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Today, Bần Đạo preach about the governing law and power of the Universe.

Today's sermon mainly aims to help the entire Holy Body of the Supreme Being understand the governing law and power of the Divine realm. All the Divinely Ordained Dignitaries should pay close attention and think it over and again to see how strange they are. How simple the governing law and power of the Universe are! Although secular laws and powers are very complicated, they can by no means create peace but cause even more hardship and suffering to people. Since the governing law and power of the Universe constitute the Tao, any Religion that does not follow them to govern the people's hearts is heresy; they are not True Religions. We must observe these points in Bần Đạo's sermon today; Bần Đạo will explain them clearly.

Furthermore, we should know how such power and law keep the Universe in peace before we can understand that all Religious laws and power originate from them. Where can we seek to understand that law? We must seek from the Creator or the Governor of the Universe. Only by understanding His abilities and characteristics can we understand His law and power. Who is that Being? He is our Great Merciful Father.

Once, Bần Đạo posed the questions to His Holiness Nguyệt Tâm Chơn Nhơn (*Translator note: Victor Hugo*). Bần Đạo asked, "What are the power and the heart of the Supreme Being like?" He answered in French. Here is Bần Đạo's

translation: *“The law is love, and the power justice; He is close by the kind and far from the worldly.”*

The two poetic lines convey the essential meanings. Let us find out what its origin is and why it has so much power. We only have to look into our body to understand it. What is the secret mechanism which brings our physical body into being? Isn't it the love of our parents? If we still have doubts, let us observe living beings.

Birds flock together, and trees joining branches; even animals love each other. The law of nature uses love as the basis to give life to all beings. The Supreme Being also creates beings out of love; from the littlest to the loftiest the law is the only one. Such is the scope of the law. Let us look into the family and see what power and law are used by our parents to rule the family. Our parents only rule us with love; in order for us to obey our parents' commands, it also takes justice. The law of nature has always been present in the family. We do not need to look further than living beings like animals. For example, in a flock of chicken, it is easy to recognize the love of the hen and rooster for their chicks.

It will be a lie to say that beings in the Universe have no love for each other. Born among living beings, if we uphold justice, we know for sure that all living beings bear relationship with us, including even plants and rocks. All are in a relationship with us; otherwise, we cannot live in happiness. We cannot deny it. Their relationship with us is not one of love, but a universal tie which forces them to obey. It is not profound love, but a compulsory connection of the Universe. For example, the sun gives us daylight, the moon nightlight, and myriad stars twinkling above us. The entire Universe requires solid human knowledge to understand. If we do not have enough to understand, we still feel an intimate bond with it. We also must know our relationship with it in order to really grasp it. How about the law of love which the Supreme Being places in the heart of each human being? We cannot deny that like human beings, animals also have love. Otherwise, there would be no reproduction to carry on the blood line. It is a rule. When time comes, nature requires that everyone follow that rule. Needless to say, it is amazingly strong. We see that

couples would rather die than leave the one they love. What law forces them to do so? It is the law of love. Bần Đạo would like to repeat that if it were not for the law of love, living beings would be useless on this planet. The Universe is the same; living beings on other planets are also the same. It is **the law of love**.

Now, Bần Đạo will preach about power, i.e. **justice**. Creation does not favour, forget, hate, threaten, oppose or abandon anyone. Living beings coexist with us. Let us consider a blind beggar who no one cares about, abandon and despise due to his poverty. However, his dog is loyal and loves him. Why? Because of the Divine power of justice which compels it to love and not to betray. If we take into account human justice, we should question if intelligence and criticality have given rise to doubt and extinguished our inborn kindness!

Living beings do not give more to some and less to others. They lie on the ground and respond to our appreciation. They will follow our will when we treat them with pure love. If we can raise fierce animals like tiger, leopard, bear and lion, Bần Đạo am sure that they will be like house dogs. Without Divine justice in the Universe, human life would become animalistic; we would fight and destroy to feed ourselves. The world would support no life. Without justice, planets would just go after light and collide with each other; the sun and the moon would no longer exist. The Universe is regulated by the power of justice. If we obey, we will live on; otherwise, we would be destroyed. As we observe such law and right, we see that they are governed by the Creator. How strange! The Creator of the Universe now comes to build our Faith with the same law and framework. What framework does He use to create such law and right? What law and method does He instill into His Holy Body to govern the congregation? We have **the Religious Constitution** and **the New Canonical Codes** which *mainly serve to rule people's heart and redeem the sins of the sinners in case they do not confess in front of others and the Divine. Those Codes are like a liberating rope which brings the sinners from the Yin Realm to the Divine; they are not the core law and dharma.*

It is the Religious Constitution which He used to establish His Holy Body but only in this world. His right of justice has perfected His Divine Holy Body. The Codes are designed by the Sacerdotal Council, not by the Supreme Being.

If we say the New Canonical Codes are worldly, they are truly so. Meanwhile, the Divine Law of love is Holy. Am Bần Đạo overstating it? Bần Đạo will now show you the evidence.

Since our initiation 23 years ago, what method has the Faith used to build its governmental system? Secular powers often rely on guns, swords and prisons. How do Religions obtain power to establish religious politics? Frankly, if it were not for the law of love, Bần Đạo would not be standing on this pulpit. If it were not for the right of justice, the Cao Đài Religion would have been destroyed. These are very clear evidence.

If the entire Holy Body of the Supreme Being are already aware, you should hold the power of that natural law. When people love each other dearly, religious power will be supreme on earth.