

Welcome Home. Welcome Home, Precious and Holy Friend!

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The Art Of Remembering What You Are Truly Here For!

Allow yourself to step lightly and with joy upon the stepping-stones that are placed before you. Not one thing arises in your day by accident. It only waits for you to turn your attention to it and embrace it and say, “Well, if this is here, there is a purpose for it.” And in that moment you hold the power to discern its purpose if you are willing to embrace it with your love. Learn from it. Step upon it and go on. And everything serves, everything serves what could be called here, your becoming. For as you have lived in time and have created the dramas that would draw you into the perception of separation from God, so, too, now, as the arisen Christ, you allow time to be used as the device through which you witness the flowering of the Light and Love you are. (JT - A)

Every time you, in the course of your own life, your own experience, every time you choose to be the presence of Love and to teach *only* Love, rest assured you are extending it unto the whole of creation and uplifting it.

Therefore, it is necessary to utilize time to cultivate intention. For without intention, desire cannot become the crystal clear focus, the laser-like focus that can cut through the dross of this world so that a new creation can flow forth through you. {WMe 62} (WM 59)

Intention is not the same as holding a strong egoic, willed, commitment to making something happen. For *The Way of the Heart* recognizes that you have not known how to achieve the fulfillment you seek at the level of the soul, for the simple reason that if you did, you would have already accomplished it. In *The Way of the Heart*, intention doesn't mean putting your nose to the grindstone and not taking “no” for an answer.

It means, rather, that you cultivate within your thought processes *the art of remembering what you are truly here for*. You are here to remember that you are the thought of Love in form. You are here to remember that you are one with God. You are here to remember that what I have called Abba, the Father, though it goes by many names, is the source of your only Reality. And you are living in Reality only to the degree that That One is living through you.

Therefore, intention, in *The Way of the Heart* means to utilize time each day to focus your attention on the *desire* to be Christ incarnate.

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Your Function Is Healing Your Sense of Separation From God!

Intention is that energy, or that use of the mind, that creates – through consistent practice – the channel, if you will, through which desire begins to move down and re-educate the emotional body, and even the cellular structure of the physical body, and all of the lesser avenues of thinking that occur within the intellect – so that everything involved in your being is integrated, working together and focused on the fulfillment of that one grand desire to accept your function in this world. And your function is healing your sense of separation from God. {WMe 63} (WM 59)

How then, to apply intention? Each day then, just as you have used time to teach yourself to be easily distracted, you need only apply one question, to which, you ask yourself daily:

What is it that I most desire?
What am I doing on this planet?
What am I committed to?

Those latter (two questions) are just other forms of the fundamental question. And as you keep practicing asking that question, the answer will become clearer and clearer. For you see, it is the question that influences, stimulates and gives birth to the answer. For the Universe is always answering your questions. And when you ask unclear questions, you get unclear answers. Therefore, become crystal clear with your intention and remind yourself of it *daily*:

My intention is to use time constructively for the relearning of what it means to abide in the Kingdom of Heaven and to fulfill my function.

And my function is healing. And healing requires the presence of Christ, for only Christ can express the Love that brings healing into being.

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There Is Something Quite Beautiful At Work – It Is Called Bliss!

Can you remember to use time constructively by focusing your intention, by reminding yourself of what you're truly here for? You're not here to survive, you're here to live as the Truth of who you are. {WMe 72} (WM 68)

Allowance – not a passive acceptance of things as they are, but a recognition that *there is something quite beautiful at work*. There is an Intelligence, a Love that knows you better than yourself and is presenting you, moment to moment, with jewels and gems and lessons and blessings that something is weaving the tapestry of your life, and nothing is happening by accident.

Surrender – the cultivation of the recognition that your happiness can be found only in the submission of your will to the Will of God. For your will has been to be in conflict and struggle and limitation. The Father's Will is that you live without conflict, in *peace*, and *joy*, and *fulfillment*, and *happiness! It's called bliss*.

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A Smidgen Of Willingness Is All It Takes

I will show you *the way* to the Truth that is True always and sets you free. But only you can make the decision to bring the *whole* of your being to that journey. And all it requires is what you call a smidgen of willingness. *A smidgen of willingness is all it takes*. {WMe 96} (WM 91)

I know the way home because I have completed the journey, and I will show you the way. With every word that I utter, my one intent is to *reveal* to you the place *within* you that is the presence of Love that you seek. What if you chose to actually commit yourself to considering what I am sharing, and return to the innocence of a child, as you contemplated what it would mean in your life?

