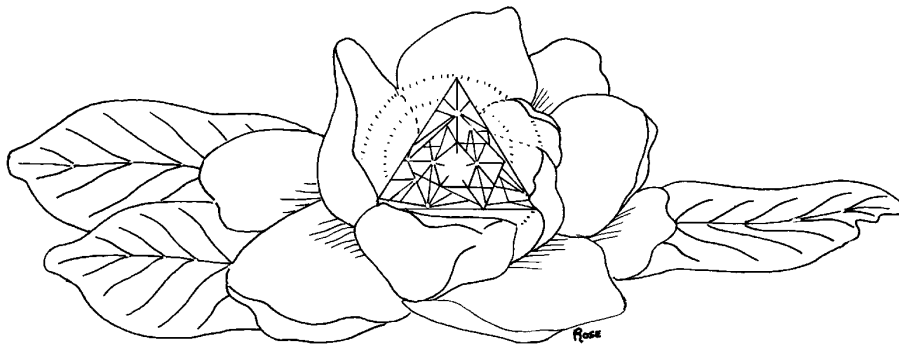


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The Law of Paradox and that Peculiar Motion called Balance

I believe that there is a desire to make a difference, a hunger to serve the common good, that is resident within virtually all people—that all people yearn to perform meaningful work that will contribute to some higher purpose rather than just personal self-advancement and monetary gain—that all people hunger for good lives for their families; harmonious communities and loving connectedness. They also want to know that they are valued by friends and family for their caring contribution to the larger whole.

Inherently all people are world servers for: The true world server makes for humanity a better place in which to live and grow. At the core, in our hearts we all want that. We all aspire to this service.

Tonight, in the orb of the full moon of Pisces, I feel called by my village to speak. You, my community of friends and fellow soul travelers, call forth to me to make some suggestions about the truth of what we are in relationship to our lives—of what we are up to in terms courage to make a difference in the world in which we live.

We all want that—to make a meaningful contribution to our families, our immediate communities, our larger society and the PLANET if we dare to dream so big. And don't we all secretly hope that the entire world may be a better place for our passing through in "our time," THIS TIME. We harbor the hope that we can each contribute in our own meaningful way to the working out of the Divine Plan on Earth. We all nurture this thought, some in the fore and some in the background of our minds—indeed it is an essential truth of who we are. Each of us is a piece of the Divine Plan as "a becoming."

Herman Melville said it well; " We cannot live for ourselves alone. Our lives are connected by a thousand invisible threads, and along these sympathetic fibers our actions run as causes and return to us as results."

Tonight I want to talk about a small part of my story and my special contribution to the Plan, and the piece of clay on a small section of the web of Life that I have been given, assigned to refine, to work on this time—or AGAIN.

This is very deeply personal material and I feel both pushed and repelled as I attempt to speak about it. I think this is what they mean about being intimate in public; so I ask you to listen KINDLY.

All of my life I have had a special relationship—a special relationship—to what I call abuse. I am speaking about my relationship to the use of violence and dominance by people, used as a device to inflict the will of one over another in forceful, painful ways. I will talk about this tonight and how it has given me both: intense personal suffering and inversely a special relationship to **peacemaking**. How it has solidly related me—woven me, into the harmony and beauty and truth that are inherent within humanity as we work with the energies of our dominant ray of Harmony through Conflict, the 4th ray.

Looking back to my earliest time, I have had a personal and intimate connection to this issue. It began in my world in the context of parent to child abuse, with me as the child recipient. As my horizon of experience expanded, I went on to see this issue echo into the larger world; abuse in

other families going back generations, violent crime in our culture and war on our planet between cultures. Between the sexes it showed up as male dominance and female victimhood. When I have not been involved in it directly I have been circling it, or it has been surrounding me.

