"

Jacob nodded, and as Elias and Schimba left the room, he blessed them and said: "The love takes wonderful routes, may you two be surrounded by love, to bring results."

It took a long time before Elias came back with Schimba and Simon; which now followed, was overwhelming, for Simon's wounds were healed. He was overcome by the love that came to the full breakthrough in the heart of Shimba.

Nicolaus ordered a meal again, but for double the amount of guests, for Jacob said to Nicolaus: "Serve a meal for the friends you have won, but so abundantly, that all will be filled with what eternal love brought to your house today. You will experience great joy!"

The priest Simon begged the sisters-in-law of Shimba to forgive him for what he inflicted on them in blind delusion and false zeal. But these were so touched that they gladly did what love so eagerly wants.

Simon said: "Believe me, Jacob could not make sense to me, but Schimba - whom I have hurt the most - overwhelmed me by healing my painful wounds. You, Nicolaus - do forgive me my behaviour in your house and give me the opportunity to be a friend to you and all of you."

6. Stop-over of the Greek Baltasar

Before Nicolaus could reply, a caravan entered the yard, everyone looked out – the next moment, a tanned Greek came in. Seeing Nicolaus, he embraced him at once.

Then the Greek said: “Nicolaus, my heart-brother, finally I see you again! My happiness is great, but it will be even greater if I could finally have the conclusive proof of what you have fanned in me. Everywhere I have been, I've heard assumptions, this and that – bad things too – but I could not find the whole truth.

Nicolaus: “Baltasar, today you are experiencing the reward of love, see here for yourself the handful of happy people who yesterday and today experienced the love of the Lord and Saviour. Hurry with your people to take part in the feast of love that we want to hold to give joy to the Lord and Saviour!

“Is he here”, Baltasar asked, looking around - “which one is he?”

Nicolaus smiled and said: “He is present in everyone here, which is His greatest joy. Do not look at me so questioningly, for in you too, He has come anew to us. We therefore counted you in with the meal.”

The meal was served up, the big guest room was full, there was room for everybody. Then Nicolaus said: “Dear friends, my heart is overflowing with joy. I want to give thanks, but the words fail me. Therefore I only say: 'Lord, bless this meal provided by Your love, we all consider it as the love of our so longed-for Jesus, Who is among us in His Spirit and His love. You, Lord Jesus, do accept our love to be Yours!’”

Baltasar, who sat next to Nicolaus, said: “Brother of my heart, it is like a dream; since I came to know you, there were never so many gathered here. Since when are you friendly with templars, and who is the friend at your side? Is he one of the Lord's disciples?”

Nicolaus: “You discerned correctly - it is Jacob, the Saviour's brother and His messenger. You will hear him. Both those priests at the other table are on the best way to become our and the Saviour's friends. I have great joy in me, for Jacob spared our village much sorrow, and kindled a fire, that could not be different in the time of the Saviour.”

Baltasar: “If this is so, brother of my heart, then I offer you my wine, I have it in my wagon, for yours is too sour for such a feast!”

Jacob: “Brother, leave your wine in your wagon, the Master considers your love as the deed. Your wine, Nicolaus, which you will bring to the table today, will not be inferior to the best wine. All should experience how Jesus the Lord and Master rewards love! You believe, and the love wills – therefore should your hearts overflow with joy. Today you should all experience the grace and the spirit that only wants to give joy and refresh!”

Full of joy, Nicolaus got up and took the filled cup. He said: “My dear friends and brothers! We are experiencing a holy hour! The more than good Saviour Jesus blessed our mutual love. From His overflowing heart He gives blessing over blessing, our joy shall not be inferior to His, therefore He will turn our wine - which is known to be sour - into a sweet one. Our joy is so great that we have no desire but that He Himself would be visible among us. But as we are content with His grace, we should remain very grateful. All of you, drink

with me that with every day we may become more conscious of His love and that we may all live for His joy and for eternal salvation for all of us".

The wine was really very sweet – everybody beamed, because they now also experienced a miracle.

Elias tasted over and over again. He said to Schimba and Simon: "Is the wine not telling us what great fools we were. Oh, the great Divine love, who saved us from the abyss! Only now I can really see it. Simon, can you imagine, we are sitting here with the best of wine, where we should have stood before the judge. Now I want to know Jesus by all means. You, Schimba, still knows too little, your faith is supported by your power. I will ask Jacob to help me!"

Elias went over to Jacob's table and said: "Jacob, I come to you with a request. I have done away with the will to avoid Jesus. I want to get to know Jesus. Not His might and power through which you do miracles, but His life, His love, with which He makes friends out of foes. For to one whom He gave blessings upon blessings by virtue of his faith and devotion, it is nothing great; for almost all people do this – but to those who only wanted to do evil to Him and His followers, this is something extraordinarily great and as good as never before. Is it true – He supposedly said during His crucifixion: 'Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing'. This is a feeling you experience more often. I now feel for myself that it is truth, and the turnaround of my thoughts is based on the facts I have just experienced! We were threatened with punishment, for which we received love, because we allowed ourselves to be convinced that the Spirit of God no longer lives in the workings of the temple. I must confess that this would be enough love, but now that we did experience and receive such a love – we, the unreliable and untried – the longing is there. What is the truth about Jesus? Not only do we experience His love, but we receive the same reward as those who suffered for Him. If it is not too much to ask, I ask you, introduce me to the nature of this man who is no man, but has to be God!"

Jacob: "I gladly fulfill this request, since Simon already knows that I am not only a disciple, but a witness of His birth, His life, His development, His death and His resurrection. And so we do not want to talk about the temple or about us, just about Him! About Him, because He has done everything to fulfill the will of the Holy Father! He fulfilled it! He fulfilled it with the divine powers He had to make His own!

Nobody will be able to judge what the struggle and wrestling comprised of - nobody could yet do it - what it meant to live in a house like Father Joseph's - who knew only one aspiration: to fulfill the will of Jehovah and that of the temple - only those who experienced it, can understand!

We indeed experienced wonders upon wonders, but it was soon forgotten when we saw Jesus in His struggles. This struggling Jesus often seemed ruthless. How many times did old Father Joseph growl, how many times did He break Mother Mary's heart and how many times did we storm over Him with: 'be an obedient son and a loving brother'. We asked Him to soften the stone. And what we achieved with asking, and what we have all put upon ourselves in effort, no-one knows about, only Jesus alone. Now listen, my dear brothers, instead of supporting Jesus, we hindered His development, instead of carrying Him with our love, He still carried our weakness and rewarded our wrongdoing with love! He never received our full approval until the age of thirty. We were well accustomed to His life, but never went with Him!

Jesus sought by any means possible to love, to win us and also others over; but every

attempt of His love failed. It was His greatest personal test, that He was always disappointed by those He sought to gain as helpers, for they failed. Only a few old faithful Jews, friends of Joseph, supported Him and only because they still understood Scripture.

Finally, the time of redemption came for us. We were convinced by the change of circumstances and became completely one with Him! My brothers, as well as Mary, now recognized the holy mission and experienced the glory of God a thousand times over, revealed daily through Him, even hourly! There was never a reproach from His lips, He never touched on our weaknesses, but His endeavor was service! Serve and fulfill the will of God, whom He clearly heard in Himself. It was the same with the deeds that He performed out of the power of God. For no treasures of the world, He would have done something that God had not revealed to Him before. How many times did one ask Him to do something. He sometimes said, 'The Father has not spoken in Me yet!'

So we learned patience and full devotion from Him, learned to understand the will of the holy God, to not do out of ourselves something that was not the will of God.

Although Jesus was completely one with God in Himself, He Himself one day said, 'My Father and I are One' - yet He still cultivated the sacred communion with His God and Father. We called it prayer. He was still searching for things that were not yet fully aligned with the will and the Spirit of God [in Himself] so as not only to be outwardly but also inwardly completed. So Jesus merged with His Father. All that lived in His flesh was but the shell of His soul, which had entered into the Divine Spirit. He could have put off His flesh at any time, but according to the plan of salvation and redemption, His body had to become the sacrifice that was needed outwardly. Only through the flesh, which is the bearer of all bound life, can the way to salvation follow. And Jesus, as the Son of God, accomplished the work - and the way to the true freedom of life was free, is free, and will always be free. This salvation is the fulfillment of all yearning; the redemption of the promise that God gave to our forefathers, is the fulfillment of all the promises that God gave through the mouth of His prophets.

Insightful and intelligent people recognize the oversized grace brought by Jesus to all men. Only blind and false-spirited people could have any interest for Jesus' mission to fail. If Jesus would – through His own out-of-God-acquired omnipotence – have done away with His enemies, there would have been a gap in the work of redemption. And so He was obedient unto death, even unto death on the cross! And never can the work of salvation be challenged, for there is no other way than that which Jesus created!

Dear brother, sisters and friends, this is the clear picture of Him, His life and death. But this image of His love only corresponds to my love for Him, and therefore I ask you to create in yourselves, through your love for Him and all people, a picture of His love within yourselves. It will arise in you according to the measure of your love – and according to the spirit you let arise in you, He will also become active. Jesus also created a picture of His Heavenly Father, animated it with His love, and thus created a love of God that had never been there before. This love moved God to ever greater revelations, exposing ever greater depths in Jesus' soul, facilitating the release of the wrestling and battles.

All the glories we experienced were not a gift from God, but the inner world of the freed Jesus showed us the glories that had become His in Him through His love, through His union with God! It was the same with the power with which the Master accomplished all the great things! But Jesus remained humble, God could reveal and give Himself ever more beautifully. Nevertheless, we did not understand the Master. His patience with us was limitless. He often said, 'How long will I have to endure you!' And today we realize how

stupid and foolish we were; as the people rushing by experienced the glories of His love, the glorification and praise had no end. But when they heard His teaching, they shook their heads and left dissatisfied. The ones who understood Him were few, and these were mostly Romans or Greeks.”

After a short pause, Baltasar spoke: “Friends, and you, dear messenger of God, allow me to say a few words once more, for what I feel in these few words, are a thousand times more than the wine that became sweet through your power. The picture drawn up here corresponds to my longing and my idea I formed about God. I've travelled a lot, meeting people of all kinds, but no one could interest me as much as you do. I do not know you, but my heart tells me that we need to get to know each other, and I ask you one thing: do we, the so-called heathens, have some special dues to pay in order to accept your faith. It is nice that this gospel that you conveyed to us confesses that it is for everyone - even your visit itself says so. But your message is not based on faith alone, but on the reception of this spirit of yours. What I must do, is my burning question. I am very much interested in Jesus, but there are other things that interests me too. But in the acceptance of this faith of yours, there is also a danger of hypocrisy or of running along!

Jacob: “My friend, your assumption is purely human and the product of your mind. The gospel of Jesus is a power that makes blessed – but blessed in the heart! If you want to be a disciple and follower of Jesus, put effort into getting to know Jesus and to acquire His nature, and thus you will take up His Spirit and He will make you a new creature – a new man. All your deeds and accomplishments will carry the stamp of Jesus' nature. Your interest becomes something conscious and your mind is regulated by the Spirit and attitude of Love out of God. Yes – I can say even more. In this Spirit, you become a vessel of the eternal truth out of God! Would I be able to embody this message if I would carry it only in my head – or could I express this spirit out of myself if I were not the bearer of this Spirit out of God? There has never been a lack of proclaimers, but indeed of followers of the nature of the Master of Love! He gave us His Spirit, but we may also transmit His Spirit to everyone; but first, this vessel needs to be cleansed – and, dear friend, this preparation of your vessel for Him or His Spirit, is also the only prerequisite. It took the Master 30 years to prepare His vessel for the revealed love of Jesus, but we should serve as a vessel for the revealed will out of Jesus and with that He helps us, as long as we have the right will. Have you understood me correctly, for I still see question upon question in you!”

Baltasar: “You're right, there is much going on in me; until now, I had to settle for the crumbs and those were still doubtful. Here the big miracle is suddenly standing before us. Do therefore not be surprised that I ask whether it is possible to see Him Who are in or among us in Spirit? I've always preferred the natural above the unnatural; if the Master of Love can fill and enliven me like that, He has to be here! What is still lacking, that I can still not see this Being of Love?”

Jacob: “Baltasar, everyone who has experienced His love, has this same wish. It is possible to see Him – but it is not a condition – for everything depends on the maturity of the longing and the love that was kindled for Him. Yes I have to confess that the Spirit of Jesus was most gloriously revealed, where man was content with His love. One of His words was: 'Work and live in such a way that no one misses Me, for you are representatives and proxies of My love and mercy'. And see, dear friends, how you feel and experience the nearness and presence of the Lord; so should all feel who are around you!”

Baltasar: “Dear friend, I want to stop asking any questions! I see that every question still contains a misconception. I not only feel the truth of your words, but also the life, how it

gains ground in me – therefore, thank you for your directions!"

Jacob: "Not so, dear friend and brother, your whole life should be a thank you! I do not work because I should, but because it is my need! The life of love from Jesus, our Lord and Master, belongs to us only when we transmit it to the others - this service is our salvation and the maturing for higher tasks. There is no need for rest, the love of the Savior is like a fountain that always gives life and seeks to open up new sources in the others. That is why the life of love proves itself and excludes all questions. Once you have the right life in you, you will not only become a new creation of God, but you will experience that everything seems new to you. But now Schimba wants to ask something."

Schimba: "Yes, brother Jacob, I want to ask, if this is the real thing. It is too much grace for me, I still have to ask myself, can this be the truth, this holy and living happiness in me? But then the Lord must intervene soon with His help, because this bliss cannot be endured in the long run!

Jacob: "Do not worry about that, for new trials will establish the arisen life in you. Stay in this love which you showed through your love to brother Simon, and you shall soon experience the joy that arose from your action. Forget everything of the past and look forward to everything of the Lord, Who is our future!"

Simon said: "Everything is still like a dream to me! You say: 'forget what lies behind you' – yes, one can even forget what one did wrongfully and out of blind hatred! I want to scream with pain and sorrow, because I can not do much good and undo that much suffering. I sit here at the mercy seat and receive the forgiving love of the Lord as a matter of course, while those whom I brought into slavery languish with longing for freedom and perhaps became mad at the Lord!"

Jacob: "I understand you, Simon, it will also be difficult for you to make everything you have done, good again, but why torture yourself with reproaches, where the Lord wants to help you to bring everything into line? Did I not say that man becomes a new creature in the spirit of the love of Jesus? In the spirit of this love, try to make amends and you will experience the helping love of Jesus!"

Simon: "If this is so, then I will not delay to serve them with my wealth, to let them forget what I did to them."

Baltasar went over to Simon and said: "Friend, allow me to help you with that! I have trading places and connections everywhere and in the Spirit of this love I experienced today, I will gladly help you. I saw many persecuted and also sufferers. It will fill me with great joy if I could contribute to bring happiness. So come on in, it's about becoming a vessel of this holy love!

Simon: "Here – my hand, and become my friend; if I think about it: me, a criminal, deserving the gallows and now through the grace of God, a blessed one! It is so much, so much, oh Elias my friend – can you imagine this mercy? I can not yet, I still see my badness and corruption!

Nicolaus: "But now stop with the accusations! I think, when the Lord gave you a new life, He does not give it to you so that you should moan like an old woman, but to be a man who sees the past as an evil and hard school, setting up a new life afterwards. You are experiencing great joy today. But how are you going to maintain the joy when you begin your work of restitution? Do not delay! Not only our blessing, but also the blessing of the

Lord will accompany you.

Now I want to do mine too, so listen: Send the abandoned and the homeless to me. Here, where eternal love has given us such great things, shall be a refuge for the persecuted. It shall become a home for them, which will offer them the full satisfaction of their longing!"

Jacob: "My dear friends, brothers and sisters – now the breakthrough has happened. Your love has opened up in all directions and I ask of you to taste the wine once more, and we want to promote the love you gave birth to. So, blessed be the love that only wants to work for others; blessed be your love that wants to make amends and blessed be your love, that wants to spread new love in the name of the Lord, Who says: "Also I bless this love, which is a part of My love. What is given out of Me, is already blessed, yet I still gladly want to bless it again, to express My joy which I experience in your midst.

As I as a human served you, so I serve you also today and always. As I did not reproach any of My enemies when they confessed to Me, I do not reproach you either; for by entering into My Spirit of love and will, I undertake to redeem the works which were done in delusion and blindness. May your love be My life, then My Divinity will lead you on the ways where you can prove yourselves! The newly blessed wine is the symbol of My love, drink and let everything in you become love.

You, Schimba, shall be given the gift of vision and release what you have promised; for in this hour, I release what I have promised you. Be therefore also blessed in My Spirit and let My peace be your life – let your will become action – then My Spirit shall always lead the way that serves for the salvation of all! Amen."

Jacob took the cup and drank - as did the others, then Simon said: "We tasted the greatest miracle of the highest love. It is enough of grace and love! Let us be truly active. Every hour of our delay is a sin against this love. I've never been a man who made big promises, but today I do. My life should now belong to this love."

Jacob said: "Dear brother Simon! The Lord does not want any promise, but I take it as an event and ask you, stay in this region as a servant of love. Schimba shall be your faithful helper and you have a support in Nicolaus. So we want to focus on the great work and always remember that there are still so many who do not know the pure truth about Jesus. You, Baltasar, still have desires. So I ask you, stay until tomorrow. What you lose in time, you gain in proofs of mercy, and Simon would like to reveal some of his error to thank you, because you want to help him to cover his debts. Let's go to our resting place. Tomorrow will bring many new things!"

Ivano departed early on from the brothers, having received a large sum of gold from Simon, which he should use to buy Christian slaves.

Jacob embraced Ivano and said: "Make a small sacrifice, my brother Ivano, and take a detour over the mountains. There you will encounter a caravan train having fever patients. I know the leader of this caravan. You will therefore have it easy to get him to come here. The Lord be with you and your love and you shall realize that the Lord is the most faithful Helper and Guide of your love! Do not expect gratitude, but know that the Lord is your 'thank you'."

7. The Caravan with fever patients

Baltasar stayed. His people thought their leader to be drunk from the wine he could not talk enough about. It was almost midday, when a caravan train arrived in Nicolaus' area. The leader stopped far from the inn and went to the inn to ask permission from Nicolaus to set up his tents on his property, since he had fever patients in his wagons.

Nicolaus gladly granted him this and said: "I believe, dear friend, that if you direct your hope to Jehovah, that the true God shall free you from your pressing need. I know the God of the Jews from hearsay, but I stay out of a Jew's way if possible. What I experienced today from Jews on the caravan route is a sin against the people. How may I call you? My name is Nicolaus."

Samino: "People call me the Black Bear, but my father called me Samino."

Nicolaus: "Good, Samino – on faithful friendship and trust!"

In a short hour, Samino came and asked for fire from Nicolaus' shepherds; but Nicolaus did not accept this and said: "Samino, you shall all eat with us in my inn! Did I not say that you should hope on help from the living God!"

Samino: "It is against the order, my patients necessitates it!"

But Nicolaus said: "We shall take care of your sick. In my house is a disciple of the miracle-man from Judea. Do you not want to get to know him?"

Samino: "It would not help much, I abhor everything Jewish. My father and I experienced – yes, endured so many bad things. But since you reached me the hand of friendship, I shall do it."

Samino entered into the big guest room at Nicolaus' side. Jacob and Simon alone were there, all the others were outside, busy at Baltasar's caravan - and everyone in the house were busy with the noonday meal.

Jacob went over to Samino and said: "Samino, if you could see my heart, you would take my hand in peace, for I can make amends to you for what my fellow tribesmen took from you."

Samino: "That can not be made amends for. My father can not be brought back to life and my mother died of grief."

Jacob: "Samino, you are embittered and this bereaves you of the joy of your God-given life. See, it was I who made the petition to Ivano, for the sake of the living God – whose messenger I am – that you should come here with your caravan. Your caravan is marked with death, therefore you should experience the love which makes amends and helps you along. Here, take my hand and have faith! You should also experience that God is real and the Truth and the Living."

Samino: "I know no God of the Jews, and if there really is one, then he will have trouble convincing me of his deity. My whole life is devoted to the hatred which I swore against the Jews."

Jacob: "Samino, you are caught in great error. You are a smart person, but in this instance, you are greatly at error. Hate lives in you! Have you ever asked yourself what hate actually is? I tell you, no – for then you would realize that hate is the exact opposite of love. But love also lives in you, proven by your faithfulness towards your patients. Only the day before yesterday you could get rid of them; you did not do it for the sake of love and would regard it as meanness yourself. So love lives in you too! Love and hate, however, can not live together in one house in the long run, because one disturbs the other! Love is the basic life of preservation, hatred the idea of annihilation. The effect is best seen in the sick."

Samino: "How so – what do my sick people have to do with hatred, this is then purely my own issue!"

Jacob: "In your opinion, yes, but not according to the laws of order of the holy God, Creator and Sustainer of all things. His basic existence is the love and the life, so it is also His will that all His created beings would be beneficiaries of His basic life. Then he can be His enemy, who serves the opposite of His basic life, and lives his own life!"

Samino: "So am I also living my own life? That is new to me! What kind of life do you then live? You are then also humans and no gods!"

Jacob: "Not gods, but people who receive their power, love and wisdom from the true Divinity - in short, their lives. Every life manifests a spirit, but since there is only one Sustaining Spirit of God, it can only make the life such a person lives, manifesting in greater divinity and perfection! The complete opposite though, is experienced by the person who does not live a life out of God; in him, the Divine – which everyone receives at birth, will diminish more and more, until he lives his own life, which is then dedicated to death! That is why God came into this world – to reveal to man the true, divine life and existence, that all death may yield and true life take its place."

Samino: "Your language does not sound bad, on this ground you could negotiate with me, but above all I would like to know, what do you want from me and what are your intentions. Ivano hinted that you would heal my patients?"

Jacob: "Ivano is right; but did Ivano not say that this would be possible if you could rise, like me, to believe in the true God? I, too, have a desire for you to believe in God, who is only love and always love, but not forced, but free; because it can not be that you believe in the God who is only love and your heart is full of hatred for those who still have the connection with the true God. See, the miracle-man Jesus - though He became the sacrifice of the Jews you hate, remained faithful to the divine life and made love the condition. He who fulfills this condition, lives from God and will also receive all that is needed to mature to a perfect life out of God. But to prove to you how right I am, I tell you out of the power and grace of the Lord: go to your sick ones - they are on the way to recovery!"

Samino said: "If this is so, then you made me a debtor to your God. Why did you do this?"

Jacob: "For the sake of your sick. Even if you do not want to believe, then you should not be deprived of the gospel of life from God and to prove to you that the true God is love and life."

Samino: "Who said that I do not want to believe! Make me forget everything that was and you will not find a more faithful and grateful one in your following!"

Jacob: "Neither I nor God can make you forget what is of the past. Convert in yourself that which was devoted to hate into living love, and you will be on the road that will not only make you forget, but will make you a new man. He who knows only one will – to do nothing without God anymore, and to enter more and more into the life from God and in God! But now, go to your patients, they long for you!"

Samino: "If so, then you come with me. How could I tell them that the Holy God helped them, if I do not know Him myself yet?"

Jacob: "I will gladly come with, but see, all those here around me also want to share in the grace your patients received, and be their helpers and brothers, that you and your people would no longer stay in your camp, but receive here in the house, the full truth about the eternal and living God. Would you allow it?"

Samino: "Then come! I am powerless before this love. But do have patience with me, I hope that the hate I had towards you will not have any consequences."

When they arrived at the camp, everyone wanted Samino. They asked whether they may get up. The heat in their heads and limbs disappeared – they seem to be changed.

Samino: "All get up and experience the great wonder! You were truly healed, healed by the true God, about Whom these friends will teach us."

[A patient:] "Samino, is this message true? Then the story of the death of the miracle-man was a lie. Which one is then the miracle-man of whom we heard so much?"

Jacob came forward and spoke: "Bring everyone into the house – Nicolaus the innkeeper wants it that everyone should be strengthened in his house and then be taught the truth. However, to please you, faithful servants of your lord, I say to you: Jesus the Savior and miracle-man has truly died on the cross, but after three days has risen again from the dead and is in the Spirit of His love among us. But I am His witness!"

The driver asked: "What – died and rose again from death? Where is He now – if he lives – can you tell me, that I can go to Him. I heard so much and did not believe it."

The driver ran to the others and hurriedly urged them: 'come, come', he told them: 'there is a witness of the miracle-man - Jesus lives, Jesus lives, He died and lives again – come – come, you will all be healthy again. Jesus is there in Spirit according to the testimony of His witness.'

A commotion ensued, but it was a joyous one. The driver enlivened everything. Samino wanted to order [them] to stop, but Jacob held him back and said: "Why would you take your faithful servant's joy from him? Are you sad because you can not promote the joy of life with lively words? But how can you justify yourself when they all experience the great miracle of the glorious love of salvation – Samino, master yourself and do not shut yourself up for God's grace and His love and mercy, because he – the holy God – seeks you!"

Samino looked at Jacob for a long time, and then slowly spoke: "Dear friend, you overwhelm me with God's love, what then if I would fail and not be able to do what your God asks of me? I still do not know what your will, or the will of God is for me?"

Jacob: "Samino, God wants you. You should live for Him, place your life in His service, as you already did. With the only difference that you, up until now, had no fruit from your loving deeds. But if you would work out of the Spirit of love out of God, blessing upon

blessing will flow onto your doing! God is calling you, yes He has been calling you for a long time, but you let all opportunities to meet with the Saviour of all saviours pass, because of your hatred. But God, Who is the love, allowed you to come into this your very troublesome position, to save you from the judgement of the inevitable consequences of your blind hatred. Samino, the Eternal Love in me extends you the hand, do not push it aside any longer. Life is a thousand times more precious than death and judgement!"

Samino: "What is so special about me, small man? Your God must possess enough power to remain at the height of His power and deity. I only became a product of hatred through the people who confess to be the people of God. Well - I will gladly acknowledge you as His representative. I want to ask you, for the sake of my patients, to not let them pay for my sake, as I am a stubborn man. Just do not push me as long as the past haunts me like a picture of desolation and takes away every good emotion."

Jacob: "Samino, now come with your patients into the house and experience how God makes amends for the mistakes of the deluded ones who brought misery upon misery over the people."

The patients moved quickly to the close-by inn, waiting on Nicolaus, who led them to the large guest room, placing them at the tables and let the tables be set. His heart was so overflowing full of joy, that he did not even notice the Roman military patrol that entered the courtyard.

The leader of this patrol greeted Nicolaus and asked what kind of people they were, and asked for food for his ten people and the horses until the next day. Nicolaus was a bit afraid of these Romans, he knew this leader to be a fanatic heathen – but he greeted him amicably and said: "I wanted to bring these people into my house. They need care and rest, which they could not receive in Samino's camp."

The Roman: "If these people are Samino's, I have to object. Samino's caravan is marked with death and has not left it. Where is Samino? Just yesterday I wanted to take the patients from him, but he did not want to. Are these here in this room the sick ones?"

Nicolaus: "Of course it is them, but not sick anymore, but well underway to be well!"

At that moment, Samino and Jacob came as the last ones. The Roman quickly went over to them and said: "Samino, what happened? Yesterday, your caravan carried the mark of death, and now you allow them to go into Nicolaus' house. Do you know that if only one sick person dies outside your camp, you will face severe punishment?"

Samino: "Pistorius, I know that! Yet, no-one will die, but become completely healthy with the help of the living God who has come to meet us in this friend."

Pistorius: "Samino, either you or I am not normal anymore. You call this Jew a friend! You wanted to spit on the Jews. I would like to know what happened here."

Samino: "Yes, you are astonished, Pistorius! Ivano, the pious enthusiast, met us – he came to me and asked me to come to Nicolaus' inn for the sake of my and my people's salvation. His pleading and urging moved me, to follow it up and here we experienced the great Divine wonder of the risen miracle-man."

Nicolaus asked them not to stand in the door for so long, but to take a seat wherever they liked, the day is not over yet, everything will be clarified. The tables got set and the soldiers soon came to report that the horses have been taken care of. Pistorius thanked

them and let his people take a seat at the table. Since everyone was hungry, everyone tucked in without being urged to. Nicolaus let also wine be brought, which was thoroughly consumed. During the meal, they had a conversation. It was about the Saviour who was there in the spirit, as Mischko assured them. None of the patients were in the picture. The Romans were reserved.

Pistorius, who waited until everyone was done eating, went over to the patients' table and said: "People, listen to me. I am faced with a great riddle. Yesterday you were about to die and today one sees nothing of your illness anymore. What happened?"

Mischko said: "Lord, the risen One is among us in Spirit. We still do not know ourselves how everything came about, but the friend at Samino's side can explain it all."

Pistorius went over to Jacob and said: "Is it true that the crucified One had His hand in the healing of the sick? I need complete explanation. Do not think that I can be deceived, for I am a Roman. May I just say that I am by no means hostile towards you, but I want the pure truth."

Jacob: "I have no reason to deceive anyone, but the desire to bring the pure truth to all those who are unclear and in doubt. I am a witness and disciple of the crucified and resurrected Jesus of Nazareth. I work in His Spirit and in His love. Since I am completely immersed in His life, I need not fear anything, not even you. You say that you are not hostile to me, but the barrier that you set up between you and me is bordering on hostility! You were never a friend of the Jews, you never wanted to admit that their God is the true and eternal One, since you never met Him; but you have never yet considered that your many gods also did not come to meet you. What you expect of the true God, you should also expect of the other gods. Yes, I also know that you got very excited when the order came through that the spreading of Christianity should not be hindered."

"From where and who do you know this? I spoke to no-one about this", Pistorius replied.

Jacob: "I know even more. You even wanted to give a representative of the new teaching such a bad time, that he should stop talking about the dead One. But now, I am one of them – but not one speaking only of His death, but testifying of His life. His life, which has won the victory over all death and judgment and will continue for eternity. Of course, you will not believe it, but those who were condemned will soon carry His life within themselves, and gladly thank Him who has given them their health and a new life."

Pistorius: "That does not say that this dead one had his hand in the healing of these sick ones – how can you prove that to me?"

Jacob: "It will not do to give you proof of the Risen One, for you have no interest in Him, but since I see falsehood and evil flaring up in your heart, I advise you to go away from here and not to interfere with the life which wants to develop in these people. I gladly serve blind and deaf people with the life of the Risen One, but not those of malicious intent. I do not fear your power as a Roman; but your father, who has not long been in the spiritual world, is exceedingly sad. Firstly because you do not behave like a true Roman, secondly because you do not want to take the opportunity to become acquainted with the Risen One, and thirdly, because you no longer remember the promise you made your father on his deathbed."

The Roman looked sternly at Jacob and said: "Man, what do you know, how can a promise one gives at a deathbed be so serious? It was not even ten years ago. What is the point

for me to leave my divine teaching and to search after a God who is supposedly eternal. Up until now, my gods fulfilled all of my wishes I uttered. I am content with my life and I do not let myself be prescribed how to act, also not by a Jew. It is foolishness to tell me that falsehood and evil is flaring up in me!"