Rest assured, when the journey to the Kingdom is completed, the journey *within it* begins anew. And the bliss and the wisdom and the creativity and the laughter and the friendships, the family, the joy, the serenity, the peace – that has been, for the most part, as what could only be seen as, surely, an impossible dream – these things will become your most ordinary state of being. And yet, none of it can occur through any power that can move through *me*.

I can guide you. I can show you the way. And I can walk beside you on the way that you have chosen. At times, I can give you my strength until yours is as certain as mine, by carrying you. But ultimately, you must *demand* that I put you down so that *your* feet touch the soil of the Kingdom of Heaven and *you* walk, under *your* strength, under *your* certainty, beside me.

You will, indeed, find in that day and hour that I will as often ask you, “How do you think we could do this? What would you like to create with me?” as you ask it of me. And then, indeed, we are as brother and brother, sister and brother, friends, dancing and playing in the Kingdom prepared for us of our Father.

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That Light Deserves To Shine!

One little shadow cast by a tiny blade of grass is all that seems to prevent you from coming wholly to where I am. And if you tarry yet a little longer, it’s okay. You see, you cannot prevent me from knowing the Truth about you and Loving you. And when you *are in Love*, when you are so immersed in simply loving, isn’t it true that you have no sense of time at all? There’s no sense of effect disturbing your peace. You’re just, what you call, “swaying to the music.” You are loving, and your wholeness grows even more Holy.

Therefore, Love one another as I have loved you. For the Father has first loved me that I might show you the Truth of what Love is and the Reality of your Being. I will not cease in doing this, regardless of how long you choose to tarry. For Love is, indeed, patient and kind. Love is not deluded, and Love does not allow delusion. Love embraces all things, trusts all things, and allows all things. It knows perfectly well where it is going, and never ceases in that journey until every blade of grass is released from casting shadows, and the whole of creation is returned to the Heart of God. {WMe 97} (WM 91)

Learn to love your Self and cry out to this world:

I and my Father are One!
That is the soil from which I move and live and have my beingness!
So be it!

Always remember that the Father looked upon His only Creation and said, “*Behold, it is very good!*” That goodness has a name and it’s your name and your name and your name and your name and your name and your name and *my name!* And behold, it is *very good! That Light deserves to shine!*

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Drops Of Grace Have Been Offered To You In Each and Every Lesson!

Grace does not descend until your Father knows that you are willing to prepare a place to receive it. And this is why, in the process of healing and awakening, it is not necessary to *seek* for Love. It is *only* necessary to prepare the place, the soil, by choosing to discover the *obstacles* to Love – which all come down to fear – and to be willing to loosen that root, that it might be removed from the garden of your consciousness. {WMe 151} (WM 142)

And then, that Rain of Grace that purifies, transforms, awakens, and brings Christed Consciousness to the mind can descend gently. For when the rain falls upon hard ground, it strikes the soil and runs off and the garden remains barren. But the wise gardener, who has softened the soil, who has reached in and begun to pull up the roots, to sift the soil and make it soft and open and porous with the intent of bringing forth a beautiful garden, will indeed, then, be assisted by the Rain of Grace that falls gently without it being earned. It’s given freely.

Drops of Grace have been offered to you in each and every one of your lessons. Some you have received; some you have not noticed. Some are waiting to penetrate the deeper levels of your consciousness as you continue in your willingness to release fear. And suddenly, a *Pearl of Grace* that has not yet been received will sink deep.

Suddenly you will find yourself saying, "Wait a minute. This insight, this vision, this realization I've just had sounds like something that was in the first lesson. I think I'll go back and have another look. Yes, there it is! I wonder why I didn't notice it the first time?" It is simply the natural process in which the drops of Rain of Grace had not yet a place to be received.

Understand then – and this is of great importance as we move into this next part of *The Way of Mastery* – that all that transpires from *this* point rests on how well the gardener has cultivated the soil with the tools that have been given. If they have not been utilized, the soil remains hard, and the drops of rain run off and pool in the side of the garden, waiting for the soil to be properly prepared.

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In Reality, Nothing Is Impossible To You and Nothing Unavailable To You!

