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Dear Friends:

The attached issue of ***Thoughtline*** deals with the thoughtform of death. This issue has been in process for a couple of months, and was finished on the Friday before Senator Ted Kennedy died. Most of us, I presume, realize that there are no coincidences, just manifesting confluences of the ever present synthesis which we do not normally see.

Even more intriguing is the fact that one of our most recent and best examples of a disciple "in progress", as are we all, and clearly a member of the New Group of World Servers died in the depth of the inbreathing cycle of Virgo. Virgo, we all agree, is about what is being born. I see no contradiction in this. Rather I see a graphic and beautiful statement that underlies all of the Ageless Wisdom teachings regarding Life and the doorways into and out of dense form.

On the micro level, we understand well the processes of making a space for a new life to come into form, a baby to be born. We know about the preparations, the reorganizations and the rearrangement of priorities that are natural to parents who are birthing a child: The study becomes the nursery. Closets must be emptied to make space for the accouterments of baby and childhood. Certain priorities around scheduling of one's time occur. Frequently the giving up, at least temporarily, of some of one's favorite things must occur, and the reorganization of how family resources and money is used are significant.

On the Macro level, we have all seen time elapsed photos from the Hubble telescope that record the birth of a star. Similar, to the birth of a baby, although mega times greater, rearrangements and reorganizations of vast heavenly bodies occur. If all of this rearranging and reorganizing on both the macro and micro levels involved human beings rather than closets, studies, and heavenly bodies, we would think of it as death.

And death is what it is.

Just to focus for a moment on the present passing of Senator Ted Kennedy. Senator Kennedy's focus was much broader than the health care issue. His central focus was, to use a term, Right Human Relations. This was also the focus of Jack Kennedy, Robert Kennedy and Martin King. A more common term for Right Human Relations at least in this country is Civil Rights. All of the programs that support and give life to the Common Good and the General Welfare flow from this genesis. Right Human Relations is a cornerstone of the agenda of the **Forces of Progression**. It provides the moral prerogatives, the Wisdom of the Heart, and the pure reasoning Will of Love.

Three of these brothers were murdered: Jack, in November, 1963, Martin in April, 1968 and Robert in August, 1968. Besides the almost immediate implementation of the Civil Rights Act and other legislation in support of the Common Good and General Welfare, that followed the murder of Jack Kennedy, these three deaths played an enormously important role in the creation and expansion of a new kind of consciousness. We call

this group consciousness, and although much legislation of a deeply draconian nature has been manifested in the intervening 50 years, this consciousness has continued to grow and expand. It recently elected a new President of the United States. This president does not march to just a different drummer, he hears the whole orchestra.

It is this always and only coexisting nuance regarding the doors which we call birth and death which lie between Life in and out of Form, that we miss either in the joy of the new birth or the grief of what we think of as death. Eventually, when we grow wise enough, humanity will realize that Life or Love is all there is.

The passing of Ted Kennedy has made an enormous space into which something is being born. It remains now to see how the essence of the Soul whom we knew as Ted Kennedy which was released into the well of the human heart and the Common Good will manifest.

Loving us
-tom

ThoughtLine

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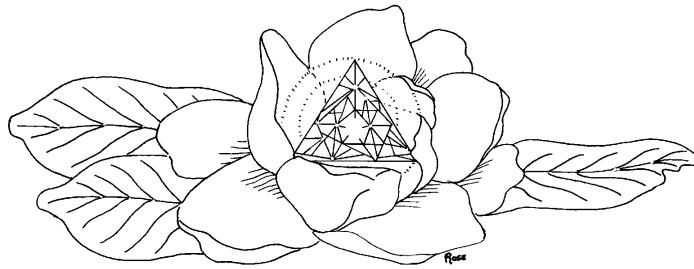
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In this Synthesis, the quality as never before is that of Divine Love-Wisdom. This is the quality which underlies and moves through, within, interpenetrates, the expression of Synthesis in an area of activity - *the quality.....* it will qualify the action of the will. It will qualify the intelligent activity aspect. It will qualify the strength. It will qualify the actions. It will permeate everything so that it becomes one of the first recognizable characteristics of the energy of Synthesis. *Applied Wisdom* P. 571-2