Jacob: "And I tell you, that evil has taken complete hold of you, for you now stand as an enemy against me because I dared to tell you the truth about your thoughts and plans. I will not speak a word to you anymore, unless you come to me yourself. Even if I am a Jew, a spirit of divine origin also lives in me, and this Spirit is directing me to not excite you anymore."

Jacob bowed his head before Pistorius and turned towards Nicolaus, who followed this conversation with discomfort, and said: "Brother, calm down, he too will believe in the Saviour. Do not let your love be disturbed and make the Saviour known to all those who long for it."

"Gladly", answered Nicolaus, "but why do you not want to do it? After all, I long for your words, which describe the Savior's love and life so clearly. Since you want it, it must be the Savior's will?"

8. Healing of the Fever-sufferers

Nicolaus went over to the tables where the sick sat, and said: "You dear people! It seems to you like a fantasy, that you are here, sitting at my table and were able to satisfy yourselves. You have the desire to do anything to learn how it came that you were saved from death. Mischko, your brother, already told you, that Jesus the Saviour had done it, Who was in the spirit among us. It is Jacob, the faithful servant and witness of the Saviour, who brought us the truth about Jesus. It is he who yesterday asked Ivano to bring you here. Samino, your lord, did it with a heavy heart, for he had given up on you. The heaviest is averted from you, yet you are still not healthy enough to work, but the good Saviour wants you to live and get well."

Mischko spoke: "Can you not tell us what restrained the Saviour to heal the sick. How often I heard about the miracle-man's wonders. He had even brought the dead to life and now He did only half a work. I can not understand it. Please give me an explanation. My heart is feverish for truth! I never wanted for Samino, our faithful and kind lord, to hear anything, but I believe, and hope that he will also not be unwilling to hear the truth about the miracle-man."

Samino: "You are right, Mischko, I now also want to know the truth about Jesus the Saviour, and therefore I ask you - you servant of your Master - to do it. I see my great injustice. Yes, listen, you my faithful, my hatred for the Jews was so great that I might have become your murderer. But this faithful servant and witness knew of my hatred and gave love."

Then Jacob said: "My dear friends, sisters and brothers! I gladly accept this request and joyfully confess the life that urges me to bear witness to the love, grace and power of the Lord Jesus. You heard much about Him, but there has never been a right desire to know Him in you. Jesus of Nazareth was not a prophet and a miracle-worker, but the Son and Messiah of whom all prophets prophesied. When the time was fulfilled, all the prophecies were fulfilled, but the people and their priests who were waiting for the Messiah, failed. Yes, they became His enemies. Very few recognized Him and believed His words. But those who believed in Him and accepted His teaching, experienced His power and glories - which you call miracles.

We, His disciples, experienced many things that would seem incredible to you. The people accepted all the blessings and remained indifferent. Yes, dear ones, it came to the point that He was killed on the cross between two criminals and they believed that they had done God the Eternal One, a great service. How soon were they taught differently, for on the third day He came out of His tomb with a glorious, indestructible body to the horror of the blind people and their blind priests.

His death struck us hard, but His resurrection brought us the glorious certainty and consciousness: Jesus lives and will live forever! His resurrection brought us even more, for the life which He now lives is now our life, and the Spirit from which He worked as man is the same Spirit, who also works in us through His love and grace. But His Spirit will reveal even more to us, so that we may become more and more alive and loving. All life from God is revealed in this Spirit and He will lead us increasingly more and more, into the depths of His Divinity.

Above all, dear friends believe - believe with all the power of your heart that He, our Jesus and Saviour, our Redeemer, loves us and will love us forever. His love is like a morning dew that brings us holy peace in our hearts, that everything that may come makes us stronger and more conscious, that He leads everything for the good of all. When I think of the blessings I experienced on this journey, truly - God cannot be closer to a man and no love can be greater than the love that is revealed to me. Not because I was His brother and later one of His disciples, oh no, but because I made His life mine and everything I'm doing, I do not out of me, but out of Him."

Samino: "Friend and benefactor of all my sick, if it were not proved in this hour that a truly divine power lives in you, I would have to call you a phantom like the earth has not yet borne. But these proofs today: Ivano was asked by you to take a detour - our sick people are fever-free, so clear, and now I also believe that they will become completely healthy through the Saviour - out of whom you work! Yes, now I also understand your offer, where you say: 'I experience how God makes good the mistakes that people made in their blind delusion'. Then I must say, oh God, I lived in a dreadful error and poisoned my own life in this blind hatred. I am satisfied with the words I heard today, but not satisfied with the gratitude we owe to this wonderful God. Therefore I ask you how we should thank this God".

Jacob: "Samino, love all your fellow men truly and faithfully, then you are giving proper thanks. He once said: 'This people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.' Do what the love in you urges you to do, then you are on the right track. This urge in your heart, is the spark of the Spirit of God, and the fulfillment of the urge, is the kindling of the fire of life and love and with that, you open the door and gate of your inner heart to it.

That is all He asks of you, say, can you have it easier and lighter. Think of the many sacrifices that you had to make and what purpose they served you. Increase your hatred, yes, it made you less peaceful and inwardly bound and now you experience how God seeks you in your greatest distress and lets His help be granted to you without being asked for it!

Samino: "You are truly right with every word, and I will therefore from now on completely stop my hatred, will forget all bitterness and try to come into an ever closer contact with the Saviour Jesus. I found that it is only the way of love on which I can meet Him - and so I ask you all, help me, be my helpers, so that I can pay off the debt of love."

Baltasar stood up, went over to Samino and said: "Oh you beloved brother-heart, you spoke right to my heart. We will be one in everything and I want to be a helper too. We now know the real truth and all our wrongs are rejected, for here it is not said: do this or do that, but only love each other and let others experience this love of yours. It may be the one or the other, but for one who had such a living longing for the truth as I had, yet now experience the fulfillment of it, is at a loss for words. Therefore, you faithful servant of His glorious love, tell us about Him and what you experienced!"

Jacob: "Brother Baltasar, everyone is like this! Wherever the love of the Lord is recognized, the longing to know more about Him breaks through - and yet I tell you: yes, there were hours of great delights and blessings and yet we weakened when His death shook our whole inner life. Today, however, where I am in the clearest consciousness, where I am in increasingly closer contact with Him, nothing can shake me anymore and in my heart there is a tranquility that only emanates from Him and makes me even more conscious. What no man can give you in beauty and goodness, He gives - and He is always intent on proving Himself more and more as the One who is the highest and most

glorious love. So again in this hour, which is made a celebration by love. It is now up to you whether you can meet the Lord with your love to such an extent that He can reveal Himself completely in His sweetest love, for take note: Not with His sanctified love, but with your love for Him, will He reveal to you the glories of your love. But so that you may experience how right this is, I tell Schimba to follow the course of his love and glorify the gift which the Saviour and faithful Jesus gave him with this love.

Schimba gets up from the table and said: "Brother, I, the least of you, shall and may say what I want in my love? Oh, do not be afraid of me, I want everyone to be healed and to see the Lord who is so radiantly visible to me".

There all - except the Roman - saw the Lord and Samino's sick all were healed! Schimba said: "Lord, do not let me go from You, for Your eyes tell me more than Your messenger can tell us."

Jacob said: "My dear ones, the Father's love would go much further but be full of the most holy joy for your rest and for your salvation. His eye tells you more than His mouth can tell you, and therefore I will tell you what the Lord tells you: 'Peace - holy peace be with you! My heart is full of the most blessed joy because My Spirit and My love is coming alive in you. Your way did pass through doubt, fear and trials, but since My Spirit has broken through in you, rejoice! Rejoice because all of you became My property for eternity and rejoice that you are now no longer alone and orphaned because I am your God and Father, My love is yours and My life will also be yours for eternity - and you will no longer see, feel and taste death. What was still unclear and benighted in you is forever illuminated by the sun of My life - and what still made you restless, is now My peace in you. Stay in My love and in this peace, nothing can snatch from you the legacy that I gave you all for eternity anymore! The more you are able to love, the more My Spirit will come over you and will lead you into all truth, for your salvation and for the salvation of others! Amen!"

To their joy, they still saw the Lord stretching out His hands and blessing them all, then the Lord disappeared from before their eyes.

Jacob was silent, but Schimba said, "The Lord is no longer there, but I see all the more light forms among us. They are happy, for their eyes are bright and their faces show how happy they are. You, brother Jacob, said that I should follow His love and so I ask the Lord - who is still among us even if He is invisible to our eyes - that all should see those who visited us in their love and longing".

At this moment everyone's eyes were opened and Schimba says: "Hearts, beloved hearts! You may converse with them, we and also they are experiencing grace upon grace, therefore exalt, praise and thank the Lord!

It was like that. The hearts could communicate with their loved ones and it took a long time until Jacob finally said: "Say externally goodbye, for the time the eternal Love granted you all has passed."

All were fulfilled with what they had experienced, only the Roman not, for he left the guest room without a word. In their joyful excitement, only the soldiers noticed his departure, but used to remaining silent, they also said nothing, only Jacob said to Samino: "Brother, go after Pistorius, so that he does not lose himself even more, for this hour is shaking his ego violently!"

Samino went out. At the well wall he finds Pistorius and reaching out his hand to him, he says: "Pistorius, yesterday you wanted to help me and today it is I who comes towards you, at the behest of eternal love".

Pistorius: "I did not call you, Samino, but it amazes me that you seek me at the command of love. What have I to do with the Jews, who are also your enemies?"

Samino : "Have been, Pistorius, for now I know only lost people, to whom I must show the way to salvation. Also you! Yes - don't look at me in such astonishment, you too must be helped; for how soon could it be that we too belong to those who gave us so much happiness today."

Pistorius: "Not me, Samino, for the shadow which resembled my father to the hair had only one request: to abandon my gods and seek the Redeemer who will make me a true man again."

Samino: "You call it a shadow, oh Pistorius, and if it had been a shadow, it wanted your happiness and someone wanted my happiness, I have only cause to rejoice and what do you do? Do you want even more of the evidence that has come to you today? Have you seen the Lord in His lovely form?"

Pistorius: "I saw nobody, neither did I want to. Everything I experienced among you was a torture to me."

Samino: "I am speechless, you call our greatest grace a torment? Pistorius, no more in your life will you see this grace upon grace you have lost. If you already do not believe all this how will you explain the healing of my people? Yesterday assigned to death and healthy today - say, how do you interpret this? Do not think that it was Jacob who healed the sick, but Schimba, an inhabitant of this town, who was rescued by Jacob from the hand of the Jewish priests."

Pistorius: "Why was he rescued? What happened. That interests me."

Samino: "Only Schimba can tell you that. I only heard it from my people, that's why I ask you to come with me to the others and make an end to everything that was, and think of your own and your people's happiness. I am extremely happy, as happy as I have never been in my life. What is the past to me? Nothing, nothing anymore, but the future is now important to me, because now I have a goal and also an eternal one in which I never really wanted to believe.

Without talking any longer, they both went back to the room. Everyone was so happy, that they did not even notice their arrival.

But Nicolaus came to Pistorius and said, "Brother, be at home and integrate yourself completely in this spirit. You experience how all are animated by a joy - this great happiness will also become yours."

Pistorius: "Nicolaus, you mean well, like all the others, but you also know that it's almost impossible to believe in all of this."

Nicolaus: "Why impossible? Is it not enough evidence yet! See the wine, what a glorious gift! None of us ever drank such good sweet wine before."

Pistorius: "Your wine is sour, Nicolaus, it is a mistake on your part. At our table there was

sour wine, as always."

Then a soldier said, "You're wrong, Pistorius. The wine is sweet this time. We were talking earlier, when you were outside and we were drinking the wine, about what good sweet wine we have this time."

"Taste again, Pistorius," said Nicolaus, "the Lord wants to make you happy too, the wine should be sweet for you too!"

Pistorius drank a cup, then he said: "Nicolaus, you are right, now the wine is sweet. If you haven't brought in another wine in the meantime, I have to consider it a miracle. But how am I to look at the spiritual being, who earlier presented my life to me as being lost and asked me to surely leave my old dead gods?"

Nicolaus: "Consider it the greatest grace ever offered you in your life, because the spiritual being was really your father. If you had not behaved so dismissively, you would also have been delighted, but now at least grasp the love of the Lord which was revealed!"

Pistorius: "I see it, you really mean it honestly, I also want to be honest and tell you, I don't know how to live my future life, because until now I really wanted to live. But how - if I want to confess the resurrected one - shall I live my life in love? Nicolaus, you are also a Roman, have you no pride and no honour anymore?"

Nicolaus: "Pistorius, you are in a great error! It is not Jesus the Saviour who is the disgraced one, because He had to end His life on the cross according to the will of God recognized in Him, but those who delivered Him to the cross. These blind people will also see their very greatest error and therefore take hold of the saving hand of Jesus, which is in the witnesses or in the beings in the great afterlife. I was surprised that Shimba, not Jacob, took the initiative. But when I see the Lord's love, it was all for your sake. Schimba is one of ours, we know him, we would all miss him if he would have been a victim of the temple. But so he gave up His honour, his ego, and not only forgave his tormentor, but he also healed him in the name, in the love, of the Saviour Jesus, and through Him, we experienced the hour of grace".

Pistorius: "Nicolaus, your words hit me hard, but they don't hurt – and I can believe you as a Roman rather than a Jew. These terms must also fall. Love is for all, for love is fidelity and education against oneself and others. This love wants less for itself, but everything only for the others. Love does not ask if you are a Roman, a Jew or a Greek, but carries all in it's own spirit, which was given to us by Jesus the Saviour! It is so mysterious to me. Let me talk to that disciple one more time, Nicolaus, things are still uncertain to me. I can feel that you are permeated by love. But that one looks deeper. Although I was a stranger to him, even hostile to him, he did not constrict me in the least and that changed my attitude.

Nicolaus: "Do this, Pistorius, Jacob is waiting for you too, I can see it in his eyes and I believe it is the best time for you now, Samino, to also sit with Jacob, because you both need more than I can give".

Nicolaus requested for more room to be made. One table was added, so the others had no disadvantage. Then Jacob began: "Friends, it is good that you have the will to become better acquainted with the Spirit which I represent and for which I live. You, Pistorius, cannot cope with yourself because your late father did not meet you in the love we represent. But you did not consider that a spiritual being cannot speak differently than what his inner life is filled with.

It will still take a long time until that maturity is reached that lets you grasp and understand everything. We, in our lives, can achieve more in one hour through the grace of the Lord than perhaps in years over there. That is why being on earth is so important, because everything that is received here, is the foundation on which one must build. No god and no angel can give me something else as basis, because all laws are subordinate to everything eternal out of God.

Do you believe that Jesus as a human being had a different outcome? He too had to form and create the foundations for His eternal being, and He did it with an iron will that sometimes made us mad at Him. I, who knew Jesus since His birth, witnessed His development. It was Jesus' greatest wish that I should understand Him correctly in everything - and what did I do! I - who had enjoyed heaven and bliss with Him - sometimes stood against Him.

Do you think Jesus grumbled even once? Oh no, it made Him sad and only later, when the eternal Spirit of God broke through in Him, did we see. What we experienced in graces is impossible to describe; but let the assurance be sufficient. Today I grew so close in and with Him that I can do nothing at all without Him, His Spirit gives me what I need in this hour as well.

That you did not see the Lord Pistorius, was not punishment, but love, for God wants to be accepted voluntarily and not by coercion. If you had seen Him, it would be a judgment for you. You should be free to decide. Seeing spiritual beings is indeed glorious mercy, but not mandatory; spiritual beings do give proof of continued existence due to the laws of eternal order and do not bring one under obligation to God. Have you understood me correctly?"

Samino says: "Dear friend, I understood you well, but the beings I saw today all bore the stamp of highest bliss. I knew them, they were not the best as human beings. Were they basically really free of everything and blessed?"

Jacob: "Samino, they took the saving hand of the Saviour, when He manifested His Saviour's Love in their dark world – and this was unique. The Lord will or can never work in the underworld like that again, as He did in the three days before His resurrection. See, He had three years' time to reveal to all people His with-God-united love, but there in the spirit-world, He had only three days at His disposal and He brought full salvation to those who accepted Him, as well as perfect redemption today, to those who accept Him and set themselves up on and live according to the foundation of His teaching He gave us. It is not enough to listen and confirm the teaching; but to more and more assimilate the Spirit of this teaching which has been given to us.

But this can only happen again when one's own self becomes more and more in the background and God's life fills people more and more. See Samino, there were wise men at all times who reached a high level of spiritual purity, but they lacked the best – that their indwelling Spirit of God was above everything soulish. In Jesus the Lord, the world experienced a man who stood above all things of the soul - that is, all soulish matters had to submit to the Spirit of God and the Spirit was the enlivening and executive pole."

Samino said: "That I do not understand, you talk about spirit and soul – what is spirit and soul?"

Jacob: "Samino, 'soul' is everything you can call your own from a human perspective. Spirit, however, is what forms the foundation of all your human acting and doing. Also the godless are carriers of a spirit, but not the Spirit of God, but the ego-spirit inherited from

the fallen and judged ones, and which is in need of redemption. The soul is everything that every person ever encountered on this earth, in order to bring it to the same level as the Spirit of God, Who brought everything into existence. The first man on this earth, who carried everything in himself in perfection, failed because he followed the urge of the spirit of his soul and not the urge of the Spirit of God.

But to bring man back to the level of the first created humans, God became man and accomplished the great work. A work that shall put man back again on the same level of perfection as was the first people. Therefore, do not think that man in possession of the true Spirit of God is a servant of his soul, but a bearer of the Spirit who can make everything perfect. We experienced this in Jesus. One of His words was: 'To Me is given all power in heaven and on earth.'

Say, where could a man say this of himself? But we also experienced it. The dead became alive, the blind received sight, the deaf heard; all elements obeyed His will. There was nothing that Jesus did not or could not know. It is also given to us to work from this Spirit, but only to the extent that we are bearers of this Spirit! Thus we also experience things that only God alone can know. The Spirit of God reveals everything to our spirit, what serves us and others. He gives us instructions for our actions, but the freedom to act, is and remains respected.

But to give you a proof of the truth I'm telling you, I tell you that the Glorious and Eternal One in me is revealing that a Roman commissar is on his way, who wants to speak and listen to me. He comes from Edessa, where I came from. He finds it incomprehensible that the previously ill king suddenly recovered and that all the gods had to give way to the eternal God."

Pistorius said: "Do you also know his name? When will he arrive here?"

Jacob: "Sure, it is Sardellus, from an old Roman descent. He will be here tomorrow evening. Of course he won't expect me to be here anymore, but since God wants it so, I will await his coming."

"Does he bring company along?" Nicolaus asked. "Since I haven't heard from this man yet, I want to give him real pleasure."

Jacob: "Yes, do that – but not only to this one, but to all those who come to stay with you. He comes with only five men in two wagons and wants to get information not only here where I reside, but also where Jesus lived, for it seems impossible to him that a dead man can again speak to those who still live."

Pistorius speaks: "Thank you, I will be here again tomorrow evening. I have to experience this encounter and make use of it, because everything I experienced today goes beyond my understanding. One thing I assure you, dear friend, today's experience has greatly shaken my principles. I am not ashamed to say this. If I can serve you, tell me how I could do it."

Jacob: "Dear friend, if you wish, control the caravans strictly, for too many of the captured brothers and sisters are sold as slaves by the minions of the temple. Through Jesus' teaching the income of the priests has greatly decreased and so they try in this way to increase their income, since the temple tolerates this."

Pistorius: "Not possible, we Romans only tolerate human trafficking within the framework of the law."

Could you, through the mediation of the living God, perhaps tell me about such a caravan convoy?"

Jacob: "Absolutely, Pistorius, but then you [will] miss the encounter with Sardellus."

Pistorius: "I will then rather help the brothers and do without the encounter with Sardellus."

Jacob: "You passed the first test, Jesus thanks you and so listen: Tomorrow morning very early you ride westwards with your people. On the big caravan road to Antioch you can overtake the caravan, which is moving very slowly. The transport is very slow because some drivers and many prisoners are seriously ill. The caravan is accompanied by some priests with whom a Roman can easily cope."

Pistorius: "Then I will also go to rest with the people. Thank you again and pray for me for the help of your - and hopefully soon my - God."

Nicolaus accompanied Pistorius and his soldiers to their rooms and promised to have the morning soup ready early – and requested that the freed brothers and sisters should be brought to him. "There is so much fallow but fertile land here, that hundreds could have good and abundant livelihoods."

"If all is true and it succeeds, then I will come" was the answer.

For a long time the friends stayed together, then Jacob advised them to go to rest and Samino promised to stay even longer.

The following day was all about mutual love. The women helped Nicolaus so that no one suffered from lack of food or drink and Jacob could serve one or the other completely in his own love. The day passed quickly, and the brothers became restless, for the expected Roman did not come. Samino asked: "Brother, could you be wrong?"

"Oh no, dear Samino," said Jacob, "but you could prepare a cart and fetch Sardellus, for they had misfortune and the wagon is not so easy to repair. It would bring great joy if you could come to his aid."

Samino: "But gladly - tell me the place where I will meet them." In a few minutes, Samino drove off with one of his drivers to the indicated place and in two hours they were back with the Romans. Sardellus could not be surprised enough that it was Jacob - whom he was looking for - who was the one who had given him a chance on that unlucky day, and helped him find quarters, for he had given up all hope. The greeting was therefore much heartier, but Jacob said, "the Eternal Love, Who knows about all things, took care of you!"

Sardellus: "For me? I don't understand that, because I never had anything left for them, on the contrary, I am hostile to the Jewish temple and its behaviour. They see themselves as the masters and sabotage our laws."

Jacob: "Eternal Love also knows this, but it cannot respond to every single one of your notions, but acts only according to the course of right and true love. You know Moses and the prophets, but you do not know the Spirit who urged the prophets and enlightened Moses.

In Edessa so much became incomprehensible to you not to speak of the miracles of love at all, you are mad at yourself, mad at your gods and seek far away for what is so close to you".

Nicolaus most warmly greeted his guest and had the tables set as they waited for him.

Sardellus: "You waited for me? Did you know I was coming?"

Nicolaus: "Of course, already since yesterday night – did Samino not tell you?"

Sardellus: "No, I thought it to be coincidence that Jacob whom I was looking for, was helping me."

Samino said: "Why should I say much, isn't it better if everybody experiences the joy that love gives us?"

Nicolaus had prepared a rich meal and the wine was in jugs on the tables.

"Are you having a feast?" Sardellus asked, "There are so many people here in this remote town."

Nicolaus shook his head and said: "A feast yes - a feast of joy and love and gratitude. Until now we were still not informed about the right and true being of the Saviour Jesus. We probably experienced this and that, also some contradictions, and now we experienced in Jacob, the disciple and servant of eternal love, the truth and the life of the true God. That is why all of you should rejoice. Everything that is set upon the tables is, after all, a Gift from Him. Brother Jacob, do bless, as representative of the Saviour, this meal."

Jacob stood up and looked at them all with bright eyes and said, "My Jesus, my Saviour and eternal Father! Again You showed Your love so gloriously and bestowed these gifts upon us. We ask You, bless them with the power of Your love and bless all who participate in this meal of Your love. We thank you for your love and your presence, and so fill us with your Spirit so that we may become even more One with you! Amen."

"Amen" - said the others. Then they took the food and wine and spoke of the wonderful experiences of the two days. Sardellus with his companions also eagerly took it and the wine also enlivened their hearts. In spite of all the cheerfulness, they remained within their limits and in blissful expectation. Jacob served them and everyone eagerly wished to talk to him personally. The meal lasted an hour, then it became silent, until the jugs and the cups were cleared off the tables.

A little silence came - then Jacob said: "Sardellus, the hour you longed for is here, now you can speak of what troubled and simultaneously oppressed you".

Sardellus nodded his head and said: "Yes, it finally is the hour I finally want to clear up everything that troubled me so much. I experienced a love like never before in my life. His love, which makes me happy and also miserable. A love that lifts you up to heaven and at the same time into misery!

With these words my condition is described and therefore I would like to come out of this uncertainty and put my life on a natural basis. Something must not have been right in my life, otherwise I would not be in this state. The love I experienced in Edessa was different than it used to be. They were glad to see me there, I've been treated like a brother in the royal house I didn't know the priests anymore. They used to long for my coming - because there was always a lot to settle - and now they longed for my coming to let me experience the love that they all experienced.

Yes, what am I supposed to tell you? As long as I was among them, I've been lifted to

heaven. When I was alone, I had no peace. The gods stood between me and the others. Are you surprised that I had the desire to see you, Jacob, to hear you and speak with you? I feel it to be exactly the same for me here among you as there. I am well, I am in a festive mood and yet a fear arises in me when I am alone".

Jacob said: "Dear Sardellus, the true God is not sought with an idol in one's pocket! Behold, the Lord who knows all things made you experience love and joy, joy that comes from heaven. If you were in order, you would be filled with peace and you would have inner joy and this would be the inviolable proof of the true God! But in this way you let yourself be guided by impulses that give you partial joy and partially creates a yearning again. Make up your mind!"

Why are you penetrated by a sense of duty towards your emperor, and the law must be fulfilled to the last dot? Because you are bound to your emperor and swore allegiance to him. But to God - who gives you one opportunity after another to experience Him in His love and in His gracious guidance - you may dedicate many hours of your mind, but you close your heart anxiously so as not to lose your gods!

Decide on one or the other, this is the advice I give you: for it could be that you obstruct your own way and then can no longer find your way. But to prove to you the uselessness of your gods, and that they cannot do the slightest thing, the Lord wants to free you from the idols that you always carry with you. But do not be sad because of this, but rejoice because Eternal Love seeks you and wants to win you forever".

Without a thought, Sardellus grabbed his toga. He was frightened. His idol had really vanished. Only for a short time a shadow laid on his forehead, then he said: "Jacob, your Lord acts quickly, he could have gotten rid of me completely with it too."

Jacob: "No, Sardellus, what the Lord begins, He also gloriously finishes! He would leave you alone for only a short time and if you would not know where to go, you would search for the Lord again, since the gods failed. But to make you completely free and to remove the appearance of a compulsion, the Lord wants me to give your property back. There you have your idol again and now act freely out of your own will! But we want to spend this evening solemnly and tomorrow we will put ourselves entirely at the service of Eternal Love."

With the exception of a few, everyone agreed and soon the inn was in a deep rest – except for Sardellus. The little idol did not allow him to rest.

Nicolaus' wife and their daughters were already early in the kitchen to prepare the morning meal for the many guests, but in every aspect they faced obstructions. Things just did not work out. Then Jacob came into the kitchen and said: "Take your time, it should be a day off for you too. We will be content with little. Just do everything as you were used to. The love and grace of the Lord will not be revealed because of a festive meal, but when everything in you is festively decorated for the Lord!"

The woman said: "Oh you disciple of the Lord, you do not know Nicolaus well, as he commands, it must be done!"

Jacob: "Not today, do as I tell you, and Nicolaus will be pleased. But in the evening there will be about 50 more guests, then you and your daughters will see what is possible in love."

With a short greeting he left the women in the kitchen and went out into the dewy morning.

He saw how the driver was taking care of their cattle, which he led to the pastures. A driver approached Jacob, grabbed both his hands, and said: "Dear disciple of the Lord, how can I thank you for these blessings we received through you and from you? I am urged to thank you."

Jacob: "No, you should not do this, because the first and greatest thanks are due to Him who gave us everything. But rejoice in the great grace that will be revealed again today, and contribute to the fact that the lukewarm and sluggish become more alive."

Driver: "Oh you, disciple of the Lord! I want to do everything you say, for it is to me as if everything became more beautiful."

Jacob: "Everything is as it was. It is only you who are animated by another spirit. Your soul has absorbed into itself the ray that is offered to all people by the grace of God. But since you are now animated and driven by another spirit, do not resist it, for the Saviour wants to possess you entirely and fill you completely with His love; if you only want to do what is commanded you, you remain only a servant of the Lord!

But those who made the Lord's will their own, are exalted to childhood, and children have full right to gifts of grace and to make full use of it. See, I can say this only to the few who received the ray of God's exceedingly great love in their souls. And now pay attention to yourself and give room for the love of God in you, my brother!"

The driver grabbed both Jacob's hands, speaking with tears in his eyes: "You call me brother, I am your brother - brother, oh bliss - this Word brother! I was always pushed and driven. I was sold to a lord as a child, who knew only one thing - to bully his subordinates. What did I have to endure with the others, until our lord's death finally set me and the others free. We went to other lords, where it was much better and were then finally bought by Samino, who gave us our freedom. But I have not yet made use of my freedom; for I will serve Samino for as long as I live - he is a good lord!"

Jacob: "My brother, it gives me joy that you reward faithfulness and love with the same. It will therefore make you a hundred times happier when you would respond to the love of the Saviour with love and devotion. But always remain faithful and humble, then the Saviour will give you more and more, so that you may recognize the great grace and become aware by His grace, that you became His child. So now become really silent and become firm in yourself for the sake of those who cannot yet fully embrace the Lord."

Jacob gave him a handshake, and went forth. But in this man, whom he had made so happy, he had won a brother and a servant for the Master. Delighted and inwardly grateful towards the Lord, he did not notice that the Roman Sardellus was following him. Sardellus heard every word Jacob spoke to the driver and that kindled a fire in this Roman that almost consumed him with a longing for clarity.

Impelled from within, Jacob turned around and said: "Sardellus, could you not yet manage to bring yourself to the living God and Lord! Why is it so difficult for you to take the hand of God, Who would make you a free and joyful man?"

Sardellus: "Jacob, I want to, but it won't let me go - the gods won't let me go. What should I do to recognize the eternal God as my God? It is a mystery to me that I cannot get away from my gods, if you did not give the idol back to me, I could have been spared the troubled night!"

Jacob: "You are mistaken, Sardellus, I had to hand you back the idol at the behest of the

Eternal Love, so that you may free yourself and accept the true and living God in the highest freedom. For God is the God of love and life and wants to be accepted out of love. What joy will arise in you, when you will be seized by His omnipotence. You would always have to remain a slave and servant and be rewarded for your deeds! But the Lord longs for children of love, for children who act entirely in His Spirit and are in constant contact with Him. If, as a father, you do not wait for your children to obey the laws, but want to educate them with all your love to be true children, the eternal Father also acts in the same way".

Sardellus: "Jacob, now I understand you very well! But can I only win the eternal God with love alone?"

