

## Choices in the Growth Process

Question: How far am I from the state of consciousness sometimes referred to as Cosmic Consciousness which ends the cycle of life and death? Will I achieve this state during my present lifetime?

Answer: Yes, that which is brought in answer to that question would be given in this manner. If there would be the overcoming in this lifetime or if this one would sincerely desire that it should be so, there must be the conquering of the body centers or the bringing into subjection of the body in this lifetime. This would be, then, the denial of that which would come as sensual pleasure or that which would come of the senses. That is, that this one would become, as might be given, immune to those indications of earth or that which would draw of earth. Would give self then for the development only of Cosmic Consciousness to the exclusion of those purposes within earth.

We find as well in the past incarnations that this one might be aware of, that period during the life when the Master walked on earth, that this one was known as Simon and was a master of the Hebrews or one of those rabbis of the Temple of that time. And as rabbi of that time or one who was about the Temple, this one had the eye for business in that lifetime and was one of those who might be called concessionaires or had many who worked for him in the Temple, as it were. And those who were the employees of this one, then, were among those who were driven from the Temple by the Master on that day. It was, as well, this one who came to the Master by night following this experience to learn of Him and was called by the Master, a master of the Hebrews or one of those rabbis of the people, and was required of the Master that he understand and be born again.

This is given for the reason that these indications are followed as well in this lifetime that this one would be so close and be of service, but always would have the shrewd eye for business and would see that this or that be used as promotion, as development, as bringing the financial success in this lifetime.

We would see that when it becomes more important for the application of this life for the growth process or for the building process for the promotion in this manner, that financial success will follow. When it becomes less the objective, and more result of the giving of the life.

Now choose that would be the importance for success in this lifetime. If Cosmic Consciousness, then give self in this manner. For the sensual pleasures in this lifetime have diverted this one often from that path of development that would be his, and often have those energies that could have been used in building been diverted or drained off by the giving to the body or the satisfaction thereof. This one has the great abilities that could be channeled and should be used for this type of service. And that which is used for promotion or for the advertising would best be channeled in the writing concerning that which he would know and see of those developments in this latter day of the preparation for the Day of our Lord.

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