Consciousness Class 122

Greetings, students. This evening we shall continue on with our journey of long, long ago.

As you recall from our last meeting, I was standing before this great wall and an opening had finally appeared in the wall and I looked through that opening. And I began to wonder and then I moved through that wall. As I did so, my eyes viewed so many multitudes of forms all around and about me. I could not help but experience feelings of fear and disturbance, for many of those forms that I was now viewing, to me, seemed to be hideous and grotesque. However, they did not appear to have life or movement of any kind. I walked along through that strange and mysterious realm, viewing the millions upon millions of forms, for, in truth, their numbers were so many.

And as I walked along I saw to my left a form that appeared to me to be quite beautiful. And as time passed, more and more beautiful forms appeared amongst the grotesque. I wondered what strange realm I could have entered. And as I continued to wonder, a voice rose from the seeming nothingness and spoke to me and said, "You have entered the realms of self-preservation. You have been enabled to enter them because you have surrendered them. And, in so doing, you have the view of objectivity, for you are no longer a part of them as long as you remember to separate your eternal being from all these things your mind, in its evolution, has created. But should you forget and once again believe that they are a part of you, then a part of them you shall once again become."

I continued to view these many forms and wondered, "How could I have possibly created such diverse forms in my mind?" And as I continued to wonder and to ponder and to think, I noticed a movement around and about me. Fear rose from the depths of my being. A hand moved out to clutch my throat. And in that instant I knew I had lost my own salvation. For a moment I had forgotten and became concerned.

You may ask your questions at this time.

Thank you. This philosophy provides much food for thought, lending a seriousness to all acts and deeds. How can this seriousness best be balanced with humor, the salvation of the soul?

In acceptance within the consciousness that all things, in truth, are serving the purpose for which they have been designed. In viewing life from a level of consciousness that sees the basic good in the depths of all expression, man then may enjoy life for what life truly has to offer. It is in making a constant effort to entertain the beauty that is the divinity of one's true being—the loss of that beauty is when we give that divinity to so-called creation. And the giving of that divinity to so-called creation takes place when man does not make the constant effort to entertain thoughts of peace, to put the brakes on, so to speak, to the constant creating processes of mind substance.

Thank you. We are taught never to leave a soul worse off than when we found him and irritation wakes the soul. Can this irritation sometimes have the opposite effect and leave the irritated soul worse off than we have found him?

In reference to the teachings of never to leave a soul worse than you found them, the awakening within one's own being, known as discernment, is absolutely necessary to perceive the difference between the mind and the eternal soul. If, in your efforts to be an instrument of peace and light, you are called forth to help another soul to help itself, you must, in discernment, become aware of your motivation. You must become aware of whether or not you are moving from a level of consciousness known as judgment or whether or not you are moving from a level of consciousness known as unity.

This awareness comes from within your being: a feeling rises and that feeling you may perceive as a hurt within your own being, for, in truth, be ye on a soul level of consciousness, you will feel as your own the suffering of another. If that feeling and perception is not with you at the moment of your so-called decision, then you are moving from mental levels of consciousness and are moving in judgment. And in moving in those mental levels of consciousness, there are dangerous waters before you, as an evolving soul. For you lose the divine principle, known as unity, and you move in separation and judgment. Consequently, the final result is leaving a soul worse than you have found them.

To leave a soul better than you have found them does not mean that the vehicle through which the soul is expressing is necessarily happier than you found it. But it does mean that the soul is at peace, that principle, once again, has been reestablished in their consciousness, that they know beyond a shadow of any doubt that their experience was indeed an effect of their own transgressions. They are then stronger to lift up their own soul when a similar experience, they encounter.

And so, my good students, let us move in unity, in the universality of consciousness, for what affects one soul, in truth, is affecting all souls. And when our consideration is limited to certain areas in consciousness, we are not only hurting ourselves, but we are hurting others and, in so doing, we suffer greatly our own transgressions.

Let us not speak from levels of judgment. But let us not be deceived by mental substance. Let us look at life as life truly is: the way we make it and the way we alone take it.