Jacob: "Only with love alone - because in true love from God lies the fulfillment of all laws. You already heard so much about the eternal God, you experienced the wonders of His love in others, and a dead idol prevents you to take hold of the Eternal?! No idol can be to blame, but the false spirit, the false priest raised up in you. When in Edessa the pagan altars of those who destroyed the spirit of all life have been torn down, fear and anxiety was felt by those who could not part with their dead gods. But then nothing happened - but on the contrary, all became overwhelmed with joy when life out of God triumphed and wayward people became true children of God!

What separates you from God? Have you seriously asked yourself? Oh no, for you are your own lord and will remain so - one way or the other. That the Lord is searching for you, you can not reject, because the longing for clarity is in the foreground! Over there - the simple driver of Samino - he accepted God - and understood [Him] and is completely happy. What is possible with the one, has to be possible with others as well. There were no miracles and signs but humble faith and devotion. Therefore, dear Sardellus, let go, and become a free and happy person, so that you too can finally be made truly happy. Let us turn back, the morning meal is prepared and they're waiting for us.

Sardellus: "How do you know? Does God also take care of the daily things?"

Jacob: " But of course, Sardellus! In the smallest He is most glorious and blessed is the one who knows this!"

So it was. They did not want to take the morning meal without Jacob, and Nicolaus was about to go search for Jacob, when they came. How warmly did Jacob greet them all, then he blessed them all, and the meal. A festive peace enlivened all the hearts and after the meal, Samino said: "Jacob, I stay here for as long as you stay here. All my people are healthy! I do not lack anything and gained so much, that I can not give enough thanks."

Jacob: "Samino, stay according to your love, for not all are yet filled with the Spirit that brings true joy. Behold, there are different faiths – many came to faith due to their healing; but the Lord is concerned about the acts that spring from faith. Faith without love is not faith, since there is no strength to become a carrier – a vessel of the Spirit – which the Master promised to all before he completely departed from us."

Samino asked, "Was it necessary for the Master to leave? He, as God, could also transform His transitory body into an immortal and all the hatred of the priesthood would not have had an effect. If the Master had remained among men with an indestructible body, they would have to believe in Him in the end. All the suffering which the priests caused today would cease, and the undermining rumours would have to give way to the truth."

Jacob: "Samino, you speak according to human understanding and is correct in your opinion, but when you will once be taken deeper into the depth of His Divinity, then you will be of another conviction. Jesus' death is our life and His resurrection, the salvation from all death and justice. If, according to your opinion, Jesus had remained with us and among us without these events, His teaching would have been purely humanized and His glorious Word would lose it's value. Men would never receive anything from His Spirit and they would never experience in themselves the blessings revealed in us all by His Spirit.

Remember all, that Jesus can not make us happy if we do not become carriers of His Love-Spirit, and then He can not help us into a new life when we cling to the old and not want to get rid of anything still dominating us, which opposes Him and His Being. His Spirit in us makes us new people and His Spirit, the Spirit of Golgotha, opens the door in us that He too can be in all His love and personality in us and around us. He is among us. I feel His presence and His voice. But you must first cleanse everything in yourself by His power and grace - then you will experience His whole great glory, which He also had to gain in the greatest struggle of His life!

He succeeded in establishing true union with God between Father and Son - just like fire and light. The resulting warmth, however, will be the invigorating, redeeming and blessed life, which will help us into a more and more believing and conscious life. But once all this is recognized and this new and glorious life is fostered through His grace and love, our salvation comes into full realization. See Sardellus, in this Spirit and in this life, the way is free to all, the way that leads to the true Lord and God and our own world. To the Lord and eternal God, without Whom I am not able to do anything and into my own inner world, that can not be brought into the right order without Him.

But everything must happen in the right way and only voluntarily, otherwise we could never achieve the right connection with God. But now, let us go out and prepare ourselves for a work which you will begin Nicolaus, and which will require the help of brother Sardellus."

Nicolaus: "But I'm curious what I should do, because I don't have any plan yet."

It was a lovely day outside. The animals grazed in the fresh grass and the radiant sun reflected in the little brook passing through Nicolaus' big estate.

Jacob said: "Brother Nicolaus, today you are still facing the great task to give work and bread to many people. But you lack the dwellings to shelter them, and behold, here before your eyes you have this great place that serves for nothing but pasture. You often thought: 'if only I had a chance to bring people here' - and today I'm going to give you this opportunity. But since it is better - by the grace of the Lord - to prepare, everything will happen much faster."

Nicolaus said: "Jacob, you mean the caravan that Pistorius is to find when he realizes the urge of divine love in himself?"

Jacob: "Yes, Nicolaus, hopefully it will not be too much for you, because Pistorius is on his way here, he knows not what to do but to come here. He is overwhelmed by the joy that so permeates him. He now has evidence upon evidence of the living God."

Sardellus: "How many will there be? If you, Jacob, could tell us if they would like to stay here, we would have a lot to gain!"

Jacob: "Don't take fright, they are way over a hundred who have no home, and many more who are yet to make up their minds."

Samino said: "Nicolaus, are you really going to build homes here? Also given that there is life-resources here. The many people will need to eat and be clothed."

Nicolaus: "Certainly I want this and if I understood Jacob correctly, the Lord wants to prepare us and needs our help".

Since this was not so important to the others, they let Jacob lead them to a small hill from where they had a beautiful view. Here he now led the listeners into the life of Jesus' love, which also today again brings a glorious proof. First of all, they wanted to know how it was possible to reveal things that could only be proved later. Jacob now knew how to illuminate the power of the Spirit and of love in such a way that now the longing and the urging grew ever greater, to get to know Him completely, Who, out of exceeding love, had only the salvation and happiness of all in mind.

It became noon - then they set off to go to the inn, because it was time to have lunch.

Almost simultaneously, also Nicolaus, Sardellus and Samino arrived. They were really hungry and also quite thirsty from all the talking and walking. After the meal there were discussions about the work, for which there were many volunteers, and Jacob as a carpenter gave instructions to which they eagerly heeded. Thus the afternoon passed with strenuous work.

Jacob said: "Listen, Pistorius will be here in a few hours. The caravan doesn't have many tents to camp for the night. Set up some more, that we may have more satisfaction in our work."

The tents were quickly set up, since Samino developed a liveliness that astonished everyone. But he said: "For love's sake, everything must become love."

The caravan proceeded slowly, at a snail's pace. The animals were under obvious strain. Half of the people ran beside and behind the caravan, but the others lay tired and ill on the wagons. Some priests and their servants laid bound on a wagon, because they refused to follow Pistorius.

Pistorius came storming ahead, quickly jumped off his horse and said: "Nicolaus, everything Jacob said was pure truth, but now you have to take care of the many. We are above all really hungry and even more thirsty, and the animals will soon be unable to move – for me, it is the greatest miracle that I was able to bring all and everything here."

Sardellus asked: "Did you have any trouble?"

Pistorius: "Enough lord - I never met such a rabble of Jewish priests before, 'devil' is too light a term, the court will have to deal with them. But I do not want to have them all brought into the house either. Couldn't I get these tents to give a quiet night to the sick and afflicted?"

Nicolaus said: "We made provision in the name of the Lord and yes, Jacob is still here. The love of the Lord will be gloriously revealed."

9. Caravan of captive Christians gets captured

The caravan finally arrived. All hands helped. But what a scene is playing out with the housing of the patients and afflicted, is not possible to describe. Sardellus was beside himself when he saw with his own eyes what the temple's anger and hatred had brought about.

Five captured priests and ten of their servants had to be taken into secure custody, strictly guarded by the soldiers. They could no longer free themselves. The house was overcrowded. Nikolaus' wife wrung her hands, she did not expect that many. The first concern was now for those who were put into the tents.

Clothes needed to be provided, because nearly all were naked and their underwear torn. Their wounds had to be cleansed, for they have been subjected like slaves with their whips and straps. How grateful were the liberated people. Bread and wine never tasted so good as today. It also did not take long for their will to live to break through and they became happier again. Everyone got satiated in the house and finally Pistorius could report, for especially Sardellus wanted to know the whole course of events.

He reported: "When I finally spotted the caravan after a long, unsuccessful search, my aim was to do everything in peace and in the way of love, wanting to have a proof myself. When the Templars saw us, they immediately resisted without any of us saying a word. Two of my people were wounded by this, exciting me tremendously. I screamed: "No pardon" - then it was a few minutes' work, and we overwhelmed the armed servants.

I looked around and saw a priest coming threateningly towards me with a spear, but as he was untrained in the use of weapons, I soon knocked the spear out of his hand and a punch in the face made him harmless.

In the meantime, while my people finished with the servants, another four priests arrived. The priests hollered at me, why I would attack peaceful people. Enraged as I was, I answered: 'You call my service an attack! I only have to take control. But now you shall experience one in me who does not let anything slip through his fingers. With a thundering voice I asked: "Who is in charge here? Who is the owner of this caravan? Why are you priests armed?"

Then one sneeringly said: "You don't need to ask all that, but should consider yourself lucky that I ask you with what right you attack us?"

That was it. I called out: 'Men, secure these Templars for me', and in the blink of an eye, they were all bound. Then peace came over me. Then I again asked my people: 'Have we been attacked, or were we the attackers?' And I was told that we got attacked, probably because we were charging so fast. 'Good', I said, 'We shall see what becomes of the investigation. I in any way need to have proper information.' I now called on the other drivers to stop and report to us. Then one came and said: 'Lord, do not punish us for what these lords sinned. We are poor fauns and must do as we are told.'

'Have you been forced to do unlawful things?' I asked, and the poor man answered: 'Not only unlawful things, but inhumane things.' Then I said to him: 'If this is so, then fear

nothing, for we Romans only act according to righteousness! What do you have on your wagon – not any humans?' Then came the answer: 'Only people – good people, who did no harm to anyone. Their mistake is that they are Nazarenes.'

With these words, the mission found its purpose, of why I was searching for this caravan – and I was in awe of the God from Whom I wanted to escape.

[Me:] "Let everyone get out, take care of all of them in my name. Today we shall let them all rest, for tomorrow I want to be at Nicolaus on the way to Patmur. I hope to accommodate everyone there. We therefore need to move early, for it is a long road, water is scarce and I know of no springs.'

I then witnessed misery not even experienced in battle. You will have to hold on to yourself in order to only remain somewhat calm and so I would like to ask you to grant these people rest today, because there are really seriously ill people among them."

Nicolaus, who was listening to the conversation, said to Jacob: "Brother, what do you feel in your heart?"

Jacob: "Only pain and sorrow, for I fear that Sardellus will be hard on the priests."

Nicolaus: "Can we not placate him, Jacob?"

Jacob: "Not now, for the truth is so overwhelming that only a heart full of the greatest mercy can find an excuse. But Sardellus is not that far. We cannot do anything about it and must acknowledge his sense of justice, but would you not go with me to those in the tents?"

Nicolaus: "I would love to, but we will ask Sardellus to come with us, so that he may also experience how we want to serve in the Spirit of the Saviour's love!"

Jacob: "Thank you, Nicolaus. With this speech you made me really happy. Let us not forget Schimba either, for he will treat the sick, and let us welcome anyone who wants to come with us."

Sardellus and Pistorius were immediately there and as the naked were clothed, he rejoiced in the meeting of the poor with the disciple of the Lord. There were many of them who came to the tents.

Jacob cried out with a loud voice: "Blessed are you who suffer, for our suffering shall be turned into joy and your pain also into joy, and so the Lord and Master Jesus calls you. Come out of the tents and experience the glory of the Lord as reward for your faithfulness." And out came the heavily afflicted, supported by others.

Then Schimba said: "He is here in Spirit, for your salvation is His work. See there our brother Jacob, the disciple of the Lord!"

Jacob saw Sardellus and Pistorius. With a few steps he was among the seriously ill and said with a loud voice: "Sisters and brothers, the Lord wants your time of suffering to be over, receive His blessing and His Spirit! But you, who would have been faithful to death, will rise in health and your wounds will heal quickly. But let the Spirit of love and forgiveness prevail and joy upon joy will enter your heart. According to the measure of your love you will be enlivened and according to your mercy, His holy peace will also make you happy and joyful! So be it, but also your will! Amen."

The fever left all of them and the pain became more bearable. Then one said: "Oh dear friends, and you, disciple of the Lord! Praised be the Name of the Lord and praised be His miracle power! Here, look at my back! I could no longer lie because of pain and wanted to die of anguish, but it is now as good as cured. Tell me, where can I offer my full gratitude to the Lord, for the miracle of His love and power is so overwhelmingly great, He must be here. See, my sisters might have died already if He had not come to us with His help.

Jacob laid his hands on the woman and said: "Sister, open all your heart and let all that is in your longing, become love and fulfillment; for behold, the Master can now fill you with His Spirit and you will become aware that you are fully with Him and in Him. He cannot come to you externally, but in your love for Him, He is able to make Himself and others visible. It is the greatest miracle of love that His life is revealed in you, but the miracle will be even greater when you reveal His glorious life in your love. His life, which He gave to us in the greatest struggle for life, shall be the source of the glorious Spirit of Salvation and Redemption among all of us, so that His being and His eternal life may become the property of the earth and of all men, unto salvation. Then all surrounded Jacob and a glow emanated from him, seen by all.

Then Sardellus said: "Jacob, have you done anything to make your words more powerful? I never saw such a glow on a man before."

Jacob replied: "Sardellus, I only let the Spirit prevail that gives me a mighty life. The others will not even notice it. But because you observed everything with your mind, the exterior is closer to you than the spiritual interior. If you would have been inflamed with such love as Maruschka - truly, you would experience miracles upon miracles, and your indwelling spirit from God would see depths upon depths in God, Who can only reveal himself according to the degree of maturity of His children."

Sardellus: "This I can not understand. So Maruschka had a different experience than I did?"

Jacob: "Not only Maruschka, but every single one among us. Ask Schimba to tell you what he has experienced in this moment. You will not be able to be amazed enough.

Sardellus called Schimba and Maruschka to him and said: "Listen, dear ones, the miracle that is revealed to us shall be different for each one. If I ask you, would you tell me what you are experiencing now?"

Schimba: "But with pleasure, dear Lord! My heart is overflowing! I would have spoken long ago, but everything is so lively and many things could be lost. If you, my Lord, were to ask the others to be restful for a little while, I would be very happy to speak".

Sardellus asked all to listen to Schimba for a few moments and then Schimba said: "My friends and your beloved ones, listen, the Lord allowed me to experience something wonderful. He is among us with a crowd of the most loving spirits. You, Maruschka, He has put His hand on your head and there is a golden shine on your hair which I would like to compare with a crown and from your eyes shines a glow! If it were dark, everyone would see the glow. You, Jacob, are shrouded with a sun that makes you seem to be in a glorious splendour and glow, and every single word you say is like sparks of light coming from your heart, and they penetrate the inside of the listener. With others, I see also Light creatures who want to stay with their beloveds. With you, high lord, I also see a magnificent female figure, together with a less glowing male figure in your vicinity. But the Lord is in the background, looking at us with shining eyes.

A crowd of very young, but light-radiating beings are around Him and now I see how the wonderful beings weave cords of light - not strips of light - around us, and how wonderful, each one has tied a different coloured band of light to their loved ones, also to you. Now the Lord holds both arms up as if He is blessing us, and oh wonders, from His hands, from His eyes, even from His mouth, stream rays of light and illuminate all the beautiful ribbons. But these again emanate their own light, this glow is beautiful to see! Oh, if I could only be a painter and capture these rays of light. Oh, now the light is getting stronger and stronger. The main beam is turning towards Jacob, no, the ray is coming from Jacob and goes to the Lord. But these rays do not penetrate, as with the others, into the interior, but meld together in His hand to form a chalice. The chalice is filling up with crystalline water, a being of light is bowing to the other beings here.

Again I experience a new wonder. The luminous ones shine even brighter and the less radiating ones also change to their advantage. Now a shining angel gives the cup to those who are with you. She does not drink, but gives it to the male being. He drinks and radiates much brighter - his eyes, even his robe, take on a lighter color. Now the shining figure drinks too, returns the cup and the man offers the radiating woman his hand, and she takes him away from here; but first she lay her hand on you, high lord, her hand on your head, while the man looks at you.

They disappeared, but all the more most lovely creatures are pushing their way towards the saved. From them also a glorious radiance emanates and the Lord blesses their love which they are showing you. The Lord has you, Pistorius, especially radiated, and the glorious beings would gladly let us drink of this cup, but we are still in the flesh! My inner being says: 'It is enough' and so, high lord, I will now again keep silent".

Sardellus said, "I cannot take much from all this, but tell me, Jacob, is all this true? Is it not fantasy playing a trick on Schimba? It all sounds so magical to me. Who is the figure of light and who the man. Can you give me some correct information?"

Jacob: "Certainly, Sardellus, this figure of light is your sister who died in her early youth and the man, your father. Your sister has fully recognized the Lord and her being is love and only love, while your father still struggles too much with his attachment to the gods. Today, your sister's love has succeeded in convincing him of the Lord's love and mercy by your search for the truth of the true God".

Sardellus: "Why me, what do I know about my sister, who has long been forgotten for 20 years and what will she know about me? Tell me, can a deceased remember us after such a long time? You are really speaking mysteriously - and my father, wasn't he a righteous man?"

Jacob: " Sardellus, you would not doubt the truth that the Lord has made you experience, would you? For it is for your sake that the Lord has steered everything and you will still experience the greatest miracle today, for your sister who is still alive, is there in the tent. Out of shame before the many who came, she and one other did not come out of the tent.

Sardellus: "What are you telling me? My sister?"

Jacob: "Yes, your sister Danila, who separated herself from you for the sake of her faith."

Sardellus grabbed Jacob by the arms and said excitedly, " Jacob, it is impossible. Danila, whom I have not seen for 10 years, is here? Come lead me to her!"

Then Jacob went with Sardellus to the tent and said, "Danila, come out and experience the

wonders of the Saviour Jesus, which now rewards you for all your suffering."

10. Sardellus finds his sister Danila again

Danila steps out of the open tent and sees her brother. But he grabs Danila and says, "Danila, it is really you!"

Danila: "It is I, Sardellus. But do not think that I will renounce the faith in Jesus the Saviour."

Sardellus: "Neither should you, but do you know that it is you who finally gives me what I have been looking for so much? Here is our house idol, look here, I am trampling on him with my feet. I can finally make myself completely free for your - and hopefully also for my - Saviour."

Danila embraced her brother and spoke through [her] tears: "Sardellus, now all sufferings are paid for, whatever may come, the Saviour is now anchored in me as firmly as a rock, now I also know that you will find full redemption."

Sardellus: "Danila, there, that very plain brother, earlier saw father and Monika. Let him tell you about them, I don't have the right words."

Danila: "Sardellus, the brother is not leaving yet, I still have time - but tell me, how did you get here, are you involved in saving us? I was quite ill and feared to have to leave here without being reconciled with you. Where and when did father die? Behold, I could no longer let go of the love of the Lord, and in the love of the Lord, I felt no separation from you."

Sardellus: "Danila, all is well now - come with me to Nicolaus' house, and if you want, sleep in my chamber; I ask only one thing of you, that you introduce me to the essence of the Saviour Jesus!"

Danila: "All right, Sardellus. But for the time being we don't want to forget the others, for the nature of the Lord is revealed in the love unto others. [to Jacob:] And you are the disciple who was always with the Lord. I still recognize you very well, for you are the only one of your brothers who left the homeland for the sake of the Lord and went with the Lord."

Jacob: "You are right, Danila. The others did what their hearts urged them to do. You will still experience true joy and now fill the measure of love and go with Sardellus."

The others were shocked that it was precisely Sardellus who had to find his sister.

Then Danila said: "It is precisely here that I see the Saviour's love, that He only wants to reach the highest goal with His faithful ones, while the others first have to struggle through. It is not that Sardellus should struggle through, oh no, because Sardellus is full of the greatest desire for the love of the Lord; all this had to happen for my sake, for we truly became weak in the hour of trial. We could not last another day, because we were completely exhausted by the suffering and torment. But now the love of the Lord and all the glory of His guidance is before us in a completely different light. We should make this experienced love, our love."

"Do you still feel sick," Sardellus anxiously asked. "The innkeeper Nicolaus will do

everything I wish."

Danila: "Sardellus, don't worry about anything anymore, because there is no need to worry anymore. Let the Lord reign in you as the innkeeper lets the Lord reign, and you will experience new wonders of love. We are safe in Him and we should be guided only by one concern: that we may preserve the sanctuary of His love within us, despite all our enemies."

The big room was very crowded. The tables were all full. In the kitchen there were not enough hands to finish the meal. Then Danila said to the other women who had not suffered so much: "Let us go to the hostess's kitchen, I have the feeling that there is a need for help, the time is over where angels helped us people. Now we must replace the angels."

Everyone wanted to help and suddenly everything happened quickly. The hostess only had to give instructions, and in a short time, half of those present could eat, and the other half helped those who carried the food into the tents.

Nicolaus said to Jacob: "Brother, things are not working out right. The food in the cauldrons should have been all gone long ago, but my wife found that the cauldron will not go empty!"

Jacob: "Nicolaus, make not much of a fuss that you, your wife, and your children are experiencing the miracle for your strengthening. The others may consider it plainly as the result of your diligence.

The Lord can no longer be our helper with miracles from His omnipotence, but with the love which we as His faithful return to Him. You will still experience the greatest joy in Sardellus and his sister. Only one thing I ask of you: let the prisoners also receive their food and ask Pistorius to ensure that nothing is withheld from them".

Nicolaus: "I didn't think of them anymore; it's good that you remind me of them."

In two hours, everyone was sated. The efforts of the day required rest, therefore Jacob said: "Sisters and brothers, it is late. The day has demanded so much strength that it is time to seek peace and quiet. Each one of us may arrange everything in his own inner world so that tomorrow, the love and grace of the Lord becomes ever brighter and more luminous. You experienced today more than just revelations, but the Lord Himself - and so make yourselves worthy of this glorious grace. May His Spirit in you light up everything and also lead you into the right clarity, for you will need it for what is going to happen to you.

If I were to influence you, do this or that, I'd miss it. Your decisions must be entirely voluntary and that we all think of your happiness should be your joy today as always. Be blessed in His love and strengthened by the Spirit who wants salvation for all of you, then you will also be strengthened in the body. Rest in the consciousness: The Lord is our fortress, and His peace will be your peace! Amen."

Nicolaus shook Jacobs' hand and said: "Brother, how is it that right now, when the Lord is so obviously among us with His grace, I am failing? I am ashamed of myself!"

Jacob: "You must find all that in yourself. In things that only concern you and the Lord, the advice of a brother can also be wrong. It would be different if you were in a mental distress, you would need help. For then you could live among the wonders of glorious love

and miss the best."

Nicolaus: "Brother, brother, that was the best answer. I thank you!"

Sardellus, who had been talking with his sister all night, was still resting, but Danila was as if reborn. She greeted everyone with a freshness and then went into the kitchen and asked if and how much help was needed.

Sardellus: "Oh sister, we never before had so many guests. Everything is so incomprehensible to me. It almost does not make sense to me that so much is possible in love. If you can, help me according to your love, for you are our guests."

Danila: "Not like this, that is what is missing. We are no guests and can't pay the smallest stater. We are children of a father in heaven and it is our father's concern that everyone will be satisfied. We did experience more than once with the Lord that everyone became full without ever having contributed anything to it. So let me do it and everything will be right. We do not want to let the men notice anything of our small trouble, they have to give their tribute to the world today."

What a joy developed among all of us now that they knew that they were rescued, everything looked rosy for all and therefore there was no disappointment when Pistorius had a man gather them all together. Sardellus, Nicolaus and Pistorius now greeted the gathered and Sardellus said: "My friends, it is everyone's task to be fair to all. I came here to find the truth about the true God and because I found God, He has placed me among you who had to suffer a lot for your faith's sake. Now you are faced with the question: What has to happen to you? Who of you has a home and who of you needs a new home? It is certain that when one or the other returns to his homeland, the temple hatred will fall back to you in the most intense way possible, for it is not possible to let the priests' undertaking go unpunished.

To make the work easier, I ask for your cooperation, and if you don't need a home, step out from among you, we will take you where you are at home. For those who have no home, Nicolaus is ready to offer you a new home with your help. Here before us is fertile land, it only needs work to make it profitable. I, by virtue of powers and authority, would soon provide for dwellings, I know the governor would approve of everything I would do. You men, turn to Nicolaus and you women and girls, to Danila. The grace of God is so wonderfully evident, I ask you that you also begin to walk in this Spirit. I now have my work with the Templars, and those who have complaints to make, may turn to your liberator, Pistorius."

Jacob visited the sick with Schimba. By noon, all were well, and could also take part in the conversations of the others. Sardellus had the captured Templars brought before him, and found in these people such hardened and bestial beings that he said to Pistorius: "What can one do? I don't like to negotiate with people of such character. I am disgusted by the smut that opens up for me. Danila has described everything to me without much ado. Or do you want to negotiate in my place? They belong on the cross."

Nicolaus said: "Sardellus, I have some converted priests here, I will call them. We want to see what can be done." Nicolaus fetched Simon and Elias. When they saw the five priests, they were startled. Sardellus, who watched everything, said: "Why are you frightened? You are not accused, are you?"

Simon: "No, Lord, but it is our friends who acted according to the instructions of the high

priest."

Sardellus: "It is not the instructions of the temple that is in question here, but the crimes, which they committed towards the prisoners. Or is it also permitted for naked women, who refuse to indulge in lust with their tormentors, to have their backs beaten bloody or their hands and feet tied, and are left to the mercy of the servants?"

Simon: "Lord, let me talk to them, but alone. Perhaps I will be able to break their hard spirit and make them suitable people again."

Sardellus gave Nicolaus and Pistorius a hint and they left the room. Since it was at ground level, they went out and could hear what was being said. Simon was showered with reproach because he had been a traitor to the cause of the temple and they shouted to him: "You must have completely forgotten that the temple and not the Romans, still have the power."

When the first storm was over, Simon said: "You misjudge the situation you are in, Romans or no Romans, we are all human beings. Our law should be the justice and freedom that the temple is denying the people - not to abuse them. I sought Nazarenes myself, and made them prisoners. But I still treated them as human beings - but not you. You treated them like wild animals and beasts. You abused your endowed power and acted like devils. My advice to you is: Repent of your atrocities, the Romans are sensitive people and above all Christians who do not have your downfall, but your salvation in mind."

A priest: "You too became a despicable Nazarene! Do you know what you are in my eyes? The greatest traitor, the greatest scoundrel I can think of, get away from before my eyes. It is a pity that my hands are tied, I would strangle you with my hands - and you would not be the first".

Simon: "You've gotten that far already! You are beyond me. You have a bad case, for now not only the law will punish you, but also God. A priest has no right to judge, so I will not judge you. But the rest of you, do not be blinded by your brother, it is all about your temporal and eternal existence."

Priest: "Shut your mouth, you traitor, no more words, or I'll lose myself."

Simon: "Let him roar, he is too far gone already, but for your salvation, be open and free."

11. Punishment of the priest Ramon

The priest roared even more. Then Sardellus entered with the others and ordered him to remain silent, as he is now standing before the court. Full of anger and hatred he cried, "Never ever! We do not recognize you as judgment - we are the masters!"

Pistorius called two soldiers and said: "Get this one out of there and [give him] 25 blows on the back, but not in front of the others, because he insults us as judges. No pity - you hear me!"

In a few minutes there was rest, then Sardellus said: "Listen, you blinded ones, we don't want your downfall. Do you have so little love for life that you won't let us convince you. We want to be helpers, not avengers!"

A priest: "Lord, there is nothing left in our lives, we have been dragged into life. There is no salvation for us - only death. If you let us live, the temple will take it from us. It is true that we did not act like human beings but like animals. We are victims of circumstances that will not let us go".

Sardellus: "Man, don't talk such nonsense! Who has done an atrocity must know that sooner or later, atonement will come. I also know Moses and the prophets and the priests and the psalteries of your king David. With no letter is confirmed that you can act as criminals, only because you are God's anointed ones. But you have beaten my sister Danila bloody and made her body sick. No God can forgive these crimes. The survey among the others will still bring many things to light, so that your punishment can be barely sufficient for your atonement."

A priest: "Lord, what happened, happened. I submit to your power and ask for a lenient judgment." The others also said something similar.

Then Nicolaus said: "We don't want to do anything more today, we want to leave the four alone and separate the leader from the others."

Sardellus: "It may be all right with me, but now the captured servants want to have their say. We will go to them."

Sardellus said to them: "Pistorius, release the chains. These are harmless and only victims."

When the fetters were loosened, one of them said: "Lord, whoever you are, do not judge us so hard. We were forced to do this service, and not only once did we get the whip, because we were reluctant to take the lead that our masters demanded of us."

Sardellus: "Your statements must be verified. If it is as you just said, then you are free. But you must be at our disposal at all times."

A servant: "Lord, free us from the temple, make us soldiers, if it comes to it. It can't be more terrible among devils."

Sardellus: "Well, I cannot make you soldiers just like that; but you can enter into the service of this commander and then become Roman subjects. Whose caravan is this?"

They all remain silent, but Sardellus says: "Why do you remain silent?"

A servant: "Lord, we swore silence, the oath binds us."

Sardellus: "No vow is valid any more, since you are now Romans. Now you have to represent the interests of your Lord and your Lord represents you - and so I will not ask any more. Nicolaus, you ask!"

Nicolaus: "I am Nicolaus, the owner of this great land and this inn - from this hour on, your brother! You will never regret that you entered my service. But I am also a Christian and hope that you will not only not act against Christianity, but that you will not resist Christianity for yourselves, but confess Christ; but there are still questions to be discussed and for that, I need you. So I ask: Who is the owner of this caravan? It will not do to keep the caravan to ourselves. It has to be returned to the owner."

One of them said: "The caravan has no owner, because the owner, a Persian merchant, was beaten to death by us on order of the priest Ramon, because the Persian did not want to tolerate the swinishness. There were several disputes between Ramon and him and during such a dispute we were forced to do the meanest thing that was ever demanded of us."

Sardellus: "Does the dead man have wife and children or relatives? What do you know about it?"

12. Report of a Templar's servant

A servant: "According to various statements, the merchant was alone, because he never spoke of a home or of a wife and child. He had taken over the wagons and the animals from his father, who had died. He had no drivers either. We had to perform driver and servant duties. That's why the Persian had no help at all and was completely at the temple's mercy."

Sardellus: "Who is Ramon?"

A servant: "Ramon is the leader of the temple priests and a devil of all devils."

Sardellus: "It's good. Now that I have to stay here longer than expected, we'll have more conversations. One thing I ask of you. Don't forget, that you are now Romans. Nicolaus, we are ending our negotiations. We now have clarity, and so introduce your people into your house. The caravan stays temporarily your property, since you have to carry most of the costs of the settlers. But ration this Ramon's food strictly. With this murderer we won't have much more to negotiate. By the time the Commission arrives, much blessed work will already be done."

