

Miracles in Money™



REMEMBERING YOUR
NATURAL STATE OF
ABUNDANCE



*A Practical Guide to Releasing Fear,
Remembering Peace, and Reclaiming
Your Divine Inheritance*

ROBIN DUNCAN



HEAVENLY HOUSE
PUBLISHING

Miracles in Money™

REMEMBERING YOUR NATURAL STATE OF ABUNDANCE

What if your greatest financial breakthrough doesn't begin in your bank account—but in your mind?

Miracles in Money gently guides you beyond fear, scarcity, and financial stress into the peace and confidence that come from remembering your true Source. Inspired by the timeless principles of *A Course in Miracles*, Robin Duncan shows you how healing your perception can transform not only your relationship with money, but your experience of abundance itself.

Filled with practical wisdom, heartfelt stories, uplifting prayers, and powerful affirmations, this book will help you release fear, trust Divine guidance, and reclaim the full inheritance that has always been yours.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

“Robin Duncan's *Miracles in Money* book has brought me untold peace, calm and centering during times of overwhelming financial stress and fear. That the book is so short is a miracle in and of itself -- there are so many answers within its 35 pages. I've also applied its affirmations and prayers in countless instances of stress and fear that had nothing at all to do with worries about money. When one is frozen by fear, despite knowing that prayer is the answer, the words just won't come. I've been able to find Guidance as to just what to say and just what to do, even by simply opening the book at random. This book is truly a gift from the Divine (through Robin) and has become my constant companion. I am so very grateful to have such a wonderful resource.”

—Kathleen Harrison

“It's so incredibly wonderful to have this workbook as a resource. Thank you! You have provided a great resource that will be so useful to turn to whenever I want a boost to get myself back on track and OUT OF FEAR! Thanks again for such beautiful prayers. They are so comforting—a soothing balm to my frayed nerves!”

—Cathy Utgaard

“Divine Writing! I now have all the prayers and guidelines I need to remind me of how to get back to my peace. If I ever go to a place of fear, doubt or despair, I can quickly refer to the guidelines, do the prayers and get back to my peace ... and recreate from there. Thank you with enormous gratitude, tremendous respect and great, great love.”

—Shahzad Pirnia

“This little jewel applies not only to the abundance of money, but to the abundance of life! This is basically everything one should know to live abundantly and happily. Read it and BE it!”

—Mike Martin



ROBIN DUNCAN

Robin Duncan is the Founder and Executive Director of The Miracle Center of California and the host of ACIM.TV, sharing the teachings of *A Course in Miracles* with students around the world. She is an author, spiritual teacher, and holistic practitioner offering workshops and training in Stress Relief, Team Building, Enlightened Leadership, Hypnotherapy, EFT with the Source Technique, Life Coaching, Guided Imagery, Sound Therapy and Voice Analysis.

Robin brings her unique blend of practical wisdom, spiritual insight, and real-world experience to help others heal fear, remember their true worth, and live in peace and abundance.



HEAVENLY HOUSE
— PUBLISHING —

Books that lift the mind and awaken the heart.

www.HeavenlyHousePublishing.com

ISBN 978-1-62154965-9



9 781621 549659

90000 >

MIRACLES IN MONEY

Remembering Your Natural State of Abundance

2026 Author's Edition

by

Robin Duncan

Copyright © 2026 Robin Duncan

Published by

Heavenly House Publishing

All rights reserved.

No portion of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying or recording, without prior written permission from the publisher, except for brief quotations used in reviews or educational references.

The teachings presented throughout this book are inspired by the principles of *A Course in Miracles* and are offered as practical applications for personal growth, spiritual reflection, and everyday living.

This book is intended for educational and inspirational purposes only. It is not intended to replace qualified financial, legal, medical, psychological, or professional advice. Readers are encouraged to seek appropriate professional guidance whenever necessary.

Printed in the United States of America.

Publisher's Note

This book begins with a question.

Not, **"How do I make more money?"**

The question is much deeper:

"How do I remember that I have never been separate from the abundance of God?"

While this book speaks about finances, prosperity, and abundance, it is ultimately a book about identity. Money is simply the classroom. Peace is the goal.

Throughout these pages, Robin Duncan gently guides readers beyond the fear of lack and into the remembrance of their true inheritance.

Drawing upon the timeless principles of *A Course in Miracles*, she invites us to look beyond appearances and discover the quiet certainty that God's Love, Wisdom, Guidance, and Abundance have never been absent.

This is not a book about striving.
It is not a book about chasing wealth.
It is not a book about convincing yourself to think positively.
It is an invitation to remember.

