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FORGIVENESS: THE WAY TO RENEWAL

The substance of the Soul is light and the essence of the Soul is love; the experience of the Soul is joy and the dimension of the Soul is timelessness. These essential qualities generate the Soul's activity in the material worlds which can be summed up in the well-known phrase "See, I make all things new". This experience of renewal is the spiritual reality of the Soul perceived by all knowers and mystics down the ages including our present time too. Eventually it will be the unmediated experience of all.

But a problem that many people face in realising this effect of the Soul is that so much interfering thought and emotional distortion come between one's personal consciousness and the inner reality which we are ever seeking to find. An even bigger obstacle comes from our refusal to 'let things go'. We can become stuck in a world where only memory is real. We find ourselves clinging to the past, for we fear the abyss of uncertainty which we call the future and are dismayed by the smallness of the fleeting present moment. But actually it is this infinitely small point in time that is the gateway for our expansion into the presence of the divine Now which is the only place where creativity and transformation can truly take place.

A particular hindrance to this realisation is our attachment to the wrongs that have been done to us. These can become chains that bind us to the past and prevent us living and serving fully in the present. All spiritual traditions recognise this problem and address it in a dual way. Firstly we are urged to cultivate non attachment. This works on our emotional reaction to injury – both accidental and, particularly, intentional. Once achieved a true detachment will release us from these "ties that bind".

Secondly we are asked to forgive. Forgiveness doesn't mean that 'everything is all right'. But it does mean penetrating through to a deeper level of perception where something of the causative chain of events becomes clarified, and we begin to see the truth in the saying: "To understand all is to forgive all." Because of this illumined understanding, one can now grasp the opportunity of the present moment to redirect all the energies and forces involved into positive channels.

In this way forgiveness transmutes the law of cause and effect from the vicious circle of vengeance – of 'an eye for an eye' – into the creative spiral of progressive goodness. Forgiveness is thus the great agent of release, transformation and renewal for all, enmeshed as we are in the imperfections of the human condition. The initiating actors in this are true examples of people absorbing the karmic consequences of specific situations with sacrificial love, and as a consequence lifting all humanity nearer to the light in the spirit of renewal.

EVOLUTION DEFINED

One of the best definitions which I have come across is that which defines evolution as ‘the unfolding of a continually increasing power to respond.’ ... It involves the idea of a gradually increasing realisation, of the developing response of the subjective life to its environment, and it leads us eventually on and up to the ideal of a unified Existence which will be the synthesis of all the lines of evolution, and to a conception of a central Life, or force, which blends and holds together all the evolving units, whether they are units of matter, such as the atom of the chemist and physicist, or units of consciousness, such as human beings. This is evolution, the process which unfolds the life within all units, the developing urge which eventually merges all units and all groups, until you have that sumtotal of manifestation which can be called Nature, or God, and which is the aggregate of all the states of consciousness. This is the God to Whom the Christian refers when he says "in Him we live, and move, and have our being"; this is the force, or energy, which the scientist recognises; and this is the universal mind, or the Oversoul of the philosopher. This, again, is the intelligent Will which controls, formulates, binds, constructs, develops, and brings all to an ultimate perfection. This is that Perfection which is inherent in matter itself, and the tendency which is latent in the atom, in man, and in all that is. This interpretation of the evolutionary process does not look upon it as the result of an outside Deity pouring His energy and wisdom upon a waiting world, but rather as something which is latent within that world itself, that lies hidden at the heart of the atom of chemistry, within the heart of man himself, within the planet, and within the solar system. It is that something which drives all on toward the goal, and is the force which is gradually bringing order out of chaos; ultimate perfection out of temporary imperfection; good out of seeming evil; and out of darkness and disaster that which we shall some day recognise as beautiful, right, and true. It is all that we have visioned and conceived of in our highest and best moments.

Alice Bailey, *The Consciousness of the Atom*, pp 20-22

SHARING GROUP THOUGHT

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or online at: triangles.org*

As Triangles workers, during the use of the Great Invocation, we serve the Divine Plan by taking as much of the energies of Light (wisdom), Love and Will as we are capable of at our present stage of evolution. They circulate around our individual Triangle and all the other Triangles. This adds to the ‘colouring’ of all members. The resulting collective energy is passed out to all people able to receive it, uplifting them. UK

I find that the triangles meditation is a powerful tool in bringing the light to the hearts and minds of all people. Every time the great invocation is sounded I visualise the triangles group knowing that this meditation group is making a difference. I see the good in all people, more than I have ever experienced prior. Hong Kong