Nicolaus has done a good job with the temple servants. They were willing and in some things very clever, above all they were happy to have found a good master. The others were told nothing about the trouble with the Templars, because the next day, wood was brought, which was felled in the nearby forest. Jacob worked with the others. In the kitchen, the food was taken care of, and the Sabbath was spent resting. Jacob and Simon held devotions, nothing disturbed the harmony, and Sardellus, Pistorius and Nicolaus kept silent about the negotiations. Life continued as usual. Caravans came and went, and the settlement rapidly grew as builders and workers arrived with Sardellus' help. Jacob stayed there. During daytime, there was the necessary hard work to do, and in evenings, there were always those who had the true desire for the love of Jesus. Even though everyone of Ramon's caravan stayed, and Schimba has proven himself in every way to be a true helper and healer, Sardellus' sense of justice nevertheless remained unchanged.

Now it was time. The commission had arrived and the five priests stood before a proper court, because they did not acknowledge Sardellus. The nature of the judge was one of order and justice. All the abused were being heard.

Only Danila refused to testify. "I am a Christian, no law was able to free me from the suffering. Only the love and grace of the Saviour and Master Jesus saved me and heaped love upon love upon my wonderfully healed soul. My happiness is so great that I also want to remain here among those who, in blind delusion, did us evil."

Sardellus did not want to accept it, but Danila remained firm and the judge had a high opinion of this greatness of soul. Ramon remained obdurate and vicious, he could not forget that he, as an anointed, got a whipping on his bare back. To him, the Christians were not human beings, only dogs, which one could beat at will. Roman law did not exist for him. The temple and its high priest were everything to him. The other four were under pressure, and Ramon supported their freedom of action. Things looked bad for Ramon.

Pistorius was dismissed, and Jacob again came to him and said: "Brother, will you be available for the Lord? A caravan is on its way to the coast. With some of your people you

can liberate many and give yourself the greatest joy."

Pistorius: "Jacob, how can you ask, you know that there is only one urge in me - to serve Him who gave my life true content! So when and where can I put a spoke in the wheel of the Temple-lords?"

Jacob: "Tomorrow morning, my brother. But you have to surprise them at sunrise, because they are only two hours away from here and without any problems".

Pistorius: "Jacob, tell me only one thing, how do you actually get the news? Why doesn't the Lord always reveal the cruelties?"

Jacob: "You know, brother, this is not easy to explain. It takes a long learning process to hear the Lord and Master or one of His servants inwardly. This rare gift became mine, because I had already included the Lord in my development as a child. Even the time when Jesus was in development and did not externally reveal the slightest thing going on in Himself, I was already inwardly led by the Spirit.

But I didn't always pay attention and therefore won little. I am responsible for what I receive internally. I have never been disappointed and I adjust all my actions to the inner unity, but likewise I cannot say what will happen if I would not receive anything".

Pistorius: "You Jacob, I want to become one with you, it must be wonderful to be led like this!"

Pistorius informed his people. No-one learned of the task that Pistorius wanted to tackle. The work on the settlement continued. Nobody missed Pistorius and his people. The judge had not yet finished his case with Ramon. The judge understood Jacob well and held himself back. He did not want to interfere in the trial and also abstained from any judgement against the others. So it became noon, and everyone was having a meal.

Then Pistorius arrived with his caravan, having freed 30 young men from the hands of the priests. Two priests were tied to the horses, they had to run if they didn't want to be dragged and Pistorius showed them to the judge and Sardellus. He had them brought into custody, where they were given a little water and bread. When the young men were sated and purified themselves, they were interrogated by the two Romans and again the judge experienced how viciously and criminally the temple treated the Nazarenes. Then the caravan leader was questioned, who was in the service of the temple for pay. Since the latter was not incriminated by the rescued, he was not sentenced to any punishment, but he was not to leave the inn. The caravan-leader was a Greek. Clever, but stingy. He could not lose anything, only win. His brother has always been satisfied with him.

13. Sentencing of the priest Ramon

The negotiations with Ramon were to continue in the afternoon. He was accompanied by two soldiers and that was when the Greek saw him. He followed the prisoner and suddenly stood before the judge and Sardellus, who looked up in surprise.

The judge asks the Greek what he wants, and he says, "Lord, I have a complaint to make against this priest. He did not deceive me or my master, but he let hundreds be bereaved of all their belongings. His violence went so far that when he saw a young human child, he stamped it as a Christian to have a reason to take it away. This one traded with people."

The judge said, "Can you prove it?"

The Greek said, "Immediately, for among my drivers is one bought by my brother. He does driver services and can immediately confirm my statement. May I get him?"

The judge: "Get him, but do not speak to him, a soldier will accompany you."

The Greek went with the soldier, and the judge said: "Ramon, your case is bad, if everything is confirmed, the cross is certain for you. So you do not want to make a confession?"

Ramon: "I will not confess anything, especially not to a Roman, I have a right to do so!"

The judge: "Ramon, you are not the first one to fall victim to this deception. Behold, your God could save those whom you captured, but He lets you fall, because He does not defile His love with people like you. In these days I saw enough and the disciple Jacob has shown me your God Jehovah in a different light".

The Greek came with his driver and said: "Lord, I did not say a word to my driver. The soldier can testify. Ask him yourself about what you desire to know."

The driver stood quietly before the Romans and looked very firmly at Ramon.

Then the judge asked the driver: "Do you know this man, speak the truth, you stand before a Roman court".

The driver: "Lord, what can I say? I do not know the man, but he is the one who took me and another brother before me captive, as well as many others from our village, suffering beatings and hunger, loaded on wagons where we lay bound for days and could not move. In Sidon, I was bought by a merchant and, as a serf, had to do everything that was ordered."

The judge: "Are you a Christian?"

The driver: "Not yet, because I am not allowed to have my own opinion, but I would like to be one."

The judge: "I will stand up for your release, but would you be able to forgive this one who caused you and the others such unspeakable suffering?"

The driver: "Lord forgive - this will be difficult, because what he did to me, I could forgive

him, but that he beat my mother almost to death, because she did not want to give us up, I cannot forgive him, because my mother was everything to me!"

The judge: "It's good my son, go back to your work, I will try to make up for what has been done wrong."

The 30 rescued wanted to stay with Nicolaus and went straight to work. Samino brought food with his caravan. Everything was tailored to finish the work really quickly.

Jacob said to Nicolaus, "Brother, I'm getting a call to move on. Your life's work is heading for success. What you are doing here is not from you, but from the Lord. Stay in the Spirit and you will become more and more aware of how the Lord will enliven you! All that we still have to discuss is about the unity of spirit and love among the brothers. Let the Spirit, who is love, wisdom, and order, rule in all the affairs as Ruler of your congregation".

Nicolaus: "Jacob, we shall miss you. Behold, work, blessing and above all, the truth came to us through you. Simon is willing, but much is still missing."

Jacob: "No, Nicolaus, carry him in faith and through the power of love and be conscious that the Lord gives to all what is necessary for them. Behold, your love bears fruit. The work will exist as long as you are connected with Him, who is the Alpha and the Omega! Therefore abide in this Spirit and be conscious in yourself that only Jesus and again Jesus holds His hands over all this - for He, the Master of Love, only gave you the Spirit, but you give him the fruit of the Spirit, which He desires, and truly He is richly happy about your love. If in your heart the aspiration becomes more and more alive, then be assured that it is the Spirit of the Lord. But if the joy becomes greater in you, then be aware that it is the joy of the Lord that made His dwelling in you. So organize yourself now to put everything in order so that no new questions will arise in you, for those who walk on and in the ways of the Lord must be conscious people.

The judge had all the gloom and sadness behind him. The priest, who acted so inhuman and devilish, had to do 15 years of heavy galley work. The others were condemned to forced labor with Nicolaus until the last harvest is under roof and on the shelf. The convicted man was taken away under guard and after this sad business the judge said to Jacob: "Now at last I am ready to talk to you about the crucified one. I've avoided it so far as not to let moods prevail that would eventually have risen."

Jacob: "I knew it, I too kept a certain distance so as not to influence you in the slightest."

The judge gave Jacob his hand and said, "I thank you especially for this. I know that the spirit of the Risen One lives in you. I experience the truth and the life of the risen One in the saved ones. But I still cannot go with you. How is it that you submitted to Pistorius the request of the Risen One to free both caravans? How is it that you received the order and none of the others received the same? This seems strange to me!"

Jacob looked at the judge for a long time and said: "Everything that is accepted by the Lord in a person as a revelation, depends on the condition and the relationship between the person and God. You know Moses and the prophets, but you also know David and Solomon, and you were always unsatisfied until this hour. How is it that the revelations to the men of God could not give you what it did to the men of God?"

Behold, it was because they were in a different relationship to the Lord. You also know that the governor of the city in particular wanted to promote the teaching of the Lord and Master Jesus. You also know that it was the governor who tested Jesus the most and was

filled with His Spirit. Not only once did the governor want to make the teaching of the risen Lord the law, but there Jesus advised him against it and why? Because the freedom of men was not to be restricted, and since Jesus did not attack the temple and treated all the gentiles with the same love, no reproach could be made against Him, the Lord.

The governor also saw this and recognized in this insight, the great truth and love of the Lord and therefore had only the desire that all his officials should promote the Lord's teaching. Unfortunately, little has been done about this wish. Yes, I would like to say that many were hostile to the followers of Jesus' teaching until they awakened to the awareness that the God represented in Jesus, was eternal and true.

That now this recognized God is also cautious with His most glorious revelations, your logic should tell you, and if you compare revelations from then and now, you will recognize that all revelations are adjusted according to the degree of knowledge. Consider the revelations on Mount Sinai and compare them with the revelations of Jesus. There it says: 'tooth for tooth', and here: 'love your enemies, yes bless those who curse you'. And it is one and the same God, but not one and the same people!

In all revelations, God can only work on the ground on which man stands. But you must also consider that if a man needs revelations, they should only serve to put man on a higher level. You Romans are already at a higher level of education than these people who live here, but this level is rational. God only looks at the education of the heart in all revelations, and all revelations received with the heart also produce a different result than those received with the mind. Jesus could therefore also receive the highest revelations, because His whole heart was directed towards God".

The judge: "Hold on for a moment, Jacob – Jesus received the highest revelations, because His whole inner life was directed to the eternal God? But I was told that Jesus Himself was the eternal God - here I come into a dead end."

Jacob: "Quite right, if the man Jesus and the inner man of Jesus are not to be separated from each other! Jesus was a human being and He was afflicted just like all of us. Through the early recognition of His mission as a man, He also put all diligence into - and managed - to unite His indwelling spirit with the Spirit of God, and [He] therefore could experience and receive things like no man before; all His power, His Wisdom and His high standard of living was the fruit of His diligence and His Divine qualification."

The judge: "Jacob, there are always new questions rising; but new questions do not help me - tell me only one thing: Is this resurrection of the crucified and deceased Jesus a true one, that is, what has come to life in all these processes? Is it the same body, the same hands and feet, or is the resurrection a purely spiritual one?"

Jacob: "Everything has come back to life, nothing corruptible has remained in the grave, we convinced ourselves. His body has been completely spiritualized and He carries it now and for all eternities. And all those who believe in Him and unite His Spirit in themselves with their own spirit, will also rise - just as Jesus did - with an indestructible body and reap for eternities the fruits that grew as a result of their diligence as human beings to the eternal God."

The judge: "Jacob, I thank you for these instructions. It is enough, I think we will stay together a little longer. Or did you think you'd stay here longer? I would like to take you with me to Tyrus and be happy to be a witness to all that you will do there."

Jacob: "I cannot give you the answer yet, because the answer depends on the Lord. I do not belong to myself, because I want to serve the Lord. If I serve completely in this Spirit, I will have full success."

The others listened with interest to the conversation, causing their desires to rise more and more. Most of all Sardellus, who was overjoyed to find Danila, his sister, and still did not want to understand her silence when he wanted to know about her dishonoring. So he approached Jacob and asked him in private if he would make it known.

Jacob: "I cannot, dear Sardellus, because the Lord has not yet told me to; but tell me, what do you want to do? Do you want to pre-empt the Lord? Why do you not want to sacrifice this to the Lord?"

Sardellus: "Jacob, we are Romans and have the same sense of honour as you do."

Jacob: "We are all equally human and honour is a concept that men cannot give you. The Master once said: 'The Son of Man did not come to be served and honoured, but to serve and honour Him Who sent Him'. Behold, therein lies my honour, that I may do the complete will of the Lord."

I do not care what the world says, whether I am praised or rebuked, because I only care about the Lord's consent and becoming one with Him. Everything that happens, be it good or bad, is only a means to achieve this long-awaited goal. Why won't you see it as a means? For Danila it was a school, she has matured through it. You should be happy about it and not enliven the past again and again."

Sardellus: "Jacob, if only I could do it! But it doesn't work. I will not rest until this shame has been atoned for."

Jacob: "If the Master would think like that, do you believe that He could accomplish the greatest work of love and sacrifice; or if the Master had failed in the hour of His testing, that He could overcome death? No, brother Sardellus, He would only have remained a moral and human servant, but not wanting the best for people. But the best thing He brought us, is His life, and that is eternal!"

Sardellus: " Jacob, forgive me - I know that you cannot and must not speak to me in any other way and it will be a long time before I fully understand the Lord."

Jacob: "The Lord does not force, but for the sake of your inner peace, I wish that you could enter fully into the Spirit; you would tremble with the power of love. Brother, in the Spirit of merciful love, the criminal in fact becomes your erring brother, who is only a victim of his false and perverse upbringing. Behold, Danila has forgiven him, and by this she has come much nearer to the Lord. She has peace and is reconciled with the Lord."

Sardellus: "Jacob, thank you again, carry me for Danila's sake, for I will not disturb her peace at any cost!"

On that day Danila asked for an interview, and Sardellus was present. Danila said: "Brother Jacob, I have a request and need your advice so that it does not become a distress of my heart. This is the priest who mistreated me. See Jacob, this priest pleaded for forgiveness. He is ready to make every sacrifice to make me forget what he did in his blindness. I replied that I could never forget that and he had to deal with himself. God can only forgive what a person can forgive himself. Then he said to me: "If only I could forgive that and undo it. I am condemned to work here, I must see you every day, live under the

same roof with you and the agony of my atrocity burns in my heart. Now that I saw all the wrong and evil, my whole life as it has been until now, has been nothing more than a great lie and now I am among you - a community that is the opposite of what we or the temple wants. I therefore have only one wish, to be forgiven or to make amends."

Then I said to him: "I am glad that you found your way to me. Your punishment will also come to an end; until then, you can mature much inwardly. It is no longer necessary to make good, for the Lord has already made everything good. In my eyes you are without guilt and I will gladly help you so that you may be completely saved and fill your place in this community of people."

Then the man fell at my feet, kissed the hem of my dress and said: 'Danila, with these words you make me a new man!' But I said, 'Get up, for it is not right to kneel before people! Become humble and full of merciful love, then God will also meet you and help you in your will and wish."

Sardellus said: "Who was the priest?"

Danila: "It is Joseph, only a blind tool of the temple, which acted under the compulsion of the caravan owner."

Sardellus: "Danila, you want to stay here and possibly marry the man?"

Danila: "Yes, brother, I always watched the man and I have to say that he has changed a lot. But I haven't given him hope with even a glance yet, except for today."

Turning to Jacob, Danila said: "Brother Jacob, what is your brotherly opinion, what advice do you give me?"

Jacob: "None at all, Danila, for these are your own affairs; for in all your doing and wanting it depends on the Spirit out of which you want and do it. A success is only possible if everything happens out of the Spirit of love and only the Lord in you can give you the strength and the success!"

Danila: "Jacob, you give me much in this hour. You and Sardellus are the only people I talked to about it. I also need no more words. I know my way and that it is no longer about Golgotha, the Lord and Master's love is the guarantee. Sardellus, what I feel in myself since I expressed my thoughts as being love and help, I cannot tell you - as if it would be desecration if I would talk about it. See, what others see as the greatest evil and humiliation, has become my greatest joy and glory. The Lord could not give me a greater gift, and in Joseph, the fallen, I found a newly acquired brother for whom I was ready to make every sacrifice."

Jacob: "Danila, the Lord has seen your will and your love, do not make a sacrifice, but the Lord will bless you and reward you abundantly. Leave everything to time. As you had to mature, so may the other part mature, and the human will become a harvest when it is perfected in the spirit of Jesus!"

Sardellus said: "Brother Jacob, here you can see again how right you were by judging me. What harm would I do if I knew the name? Now everything looks completely different. We are certainly still poor and small people. We believe that we want great things and would have acted just as wrongly as the poor priests. Danila, now I will no longer be an obstacle to you, but a help. Why must man make such detours?"

Jacob: "In order that he may become clever and wise; or do you think that you would ever understand a lost person? Behold, I kept myself in suspense all the time, so as not to have a word in the matter, and now I also have heartfelt joy in it. It will also be good for the others."

Nicolaus experienced one miracle after the other; despite all the caravans stopping over, everything had become known. New merchants came and what they experienced was more than one can imagine. These again did not remain silent about what they had experienced and even if one said a little too much once, the other could do nothing but acknowledge it. So the day arrived that Baltasar arrived with his caravan. He could not praise the wonderful love enough.

Baltasar: "What have you done, brother-heart," he said to Nicolaus, "Do you also know that a Roman occupation is coming here. Your work is recognized from above and it is to be promoted with all powers and you, Jacob, beware of the Templars. You have been cursed a thousand times because you betrayed to the Romans through your vision, where the caravans could be found."

Jacob: "Ah, my brother Baltasar, don't worry about me as long as the Lord will not, I will not become their victim and if it should happen for the sake of perfection, all I have to do is thank them. Do not think that anything happens without reason. The Lord knows everything.

He also knows about the bad and it is usually the case that the enemy of life wants to strike out at the Lord and the child of the eternal Father is just the victim. Do you believe that the Lord does not stand behind the child with a special love?"

Baltasar: "Jacob, but you are lighting a light in me - I had not yet thought of that, oh how stupid we are still!"

Jacob: "Not stupid, Baltasar, only unfamiliar with the great love of our God and Father. How do you think we had to be led before we could realize that in Jesus - our brother - God Himself came to us, and today everything is so natural to me - so clear, that there can be nothing easier."

Then the judge said: "Jacob, I didn't really want to claim you too much in order not to take away from the others; but since you yourself mentioned the time of the development of the Risen One, I would like to ask you for somewhat of a presentation, especially about how did Jesus actually live as a man at the age of 20 and how did He behave towards the temple and towards the Romans?"

14. Jacob recounts his experiences with Jesus in his parents' house

Jacob: "Just like any other man. But His zeal towards Himself sometimes seemed exaggerated. We did not understand Him. Nobody needed to awaken Him, He was ready to work at every hour and He was the best support for the old father Joseph. He no longer went to the temple from the age of 12, with few exceptions, and on the Sabbath, He went His own way. He could no longer be brought into a synagogue, to the agony of the old father Joseph. He caused so much sorrow to His mother. He was more accessible to the Romans, mostly the Roman soldiers or commissioners and they understood Jesus better than their own countrymen.

What kind of unrest was there sometimes when someone rebuked Jesus. Without saying a word, He went out of the house to only return to the bedchamber in the middle of the night, but in the morning, He was always the first [up]! He was never cheeky, He never said that He would rather do it this way, and if Jesus had a wish, He would express it without further ado. But if it was not granted, He took the right and carried it out alone.

Old Joseph was a man of honour through and through and it was hard to do a job for people of other faiths. Joseph did not deviate from the Law and if the priest did not approve the work, the work remained undone. Jesus did not go along with this. I know of a case where the house of a Greek was ruined by a storm so much that it was dangerous to live in it. We all thought the man needed help. But what did the priest do, he forbade Joseph to work. Since Jehovah wants to punish the heathen, he should get help from his gods. Joseph had to humble himself before the Greek with a heavy heart. Even today my heart hurts, as the man begged for an exception. But Joseph remained hard, even on the objection that he was not a heathen, but also a believer, and that he remained a heathen only because of the Templars' greed for possession and domination.

Father Joseph was harsh and said, "The priest's commandment is authoritative for me, and as good as if it had been Jehovah's."

Then Jesus said: "Father, Joseph, you hurt the man bitterly and lose in him a man who always respected you highly."

Then Father Joseph said: "You be silent, you always have a special opinion. The commandment of God is higher to me than a human being".

"Well, Father Joseph", Jesus replied, "it is first of all not a commandment from God, but a petty revenge of the priest and losing a friend is like losing a piece of My God."

Then Joseph cut Jesus off and said, "Jesus, remember, I cannot judge according to your views. If I help the man despite the priest's prohibition, I lose something of my God."

Jesus turned to the Greek and said: "Friend, do not grieve, I will repair your house for you and I want to see the one who would prevent Me from doing it - and so we should go straight to the work. - But I do not resent you, Father Joseph, because you are bound by the temple and so I ask you, do not resent Me either, because I cannot tolerate that old Joseph should be accused of lovelessness or hardheartedness."

Before Father Joseph could reply, Jesus was out of the workshop with the Greek. The old father Joseph would like to bring both back, but his feet were spellbound and so he reproached Jesus and his mother, because she would allow him too much [of His own] will. We heard or saw nothing of Jesus for three weeks.

We had our hands full and our work could not get delivered; Jesus' absence was felt in everything. He at last returned with a radiant face and said: "Father Joseph, the work is finished, but so that you know, I rejected the reward, because I acted out of pure love and preserved a friend for the house of Joseph and strengthened the faith in Jehovah in him."

The Greek really came and wanted to deliver the reward, but Joseph remained firm this time and said, "Jesus makes good the mistakes of others and this is more than paying me a hundred pennies. But if you want to tell me everything as it happened, I would rejoice, for Jesus has not yet spoken."

The Greek: "This is surprising, dear Joseph, because Jesus was very talkative and just think, three builders passed before my property and Jesus invited them to join us, and so I was without a single concern. Everything of the job went smoothly, all four agreed and the work went on as if they had done nothing other than work together their whole lives."

Then Joseph wondered and said: "Listen, this is not right, I have never met foreign builders, of what descent were they?"

The Greek: "I didn't know. Anyway, it was a joy to be among them. But the most beautiful thing was that I was led into the life of God and His care for people, so that today I am still completely filled with the love that God gave me."

Then said Jesus, who had been silent about everything until now: "Have I not asked you to be silent, for it is not yet time. But when the hour comes, you will know what service God has rendered you. Once again I ask you to be silent for Joseph's sake, for the enemy of life has long ears and goes out to disturb Me in My rest. So stay our guest today."

I later asked Jesus what the situation was with the builders, then He said: "Jacob, why does man so easily forget all the Lord's graces, why do you make it so difficult for Me? You are the one who should know best who is working and performing in Me".

Then the judge said, "Listen, this is valuable to me. Precisely because Jesus received no support from you, there must have been a power in or around Him that carried him. Among you Jews it is difficult to impose your own opinion, how much more difficult it must have become for Jesus to crystallize something completely new out of something never heard or said before. Why did Jesus say to you: 'You of all people should know who is working in Me'? Or was it just a saying of Him?"

Jacob: "Oh no, as the youngest of Joseph's sons, I often had to be the childminder and thereby experienced things that no mortal had yet experienced. Angels appeared to me - another time I experienced heaven upon heaven and some blessings, which I unfortunately forgot. But now, while I also am making my way to the blessed consciousness - that He is my God and my Redeemer - this unification and union is my greatest bliss and I am filled with His power and grace.

What I am doing here and elsewhere is not from me, but from the Spirit of Jesus who is alive in me. Without Him, I am as powerless as you and the others. And what I do out of Jesus, you or the others could also do if you were filled with His Spirit. Ask Schimba or Danila, no matter who, they will tell you that I am no more favoured than those who come

alive in His Spirit and in His Love."

The Greek: "Jacob, thank you again. Jesus has a good advocate in you, but that's why you will still have many a fight, I experienced that in the convicted priests."

Jacob: "You may be right, but I also know that everything that comes to me serves me to become completely one with Jesus."

So another day passed in peace and joy and Nicolaus learned from Jacob's mouth that today was the last day of being together and that he should inform everyone that they should finish their work one hour earlier to be together for one hour longer.

Nicolaus said: "Then brother, I also will have a banquet prepared like no one has ever experienced before; for it is not a matter of saying goodbye but of celebrating a new life!"

Many hearts became sad because they had experienced Jesus' love in Jacob and their longing was satisfied by his words. Everyone came quietly and solemnly and everyone wanted to press his hands. But he pre-empted them and gave them proofs of love which made them so happy that their eyes shone with a bright glow. Nicolaus was completely in his element. In a short time the tables were set and a wine stood on the tables like no one had ever drunk before. He knew that this wine was the special gift of the Lord, because Baltasar had brought it with him and it was only to be drunk at special feasts. In a few words, Nicolaus blessed the gifts and asked them all to be satisfied with love, 'because food is the gift of love that unites us again today and this love wants to reveal itself more and more'.

After an hour, when everyone was satisfied, the tables were cleared, only the jugs and the cups with the wine remained, so that the gift of love would strengthen them even more.

Jacob, fully filled with the Spirit of the Lord, said: "Sisters and brothers, the call of the Lord has come in Me to move on to bring light and joy to others who still live in darkness. In this sacred hour, however, not only I but also the Lord would like to thank you for your devotion and your faithfulness. With a trembling heart, He still has to see many a human child stagger on the precipice and His outstretched helping hands are not grasped. He experiences pain upon pain, but He created means and ways through His greatest sacrifice, and it is not accepted.

But here, where an island of merciful love rose up in the midst of night and darkness, Eternal Love has joy upon joy - and from this joy of His, you will experience especially wonderful encounters!

You, Simon, and you, Schimba, are the true mediators of His gifts of love, and you, Nicolaus, are not only leaders but also guardians, so that the enemy of life does not venture into your small community. The enemies have not yet succeeded in sowing discord in the hearts of those who placed themselves under your care, but be on your guard, for every work of love will be opposed and you will receive glorious proofs of the great love of God!

But you, my beloved sisters and brothers, my friends, accept the word of my love from Him Who lives in me, the glorious and eternal Father. Let the love that wants to redeem and liberate come alive in you, let the life become effective in you so that you can unite more and more intimately in the spirit that wants to make others happy. In suffering you are trained and tested, but true love wants to create life, life out of love, in the most free way and in this life He becomes alive in and around you and you recognize the Saviour whom

many of you still yearn for. To see Him is not the greatest thing, but to be carried by Him is the most glorious thing. But how do I let myself be carried, led and guided by Him? Only if I let Him alone be the leader and helper in me, in true humility and devotion and recognize in Him my Lord and eternal God, who wants to be my Adviser, Friend, Saviour and even Father!

My dear, precious sisters and brothers, Eternal merciful Love needs to be sought and experienced, because it also seeks us with its own love and can also be found. But once man has entered into intimate communion with Him and remains in communion, all fear and anxiety will give way and the horrors of death can no longer cast a shadow. You experienced in your trial all the horrors of the night and the uncertainty, and only because some of you remained in firm trust, could the eternal Fatherly love accomplish your salvation. It is yet another mystery of the great love of the Lord. How He would like to avert everything if only it were possible, but this also includes the child who sees in the Father and God the helper and Saviour. Admittedly, with reverence and fear of God you strive to live a life in which the eye of the Lord rests on you with pleasure; but dear hearts, He longs just as you do for children who arise in love and not in fear, for children who call Abba, dear Abba, and become saviours and helpers for all people.

But as the urge in me to proclaim to you the love and communion of the Lord becomes greater and greater, all of you shall see Him and hear through Schimba's mouth, what eternal and glorious Love tells you".

15. Jesus appears and speaks through Schimba

Jacob fell silent. At that moment the Lord was standing among them, blessing them all and then the Lord spoke: "Children and Friends, My love and mercy. Finally I may announce to you all how I rejoice in your love, your zeal and your gratitude. My heart is always with you and I know only one longing - to live fully in you and to fill your being with the Spirit, with My power and wisdom. Hours of suffering made you mature so that I could serve you, for My love goes so far that I want to be your Servant and Brother. But all this depends only on you. Angels are with you to explore your hearts and to know your longing, but your maturity is known by Me alone. Believe, My children, that I must put extreme constraint on My own compulsion in the midst of the greatest freedom of My children, because I can only be your servant, to the extent that you serve your brothers and sisters and I can only be your Father, to the extent that you became a child to Me in the most free devotion. Therefore, take care about nothing more than that you mature completely in My nature as Jesus and to become increasingly more externally active in My love in you. How I would like to press you to My Heart as eternal proof of My Fatherly Love, but there is still too much of a divide between Me and you and I cannot eliminate this despite My omnipotence. You must do this yourselves. It is your concept of impurity, too much of the law still lives in you. Free yourselves because in My children, My glorious and freest Spirit of Jesus is to unfold, who is above all law and above every fear. What you, in this love, take on yourself as brother, is as good as if I had done it, and what this, My Love, balances out in you, is balanced forever.

Therefore, Danila, what you want is blessed because it is out of My love and you, Joseph, make yourself worthy of this love; mature in the love that wants to make everything good, become a bearer of the Spirit revealed on Golgotha and My Heart will be open to you at any time.

You, Nicolaus, become a servant of all, for only with this can you glorify My Jesus Spirit and the blessing will be visible to all who come in and out of you.

So I bless you all and My love is and remains your life and My peace and My power enliven you so that you remain in and with Me, now temporally, and then forever! Amen, Amen!"

The Lord was still visible and all were silent. Only one was courageous, she stood up and walked towards the Lord who was visible to her and said: "Oh my Saviour, my Jesus and now Father, how can I thank You for the gift you gave me, I will give You my life if You demanded it".

Then Jacob said: "Danila, the Lord says: "I give you back what you gave Me, you proved that you sacrificed your life to Me; but it was not yet proven that you could reward with love where you received hatred, therefore this rare gift shall be given to you, that you shall feel every sphere approaching you, whether man or spirit. This is one of the greatest graces, since My enemy will never see you as a knowing one. Remain humble, true and pure and consider all that comes alive in you as a gift of My Love. I blessed your love, blessed shall be your life for others from now on! But when the time will come when the enemy will strike the greatest blow, then be prepared in love. Your homes shall become places of refuge,

your love shall become bread from My heavens and words shall sound like homeland sounds for those who will experience My mercy in need."

Jacob was silent. Then the Lord disappeared.

Samino said: "Truly, here is more than just preaching and referring to the Lord, He is here Himself, what do you think, Baltasar - do we not want to stay here and rebuild our homeland? Where such a testimony is revealed to us, everything is prepared - what do you think?"

Baltasar: "I don't mean anything, I just know that I received the greatest gift here and since then, and wherever and whenever I can practice love, there is my home."

The Roman judge said: "Friend, for this word I especially want to thank you, it really is the case that where love is lived, heavenly powers reveal themselves; therefore, the Lord and Master of Love should also be able to rejoice over me, and I give freedom again to the three priests - provided that they want to become Romans - by virtue of my powers from the Emperor."

