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WHAT IS THE HUMAN CONDITION?

Is it the world? Is it Israel? Is it Iraq? Is it China? Is it the U.S.? No. Remember, the human condition isn't something you're in. The "human condition" is something you're looking at the Kingdom of Hea...ven through. The human condition is all of the concepts and definitions that you've either made-up or received from elsewhere, and adopted as your own. And it's the sieve, the filter, through which you interpret the experience of the Kingdom of Heaven. The human condition is better described as the human conditioning of what? Your mind, that causes you not to see clearly, but through a glass darkly; to see the Kingdom of Heaven with distortions that you are convicted about, you are convinced about, and that you are devoted to. No, there's no way to get out of the human condition that you're surrounded by, because there ain't no human condition you're surrounded by. There's a human conditioning of your mind with which you're coloring your experience of the Kingdom of Heaven.

"And how do you get out of that?" You get out of that by reaching beyond it. "Where to? Some spiritual realm?" No. You turn within to the Altar, the Place of Excellence in you, quietly, I'm going to say mindfully--not thinkingly . . . just mindfully--the presence of attention--and you desire to know of the Holy Spirit what the Truth is, or [to know of] God what the Truth is. You turn to a point that never left you, because there's no way, no matter how differently you defined yourself, for you to not be the only thing you were created to be, or the only thing that the Father Is Being You As at this moment.

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But the demonstration was there. And you know what? My life was a demonstration of the first--this is not the best choice of words--but the first insertion of Divinity into the human condition that could be RECOGNIZED FROM WITHIN the human condition by those experiencing the human condition. And then the crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension set the contents of my life, the content of the Presence of God in the human condition. It set it, we're going to say, in concrete. Something was accomplished from beginning to end, that until the end, hadn't been accomplished. But what was accomplished was the breaking of the perceived absoluteness of what everyone called the human condition or life. And it was done forever.

Not any one of you has to break or undo the belief in material life. It doesn't need to be done again. It was done forever. That's why you could say it was done FOR YOU. It doesn't need to be accomplished again. Because it was done, it means that each one of you at this moment is free to wake up, because you don't have to break the boundary. The boundary was broken, and the boundary is gone. That is what makes the commemoration of Easter important, because it keeps present for you the opportunity to go ahead and wake up, to get the picture, to get the idea so that you willingly inquire outside the box on a regular basis, so that you willingly dare to let yourself be What You're Here To Be. What you exist for, in other words. You're not here to be something as opposed to being some place else being what you're supposed to be. You're here. You exist for a reason, and that is to give voice to God, to give expression to God, to let God express right where you are.

I'm talking to you right now. It's a demonstration that there is life after death. But it's not the same kind of demonstration that my physical presence would have. And it's not the same as it did have after the Resurrection. I am not appearing physically right now because it would give you a significant distraction. You would begin to think of me as

form. You would have a memory of my image in your mind. And you would begin to think of me as "he" and "him," instead of the Presence of Love, instead of as the Presence of Mind that loves you so much that it wants you to recognize the Presence of Mind that you are, and that THAT is the Presence of God, and that this Presence of Mind is what is rendered Visible and Tangible by the gathering of Spirit in a form that renders you experienceable--visible, in other words, you could say. You see?

It is time to get out of the human condition. But remember, remember this. The human condition is the human conditioning that has been placed, like colored glasses, in front of your awareness that causes you to see the Kingdom of Heaven in Its Divinity as though it were just a physical, material universe that has nothing to do with God and that someday you will transcend. You know what? If you were going to transcend it, if that was going to happen, after the Resurrection you would not have seen a body. You might have heard a deep Voice coming out of the ethers, like in a séance, that everyone could hear--eerie, mysterious--but bodiless, not embodied. If that were what you needed to learn about remembering Who You Are and coming Home to the Father, that is what would have happened.

What happened though, demonstrated exactly what the facts are. There is Life after death, and it still is identified and identifiable and huggable, without the impediments that were associated with form when it was conceived to be matter and misinterpreted and treated inappropriately, because it wasn't seen as Spirit and it wasn't seen as Spirit gathered in a configuration that identifies the Divine One That You Are perfectly. And I'm telling you right now that the Identification of you that Spirit configures as, is perfect, and is, therefore more beautiful, more symmetrical, exuding the Energy of Love [more] than you're experiencing right now.

And what did Easter demonstrate? That you don't have to wait to go to the hereafter to experience it. That it's time now to experience it. Because there is no hereafter. There's only the here, and what the here divinely is in its Ultimacy--I know there's no such word--but in its Ultimacy.

Understood correctly, Easter did away with the box. The box can never be successfully reestablished. This is the good news. THERE IS NO MATTER. All is Mind. Mind is God. And the Movement of Mind that God is, is

Creation. And Creation is recognizable to the Mind that moves and sees Its Movement. It's experienceable by Mind. And the Substance of every Idea in Mind is, for lack of better words, substantial--not flimsy, not ethereal, not wispy, not almost recognizable because it's so substanceless, but absolutely recognizable and experienceable.

The story of my life is the story of your life. And because of what I did, you can now know it, because you have something that happened from outside the box that you were able to experience inside the box. Everyone in that day was able to experience what was happening from within the box--an out-of-the-box experience in the box. It's mind-boggling. It's mind-boggling until you recognize that the box was a figment of the imagination. All of the Ultimate, all of Heaven, is going on inside the box, because Creation is Whole, and Creation is Singular, and Creation is Infinite. And there just ain't no place left for an independent and different experience of life to go on. Either you're having a different experience of the Kingdom of Heaven, or you're having an Actual Experience of the Kingdom of Heaven, a Real Experience of it. Either you are experiencing yourself as What You Really Are, or you're not. But what you're not experiencing is [laughing], I'm going to say, a non-experience of something that does exist. It doesn't make sense, does it? But that's called the human condition. And that's what everybody has been living, and never thinking outside of, never questioning.

So you already are, and always have been, outside the box. You're the Mind in which Infinite Creation is experienced. It has never been in a box. You have never been in a box. But you can imagine a box and get into a very focused, tiny reverie about what it's like to be inside this box. And you can consciously ignore the rest. But that which is having this tiny, infinitesimal reverie is Something Infinite. Remember, the dream has been dispelled. Its capacity to command your attention, and keep you bound in it, has been dispelled. And all you need to do is to bring a little bit of curiosity into play to see beyond your imagined box, boxes. A curiosity to see the more that's there than what you're seeing.

The same old thing I've been saying for a long time. But I haven't brought it out from quite this standpoint that the blockage to your Waking up is already gone, was actually already dispelled in the Birth, crucifixion, Resurrection and Ascension. The mystery was demystified. It's already been demystified. You might be catching up on the demystification a little

late, but it was demystified. And you do not have to overcome the state of mind, the state of the human condition that everyone was in that had never been challenged, and that no one had ever thought to challenge, and which therefore constituted a boundary of great density for everyone inside the boundary. You're not undoing a fundamental illusion that absolutely everyone is committed to. That's been done.

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