On a personal level, I frankly have not been able to avoid it. From the earliest physical and emotionally charged beatings in the formative years, I have sought to understand and heal from the effects. You could say I have been obsessed with the subject. Repeatedly, and at first unconsciously I have karmically drawn myself into relationship with others who had suffered the same patterns of abuse. Blindly, yet, like heat seeking missiles the invisible radar locks onto the pattern in each other. It has been impossible for me to avoid ... the inevitable emotional explosions. No matter what the surface coatings were on my co-conspirators, scratch the surface and the pattern was there. Even in business—I am in Real Estate Investment Banking—I have served as a lightning rod, drawing the abuse, the violence inherent within the company system out into the open.

My husband had been abused as a child; it was to avoid the effects of the acting out of the patterns of physical, mental and emotional abuse—to save myself and my children that I left my marriage, so many years ago. Yet the problem re-emerged in some other form in each successive relationship. I have walked around all sides of this issue of abuse, alternatively wearing the hat of the abuser, the abused or the covert abuser but mostly the victim, at least in this lifetime. Some have even commented that I should take the “kick me” sign off my back. When I heard that, it was a surprise for in some way they were speaking to my “blind spot”—my unconscious karmic patterns.

I know now that there are hundreds of millions of people like me who also have a special relationship with abuse and personal violence. Even though the reported incident of child abuse is only at 4.7% in this country according to Hilary Clinton, in her book “It takes a village,” I find that hard to believe. Amazingly, as I sat writing this talk, I received a call from Amnesty International, inviting me to be a “Partner in Conscience” to join in the fight against Torture in the world. The gentleman said they have made it their top focus because 69% of the governments in the world are still using Torture as an official tool of the state to create social control.

I know that we are all participating in a great working out of karma in this lifetime and we are stepping up together to get deeply present and conscious in the process of uncovering and discovering the solution that is inherent within this problem.

Yes, inherent within this problem—of this expression of discordant human relationships, human violence—is a solution. Virtually everyone today, with some exposure to psychology, understands that a troubling pattern or problem will keep repeating itself until it has been resolved—that on its way to resolution the pattern gets louder and more demanding of our attention with each successive round of expression. It is as if Life in its infinite wisdom wants to show us the problem from all of its angles, so that we might finally comprehend its scope and nature by giving it the attention it cries out for. Big problems hide big and powerful solutions.

As culture, as a nation, we have seen personal violence expressed by one of our children, the 9th grade boy in San Diego who killed 2 classmates and wounded 13 others with gun fire—a Columbine echo—an echo of the unsolved violence within our culture and ourselves.

The pattern of human violence is up in our faces again and we have the possibility of finding the harmony within the conflict.

As esoterists we are taught “The Divine Plan is always in manifestation, regardless of outer appearance. That manifestation may be a becoming or a perfection, but it is always there, moving within the appearance to restore order out of chaos; working out through appearance into the Light of Day. War ... is the Divine Plan, as a becoming for it must eventually teach man the error of his violence, while world unity and peace would be the Divine Plan in a phase of perfect expression.” (Lesson 4, *The Nature of The Soul*, published by Wisdom Impressions, P. 53) We learn to orient our vision to the Divine purpose underlying the so-called bad happenings.

Each of us can look at ourselves as a *Becoming*—as a piece of the Divine Plan working out into manifestation.

So what is the underlying purpose of humanity’s pattern of violence?

To shed light on this I want to quote directly some material from Master R. from Lesson 14 of *The Nature of The Soul*, published by Wisdom Impressions:

“The fourth ray of Harmony through Conflict, which is derived from, and is a differentiated expression of the second ray of, Love-Wisdom. (*The Nature of The Soul*, P. 177)

The fourth ray of Harmony is one of the most interesting energies of the minor four, and one of the most important during this phase of human evolution. It is not the ray which produces the creative arts, as is most commonly believed, but in its positive expression produces a dynamic system of balance which tunes and harmonizes the many frequencies in the instrument to the frequency of the Soul.

In the case of the probationer on the path, this energy manifests first as an observation of the pairs of opposites.... (*The Nature of The Soul*, P. 181)

This harmonizing energy is anything but passive in quality. It is essentially dynamic, for it fuses the pairs of opposites together in such a way as to render them whole, thus producing a whole tone in the sounding Word of God.

