

Paul Solomon Lectures

Dreams

The Great Akasha

The Meaning of Dreams By Paul Solomon

We are here for a purpose, every one of us. I think you came here to do something. You have a job to do. You have a job that you have co-selected, You helped to pick it out. You prepared your body for it. As you prepared your physical body in this time, as you put the energy into putting cells together and forming the organs and the nerves and the the abilities, the inclinations, talents that went into you, you created an instrument that was specifically designed to do a particular job. And everything that you would need to do that job is built into that body.

It's a pretty special instrument, and I think that that's a very good reason for considering the body that you have, the talents and abilities, the thinking ability that you have, all of the things that are available to you as instruments in this time. It's pretty important for the workman to know that for the job he has to do, he has the perfect tools.

For the accomplishment of any job it is important to have the right tools. But can you imagine this? If a master craftsman was assigned to a task and then given tools, if that craftsman didn't believe that those tools were sufficient, if he despised his tools, could he very well do that job?

Now consider that in light of this.

Most people that I know, especially spiritual people, are inclined to be a little bit self-effacing. You say anything about their body, their talents, their mental abilities, and they say, "Well sure, you have a talent, you can do that. But look at me. I can't, I'm not much."

How would you feel if you were the creator of a perfect instrument? You took time with it. You fashioned it, lovingly, and made it as a gift that you gave to this person to do a job. And that person who received it said, "Oh, that's not much. This old thing? How can I accomplish anything with this?"

It sounds like the words of an unappreciative soul, doesn't it?

I think that's the place we might start. Start by looking at the instrument that you've been given: your body, your mind, your spirit, your consciousness, your emotions, your talents and your inclinations. And just begin with the assumption, that included in your tools is every single thing that you need to accomplish the job that you came to do in this time. And for you to spend time wishing that you had tools, talents or inclinations that somebody else has to do the job that they have to do, is to waste time in not using the instruments and tools that you've been given to do your job.

Now that's almost a universal preoccupation. Everybody is wishing they had someone else's tools and someone else's job when they have an instrument that is perfectly suited to doing the job they came to do.

Now, accepting the tools that you have is the first step toward getting a glimpse at the Akashic Record. Looking at what you've been given and asking the question, "What job have I come to do with this instrument?" That's a place to start in understanding soul purpose.

Let's go a little further in understanding what the Record itself is. The Scripture reading this morning couldn't have been more perfect, talking about the book with seven seals. And the man who saw the seals and discovered the books, said, - just like the soul that says, "If I could just understand my purpose..." He said, "Oh, woe is me. I can't open these seals. I can't see what is written within me as my purpose. And while he was crying, there was a teacher, the Master of Masters who came and said, 'But I can open those seals.'

"And the angels came and gave him permission. 'Yes, you're the one who has earned the right, through perfection. You can open the seals.'"

And the message to the soul who becomes aware is: "I have a purpose, but seven seals seal it off from me. Each one of those seals is a seal of the soul on its way to perfection. If all seven seals were opened then I would have accomplished the growth of the seven dimensions of the soul. I will be perfect by then, so why would I need to find out what my purpose is? I will already have accomplished it. What I need to know now is what I need to do to open those seven seals."

The soul who thinks that he can undertake that job of opening those seven seals himself is first of all exceptionally egotistical, arrogant, presumptuous and then foolish and self-defeating as well. To think that we can open those seals before we have come to the point of growing into the job that we have to do is foolish. We are not going to be able to read the Record until we have harmonized with the Record itself. That really says that we can't find out the job that we have to do until we're doing the job.

Now isn't that a heck of a position to be in? But that's where the soul finds itself. Then what do we do?

The first step is making contact with the man big enough to open the book. Make contact with that consciousness. As a matter of fact, the consciousness that sealed the books is available to you and that's the consciousness of Him who overcame - the Christ Consciousness. The One who is beyond the seals.

The one who is lower than the seals, the false self, the soul in incarnation, the soul who has become the slave of the flesh and has built around himself a case, a sheet that has closed his eyes to his own experience, that soul can't read from the Record. But the beginning of that soul, the Source of that soul, that which gave birth to the soul in the beginning, that is a consciousness of God, a Creative Consciousness. That being not only can read the Record, but also participated in the writing of the Record. And participated in the sealing of it.