Souls who have evolved in consciousness to step upon the path of spiritual freedom, in truth, are well aware of the need of change in the vehicles through which their eternal soul is expressing. And so it is they are aware of the need for change within themselves. When they enter into certain schools of spiritual thought and consideration, unless they accept wholly and completely the divine eternal truth—that man alone is responsible for his acts and activities, that all experience, in truth, is taking place within the consciousness, that everything, in truth, is inside—unless that truth is fully accepted, the vehicle through which the eternal soul is expressing demands and dictates that changes be made outside. But the soul knows. The changes necessary to be made are inside. And when those changes are made inside, they will view a different world outside.

And so, my good students, remember, change is the eternal Law of Progression, but it is a change inside. Man must learn to direct his attention inside for change, that he may free himself from the delusion that changes must be made outside by other people and places.

Thank you. Would you please further explain the teaching that divine desire is expression?

Yes, indeed, my students, divine expression is known as desire. Without desire, there is no expression in form. And because expression does not exist without form, when of no desire, there is no form. Therefore it is the very nature of form to desire. When man in consciousness, through total consideration, through total acceptance, enters divine will and divine love, then his soul, on that level of consciousness known as the universal being, is freed, for he is then formless and free—freed from all desire. In that instant, truth is separated from creation. That is known as being in the world and not a part of the world. However, those moments of consciousness are fleeting moments. But they are indeed most valuable moments, for it is in those fleeting moments of truth that man knows it's all worthwhile.

Without desire, there's no expression. But in the desire, man forgets that desire is an instrument, a vehicle, through which the Divinity is expressing itself. And because man forgets that desire is a vehicle through which Infinite Intelligence expresses, man becomes the desire and denies the Divinity. And because man

becomes the desire, forgetting its true sustenance and source, man falls into the socalled pits and dungeons of created substance.

It is our view of the divine expression that we must make effort to educate. It is not the divine expression that needs change, for the divine expression—its principle—is changeless. We forget that which sustains us. And in our forgetting, we pay the price, known as refinement—that which man calls suffering—that we may not eternally descend into darkness.

And so the climb is never, in truth, higher than the fall, for the eternal soul is still expressing through a created vehicle. And as long as the soul expresses, it must face and experience the duality of creation. When man, through total acceptance, rises to that level of consciousness where peace passeth all understanding—that is man's heaven, for that is where reason reigns supreme.

Thank you. How can we balance pride in what God has given us with gratitude for what he has given us?

As you all know as students, pride is a function that, in truth, denies the true eternal Source. We have never taught that man should strive to annihilate the functions. And therefore, in keeping with our philosophy, we do not teach that man should strive to annihilate pride.

Gratitude is a soul faculty through which there is an ever increasing abundant flow of all good into man's universe.

Whenever man permits himself to make statements of spoken word and thought that he is limited and lacks so many things, in that spoken word man denies the divine right and fullness of God. For what man, in truth, is saying, what he, in truth, is dictating in his consciousness is that he, his mind, is greater and more reliable than the divine Infinite Intelligence, known as God.

So, my good students, whenever we say, "I must do this and I must do that in order that I may have this and I may have that," we are rising to the epitome of pride, dictating and declaring that our minds, a created substance, is greater than the Divine. And because we are rising in the function of pride by such a declaration, we close the door of the soul faculty of gratitude through which all good may flow through our universe. For what we have done, in truth, is declare and dictate to God our total reliance upon mental substance, which limits the free flow of goodness in our life.

And so it is that man suffers the consequences and swims in the sea of deception and delusion, known as lack and limitation, and further deceives his own eternal soul by another deception when he says, "Those things never bother me." Let us look at life, my friends, and be free through the soul faculty of gratitude. And when we face our daily activities, let us recognize and accept the fullness of God. That acceptance comes through a surrender of our function called pride. But without that surrender, we continue on in our own delusions in our own deceptions in our own lack and limitation and our life becomes the demonstration of our own fear, the demonstration of our own reliance upon our own limited mind.