The priests stood before the judge and Joseph was the first to say, "Lord, I want to get away from the temple and do what you order me. I will not only become a Roman, but also be a Roman. Oh Jesus! You now became invisible to our eyes, but I feel Your freedom in me which only you gave me, this noble Roman was only the mediator and so I swear here before all that there is no more faithful and zealous people in this community. I accept with joy the freedom given to me, but my service shall remain the same until the harvest is brought in and what then becomes, I leave to love, which was revealed to me in these days for the first time so great and pure. All of you, keep yourselves to my words today and my example tomorrow, because I want to be an example not only for you but for all, so that the love of the Lord may always bring forth new love."

Then Sardellus went to Danila, reached out his hand to her and said, "Danila, nothing stands in the way of your union with your chosen one anymore, and I will give you my word of consent and my blessing. May everything in your love, become love!"

Joseph stretched out his hands to both of them and said: "A thousand thank-yous, my love belongs to you, but I shall nevertheless stay here until the harvest is brought in, it shall be my time of trial to make me fully worthy of the immeasurable gift of the great merciful love of God!"

For a long time these faithful ones stayed together, until Nicolaus finally said: "Friends, go to rest now, we will see each other early in the morning, we will part in the Spirit of Jesus who unites everything. We will never be able to separate, because the love of the Lord is and always will be the unifying factor."

Baltasar now requested to finally depart, or the sun would rise too high. Nicolaus had to agree with Baltasar. Then Jacob decided to say goodbye. Tears flowed abundantly, but Jacob said: "My beloved, rejoice, for fortune has befallen you in the sweetest way. You possess the love of the Lord and if you would become still more conscious of it, then the Lord is always with you and among you. Stay in this love, keep increasing in it to a helping and redeeming love, then the Lord will lead and make you happy Himself, like yesterday! And so be blessed in and through His love, grace and mercy. Become active so that the Lord may also be more active with you and among you."

So they tearfully separated. Baltasar said: "Brother, parting is the hardest thing. It can only

be softened by the hope of reunion. Will we meet again?"

Jacob: "Certainly, my Baltasar. If not here on earth, then there in the eternal world, where there is no pain of separation!"

Baltasar: "I don't understand that. How big must the eternal world be, that all people who ever came together will never separate again?"

Jacob: "Oh my brother, not all people come together, but only those who love each other, and it must be only this love that wants nothing, but only gives. Behold, I could open your eyes by the grace of the Lord so that you could see the spheres through which we go, but it would be of no use. Who - like you, who sat at the Lord's table - experienced Him in His greatest love and mercy, is aware that the Lord is all in all, and you experienced the Lord in a wonderful way, and can live out this love through your newly recognized love for the benefit and sake of others.

For behold, the Lord is the Lord, but we are His creatures, everything else is our own business. Adjust yourself completely to love - and new things, unimagined things, will fill you and these are then processes in your world that make your spirit more and more active. In this love you also attract the spiritual spheres, which are in the same love, and unconsciously also become inhabitants of your inner world. Now listen, the more you grow in the spirit of the redeeming and merciful love through the activity in this spirit, the more your inner world grows and you completely unconsciously become a bearer of many, many [people]. Not only are these the inhabitants who already preceded you into eternity, but also people you love and above all those to whom you became a helper in this love. Yes, my Baltasar, I have a good place in your world - and as soon as you are in the hereafter and I would be there too, you would see me again quite soon.

Everything you surround with love, you naturalize in your inner world. But think for a moment what a state it must be when a person takes hold of something in his wrong love! He will never get rid of these inner inhabitants, unless he changes from the ground up - and his inner inhabitants will always try to prevent this."

Baltasar says: "Dear Jacob, I understood these words of yours very well and could also picture them quite lively. Now I also understand why the priests remain in their hatred - truly, to help them requires much great patience and a great love."

Jacob: "Yes, brother Baltasar, one helps not only the one who is lost, but all his followers and therefore this task is so glorious and grateful, because the labour of blessed spirits is the home-sound out of heaven and the greeting of the eternal love of our Father Jesus! Tonight, when we both take our rest in the tent, I will prove to you by the grace of the Lord that there can be no greater happiness than the love of those to whom you became a saviour and helper in your love!"

Baltasar: "Jacob, I'm already looking forward to that, but tell me one thing, do our interior residents also see our surroundings?"

Jacob: "But of course, because it is you who helps them to do this; everything that is outside must be directed to the inside and everything that is inside is the factor that animates or kills everything. Every person who cultivates his inner world through the grace and knowledge of the Lord, is becoming more and more aware of the immense wealth and gives first place to the Lord and Master. That is why we experienced the great struggles of the Lord and could not understand the mighty struggle. None of us are spared the struggle

and the wrestling, but the forces of the Lord's love flows to us and bring us to victory over all that separates us from the Lord's love."

When the sun was at its highest, Jacob said: "We will rest, there is a little forest and a clear spring, it will do your animals good to rest".

Baltasar: "But there is no water here, Jacob. Do you know this area? I know every tree and shrub here, but no spring."

Jacob: "Do what I tell you, brother, the ways of the Lord are wonderful and His guidance is to serve His children to reach the glorious goal as soon as possible, the unity of the Father with the child."

Jacob was right. A clear spring gave pure and fresh water, a lush pasture was available for the animals and in the forest was wonderful shade. There was peace in the forest. The birds also seemed to be resting and the peace around the two of them was a delight to widen their hearts and open them to the grace that so wonderfully enlivened them both. After they had sated themselves, they surrendered to rest and the evening progressed with edifying dialogues.

Jacob said: "Brother, I do not want to contribute to this, you should not look into the spirit world, but into your own world, which will seem like a dream to you. When I become quite calm in myself, the gates of my world open and I experience the life that has become truth in me and this life is the eternal [life] that was given to everyone in the greatest freedom when they were born into this earthly life. Now it is up to each person what he makes of this life, a heaven or a hell. Here the Lord is only the one who waits, and can only become a helper and support if man wants it! And now we both, but each in himself, want to turn to our salvation and that of the others!"

16. Jacob shows Baltasar his inner world

It became peaceful in and around them. Baltasar closed his eyes, but again and again, nothing was presented to him. He was about to turn to Jacob, when lightning tore the darkness that had been created by the closed eyes, and in this brightness he sees an old wall with an open door emerging from the light.

Now it remained bright for him and it was as if he went through the open door. At first he saw nothing but a street with some old houses that seemed to be uninhabited. He slowly walked along the street, looking to the right and left and now suddenly it wasn't so completely deserted anymore, because the houses were inhabited, only the inhabitants stayed hidden.

He proceeded slowly, having little joy, because the inhabitants hid themselves. At the end of the street was a small temple. He went there with determination. As he approached, he was frightened by the overall state of neglect. As he wanted to move on, a priest he knew, came to him, showering him with accusations.

Baltasar, who always loved this long-deceased priest, wants to withdraw, because he was not aware of any guilt, but suddenly a whole crowd of acquaintances comes and surrounds him. The priest said, 'Baltasar, what have you done, you took our homes from us, you disturbed our peace. We find nothing, nothing at all, that could ever please us.'

Baltasar said, 'But friend, you are in a great error, I never did anything to harm you.'

Then the priest replied, 'You blocked our water source, we have no more water and the bread is running out, come, see for yourself.' With these words he takes him by the hand and drags him into the temple. The others followed.

When he got there, the priest said, 'Here, look, our cupboard is empty, there is not a drop in the cistern, tell us what will happen. Why did you leave us because of the Nazarene and gave them water and bread in abundance? Why?'

Baltasar: 'You are wrong - I never brought you bread and water, I never thought of taking your bread and water to others, you died long ago.'

'What - dead?' the others screamed, 'then you probably died too. No, no, that can not be, you only want to get rid of us because you do not want to give us water and bread!'

The old priest is very distressed and says, 'Baltasar, believe us, it is true, for your sake we opened our home at our temple, because you gave us such good water and bread and since you left your gods we have been starving. But we will leave you, and so you may see yourself perish.'

The others went. Baltasar remained alone and now he had time to look around. He was in a house he knew so well. He also saw people, but they were unknown to him. They entrusted him with the supervision of everything, yes, they wanted him to give them food as well. He willingly agreed and now he found bread and fruit in abundance, he liked the taste of it very much; then he looked around. There were stables with cattle. He helped to take care of them and to feed them, looked at the pastures and was satisfied. When he came back to the house after a walk through the estate, the table was already set for

dinner and the others were already eating. He reached for the bread that was offered to him, and found it delicious. While they were all eating together, the priest came with the others. They thanked him very kindly and brought him a gift - a tailor's dummy. He took it, looked at it and put it aside. Not wanting to hurt anyone, he did not say a word, but pointed to the good bread he had eaten. They wanted to know what he had done here, because everything was so beautiful and bright and where else he had been.

Baltasar: "I felt like a guest here and looked to the right. I did not recognize anyone, but many knew me and called me by my name. I also saw people, about whom I was not really happy, but I will keep silent about this so as not to sadden you. Then they sat down with him and little dogs came and expressed their joy. The animals had human voices and said: "Home - home, stay here."

The priest took Baltasar's hands, pressed them against his chest and said: 'What we did not find in our wisdom, we gained through your faithfulness. These servants were always dumb and now they can use their tongues and in their boundless joy they express their desire to stay here. How good that you made our home your home! How good that you want to stay with us like before!'

Everything around them changed. The room they were all in became a large, fertile pasture with a road running through it. To the right and to the left were fruit and bread trees in most glorious bloom, and in front of and behind them were many, many people. They were in a happy mood, for beautiful singing and loud shouts resounded. The main thing, however, were the pastures and grain fields to the right and left of the road. Admittedly, some still looked quite miserable and Baltasar pointed to the meagre fields.

The priest bowed his head and said, 'It will be better for you to be our lord and be in command. Your word shall be like the word of God and your joy shall be our thanksgiving because you gave us a home.'

A man came from the street towards us all, a joy shone from his eyes. He raised his hand to greet us and said, 'A beginning has been made, the seeds are good, but guard the fields so that the enemy cannot do any harm. What you accomplish here, will become a blessing to many, and what you accomplish enriches your life, but a life being life from the fullness of the eternal life of God.'

Then Baltasar recognized the Lord. He wanted to kneel before the Lord as He came up to him and said: 'Not you, but I want to thank you, because all that you see here is yours and because in your love you are remembering My love - you made Me a fellow citizen of your world and I am one with you in all things and will always remain one with you as long as you make My Life and My love your own! And now I'll make a signpost for you and direct all of you towards activity, that both of us can be limitless.'

Baltasar did according to the will of the Lord, and now they hurried quickly along the road. Not a word was spoken, there was so much to see that Baltasar had never seen before, there were delights upon delights, but no people.

Then Baltasar said, 'Lord, it is all well and good, but of what use is it to You? There is no one there to enjoy it and have delight in it.'

In the world one wants to die of suffering, because one must leave the earth as it is and the poor people are without joy. But here the beauties hurt - and why? Because there are no people to enjoy them.'

The Lord: 'You are still in great uncertainty, my brother. See, what you cannot yet call your own in your world is still invisible to you. I want you to be able to look at tomorrow for a moment - and what did you see?'

Baltasar: 'Lord, don't call me brother anymore, for it is impossible to be the owner of a world that houses such hosts of the purest beings. Oh Lord, what shall I do to understand all this?'

The Lord: 'Nothing else, my brother, but love, love and love again. Those glorious beings are condemned to inactivity if you do not become love in your being. But the opposite happens when they receive life from your love and are servants, helpers and brothers in your love. Remember, my brother, it is not the beauties of your world that make you and Me happy, but the joy and happiness of your inhabitants who dwell in you.'

Baltasar awoke. Night had fallen, stars were shining in the sky and Jacob was asleep. Baltasar was blown away. He wondered: "Have I slept and dreamed or did I see events in my world? I must wait until morning, for Jacob is tired."

He quietly rose and went to his animals, which had also laid down. He slowly stroked them and felt a benefit from the animals. "O bliss," he thought, 'what feelings arise when you are good towards an animal, but how must it be when you are good towards people? Then he knelt down and prayed: "Lord and Master, Good Saviour and Redeemer! I received much from You, but these experiences form a completely different picture of You in me. Oh let me become all love, so that You may experience joy in me, for until now I was blind and deaf."

17. Baltasar's experience with Alina

Something disturbed Baltasar - he heard footsteps moving quietly towards him. He stood up and walked in the direction of the footsteps. A woman stood before him and said, "Whoever you are, save me and protect me."

Baltasar said, "Who are you and how do you get here in the middle of the night and in this wilderness?"

"I escaped from my tormentors and know neither way nor goal. I have been wandering since yesterday and if God the Almighty does not help, I will perish. I have a lord from whom I escaped because I have been treated worse than an animal."

Baltasar: "Come with me into my wagon, that your hunger may be satisfied, and in the morning we will see what can be done, because you still belong to your master."

Baltasar gave the woman a large piece of bread and a drink of water, prepared a mattress for her and said: "Now rest until morning, here you are under my protection and thank God that He let you find me; the grace of God and the love of Jesus be with you."

He spent the night awake - a woman comes in the middle of the night and requests protection. In him is a struggle. Does he have the right to keep the woman or not? She is the properly acquired property of another and the law is against him if he would try to keep her. What will Jacob say? Wait, Jacob should stay out of this game, I must act. What do you say about this, oh Lord?"

Quietly he heard the thoughts: "Did you not ask Me to let you become all love? I can do everything, except for man to become love, that is man's own responsibility. I may only - and will only help!"

Baltasar: "Oh my Lord and God, forgive me for forgetting Your glorious love for a moment, now I know what to do." It became quiet around him, a happy feeling enlivened him and in this feeling he felt the closeness of the Lord. His image came to life in him and said: "For us to become one in love!"

Morning dawned, and the woman came out of the wagon and thanked him with tears in her eyes. Then she said: "Lord, let me make a fire and prepare a feast, have you more people with you?"

Baltasar: "All right, you'll find everything in the wagon, prepare a meal for three!"

As it became brighter, he looked at the woman who was still very young and very lively. Her movements were nimble. Never before had he looked at a woman as he did now. Jacob had left his resting place. He greeted Baltasar warmly and pointed to the young woman sitting by the fire. But she had her thoughts on the boiling pot and did not notice that she was being watched.

"A heathen," asked Jacob, "how did you get the girl?"

Baltasar: "She walked up to me in the night and sought shelter with me, but how is it that you ask me? Has the Master revealed nothing to you?"

Jacob: "No, brother, I don't know anything. Only that the Lord lets nothing happen without a reason and that we should be the doers."

Baltasar: "Right, brother - the doers - that's it; but my actions will be against the law, it will cost me trouble to put everything in order."

Jacob: "See Baltasar, you are already making a mistake by seeing something as trouble. Why don't you see your beginning as a work of love and for love? Everything is right to the Lord and He does not ask how you did it. In and through love, forces grow that still lie fallow in you. If the love in you is the catalyst, there are many helpers at your side. Or did you already forget your experience in your world?"

Baltasar: "Jacob, I thank you. I did - for a few moments, but now I am getting clarity!"

At that moment the sun rose. The girl came to them and said, "Lord, the breakfast is ready, tell me what to do."

Baltasar: "Stay here and strengthen yourself. For the next few days you will be my sister until I release you from your Lord. Here you see a disciple of the Lord, to whom I owe gratitude for the truth about the true Lord and God."

The girl: "Lord, I shall be your sister? I shall be free and joyful again?"

She grabbed Baltasar's hands and said through her tears: "Lord let me be your maid, I will do everything to please you and your God and let me participate in your God, for He is also mine."

Turning to Jacob, she said: "I know you and through you, the Lord. I suffered much for the Lord's sake, but this hour will pay for all my sufferings."

Jacob gave her his hand and said: "Thank also the Lord with heart, mouth and hands and do not forget that it was He who allowed you to come into suffering and now into true joy. But if you want to please the Lord, make an effort to be fully active in His Spirit and in His love. Not in the fulfillment of the recognized will of God alone, but in the emergence of free childlike love, which knows only one thing - to make the Lord as the heavenly Father, happy."

The woman's eyes were shining. These words were the most glorious thing she had ever experienced in her life. Jacob blessed the meal - then, with grateful joy, they took the simple yet delicious meal. Baltasar ignored the woman and continued to ask Jacob to introduce him more and more to the essence of love, which seemed to him to be the highest and most glorious of all.

Jacob therefore described the life of the Lord and led him into the world which the Lord himself had opened up for him as love and life. They completely forgot about the woman, until a sob drew their attention.

Jacob turned around and said: "Alina, why are you crying? Is love not the only redeeming and liberating life? What you heard is not yet life, but the way to it. You are still bound inside. The suffering inflicted on you has made you hard and closed-up. It is not the Lord who can set you free, as you suppose, but only you yourself! To become free inwardly, means to be able to forgive - and, if possible, to return [bad] with good. The master not only taught it to us, but also lived it for us, and what was the most common consequence? He won the hearts [of the people] and made them real workers in His vineyard."

Alina: "Do I have to go back to that inhumane being?"

Jacob: "Alina, did you forget that Baltasar told you that you should be his sister until he has freed you? Trust him completely and do not doubt his love; but pure love cannot enter into your heart until you become completely silent and devoted."

Alina cried quietly, then she said: "If you say so, it must be so. But if I cannot do it, then the hours experienced may be the reward and the gift of God. I thought I would die under the brutality of my lord, but now I will try to bear the heaviness. Therefore let me return so that you do not have to face misery."

Baltasar: "Alina, stay, I made you my sister and be without worry, the Lord will bring all things to a glorious end."

Jacob reached out his hand to Baltasar and said: "Brother it will succeed. Now the Lord is telling me: "Go to Alina's lord." When the sun is at its highest, we will reach his camp. He needs help. His people will deny him service if he doesn't call out a search for Alina. So Baltasar received a task, and Jacob a new job to do.

18. Jacob and Baltasar at Kasimir

In a valley basin, surrounded by a small forest, Kasimir has set up his camp. The animals grazed, but the people were not active - as is customary in such a large camp. Kasimir chased about, swearing loudly. The people in the camp adopted a hostile attitude. In the middle of this situation, Baltasar's wagon drove into the camp. Alina was not seen at the behest of Baltasar. When Baltasar and Jacob got off the wagon, Kasimir's face became brighter. He welcomed them warmly according to camp custom. Then he said, "You come at a bad hour. I had misfortune, I lost a maid. But what have you to do with my misfortune!"

"A lot," Baltasar says, "because we want to help you. Of course I don't know you yet. I am Baltasar and also have my own caravan. But now I accompany my brother, who is on the way to his homeland."

Kasimir: "Baltasar - Baltasar? A lot has been said about you lately. The merchants like to see you because you had a transformation that makes them admire you."

Baltasar: "Don't talk about it. First of all, let me talk to your people so that you will be satisfied again. But my brother will be glad to keep you company, won't you, Jacob?"

"What, you are Jacob?" Kasimir asked. "In this world completely alien to you, you move around, and Baltasar is the man you are travelling with? What actually happened here? You are a Jew after all! Don't take it negatively that I call you that. I don't like doing business with Jews anymore, since their priests are indeed the biggest crooks and criminals. What am I supposed to think of you. Where has the time gone when one could still strike an honest deal? I'm disgusted with these followers of the old hearing impaired Jehovah."

Jacob: "You don't hurt me with your words, because I know all this myself, but what you don't know is that Jehovah has nothing to do with all this. A people that has lost as much as the Jews did, will also have to bear the consequences and it will be hard, very hard. You ask what has happened, because Baltasar expresses a different attitude. Nothing more than the fact that Baltasar confesses the God of the Jews and wants to be an ardent follower of the true doctrine of God. And it is as a result of this, that Baltasar is your helper and saviour!"

Kasimir: "Why helper and saviour? I lived all these years without the help of others. What does that have to do with Baltasar?"

Jacob: "Kasimir, you misjudge your position. You lost a maid; well, that can happen, but this maid is the darling of all your people and a zealous confessor of the Saviour Jesus. Only you alone are blind and did not want to see or hear anything. Because your behavior towards your servants caused much - very much offence, you lost the trust of your people and since Alina has disappeared, people assume you got rid of her, if the thing with Alina does not clear up in your favor, you are a lost man."

Kasimir: "That can't be! Haven't I always been a good lord, haven't I always cared as I should?"

Jacob: "You make assumptions, Kasimir. With Alina it is certainly not true, because you are still a very raw and beastly human being. Alina suffered terribly from your sensual passion

and your people know that."

Kasimir: "What does it concern my people! Did I not buy them for much and good money? I can do and not do what I want with her, she is and remains my property!"

Jacob: "True Kasimir, so you think - but not the others. Alina is everybody's servant and her loving nature has won all, but not you, because in your sensual greed you thought only of yourself and again of yourself. Your people have shown compassion for Alina's fate.

What did you do? You threatened and thereby exceeded the limits of your wisdom. When you recently have beaten Alina with a whip because she didn't want to share the bed with you in broad daylight, the attitude of your people turned into enmity and that is your fault. Admittedly, you did not want to notice all this and therefore you are now in a narrow place."

Kasimir: " Damn, what does it concern my people, I can do what I want - I am my own master!"

Jacob: "Certainly, Kasimir, but not with Alina, because she has become a true sister to all."

Kasimir: "Yes, what should I do! The girl is gone and I am without guilt!"

Jacob: "You feel yourself to be without guilt? But your people do not believe it and therefore Baltasar is here to make up for your guilt. It only depends on you how you stand up to everything. There comes Baltasar. I can see from his face that he brings good news!"

Baltasar said: "Yet another time the disaster has been averted, Kasimir, but how will you regain the trust of your people? You seem to lose all your people, because they have one condition - that you give Alina freedom."

Kasimir: "I will never do that. The girl belongs to me and no one will take away my right to keep her as my servant."

Baltasar: "Kasimir, I have Alina in my wagon, she has placed herself under my protection and only under the greatest coercion will she submit to you, but then your future is also shrouded in darkness and your life in constant danger. I will not deprive you of your property, but is Alina really your property? What Alina gave you was coercion under the greatest pressure. Why don't you want to win the girl in love and freedom. Alina is a beautiful girl and above all, she has a heart that beats in love and fidelity to the eternal true God! Behold, such a treasure is to be guarded like gold and put out like a bright light, for it to shine and enlighten. Alina has caused a desire in your people that I never found. A yearning. To get to know the eternally true God, whom I also found!"

Kasimir: "That may all be, Baltasar. I have no desire for this God who was not even able to protect His own Son. Do not think that I have not been informed - very well even, but I do not give myself into the hand of that God. I remain my own neighbor and everything related to this God can stay away from me. It is nothing more than the politics of the Templars. As long as the people are stupid, they use their power and I cannot blame them."

Baltasar: "Kasimir, you are pronouncing your own judgment. Your people only use their power and do not agree that you, like a god, can do whatever you want. They know that Alina is the victim of these Templars and has come into this misery without guilt. They love her and will not tolerate any longer that you destroy Alina; and when you pushed her into the greatest misery, then you throw her away, as you threw away Senna, who has become

sick and miserable through you."

Kasimir: "What do the people care, I can do what I want."

Baltasar: "Just not while your people are with you, they are pervaded by a spirit that can no longer witness the injustice. Today I succeeded, now it is up to you to clear everything up. I'll tell you another thing. Alina promised to come back to you. She will serve you like a maid, but she will not allow you to play with her like a beast, she will rather go to the wild beasts, whatever may happen."

Kasimir: "Call the girl!"

Baltasar went to his wagon and said, "Alina, come, be wise and keep to what you heard from Jacob."

Alina jumped from the wagon and went with Baltasar to Kasimir and Jacob; Kasimir was furious when he saw the girl and said, "Do you know what you deserve because you left the camp? I will have to whip you."

Alina: "Try it, sir! Since I fled from you, I saved you and saved my brethren from evil."

Kasimir: "Shut up and get out of my sight!"

Jacob stepped over to Kasimir and said, "Kasimir, in this spirit you gain nothing, but lose everything. It is all the same to me, how you shape your life henceforth, but the love in me does not let me remain silent before you. Behold, I am a witness of Him who died on the cross and sealed His love with death. But I am also a witness that this Son of God did not remain in the tomb and us, who witnessed how He was beaten, arose again and equipped us with power and strength which was His own! We came to you to help you, out of this very Spirit! We were honest and brought your property back to you. But how do you reward this spirit that so enlivened us to help you? At any rate, not with the understanding we hoped for. Nothing can stop us from taking the girl back with us because we see your wrath and anger, but one thing I want you to consider: If you push back the hands that want to help you, you won't get the best of it."

"Is that a threat?" Kasimir said. "I have not the slightest fear and strength and power cannot impress me!"

"Well, then it's good," said Jacob, "but to save you from greater misfortune, we will take Alina with us again and I want to see who could hinder us!"

Without looking at Kasimir, he went to the people where Alina stood and said: "Dear brothers, Kasimir's heart is hardened. We will take Alina with us again and also his two biting dogs, so that he is without his protection. You will very soon have a good lord and if he should remain in anger, then go to Nicolaus, where Baltasar will take Alina. There you will find a good lord and your bread. But what the great love of salvation wants, you know through Alina. Remain in this faith and in this confidence, then you will see the glory of God, which will now reveal itself. Now come Alina, let us release the dogs."

Alina: "The dogs, Jacob! No, no! Then I'll stay here! They will tear you apart immediately, you wouldn't be the first!"

Jacob: "Alina, why do you trust the Lord so little? He is the Lord and His is the Power. Come and experience the power of the Lord."

19. The taming of Kasimir's biting dogs

The dogs were locked up in a cage, their eyes flashed and they bared their teeth. Then Jacob stretched out his hands and they laid down on the ground, whimpering.

He opened the cage and said, "Come out and be done with all your voraciousness. From now on, no man or animal will have anything to fear from you, and Alina will be your mistress."

The dogs came out, licked Alina's feet and hands and did not leave her side anymore.

Then Jacob said, "Alina, what do you say now? Is not the Lord wonderful in His love, strength and power? Look, there comes Kasimir, enraged. The Lord has given him into your hands. One word to the dogs and your tormentor is no more."

Kasimir was speechless. He did not expect that his dogs, which he had trained only for himself, were now subject to a foreign influence. He called them by name, but they did not even move their tails.

He went into his tent like a beaten man. The world seemed empty to him. But the people who trembled when Jacob went into the cage and experienced the great miracle, came and said: "Alina, Alina, what happened, the dogs do not harm us. Tell us, what has happened?"

Alina: "Nothing, dear brothers, but that our faithful God and Lord in Jacob revealed His love and power to us. Ask Jacob to serve you for once, as He served Baltasar today. What I heard, my brethren, is more than love and power, it is the heaven of the Holy and Anointed One".

Then they surrounded him and said: "Give us also your love and lead us into the wonders of the world of love. How often did we long for it when Alina told us something and our lord would not tolerate it."

Jacob: "Then come outside the camp. We don't want to cause anyone any offence."

The men sat in circles, Alina standing in their midst. The big dogs laid at her feet, looking at Jacob all the time. He said: "Dear brothers, I greet you out of the love of the Lord and Master Jesus. I greet you in His Spirit of Love and proclaim to you His Blessing of Love and His Peace, which is for all - for all. Unfortunately, there is still too little faith; unfortunately, trust is still too weak. For the glory of His love could be revealed to you in a very, very different way, because devotion and maturity is needed to grasp this.

Your life is only a struggle for preservation. In your life is more suffering and worry than joy. But speeches and comforting words can not remove the many, many daily sorrows. It is there and will always be there, because the human being lives in his soul from that what sustains the tear-soaked earth. Why the suffering, you often ask, why the heaviness in our lives? A God who is love should have mercy! And in this hour I say to you: Yes, God has mercy, not only on you, but on all; but people do not believe it and then go their own ways. Then the Love of all love emerged from mercy and became man. Man like us, and through suffering, through the struggle for life, He became the man who had to let His Divine - existing in the innermost of in His ego - grow out, and became the Son of God. Jesus was

the name of this man. Jesus, the Son of God, stood in the midst of all suffering and became the bearer of a Spirit who could heal and alleviate all suffering and pain. He became the vessel of the Spirit, promised to all men, if one truly believes and persists in this faith until the end.

If you now believe in this Jesus and in His love enrich yourselves by practicing love among yourselves and want to alleviate all the suffering of others out of this love, His love and His life will be revealed to you. We too, experienced His love and reassurances. Only in the past few days has so much of the glorious love of Jesus been revealed again, as Brother Baltasar can testify to you. This love now announces to you His love for you. Bear witness unto yourselves that He has made provision to always be in spirit with you and among you as He is now in this hour. Isn't it a miracle of His love that these dreaded dogs, trained by a man's shrewd calculation to become brutal beasts, are suddenly tame as lambs?

What would have become of Alina if I had not been the vessel of His revealing love? Only because we believed that we are always servants of that glorious and holy love, did the Lord lead us to where Alina was - and why? Because all Alina's suffering had penetrated to the merciful, loving heart of God. So we experienced love upon love. You too will experience this love more and more, if you grow in this love and in this spirit and if you are ready to make others happy and joyful.

When, in an hour when all suffering weighed on us, when all hope for help was lost, and the waves of the world threatened to devour us, the Lord stood among us and said: "Oh weak and unbelieving people, why do you forget that you have a strong God and Father. All suffering will pass away and all burden will be destroyed when you become strong and quiet in Me".

And what happened? All the tormentors left us and the dying brother recovered visibly and in a short time, we could only thank and rejoice. Now I believe that I have said enough to you for the time being, heed my words and accept the blessing of God. May he give you comfort, strength and joy!"

The eyes of the poor brothers shone with joy. They had never heard such words before.

Baltasar came forward and said: "Dear brothers, believe our brother Jacob, because his words are like God's words and his love, with which he serves all people, is God's love in him. He has told you far too little, but it is enough at this hour. If you can free yourselves, do it. Your soul is atrophied in this existence and you know almost nothing about the great freedom of man. What a poor man I was in spite of my not small possessions and today I am rich - rich because I have the love of the Holy God and His Son Jesus. In this love, earth becomes heaven to me and all suffering is and becomes the means to grow more and more together with the glorious God, who is a good and faithful Father of His children in heaven and on earth. I know to Whom I can pray, I know Who understands me and I am rich in this love because I can also understand others. So we want to leave again, duty calls. Do also your duty so that all may know that you too, are children of God."

20. The elderly driver Ben

An old driver thanked the two with quiet words and said: "You called us brothers, as Alina always did, what you brought me, only the one who looks into my heart can judge, and only God alone can do this. Can you not enable me to associate more with the Lord and God? It's so hard, for I lack the right concept of Him. Despite my faith in Him, I remain a poor and abandoned man. You saw Him. You, Jacob, are one of His witnesses. Alina was especially distinguished by the Lord, but I remain full of yearning, because I can not imagine Him."