It's rather like a student in the mystery schools who goes before a teacher to learn, and the teacher designs lessons for him. And the student, of course, is always hopeful that the teacher will say to him, "This is a lesson. It is happening so that you can respond to it properly."

But the mystery school teachers never did that. They put out the lesson in front of the student and it was sealed with a seal, meaning that the student almost never recognized that it was a lesson. It was something that simply happened in his life; he would suddenly come across an incident that he had to respond to. He had no idea that the teacher had created it and put it there. He had no idea that he was going to be graded for the way that he handled the situation.

So the lesson was there but it was sealed from his consciousness by the fact that he was not told, "This is a lesson."

Now understand this point because this is really important in your personal relationship with the Akashic Record - Your soul purpose is put smack in front of you, so close to you, so obviously before you, that you cannot avoid running into it. But it does not bear a label saying, "This is soul purpose." Your soul purpose is sealed with a seal, which is obvious to the man who unfolds the opportunities of life believing that they must be important or they wouldn't be happening." He need not read about it in the Record. That would defeat the purpose anyway.

Supposing a student did know that each incident in life was a lesson, supposing that the teacher said - and teachers are tempted to, I want you to know - Teachers are always tempted to say to the student, "Now be careful when you run into that. That's a lesson."

"Oh, well, if it's a lesson, I'll respond to it this way. But, if it's just something happening in my life, then I'm not going to pay much attention to it."

Isn't it a shame that we miss the lesson in these incidents that happen to us and later we say, "Oh, I wish I'd known that that was a lesson ... I wouldn't have acted that way if I had known the Teacher had designed it and put it there. I thought he was really mad at me or I wouldn't have treated him that way."

You know, when you know that it's a lesson, the lesson becomes invalid.

It might help you in going through life to keep in mind that the learning that matters, soul learning, is not conceptual. It's experiential. So it's not a matter of getting a package describing the process. Nearly everyone feels, "If I could just have a Life Reading... if only Edgar Cayce were still alive I could ask him what I'm here for. If I had that, I'd have the tools, a handle on my life, my job, I'd know what to do."

Well, if that happened, it could take away some of your opportunity of bright discovery. That life purpose would then bear a label, "This is life purpose. This is a lesson." And you would meet that lesson like someone who has been given that crutch; you may be even weakened by it. Because now you're doing that job not because the job was put before you and given to you as an opportunity, but because you were told, "This is your job."

Instead, how about getting up in the morning knowing, "This day is a day spent in a Divine School, with an excellent teacher who chose this day for me and designed into it some lessons." Exciting day.

I wake up this morning knowing that as I leave my bed, as I leave my home and move through the day, incidents are going to occur, one after another. I am going to meet people. I will not meet a single one on the sidewalk, in the street, in the market, wherever I go, I won't meet a single person that has not been selected by my teacher. Each person will be carefully selected and put there for me, for my growth. And each incident happening today is happening for a purpose. I will assume that if it happens, it's a lesson and it is my opportunity to respond to it appropriately so that life itself becomes alive. As I meet each incident, as I see what life is saying to me, I am in fact, accomplishing that challenge. I am reading the Akashic Record right out of life itself. Life is talking to me. Life is opening up the Record and revealing itself to me as I approach it in that spirit of challenge.

And recognizing the teacher, getting to know that teacher comes, in fact, from watching what he is saying to me in the lessons of the day. It's a beginning to know, "I have a teacher, a perfect teacher, a master teacher who is designing my life every day." The same teacher that helped me in the creation of this physical body, that put into it the talents and abilities and inclinations needed to do this job, that same teacher is participating today in putting challenges and lessons before me. So I'm learning from, I'm responding to that teacher who the angels said could open the seal.

I'm saying, "I can't open the Record, but Christ can."

Then what I must do is contact that Christ Consciousness and get the Christ to open the Record for me - or read the Record through His eyes, as suggested in the Scripture reading this morning.

He has paid the price. He has opened the seals. He can read from the book. He can read from the book for me and to me. Even if I could get to that level of becoming aware of the Record, I would not be able to read from it. I would need someone to interpret it, someone who is authorized to open the seals and speak.