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The Death Prologue

“I speak about Death as one who knows the matter from the outer world experience and the inner life expression: There is no death. There is, as you know, entrance into fuller life. There is freedom from the handicaps of the fleshly vehicle. The rending process so much dreaded does not exist, except in the cases of violent and sudden death, and then the only true disagreeables are an instant and overwhelming sense of imminent peril and destruction and something closely approaching an electric shock. No more.” *Master D.K. in Esoteric Healing P. 446*

“The forces of death are abroad today, but it is the death of liberty, the death of free speech, the death of freedom in human action, the death of truth and of the higher spiritual values. These are the vital factors in the life of humanity; the death of the physical form is a negligible factor in relation to these, and one easily righted again through the processes of rebirth and fresh opportunity.” *Master D.K. in Externalization of the Hierarchy P. 232*

As all esotericists know, death and dying are major topics covered at depth in all manifestations of the Ageless Wisdom. My own engagement with the Ageless Wisdom has been primarily through the works of Master D.K. in conjunction with Alice A. Bailey, the body of writings we call the Agni Yoga Teachings from Master M., and the works, which we call the Nature of the Soul Teachings, from Master R. in conjunction with Lucille Cedercrans.

Students and practitioners of the Ageless Wisdom have much information regarding the processes concerning what actually occurs when a soul reaches the end of his or her incarnational journey and begins the return journey to the Ashram from which he or she came. I have created and led, as have many other esotericists, classes and groups in the study of the materials on death and dying. I have had the experience of being relatively close to known disciples who were approaching this transition experience, and depending on the degree to which the information has been transformed from knowledge into wisdom, it has relatively offset the fear and power that death has over those who do not possess such in-depth understanding.

However, putting disciples, relatively learned or not, aside, it is the easiest thing in the world to see that the specter which we call death has a major hold over the vast, vast majority of humanity. Apparently, if the reactions of the monkey who is about to be eaten by the lion are any evidence, death exercises a similar hold over at least significant portions of the animal kingdom.

The experiences I have been having as a result of my rhythmic participation in the apparently ever deepening meditation work of a worldwide group of esoteric meditators vis-à-vis group consciousness have caused me to re-examine much of the “knowledge” which I possessed regarding most of the areas of my life and time in this incarnated state. This re-visiting and

re-examination included some rather extensive knowledge of death and dying. This knowledge is available to anyone who can read. It will be found in Master D.K.'s *Esoteric Healing*. And it is presented on practically every page of a number of Master M.'s books but prominently so in the 4 volumes called *The Supermundane*. Master R.'s writings also give much information and data regarding the continuation of the one Path upon which the door of death opens and how to deal with it.

I have been sharing the fruits of this re-visitation through conversation, discussion, and writing via **Thoughtline** and a few of the other little things I cause to be released with the individuals in the small workshop groups and in the larger Community within which I work and to whom I owe all I understand. The ancient chant of those making the third approach, "All that I am and all that I have belongs to others not myself," is deeply meaningful in relation to death and dying.

For the most part, all of us have been conscious students of the Ageless Wisdom in previous incarnations. I thoroughly understand the value of meditating, studying and serving with group brothers and sisters. One of the great joys of this work is introducing new friends to the current thoughtform presentations of the Great Teachers and, of course, finding and re-acquainting, or helping old friends from previous incarnations to recall the Ancient Wisdom, and see it in the present thoughtform presentations. I spend the majority of my time in this pursuit.

I have come to realize, however, that a number of the crises facing humanity such as those in the global financial system, environment, politics, planetary health, education, which are at this moment forming the battle field upon which death is stalking, have not seen solutions, have not been resolved or even very widely understood from a causal perspective through the methods of meditating, holding classes and discussions in esoteric lore, and training meditators here and there.