Of all of these, that which can continue – and will continue – to serve you in the greatest, will be the simple five-minute practice of abiding as Christ: observing all that you see, all that you feel, all that you think, as though a perfectly Awakened Christ was the *only* one sitting in that chair. {WMe 152} (WM 143)

I know that this sounds simplistic for you, but the way *is* easy and without effort. Complexity is born of the world and not from the Mind of God. Therefore, continue well in that practice, and allow it to be the foundation from which the soil is prepared, the roots of fear are loosened – even in ways that you cannot comprehend with the thinking mind. For the roots of fear are not merely ideas. They are the effects of ideas. They’ve been allowed to penetrate deep into what you call the unconscious.

You are in the holiest of temples – your Self. You abide in the perfect moment for your transformation. Nothing limits you at all, or at any time. The power of the freedom of choice *is* the essence of Christ. And the very, very, very power that you have been using to try to convince yourself of your limitations is exactly the same power that I used to overcome death. There is no difference, except a wink of an eye, an intention, a commitment, a recognition – that is all. *In Reality, nothing is impossible to you and nothing unavailable to you.* {WMe 169} (WM 159)

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The Time Is At Hand For You To Use The Power Of The Mind and Return The Mind To The Brink Of The Kingdom Of Heaven!

The mind declares, for itself, from within itself, and then extending outward:

I and my Father, I and my Creative Source, I and Love are One.

And from this moment forward, I walk and live as one who chooses to use the Power of Mind, the Power of Awareness, the Power of Intention, the Power of Clarity, the Power of Beingness Itself, to know the Truth that sets all things free, to *be* the Truth that allows freedom to be extended to all others, to walk upon this plane, while yet the body lasts for a little while, as *that One* who has been sent forth as a Ray of Light to shine Light into a world that has feared it. {WMe 301} (WM 283)

I invite you, then, to truly set aside time to withdraw yourself from the roar and the din of the world, to withdraw yourself from all the beliefs you have held about yourself or about anyone. And there, in the silence of your own Heart, simply acknowledge that the Truth must be true always, and that *the time is at hand for you to use the Power of the Mind* given unto you of your Creator in the *only* way that it can be used sanely:

I and my Father, I and my creative Source, are One!

Why is this important? In the end, all technique, all methodologies and strategies, are really magical means for taking away the egoic part of the mind's insistence upon the authority of its illusions to seduce, to trick the mind, to bring it to a place where it *must* come in order to truly step forward, in and as Life Itself. All strategies and all methodologies, even those that we have given unto you in these lessons are given unto you because the mind has been held sway by illusion.

The art of lessening the value that the mind places upon illusion is all that can be taught. All teaching is designed to *return the mind to the brink of the Kingdom of Heaven*. There and there alone, the mind itself, that which you essentially are, must from the depth of its beingness – unattached to anyone or anything – declare its decision to be awake. And assume the mantle of responsibility for bringing forth into this world only the Light of Truth in each moment, with each breath, with every gesture, with every intention, with every vision, with every thought, and with every choice.

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It Is Time To Surrender Resistance To Truth and To Accept The Love Of God!

The Way of Transformation brings you to the brink of the way of certain knowledge. *The Way of Transformation* is a journey without distance to a goal that has never changed. It is merely a change of mind: the decision to value the Truth, and the Truth alone.

When that decision has *fully* been embraced – you might think of it as a full embrace that embodies every cell of your being, the totality of all that you are – it becomes perfectly devoted to your union with God, and the recognition that as the Created, it is time to relent, or repent, or to surrender resistance to Truth, and to accept that the Love of God has been given to you fully, without measure, without condition, and that you have been created to live from that Love; that *that* Love might inform every thought and every deed; that *that* Love might pour forth through you as the very source of your own identity. “No longer I, but Thine,” would be one way of saying it.

If you are not yet awake, you can learn how to awaken. Very simply the Holy Spirit teaches you to awaken others. As you see them waken you will learn what waking means, and because you have chosen to wake them, their gratitude and their appreciation of what you have given them will teach you its value. They will become the witnesses to your Reality, as you were created witnesses to God's. Yet when the Sonship comes together and accepts its oneness it will be known by its creations, who witness to its Reality as the Son does to the Father.¹

Miracles have no place in eternity, because they are reparative. Yet while you still need healing, your miracles are the *only* witnesses to your Reality that you can recognize. You cannot perform a miracle for yourself, because miracles are a way of giving acceptance and receiving it. In time the giving comes first, though they are simultaneous in eternity, where they cannot be separated. When you have learned they are the same, the need for time is over.²

Eternity is one time, its only dimension being "always." This cannot mean anything to you until you remember God's open Arms, and finally know His open Mind. Like Him, *you* are "always"; in His Mind and with a mind like His. In your open mind are your creations, in perfect communication born of perfect understanding. Could you but accept one of them you would not want anything the world has to offer. Everything else would be totally meaningless. God's meaning is incomplete without you, and you are incomplete without your creations. Accept your brother in this world and accept nothing else, for in him you will find your creations because he created them with you. You will never³ know that you are co-creator with God until you learn that your brother is co-creator with you.