To really know, to be aware in my heart of what the Record is saying, I have to read it through the eyes of the Christ. Through the eyes of the Christ might mean this: That I assume that every person who comes into my life today, every incident, was selected by a teacher who is trying to communicate with me, so every time I meet a person or approach a situation I will look at it to see what it is saying to me and I will respond appropriately. And in doing that, I will come to know the teacher that selected the lesson, that put it there.

The way to obtain a personal relationship with the Source of your being is through what the Source of your being is saying to you. Your Source is speaking to you through the incidents that have been put before you. All of us, perhaps, want to be psychic. We want to hear a little inner voice using words that say, in verbal messages, "This is this and this is that. And now you move through that and take these steps." We want to hear the words.

Something far more efficient than the words of a psychic; something far more efficient than voices you can listen to is already communicating with you, communicating in concrete terminology, more concrete than words, more literal than words, more revealing than words. The conversation is going on all day, every day. Nobody needs to be psychic to communicate with the Source of their being. That's secondary. It is as it should be.

Q: If everyone has these subtler senses and ESP abilities, then why aren't we all hearing voices?

Because it would be a distraction, that's why. You don't need to spend your time listening to voices. That can distract you and prevent you watching the real conversation that's going on, the real communication that is going on. Your teacher isn't tongue-tied. He isn't limited in his ability to communicate with you. He states himself very clearly every single day in your life. And if you watch just one day through from it's beginning to its end, just one day, watch what comes before you. Watch what people say to you. Watch what people do to you, and consider each one of those things statements from your teacher, then you will have gotten a Reading and you won't have to sit and wonder how attuned the psychic was who gave you the Reading. You'll see it revealed before you in form said clearly. This is what you are to do this day, and this is what you have set yourself up for. This is how you are acting. This is where your faults are. This is what you need to work on. These are your weaknesses; the times he got to you, they're the weaknesses. You need to close that gate. You need some strength here. You need to apply your energies there. All of those things are said.

What a Reading you have available to you each day of your life by responding to what is said to you from the teacher. And that's as it should be because, in fact, Manly Palmer Hall describes the Akashic Record this way. He calls it, "the invisible Record of thought and action written upon the skein of time and space." Edgar Cayce described it this way. "The Record of the soul written on the skein of time and space."

That "written upon the skein of time and space" is what we need to understand in order to understand how this Record is formed and how you can read it by looking at material objects, matter, around you.

While you're sitting here, hopefully listening to me or whatever you're doing while we're sitting here, this room is alive with activity, far more activity than is obvious to you at the moment. Activities and interchange between you and the chair you're sitting on and the walls. The very walls of this room are alive as a whirling mass in space. Energy is vibrating in the very walls of this room. Every atom is in motion, whirling motion. Nothing here is solid. It's all alive with activity at this moment, while we're here.

And while we're here in this moment, molecules are being born and dying, being changed and replaced. Cells in your body are dying and being replaced with new cells.

There is an interesting thing that is happening in your body while cells are dying and being replaced with new cells, -you should be aware of this. What you are thinking at the moment a new cell is born, the condition of your thoughts, and the condition of your consciousness at the moment that a cell is born, is indelibly recorded in that cell. Your emotions, your attitude, your fear, if you are experiencing it - your

hate, if you were experiencing that - your envy, if you were experiencing that. A Record of your thought and action, at that second, is indelibly recorded in the birth of the new cell- that happens while you're having an emotional experience.

Now, that means that every time you have become angry, every time you have become hurt, jealous or any of the emotions, both good and bad, each and every time you had an emotional reaction it were recorded in the cells your body was building at that moment.

Then every action, every thought of your life is recorded in your body.

But what about when those cells die and are replaced with new ones? The interesting thing about the replacement of cells is that a new cell carries all that was in the old cell and adds to it what is happening in the moment. The very cells of your body contain an incredible amount of information. The very fact that scientists are discovering right now that man can be cloned is testimony to what I'm saying at the moment. One single cell in the body carries messages in it of what you are from the moment of birth up until now. And the cell that it replaced gave up its secrets so that the secrets of the former cell are contained in the present cell and they'll be carried over to the new cell, adding the experience of the next moment to it. Your body itself is, in fact, an Akashic Record.

