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¹ Whenever there is any personal interest in our actions, they fall under the laws of destiny and reaping, and we are bound and responsible for the consequences.

² The same is true of all expressions of hatred (repulsion), since it violates the law of unity. Only impersonal love (attraction to life and unity) grants perfect freedom, since no crimes against laws of life are possible thereby.

³ What is said here is fundamental and must be clearly recognized if misunderstanding of laws of life is to be avoided.

⁴ We get a wholly different idea of responsibility when we know that our relations to people are causes of future effects. We shall meet again in new lives and sowing will be reaped. We shall meet our friends and “enemies” again. It depends on us whether they can benefit or harm us. Whether we know it or not.

⁵ Some hints have been given as to collective responsibility, but there is much yet to study until it has been clearly understood. That much should be said, however, that this responsibility applies for all group formations, from kingdoms of nature to twos and threes of individuals.

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