

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

Spiritual Strength and Wisdom

1. As the Power Center of Faith opens (awakens), its energy begins to radiate and interact with three other Centers with which it has close affinity—Strength, Wisdom and Love. We will discuss Strength and Wisdom now and follow with Love in the next chapter.

2. The Strength we are referring to here is defined as spiritual firmness and mental toughness . . . soundness, boldness, steadfastness in consciousness. It means a solidifying of your awareness, understanding and knowledge of God by eliminating all sense of spiritual weakness and revealing the majesty and magnificence of your True Nature. As the Center of Strength (positioned in your energy field near the physical location of the lower back) is awakened, it generates a feeling of poise, confidence, and great stability.

3. Strength is a “brother” of Faith—and if either one of these Power Centers is lowered in vibration, the other increases its tempo to offset the loss and bring the combined energies back into balance. But this action does not take place unless you are dedicated in your efforts to awaken to your Divine Identity. The development of a spiritual consciousness and the awakening of the Power Centers go hand

in hand. You cannot have one without the other.

4. When you begin to work with your Faith faculty, as discussed in the previous chapter, it automatically interacts with Strength, and you immediately feel that new Power vibration in consciousness. Faith and Strength are now in support of one another, and if a negative condition comes to your attention and your faith drops momentarily, the Power of Strength will rise up and say, "What is that to you? Do not place your faith in appearances!" And your ego counters by saying, "But there's not enough money to pay the bills." And your firm position in Spirit replies: "What do *you* know? I am strong in the Lord I AM, and I will not tolerate such an illusion. I am the Abundance of the Universe individualized, and I choose now to express an all-sufficiency to meet every need with plenty to spare and share."

5. Later the ego says, "I don't feel well . . . I think I'm going to be sick." And your mental toughness replies, "That's a lie! The Spirit of the Living God I AM is my life, and it is impossible for God's Life to be less than perfect. Therefore, I am whole, complete, and wonderfully WELL!" Still later your little me says, "But . . ." and you cut it off instantly— "No buts about it. I take my stand in the Omnipotent Christ I AM, and I permit no false beliefs or negative emotions to enter my consciousness. I refuse to play your silly game any longer!"

6. As Faith and Strength are developed, the Wisdom faculty will open beautifully and you will be lifted up above the level of so-called "common sense." Common sense is fine for the third-dimensional man or woman, but if you continue to work on that level, particularly out of a common sense of fear, you will never achieve mastery. For example, let's say that you must make a decision regarding your job or career, and common sense tells you to stay where you are because of the security. But what does Spirit have to say in the matter? You take the question within and ask for spiritual light and understanding, and your intuition may tell you to be bold and step out in faith—that the new career opportunity is truly the stepping stone to your True Place. A friend of mine

had a “gut feeling” to leave his secure and well-paying job as a CPA and start a new and totally unrelated business. He followed the inner leading—taking a substantial reduction in income—but within a few years he was a multi-millionaire. What he did was the perfect example of uncommon sense!

7. As your Wisdom Center becomes more vibrant, you will know what to do without going through a long and “logical” reasoning process. You will *feel* that a certain action is right—and you will move ahead without hesitation. The difference in good judgment and common sense? One is based on Spirit as *Cause*, while the other tends to draw support from the outer world of *effect*. If you are working with the Powers of Faith and Strength, you will not be fearful and overly-cautious in taking actions—and at the same time, you will not be compulsive or inconsiderate. Your actions will be guided by intuition and the inspiration of Spirit. (The Wisdom faculty is located adjacent to the solar plexus in an individual’s energy field.)

8. Remember that it is not your ego who is all wise. As Socrates wrote: “The Delphic oracle said I was the wisest of all the Greeks. It is because that I alone, of all the Greeks, know that I know nothing.” And this is true of you, but when your Wisdom faculty is awakened, your consciousness becomes the channel through which the Wisdom, Understanding and Knowledge of the Omniscient Christ Mind flows. And this is what it means to be an Illumined One.

Spiritual Activity

Spiritual treatment for strength:

I am the Power of Strength, I am Power-full. I am strong in the mightiness of Spirit and I am undaunted! My mind is firmly one-pointed in seeing only the good. My heart is fearless and knows only the emotion of victory. Nothing can touch me but the direct action of God and God is my Omnipotent Self. I can do all things through the Strength of the Christ I AM. I AM STRENGTH!

Spiritual treatment for wisdom:

I am the Power of Wisdom, and I call on this Power now to fill my heart and mind with the Light of perfect judgment and intuition. Through Christ in me, the very Spirit of God I AM, my actions are right and perfect. I know what to do at all times and in every situation. And I always do the right thing because it is the right thing to do! I KNOW! I FEEL! And what I know and what I feel are Spiritual Knowledge and Inspiration guiding me every step of the way. God cannot make mistakes and neither can I when I am consciously aware of the Presence within. I am now aware of that Presence, and I am filled and thrilled with the illumination of Spirit. I AM WISDOM!