But what about reincarnation? How does that get into the body?

It seems that there is a little chain of protein that is programmed by Divine computer at the moment that you enter in this time; it carries all of the memories of the previous cells from way back so that you started this body with a Record. Built into that DNA chain, when you started, there was an Akashic Record, a little carry over. It's not limited to time and space. Brain surgeons have discovered a tiny little cell that is so microscopic that it cannot even be seen by the naked eye, it can contain a record of thousands of miles of space and of an infinite period of time. In a cell too small to be seen, all of that can be contained. Hardly limited.

The cells of your body, then, contain your thoughts, your action and even back into times past.

But just as important, perhaps, is that while you're sitting on the chair that you're sitting on right now, you are affecting that physical object. You are affecting it indelibly. You are permeating it with an electrical force.

While you are listening or thinking, experiencing in this moment, your brain is producing electrical discharges. This room is alive with electricity. Electricity is tenacious of equilibrium, which means that if it is disturbed in any one portion of this room, it sends out undulations that fill the room. So every thought that you think right now is affecting the very atmosphere of this room by the change in electricity.

Now at the same time you're doing that, the chair that you're sitting on is a whirling mass of atoms affected by the electricity in the atmosphere around it, and its crystalline forms are being formed in these inanimate objects. They are being impressed with the condition of the atmosphere at the moment that crystal was formed.

Which means whatever you're thinking right now is being written into the history of the chair you're sitting on and the walls of this room. You're affecting the conditions of time and space by the creative action of your consciousness. The part of you that is creative enough to form a body and change it – and I should mention by the way, that that is the manner in which disease is created in your body. The thoughts that go on inside you impress their nature upon your cells. Certain cells contain incredible records of stress, which builds and builds and builds until it manifests itself. Your body contains a record of every time you've ever been angry. And it's interesting that when people know the right muscle to push or squeeze you'll experience a release of that emotion because it was built right into the flesh itself, right into the Record.

So when your chiropractor buries his fingers up to the third knuckle, or it feels that way, he is releasing the little things that you built into that part of your body. He is reading the things that your body is saying to him; he is reading the Akashic Record.

An intensity of emotion carries with it a great deal more energy than just thought.

You are relaxed at the moment, but if there were an extremely emotional incident while we were here then a lot more energy would go into impressing that upon the walls or upon the chairs, upon the matter in this room.

If we all got up and left this room en masse and someone came within 24 hours with an infra red camera and just photographed it, your image would still appear in the chair that you're sitting in now because you've affected the atmosphere, you've affected the chair. But it would appear as a very light form. However, if an extremely emotional incident had occurred, any one affected in that incident would stand out as a big blotch of red if, that area were photographed.

And just as important perhaps, if a very sensitive person were to come into this room sometime later, moments or even years later, he would be affected by the emotion that was created here. He'd feel it.

That probably, in fact, has happened to you. You've probably entered a room and without knowing why, you felt a foreboding feeling in that room, somehow you were affected so that you didn't want to be in that room. You were simply uncomfortable there and wanted to be somewhere else. You were reading from the Record of the room, it was having an affect upon you because of the energies created there.

So far then, I have described this Record only as being a record of the thought and action created by individuals, and yet it goes further than that. It's more than just a concrete record of the moments of our lives. It has a record of the past, going back all the way to infinity and a record of the future as well.

How could that be contained in this Record?

If our thoughts are creating this Record and our actions are being impressed upon the matter around us, how can that Record in matter contain indications of the future?

Well, Edgar Cayce gave a comment about a particular soul, a lady, who was told that in one incarnation, she was a nun and in another, she was a prostitute. And then he made a most peculiar remark. He said, "You made considerably more soul progress as a prostitute."

Well I thought, "What a peculiar evaluation."

I wondered, in fact, who made that judgment. Was that Edgar Cayce's consciousness making that value judgment? Is the Record itself simply an objective Record, recording the incidents as they happen, or is some Intelligence making a value judgment about that? Who was it, what consciousness was it, that told that woman that value judgment?

I was concerned about that, so we did a Reading on it and asked. "Where did that value judgment come from?"