A major current example of the inertia that has overcome our normal engines for bringing in new energy and ideas is totally visible in the stalemate that the Brothers of the Shadow, by manipulating and enhancing the fear of death, have managed to cause in the effort to reform our communal systems such as the healthcare system in the U. S. All of the wisdom of the Ages which can be found in the books I mentioned above and many others including many written by the academics of today concerning "near death experiences" and so forth have done very little to raise consciousness in this area. The fear of death has been used time and time again by the Brothers of the Shadow to implement their agenda. Another prime example of this is the way in which the United States of America was consciously manipulated into initiating the Iraq war and the resulting carnage over the past 7 or 8 years. This is so typical of how the sophistry of the dark side works. Humanity is frightened by the fear of death into killing itself, liberty, justice, truth, decency... you name it.

To impact this situation is therefore going to take much more than the efforts we are making in our training and workshops and conferences. It is going to take more than this. It is going

to require esotericists to put aside their fear, acquired from having been time and time again killed, exiled, enslaved for speaking the Wisdom out loud in the public squares and courts. It is going to require us to find the courage to come out of our closets and to speak plainly and as clearly as we can about the nature of Reality and the fact of the Great Illusion. We, after all, are the ones who actually understand what is going on. It is a crime for us to keep what we know and understand from the public discourse because we are afraid of our credibility within the power structures of the old civilization. We can no longer be intimidated by being labeled weird by establishment forces, as they labeled Jerry Brown (Governor Moon Beam), the governor of California when he ran for the Presidency. I think that we do not have to worry much about being sold into slavery, at least not yet. However, common sense and the long view of the Great Unfolding assures us that the Forces of Retrogression will stop at nothing to "protect their turf." Witness the murders of Jack and Robert Kennedy. And who is going to say the Dr. King was not an esotericist. These initiates were brothers of courage whose hearts were aflame.

Step up to the plate brothers and sisters. It is our turn at bat.

Thus the following *Thoughtline* deals with that great terror **DEATH**. The approach attempts to be as non-esoteric as possible, and to still convey the facts regarding the nature of the Real. In this issue I speak about the effects of group consciousness on our conscious awareness of death. I am approaching this subject which is a major, major blockage to the higher frequencies of Truth attempting to penetrate human awareness in a kind of straightforward way. I am an esotericist, I freely admit it. I must work from that point of view; however, I am attempting to speak in language that bridges into the areas of understanding where most of our brothers and sisters live. At times I have no choice but to wax esoteric. There is simply no language to cover some of very abstract concepts of the Real with which esotericists deal.

On that point, I must beg your indulgence. In Master R.'s book, ***The Nature of the Soul***, he indicates that in order to register the concepts with which he is going to deal, the students must clear their minds of all preconceived or limiting ideas that they may be entertaining in regard to certain terms that will come up. "We tend to define, and thus limit, a concept in those terms which express a familiar experience within our own tiny sphere of awareness." ***Nature of the Soul P. 285***

To the degree possible, I am avoiding the overt use of much of the technical aspects about death and dying that we as esotericists know; however, this knowledge and understanding underpins every word I use. I ask for your attention and appreciate the time you will take to look into ***Group Consciousness: Fear and Death***.

-Tom Carney
Appropriately in Virgo.

Group Consciousness Fear and Death

The most ancient mantra/prayer known to present Humanity is “Lead us from the darkness to the Light, from the unreal to the Real and from death to Immortality.” This mantra is divided into three parts or formulas. The last bit, “Lead us from death to immortality,” is known as “Formula 3” The other two are Formulas 1 and 2. *“The three directives embody and express the oldest invocative appeal in the world, and (because of the age of this appeal) these three formulas have given a direction that naught can offset; the resultant conditions are inevitable.”* **Discipleship In the New Age II, P.304**

As we know, *“Any sense of separateness is due simply to ignorance and to the fact that certain energies are as yet unable to make adequate impression upon the human consciousness, functioning in time and space.”* **Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle P.137,8** There are a couple of things that we need to understand here. One is that “...these three formulas have given a direction that naught can offset; the resultant conditions are inevitable.” The other is that the Great Illusion functions in the time and space field occupied by those of us who find ourselves incarnate.

