

"I CAME THAT YE SHOULD HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY!"

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QUESTION: What happens when a person is laying in a hospital bed and then they do tests and find the person is brain dead. And then they decide two or three days later to pull the plug. What I am trying to ascertain and understand is when is the person actually physically out of their body and where there supposed to be, because I remember what my mother always said, "the dead know not."

And then just recently after they had the memorial for this dear brother of ours, Kirkorian again got acquitted for helping someone to die, and that was considered a suicide helped. And yet in one of your tapes I remember you said that we all commit suicide in one way or another. So, where are the ones who supposedly "actually do a suicide" or the one who is brain dead and they pull the plug on him? Is there any difference in between there? And where are they at then? Are they in the fourth-dimension? And I have had too many experiences since I've been a child that I truly believe that they come when they are needed here to talk to us or whatever, commune, so they are not dead. And they are there. And sometimes I see them as their physical body or I just sense them in their spiritual body. And so now I'm getting really confused and I'm saying, "SOS."

ANSWER: The manner of death is irrelevant, whether it is suicide, whether it is brain death, whether it is an automobile accident or a heart attack, a disease, the manner of death means nothing. And just to

elaborate slightly, every death is a cop out. It's a point at which an individual gives up. ***It is not the giving up that constitutes the yielding to the Father's Will.*** It's a giving up of the attempt to control one's life, still believing that having control is the primal need. And literally one arrives at a point where they can't maintain the control any longer, but they don't yield the control up to the Father. And so there apparently is a death. It is a death that they bring on themselves. It is a decision, believe it or not.

Now, everyone who passes on goes to the same place, as it were. It is a receiving place. And they are met with love. In fact, the movement to that receiving place is as it has often been described, one in which the experience is one of great love. And they are met with love and they are for lack of better words, ministered unto, made comfortable. You could say that questions are answered. Those who have passed on prior to the individual who has passed on do gather to welcome. But the individual who has passed on is not required to meet with them. They can remain for awhile in the receiving place if they so wish. And they do not move on until there's a motivation within themselves to do so.

No, indeed, they have not moved into the fourth-dimension. Because the so called event of death was not a part of a process of Awakening. It was an ongoing dynamic of the assertion of the need to be in control of their lives, which they hadn't yet relinquished. And until they relinquish that, the process of Awakening cannot occur. And so they find themselves exactly as they were before, except that whatever they thought it was that killed them they know didn't kill them. And so if they had been suffering from cancer, they realize that it did nothing to them and they are no longer subject to that belief or disease. So there is healing in that aspect...

There is one other aspect, and that is, that if during their life they have lost a limb or an organ or whatever, they find themselves physically whole. They still believe they have to eat.

Believe it or not those who were addicted to alcohol may find themselves still addicted to alcohol. And even while they are in the receiving place they are not prohibited from indulging in their alcoholism.

You must begin to understand that no one else can force you no matter how Awake they are, no one else can force you to be well, because to not

be well is your decision based upon beliefs that seem rational and reasonable to you that tell you that whatever your problem is is essential to your self-protection. And if one feels they need to be dulled by alcohol in order not to be overcome by the "realities of life," you can see that it is a decision they have made to maintain their sanity from their standpoint, even though it cannot accomplish that. But each one's suffering is decided for by them, because they have arrived at a point in their reasoning where they believe that what they are doing is protecting them from something. Indeed, when physicians arrive at the determination that brain death has occurred, the individuality that you have known has moved on. The body you see is the after-image left in your eyes. That which identifies them to themselves is still with them. And you will never be without that which identifies you, without that which renders you visible and tangible as a conscious experience for everyone.

What you also have to understand is that when I speak of something that is tangible and visible I don't mean something that is material. And what you all further need to understand is that your scientists are clearer about the fact that there is nothing material about your body right now "physically speaking," because when they examine it with an electron microscope, they find out that there are not billiard balls of matter but just energy pattern, nothing substantial there at all. And the pattern, it will ultimately be found out, is the pattern of the idea in God's Mind that constitutes God's Self-expression.

So right now you don't have a material body. And as this fact begins to register, as this news filters down in practical terms from the scientists to the general public, people will begin to think of their body in a new way that will allow for healing to occur, that will allow for perfection to occur spontaneously, instantaneously because there is no requirement, no "physical" requirement for processes of matter to occur because there ain't no such thing there. It's energy pattern that can shift because it has no density to inhibit the shift. Now you didn't ask about this, but I'm going to continue. As one identifies himself or herself with this body and experiences not the fact that all that is being experienced is the infinity of conscious individuality that it's all me, it's all you because it's all God, as this all inclusive awareness of self was lost with a preoccupation with identifying with just this body as self, then in that separate sense there was a sense of tininess and vulnerability and a call for defense. And so life itself has been one of self-preservation.