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ORDER IN CHAOS

Chaos is from the Greek – the abyss, a boundless space without form. This definition suggests an orderless confusion, devoid of meaning, while Eastern philosophy refers to space as a living Entity – a great Life, consciously aware of the interplay of energies and forces it encompasses. It is “...the field for the intelligent activity of the indwelling Lives of the Universe, of the many constellations, of the distant stars, of our solar system, of the planets within the system, and of all that constitutes the sum total of these separated living forms”.¹

Looking up at the night sky, at the vault of heaven, is a wondrous and awe-inspiring experience. The impression is one of unity in which the stars and planets have an ordered activity. This is an imaginative intuitive impression – a synthetic understanding which stands above the everyday senses which are focused on physical forms. Descending from the unknowable macrocosm with its ordered activity, the physical world, in contrast, is one of disorder, chaos and utter confusion. How can humanity replicate the higher order in such a world? The answer to this question is provided in the following esoteric stanza which relates to the individualised spirit expressing through the energy of ceremonial order, the Seventh Ray, which is steadily gaining in influence at this time:

To the Magician thus he spoke: ‘The ways of the Creator must be good. Behind all that which seems to be, must be a Plan. Teach me the purpose of it all. How can I work, immersed in deepest matter? Tell me the thing that I must do?’

The Magician said: ‘Listen, O Worker in the furthest world, to the rhythm of the times. Note the pulsation in the heart of that which is divine. Retire into the silence and attune yourself unto the whole. Then venture forth. Establish the right rhythm; bring order to the forms of life which must express the Plan of Deity.’²

A period of utter confusion constitutes both a crisis and an opportunity, for there is a purpose in disorder which may not be readily apparent. When old forms, familiar and comforting, have served their purpose, they must be replaced by forms which express a new more vibrant livingness motivated by creative thought. Everything that manifests in the world, the forms with which we are familiar, are the result of thought; thought is a powerful energy which can be creative or destructive. Indeed, we’re told that “The entire universe has been created and its evolution processed through the power of thought, which is only another word for controlled meditation”.³

Hence the relevance of the Triangles work which reveals the order in chaos. The power of creative meditative thinking creates a channel of communication between the higher realms and humanity through which spiritual energies can flow to heal and rebuild a troubled world. This work takes on a heightened intensity as we approach the Three Spiritual Festivals in April, May and June this year.

1. Alice Bailey, *Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle*, p. 179
2. Alice Bailey, *Esoteric Psychology Vol II*, p. 39
3. Alice Bailey, *Discipleship in the New Age Vol II*, p. 233

FLOWERS OF THE SPIRIT

Whenever and wherever the form becomes a crystalized obstruction to the livingness within, life passes through the fires of destruction to renewal and resurrection, like the mythological phoenix. This cycle of Life – Death – Renewal is enshrined in Nature. It is also enacted in the annual rhythms of religious and secular traditions. These are celebrated all around the world with much fanfare at the time of the new year, often accompanied by fireworks and merriments – and of course – New year’s resolutions. The chance for improvement is inherent in this phenomenon – the opportunity for renewal calls forth the vitality which is essential to all change and evolutionary development. This is also true in the spiritual realm.

We now stand at the threshold of a new year in the annual spiritual cycle, beginning approximately with the Spring Equinox in Aries. Usually referred to as The Three Spiritual Festivals, this season forms the high point of the spiritual calendar. It brings a fresh influx of divine energies to inspire and sustain the next stages in the evolutionary work of the New Group of World Servers (of which Triangles members form an essential part). The spiritual servers at the heart of this group work receive these new energies and clothe them in mental form more readily accessible for wider distribution – a unique opportunity for group service.

During this high spiritual season, the full moons that occur are the Festivals of Aries (Easter), Taurus (Wesak) and Gemini (World Invocation Day) and these are celebrated with special group meditations. Each full moon focuses a different aspect of these new energies – in Aries, divine love, followed by divine wisdom in Taurus and then in Gemini, the expression of spiritual unity – the divinity within humanity. These festivals could be thought of as the flowers of this spiritual springtime. They radiate the beauty and fragrance of the divine vibration received; and in their potential, they hold the seeds of evolution. Through our group efforts, their energetic seeds will be cast far and wide to take root in fertile minds and blossom the world over.

- Festival of Easter (Aries) 7 April 2020
- Festival of Wesak (Taurus) 7 May 2020
- Christ’s Festival and World Invocation Day (Gemini) 5 June 2020

Please check locally for the actual days of the Festival Meetings

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<p>Triangles is a world service activity in which people link in thought in groups of three to create a planetary network of Triangles of light and goodwill. Using a world prayer, the Great Invocation, they invoke light and love as a service to humanity. Further information is available on request from Triangles.</p>	<p>The Triangles Bulletin is for people of goodwill and is published four times a year in Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Triangles is an activity of the Lucis Trust, a non-profit educational charity which exists to promote right human relations.</p>
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