

UB-CIM Study Guide

Book Outline

Core Thesis:

The Course in Miracles is a course in Adjuster fusion, presented from the eternal spirit perspective by Jesus. The UB provides the cosmological framework; the CIM provides the practical path.

Purpose:

A study guide synthesizing The Urantia Book and A Course in Miracles for readers of either or both texts.

Audiences:

1. UB readers wanting to understand CIM
2. CIM readers wanting to understand UB
3. Readers of both seeking deeper synthesis
4. Newcomers to both books

Part 1: Why These Two Books

Chapter 1: Introduction [DRAFT COMPLETE]

- Two revelations in 50 years (UB 1955, CIM 1965-72)
- What this study guide offers
- Why two revelations?
- Four audiences

Chapter 2: The Urantia Book - An Overview

- The four parts (Cosmology, Local Universe, History, Life of Jesus)
- How it was transmitted (celestial authors, contact commission)
- Jesus approved but did not write it - epochal revelation
- Key themes relevant to CIM study

Chapter 3: A Course in Miracles - The True History

- Helen Schucman and Bill Thetford's original work
- Helen's shorthand -> handwritten -> Bill's typed edit
- Ken Wapnick's further editing
- The 2001 lawsuit and discovery of notes in Library of Congress
- JCIM vs ACIM: Why this distinction matters
- The critical error: 'ego created all material reality' (NOT in urtext)

Chapter 4: Epochal vs Personal Revelation

- UB as epochal revelation (no conscious mind filter)
- CIM as personal revelation (filtered through Helen)
- Why Jesus works through scribes, never writes directly
- Helen did not know the UB - Jesus stayed within her vocabulary

Chapter 5: The Terminology Bridge

- Sonship <-> God the Supreme
- Soul <-> Thought Adjuster
- Knowledge <-> Eternal Perspective

- Perception <-> Temporal/Animal Mind
- Holy Spirit <-> Spirit of Truth / Superconscious
- Atonement <-> Plan of Ascension

Part 2: Thematic Deep Dives

Chapter 6: The Central Thesis - A Course in Adjuster Fusion

- CIM as the practical path to fusion
- UB provides the map, CIM provides the method
- 'The miracle itself is just this fusion or union of will'

Chapter 7: The Sonship / God the Supreme

- CIM: 'The Sonship is the sum of all souls God created'
- UB: 'The Supreme is the sum total of all finite growth'
- We will all simultaneously discover God the Supreme together

Chapter 8: What is Real? The Eternal Perspective

- To spirit, material seems unreal; to material, spirit seems unreal
- We become real as we identify with eternal realities
- 'Conceptual frames are serviceable scaffolding'

Chapter 9: Miracles and Time

- 'Miracles shorten time' (both books use this language)
- Jesus remained 'constantly time conscious' to prevent time miracles
- The 50 miracle principles with UB parallels

Chapter 10: Adjuster Fusion - Transfer and the Bridge

- 'Transfer of the seat of identity' from body to soul
- 'The Holy Spirit is the bridge of perception to knowledge'
- Jesus: 'I am the living BRIDGE from one world to another'

Chapter 11: Identify with Spirit Reality

- CIM as mind training: lessen focus on material
- Do we identify with Ego or indwelling Adjuster?
- 'Only as a creature becomes God-identified does he become truly real'

Chapter 12: Forgiveness - Mercy vs Love

- Forgiveness of mercy: 'retain the proof he is not innocent'
- Forgiveness of love: 'holds not the proof of sin'
- 'Divine love absorbs and actually destroys' wrongdoing

Chapter 13: Perception vs Knowledge

- Two incompatible thought systems
- Perception = animal mind / ego
- Knowledge = eternal perspective / superconscious
- 'When the Holy Spirit has led you to Christ... perception fuses into knowledge'

Chapter 14: Fear vs Love

- 'The opposite of love is fear'
- 'Unreasoned fear is a master intellectual fraud'
- The Lucifer rebellion as source of fear

Chapter 15: The Lucifer Rebellion and Why We Suffer

- CIM's oblique references ('darkness and death')
- UB's detailed account
- How rebellion created our confused planet

Chapter 16: What Happens After - The Ascension Path

- Where CIM leaves off, UB picks up
- Mansion world training, morontia transition
- The long journey to Paradise
- Fusion as milestone, not destination

Part 3: Quick Reference

Appendix A: Terminology Mapping Table

- Comprehensive side-by-side terms

Appendix B: CIM Miracle Principles with UB Parallels

- All 50 principles with corresponding UB quotes

Appendix C: Key UB Papers for CIM Students

- Papers 108, 110, 111, 112, 117, 136, 196

Appendix D: Key CIM Sections for UB Students

- Introduction, Chapter 1, urtext guidance

Appendix E: Study Questions for Groups

- Discussion questions by chapter

Appendix F: Where to Find the Urtext

- Online sources, published versions