As fearful thoughts are surrendered and replaced with peaceful perception, life begins to reflect that inner change in remarkable ways. Decisions become clearer. Relationships become kinder. Guidance becomes easier to recognize. Abundance begins to flow more naturally because the mind is no longer blocking its awareness.

Whether you are facing financial uncertainty or simply desire a deeper understanding of abundance, our prayer is that these pages become a trusted companion for years to come.

May they remind you that your Source has never changed.

May they remind you that your inheritance has never been lost.

May they remind you that God's answer has always been present.

Most of all, may they remind you of who you truly are.

Heavenly House Publishing

Foreword

There is a quiet question that has echoed through the hearts of humanity since time began.

Will there be enough?

Enough money.

Enough security.

Enough time.

Enough health.

Enough opportunity.

Enough love.

For many people, this question quietly shapes nearly every decision they make. It follows them into the workplace, sits beside them while they pay their bills, whispers through sleepless nights, and silently influences their relationships, careers, and dreams. Yet beneath every fear about money lives another question—one that is infinitely more important.

Have I forgotten who I really am?

For many years, I believed that money was my problem. Like countless others, I prayed for greater prosperity, searched for better answers, worked harder, worried longer, and hoped that one day I would finally feel safe. Then something extraordinary began to happen.

Little by little, I realized that money wasn't asking to be fixed. My perception was.

A Course in Miracles teaches that miracles are shifts in perception. As my perception gradually changed, my experience began changing with it. Not because God suddenly became more generous. Not because I

had finally learned the right formula for abundance. But because I was becoming willing to remember what had always been true. That realization changed everything.

Over the years, I discovered that nearly every financial struggle has something deeper beneath it. Fear of loss. Fear of failure. Fear of rejection. Fear of not being enough. Fear that somehow God had forgotten us. Yet none of those fears represent the Truth.

The purpose of this book is not simply to help you improve your financial life, although I sincerely hope that happens. Its deeper purpose is to help you remember that abundance is not something you must earn from God. It is something you are learning to recognize again.

Throughout these pages, I will share personal stories, practical exercises, affirmations, reflections, and prayers that have profoundly influenced my own journey. My hope is that they help you move beyond the constant search for security in the world and into the quiet certainty of the Love that has always been holding you. Because once that certainty begins to return... everything else naturally begins to find its rightful place.

I'm honored to walk beside you.

— **Robin Duncan**

Invitation

Thank you for inviting me into your life for a little while. Whether you opened this book because you are facing a financial challenge, building a business, preparing for retirement, recovering from a setback, or simply longing to experience greater peace around money, I want you to know something before we begin.

You are not behind.

You are not forgotten.

You are not less worthy because your bank account looks different than someone else's.

And you have never been separated from the abundance of God.

If you've spent years worrying about money, please know that you're not alone. I have stood where you are. I know what it feels like to wonder how everything will work out. I know what it feels like to ask God for answers and wonder if anyone is listening.

What I eventually discovered was both simple and life-changing.

God had never stopped answering. The problem wasn't a lack of Divine Guidance. The problem was that I had unknowingly been asking questions based upon fearful perceptions that could never be true. As those perceptions were gently healed, my questions began to change. And when my questions changed, I suddenly found myself recognizing the answers that had been there all along.

That discovery transformed far more than my finances.

It transformed the way I looked at every area of my life.

As you move through these pages, I invite you to read slowly.

Pause when something touches your heart. Spend time with the

reflection questions. Pray the prayers. Practice the affirmations.

Allow yourself to experience the gentle shift that comes from looking at life through the eyes of Love rather than fear.

You don't have to understand every concept perfectly.
You need only be willing.
If you are willing... miracles become inevitable.

Let's begin our journey together.

About This Book

This is not a book about becoming wealthy. It is a book about remembering your God-given natural state of abundance. While money is the subject, peace is the goal.

The principles presented throughout these pages are inspired by *A Course in Miracles* and are designed to help you move beyond fear, scarcity, struggle, and uncertainty into a deeper awareness of God's loving Presence and your natural state of abundance.

Each chapter builds upon the one before it. Rather than offering techniques for accumulating wealth, this book gently invites you to heal the fearful thoughts that block your awareness of the abundance that has always been yours.

Along the way, you'll discover stories, practical exercises, reflections, affirmations, and prayers intended to help you apply these ideas in everyday life.

Whether your financial concerns feel large or small, the invitation remains the same.

Remember your Source.

As your mind returns to peace, your life naturally begins to reflect that peace in increasingly meaningful ways.