And so, my good students, man constantly battles with his own being, with his own thoughts, with his own reliance. Man constantly dictates what is right and what is wrong, what is good and what is bad, and deprives himself, from those constant contradictions, of the peace and joy and beauty—the true purpose of the soul's expression.

Thank you. Can desire ever originate from the soul?

Desire is the divine expression. And the divine expression flows through the soul. Flowing through the soul, it's called "aspiration." As it enters into the vehicles and functions, it's called "desire."

Thank you. Why is it advisable for a person to meditate each day and what are the benefits of meditation?

The benefits of meditation have been discussed many, many times. Without discipline, there is no control of the wanderings of the mind and its multitude of thoughts, which, in turn, create so many forms. The true benefit of meditation, we speak forth once again: to rise the soul consciousness to realms supernal of peace and beauty while still expressing through the forms of creation.

As the soul enters these realms supernal in the here and the now, there is a great a peace that enters and transforms the vehicles through which the soul is expressing. The effects of this transformation are known as perfect peace and perfect harmony and perfect health. A disturbed soul is disturbed by the vehicles of form through which it is expressing. The disturbance is a revelation, revealing to all people that the vehicle through which the soul is expressing has become the superior authority over the eternal soul that the vehicles, the mind and the body, have become the king rulers and there is no peace or joy left at that time.

Thank you. Please expand the meaning of faculties and functions.

In reference to the expansion of the meaning of faculties and functions, I do feel that it has been well covered in many, many, many classes that have already been given. Functions are the expression of the vehicles through which the soul is expressing through form. The faculties are the expression of the eternal soul. The functions rely upon created substance for their sustenance. The faculties rely upon the divine eternal being for their sustenance. Faculties have total consideration. Functions have total consideration for themselves. The expression of a soul faculty

is from a universality of consciousness. The expression of a sense function is from individualized self-consciousness.

Thank you. Please expand on the meaning of the power in the spoken word.

The power of the spoken word: when the soul, united with all the forms through which it is expressing, united in perfect harmony, when that divine principle freely flows, man speaks the word. His heart, the vehicle through which that eternal soul is expressing, is in the word. And being in the word, the word is the law. And that law is infallible, for that is the spoken word, direct from the infinite Source itself. And so man should make greater effort to unite his being before he speaks the word, for the word is the law and the law never, ever faileth.

Let us remember, my good students, that the Divinity expresses through all forms. Let us have our faith directed to that which is infallible. And the only thing that is infallible is the divine law. Let us accept the infallibility of the divine law and, in accepting that infallibility, let us become the living being that we may be the true instruments of goodness, which is godness in the worlds.

Thank you. Would you please tell us something about sex and sexual relationships?

In reference to that question, man has placed his mind in that expression to such an extent that he truly believes that he is the sole owner and expression. And because the minds of men have taken it for their own, they have paid the price of prices for it. Instead of viewing it as an expression of the Divinity, which, in truth, it is, they have become it. And because they have become it, they have established the mental law. And that mental law dictates: that which man thinks he possesses, he guarantees to lose. For that is the payment to all men who entertain the delusion that they own or possess. Instead of being free instruments of the divine expression, they have deluded themselves and therefore they pay the price. And the price of that we think we possess is its own loss.

Let us direct our thought and our attention and our energy to the impartiality of God. Let us not rise in such bloated nothingness that we are the kings of the world. Let us view all creation. Let us look at the animals and let us look at the plants. They are not so interested, nor concerned over a simple expression. Let us take some simple examples from the rest of God's kingdom. Then we will not have such troubled thought over a simple, natural expression.

Thank you. What are the reasons you feel Serenity has a church or rather is a church?

The question is a most interesting question. We had requested, some time ago, that a center be opened in your world that our school on this side of life, and the centuries that it has spent already in bringing about a philosophy, known as the

Living Light philosophy, may be brought into your world that it may reach as many souls who were seeking it as possible.

In your world, you have many organizations. And in bringing forth this philosophy to your world, we are working through an organization that you call a church. You could call it many things.