Jacob: "My old faithful brother Ben, I understand your desire, but it would be wrong if I gave you a picture of the Lord. His appearance does not make you happy, but your spirit dwelling in you is able to draw and form the image of the Lord in you. According to your love, His image will also come alive in you and will satisfy the need in you, but only in relation to your maturity and how much you can serve your brothers in your love. You are on your way. But if you do receive this mercy, then believe and doubt not. The Lord is love to those who love and a father to him who is a child and becomes a brother to the others."

The driver: "Now it is good, my brother, and you, my heart be silent, soon my longing will be satisfied."

Kasimir, who was becoming uncomfortable in his tent, quietly went to those who had gathered around them. Alina didn't see him and his two dogs didn't even turn their heads at him. He heard word for word what Jacob said to his old faithful Ben. He shook his head over himself that he was so mean to them. Didn't they come to him with the best of intentions, had they not averted the disaster that hovered over his head? And now no reproach - on the contrary, Ben should strive to become a brother to all. Ben, the silent one and yet, the best of all.

Kasimir now walked right up to them and said: "I must ask for forgiveness, because I did not behave in the way I should have to my guests. You brought Alina back and she is lost to me. Take her with you again, but leave me my dogs, I wouldn't know how to go about without my dogs."

Baltasar approached Kasimir, took his right hand, then said: "So you give Alina back to us and do not want her to be your property anymore. Think about it carefully so that there will be no regret later."

Kasimir: "Take her with you again, so that I will not be tempted to cause greater harm, but leave me my dogs. I release Alina for my dogs. Here is my word, Alina is free, every right is null and void for the price of my dogs."

Alina grabbed Kasimir's hand and said: "You make me the happiest person and only for the price of your dogs. But since the dogs are a gift of God to me, and I will not withhold them from you, I remain with you, not as a maid, but as a sister. Do you agree, Brother Kasimir?"

Kasimir: "Alina, what are you thinking, I am a devil and you an angel, I am a beast and you a tender human child. No, no, go, for this would be my misfortune."

Alina: "No, Kasimir, you can say what you want, I stay with you. Your dogs protect me from

your rage, but why will you not walk the way of the Lord, which all our brothers walk? Behold, now that I am your sister, it is also my will to show you the way, the way that leads to the Saviour Jesus, who can also heal you from your bestial greed and from your rage."

Kasimir: "You want to stay with me. Alina wholly and forever as my sister? Alina, where do you find the courage and the strength to stay with me, the brute?"

Alina: "From Jesus the Lord. It is all His guidance. Now I see the great grace of the Lord and to make myself worthy of this grace, I will serve you as your sister until you no longer need me."

Kasimir: "Then stay - but Alina, don't blame me if I forget myself towards you. I will do my best to make your God my God, and your brothers will be my brothers; so you heard it and if I ever forget myself, brothers, remind me of this hour. From now on Alina shall experience joy, I will make good what I have sinned against you."

Alina: "Kasimir, believe me, our God in heaven will have greater joy and soon you will experience how good and glorious our faithful God is! Oh faithful and eternal God, how good you are and how wonderful is Your guidance. You lead us out of the darkness into the light, into Your light, and let your love and grace shine on us. How good You are, You became a Father to us and so we thank You as Your children. Let us become quite firm in Your love and bind us ever more tightly to You. You, best Father of all fathers. So let us be wholly yours and rejoice as your children, Abba, dear Father, Amen."

Kasimir, in an urge foreign to him, took Jacob's hand and said: "Truly I would not have believed that your visit would help me resolve this. There is such joy in me that I would like to ask you to stay one day in my camp. Tomorrow will be a holiday and tonight I will have a banquet prepared by my Ben as best I can. I even have a few bottles of wine left, so Alina's release can be celebrated."

Baltasar looked at Jacob, nodded to him and said, "Brother, we gratefully accept this. You will not regret the violence you did to your love. Look at your people, how they shine. Is it not better to give pleasure than to engage in blind quarrel? Here you have my hand and if you ever need me, then I am there."

Kasimir: "Baltasar, stop now with the proofs of love, it becomes too much to me all at once. I'm not even worth it. Maybe tomorrow I could be a rabid person again."

Baltasar: "No brother-heart, for now you have sisters and brothers around you, who surround you with love and serve you with joy. Then you too will experience the love of the Lord Jesus, and everything will become even more glorious."

Ben and Alina prepared a meal. There was meat, bread and fruit. The people had no work with the animals, because they were on good pastureland and gave themselves over to the well-deserved rest. The others gathered around Jacob and listened with great devotion to his words. Kasimir was the most attentive. What he heard today about Jesus and God, sounded very different and a desire arose in him to hear more. Now he could also understand Alina, that she could not turn away from the Savior who had become so much to her.

"Jacob," he said, "don't hold it against me if I want to hold on to you. You are presenting a completely different picture of the Son of God and a greatness of the Holy God, making me tremble."

Jacob: "Brother, be open and make yourself completely free. It is this very Jesus who wants to enter into you, and the heart already wants to be cleansed of the false and wrongful concepts.

You can easily separate from your gods, because they mean little to you anyway, and the priests were less interested in you than in your sacrifices. It is exactly the same with us in Judea. The priests, as God's would-be representatives, look more after themselves than after those they have to look after. Now you can imagine the battle Jesus had to fight to finish His mission. Therefore I will lead you this evening into the inner world of the Lord and Saviour, then this truth from God will be bright and full of light for all of you for your further life".

The meal was ready. Jacob was amazed at what the old Ben and Alina had accomplished and Baltasar said: "Now you can get an idea of how we live, easy - almost too easy - and, if you like, also luscious, there is even wine in the jugs."

Kasimir asked Jacob: "Be so good and take my place, for you will be able to find the right words to compensate Alina for the trouble I caused her."

Jacob: "Gladly, if it is your wish!"

Everyone had found their place as best they could. Alina and Kasimir sat between Jacob and Baltasar. Now Jacob said: "Dear brothers, a feast of joy unites us in this hour. A feast of joy, because it is given out of joy. Our brother Kasimir has often acted unwise towards you and others in a wrong and blind attitude. Today, through the grace of the Lord, he has received a new light and asks forgiveness from all of you. He wants to be a righteous lord and brother to you in the future. He thanks you, Alina, most of all, because you do not want to leave him voluntarily. From today on, you are again a free human child who can move freely according to her love and this meal shall seal your freedom. But since a meal without the Lord's blessing cannot trigger what it is supposed to, we ask You, Lord Jesus, take part in our love, in this meal, and bless it especially, because it comes from Your love and because it is consecrated to love. Have deep gratitude and stay today and always with us and among us! Amen."

The hours went by. Night fell and the brothers still stayed together. Wonderful constellations shone in the heavenly canopy and the moon was full.

But old Ben said: "Brother, we heard a lot - a lot today. We will not soon experience such a feast day again, but if it is not too much for you, tell us something else about the Saviour, from the time when He also was in a time of longing. You may have portrayed His development and His struggles before our eyes, but about His longing - and He must have had that longing too - you are silent."

Jacob: "Yes, Ben, I can say very little about this, because Jesus did not speak about all this. It is understandable that He would have had longings, He was a man like all of us and I tell you, He still has longings today for children who fully grasp and understand Him. His life was nothing other than a service in the love of God and a glorification of the Holy Father who lived in Him, and by this time, many things happened that remained strange to us. It was on nights like this that He almost always went up a hill and sank into silence.

Once I asked Him: 'Why don't you tell anyone, not even your mother, why you want to be so alone, are we in your way or what is it?'

He then said: 'Jacob, you know what I have to do. If I would be unfaithful to Myself, the

unfaithfulness would hit the Father and that is exactly what I have to prevent. I can not do otherwise, My Spirit reveals the immovable goal to Me and I must achieve it!

"You must," I said, 'but Jesus, then you will live under compulsion?'

'Oh no' - He answered, 'not coercion as you may think, but the urge born in My Love for the work - and the Father in Heaven blesses this urge of Mine all the time. I could receive much power from you, but I must still spend much power not to be sad about you.'

Then I said to Him: 'But Jesus, we do everything not to grieve You, only we cannot understand You the way You want to be understood.'

Then He smiled and said: 'Jacob, if you could get an idea of the longing I carry in Me, you would tremble. Great things need strength and time and the longing to see everything accomplished is the wooing of the Spirit that always keep on pushing through.'

Therefore, dear brothers - and above all you, dear Ben - see how necessary it is to be guided and urged by the Spirit, for the Spirit in man is the part of God in us. From God, because God is Spirit, and therefore God can only be served in the right Spirit."

"You speak of the Spirit," Ben replies, "but how can I know that the Spirit is urging me? Is the desire in me to enjoy something good also the Spirit? You'll have to explain that a little more to all of us. What is spirit, what does the spirit want and how can I convince myself that I grasped or received the right spirit?"

Jacob: "Dear Ben, I must speak to you through a natural image. Behold, here in the jar is wine, though a little sour; but it is the right image. Pressed from grapes, the juice had to ferment and clarify. The liquid as a wine is the body, the alcohol is the soul and the intoxicating thing is the spirit, which already lay in the grape as a gift of the Creator. The taste is the revelation of life as it lies bound in the wine. Now taste the wine again - it's sour. But now, according to the will of the Lord, I want the wine to bear witness to another life - and so taste it again."

Then Ben said, "What is this, the wine is suddenly sweet? I never drank anything like that before. Kasimir, don't be angry when your wine runs out, we won't get anything like that again."

Kasimir smiles and says: "Go ahead, but don't disturb Jacob, he will still have to explain the miracle to us."

Jacob: "Of course, that's just it! A purest spirit wanted to impregnate the spirit in the wine out of it's own power, out of it's own fluidity, and the miracle has been clarified. Now take the human being. He is body, soul and spirit. The body and the soul are products of the transient, and the spirit is the offspring of God. Since God is eternal, His offspring must also be eternal. But since the essence of the body and the soul bear the stamp of the transitory, it is the Spirit's task to spiritualize body and soul.

In the beginning, the first men knew it; but the tempter managed to mislead man and make him lazy at the expense of the spirit, and that is why God Himself became man in the Son of God Jesus and spiritualized His body and soul through heated battle and striving and accomplished the greatest work of all times and thereby, became the Redeemer. The one who can now truly believe in the Son of God and make His whole will his own, will no longer see, feel or taste death, because His glorious eternal Redeemer-Spirit comes to us and shows us all the right ways. His Spirit in us is the revealing life, His Spirit in us is the

Creative and the Achieving, what our soul longs for and His Spirit in us makes us His children."

Ben: "Jacob, now it becomes light, now it is suddenly clear, now your word is enough for me, because it came from the Spirit of God, it can only be God's word, because I feel it so lovingly."

"You understood it" said Jacob "now make it understandable also to your brethren and you will feel the truth of the Eternal."

They stayed together for a long time, then they laid down to rest. In Baltasar, however, a pain was felt as he wanted to free Alina from Kasimir and keep her with him. He found no peace; suddenly a light-being stood in front of him and said: "Brother, why don't you want to see the Lord's glorious guidance in this event? Behold, Kasimir could only be saved by the girl, and therefore the Lord needed you. Instead of experiencing bliss in yourself for this service, you and your friends dwelling in you, are worried. Enter into the full life from the Lord and you will experience much greater wonders of His love. Become completely free in yourself, so that the spirit of salvation can unfold completely in you."

Baltasar was alone. How he would have liked to ask the being something once, but the advice: 'Become completely free in yourself, let wonderful thoughts awaken' - and now, finally the joy broke through and in a feeling of delight, he fell asleep.

21. Jacob's departure from Kasimir's caravan

It came to life in the camp. Baltasar was one of the last to wake up and his inner joy was great. He looked at Kasimir with completely different eyes. How upright the man walked - and especially Alina, she shone like the rising morning sun.

He said to Jacob, "Brother, the happiness of these two has made them beautiful."

Jacob replied: "You are wrong brother, the light has become brighter in you and in this light of yours they appear only more beautiful to you. But now look at Ben and the others - aren't all of them the opposite of yesterday? And behold, this is the work of your love in you by the grace of the Lord! Now that the will of the Lord has been fulfilled, we will soon set out. Kasimir will want to hold us, but he can't, because Nicolaus needs you. A Roman caravan on its way to Damascus will pass by here and I will join it. Amatus is the leader, as the Lord revealed to me."

Baltasar: "I know Amatus - you will have a hard time; I wanted to accompany you, but the will of the Lord is more than my longing."

Kasimir did not want to accept that the two wanted to go on, but Jacob said: "Brother, it is the will of the Lord, new work is waiting for me. The harvest field is large, but the workers are too few, so it is necessary to work in the Lord's vineyard. You made a good start, stay in this will and sacrifice your wishes to the Lord. He will reward you gloriously."

Kasimir: "Jacob, do you mean Alina?"

Jacob: "Yes brother, sacrifice her to the Lord until you are ready to receive her from the Lord's hand and your life will be a blessing to many."

Kasimir: "When will it be and how will I know that I have reached maturity?"

Jacob: "When your dogs will again follow you at the slightest hint, this will be the outer sign, but the Lord himself will give you the inner sign. Call all your brothers together to the morning meal, so that I may bless all together once more".

The simple meal was prepared, everyone took part and when it was finished Jacob said: "My brothers, the hour of separation has come, we must go the way of our duty. Kasimir, your lord, has become a brother to you. Serve him as if you were serving the Lord, for the Lord will reward you.

You, Alina, enjoyed the greatest of graces; glorify your God, Father and Saviour. Come here so that I may lay hands on you in His name and in His love. So be blessed in the Spirit of His love and grace, that you may be filled with His righteous spirit and will, and that you may arise in the free and true love of a child. To all on whom you lay hands - if they are sick and suffering, it shall go better by the hour and your love shall be like a balm which shall heal also the sick in their souls. Fill the longing of your love from God in the right spirit, then you will also fill the longing of your God and Father.

Come also, old brother Ben, receive the blessing of the Lord. From now on you too, shall

see with spiritual eyes. Be aware that the Lord and God gives you a gift so that you can always gladden and delight others.

So now, all of you, be blessed in love and through love and let a spirit arise in you that becomes a saviour for you and all. May the peace and love of the Lord always be with you. Blessed be Jesus Christ for all eternity! Amen."

For a long time the brothers looked after the vehicle and Jacob blessed those who remained until they disappeared from his sight.

Then Baltasar said: "Brother, what a change - everything is arranged in love - what a glorious Saviour, God and Father we have!"

Jacob: "Yes, Baltasar - and the Father says: 'What glorious children love brings forth. What I never wanted to imagine for myself, has become of it's own accord and this is only the beginning'."

Baltasar: "Brother, brother, if I understand you correctly, God is becoming more and more human to bequeath more and more of His being to His children. Only man is too narrow-minded and too small in spirit, otherwise greater things would be revealed."

In this spirit they drove a few hours at a restful pace. The area became busier, there was good pasture and forest. Then they came to a small inn, in front of which a caravan camped.

Then Baltasar asked, "Is this the caravan the Lord showed you?"

Jacob: "Yes, brother, today we will stay together, tomorrow early in the morning we will separate as the caravan continues on it's way."

22. Stay-over at Elegius/Amatus

When they entered the parlour, there was only one guest and the landlord, an old Greek, said: "Be warmly welcome and what is your desire?"

Baltasar looked at him for a long time and says: "Aren't you Elegius, the priest of Annah? I am Baltasar."

Elegius: "I wouldn't recognize you, Baltasar, you were right - I am, but no longer a priest."

Baltasar: "That's too bad! To be a priest is the most glorious profession, isn't it? Today we need a chamber for me and my brother and a stable for my animals."

Elegius: "It's all right, Baltasar, we still have many to entertain today, excuse me if you have to wait a little."

The guest looked up, it was Amatus.

Jacob said to him, "Amatus, would you give me a place in any of your caravans until Damascus? I am alone and possess nothing but what I have on my body."

Amatus: "If you would help when help is needed, then gladly; but know, you are a Jew - and I want you to leave my people alone with your Jehovah."

Jacob: "Don't worry, I will not do anything to disgrace my Jehovah, but to please all people, including you and your people."

Amatus: "Then it is good, but how is it that Baltasar introduces you as his brother?"

Jacob: "Baltasar is my brother and I his, because we both have one God and one Father. We are only together today and so I apologize if I still want to be together with him this day. We can still talk for another six days.

But if you do not trust our conversation, then know that our conversation is about Jesus the Saviour and I am Jacob, His brother and now witness about His doctrine of love and life."

Amatus went to Baltasar and said: "I knew you for a long time, but for you to be a brother to Jews makes no sense to me. You must have been out of your mind to forget yourself like that. Are you not aware of all the things that happened since Jesus distorted people's minds? Never before has man's need been so great as it is now, and we Romans simply cannot do anything about it. Just a few days ago, we met a big caravan that had nothing but people. Unfortunately, I had no right and no soldiers, otherwise the Jews would suffer badly."

Baltasar: "Amatus, I now see everything with completely different eyes, crime angers you, but it is man's own fault. The self-indulged priests act according to their own will and not according to Jehovah's will, and the followers of the Saviour Jesus are willing to die for Him and bear every burden, but all still have wrong ideas - like you."

"Why," Amatus asked. "What do I have to do with Jews? Nothing - nothing at all! I don't even take advantage of their inn, this Jewish faith disgusts me. There is also nothing

divine about our gods, but they are more humane."

Baltasar: "You speak correctly because you have not yet experienced anything divine. But if you had experienced things like I did, perhaps you would embrace all people! We do not want to argue either, we want to rejoice, because today I see every encounter with a human being as a gift of the eternal God and this gives me joy."

Amatus: "Even if the other one doesn't want anything good for you?"

Baltasar: "Also then, because everything that happens to me today in my life has its goodness and I can only learn from it. But you want to avoid everyone from whom you cannot gain any advantage."

Amatus: "Quite right, but according to the will of my lord to whom I am bound. Is that not all right?"

Baltasar: "But of course, do not be surprised if others think so too, and yet you will become poorer and poorer despite all your advantages. There is only one life and that is the one that stands up for others. This is my task and I have double gain. First, the love and respect of my fellow men and second, the love and blessing of the Lord. If I wanted to tell you all the blessings I experience, you would not understand me. But let it be said to you that it was the will of God - whom you want to avoid - that you received Jacob with you today."

Amatus: "Then it is too bad for your Jacob, because in my camp only my will is valid and I have Jacob's word that he will leave my people alone with Jehovah. Is it true Jacob?"

Jacob: "Yes, it is true, you are at peace with me. Whether you will have rest from God remains to be seen. Already now I tell you, you cannot escape from God and the sooner you seek Him, the better it is for you."

Amatus: "Jacob, your scare does not work and your words do not give me the slightest concern."

"I don't want to make you unhappy either, I want to see you happy" - Jacob replied - "the fact that you received me is a great service to me and my God, and not only I, but also the Eternal God is grateful for it!"

The old Elegius came and brought salt, bread and wine and said: "It will be a while before lunch. For the time being I have nothing else to offer you."

Baltasar: "But friend, do not apologize. Your bread and wine will taste as if it came from the Emperor's bread pantry. You don't know how good your bread tastes."

Elegius: "But Baltasar, what are you saying. I, the landlord, the one who has baked the bread himself, would not know what it tastes like. There everything stops."

Baltasar: "Oh no, Elegius, it's really happening. Come eat with us and bring a cup for Amatus, he will drink with us."

When Elegius came with two more cups and poured, he saw that he had a different wine; he tasted it and said: "What kind of wine is this? He also took some bread, tasted it and went into the kitchen to his wife; when he came back, he said: "My wife says I am drunk, it has to be old bread and old wine, you taste, Amatus."

Amatus tasted it and said: "Elegius, really, you must be drunk, your bread and wine is the same as yesterday, I can not say that this bread is different."

Jacob: "Now taste again, Amatus, the Lord does not want His blessings to be withheld from you."

Amatus looked at Jacob and Baltasar, took the bread, broke off a piece, tasted it and said: "This is a different, better taste, I am faced with a mystery".

Now he also tasted the wine, drank again, shook his head, stood up and said: "But now it's over, either I'm a fool or you are. It is certainly a different wine, and a much better one."

Jacob looked sharply at Amatus and said: "Amatus, the blessings from the power of God are not folly, but very serious and powerful messages from Him. You don't have to acknowledge it, but it is better for you to look at the evidence of God's power as real. How should God be according to your concepts, for you to acknowledge Him? You are not satisfied with your gods, even if you do not make it known externally."

Amatus: " Jacob, I have no desire to have anything to do with your God, you know my reasons, I ask you to leave me alone."

Jacob: "Well, Amatus, your will is holy to God, it will also be holy to me, and now you will have to ask if you need God. But you, Elegius, do not only taste, but eat and drink to your heart's content and take [some] to your wife, that she too may experience the miracles of the great love of God."

Elegius: "I'd rather bring my wife, it is better that she experiences the truth through you."

Jarmela comes and says, "Is it so important that I have to come to you from my work?"

Baltasar: "It is - taste the bread and the wine again, because Elegius is not drunk, but full of the greatest joy and he knows why."

Jarmela looked at the men, quickly took the bread, broke some off and ate it slowly - shaking her head, she then took the cup which stood in front of her husband, tasted very slowly and spoke: "Elegius, you are right and it tastes very different. Let us be taught how to get this bread and wine. I have to go to the kitchen, otherwise the food won't be ready."

Elegius said: "You now heard what Jarmela said. It is now up to you not to withhold the truth from me."

Amatus stood up and said: "It is more important for me to look after my people. Tomorrow is the Sabbath and then they don't want to do anything - and it is necessary that I go on the day after tomorrow."

Jacob said nothing, but Elegius said: "I am not surprised that Amatus avoids you, for now I know that you are followers of the Crucified One. I would like you to tell me the whole truth. Too much contradictory things happened."

"That's right," Baltasar replied, "that's why Jacob is here to bring you the truth and the light. It is easy to talk to you, for you already freed yourself from your gods."

Elegius: "I am not yet free, Baltasar, doubts upon doubts still arise in me as to whether I really did the right thing. But when I look at the usefulness of the benefits, all cloudiness

disappears, because only the priests had benefits and I could no longer represent them."

Baltasar: "You will not have enough words to give thanks once the light from God broke through in you. Anyway, Jacob will be your servant according to the will of the eternal and true God. The crucified Saviour and Jesus, lives. He didn't stay in the grave - for your peace of mind! He lives and all who believe in Him will also live, this is my consciousness and my bliss already now. But what bliss must it be if we will always be filled with it? This already fills me with joy."

Elegius: "Baltasar, this is all just talk, and I need proof. The most beautiful word is not much to me, I would prefer reality. See, my daughter has been ill for many years, and there is no more thought of recovery. I did what was in my strength and within my means, and the success is zero. No, no, words are cheap and we perish. If everything could only come to an end, then there would be peace."

Baltasar: "Is that what you think, Elegius? Peace, real peace, can only be given by the One who is peace and rest, and this is God from eternity to eternity! Look at me, I am only a man and yet inwardly so rich and full of the most wonderful peace. To whom do I owe this? Only God, the Eternal Living One, who was revealed to me through Jacob."

Elegius spoke to Jacob: "Can I also come to this rest and what must I do?"

Jacob: "Faith in the true God who was revealed to us in Jesus, but not as the Gentiles do, but alive, with the heart."

Elegius: "With the heart? You speak in riddles!"

Jacob: "No dear friend, your faith should be natural. Just as we guard the most holy thing with our hearts and no sacrifice is too great for us, so it should also be with faith in the true God. Faith should enliven us and make room for a new spirit in us. For whosoever believes and lives according to the teaching of the Lord shall become a new creature. Everything old will pass away and new things will always give birth to something new. You would like to see your Jenna healthy and what must precede it? A belief that she will be healed. In you lies longing upon longing. The God of the Jews is not a stranger to you, and yet, when a priest of the Jews came, you stayed far away from him. But as a priest you should have known that in a priest, the God whom the priest represents, meets you. These were often your own words."

Elegius: "Certainly, but man, how can you know this? I haven't been a priest for 10 years."

Jacob: "I know nothing either, but the God who comes to meet me, knows it, and He knows much more - you will have much to make up for; for the sickness of your Jenna is the effect of the many curses which were sent out to you."

Elegius: " Jacob, I want to do well, but you have to be able to do it too. If your God knows this, He will also know my trouble."

Jacob: "He knows it, but it is useless, because in your spirit, you do not want to redeem the injuries you caused your friends, but to have rest from them."

Elegius: " Jacob, I am in great debt and powerless in the face of circumstances, but why must my daughter suffer from it?"

Jacob: "Behold, dear friend, whom God loves, He punishes with his beloved on earth.

Jenna is your dearest, her death would also be yours and God cannot give you up because you have a great mission to fulfill. Can you believe that God would let you fall if He had enough means to win you? Be assured that God always believed in you, even though you always avoided Him. The moment you shake off all inhibitions and surrender yourself completely to God, your Jenna will recover."

Elegius: "Will my Jenna recover. Oh friend, I will do everything for Jenna's sake and I will do everything to know God and to be restored to His truth itself."

In the meantime, Amatus' people had come. They took their seats at the tables. There was no time to talk any more. Two daughters, lovely girls, brought the food and the meal commenced without much talking. Also Baltasar and Jacob received food, which they also ate with blessing thoughts. The people were rather noisy, but after a short break they all left the guest room to finish their work. The Sabbath was their only day of rest.

Baltasar said, "What do we do. We can't sit here idly. Do you have a task?"

Jacob: "A great one - my brother. We have to prepare Jenna and you can, because she knows you."

Baltasar: "But she was still a child, Jacob. I can't really imagine her anymore."

Then Elegius came to them and said: "Jenna is doing very badly today. What do you think, brother, would you and Jacob go to Jenna for a few minutes. The Saviour Jesus healed so many, could you not just try the power of God on her?"

Baltasar: "No brother, it does not work that way, man does not make attempts with the power of God. Either one believes in the power and is the mediator between God and the sick, or one refrains from doing so."

Elegius: "I think I understand you. God wants the whole person or nothing, is that it?"

Jacob: "Now you understand, but Baltasar may visit her. I'm going to go to the people of Amatus, because I belong to them."

So it happened. Baltasar went to the sick Jenna and Jacob went out to the working people who were repairing some of the wagons, but it didn't really work, they weren't carpenters. Jacob saw this at first sight and without asking he reached for the tool and helped as good as he could with the defective tool.

So the whole afternoon passed and the work was done. Amatus was pleased to see this and said: " Jacob, today you did me a great service, I have hope to reach Damascus."

Jacob: "No, Amatus, the fifth wagon there can no longer endure the journey. You loaded too much on it, the axle can no longer bear the load."

Amatus: "Your God only wants to frighten me. No, I'm not worried about that, it's my best wagon and is going to do many more trips, although I have to admit that it's really loaded."

Jacob: "Amatus, it was only some advice, not of my God - I cannot let my God say it, for then the obstacles would become too great for you if you would need God".

Amatus: "No offence then, Jacob. You Jews are very strange people, but I am glad that you are justifying your God."

Baltasar came and had a look at the wagons with an expert's eye. He must admit that the caravan is fine, the animals in good care and Amatus' horse is a noble stallion.

Amatus called the animal, it sniffed at Jacob and rubbed his head on his arm. Amatus was extremely surprised, for the horse has never shown any affection to a human. He asked: "Are you an animal-lover, Jacob?"

Jacob: "I love all God's creatures and see in them the great wisdom and order of God. I am not an expert on animals. But this must be a noble animal, because the whole nature of this animal has an innate refinement that I never observed before."

Amatus gave Jacob some dates and said, "Give him these dates and judge then." Jacob held the dates in his hand to the beast, and he gently took one date at a time, without haste, but with pleasure, and Jacob said: "Amatus, so I experienced only children; truly here God has revealed a wealth in this beast that should make all men think."

Now Jacob also stroked the beast and said to him: "Rit, today you gave me great joy, stay as you are."

They went back to the guest room, everyone was hungry and the prepared meal tasted good. Jenna came into the room and looked for Baltasar, who had told her about Jacob. She had overcome her weakness and wanted to see the one who carried on the testimony of the Saviour who died for all and rose from the dead. None of the many knew that the innkeeper had a sick daughter and now they looked at the emaciated and suffering figure of the girl, who caused great compassion among all.

Jacob went to meet her and led her to his place. Then he said: "Jenna let your longing for the Saviour become love and you will experience the miracle of His love. Grace is great, but life is greater and in His life, you will rise and be healed."

"Why do I have to suffer so much," Jenna asked, "why do I have to do without everything my brothers and sisters have. I don't want to be a burden anymore, I want to be joy. No one can give me the right answer. I will gladly continue to suffer when I know the reason."

Jacob: "Jenna, the reason is that God has called you to greatness. To achieve this was only possible through your suffering. Never ask again, you hear, never ask again, because God cannot harm you, but those who love you [can]. Your suffering is the language of the affectionate God and the power with which you carried all pain, is God's power. Long ago you would not have been human anymore, but now all sorrows are to be removed and your weakness will gradually go, to the degree to which the task which the eternal true God wanted to achieve, is fulfilled."

Jenna: "What kind of task is this, can I help with it?"

Jacob: "No, Jenna, but you shall grow in faith in the God whom you do not know and who has come to you in me."

Jenna: "Tell me about this God. What does He look like and what does He want as a sacrifice? Is He angry because we know nothing of Him?"

Jacob: "Jenna, God is the highest love, the greatest mercy and His life an eternity, but in glory for which a man has not yet had an expression. You will still experience His glory if you believe in Him and have the will to give yourself completely to Him."

Jenna: "If I can please my loved ones and all people, gladly, even if I would have nothing for it."

Jacob: "Jenna, with this confession you open the door to the Saviour of all saviours and so drink of the wine which this love gives you - fear not, it shall not hurt you."

Jenna looked at her trembling father, then drank the cup and said: "I never drank anything so good. Father, mother, you wasted a lot of love on me, but you could not give me something so good, now I am sorry that I drank everything."

Jacob: "It was for you, Jenna, and have some food; then you can spend the evening with us without experiencing a relapse again."

Jacob then recounted the wonders of the Saviour's work, the miracles of the sick, the blind, and the deaf, and a willing ear received all the words with faith.

But Jenna was not satisfied yet, she wanted to hear more about Him, His mother, His father and the brothers and sisters. Jacob did not tire of filling the hearts and made the desire ever greater.

Among Amatus' people were also some Jews who had left their fatherland for minor offences against the temple. One named Thomas said: "I heard all this before, but the fear of the priests closed my mouth because I feared their punishment; but I also heard things about this Saviour Jesus which He could only do with the help of the Evil One."