The Death Program

Perhaps the most powerful subroutine of the Great Illusion program is the Death Program. Thanks to our ancient and very deep identification with our form, the illusion of death has an enormously powerful grip on the human psyche. Consequently, death will probably be one of the last aspects of the Great Illusion to fade into the Light of the Real.

Thus, at this moment in time and space consciousness, much of what I am going to discuss below is about the reality that exists in the higher dimensions and is still “on its way into form.” It is not “here” in terms of time and space dimensions yet. Nevertheless, what discipleship is about, what Lanoo, The Archer, is ultimately looking for as he follows his arrows of reason ever deeper into the Light, is this final jewel of Truth: our immortality. So let us examine this greatest of all charades of The Brothers of Shadow. We can map out at least in its outlines, the path before us and begin to expose the terror of the death program for the sham it is.

The Grand Transition

When, inevitably, it is our turn to make the grand transition or to be more scientific about this common occurrence, to be born into the “Real from the unreal, from the darkness into the Light, and from death to Immortality”, we will get the opportunity to demonstrate just how much of this Truth we are able to embody. Conquering this illusion, by which I mean dissipating it so that Truth can be seen and experienced, not only leads one out of the clutches of the death boogeyman which has terrified us and controlled almost our every move from virtually the “beginning”, it reveals and enables us to establish our balance on the unassailable path of the continuity of consciousness. It signifies our final approach to the Third Door and the impending transfiguration, so to speak. What did you think it indicates?

A little background will be helpful in understanding just how we came to be in

this deadly state of mortal unawareness, or unreality. The generating virus is an ancient virtual reality program, or game, if you like. We call this game **The Grim Reaper**. It comes as an embedded aspect of the kernel in the C.P.U. or the human psyche. It automatically loads and runs at the get-go when the system is booted or slapped into dense physical awareness.

The Grim Reaper is a highly sophisticated 4 dimensional virtual reality game. It comes complete with a selection of Death Avatars which we can modify to fit whatever illusion of guilt or fear is currently freaking us out. Perhaps you are very cool and would like someone like Joe Black?

The default avatar is, in terms of today's horror movie genre, rather lame but still quite effective. He comes with a semi bony face, no nose to speak of, and runny eyes. This lash up seems to lurk over a gash that exposes a mouth full of teeth in various stages of rot. The mouth is twisted into the kind of smile one would associate with total madness. A couple of bone arms to which are attached a pair of boney hands protrude from the sleeves of a rotting black hooded robe. The default is clutching a notched and rusty, or is that bloody, scythe with which he plans to reap us.

The Original Stalker

The Death Avatar has been stalking us in one form or another ever since our first birth. When it is actuated there is an auto-release of a deep and very subtle, in most cases overwhelming, fear frequency: that sudden sense of grave danger, the cold sweat and feeling of your hair all standing on end. This frequency has been used to manipulate us and keep us enslaved in the Great Lie, or Illusion.

The game is so simple that it escapes conscious recognition, hence the unawareness of this pseudo-condition of mortality. The game goes like this: over uncountable eons, The Forces of Retrogression have totally convinced us to the very core of our being that we are in fact our dense physical, or fleshy bodies. They then point out that dense physical bodies simply do not last that long. There is, of course, unlimited hard evidence to back up this last bit of sophistry.

Dust To Dust

This last bit, we are but flesh and bones, "from dust you came to dust you return", is so deeply ingrained in our psyche that Webster defines mortal thusly: "The condition or quality of being mortal; subjection to death or to **the necessity** of dying." And then "Those who are, or that which is, mortal; the human race; humanity; human nature." As we can plainly see, it is an accepted fact that we are mortal and that death is inevitable. Human life has been reduced to the basic fundamentals as pointed out by T.S. Eliot, "Birth, copulation and death, those are all the facts when you get down to brass tacks."