But what is truly important is that this simple truth be shared with those who are seeking it. Without an organization, you, as students, would not be blessed with the golden opportunity of growing through your various levels of consciousness by being exposed to other students who are growing through their various levels of consciousness and at the same time receiving the demonstrable truth: that everyone has the same levels of consciousness. If they still believe they do not have the same levels of consciousness, it simply reveals they, for themselves, have not found that level in themselves, for they have not yet demonstrated total consideration of themselves.

It would have been perhaps easier, for some, for us to bring this philosophy through our channel without an organization, such as a church and school that you have. We know, and have always known, for our own channel, it would have been much easier and certainly more appreciated by our channel not to have an organization to contend with, so to speak. However, the fullness of the demonstration of the philosophy would have been denied him. For it is in experiencing these many levels of consciousness with students in a group that our channel becomes more receptive to more teachings and grows, through the process of duty, gratitude, and tolerance; that our channel may not lose sight of the divine principle and true purpose of the philosophy; that you, as individualized students, may look more deeply into yourselves by facing the mirror of yourselves, known as your own co-students. And therefore the true purpose, the fullness thereof, is being demonstrated in the Serenity school each moment of each hour of each day.

There are few, and only few, whose souls have risen to levels of consciousness that they will be in this humble school in the many years yet to come. But those who have come to the well thirsty and to drink will have benefited and have gone on their way to rise in consciousness in another time, in another day, to once again start their journey all over again.

That, my friends, that disturbs us reveals the attachment that we have to our own opinions, decisions, and judgments. And so you see the true beauty of the Serenity school and church, for in that school that you are presently in, is the golden opportunity to unfold your soul faculties and to gain, as you never have gained before, a greater understanding of the true purpose of life itself. For what you cannot tolerate in another is yet to be educated within yourself. And when everything is wrong outside, it is simply directing you, your eternal being, to accepting the divine truth that everything is wrong inside. And as the changes are

made inside your own being, all of harmony, beauty, and love will start to manifest around, about you and through you.

Although there are many schools on your earth realm, there are few schools that take the personal interest and make the personal effort day after day after day to help you in your evolving through the levels of consciousness that have bound you to creation. There are few schools, my children, in your world that make such effort. And though you think the price is high, it is high only to the very things that are your obstructions: the things that stand in the path of your own joy.

And so the Serenity school has come to your world. It will remain in your world long after I have moved on to other areas in the universe. But that which has been given shall remain on your earth and it shall grow as the seeds, this day, are planted. And the harvest shall be reaped in the realm in which it can be reaped: it's known as the realms of the Divine Spirit.

So be of good cheer for those early years of your schooling, for they are the years that are building the foundation upon which you may firmly stand in principle, that you may free your being and rely on that which will never fail you, that you may be freed from the fears that exist in your own mind. Then, my children, the day shall dawn when you shall stand in the universe and, though you think you may be alone, you will look towards heaven's heights and see the angels of infinite love who have guided your little souls to this day, for they are working for that which never faileth. And because they are instruments of that Light, the light inside of you, though flickering like a small and delicate candle, shall not fail you, for the gentle breezes of heaven are ever with you. And as you descend into the dungeons of your own mental bondage, that which is, is ever with you. For each and every student within the Serenity school is never alone, for our teachers are ever amongst you to help you, to guide you, to inspire you, to encourage you when you sink to the depths of self-pity.

Our doors of principle are never closed, for, my good students, they have never opened, for they do not, in truth, exist. Principle is principle. And those souls who make the slightest effort, the slightest effort to flow in that stream of consciousness known as Divine Principle shall ever be in that stream. And though there are many experiences in your world of creation, those experiences that cause your distress, your disturbance and trauma are not greater than the humble light of principle.

Be grateful for that your souls have earned. And in that ounce of gratitude, the fullness of your life shall manifest itself. Although things are not often the way you would like them to be, they are the way that is right for you in your present moments of growth. They are ever in keeping with the principle and that principle, my good students, will never fail you in this school or any school once you truly have it.

Good night.