Jacob: "This is not surprising, Jesus was a thorn in the side of the temple and its servants, and they followed all His actions with suspicious eyes. What they could do to harm Him, they did, and unfortunately many things remained. But you, Thomas, did not need to flee. If you had come to Him only once, you would have been spared much trouble. Your parents died of grief, and your sister became a victim of the temple."

Thomas: "How do you know, I never spoke to anyone about it!"

Jacob: "God the Eternal knows all things, He also knows that you will soon find your sister and you can then be her brother and help her, and by this you will recognize that the Saviour Jesus, who is still working in the spirit among us today, is not acting on behalf of and in the spirit of evil, but out of His Spirit, who is only love, purity and divinity!"

Jenna said: "You good friend, today you are with us, speaking of the Saviour Jesus, I care about Him and in order to learn to love Him, I must also get to know Him."

Jacob: "Jenna, I will give you a picture of His character, to satisfy your longing. So listen: This Jesus was my brother and the only son of His mother Mary, who had to endure suffering and pain on His behalf, even before He was born. After the birth - the greatest miracle of all time - the persecutions already began, which caused us all worries, but also revealed the glory of God. We lived in Egypt for some time, then we came to Nazareth where we practiced our craft.

Jesus grew up and prospered like every child, and all glories became less as he grew. The older Jesus got, the less we believed in His glories we experienced with Him as a child. But when He entered adolescence, our expectations were completely shattered and instead of glories, we only experienced disappointments. So the time passed and the struggles did not become less, because Jesus did not consider our human objections any more and only tried to reach His goal: to unite with the Spirit of God in Himself. He

succeeded. I will remain silent about all the struggles and disappointments, because it is not ours, but the being of Jesus that is to be emphasized.

When He was 30 years old, all of us had to realize how difficult we have made it for our brother. But not a word of reproach came out of His mouth. He finally reached the goal and then He said: "It is time, the call of God has come to Me" and so there was no turning back for Him.

Jesus did another self-test. He tested Himself to the very core and then a glory became apparent to all those who believed in Him. Oh, my friends, and above all to you, Jenna, the greatest thing about it all and in Jesus, was His love and mercy!

Everywhere He went, He brought joy, He brought redemption from the evils that had settled in the souls and bodies and with courage and patience He showed His enemies the life of the Father in heaven, which was expressed in Him in all action, works and deeds.

The temple persecuted him with hate. Many people followed Him and no one was hungry or thirsty. Many a priest converted and became His disciple. Many a high Roman would have liked to lay all his treasures at His feet when He had accepted them. Jesus remained poor in external goods and yet carried within him a wealth that no man could foresee at that time, not even us. When He came into an inn, the innkeeper's expenses stopped and everyone was miraculously sated, all the sick were helped and then His teaching of the greatest wisdom was connected with the most glorious love.

Yes, you dear friends, it sounds incredible, angels served us humans and revealed a glory that borders on fairy tales, and everything was so natural, so clear, that it could not cause even the slightest doubt. This period lasted for 3 years, then this mission of His was fulfilled and then He had to face the most difficult thing. He had to eternalize His love and His indwelling Spirit should become the legacy to all who believed in Him. It could only be through the devotion of His own earthly life and also this sacrifice He brought us, and died on the cross.

What mourning [ensued] for the Beloved. We were all beaten and hell triumphed. Then He rose on the third day and turned all suffering and sorrow into joy and life. He appeared to us in His new immortal body, gave us His Spirit and will continue to give His Spirit to all those who will follow Him! He then went to heaven, visible to all of us, and His Spirit animated and filled us so that we could testify: It is not I who work, but Jesus in me, and His Spirit leads us into all truth and reveals the depths of the Godhead that no man has ever experienced!

So I also serve you in this Spirit and it is up to you whether you want to become active in this faith in Him and His teaching. Love yourselves and all your neighbors as yourselves, that is the essential feature of His love. Serve one another out of His Spirit, and you will fully experience the presence of the Lord as we and all experienced it. That the Lord is with us in His Spirit, testifies of my love out of Him for you, but that He is also personally with us, Jenna may testify."

Jenna screamed, she spread out her arms and crying she said: "It is You, It's You! I've always seen You in my dreams without knowing who You are. You are. Oh stay with us and help us all out of our misery and let us be really happy again."

Then Jacob said out of the Lord: "My daughter, soon your longing will be satisfied and soon you will see My glory. From now on, no more suffering shall oppress you and your

soul shall become free. Therefore, arise in faith and in the certainty that I, your Saviour and Eternal Father, am the One Who had to allow everything for your eternal salvation. grow in My love and enrich yourself in My life, then your hands and feet will serve Me and your heart will always be thankful!

But you others, believe that it is I who make promises through the mouth of man and let My life and My love gain space in you. But that it is I who am the Alpha and the Omega, Jenna shall rise before you in health. But who still doubts or even disputes this My love, will be in a difficult position.

Thus I bless you all and promise you My peace and My power, which will be yours according to the measure of your devotion! Amen!"

Everyone saw Jenna getting a different look. Elegius cried and said: "Oh God, oh God, what a fool I must have been to flee You so! And now You came in all glory! Give me the strength that I may know You and believe in You for Your love's sake."

The other sisters embraced Jenna and said in tears, "Jenna, what did the Lord look like? What did His eyes say?"

Jenna: "Beautiful, very beautiful! His garment was the fresh rising sun and His eyes said: I love you! Father, and mother, I feel so good, I feel a joy and a jubilation in me. I can weep with joy and hug everyone with joy; but I do not want to grieve Him, the glorious Saviour, because He is among us. Don't you see Him? But you, best friend, who brought us the most beautiful thing, can't you always stay with us? We would certainly become as good people as you are!"

Jacob: "Jenna, I have to move on with Amatus again, but the Lord remains here, and my love is only the love of the Lord. From now on, you will be the priestess of His love and in the power of His love, you will become a blessing to many. Come that I may lay my hands on you in the name of the Lord and receive the gift of healing from Him, our glorious and eternal God. To all whom you will serve, it will be as if God were serving them, and your word will be as if God had spoken to you."

They stayed together for a long time, even Amatus stayed with them. But he kept silent.

Jacob held a small morning celebration on the Sabbath and asked everyone to remain calm and adjust more and more to the Master, but then everyone looked at the surroundings with different eyes and saw evidence of how everything outside could speak to man.

23. Jenna receives the gift of healing

There was no lunch, but more peace and quiet. Jenna did not leave Jacob's side and he did not tire of telling again and again about the Lord Saviour Jesus. Also her sisters were burning with desire to hear again and again what He did and created. But in the midst of this silence, an incident occurred.

One of Amatus' drivers had epilepsy, which struck him every time he was angry or overjoyed. So it happened today. The horrified drivers came to Jacob and asked him to come and help him, it is hardly possible to watch the misery.

Then Jacob said, "Why do you stand there and do not have the courage to help? This brother is only a victim of the lower powers and needs your love. Do you forget what the Lord has done for you? In such cases, prayer from the bottom of the heart is the best means. Jenna, lay your hands on him as I did to you yesterday and let your heart's love speak according to its good will."

Jenna looked at Jacob and then she walked towards the poor man. Then the poor man shook, but Jenna said: "Do not be deterred and believe in the power and love of the Lord."

The moment Jenna finally got to lay her hands on the person's head, he calmed down. Then she said: "Oh best Saviour, whose love I was allowed to experience so wonderfully, prove Yourself also to this poor man as the Saviour, so that he also learns to love You! Help him and us for the sake of our salvation!"

At that moment, the lower powers left him. He looked around and said: "Girl, what good did you do me? It was as if a light-angel came to me and freed me from my distress."

Jenna: "An angel came to you and took with him all those who were bothering you. From now on, you can rejoice. No more will your joy be clouded, but do not be angry any more, for then you will open your soul to lowly spirits; I must tell you this on commission of the angel who helped you."

This was a great miracle and even Baltasar asked: "Is it really like the girl said?"

Jacob: "It is so Baltasar! By the grace of the Lord, the girl has been given the ability to see the causes of diseases. In this case, it was lower powers who often harassed this soul, and the promise that he could always rejoice, she really did on instruction of her guardian angel."

Baltasar said: " Jacob, now that we are parting, you are bringing new things by the grace of the Lord. I would always like to go with you".

Jacob: "Baltasar, did you forget that the Master will always give you what you need. Trust completely in the exceedingly great love that you so wonderfully experienced and will henceforth experience. The love of the Lord shall become increasingly more glorious, as you glorify the Lord more and more in yourself."

Jenna now took the healed by the hand and said: "Come to my father, so that he can also participate in our joy."

For Elegius, this great event was a sensation, even her mother could not believe that Jenna, who seemed to be doomed to death only a few hours ago, was now healthy and in a state that also brings healing to other incurable people.

"What did you do, child" asked Elegius. "It is important for me to know everything, It is important for me to be in order."

Jenna: "I did nothing, father, but what Jacob told me and that I believed that I could help people by the power of the Lord. A power and a joy came over me. I saw a light figure next to me and she spoke to me until I understood her and so she instructed me what to say."

Elegius: "Jenna, the man could have hurt you, didn't you think about that?"

Jenna: "No father, the joy in me did not let any other thought arise and so the great miracle happened!"

"How do you feel, my son?" Elegius asked the healed one. "Since when were you sick?"

The healed one: "Already since my childhood, dear father of the inn, when I had great joy or great anger, the horror came over me and then I knew nothing more. Sometimes it took hours, sometimes days and then I was completely exhausted."

Elegius: "Oh God, what a miracle of Your love and Your life You let me experience. I am not worth saying Your name or clinging to You, I am too great a sinner!"

Jenna: "Don't say that anymore, Father, and even if you still had ten times as many sins, I tell you from the Spirit of My Saviour that He doesn't want to see any more stain on you if you want to be a servant and priest of His love and truth. Believe these words of mine. Words spoken out of this love are like His words. The world with everything in it will perish rather than that anything done in His love, will not happen."

Elegius: "Jenna, Jenna! You conquered me with your faith and now we want to rejoice. Prepare a meal like for a wedding and everyone should be our guests - do you hear, wedding guests?"

Jenna: "Yes, father, you were right, today it is my wedding with the Saviour Jesus, and Jacob and Baltasar are my witnesses."

The Sabbath was forgotten. Great activity ensued in the inn and the most eager one was Jenna, who no longer noticed that she had been seriously ill for a long time. Together with the healed man, she arranged the large guest room, the tables were covered with tablecloths and got set, and the two end-tables were decorated with flowers from the garden.

Many candlesticks were provided, filled with good oil and in the kitchen, they worked hard. Only the wine worried Elegius. There was actually nothing left for so many people, so he went to Amatus and asked him if he still had some bottles of wine in his wagon.

"What are you up to?" Amatus asked, "I wondered about the hustle and bustle in your house. It is the Sabbath, isn't it - or has the Nazarene also abolished the Sabbath?"

Elegius: "Oh no, Amatus, but we will have a feast for the joy of all and out of gratitude to the Saviour Jesus, who healed Jenna and your servant. This feast shall have the character of a wedding, since Jenna has chosen the Saviour as her bridegroom."

Amatus: "I can understand your joy, Elegius, and therefore I would be the last to hinder you. Yes, I have enough wine and out of gratitude that Jenna healed my servant, I donate the wine".

Elegius: "Not so, Amatus, not gratitude, but a free gift of love!"

Amatus: "Well, call it what you like, I don't want to stand against this divine truth any more, this Jacob is either truly a confessor without comparison, or the most cunning messenger of evil!"

Elegius: "Amatus, you did right to draw such sharp lines. But when I look at the final goal where Jacob wants us to go, everything related to evil collapses and the divine only becomes more divine!"

Amatus: "You spoke truth. The next few days will bring me more evidence. Anyway, I have put aside my aversion to Jacob and am beginning to have confidence in him."

Now all the cattle have been put in order and in an hour everyone will be in the guest room in their best possible festive dress. The room became full. Everyone wondered about the two beautifully decorated places, but one of them remained empty.

The healed man had told everyone in his joy that there was to be a wedding, that Jenna would have with the Saviour of all saviours - the miracle became bigger and bigger. Elegius and his wife, as well as the other two daughters, served the guests and were the last to take a seat at the end of the table.

Jacob, who was asked by Elegius to give the consecration speech, said: "Friends, brothers and sisters! Everything is possible for love and so Jenna, our sister, in her boundless joy, wants to give you all a joy through which you should experience new joy for all times. She regards herself as the bride of the Lord and Saviour Jesus and in her love is a desire to always present bridal love to Him in order to delight Him too!"

Jenna, what you do today, everybody should do - man or woman, we all represent the bride of the Lord and He, our Saviour and Redeemer, is the Bridegroom. But since this is not to be a saying or a slogan, the Lord wants you all to see Him at Jenna's side, but only for a few moments!

So now you saw Him in His loveliness. Jenna will always see Him this way when she so desires. He will also become visible to all of you when you fulfilled all the conditions and become ripe for it. But do not let yourselves be misled by the wrong, which is still so overpowering in you, but make an effort to believe and to grow into the spirit, which you experienced yesterday and today. The glorious and redeeming love of the Saviour Jesus shall become our life, and in this life, according to the degree of maturity which we acquire, the glory shall be revealed, as it was revealed to us, to His disciples and witnesses."

Some people asked themselves: 'How can I be a part of this life and of the revelation?' Thus says the Lord: "Whoever believes in Me and does the will of the Heavenly Father, in him, streams of living water will be revealed, and I will dwell in them and they in Me!"

"Brothers, friends, do you need more? Is not the highest fullness in these promises of life? He wants to dwell in us and we in Him! Jenna can testify to the feeling of happiness, not only what she is experiencing today, but what she will still experience. Do not think that the fullness of life from Him could ever come to an end! Oh no, but according to the degree of our love and devotion, we build a glory in ourselves and acquire the means that the love of

salvation makes available to us!

It is Jenna's wish to give the joy of a marriage. But the Saviour's desire is to open the Father's House to you and make you children and heirs of His eternal Kingdom! Whatever may come, He as my Eternal Father, and I as His child, belong together and from now on have one goal - listen: one goal - it is the redemption of all who are bound, from death. We will be transformed into a life worthy of God's children! But those who live a life of their own, will bear the horrors of death and night forever!

It sounds incredible to you and so the Lord wants your eyes to be opened and we should see those who stay with you in their love and participate with you in this feast of joy. Rejoice! Talk to your loved ones and be assured that all this is not a deception but the greatest reality!

Everyone's eyes were opened, the walls disappeared, and the room became a world in which the Father had gathered His children for an evening meal and had a fatherly conversation with Jenna. The others took courage and talked to those who joined them and this conversation sounded like delicate music.

This revelation lasted a full hour, then Jacob said: "It is enough, now return to your own reality, but let the memory remain with all."

The joy did not last long, however, for some doubts had already begun to arise, especially with Amatus. On his face one could see that he was struggling inwardly.

Then Jenna said, "But friend, why do you look so gloomy and destroy the path that leads to the Father's heart? Black crows buzz around you and want to make your hour of grace an hour of destruction! Your father is sad about this lukewarmness of yours and your mother wants to help you, but you block your access to them!"

Amatus: "Let me be, I can't understand all this; Jacob's words - yes, everything I experienced brought me so far that I was determined to acknowledge Jesus as my God. But this hype, forgive me the hard word, was a trap for me, in which we all became prisoners!"

Jenna: "Friend of my father, I still reach out my hand to you and thank you for your openness and now I also want to be open. Put yourself in my life and experience with me this grace as I experienced it and you will think differently. That the Lord showed us the most glorious of His love is what makes Him glorious. But so that you, dear friend, may also experience the other side of those who are not in love and grace, give me your hand and tell me what you experience."

Amatus: "Stop, girl, what do I see! A caravan of my friend, who was beaten to death, was attacked by robbers. Oh terrible, terrible. That can't be and yet it's my friend!"

"Call him," Jenna said, "he'll hear you."

"Berno, Berno," Amatus cries, "is it really you, or is it just an object of my imagination?"

Berno: "Amatus, what - are you here? Get away from here, I am in a terrible state! Since the time when I lost everything there is no help and salvation for me anymore. The gods bring even more misfortune upon us, and those white creatures have not come since I sent them away."

Amatus: "What white figures, Berno? I am also in misfortune, because I cannot understand the news of the Redeemer Jesus, even though I want to."

Berno: "Amatus, go on, there is no room for you here. At any moment the damn devils of robbers can come again and this would be your misfortune too".

Amatus: "Why my misfortune? There can be no greater misfortune if one does not accept the redeeming help and salvation. To see you and to experience you shall be the proof of salvation, but what shall salvation be for me if I know you are lost?"

Berno: "Amatus, what does all this have to do with me! I live, even though I am dead. Here is my caravan and I can't get closer to it, I see it and it doesn't see me. I must watch how the robbers always rob the best and I cannot stop it, because as soon as I call out a word, they slaughter me again and yet do not kill me."

Amatus: "Berno, Berno, what you're telling me is madness!"

Berno: "Madness or not, I am and yet I am not; if only I could wake up from this dream. It can't be anything else."

Amatus turned to Jenna and said: "Was this experience with Berno really the truth, or am I standing here dreaming hand in hand with you?"

Jenna: "Amatus, the reality is that you now experienced the misfortune of those who live on in their love. You could convince yourself that your friend was killed in an accident and now that you can take a look into his sphere by the grace of the Lord, now you ask, what is truth and reality! Everything that you experience is reality, but not tangible with your hands, but visible with your spiritual eyes, and now we want to see whether a grace can be requested for your friend from Jesus, our Lord!

Oh best Saviour, who is among us here, I want to ask You to send help to this poor and blind man, so that Amatus may also experience Your love and grace here! Amatus, look, dark clouds are piling up, oh Jesus, oh Saviour, hold me, so that I may remain without fear and have the certainty that You are with us!

What do I see coming out of the clouds, lightnings upon lightnings and your friend lies there as if slain! Now look, now comes a figure of light - it touches him with it's index finger. He wakes up and speaks: 'Thank you, that was help in greatest need. But if you could only help me to get out of this state of life and death!'"

Jenna: "This depends on you and only on you, for your adversaries had to leave you because the grace and love of the eternal God wants to see you saved! Once again, the Eternal God approaches you through me and let me say to you: "Take hold of Him with all the power of your heart and forget what you had to leave behind on earth, then help and salvation will come to you. Your brother who preceded you many years ago into eternity, will become your guide and helper and is there when it is your will."

Amatus saw the vision disappear and said: "Jenna, forgive me for my blindness. I will try to believe, but everything is so incomprehensible to me!"

Jenna: "It's all right! The best help is the Lord, and Jacob will reveal even more to you, that is, if you want and believe. Behold, I often saw the Saviour in my childhood and did not know that He would be the Saviour of all Saviours. But now that I know He is, my desire to become His own becomes greater and greater. Did you wonder when I said to my father, I

want to marry myself forever to Him who gave me health and lost strength again? There is such a wonderful feeling of happiness in me that I could embrace everyone, even do good to all those who do not love me. Amatus, if all this had now disappeared and it had only been - as you say - a mirage, I would still believe in this mirage because it made me so infinitely happy."

Amatus: "Jenna, I am beginning to understand you and therefore I thank you heartily for the effort you made on my behalf. I beg your forgiveness because I disturbed your feast!"

Jenna: "But dear Amatus, you, my father's friend, have the right to express yourself as you please. There can be no question of forgiveness. You did not hurt anyone, but I must thank you, for because of you, we experienced things in that world of which I had no idea yet. But now Jacob may tell us something more about our Saviour Jesus, whom we so endearingly came to know in His love. How beautiful it would be if we were to learn something from His life."

Elegius: "Oh Jenna, these words must have been given to you by Eternal Love, because that is the desire of all, since too much of what is true and wrong passes through all mouths. Jacob, you friend and brother, you bringer of light from God, fulfill our desire and tell us about Jesus, the Saviour."

24. Jacob recounts an event in the house of Joseph

"Dear friends," Jacob replied, "I am happy to comply with this request and so I will tell you of an event that is not widely known, because silence was commanded about it until all has been fulfilled.

Father Joseph was dead and true sorrow moved our hearts, for those who had known Father Joseph, knew what we had lost. To our sorrow, Jesus did not mourn and we were disappointed. We simply could not understand how it was possible to still have joy, because such a beloved one has left us. Later on, the relatives arrived at our house. We often had mourning ceremonies for those who went home and Jesus went away every time. Mary, who suffered and endured much for Jesus, could not always find the right words to reassure the visitors and relatives, and so much discord was brought into our house because of Jesus.

On a pre-Sabbath day, acquaintances and a new priest who knew Joseph well but had never cared for Jesus, came again. Jesus was in the workshop finishing a work that should have been finished long ago. We brothers had already finished our work and Joel, the older brother, was out of the house.

Our living room was full and Mary was dazed by the much talking and could not find the right words in her distress. But the priest had made Mary his target and demanded that Jesus should come out of the workshop, since it was the pre-Sabbath and since Joseph was worth to be mourned properly. It was finally time to put this troublemaker in the house of Joseph and in Nazareth in the right order. Mary defended the way mothers defend their children, but then she was badly received by the priest, and one word resulted in another; then Jesus appeared in the living room. He looked at those present with wide open eyes, and this must have annoyed the priest, for he said: "Oh poisonous plant in the house of Joseph, there you are, you desecrator of the law of Moses! What must we do to finally bring you into the right order? You are only worth to be dragged to the wild animals!"

"That is not necessary", Jesus replied - "for I am already among wild animals!"

The priest was furious and cried, "Is this the respect you have for the anointed of Jehovah? I will teach you respect" and he was about to pronounce a curse.

Then Jesus said with a calm voice, "Hold fast, wretched man, and do not desecrate the house of Joseph, which Joseph made a temple. But so that you may not do any more harm until you changed your mind, you shall be deaf and dumb - and now go and leave this house, and come again only when you earnestly repented!"

The priest wanted to utter words, but only incomprehensible sounds were heard from his mouth and he furiously rushed out of the house.

Mary was really desperate; she said: "Jesus, what did you do, every word is heaven or hell, it is so terrible not to be able to fully understand You!"

Jesus said: "If everything is so terrible to you, if you cannot fully understand Me, why is it not terrible to you when people make your house a hell? I have never missed setting up a

barrier against hell, for I received so much from God, what has become a sanctuary for Me to protect. But since all of you are caught up in a completely false delusion, let someone else take the bandage from your eyes."

He bowed before those present and went out quietly.

A thunderstorm was about to hit Mary, and suddenly we all saw Joseph standing in the middle of the room, clothed in a white cloak held together by a golden belt. He lifted his hands and blessed us and we all heard his familiar voice speaking: "Blessings on all of you who came to mourn me. This is no longer necessary; It is I who have to mourn because you are all far, far away from life, but in order to announce this life as well, it has pleased the eternal God to let you see and hear me in order to make me better understand the intensity of the struggle of life. My beloved, pain upon pain permeates me as I think of the past life on earth. Pain - because I also did not want to understand the guidance of God, who makes the greatest efforts around us and with us to bring to all - to all - to the fullness of life and to pave the way to life out of God. What I am experiencing now is above all understanding. What I am experiencing now in revelations is more than Moses and the prophets. There is only one thing in my bliss that cannot be achieved, that the Lord, our Eternal God, is with us, for He is among you. Among you, veiled in the flesh! What caused me pain and sorrow in my life on earth, I now look for as the most blessed and what I as a human being regarded as a test, I now see as the greatest grace. Mary, free yourself from the shadows that the world still casts around you, do not see me at this hour as one who wants to teach you, but as the act of grace of the most glorious love of God.

And now I want you all around me to see this, who grasped life in all its fullness. Do not tremble, but rejoice! Whether it will once again be possible to experience love in this revelation depends only on you and your love, since not everything in and around you is yet inclined towards the life of God. Forgive one another for any lack of love and beware of dull thoughts, for they set up hindrances on the struggling life and block the ways to life. Stop mourning. Mourn for those who do not want to embrace life and embrace with your heart Him who loves you so much, that later you will not have to mourn when life returns to its original life. So I am not leaving you, only your eyes will close again, for the sake of your development. My blessing and the power of my love make you free! Amen."

The image disappeared from before our eyes we saw with delight, and finally father Joseph disappeared. A deep silence ensued, until Mary finally said: "Now you experienced this great grace as well, so I ask you to leave us alone with our joy and our sorrow. How must it grieve old Joseph that he had to ask for the mercy to tell us that he mourns over us!"

But we brothers were silent and when Joel came home and learned everything, he said: "On the way here I've seen it all, you don't tell me anything new, but where is Jesus?"

During this exciting time of joy and pain, none of us had time for Jesus, and that day He did not let himself be seen any more. The Sabbath was celebrated as always, but Jesus, as always, was not there. When the sun had set and Mary was preparing supper, He came and said: "Mother, why are you still sad? Does love not do everything it can? Today I came a great deal closer to life, but if you knew how, you would find yet another thing that you cannot bear."

At the evening meal, Mary asked: "What have you done today and yesterday that we would not find right? We also experienced great things yesterday, which rendered us milder towards you."

"I know that," Jesus said, "because I too experienced My Part, just like you; only Joel experienced it differently than you did!"

"Why?" Joel asked, "My experience was such that I was delighted with father Joseph and the others as well. How was your experience?"

Jesus: "I must remain silent about this, but I pray you also remain silent about your experience, because the temple has new devilries planned against Me and you. But in order not to force Me to intervene prematurely, I will go a few weeks with you, Jacob, across country and do urgent work."

"That can not happen, Jesus," Joel said: "I've decided to do a job that has to be done."
Jesus: "It will get done, but without both of us. Joel, believe these words of Mine! I cannot help it, I must be hard for your sake, for it is not Mine now, but about your and all your lives! Why do you not want to understand Me, why are you not completely one with Me? Have not the words of father Joseph touched the innermost in you? Today you are in a state of grace that millions of people have not yet experienced. But how will you grow if you go mad at Me? Behold, the powers are accumulating in Me and I must restrain Myself, because it is not time, but you want to force Me to step out of My struggle just to please you. And when everything revolts around Me, I walk My way and have to walk it, unfortunately always alone."

Today I saved a leper from a great misfortune. They forgot to bring him the necessary food and so as not to break through the barriers of order and law, I sat down with him and sated him with good bread and believe Me, today I endured a hunger like never before. I knew this was a hunger test. Before Me laid the bread which I had requested from the Father for the hungry, and in overcoming hunger, strength and love grew and the desire to heal this leper succeeded.

Joel said, "Jesus, you did this today, on the Sabbath. If the Templars would know this, then woe betide us!"

"No," Jesus says, "woe betide them, for I will no longer let Myself be hindered into putting barriers on the life in Me; and tomorrow you, Joel, will receive this healed one and let him work for you."

Joel: "We'll take him in, but won't he betray You?"

Jesus: "Be not afraid, this is the one who should become the stumbling block to free the house of Joseph from this plague for all time. The mute and deaf priest will become our friend and helper. Until then, however, everything must be borne in love and patience. But now I will keep silent again, the enemy of all life has long ears."

That's how this strange Sabbath ended. Only after weeks did this priest return to our house. He had left the temple because he thought he would never hear or speak again, and Mary had the grace to hear him speak again. He became a friend of Joseph's house, but he avoided Jesus out of fear, and not to grieve Him."

Then Jenna said: "But dear Jacob, were you really so terrible that you could not understand the Saviour?"

Jacob: "We were, dear Jenna! But you must consider how we were brought up in fear and trembling. We preferred to let an animal perish on a Sabbath instead of helping it, and Jesus helped on a Sabbath where it was urgently needed!"

Amatus: " Jacob, with your description you rendered me a great service, for now I can understand Jesus better than you Jews. Was Jesus Joseph's son?"

Jacob: "To the outside yes, dear Amatus, but Mary conceived without a man and only received a promise from an angel. Precisely because it was the greatest disgrace of a young maiden to carry a child under her heart, Joseph was obliged to recognize Mary as his wife, because the cup of poison she had to drink at the command of the high priest, had no effect. We experienced all this, we lived through some hours of fear and terror and yet we have been wonderfully preserved in everything. When the child was born, the blessing never departed from our house. We were driven out by the power of the enemy and lived in Egypt, and only after the death of the enemy did we move to Nazareth, where we remained until the death of the Lord. My brother and Mary now live in Jerusalem, where I am now going, and there I will wait for the things which the Lord reveals to me."

Amatus: "I look forward to the days with you, Jacob, and hope to get along well with you."

For a long time all stayed in the big room and a lot more was discussed.

Then Jacob said, "Let us go to rest, and in the morning we will go on. Baltasar, stay one more day, a good acquaintance is on the way and you will get to work for the Lord and Master! Don't think "Oh if only we could stay together for longer", because when you come back, there will be a lot of work waiting for you. Receive everything as coming from the Lord and seek to give blessings even to the wicked and the false, then your work will not be a burden, but a pleasure and your development, a glorious one. For the Lord and Master also urgently needs you!

You Elegius, have in Jenna a priestess of love; learn from her zeal, many will still sunbathe in her love. But you, Jenna, continue to shine in your bridal love, which - in the service of your fellow human beings - is more and more alive out of a life of salvation; and fear nothing, because Jesus is your part and the content of your life! Your life henceforth grows with the life of your beloved Jesus, and if the time should come that you want to belong to a man, then know your and our Jesus will then bless this covenant with the love you grant Him in your heart. So receive all the blessings of the Lord and His love be your life, His peace, your strength! Amen."

25. Continuation of the journey to Damascus and farewell to Elegius and Baltasar

Now the time had come - the hour of separation had come. All Amatus' wagons were ready to leave. The drivers of their chariots were waiting for Amatus' signal, and Jacob could not loosen himself from the hearts that had so much to thank him and the Lord.

Then Amatus said, " Jacob, I will let you rest if you want to stay another day, for I have not yet experienced such a farewell. This hour tells me again, how great must this love be that develops such love!"

Jacob: "We go, Amatus, the Lord will reward you for your sacrifice, because you wanted to give another day to these hearts. Now give the sign for departure."

He waved and blessed until they were out of sight; then they all continued at their usual pace on the caravan road. Amatus almost constantly stayed with Jacob. When the sun shone the hottest, they rested, and in the morning, they continued. Jacob got to know camp-life in yet another way. But he knew one thing: Amatus was a strict but righteous man. He did not tolerate lukewarmness, but the people hung on him with rare loyalty.

They had another day ahead of them, when Amatus said, " Jacob, I did not forget your worries. Anyway, today we are going to an inn belonging to Damascus. Have you contributed anything to the fact that everything has gone so well in the most beautiful order?"

Jacob: "I did not, but the Lord rewards your love by giving me this service. But so that you may see how wonderful the Lord was with us, look at your wagons. You would not progress even for an hour if Thomas had not built up his faithfulness."

"I am curious" - said Amatus, [then he] went to Thomas and said: "Thomas, what wagon were you worried about?"