How to Use This Book

There is no right or wrong way to read this book. Some readers enjoy reading from beginning to end, allowing each principle to build naturally upon the previous one. Others prefer opening to the chapter that speaks most directly to their present circumstances. Both approaches are perfectly appropriate.

As you read, I encourage you to keep a journal nearby. Write down the ideas, Guidance, inspirations, and peaceful thoughts that arise. Often, the Holy Spirit speaks most clearly during the quiet moments between the words.

Don't rush through the chapters.

Sit with them.

Practice them.

Return to them often.

The journey doesn't end with the final principle. In the closing pages of this book, I invite you to pause and reflect upon the remarkable journey we have taken together. Sometimes the greatest insights come not while we are moving forward, but when we take a moment to look back and recognize how gently the Holy Spirit has been leading us all along.

To help deepen your experience, I have included several special sections at the end of the book:

The Journey We Have Taken — a look back at the ten Divinely Guided Principles and the beautiful progression they create as one principle naturally prepares the way for the next.

Final Reflections — an opportunity to pause, absorb the deeper message of the book, and allow these principles to settle more deeply into your heart.

A Daily Prayer of Abundance — a prayer to help you begin each day with peace, gratitude, and a willingness to follow the Holy Spirit's Guidance.

A Blessing for Your Journey — my personal blessing and encouragement as you continue remembering your Divine Inheritance and living these principles in your everyday life. My hope is that you will return to these closing pages often. They are designed to help reinforce the timeless truths we have explored together and to remind you that every miracle begins with a willingness to remember who you truly are.

Allow yourself to enjoy the journey.
You are not trying to become abundant.
You are simply removing the blocks to the awareness
that your Divine Inheritance has always been yours.

Opening Prayer

Dear God,

Today I begin a new journey. Not a journey toward money, but a journey toward remembering my true Identity and my natural state of abundance. I willingly place every fear about lack, scarcity, struggle, uncertainty, and limitation into Your loving hands. If there is any place in my mind where I have believed I could be separate from Your Love...separate from Your Guidance...or separate from Your abundance...please heal those mistaken thoughts for me.

Teach me to listen more carefully.

Teach me to trust more deeply.

Teach me to recognize Your answers with greater certainty.

Whenever fear tries to convince me that I am alone, remind me that You have never left me. Whenever I forget my worth, remind me that I remain exactly as You created me. Whenever I believe I have lost something, remind me that Your gifts can never be taken away.

As I read these pages, let every lesson become an opportunity to remember the Truth.

Restore my mind to Peace.

Restore my awareness of Love.

Restore my remembrance of the abundance that has always been mine.

Thank You for walking beside me.

Thank You for guiding every step.

Thank You for reminding me who I truly am.

May Your Will be done.

Amen

Table of Contents

Introduction

Money Is the Classroom. Peace Is the Goal

Principle One

The Glass Has Always Been Full

The Miracle Begins with a New Perception

Principle Two

Learning to Ask Answerable Questions

Healing the Question Before Seeking the Answer

Principle Three

There Is No Order of Difficulty in Miracles

Why Every Problem Has the Same Answer

Principle Four

Don't Leave the Dock

Remain with Your Teacher of Peace

Principle Five

Trust Your Guide to Direct and Provide

Learning to Recognize the Holy Spirit's Guidance

Principle Six

Follow the Guidance

When Peace Leads, Miracles Follow

Principle Seven

Trust God's Plan

When One Door Closes, Another Is Already Being Prepared

Principle Eight

Give What You Want to Receive
Every Gift Heals the Mind That Gives It

Principle Nine

Claim Your Divine Inheritance
Remembering Who You Really Are

Principle Ten

God's Table of Abundance
Your Seat Has Always Been Waiting

Your Roadmap to Abundance

Every meaningful journey begins by knowing where you are headed. When I first began learning the principles you'll find in this book, I thought I was trying to solve financial problems. I believed that if I could simply earn more money, eliminate debt, make better financial decisions, or somehow improve my circumstances, I would finally experience the peace I had been searching for.

Looking back now, I realize I had the order backward. I believed peace would come after my financial problems were solved. Instead, I discovered that peace was the very thing that made it possible for me to see my circumstances differently.

That changed everything.

This book is not about teaching you how to chase abundance. It is about helping you remember the abundance that has always been yours.

The journey begins by looking at what appears to be a problem and discovering that perhaps the problem is not what you thought it was. As your perception begins to heal, your questions naturally begin to change. As your questions change, the answers become easier to recognize. As your trust grows, fear begins to lose its hold. What once seemed complicated becomes surprisingly simple.

