

## **Personal Relationship**

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**Q-1.** What do I have to do to really know that You are there and what is the most effective way for me to work with You?

**A-1.** Yes, we have the records of this soul with purpose, direction, and the questions brought.

A distinct personal, experiential relationship with the Source of Life is acquired best simply in this manner. Address this Source, the creative, with awareness of that presence which exists within you. It has been referred to as the extra or extraordinary personality--an incorrect term because the Source is actually a non-assertive presence within you which has notably specific characteristics. (It is not "extra" or separate from you.)

Now, we will describe a way to evoke this presence. The non-assertive presence feels no need to control. It has given the embodied personality and character a means to experience the world through the senses, to follow the teacher known by and through sensory awareness. For as long as you so desire, the sensory teacher has been and is the most obvious and most available teacher to the untrained or to the once born. We refer to it as the John-mind, this teacher, the witness of the actions of God in creation about you.

Yet, we would have you recognize that this same teacher to whom we now refer is the sensory mind, not preferring one hemisphere of the brain over the other, for it is not the brain precisely of which we speak, but rather the mind as it discovers and teaches through the use of the senses.

## **The Witness**

This teacher is called The Witness and has described himself as the voice coming out of confusion, the voice which can describe and teach you only what can be seen, heard, experienced through the senses, and processed in a logical or computer-like fashion, although it has its counterpart in the imaginative, creative portion of the mind. This is also the preacher, the teacher, of the senses. This mind, the sensory mind, will not fail, in any life, in any human, to assert, from time to time, that within the self, within the mind, there is a non-assertive higher teacher, of which the John-mind has spoken, "There is a teacher greater than I, one who can teach you not things of this world, but who can teach you the presence of the Source of all life, for He is, at all times, with that presence, the Source of all life." Some choose to believe this inner prompting which comes naturally through the mind of the senses.

## **The Search for the Holy Grail**

Then the sensory mind will not fail to produce a prompting, an urging that one seek such a higher teacher; and those who are sufficiently moved, inspired, determined, committed and desiring **to know** above all things, undertake the search, as it has been called, for the Holy Grail, the search for the pearl of great price.

We submit to you, that you have asked your question as a result of the prompting of the John-mind, indicating that there is a higher teacher and bringing you to ask, "How can I know You, my Source, experientially, directly, personally? How can I become familiar, conversant, committed, to following, to discover the purpose and the highest path to the Kingdom, to the Crown?"

We respond as John responded, by saying, "Set your priorities straight." This is an absolute. Never bother to set priorities as you feel they **should** be. It **is** your priority **or it is not** in your life to know the non-assertive, creative Source of yourself, and that Christ's teaching, direction, guidance and purpose for your life. Make straight the path. So it is written, as John has said, "And in so doing, set aside all other desires, all other wishes, all other purposes, all the alternate lovers, set aside all other priorities." (Understand the nature of the "alternate lovers" by reading the Song of Songs, attributed to King Solomon.)

### **The Impersonal Life**

Then, simply address the non-assertive, intrinsic expression of the Christ who is the you of you, who is the intrinsic self, the manifest of whom is called by your name given at birth. The intrinsic, on the other hand, is called the Christ or the child of God, for so it is. This child of God might better be called the expression of God in you, lest you think of this non-assertive self, the intrinsic you, as being another, someone else, for it is not. It is rather the you of you, the Impersonal Life.

Address then that non-assertive factor in you which has inspired you from your earliest awakening to the possibility that your life could make a difference, that you being manifest in a physical body on this earth, with your ability to speak and to act through that body, could matter, could make a difference, could accomplish something which would raise the consciousness of the race of mankind closer to the expression of the Source of creation.

So your first and immediate step is commitment. It is made by considering all things important to you and eliminating all which may by any means appear more attractive than knowing your Source.

### **The Abrahamic Sacrifice**

This step of commitment is referred to appropriately as the Abrahamic Sacrifice. It requires that if you wish to both know and to manifest God in you, your own intrinsic self, if you are to manifest even who you are, you must eliminate all attractions which compete with that determination to know.

This commitment then, this sacrifice, is the first step of the knight who seeks without distraction the Holy Grail.

Having made such a commitment, as a next step you need only to speak. It is written, "You have not because you ask not."

Then ask. Ask the non-assertive, intrinsic self, the self of self, the intrinsic creator of all that is you, ask saying in your own words, "I seek to know You." Express it strongly enough to say, "I demand my birthright to know my intrinsic self, the expression of God manifest through me, the return of the Christ in the flesh. I seek to know You, my Source, my Guide, my highest and closest connection with the Source of my soul."

