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“Be ye perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.” (Matthew 5:48). Perfection is not a flawless state, a state when one ceases to make “mistakes”, but a state where one has transcended the need to judge seeming flaws and faults. It is unconditional love and unconditional acceptance that allow us to see the perfection beyond the duality of good and bad. What we call “pain” results from our belief in separation, in the belief of the reality of the egoic self which lives in a state of perpetual fear and desire. What we call “evil” also stems from ignorance of our Oneness but is coupled with willful actions to maintain and enhance a separate self—at the expense of others. Believing in separation from the One Self, we produce on-going cycles of individual and collective winners and losers, victims and perpetrators. It is by willfully acting on our Oneness that we will bring these negative and destructive cycles to an end.

Unconditional love means to love without condition, to see only perfection—then that is what exists. The Divine One Self sees all as perfect, since it sees with the eyes of unconditional acceptance and love.

Do you love your life as it is? This is not easy: the human egoic mind has developed many stipulations on what it takes to be perfect. These conditioned beliefs keep us from seeing our perfection.

How do you respond to your life with its seeming ups and downs? Is this present moment good enough for you? Are you attentive to life and patient enough with it so that you can see the light behind the shadow, the sacred fire in the darkest experiences? Can you see your life is just perfect because you chose to create it just as it is right now? If you created a shadow, it was in order to better see your light in contrast to it. Our humanity does not interfere with our divinity: it simply makes it more evident.

Do you see love's hand in everything? *God is an all or nothing principle*; everything is pure Spirit. God is The Everything. How then can anything be called imperfect? If we say that something isn't good, we are saying that something isn't God. That, we know, is impossible.

But what about letting others starve? What about children who are pushed into prostituting for others' gain? How can we see perfection in light of the suffering all around us?

First, we must understand that things are not what they seem. We are always asked to see beyond the physical realm. For we don't know why certain things happen in life, nor what previous actions allowed them. Only this can be said with certainty: all things have a purpose to the soul. Certain hardships make us stronger. Sometimes a person's life we see as pitiful is here only to remind us to be grateful. Often it appears others suffer to teach a lesson to those around them. Within the