Each principle in this book gently builds upon the one before it. There is no rush. There is no race to the finish. There is only the next loving step.

You will begin by discovering that your glass has never been empty. From there, you'll learn how to ask questions that can truly be answered, how to recognize the gentle Guidance of the Holy Spirit, how to remain peaceful while answers unfold, and how to remember the Divine inheritance that has always belonged to you.

Along the way, you may notice something unexpected happening. Your relationship with money will begin to change. Not because money has become more important, but because it has become less frightening. You may discover that you worry less and trust more. You may find yourself making decisions with greater clarity instead of reacting from fear. You may notice yourself becoming more generous, more grateful, and more peaceful. You may even begin to realize that abundance has never been measured by the balance in a bank account, but by the quiet certainty that God has never stopped providing for His beloved child—you. That is the abundance I hope you discover.

As you read, I encourage you not to rush ahead. Resist the temptation to skip to the chapter that seems most relevant to your current situation. Each principle prepares your mind for the next one, much like laying one stepping stone after another across a stream. Before long, you'll look back and realize you've crossed to the other side almost without noticing.

There will be moments when something you read challenges an old belief. When that happens, simply pause. There is no need to argue with it or immediately accept it. Just become willing to look again. Willingness is where every miracle begins.

If there is one thing I hope you carry with you throughout this journey, it is this:

You are not trying to become abundant.
You are remembering your natural state of abundance.
Nothing real has ever been taken from you.
Nothing real has ever been withheld.
Nothing real has ever been lost.
You are simply learning to see with new eyes.

I am honored to walk this journey with you.
Welcome home.

Introduction

Money Is the Classroom. Peace Is the Goal

If someone had told me years ago that one of my greatest spiritual teachers would be money, I probably would have laughed.

Like many people, I believed that if I could simply earn more, save more, worry less, and finally get my finances under control, I would naturally experience greater peace. I thought peace was waiting for me somewhere on the other side of financial security.

Looking back now, I realize I had the order completely backward. Peace was never waiting for my circumstances to improve. My circumstances were waiting for a peaceful mind.

That simple realization changed far more than my relationship with money. It changed the way I prayed. It changed the way I listened. It changed the questions I asked God. Most importantly, it changed the way I understood miracles.

For many years, I believed that miracles happened when something in the world changed. I thought a miracle meant finding the money, solving the problem, receiving the answer, or watching circumstances suddenly improve.

Today, I see miracles very differently.

A Course in Miracles teaches that a miracle is a shift in perception. It is the gentle correction of a mistaken thought. It is the quiet moment when fear gives way to peace, when judgment gives way to understanding, and when we become willing to see with new eyes. Everything else follows from there.

The more I studied and practiced these principles, the more I began to notice that every financial challenge was quietly inviting me to look deeper. Money was never simply about dollars and cents. It revealed

what I believed about myself, about safety, about worthiness, about giving and receiving, and even about God. Little by little, I stopped seeing money as the problem. Instead, I began seeing it as one of life's greatest classrooms.

Money has a remarkable way of exposing our hidden fears. It brings to the surface the thoughts we didn't even know we believed. It reveals where we have accepted limitation instead of abundance, uncertainty instead of trust, and separation instead of our unbreakable connection with God.

At first, that realization was uncomfortable.

Then it became liberating.

If fear is coming from my thinking rather than from my circumstances, then healing my thinking changes everything.

This book is not about positive thinking. It is not about pretending that financial challenges don't exist. It is not about convincing yourself that everything is wonderful when it clearly doesn't feel that way.

This book is about something much deeper. It is about learning to bring every fearful thought into the Light, allowing it to be gently corrected, and discovering that beneath every fear is a peace that has never left you. That peace is your true inheritance.

From that peace comes clarity and inspired Guidance, followed by gentle, wise and loving action. And from that action, your experience of the world naturally begins to change.

Notice the order.

Peace comes first.

Everything else follows.

One of the greatest discoveries of my own journey was realizing that many of the questions I had been asking God were based on assumptions that simply were not true. Without realizing it, I had

accepted fear's version of reality and then asked God to solve the problem exactly as I saw it. But what if the problem was never what I thought it was? What if my greatest need was not for God to change my circumstances, but to heal the part of my mind that believed those circumstances had the power to define me?

That possibility changed my life.

In the pages that follow, I'll share the experience that first opened my eyes to this truth and the principles that have continued to deepen my understanding ever since. Some of these ideas may feel familiar. Others may gently challenge the way you've always thought about money, abundance, and even prayer itself. If they do, I encourage you not to rush. You don't have to understand every principle immediately. You don't have to agree with everything you read on the first pass.

