**How to Treat the Corona Virus Spiritually?**

**I have always personally believed that God is the Source of all that is. Therefore God made the corona virus too. And in this Bible verse below, there is no mention of anything that is an exception to this Bible verse, like God saying that He saw everything that He had made and called it good except for the corona virus. We could probably come up with many other exceptions that could be added to this Bible verse, but I personally feel that by the fact that God mentioned not a one of them in this Bible verse, that He was trying to get us to look deeper and try to find a good side of everything that He has created.**

**And God saw everything that He had made,**

**and, behold, it was very good.**

 ***(Genesis 1:31)***

**Even cancer has a good side, when you read the following: Dr. Bernie Siegel shocks his cancer patients when he asks them, "Why did you need this illness?" He claims that our bodies break down to give us a message, and many times it is a message that we have been ignoring. According to Dr. Siegel, while nobody wants to be ill, many patients say that cancer was the best thing that ever happened to them. They learned to appreciate life and to express their feelings to their loved ones. They were able to pick up the paintbrush they previously had been too busy to hold. Even illness can be a blessing." *(Laurie Beth Jones, in Jesus CEO, p. 48)***

**So as a result of this pandemic on the world scene, we are learning to wash our hands more often and practice "social distancing" to slow down the virus, but I don't hear anyone saying what can be done to bring it in to check so that it doesn't destroy us. I once heard this statement during a meditation time that "If we bless something then in the long run it can't destroy us, but will come back to bless us. During my lifetime I have seen this happen in many relationships with people. When you get married, there is always someone in the family that you have inherited who is difficult to love, but you bless him or her anyway. Many times we develop a lasting good relationship with a person who we would never have given a chance of knowing if it wasn't for the inheritance of that person into our circle of acquaintances through marriage.**

**You might think that I am crazy, but I would highly recommend blessing the corona virus, just like we have learned to bless those people who make our lives difficult and miserable. This is what the Bible says to do with whatever persecutes us:**

**You have heard that it is said, Be kind to your friend, and hate your enemy.
But I say to you, Love your enemies, bless anyone who curses you, do good to anyone who hates you, and pray for those who carry you away by force and persecute you. *(St. Matthew 5:43-44)***

**I have heard it said that blessing something takes its power away so that it cannot hurt us! When I was a child I certainly created a monster out of the devil. Every time that I thought of the devil, I would try to ignore it because I was told that if I focused on the devil then I might end up getting into trouble by sinning. The more that I ignored the devil, the larger monster he became in my life. So I started blessing the devil and noticed that soon he was broken down in size to something much smaller! The more that I blessed the devil, the less that I became afraid of him. Because the more that I blessed the devil, the more that I understood that he was simply nothing trying to act like something. As Marie Curie says, the more that I understand something, the less that I fear it.**

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**Disease is simply nothing trying to act like something. It depends upon our belief in it to sustain it. *(Jack E. Addington)***

**Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood. *(Marie Curie, Nobel-Prize winning chemist)***

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**The corona virus has served us well by reminding us that we have been using too many antibiotics over the past many years. The Golden Rule has always told us that what goes around comes back around. This pandemic is coming to us as a result of what we have been doing over the past many years:**

**Averting a post-antibiotic apocalypse: Antibiotic-resistant bacteria could become a bigger killer than cancer by 2050. Unless drastic action is taken to curb the excessive use of existing drugs and spur the development of new ones. That's a stark conclusion of a major two-year review of antimicrobial resistance. The dwindling arsenal of effective antibiotics could make minor infections and routine surgeries like D-sections life threatening. The report estimates that drug-resistant superbugs, which already kill 700,000 people a year, could claim as many as 10 million lives each year by the middle of the century. Just this week, researchers reported finding a "superbug" resistant to antibiotics of last resort in a Pennsylvania woman, suggesting that such untreatable bacteria may become prevalent in the U.S. The study's authors, who were commissioned by the British government, make several proposals. They advise governments to set strict limits on the use of antibiotics in agriculture and to provide significant financial incentives for pharmaceutical companies to develop new antibiotics. They also recommend launching a global awareness campaign to increase understanding of antimicrobial resistance. We need to inform in different ways, all over the world, with it's crucial we stop treating our antibiotics like sweets," study author Jim O'Neill tells BBC.com. "If we don't solve the problem, we are heading to the dark ages, and we will have a lot of people dying*." (The Week magazine, June 10, 2016)***

**This article goes back to 2016, so someone has been trying to tell us about this pandemic for close to four years. We have probably learned the value of anyone in our lives who keeps reminding us of the truth, especially when they remind us of the stuff that we would rather not hear. I have read that the fall of Adolf Hitler was caused mainly because he listened only to what he agreed to hearing. He surrounded himself with yes-men who told him what he wanted to hear rather than what he needed to hear! There is a a good chance that those around Hitler were so afraid for their lives to tell him anything that would ruffle Hitler's feathers and not agree with his thinking!**

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**This was written four years ago, and from what I have read, we have not listened, and antibiotic use around the world has definitely increased during the past four years. And if this corona virus is spreading across the world, then it might be good to have a force in place that could do more than just slow it down.**

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**The corona virus has definitely brought people together to help one another, and given us permission to slow down our lives, so the corona virus is certainly serving a great purpose. The corona virus definitely has a good side if it has accomplished all of this good!**

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**But I say to you that you should not resist evil.**

***(St. Matthew 5:39)***

**Coyotes are so resilient that killing them, even in great numbers, just doesn't have much effect. Decades ago, several Western states tried to reduce coyote numbers through poisoning, trapping, and bounty hunting. But wildlife officials found that 70 percent of the entire population had to be killed every year to make a dent in the numbers -- an impossible target. Coyotes also have a biological mechanism that triggers larger litters whenever their numbers drop*. (The Week magazine, July 17, 2015)***

**So what do you think about this approach to the problem? Give it a try to bless the corona virus, and if you feel that this approach is not working, then you can always go back to cursing the darkness. But like I mentioned above, I have always found that blessing something or someone persecuting me has always made me less afraid and helped me to feel more peaceful.**

**Let us look at one final reason why we might not decide to bless the corona virus: We may think that when we are blessing the corona virus that we are lying to yourselves and really don't mean what we are saying. The Bible verse below quickly solves this argument. It says that we can move a mountain with just a little faith. Mustard seeds are so small that we can breathe on them and blow them out of our hands, but with time they become fortresses that are capable of sustaining birds and animals. This is certainly my kind of faith, because I often find myself having so little faith when I am faced with precarious situations.**

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**Jesus said to them, If there is faith in you even as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, move away from here,
and it will move away;
and nothing would prevail over you.  *(St. Matthew 17:20)***

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