And the Reading said, *"The woman herself, the soul itself, made that value judgment in this way. Each night there is activity of the consciousness that lived the day. As you go through the incidents of the day, you are responding to karmic lessons, karmic opportunities. Each one of the lessons that you meet has a root or has a history. It has a source. There is a source of that lesson in your past. It didn't just come from nowhere. It came because you created the need for that lesson. As you met it today, you met something from the past, you acted upon it in the present and you created from it, a future."*

So the fact is that tonight, as you set consciousness aside, your soul will review the day. Now this is interesting in the light of the fact that dream researchers say that every night you'll review something from the past. You look at the incidents of that day. And they also say if you are deprived of the opportunity to do so you'll become too psychotic to handle the next day.

The Source gives a very good comment on that. The Source says, that as you enter into a dream of the night to review the incidents that you meet each day, it's an experience reminiscent of the soul being called before the Judge on the Great White Throne. Each night of your life you evaluate the past and how you responded to it in the present. And on the basis of that value judgment of how you responded to it in the present, your own soul tonight will make a decision whether it must meet that lesson again, if it didn't respond to it well today.

There will also come a time when you will remember the karmic root of the opportunities that met you today.

Tonight in your dreams, you will review everything that happens today, all the karmic lessons. And in that review will be an indication of where the lesson came from. There will be an indication of how well you handled it and there will be an indication that it will or will not be restructured for you as a future event. You will predict your own future tonight.

The Source also made this interesting statement., "Dreams are the act of a soul making an entry in the Akashic Record."

So as you dream tonight, you will add something to the Record of the day. Already the Record of this day contains an objective record of what happened, what you thought and what you did. Tonight, you will add to it. You'll make a value judgment of what you thought and what you did. And you will ask for the opportunity to go through all that stuff again if you didn't handle it well, creating your own future by your dream tonight.

When you find out these things, sleep becomes important. It becomes important to face sleep in the proper manner. Do you know that probably 95% of the people, probably 99% of the people of the world will sleep tonight by accident? They will not sleep on purpose; they will sleep because it is something that just happens to them, as if they were victims.

It is important to enter sleep purposefully, preparing the consciousness and the body for it. You are embarking upon an experience that is so important; it is soul judgment, it is creating the future, it is an analysis of the self, an understanding of the self -that is how important it is. A third of your life is spent in these little reviews of what is going on. A third of your life is spent in that semi-conscious state of sleeping and reviewing dreams, reviewing the activity of the soul, looking at your purpose and deciding on your future.

That is perhaps the reason that Cayce also once said, "Dreams are the best way for a soul to know about itself and its purposes." The best form of psychic activity for an individual, for most individuals, is in dreams. And the reason is because that is your closest contact with that same Akashic Record.

The interesting thing about this Record is that it gives answers from many different levels. That is, if you ask a question of the Record from curiosity, you will receive fantasy in reply. But if you ask a question out of need, you will receive truth. Which is why we say to students in Inner Light Consciousness, when you go to bed tonight, you can ask a question. If you need to know the answer, the answer will be given to you. But there's a little statement that we give. It says, "I will bring to thy remembrance all things, whatsoever you have need of from the foundations of the world." And "need" is the only requirement. You must need to know the answer.

The Record is simply unavailable to people who simply want to know about their past lives. One cannot read from the Akashic Record for that purpose. And when one blames a reader, when someone hangs out his shingle and says, "I am an Akashic Reader." And people go to him with all their curiosity, wanting to know about all of their past lives, one need not blame him so much if what you get in reply is fantasy. Unless you went with need and you asked questions purposefully, he didn't have access to truth. His access to truth for you and for your soul is through the door of your need. And he will be able to answer the questions that you actually have a need to know the answer to.

It may even be unfortunate that parapsychologists in this time are trying to judge the accuracy of the channel through which the information comes. There's not much to be said for the accuracy or inaccuracy of the psychic if the accuracy is dependent upon the need of the questioner. We've a lot to learn in dealing with these Records, in dealing with this kind of opportunity.

But I'm not suggesting that one find a psychic to review past lives. As a matter of fact, you have available at your fingertips a Record of all that you've been in the past. It reveals itself through your attitudes of the present moment. It reveals itself through the opportunity of what's happening now.