You need only be willing.

Willingness is where every miracle begins. It is the quiet "yes" that says, *"I may not see this clearly yet, but I am willing to be shown."* That single moment of willingness opens a doorway that fear can never close.

As you read this book, I invite you to become curious about the thoughts you've accepted as true. Curious about the stories you've told yourself. Curious about the questions you've been asking. Most of all, curious about the possibility that God has been answering you all along.

If there is one thing I hope you carry with you throughout this journey, it is this:

You are not trying to become abundant.
You are remembering your natural state of abundance.
Nothing real has ever been taken from you.
Nothing real has ever been withheld.
Nothing real has ever been lost.

You remain exactly as God created you—whole, complete, and forever worthy of His Love. The pages that follow are not asking you to become someone new. They are inviting you to remember who you have always been.

It is my sincere prayer that, by the time you reach the final page, you will discover that the greatest miracle was never about money at all. It was about remembering your True Identity, your Divine Inheritance, and your natural state of abundance.

PRINCIPLE ONE

The Glass Has Always Been Full The Miracle Begins with a New Perception

"Miracles arise from a miraculous state of mind, or state of miracle readiness." — *A Course in Miracles*, T-1.I.43:1

There are certain moments in life that quietly become turning points. At the time, they often seem ordinary. We don't realize we're standing at the edge of a completely new way of seeing the world. Looking back, however, we recognize that everything changed because of one conversation, one decision, one realization, or perhaps one simple question. This chapter is about one of those moments.

When people ask me how I came to understand abundance from the perspective of *A Course in Miracles*, my mind almost always returns to one particular afternoon.

It wasn't during a retreat. It wasn't while I was teaching. It wasn't after reading a profound spiritual book. It happened while I was sitting at my desk feeling frustrated, discouraged, and wondering why, after years of sincere prayer and studying *A Course in Miracles*, I still seemed to be struggling with what appeared to be financial lack. Looking back now, I smile because I thought money was my problem.

God knew something I didn't. Money wasn't my problem at all. It was simply the classroom. The lesson waiting for me would forever change the way I understood prayer, miracles, abundance, and even God Himself.

Although my particular classroom that day happened to involve five thousand dollars, I have since learned that the amount is never the real issue. The same fearful voice that worries about finding five thousand dollars can also worry about finding five million. It whispers to young families trying to pay next month's bills, business owners trying to make payroll, executives responsible for large

organizations, retirees wondering if their savings will last, and anyone who has accepted the belief that there might not be enough. The numbers may change. The underlying fear does not. Neither does the Holy Spirit's Answer.

I hope that by sharing this experience with you, you'll begin to recognize similar moments in your own life. My story may look different than yours, but the lesson belongs to all of us. It begins with a stack of unpaid bills.

My husband and I were preparing for a trip back east to attend a reunion that we had planned months earlier. The airline tickets had already been purchased, the hotel reservations had been made, and everything seemed to be moving forward exactly as planned.

There was just one problem. We were going through some financial challenges, and the timing couldn't have seemed worse.

Sitting on my desk was a stack of bills totaling nearly \$5,000. They weren't bills that could simply wait until we returned home. They needed to be paid before we left, and at that moment, we simply didn't have the money.

I leaned back in my chair and looked at the stack. Then I looked up toward Heaven. "God," I said, "these bills need to be paid. I don't even know if we should go on this trip. It doesn't make any sense." I wish I could tell you that I immediately felt peaceful. I didn't. The truth is, I felt frustrated.

At that point, I had been studying *A Course in Miracles* for nearly ten years. I sincerely wanted to live these principles. I prayed every day. I studied faithfully. I taught others. Yet here I was, staring at another financial problem that seemed just as real as all the others.

I remember thinking, *What am I missing?* Have you ever had one of those moments? You feel like you're doing everything you know to do. You're praying. You're listening. You're trying to trust. And yet

your circumstances don't seem to reflect the peace you are seeking. That's exactly where I was.

In one rather human moment, I picked up my *A Course in Miracles* book and tossed it across my desk. Not because I didn't love it. Because I was frustrated. I smiled later when I thought about that. Sometimes we become so frustrated with ourselves that we momentarily forget the very thing that's trying to help us.

I got up from my desk and decided to clean the kitchen. That may sound like a strange spiritual practice, but sometimes stepping away from the problem is exactly what allows the mind to become quiet enough to hear.

As I washed dishes and wiped the counters, something inside me began settling down. Nothing had changed. The bills were still waiting. The money still hadn't appeared. I still had no idea what we were going to do. But I wasn't fighting quite so hard anymore.