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Now fear is what promotes acts of self-preservation. And so, in the attempt to make one's tiny definition of himself or herself more substantial and therefore having greater defense or invulnerability there has been a contraction that has occurred, and pattern that is what is really here, has become, you might say, packed and relatively immobilized. And so your experience of what is really flexible and fluid energy is not being experienced by you as what it really is and it seems to be subject to injury.

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But, nevertheless, even though you hold your body in this tight grasp for the sake of self-protection it hasn't become matter. It is still nothing but energy pattern. The pattern of which was and is held in its original divine intent by the Father, because the Father is from moment to moment establishing the pattern as that which identifies His intent in being You. Therefore, that which identifies you specifically, will forever be that which will identify you specifically.

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In waking up, in remembering all that's here instead of just what you have chosen to see, you are going to discover that you are always at one and the same time specific and universal just as the Father is. But you will less and less identify with the specific and more and more embrace and embody consciously the infiniteness of you, the universality of you.

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The specific, meaning what you call the body, will not disappear but it will not fascinate you anymore. You will not choose to view anything from its standpoint anymore. And it will be your body but so will the petal of the rose, and so will the wall, and so will the tree and so will much more of the Kingdom of Heaven that isn't registering with you right now be recognized by you as part of your infinite being.

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Mind you, as I said, as this happens you will also be becoming aware of the infiniteness of you and your attention will shift from body identification, from identifying with the specificness of you and embracing the universality of you. When this shift occurs into the universality of you being the vantage point from which you experience All That Is, the body won't disappear but it won't be important to you anymore. It's in that sense that you could say your body will disappear because it will no longer be present in the function that you had been using as you are in this moment today.

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The real world will disappear only in the sense that it will not be getting your attention as an object of your attention, but will be experienced simply as an aspect of the infinitude of you as consciousness or the Mind of God that is having the idea that is the pattern that can be recognized as Creation. The use to which you had put the world will disappear because you won't be using it to define yourself or to gather data for your self-protection and you, I am going to say, will sail merrily on your way enjoying it all from the infinite view. And that is what the Course means about even the real world disappearing.

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I've said this before, it's as though you get up in the morning and you're ready to get dressed and you go to your bureau drawer with all your pretty panties there, and you pick out one, a pair, and if you're a certain kind of individual you'll be sure to pick out a pair that you won't be embarrassed being found wearing if you are in an accident. [laughter] I use that example because people can be concerned about what underwear they're going to put on in the same way that people are concerned with their body. Nevertheless you go through the process and you put them on, you finish getting ready for the day and you don't give a second thought to your underwear. You don't even know you have them on. They disappeared, you see, but they're there. They are just not a concern.

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Oh, no, they are of value or you wouldn't be wearing them. But they're simply not a focus of your attention. And so the world will not be a focus of your attention, being the state of mind which is able to observe and consciously embrace Creation with the intent of acknowledging what is real in it all, which is God not the form, so that you may glorify God always, which is the function of being, which is love, the form becomes secondary to the function.

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Now you said where are they--those who have passed on? Well, they're in the same place you are still. I mean by that that they are still in a state of ignorance of who they Are. It doesn't have a location in the universe. But where you are doesn't have location in the universe either. And I'm not going to try to explain that, except I will say that you're not in anything, everything is in you. All of these conscious experiences of all different sorts are occurring within consciousness, and that is dimensionless and infinite.

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How much of what God is being as consciousness? How much of what God is being as divine consciousness? All that God is being as divine consciousness isn't registering with you at the moment. But that's what this shift of attention out of one's reverie, out of one's preoccupation with her underwear, that's all that's needed is that shift of attention that will begin to allow you to see the more that is right here to see.

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And I will keep saying this over and over, all there is to see of Reality is here for you to see. And if you don't go home from this gathering remembering anything else, please remember that there is so much more of God's Reality to see right here than you can imagine, you will not be able to help but to find a little bit of curiosity surfacing from time to time.

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And I'll tell you something else, curiosity is what creates an opening in your current, firmly held definitions of everything and allows something new to register with you. That's all the more work there is to wake up, is daring to be a little bit curious right here.

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Now, I've gone on and on. Did I answer your question?

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QUESTION: Yes, you did, and I'm eternally grateful and blessings to you.

ANSWER: You are welcome.

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