

"ONLY WHAT YOU HAVE NOT GIVEN CAN BE LACKING IN ANY SITUATION"  
~Text.

Doesn't matter what anyone else is or isn't doing. It doesn't matter what the universe is doing or not doing, because I promise you, that as long as you have established yourself as an independent author of things and you are giving definition to everything, you are in a state of faithlessness. And you cannot help but see your fellowman and the universe doing or not doing things, being or not being things through the lens of your own insanity. .

This is what you must understand.

As an independent author, as an orphan—that which has no Father/ Mother, no Source—you will see everything and experience yourself in an absolutely distorted way. You will not be able to see everything—meaning a Source, Something eternally valid.

And so long as you are dealing with your fellowman or as long as you are dealing with your world from the independent orphan standpoint, you are not giving yourself the opportunity to see everything as it is. You are withholding that which will allow you to see clearly. It's that black and white. And it's that simple.

As a result, when you give the one thing that you've withheld, when you give the only thing that you're able to give, which is an invitation to your Father and an acknowledgement of your Father as your Father, and the willingness to accept the Birthright that belongs to you because of this Father you're acknowledging as your Father, you will begin to see everything differently, whether the world had been up to mischief, whether your fellowman had been up to mischief, whether it had been destructive or constructive, you will bring the one thing you are able to give. And it's the one thing that has caused you to be unable to see the world and your fellowman clearly, correctly, and thereby in a manner that allowed you to have no other thing to share except love . . . and an acknowledgement of the absolute grounded worth and value of every part of the universe and every single one of your Brethren..

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