Several hours later, I returned to my desk. Whenever I found myself needing Guidance, I would sometimes do what I affectionately called a "flip-open." I'd quietly ask for help, open *A Course in Miracles* to a random page, place my finger somewhere on it, and begin reading.

That afternoon, my finger landed on these words:

"This is your major problem now. You still make up your mind, and then decide to ask what you should do. And what you hear may not resolve the problem as you saw it first. This leads to fear, because it contradicts what you perceive and so you feel attacked. And therefore angry." *A Course in Miracles*, T-30.I.3:1-7

I read the paragraph again. Then again. As I sat there quietly, it was as though a veil began lifting from my mind. At the same time I was reading those words, I received what I can only describe as a download of understanding. It wasn't like hearing an audible voice. It was more like suddenly seeing an entire principle all at once. The teaching unfolded in my mind with remarkable clarity.

I realized I had already decided what my problem was.

I had decided I was short \$5,000.

I had decided my circumstances meant I lacked something. Then, after deciding what the problem was, I asked God what He intended to do about it.

It sounds perfectly reasonable, doesn't it? In fact, I suspect most of us pray exactly that way. We look at our circumstances. We decide what is missing. We define the problem. Then we ask God to solve it.

"This perception places you in a position in which your problem solving must be inadequate, and failure is inevitable." — Workbook Lesson 79, W-79.4:2-3

As I sat quietly with those words from the Course, I became aware of the gentle Presence of the Holy Spirit, my Teacher of Peace. Through a simple illustration, He began showing me something that would forever change the way I understood prayer, abundance, and miracles. Over the years, I have come to realize that this same gentle Teacher of Peace is present within every one of us. He patiently waits for our welcome and willingness to listen, always ready to lead us beyond fear and back to the peace of God.

The Revelation

That day, He showed me something I have never forgotten.

"Imagine," He said, *"that you are looking at a glass of water."*

To you, it appears half full. You turn to God and say, *"Please fill my glass."* Then came the answer that changed my life.

"Robin, I already gave you a full glass." I sat perfectly still. He continued.

"The only reason you are asking Me to fill it is because you have already decided it is less than full."

In that moment, something inside me stopped arguing. I simply listened.

"You keep asking Me to fill your glass, and I keep telling you it's already full. We seem to be having two different conversations because you believe you are looking at an empty glass, while I know it has never been empty."

I remember quietly saying, "That's exactly right. You see it as full... but I don't." Then I asked what turned out to be the most important question I'd ever asked. "So, what do I do?"

The answer came with extraordinary gentleness.

"Ask Me to heal the part of your mind where you ever decided your glass was less than full."

Everything became quiet. Tears filled my eyes.

I suddenly realized that all those years I had been asking God to provide what I believed I lacked. Then, with great gentleness, the Holy Spirit, my Teacher of Peace, showed me another way to pray—a way that helped me recognize the Answer that had been there all along.

Not, *"Please fill my glass."*

But, *"Please heal the part of my mind that believes that I could be lacking or that my glass could ever be less than full."*

The Miracle Before the Miracle

For the first time in my life, I understood the difference. I wasn't asking God to change reality. I was asking Him to heal the way I was looking at it. That realization brought me a peace I had never experienced before.

The stack of bills was still sitting on my desk. Nothing in the outer world had changed. I still had no idea how those bills would be paid. There was no sudden financial breakthrough. No unexpected phone call. No miracle check in the mail. Yet something within me had changed completely. The fear was gone. In its place was a quiet certainty that I no longer had to carry the burden by myself.

Looking back now, I can honestly say that the greatest miracle that day did not happen when the money arrived. The greatest miracle happened nearly two hours earlier. It happened the moment fear left my mind. *That was the miracle.* Everything else simply reflected the healing that had already taken place within me.

For years, I had believed that peace would come after my problems were solved. That afternoon, the Holy Spirit, my Teacher of Peace, gently showed me something entirely different.

Peace comes first. Then we become open to recognizing the Answer that has been there all along. That simple realization forever changed the way I pray.

Instead of asking God to solve the problem as I saw it, I began asking Him to heal the part of my mind that believed the problem had the power to take away my peace.

From that day forward, I began praying differently about everything. Whether I was concerned about money, relationships, my health, my family, or my future, I no longer began with the problem. I paused, welcomed the Holy Spirit, set my Goal for Peace, and became willing to receive His Guidance.

Instead of asking God to rearrange the world around me, I asked the Holy Spirit to help me see it differently. That simple shift has changed every area of my life.