For some time, then, the probationer attempts to become passive, to take the path of least resistance, and this does serve a purpose since it renders him more easily the observer.

Moving along what he considers to be the middle way, he observes the pairs of opposites, endeavoring to balance them from his central point of focus.” (*The Nature of The Soul*, P. 182)

The following 4th Ray seed thought: I have used this seed thought in meditation with great benefit:

“Alone I stand upon the scales, and reaching out I bring into all relationships that peculiar motion which results in balance.

‘That peculiar motion’ is the expression of the fourth ray of Harmony, which enables the probationer to move from passivity into action — to reach out and bring the opposites into that central point of focus where balance is restored, where the so-called bad is transmuted into good.

At this point the probationer begins to comprehend the Law of Paradox. He learns that all concepts, all systems of thought, must be based upon a causal truth. Anything that is must have its foundation in reality or it could not be. At the same time everything that is must be false for it is confined in a form. Thus, he applies the Law of Paradox to every concept, every form, every experience with which

he is familiar, learning to understand the polar opposites, the so-called good and bad as 'essence' and 'form'. Nothing is strictly true or false, good or bad, everything is both, and through a recognition of this, the essence or reality and the form or substance can be so fused as to produce the whole tone, which in its magical effect tunes or harmonizes all other frequencies within its range of influence.

This is Harmony — a differentiated expression of Love-Wisdom. It produces that understanding which is a prerequisite to right relationship, whether it be with the One Life, a situation, or among peoples.” (*The Nature of The Soul*, PP. 182-183)

As time progressed I began to hold this pattern with a sense of proportion: it was not just something that happened to me as a child and then showed up in my later relationships; it was a pattern in my family going back many generations. I heard my mother's and father's stories. I recognized it was a pattern within many parts of humanity around the world. I have come to understand that it was no accident that my Soul chose to enter through this particular set of parents at this time and place—that my parents were actually my co-conspirators (on a soul level) in healing this pattern in the world.

I see that my opportunity to make a difference—the gift in the wound—is to heal this particular pattern so that a new healthy pattern, one of loving inclusive wholeness can be established in the substance and consciousness of the etheric, astral and mental fields that comprise my form.

This new pattern like a healthy virus can then spread into the collective etheric light body of humanity, transmitting its reconfigured etheric DNA, or information field into the morphogenetic fields that stand behind our forms—to collaborate with our souls intent to create forms in accordance with the divine plan.

I have progressed from being in the pattern, and very much identified with it to being a keen observer, mostly outside of it—bringing love and presence and NOW speech to bare.

There has been a progression from being a passive recipient of the damage to being an aggressive experimenter of techniques to heal the damage within myself and others. This has been accompanied by a fierce determination “not to be a perpetrator of the same”— “non-negotiable” commitment to HARMLESSNESS.

My personal family legacy of violence has very directly brought me to sit squarely on the spiritual path. It brought me there early, as I sought to resolve my own suffering. It has kept me there steadily, ever aspiring to greater understanding, consciousness and unity within myself and in my relationships.

I stand now with a group of people—ALL OF YOU—co-workers, individuals who have each firmly committed to producing in themselves and others that next state of evolution that we call Group Consciousness. We are striving to refine the energy force and substance of our vehicles, individually and as a group. To participate in that expansion of consciousness called group initiation. We do this through mediation, healing and other highly qualified techniques. We share what we discover with others.

It has been fully 50 years since I first set my feet upon this my personal path of unfolding the karma of violence and abuse. Indeed it is my birthday in just a few days. I was born under the sign of Pisces: I gain more perspective of being in the right place at the right time, as I read in the Labors of Hercules, in Pisces “... the keynote given is courage and the Piscean temperament is called a battlefield, for its message is 'liberation'.... The climax [of Pisces] reads: All conflicts are absolved, all transitions are resolved

into Christ births....” (*The Labors of Hercules*, P. 123)

Pisces is the sign of world savior—whether on a macro or micro sphere.