Thomas: "I gave it a support according Jacob's instructions, because the axle did in fact break and the support will only hold until the wagon has been unloaded."

Amatus had to admit that Jacob was right and had a close look at the wagon. It was a miracle it didn't collapse. "Will he hold for now, today and tomorrow?" - he asked Thomas.

Thomas said: "It will hold for as long as Jacob is with us, for in this wagon I again experienced the power and strength of Jehovah, and I rejoice in it. Now I am no longer an outcast and can freely look into the eyes of every believer and lean on the Saviour as a child leans on the mother."

Amatus: "Thomas, I thank you for these words. We stay together, I need a friend, because I cannot imagine what it will be like when Jacob is no longer with us. I certainly need someone to whom I am not a superior. Do you want to be my friend?"

Thomas: "Amatus, I wanted to leave you when we get to our destination. Now that I found

my way back to faith, I also long for believers, but since you need me as a friend, I will stay with you and be assured that you will never be disappointed in me. If I have been a faithful servant to you, I shall all the more be a faithful friend!"

So they reached their destination, the inn at Damascus. Jacob felt an anxiety. Was it because he had to leave these people with whom he lived for a week, or was he waiting for his disappointment? He tried to be calm and said nothing to Amatus not to disturb the last time together with him and his people.

It was a little later than usual. The animals were tired and the two hours had a paralyzing effect on them. Then Amatus said: " Jacob, the animals can't go on any longer, I demanded a lot today!"

Jacob: "Why do you not bless your animals and give them strength from the power of the Lord in you? All creatures also experience the effects that come from your love, but it must not be done with a profit-making intention, and this is not the case today. Give it a little time and experience the power of love through the grace of the Lord! Let us do it together."

26. Rest at Arnulf

A little quarter of an hour passed during this operation and the people were amazed at Amatus, who walked along the wagons with Jacob, holding their hands over them. Arriving at the end, Amatus gave the signal to continue.

Both of them walked behind the wagons, which now moved forward at a faster speed. It still took an hour, and under the impression of a new miracle, they had reached their destination.

Things were very busy here. Several caravans had pitched tents. Therefore Amatus said: "We shall also stay in the tents today, the innkeeper has a full house, but we don't need to provide food and drink."

Amatus and Jacob went into the inn and the people set up their tents their usual way and let the animals graze on the lean meadow.

When Amatus and Jacob entered the inn, everything was overcrowded. Amatus went to see the innkeeper, who was delighted to see him again. The host was a Greek. He quickly fetched his wife and she also pressed his hands with joy.

"Amatus," said the innkeeper, "we are in distress, the cursed Templars became the purest devils. They suspect everyone to be a Nazarene and wish to stone them, I don't know how to associate with them any more. They also suspect me to be a Nazarene and remove liberties that I will soon no longer be able to put up with."

Amatus replied: "Arnulf this is bad, because now I also became a Nazarene and this friend is even a disciple of the Lord, but I do not think we need to be afraid, in Jesus the Lord we have everything we need!"

The innkeeper: "That is how you think, but I know differently, because we see almost every day these devilish priests carrying away innocent people who never come back."

Amatus: "Let's wait and see, dear Arnulf, I have no fear and will wait it out."

All Amatus' requests were fulfilled. The innkeeper was even able to free a chamber for Jacob, and when everything was ready, the time for the evening meal had come.

27. Jeremiah and another priest enter

The parlour was very full. A mixture of voices was to be heard and conversation about the Nazarenes was predominant. The innkeeper had set a table for Amatus' people, everyone sat down and enjoyed a cup of wine.

Then two priests came into the crowded room and looked at the people. When they saw Jacob, they said to him, "How did you get into the inn of a heathen? A little hour from here you would have been with your tribesmen!"

Amatus stood up and said: "By what right do you ask a man who sits at my table? But not with the right that Jehovah gave you, because then you would have spoken in a different tone."

The priest: "I have no right with you, but with him! And just to let you know, as a heathen you do not have to interfere in our affairs."

Amatus: "I ask you again, who gives you the right to enter into a Greek inn with a cheek and a tone that makes a mockery of all legal order? If I don't get an answer immediately, I'll have my people throw you out, because the landlord Arnulf gave me full freedom."

The priest saw the seriousness of the situation and said: "The temple has obligated us to search for Nazarenes with all severity, because we can no longer control this pestilence."

Amatus: "So - the temple! So I'll probably have to get permission from the temple before I put one of its mercenaries in order, because that's all you are. Know that I am also a Nazarene, but not one who can be taken away by you without further ado. I will make it a battle and I will advise you not to be seen in this hostel any more, unless you come with peaceful intentions. Well, if we are in error, it is your duty to lead us out of error, but if you are in error, you must bear the consequences."

The priest: "You are a Roman in your way, but we only have to do with the lost sheep of Israel, you can be a Nazarene a hundred times, we do not care and do not believe that we are so powerless; only a whistle and twenty helpers are right here. And so I invite you, being a Jew, to answer - how did you get here?"

Jacob was as if confined - everything in him swirled around; he finally found liberation in himself. He stood up, looked at the two priests and said, "If you had come back to seek the lost sheep of Israel, I would answer you in the same spirit. But since you carry no spark of love for the lost in your breast, I say to you, go away, for it is Jesus of Nazareth, whom you persecute, Who will make it difficult for you!"

"Oh, look at that" - says the priest - "there's another lost sheep here, wait, you'll soon be well taken care of. Today I leave, but in a short time, we will see each other again!" Before Amatus or Jacob could say anything, the priest was out of the parlor with the others. But now the priest had not been very careful, because he fell down and broke both his hands. The other priest came in begging fashion to Arnulf, asking for shelter, because he could not go with the injured person to the other inn, one hour away.

No one had noticed anything about it, only Jacob said to Amatus: "His destiny has already befallen him, now they come as beggars and both hands will be useless if he gets no

help."

"Let's see" says Amatus, "but I did not want the priest to have such a lesson."

Arnulf led the two priests into a small chamber, where Jacob and Amatus also went and looked at the priest, who was very meek. Amatus said, "Now let the temple help you, for you did this to yourself, but you will certainly not let a Nazarene help you. One thing I tell you, if help doesn't come immediately, you'll never be able to use your hands again. Since you can no longer be dangerous to us Nazarenes, we shall have much pleasure at our table, and so I wish you much pleasure too."

Amatus took Jacob by the hand and pulled him out of the chamber. Outside he said, "Jacob, let him ask only properly, for his boundless hatred shall cool down. Arnulf was afraid that it had to happen to me, he said, it would have been better for me if it had happened outside, what do you think about it, dear messenger of God?"

Jacob: "What shall I say? The measure is full and the Lord and Master knows best what needs to be done, it is a pity for this man and that both remain in hatred: but let us leave them alone. If they ask for our help, we are ready to help!"

Arnulf: "What - do you want to help them? You probably want to reward your executioners in advance with good deeds. No, do not do that, for their measure of sin is full."

Jacob: "Not so, dear friend, either we are disciples and followers of the Lord, or we are not. Remember, none of us is without faults, and yet eternal love has seized us and we became happy and believe that all those who are in the deepest mud, can still become the best."

The other priest came and asked Amatus to come to his colleague and try to negotiate with him. Amatus said to Jacob: "Come with us, we shall first heat him up properly and try to break him down."

Like a bunch of misfortune, the priest crouched in the corner. The wounded man said, "I had misfortune, can you help me? I will gladly take back my words and leave this region."

Amatus: "It would be possible to bring help, but you will not be persuaded to do so, because the helper is Jesus and He demands true faith and that all evil that has been done, will be made good. You have the temple. If it has given you the power to plunge other people who are not fully satisfied with it into misfortune and suffering, then it amazes me that it has no power to give help to its vassals. I experienced so many things with you Templars, that I gladly avoided you and never would I have thought it possible to believe in your God; but the manner of a disciple of Jesus, his love for men, and his spirit of help, taught me differently. I must tell you how small you are against the Crucified and Risen One!"

The priest said, "Do you not see that I am suffering? Demand what you want if it is possible to help me but leave me alone with the Nazarene."

Amatus: "Have you ever thought that others suffer unspeakably through your actions? Not even the devil carries out such infamous deeds as you do, and you still have the audacity to demand help from us. What you said to Jacob - you will soon be taken care of, you lost sheep! No, no, you shall feel pain, not only in the hands that were great to open dungeon doors, but also in you a fire shall burn, that you may get an idea of what happened to those whom you condemned to suffering. Remember that Jesus is ready to help, but only

on one condition: that you make amends and repent of your mistakes and want to become a different person. If you do not want that, then go to the temple - it will not help you because it cannot!"

The priest: "Are you Jacob, Joseph's son?"

"Yes, it's me" Jacob said, "and you are Jeremiah, who was hostile to my father, because he did not want to punish my brother Jesus, because he was not with you in the way you wanted. For a long time you looked at Jesus with wrathful eyes and if Jesus had not already been permeated with holy love, you would have received a reprimand at that time. You knew Jesus, you knew Joseph and Mary even better and you were one of the most zealous to deliver Him to the cross and so I tell you by His power and glory, truly you will not come from there until the last stater is paid. Amatus is right, Jesus is ready to help, but only if you make up for all the injustice. I do not demand that you believe in Him, for this is not my duty; you have to deal with it yourself. We now leave you and hope that you will decide for the better."

Jeremiah wanted to say something, but they had already left him alone. But Jacob said, "It was hard on me, but now it is on him, and so we will talk with the others, because tomorrow I will go on."

Amatus: "There is no such thing, Jacob; I will bring you to my lord. I would not forgive myself if I did not take you to him, you will have real joy."

The evening was still beautiful and when Jacob was lying in his chamber, the suffering priest came to his mind and he asked the Lord for true wisdom. Then it became good in him again and now he knew it would come to a good end.

As always, Jacob was early in the dining room, where there was a lot of traffic, because the caravans were preparing to leave. Amatus also urged his people on. He wanted to be with his lord early in the morning, so Jacob waited with the morning soup.

Then the priest who was with Jeremiah, came and said, "Good friend, I have been waiting for you and I beg you to come to Jeremiah. I had trouble with him all night. I would have liked to convince him to bury his hatred of Jesus, but it is useless. But I cannot let him down, even though I became tired of the business long ago."

Jacob: "This is praiseworthy of you, but tell me, how do you stand with Jesus the Lord and Master?"

Then the priest looked around and said, "I wish I could go with you instead of Jeremiah, but I can't go because I'm very poor."

Jacob: "The Lord sees your will as the deed and so I say to you out of the Spirit of the Lord, try with all the love and wisdom that you have at your command to dissuade Jeremiah from his actions in his own way and then you lay your hands on him in the name of the Lord Jesus and it will be better with him, but first he must repent and try to make amends."

The priest: "I shall do this, [I], an enemy of Jesus?"

Jacob: "You are not an enemy of Jesus, but your own enemy. Your weak will and your worried mind will not let you be free from the scourge of the temple. Make yourself free and go to Bethany to Lazarus and confess yourself as a friend. Ask him for help, then you

will become a free and joyful person and a natural member in the community of people. I will not go to Jeremiah, for this is your work which the Lord and Master requests of you. If you do as I say, love will give you strength, but the Lord will give you success. In this lies the greatness of the child of God, that he does not create and bear all salvation out of himself, but out of the love of the Lord! So I also want out of the Spirit of the love of the Lord in me, that the wine in the jars may become a true heavenly wine and that you may experience what man, filled with His Spirit, can accomplish."

Jacob took the cup and said, "For the sake of glorious love, let His love be glorified in this wine, that you may be enlivened by this Spirit and that He may abide now and forever."

28. The continued journey to Dinarus

Then Amatus came. In silence they took the morning soup and [then] Jacob said: "Brother, let us hurry so that we may soon be with your lord, for a great storm is coming today and then you will not be able to reach your destination with your people."

Amatus: "Today, Jacob? I also understand the weather, but it did not look like it, but since you say it, I will organise myself accordingly."

The animals did their best and after a few hours, they drove through the gates of Damascus. The sky darkened, clouds began to gather, and as soon as Amatus arrived in front of the storehouses of his master, a heavy thunderstorm broke out. The animals didn't want to be calmed down when they were unharnessed and Amatus didn't have the calmness to calm them down.

But Jacob prayed and united himself with the Lord; then there was a little break in the weather and during this little break, it was possible to bring all the animals into the stables, then the weather began raging as if everything was to perish. Amatus did not leave the place, he said: "Jacob, if you had not been there, we would still be on the highway and I can not imagine what could have happened. My people are good, but they are more afraid of a thunderstorm than of a hundred devils. Now come, let us go to my Lord, so that when the thunderstorm is over, we can unload."

Dinarus , the Roman merchant, was already informed of the arrival of Amatus' caravan. He expected him and received him with obvious joy. "Welcome, Amatus, you are under a good star, for otherwise the thunderstorm would have surprised you on the road!"

Amatus: "Yes, sir - but here is Jacob, whom we have the good fortune to thank for, for he caused us to hurry up early in the morning before anyone could suspect bad weather. Jacob came to you at my request so that you too might take part in the grace of God which I experienced on my journey home."

Dinarus: " Jacob, are you one of the twelve who went with the Master Jesus?"

Jacob: "I am one of them, Dinarus, and so I followed less the urging of Amatus, than the urging of the Lord in me!"

Dinarus: " Jacob, you do not only make me happy, but you make me the happiest person, because it was always my wish to meet one of the twelve.

I am well informed through my friends Dimetrius and Ursus; but I am not yet quite satisfied about the life emanating from the Master, therefore come and be at home in my house. For the time being, rest a while, because I have various things to discuss with Amatus."

Dinarus struck a gong and a servant appeared. He handed Jacob over to him to lead him into the guest room and to be fully at his disposal. The servant bowed before Jacob and said, "Come, Sir, that I may lead thee and be at your command." Dinarus nodded once again to Jacob, then Jacob and the servant left the room.

Outside Jacob said to the servant, "Listen, I am not a lord, and you shall not serve me, but be a brother in the Spirit of the Master Jesus."

The servant: "Where do you come from that you speak of the Master - I have never yet spoken of it to any man. What do you know of me?"

Jacob: "Rufus, I know even more because the Lord lets me see you in your inner longing. I am one of His witnesses and I am here through the guidance of the Lord. You can bring all your friends here, Dinarus will allow it."

The servant: "Really, what joy do you bring us, what may I call you? I will not be a nuisance if I ask you for words that will give my heart peace and security, would I?"

Jacob: "Rufus, I will be your brother and my service is love and nothing but love - today and always. If you have a desire, express it, for it is the most glorious and greatest to be allowed to serve in love. Call me Jacob - as I am completely free, so you shall also be free."

It didn't take an hour for Dinarus to get back. When he saw that Rufus was completely moved by Jacob's words, he said: "Jacob, do you also know that it is a miracle to touch my Rufus like that? There was a longing in him that could not be quenched, and now I see his eyes shining with a glow. I thank you for your efforts. But now come with me to my family, that will not be so easy!"

Rufus asked Dinarus if he could bring his friends during the time when Jacob was here. Then Dinarus said: "But Rufus, how can you ask, you know that I always confessed to your friends. Bring all together to my house today, we must celebrate the Master's love with dignity!"

Dinarus took Jacob by the hand and said: "Now come and be the dearest guest of my house."

Then Jacob said, "Dinarus, speak no further, for I speak not of myself, but of the Spirit of the Lord, and if you think that I should not touch the sorrow of your beloved wife, I will give you assurance, worry about nothing, and the glory of eternal love will be revealed to you. The Master knows everything, He does not only want to know what you want to do out of and in His love."

Dinarus: "Jacob, I feel a solemn expectation, but now, come!"

29. Jacob as guest with Dinarus' family

Monica, the wife of Dinarus, already heard about Jacob's visit from a servant. A veil laid around her heart, but she greeted him kindly when Dinarus entered their apartment with him.

Jacob said: "Monica, I do not come to burden, but to exonerate and the Love, whose servant I am, has only the best in mind!"

Now also the two sons and three daughters of Dinarus entered. The sons were reserved, but the daughters were free. Dinarus wanted the girls to retreat, so Jacob resisted and said: "Dinarus, leave them here, because children experience things differently than we adults do, and the gifts that come from heaven, frees the struggling souls."

Servants brought fruit and wine, and all were caught up in the experiences and stories of Jacob, so that they did not even notice how hour after hour passed. Servants reported that the table was set, and Dinarus reluctantly led Jacob to the table, since the food from Jacob meant more to him than the meal. Jacob was really astonished with the many people already present, and he asked Dinarus if these were his people.

But Dinarus smiled and said: "Rufus brought his friends without whom he cannot be, but rejoice with them, they have long waited for the day when the truth will not be withheld from them. What is happening here in Damascus, is more than terrible. The Templars from Jerusalem regard themselves as the lords and live from the gifts of the faithful. Woe to those who confess themselves to be Nazarenes, they bring terror upon terror to the once so happy people."

Jacob said, "Brother, you asked me not to touch the sorrow of your wife, but you do. But I say to you, you will experience the glory of God, and I ask you to remain free, and not to ward off the labour of the Spirit."

After dinner, Monica stayed away with her daughters. There was a lot to do in the house and Rufus was already out of the house to invite more who were like him in the same longing.

So the evening approached and Amatus said: "Jacob, think to yourself, the axle on the wagon is broken now, if it had happened on the way, how could we have brought the wagon home with a broken axle?"

Jacob smiled and said: "But Amatus, have you still not understood that all is possible for Love? What do you think will bring all the broken hearts home? Everything is language and everything serves the spirit that I and everyone crystallize out of ourselves."

Now a conversation began which clarified the workings of the Spirit and the truth became clear to them that God can only be helpful where the Spirit is unfolded.

Now Monica came with an invitation to the evening meal. In a large hall, tables were set, candles were lit, and when everyone was seated, servants brought food and drink. When everything was in order, Dinarus said: "Jacob, you as the servant of love and representative of the Lord, bless in the way the Master blessed and do not withhold from us anything that His grace has intended for us. We are all so full of the greatest love and

joy and you will see no one among us who does not walk completely with you. Admittedly, some are not yet as taught as they should be, but the Master will forgive that."

Then Jacob said: "Dinarus and all you who are gathered together, who are creating a temple for love today! Hear what I must say to you out of my love: Free yourselves from many false concepts, for the Lord is the greatest love and freedom and therefore can only be active in love and freedom. All His actions bear witness and testify to His order, and therefore He can only serve us in His Spirit. So I ask you all for one minute not only in spirit, but also so that I may serve us in His blessed love. But to you, oh glorious, best Father and Saviour, we ask: bless us and this meal and take part in what You prepared for us. Fill our hearts with the water of life and sate all longing for You. But Your word be and remain our lamp and a light in all our ways! Amen."

Everyone reached for the food and little was said.

Jacob, who had taken a seat next to Monica, spoke to her about the Saviour and now she found words to air her pressed heart.

Jacob took her hand and said: "Monica, why do you torture the Lord and accuse Him that He does not watch over His children enough, oh you still know Him too little, otherwise everything in you would turn around. Thomas will prove to you how right I am, so that you can observe yourself."

Monica: "Friend of love and of the Master, I would love to have clarity about everything, but tell me, why is everything so quiet in me? So I pray and call to the Lord in my fear. Am I so bad that the Lord does not listen to my requests? I think this Jesus must be the same Jesus who, when He was alive, did not deny anyone anything? Why does He refuse my every wish? Behold, I am ready for the greatest sacrifice, but I must know why I am sacrificing."

Jacob: "Not so, dear Monica, your desires are human, too human, but the Lord is always on the spiritual level. Adjust completely to His Love and move in this His Spirit who only wants to make you happy, then light will come to you from His Light and clarity from His Truth. By the way you think now, you close your heart's chamber and block the ways of the Lord that lead to you and to your struggling soul."

Monica cried. She said: "Now you don't understand me either and how I had been happy to finally have someone who is completely equal to the Lord."

Jacob: "Monica, I understand you perfectly, but you cling to the old and forget the new Spirit of Jesus' love. Now let us be silent about this, for you shall receive what you desire, but not out of my mouth."

The others who listened to the quiet conversation, felt that there was a contradiction of heart. But Dinarus was filled with joy and had only one desire to see everyone as happy as he was and he said to Amatus: "Amatus, please tell us what you experienced with Jacob and then Jacob may serve us with what makes him so blessed."

Amatus: "But Dinarus, why should I speak, when I myself like to listen to the words: It is true, I have glorious days behind me because of Jacob, but why feed on the past, when the present is so gloriously given to us? In Jacob, after all, love is embodied and his words are like God's words and every deed is a miracle of God. If that is not a miracle, if I happily bring home the heavy laden wagon with a broken axle and if the elements have to remain silent before the power of the Lord in Jacob, are they not revelations of the Lord?"

Therefore, speak brother Jacob, and reveal to us your love dwelling in you."

Jacob: "My brothers and my sisters, the love of man and the love of God has set limits and as soon as man has set limits to the eternal God, God also sets limits to man. Yes, God must, otherwise all the world would be lost. And man consciously and unconsciously sets limits on God, because he does not know God in His love, order and wisdom; Jesus the Master and now Father of love and Lord of all life, became our way and goal! We also misjudged Him and often misunderstood His words and actions, although His deeds proved that He is the Son of God! In His words, He always gave us the truth veiled and only very rarely did He speak very clearly.

Once we asked Him, "Lord, why do you speak to us a language that we hardly understand, and when strangers come, You speak so clearly that none could go astray? And He said, "How much longer will I have to bear with you? You are always around Me and you shall find the glory of the Father in you, which He put in you in His love and wisdom. But those strangers are sometimes only seven hours with Me and in the seven hours the glory I carry in Me is revealed to them to win them for Me! Those can only rely on what they experienced with Me, but you carry My life in you and it will reveal to you what My mouth must hide from you. What is greater now; evidence from the outside - or life from the inside?"

Behold dear brethren, we lived with Him and days passed that we hardly exchanged a word with the Master and today the grace and His glory is all the greater because now He lives in me and His love and His life in me tells you what He has intended for you. I know your longing is to see Him! Brothers, it is also the desire of the Lord to give you all your own! Tear therefore down all boundaries and He, in all His glory, will satisfy even the slightest longing for all of you."

Then Rufus said: "Brother Jacob, tell us what boundaries I should remove. There will be no more zealous one to begin with and I know that all of us who are here will think the same way!"

Jacob: "Yes, dear brothers, it is not that simple, it is not done with good will alone, a will must begin and you will accomplish it as many did. In a few words, as long as I still see shadows on one of my brothers, love has not yet come to a real breakthrough, and as long as I still think of myself more than my fellow men, the spirit that the Master brought us, is still bound. Only suffering can help us and in suffering I can understand another's suffering. But so that you, dear brothers, and above all you, Monica, may know how far we are from the truth of God, Thomas can speak, but first I will lay my hands on him, so that he may be free."

Jacob did as he said, then Thomas said first slowly, then fluently, "Yes, dear friends, what is this? I see not only you but also others and - oh glory - the Master is among us! Jacob please, tell me, is this the Master who blesses us all? No, now you don't have to say it, because I see His nail-marks on His hands. Oh - how beautiful are all those who came with the Lord and the Lord goes from one to the other and lays His pierced hands on everyone's head. He is now with you, Monica. He also speaks a few words to you, which I do not understand. Oh, You love! How You must love us, that we may experience this. Now He is with me, and what a river floods me! Now I also hear His words! Oh mercy upon mercy! Monica listen to what the Lord says to me: "Your suffering is also the Lord's suffering and your distress is the Lord's distress", therefore the Lord wants you to know His love today, which seemed hard and deaf to you. Now listen to what is now made known to me by the grace of the Lord."

After a short break, Thomas said: "My friends, I am far away in a beautiful area! People work in gardens and fields, people who seem satisfied with their lot, because I hear laughter and different tongues sound in my ears. A warden is set over everything and, don't be afraid, Monica, it's your brother Erasmus, believed to be dead. There is no doubt about it, because now a man comes riding on a horse; he descends and he laughingly reaches out his hand to Erasmus. Then he says: 'Erasmus, how long will it take until you have everything ready?'

Erasmus: "If it succeeds, two more days - the people like to create and I never need to push them."

The man: "This pleases me, I do not regret having given you all freedom again and I gladly allow you to have your worship services and keep your Sabbath!"

Then Erasmus presses his master's hand and I hear him say, "Lord, why don't you want to attend our service? We all love you and have only one wish, that you too would pray to the one and true God."

The man: "I am already doing it, Erasmus, because you gave me a good example and now I would have a job for you when you are finished with the harvest here - that is, if you want!"

Erasmus: "I will, lord. I do all the work you ask, because serving God in all things does not mean forgetting the duties I have to fulfill!"

The man: "Well, then I will tell you my wish, I still need hundreds of workers who are of your faith. I want to help you out of the need you had to endure to make this fallow land fertile, but where do the workers come from? I want to send you to your homeland and, if it is possible, you shall bring some."

Erasmus: "Lord, you really want to make me a volunteer for my brothers and sisters? I should give a home and bread to my troubled brothers in faith? O lord! For this deed, the Lord Himself will reward you, and blessed shall you be the hour which gave you this thought."

The man: "Erasmus, I know about your faithfulness and your love, therefore I also turned away from my gods and your God will be mine and my God will also be yours. Tell your people and in eight days you can be home. I will get a caravan in the meantime."

The vision is over, but now the Lord says to me: "Thomas, what you are experiencing now, happened today before sunset - and now you will experience the joy of all those who are guided out of all misery by My love."

Now I am in a big guest room, everyone I saw in the fields earlier, is gathered together. Erasmus says to them, no, the Lord Himself is: "Rejoice, you who found a new home far from home. My love was with you in the time when your love was put to a hard test and I guided everything so that your master also had to go through trials and saw in you a signpost to Me. The work of your love and faithfulness succeeded and you did Me a great service, but the far greater service is yet to come, it is called: 'Save one another from suffering and sorrow!' New sisters and brothers will come, with whom you must be patient until they have fully recognized Me. Remain in the love that let you endure all the heaviness, then you will still experience greater love and receive greater bliss. Now the vision disappears again, now I am again naturally among you."

Dinarus said: " Jacob, is it true what my old Thomas experienced now? I am amazed at what I experience tonight in your presence!"

Jacob: "It is true that you are the one who should prepare everything for your brother-in-law when he comes, and you will experience the grace of the Lord in double measure. Monica will again be her old joyful self, and always ready to serve, and you can help many to find a home."

Dinarus: "Ah, Jacob, I could bring together a few hundred who will come to me in their distress because I am a Roman, so I would ask you to stay until my brother-in-law comes and prepare everything for a glorious and good end."

Jacob: "I will not be able to stay, but since the Lord sees your willingness, He Himself will bring you thanks, and so be completely free in the name of the Lord!"

At that moment, all saw the Lord stretching out His hands and saying, "Holy peace, Holy labour surrounds you. It is My joy to be able to serve you, and now that the will came to a breakthrough to completely belong to Me, I announce to you that I belong to you. My grace shall be proven to you in such a way that you shall feel My nearness and also My influence and when the enemy lays traps for you, you shall feel My ways. Do not think that the Lord in His love is helping you, oh no! Become aware that only My Spirit in you is the guide, light and clarity and you will become richer in knowledge and wisdom!"

You, My Monica, who are the soul of this little community, you were the one who could lead these hearts to Me as light and pioneer and now, when you could not grasp My Love and Wisdom, should I be angry with you? Oh little child, the world would rather perish before I allow a little child to fall. Therefore worry about nothing more than that you are only love.

You, Dinarus, you pillar in My Kingdom, tower over everyone in fidelity, but you shall no longer think so much, but be conscious in My Love, that all - but all - of this love of yours out of Me shall succeed. Prepare everything in My Name and in My Spirit, then one day, when you will enter your own world at My side, you will find a multitude of hearts that know only thanksgiving, joy and rejoicing.

You, Thomas, keep your sight and your gift to heal the sick, but beware of the hypocrites who walk about in sheep's clothing! My love shall be like a mild dew, refreshing and invigorating, but your love from Me shall be it' s balm which also heals the wounded hearts. But be also sure that you have a time to overcome, that will place the greatest trust in you. If you see someone fall, do not fall on him, but pick him up and bed him in the Spirit in My Heart and you will become free and your love will become a lifeline. Always be a necessity to each other and suffering will no longer make you weak, but strong children. My peace I give you, My peace I leave you and My love becomes your life! Amen."

Then the Lord slowly disappeared. They were all so deeply impressed that they kept silent.

Then Thomas said, "The Lord is still here, my eye has not been closed yet!"

Monica said: "Brother Jacob, the Lord has always lived in my imagination. What is real? My fantasy, or the present vision. It is the greatest miracle that just as the Lord has been living in me for months, He has now revealed Himself."

Jacob: "It was no miracle, Monica! There, where the little child made a picture of the object of his love, the picture will also prove to be true. If you had made yourself a false image of

the Lord, the image of Him would not come alive in you, but would remain dead. Many a false and wrong thought is also a creation of man, but created from the soul, and soon it will prove to be false, while thoughts from the right spirit are lasting, even more glorious! And so you become creators in the spirit of love and everything that you transpire in yourselves, will again meet you later and make you happy, depending on the love that created it.

In this lies the greatness of the child of God, that he does not want to be creator and bearer of all salvation out of himself, but out of the love of the Lord! So I also want - from the Spirit of the love of the Lord in me - that the wine in the jars may become a true heavenly wine and that you may experience what man, filled with His Spirit, can accomplish."

Jacob took the cup and said, "For the sake of glorious love, let His love be glorified in this wine, that you may be enlivened by this Spirit and that He may abide now and forever."

They all drank - "What a wine!" - Monica said - "Jacob, if all people could do this, they would drown in the wine!"

Jacob: "Dear Monica, you experience this daily in the children of the world - they all drown in the wine that their love created. It will be difficult to save them again. Therefore, create and work - as long as you can, even if the enemy stretches out his claws after you - remember the Lord's admonition. Unfortunately still too many of our brothers stand on the ground of old laws and often become victims!"

30. Jacob continues his journey via Tyrus to Jerusalem

Jacob remained one more day in Damascus, then a caravan of Dinarus went to Tyre and with it, he arrived well in Tyre, where friends of Dinarus soon gathered around him. But there was an urge in Jacob to move on, and without hesitation, he followed the urge. So he arrived in Jerusalem, well guided by the grace of the Lord, awaited by Mary. Whenever the brothers were together, Jacob could always glorify the Master's guidance.

The planted churches remained. It was his heart's desire to visit them often. Many a won heart experienced bliss with him, of which no one had a clue. It was no wonder that Jacob in his love, captivated them all and that the planted churches had only one wish: this apostle should be our shepherd of souls! So he could continue to work for a long time. He felt that some churches also needed him because the enemy of all life also made every effort not to let the glorious seed ripen.