One of the passages from *A Course in Miracles* that now carries a much deeper meaning for me is this:

"Ask yourself, therefore, but one simple question: Do I want the problem or do I want the answer? Decide for the answer and you will have it, for you will see it as it is, and it is yours already." *A Course in Miracles*, T-11.VIII.4:5–6

For years, I would have immediately answered, *"Of course I want the Answer."* But I slowly realized that my attention had been fixed on the problem. I believed my glass was less than full. My prayers reflected that belief. The Holy Spirit wasn't asking me to ignore my circumstances.

He was gently inviting me to shift my attention away from the illusion I believed in and toward the Truth that never changed. That lesson has stayed with me ever since.

Today, whenever I am tempted to go into fear or start trying to solve the problem myself, I simply pause. I smile and make room for another Voice. The ego's voice is no longer the voice I choose to listen to or follow. I say to myself, *"I am not bound to that voice!"*

Then I quietly pray, *"Holy Spirit, please heal the part of my mind that believes I could be lacking or that my glass could ever be less than full."*

Sometimes the outer circumstances change quickly. Sometimes they don't. But something far more valuable always happens. Peace returns. And when peace returns, I become willing to listen. When I become willing to listen, I am able to recognize the Answer that has been there all along. Everything else gently and naturally begins to fall into place.

Looking back now, I realize the miracle was never that God filled my glass. The miracle began the moment I became willing to let the Holy Spirit, my Teacher of Peace, remind me that it had never been empty.

What happened to the \$5,000 in unpaid bills?

You may be wondering what happened to the \$5,000 in bills that needed to be paid before leaving on our trip. After praying in this new way, I didn't immediately receive money. What I received first was peace. That may not sound very exciting if you're staring at a stack of unpaid bills, but everything had changed.

For the first time, I was no longer asking God to fill my glass. I was asking Him to heal the part of my mind that believed it could ever be less than full. About two hours later, my husband received a phone call from his business partner. He said, "We received an unexpected commission check from a company we weren't expecting. I'll just deposit your share directly into your account."

When I heard those words, tears filled my eyes again. Unexpected commission checks were rare enough, yet having someone deposit our portion directly into our bank account without us asking was even more unusual.

Then I learned the amount. It was exactly five thousand dollars. Every one of the bills on my desk could now be paid.

At that moment I realized something I have never forgotten. The Holy Spirit hadn't been waiting to decide whether or not to help me. He had been waiting for me to welcome Him through my willingness to ask a question based on Truth—a question He could lovingly Answer.

Whenever we focus on illusions, we temporarily lose our awareness of the Truth. As long as I remained convinced that my illusion of lack was true, I was blocking my awareness of the Truth and was not yet willing to receive the healing the Holy Spirit was gently offering. Divine Love never invades. It never imposes. It never overrides, manipulates, or controls the mind. Love waits patiently for our welcome.

"Love waits on welcome, not on time, and the real world is but your welcome of what always was." — A Course in Miracles, T-13.VII.9:7

The money was a tremendous blessing. But the greater miracle was that my relationship with God—and with prayer—had changed forever. I no longer believed I had to convince Him I lacked something. I simply needed to welcome Him and be wholly willing to let Him heal my perception about lack.

God's Answers always seem to come with a bonus!

Over the years, I have noticed that God's Answers and Solutions always seem to come with a bonus. Not only is the problem beautifully resolved, but it seems to come with a cherry on top!

The next day, my husband and I arrived at our hotel on the day of the reunion. As Marriott members, we were offered a small welcome gift. The choices were modest, something like bonus points or a small bottle of wine with crackers. Laughing, I turned to my husband and jokingly said, "What I'd really like is a bottle of champagne and some chocolate-covered strawberries." We both laughed, made our selection, and went up to our room. When we opened the door, we stopped in our tracks. There, waiting for us, was a bottle of champagne on ice and a beautiful platter of chocolate-covered strawberries. No card. No explanation. No one at the reunion knew where they had come from. No one else had received them. They were simply there. We were speechless! To this day, we have no idea where they came from. Perhaps someone anonymously blessed us. Perhaps it was simply one of those beautiful mysteries that God lovingly leaves for us to ponder.

What I do know is how it felt. It felt as though Heaven was smiling on us. Over the years, I have often shared this experience with my students because it illustrates something I have come to expect.

When the Holy Spirit heals our misperceptions and we become willing to follow His Guidance, He often gives us far more than we were asking for. I call it God's Bonus (i.e., something always better than I expected).