A Miracle Is The Maximal Service You Can Render To Another

Each day should be devoted to miracles. The purpose of time is to enable you to learn how to use time constructively. It is thus a teaching device and a means to an end. Time will cease when it is no longer useful in facilitating learning.⁴

Miracles are teaching devices for demonstrating it is as blessed to give as to receive. They simultaneously increase the strength of the giver and supply strength to the receiver. Miracles transcend the body. They are sudden shifts into invisibility, away from the bodily level. That is why they heal. A miracle is a service. It is the maximal service you can render to another. It is a way of loving your neighbor as yourself. You recognize your own and your neighbor's worth simultaneously.⁵

Miracles make minds One in God. They depend on cooperation because the Sonship is the sum of all that God created. Miracles therefore reflect the laws of eternity, not of time and reawaken the awareness that the spirit, not the body, is the altar of truth. This is the recognition that leads to the healing power of the miracle. Miracles are natural signs of forgiveness. Through miracles you accept God's forgiveness by extending it to others.⁶

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In The Way Of Perfect Knowledge, All Efforting Is Suspended!

When the mind has fully come to the recognition that no other decision holds value or purpose, that no other decision can bring the soul the peace and the fulfillment that it has sought in so many ways in the fields of illusion, *then the Father takes the final step for you.* That is, by an act of Grace, that tiny drop of water that *seemed* to be so separate from the ocean dissolves and melts into the ocean itself. There is no longer a separate self to be found. The body-mind arises and continues for yet a little while, until its purpose is fulfilled. Then, it is put aside as a toy that has been outgrown. {WMe 302} (WM 284)

The mind, the power of consciousness, slips into the Perfect and Eternal Truth that has been true always:

There is only the Love of God,
and I am only in existence to express that Truth.

In the Way of Perfect Knowledge, all efforting is suspended. And the mind flows, borne by Love. It flows like the wind, knowing not where it comes from or where it is going, for its cares are not in the world. *Its certainty is in Love.* Peace pervades the entirety of the mind, wherever it happens to find its attention placed. And all things of the world have been translated into merely devices whereby the Truth might be communicated to the whole of creation, to a brother or to a sister.

For in Truth, all of you are exactly that – perfectly equal, perfectly innocent, perfectly radiant and shining, forever.

You become The Anointed. You become The Messiah, that which brings forth the Word of God, to use that language. You become The Christ. Yet, this is not an accomplishment. It is merely the return to an ancient remembrance of what has always been. The mind, having surrendered all resistance to Love, merely abides in the certainty of a Perfect Knowledge. This, then, awaits you now, on just the other side of a final decision.

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Play With Me At Translating The Unhappy Dream Into The Happy Dream!

Love one another as your Father has first loved you. And He has loved you with unlimitedness and with Joy. He sees the perfection of your Light wherever you are. *You are the one that comes to bring Light into this world.* You are infinite. You are eternal. You are the beauty of every Ray of Light that dances a thousand diamonds across the waters of this planet. You are the beauty and the Light of every star. You are the vastness and the silence and the power of space in which all things have arisen in your little physical universe. You are the brightest of colors and the deepest of tones. You are the perfect melody. You are the song, the instrument and its composer, and you are the One that delights in the song. You are all that I am and we are One: Christ eternal, unbounded oceans of Love and Light and Perfection. (JT -A)

You are the Prodigal Son that has journeyed through all of time and all of space and all worlds, and now has returned to your Father's sacred place. Start chewing down on the food and the abundance that's on the table. For the feast has been prepared for you. The time is at hand and the journey is over. *Welcome home. Welcome home, precious and holy friend!*

Peace be unto you as you dance your Light into this world and work with me. *Play with me at translating the unhappy dream into the happy dream.* Each of you is a miracle-worker because the miracle has been accepted in you by you: "I and my Father are One." Peace be unto you. And indeed Heaven and Earth have been joined in you and extended as far as from the East to the West.

Amen.

~Jeshua



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