### **"Teach Us To Pray"**

In response to the Apostles' asking, "Teach us to pray," Jesus gave them what we call the Lord's Prayer. It is not the Lord's prayer, rather His teaching, a formula of prayer for us, saying simply, "Begin your request by addressing to whom you speak."

Say that. Write it, for the writing of the prayer will bring it from the formless into form, from vision into manifestation, grounded into the world of formation, creation. Write it.

Speak to the Source of Sources, the Source of self, and say as simply as this, "I seek to know you, to know you better. I am so committed in my seeking that I will begin my experience of consciousness upon awakening each day by repeating my request, asking, "Source of my self, creator, guide, highest teacher, Master of Masters, are you there? I would speak with you. I wish to know you, to know you ever better."

If you be sufficiently committed to begin each day with such a request, set aside all other questions at least for a time of forty days. Ask no further question than, "I seek to know you. I request that you manifest, that you assert, that you be there."

### **God's Limitation**

The non-assertive self is non-assertive because all kingdoms, the supernal, the higher kingdoms, those to whom you refer as angels, angelic beings, the spirits of nature, of creation, the multitude of life and kingdoms of life which reach to the Sources of the universe and beyond, all of these, including the non-assertive within you, have a commitment to a Universal Law, the Law of the Source of all that is, that law being that God has placed upon Himself a restriction, a limitation, which says, "I will not force any of these creatures, which I have fashioned in my own image and expression, to acknowledge my presence, to be controlled, unless they seek to be and their seeking is their highest motivation in life."

Whether this is simple or complex, easy or difficult, it is, in the end, your choosing. It is your will. If, then, that will is at the level of the heart, if that will is not contrived, but of essence, if that will is to know, to be, to do what you are, who you are, why you are,

then simply ask. Ask as your soul is returned to you from the School of the Divines at the dawning of each day that you refer to as resurrection.

Upon the changing of your consciousness from the state of sleep to awakening, at that moment, make known your request, immediately.

"I seek You. I seek to know You. I ask You from my will, I yield to Your Will in this moment. I seek that You assert," for He will only assert by request, unconditionally.

### **It Is Yours To Seek**

Thus if your asking be from the heart, then you have your instruction. "Ask and you will know. Knock. The door shall be open. Seek. You will find."

Recognize that these are three statements of promise. Absolute. There is not a maybe; there is not a caveat. There is a direct promise. If you seek, you shall find.

Then, it is yours to seek. It is that simple.

Now, let us build upon that by saying that if you so seek at the beginning of each day and maintain your seeking as an underlying drive of the heart and the soul to know, which does not interfere with all other activity, but which does co-exist as a foundation beneath all other activity, you will find, perhaps to some amazement, that the activities of your day will be accomplished more effectively, immediately. The quality of your work, your life, your expression will increase in effectiveness, in efficiency, in order.

It will become a Quest for Excellence in all that you do.

### **The Holy Quest**

Now this is only the slightest evidence of the manifest from the non-assertive. If that underlying holy desire is maintained throughout the day and spoken even in consciousness as often as it comes to mind, then when you lay yourself down to return your soul to His hands in the altering of your consciousness from what you call awake to sleep, which we see conversely, then in the time of your sleep, your training, your schooling, it will continue and through the night you will be taught. Your knowing will grow.

And after a time of forty days and forty nights of having walked and talked with the Master of Masters, you will know Him, you will know Him as certainly as you have ever known a friend, you will know this being whose name is Truth, whose name is Love, whose name is Life. You will know this friend. For within this time, the non-assertive will begin to assert at your request (and only at your request--the only exceptions are moments of survival emergency).

Then shall you develop the mystic experience, of directly knowing. Not believing, but experientially knowing this Source who will walk and talk with you. The conversation which comprises your thinking will be altered dramatically, for you will cease to send thoughts from one hemisphere to the lowest point of connection between the hemispheres to reach the other and to answer back again. The conversation between the inherent child and the imposed parent, this conversation will alter dramatically until it becomes a bridge above the activity of the brain-mind, a bridge of light, similar in analogy to an electrical spark or current which produces a glow, a light, a light of lights which is as a crown, a yarmulke of light resting upon your crown, the Crown of Enlightenment.

### **An Ultimate Knowing**

Now this is an ultimate knowing. We do not suggest that such a permanent bridge of light which will unify the cleft brain to become single-minded will be permanently built in forty days, and yet, it is possible. As the Christ said, "This temple you have been forty years in the building. I will resurrect it in three days."

Such was the initiation of the Master of Masters. What will yours be?

Forty days is essential to establish such a bridge of light. Maintaining it then, will depend on commitment and direction

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