The five thousand dollars paid the bills. But over the years, I have come to realize that the miracle was never about the amount. Whether the concern involves five hundred dollars, five thousand dollars, five million dollars, or any other form of perceived lack, the Holy Spirit always begins in the same place—by healing the mistaken belief that our Source could ever be less than enough.

That day, I learned that miracles are not measured by the amount of money we receive. As the years have passed, I have shared this story with people from every walk of life. Some were worried about paying next month's rent. Others carried the responsibility of businesses, employees, investments, or significant financial decisions. What continues to amaze me is that every one of them recognized the same fear in a different form.

Miracles are measured by the peace we remember, the Love we welcome, and our willingness to let the Holy Spirit remind us that our glass has never been empty. And ever since that day, whenever fear tells me my glass is less than full, I simply smile... because I already know the Truth.

PRINCIPLE TWO

Learning to Ask Answerable Questions Healing the Question Before Seeking the Answer

"This is your major problem now. You still make up your mind, and then decide to ask what you should do." — A Course in Miracles, T-30.I.3:1

One of the greatest lessons the Holy Spirit has ever taught me is that every question begins with an assumption. Long before we ask for Guidance, we have usually decided what the problem is and what the answer should look like. We may not realize we are doing this, but we quietly build a conclusion in our mind before we ever turn to God in prayer.

That is exactly what I had been doing. I looked at my circumstances, saw a stack of unpaid bills, and concluded that I was lacking money. Once I accepted that conclusion, every prayer I prayed naturally revolved around solving the problem exactly as I saw it. I asked God to provide what I believed I didn't have. It never occurred to me that I might be asking a question based on a misperception. The Holy Spirit wasn't ignoring my prayer. He was gently leading me to the cause of my problem, so I could recognize the Answer that had been there all along.

The Question Changes Everything

When the Holy Spirit gave me the illustration of the full glass, He wasn't simply changing my prayer. He was changing the foundation upon which my prayer rested. That distinction changed everything.

For years, I believed that the quality of my life depended upon finding better answers. Today, I see it differently. The quality of my life depends upon asking better questions. Even more accurately, it depends upon becoming willing to let the Holy Spirit teach me what questions to ask—questions that can actually be answered.

At first, that idea seemed confusing. After all, isn't God capable of answering every prayer? Of course He is. God is always answering. The question is whether I am asking from Truth or from illusion.

Suppose I walk into a dark room, mistake a coat hanging in the corner for a person, and begin talking to it. I might ask all kinds of sincere questions, but they are built upon a misperception.

The sincerity of my questions doesn't make the coat a person.

The first gift anyone could offer me would not be better answers.

It would be a healed perception.

The Holy Spirit works in much the same way. He doesn't begin by validating my misperception. Instead, He gently heals the perception from which it arose. As my perception begins to heal, my questions naturally begin to change, and the Answers become much easier to recognize.

That is why the Holy Spirit redirected my prayer about the glass. He wasn't refusing to answer me. He was lovingly leading me to a question that would allow me to recognize the Answer that had been present all along. That realization forever changed the way I pray.

Instead of asking, *"How do I solve this problem?"* I now find myself asking, *"Holy Spirit, what is this situation trying to convince me of that is not true?"*

Instead of asking, *"How do I get more money?"* I ask, *"Please heal the part of my mind that believes I can lack what God has already given me."*

Instead of asking, *"Why is this happening to me?"* I ask, *"Holy Spirit, how would You have me see this?"*

Instead of asking, *"How do I change this person?"* I ask, *"What would You have me learn through this experience? Please help me to love them as You love them."*

Do you see the difference? The first set of questions asks the Holy Spirit to solve the problem as the ego has defined it.

The second set of questions invites the Holy Spirit to heal the perception that gave rise to the problem in the first place.

One seeks a different circumstance. The other seeks a healed mind. That is where miracles begin.

One of my favorite passages in *A Course in Miracles* asks a question that has become one of the guiding principles of my life:

"Ask yourself, therefore, but one simple question: Do I want the problem or do I want the answer?" — A Course in Miracles, T-11.VIII.4:5–6

The first time I truly understood those words, I realized I had been focusing almost all of my attention on the problem. I wanted the Answer, but I kept looking at the problem. My thoughts revolved around it. My conversations revolved around it. My prayers revolved around it.

The Holy Spirit gently helped me shift my attention. Not by pretending the problem wasn't there, but by...

To enjoy the rest of this eBook –

All 10 Principles of

Miracles in Money

by Robin Duncan

Plus - Past & Upcoming Early Preview Editions...

**Join Robin Duncan's Inner Circle
of Founding Members**

REGISTER at:

RobinsInnerCircle.com