One of the things I find almost amusing about this if it were not so diabolical is this basic syllogism, "All men are mortal. Socrates is a man. Therefore, Socrates is mortal," one which I dutifully memorized along with every student who has been taught **Logic** in the world's educational systems over the last 2500 years or so. Here we see the way in which the name of Socrates, one of the foremost spokespersons of the Ageless Wisdom in the last 3000 years, has been used to drive this bit of the Great Illusion even deeper into the human psyche.

In the typical sophistic way of the Brothers of the Shadow, the conclusion of this syllogism, "**Socrates is mortal**", is not the point being driven home. That point is the Major premise, which is asserted as an incontrovertible truth: "**All men are mortal.**" Then, as an afterthought, even Socrates, and, by the way, we proved this by having him killed with the hemlock draught.

The Killing Fields Of Daily Life

After thoroughly convincing us beyond any question or doubt of this basic lie, the Shadow Brothers proceed to kill us through an uncountable myriad of ways, chief of which are war, famine, and disease. Actually, and this next point really indicates the depth of the evil of these Brothers, they do not do the killing. They get us to kill each other in the absurd notion and blind fear that we are thereby extending our own lives.

Furthermore, in a subset of this Death game called **Daily Living**, having made death an unavoidable eventuality, they proceed to con us into all kinds of sick agreements to extend our lives and the perceived value of them by playing on the fears of death and the powerful desires for material wealth that they have manufactured with the illusion that we are our bodies

New Consciousness Old Lies

This pretty much sums up the status quo for being a "regular," that is non-group consciousness, human on planet Earth. What I want to do now is examine the effects of the ever-expanding evolution of consciousness from selfhood into grouphood as it impacts this darkest of all aspects of the Retrogressive Forces' "end game."

The End of Death

Basically, group consciousness will, granted, over a somewhat long run, eliminate the concept of death, as we now know and shudder before it. Presently, without our even noticing it, our consciousness is evolving. Through the process of synthesis, consciousness expands very gradually to a point where we begin to include in our awareness the fact of others.

One could say that we are always aware of others, and this is so. However, our initial awareness of others does not spring from this evolving awareness of recognition of others as extensions of ourselves. It flows as a natural result of our identification with our dense physical forms. The point of view of the large majority of humans is that of a *separated from others* self-consciousness.

We see others as contestants and competitors in The Grim Reaper game. ***The Avoidance Module*** is the motivator engine of the game. The objective is to avoid the Grim Reaper as long as possible. This is accomplished by accruing personal power (which on the upper levels of the game, corresponds to the ownership of material wealth) by whatever means are available and using this wealth to prolong consciousness in the form. Cloning, and the creation of cyborg or bionic bodies for example will soon be a fad pursued by the super wealthy and a multibillion dollar business.

The Grim Reaper Game is played at the many different levels of humanity which we call classes, but it is relatively all the same game. One's ability to accrue power at whatever level one is a player usually enables one to avoid death for longer

periods of time than his or her immediate fellows. There are many examples of this grim truth: entitlement to such things as food, shelter, medical attention, children of wealth are frequently able to avoid going to war and so forth.

There is even, we surmise from many tales of humanity's distant and not so distant past, a ***Lets Make A Deal Module***. In this module, one can trade one's free will or soul (as revealed for us in ***The Devil and Daniel Webster***) for a kind of immortality.

However, In spite of the best efforts of the Retrogressive Forces to prevent it, consciousness inevitably evolves into an expansion of awareness beyond the tiny aura of one's own self-centered focus. "The essential synthesis exists, and the end is sure and inevitable; unity is attainable because unity exists and the sense of separateness is simply the Great Illusion." ***Telepathy and The Etheric Vehicle P.137***. The view gradually shifts so that others begin to be seen not as contestants fighting for a piece of a very limited pie, but as being somehow related to one's self, somehow connected.

