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Q: What is the Book of Life?
Can anyone be left out of
the Book of Life?

When an author writes a book,
every character that he puts in
that book remains in the book as
long as the book exists.

When the Lord made this crea-
tion, He put into it Himself, and
He put Himself into it in manifold
forms--that is, with the supposi-
tion that life is manifold with

the idea of multiplicity, and with the idea of variety. This was to make the story, and the story is interesting.

You, for instance, hear with a good deal of interest what happened to somebody, and perhaps you become curious, and perhaps you make it a bit of gossip. Something has happened in somebody's life. Well, this is the story that you have opened into. It is

a story page that you open to in the book.

So creation is the Book of Life, and God made it perfect. By that we mean that He made it that there was no evil. In order to find this out--that there is no villain in the book, and no accident in the book, and no harm done to any one in the book--you have to get into the mind of the author.

When the author writes any book with the villain destroying the victim, to the author that is ink; it is not evil. There is no evil in ink, and the blackness of ink is not evil; it is good.

If you can get into the mind of the Author, you will see that there is nothing that ever goes wrong. Even your suppositions of evil are not wrong. But in the mind of the Author you are always

delivered so that you can walk through the story of life, and you can heal people because you can turn them over to the mind of the Author in which there is no reality to their evils. Meditate on this.

Mr. Burnell has given some very wonderful lectures which are now in report form--much instruction on the author and his book, sometimes using the illus-

tration of Robinson Crusoe and Daniel DeFoe as being explanatory of this subject.

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Q: When one has been baptized, is his name then written in the Book of Life?

One's name is always written in the Book of Life. The baptism is a cleansing. You might say that it is the process of taking the dark glasses from

his eyes, or it is cleaning the dirty face of the child so that you may see what a fair and beautiful complexion he really has.

So baptism brings to light the fact that his name is written in the Book of Life. It is a book that holds a record from the beginning where man's perfection is written down and where he is said to be in the image and likeness of God and therefore perfect.

When you are healing, you are not making anybody well by what you do to heal them, you are only bringing to light something that was there all the while. A person is perfectly healed. He can have that revealed to him by a cleansing process, which is the scraping off of the worldly mind as to what man is--removing the worldly mind, because it cannot in any way show what man is.