You can look at the opportunity that is put before you and know that activities of yourself in the past built that opportunity. You can read your past lives from the opportunities and abilities, incidents of the present. And they can best be read there, it is the most accurate statement that you can get of you in relation to the Record.

And then one more thing, of course, as you begin to read your life in the present, as you begin to look at every incident and unfold it and know that it has purpose, know that it has a lesson for you, know that it was created by the teacher, two things that you should try to get from it. One, is an appropriate response to the lesson. And two, is an understanding of the nature, the personality, the consciousness, of the teacher that put it there.

Get to know the Source of your being. And from an empty place within you, from a virgin consciousness, get to know that Source. There, is the being who can read from the Record. The seals are not sealed to him.

I'm suggesting then that you come to know the Christ in you, the Source of your being. Become acquainted, and become acquainted like this.

If you approach the Christ saying, "The Christ has been described to me by the Bible, or the Christ has been described to me by my minister. The nature of Christ has been described to me by Paul Solomon, or anyone else." If you approach saying, "I know what you are and who you are and what you're like, because I've been told," then you are not approaching that Source with a virgin consciousness. You are approaching with the adulteration of someone else's experience, someone else's description and someone else's ideal.

Many masters have described the Christ. They have described God Consciousness, they have described ways of getting there, and yet, the descriptions of all of these masters do not necessarily jive. They seem not to agree. Why?

Each one was describing through his eyes what his own experience was and his followers gathered round him and said, "This is the Christ we worship." And that's unfortunate. They were worshipping his Christ. "This is the Christ that we worship -and he's different from yours."

Well, in both cases the people are worshipping an adulterated Christ, an adulterous lover.

The Christ is always born of a virgin. Now that's important for you individually and personally to know. The Christ is always born of a virgin, which means something like this.

One of ...(Name)...'s favorite statements is, "You have learned too much. You are too full of knowing. You have opinions on everything. You have beliefs about everything. Until you get rid of all of that, and don't know a thing, you can't begin to learn."

The beginning of wisdom is the realization of how little I know.

Emptying consciousness, sweeping it out and making it a virgin is the first step toward knowing Christ. Don't know anything. Give up your knowing. Don't know anything.

But approach the Christ this day, or this night, with this kind of a conversation in your consciousness:

I don't know who you are. I don't know what you are. I would not presume that I have any awareness of how you should appear to me. I only know my being has a source and there is something that has participated in my life. Now whatever you are, whoever you are, I want to know you better.

There's your perfect prayer for coming to know the Source of your being. No more than that. Don't come to know a Catholic God, a Baptist God, a Jewish God, or any other labeled being. But if you come as a virgin, then the Christ is perfectly capable of revealing himself as He is. He will not go beyond your opinion. If you come with a preference, you'll get a preference, an adulterated Christ, not dependable.

But if you come with no preferences as to what he should be, he will reveal himself to be more than you ever could have conceived. And you'll come to know a being greater than any master, any teacher. You'll come to know a Christ greater than any teacher ever could have described to you. His words can only describe his experience. They cannot describe the Christ.

You'll know the Christ within your being, from a virgin consciousness. Now open to that, and know Him, not so that he will reveal the Record to you, but for no greater purpose than knowing Him, wanting to know the Source of your being.

Then the revelation of what you have need of from your Record will be given, all the way back to the foundation of the earth and everything that you need to know in the present moment.

There is a Record greater than the one written in your body. There is a Record greater than the one impressed upon this room, on the skein of time and space. All matter contains a record not only of what has happened to you since the beginning of time, but it also contains a Record of the thought and action of its Creator.

Then the Great Akashic Record contains within it, a record of the thought and mind of God.

There is an Akashic Record that is a soul record. There is an Akashic Record that is the earth record. And there is an Akashic Record that is the Great Akasha. The Great Akasha is tapping the mind of God, opening to God Consciousness.

Akashic readers may read from any one of those levels, may read from your personal Akasha, and that's fine, useful. May read from a racial Akasha, a group Akasha, a national Akasha, the earth Akasha. But the one who is attuned to the Source of Sources reads from the Mind of God, the Great Akashic Record. Thank you.