Recognition of Essential Divinity

A very tenuous point where there is a conscious recognition of mutual value, mutual needs, mutual longings, fears, loves and hopes emerges, and gradually expands. As the consciousness expands, a relationship of mutuality and a recognition of essential divinity is gradually born. As this awareness grows and becomes brain conscious real, we are progressively able to detach from our identification with our separate material bodies. As this growing sense of unity becomes real in terms of brain recognition, that is when one says Aha. We begin to be able to have

conscious recognition that we are the others as well as ourselves. We begin to include otherness, other people and things, Nature for example, and animals in our **sense of self**.

The others become transfigured. From enemies and competitors they turn into ourselves, other beings which we realize are at their core, exactly like one's self. We can finally say, these are me. I am them. One begins the transition from death to life.

What we have here is an intellectual description of the Real. It is not that difficult to get this as truth. It only makes sense. This intellectual comprehension of a reasonable reality, as opposed to the absurdity of the Grim Reaper Program, is a first step into the Light. One never find what one cannot see or imagine, or doesn't think exists and does not look for it.

The actual experience of this all happens over a period of time. It gradually rises from below the threshold of realization into awareness. The Death Game is still very prevalent. However, in the recent election cycle in the United States, we witnessed a huge demonstration of the fact of our expanding consciousness from selfhood into grouphood. People in the millions at various levels of realization were responding to a group, or to use an esoteric term, a Soul-Centered call for freedom and justice, for equality, for the shift from private greed and corruption--"Politics as Usual"--to the support for the General Welfare and the Common Good.

This phenomena did not occur over night, and it was not ginned up by the candidate, Barack Obama. Rather the fact of its presence within the human psyche called out Barack Obama and made his election

possible. There are a couple of aspects of evolution that are not very well understood or even considered much outside of esoteric circles. One is that evolution concerns consciousness. Except in the fact that they are manifestations of the ever-evolving consciousness, evolution does not concern the dense physical plane and its appearances of body types, programs, phylums, kingdoms and so forth. The evolution of consciousness has been underway in all aspects of Planetary life including the One Humanity from the "beginning."

The other seldom considered, and little understood aspect of evolution is the role in evolution that human Free Will plays. Free Will expressed by every single human being and by Humanity as a whole is an unavoidable aspect of evolution. This fact accounts for the seemingly longish time it takes to get anything done on the macro level of the human race. It takes a certain number of individuals choosing the higher way for evolution to manifest the next appearance. This is partly what Master D.K. is alluding to when he points out that *"Any sense of separateness is due simply to ignorance and to the fact that certain energies are as yet unable to make adequate impression upon the human consciousness, functioning in time and space."* **Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle P.137**

The evolution from selfhood into grouphood continually widens the area of human consciousness that is susceptible to these higher energies. This expansion in no way diminishes one's sense of Self but rather sets the Self free from the terrible, tiny prison cell of self-centeredness into the realization and experience of our true unity with all beings. As noted above, "...unity is attainable because unity exists and the

sense of separateness is simply the Great Illusion."

It is this growing expansion of consciousness that opens the door between death and immortality. It leads eventually to the incontrovertible knowing, an unshakeable realization of Truth that we are not our bodies, we are that immortal something which endures, which goes on and on and on until we find that jewel for which Lanoo has been searching. This realization creates a Light so bright that the specter of death fades totally out of the picture, and we begin to learn what it means to be free, at least on the Cosmic physical plane.

Our Brothers' Keepers

In conclusion, we gradually come to realize a deep and profound aspect of this union with our brothers: the release from selfhood to grouphood, from the prison of form identification into Spiritual awareness is also a release into responsibility. We finally get to know what the Ancients meant when they told us over and over that "We are our brothers keepers'."

Let Our Elder Brother Master D. K. have the last word here: *"The right attitude is now present in many people in every race, and it is the recognition of this which has called forth the activity of the Brothers of the Shadow at this time. They realize that the time of their power is shortening. The hold of the materialistic values over man is steadily becoming weaker. So far has man progressed that there are enough people in the world today to turn the tide if they can be aroused from their apathy."* **The Externalization Of The Hierarchy p. 310**

Tom Carney
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