I can see how appropriately my life has unfolded; this original pattern occurred in a group, the family. It is most auspicious that the wholeness occurs as a result of group conscious initiation and evolution. The Law of Paradox here is demonstrated.

I have to dissolve the fractionations and occlusions within my own equipment, to liberate those bits of consciousness from their imprisonment in old thought forms and emotional and etheric forms, embodying an internal coherence and unity progressively downloaded by the Soul. I see myself as a microcosm—“a Becoming” of what needs to occur and is occurring within groups and the nation and the world.

I ask myself, with sincerity, would I ever have devoted myself to this focus if I had no experience of the problem? I doubt it. Each of us becomes The Path.

DK does speak to a time that is coming, when we will find grace and joy as a continuum, when we will be learning by joy and not by suffering.

I am sure that time will come—that as we each embody the consciousness of the Christ, each become the Buddha, the awakened ones, all the way down into our brains, into the our atoms and cells and the spaces in between, gradiantly becoming beings of light and love and power—where we demonstrate compassion and patience in all of our activities and creations. We will know the joy that is our destiny. We will be coherent, cooperative harmonious players in the One Life.

I do not think I have really shared anything new here this evening.

But what is new is the opportunity to heal this pattern in Group formation as applicants for group consciousness. Together, reaching up to the Christ with an invocative strength of great potency—WE will evoke—liberate from the “man in form” that consciousness and love that resides within the heart of humanity. The Hierarchy is in process of emergence, and humanity in its present form is the Hierarchy as a “Becoming,” as it is foretold that Every Man would be a CHRIST.

A poem from Christopher Fry's play *The Prisoner* says it beautifully....

The human heart may go the length of God
Dark and cold we may be
But this is no winter now
The frozen misery of centuries
Cracks, breaks, begins to move
The thunder is the thunder of the flows,
The thaw, the flood, the upstart spring
Thank God our time is now
When wrong come up to meet us everywhere
Never to leave us till we take the greatest stride
of soul folk ever took
Affairs are now soul size
The enterprise is expiration into God
But what are you waiting for?
It takes so many thousand years to wake
But will you wake, for pity's sake?

Carol Houst
March 2001

FULL MOON GROUP MEDITATION

I. PREPARING THE CHALICE

At this point, we prepare the group instrument for an act of group service upon the plane of mind.

We gather and blend our forces into a sincere desire *and determined will* to be a ready instrument for the Forces of Light and Love. With the physical eyes closed, see with the **mind's eye** two persons in this group with whom you already feel a sense of fellowship in service—whether they are present here or at a distance ... **See them and yourself as three points of a triangle** ... Turn toward them with your heart ... Visualize a stream of loving regard, of heart energy, flowing *around* the triangle from you ... to first one ... on to the other ... and return ... Again, send a stream of loving regard from you ... to one, on to the other, and return ... Once more, send love from you ... to one, on to the other, and return—thus circulating heart energy around the triangle three times.

Now, let individual persons fade out of your field of visualization. See each triangle simply as a three- pointed field of heart energy ... the triangles interlacing with one another ... weaving the chalice. Thus is created the light body of this group. It is a chalice, built of relationships, bright and shining with service.

FOR LEO

II. LIFTING THE CHALICE

As **one group self** ... let the roots of our selfhood penetrate more deeply into the matrix of the One Life. Let the group self know its identity with the one group of all true servers. Let the roots of our selfhood sink still more deeply, confidently, into the matrix of the One Life.

During a period of consecrated silence, let the heart of the group unfold its willing petals to the warmth and loving touch of the planetary heart center. We offer ourselves to the very Heart of the Sun, so that the wellspring of love may find in us a free, unimpeded channel for the flow of love into every life we touch. Thus may the sun that shines in the heart of every man be kindled to brighter radiance.

Theme for Silent Meditation:

**MAY THE WELLSPRING OF LOVE
FIND IN US AN UNIMPEDED CHANNEL**

III. FILLING THE CHALICE

Gently ... gradually ... let us bring our meditation to a close, refocusing the mind into the here and now. Thoughtfully ... quietly ... together ...

(THE GREAT INVOCATION)

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