Pathwork Lecture 257: Aspects of the New Divine Influx: Communication, Group Consciousness, Exposure

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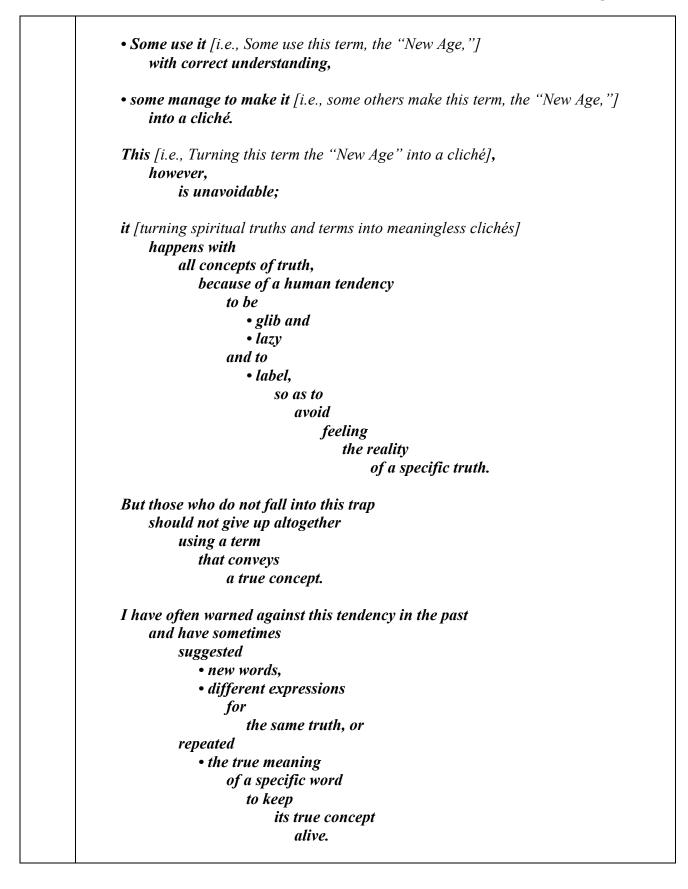
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03	Blessings, my dearly beloved friends.
	God's light envelops you all.
	This light [i.e., God's light] contains all you need.
	Try to perceive it [i.e., Try to perceive God's light],
	<i>try to</i> • <i>feel</i> <i>its reality</i> [i.e., try to feel the reality of God's light].

	It [i.e., God's light]
	is always there for you,
	and
	to the degree
	you refine
	your inner being
	through the
	purification process,
	you cannot help
	being aware of
	this light [i.e., God's light]
	that flows
	through
	• all the universe,
	through
	• all of creation.
	Those of God's children
	who have
	chosen
	to make the very best of their lives
	through such a path [as this pathwork]
	are especially blessed.
	For with this opportunity
	to
	• purify themselves
	and
	• serve God,
	they fulfill
	a great need
	in the Plan of Salvation.
04	
	In this lecture I would like to speak about
	some significant aspects of
	the New Age.
	This term [i.e., This term, the "New Age,"]
	has been used a lot recently
	by certain groups of people.
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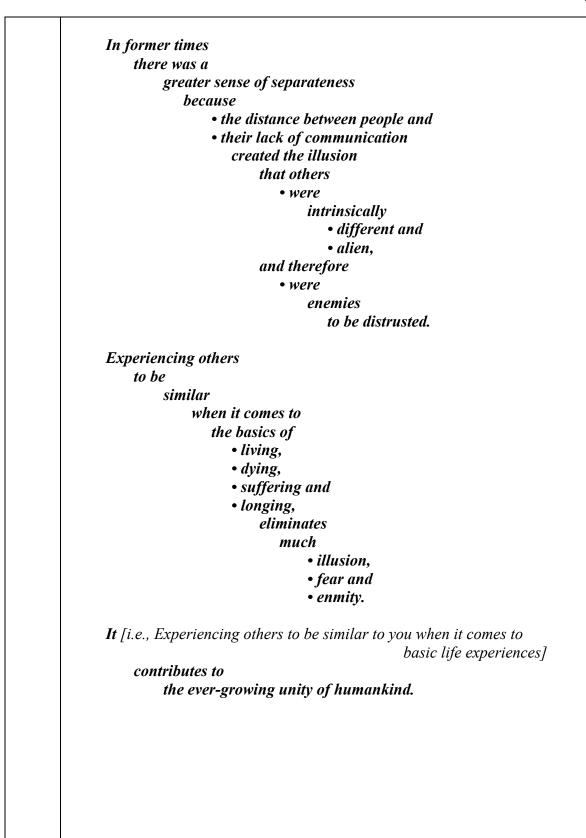
	As for as the
	As far as the
	New Age
	is concerned, I have stated before
	that at certain intervals in history
	a new influx
	streams into your world because
	humanity has grown sufficiently
	to be ready for it.
	This is so now.
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	We have often discussed
	• the meaning and
	• the significance
	of the New Age
	in general terms.
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	We talked about
	the consciousness
	of the Christ spirit [i.e., about the Christ consciousness]
	• permeating this world,
	• trying to penetrate
	the consciousness of individuals
	to an ever greater degree.
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	Such a powerful influx [i.e., Such a powerful influx of the consciousness of the
	Christ spirit, or influx of the Christ consciousness]
	must be accompanied by
	certain manifestations
	that are
	not
	always
	• pleasant,
	• welcome,
	• agreeable or
	• even constructive.

	Many events
	on your earth
	that are
	outright undesirable
	are direct results of
	this influx [of the consciousness of the Christ spirit].
	In fact, without them [i.e., without these undesirable events] the
	• growth and
	• expansion
	of consciousness
	inherent in this
	New Age
	could not take place.
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	Your own mind
	is still very much
	geared to
	the immediate.
	You believe that
	what is
	• good and
	• right
	at this moment
	will also
	ultimately
	be
	• good and
	• right.
	You believe that
	what may
	appear
	• evil
	to you
	now
	is also
	ultimately
	• evil.

	This [i.e., This sense of an event having to be either good both now AND ultimately or evil both now AND ultimately] is hardly the case.
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	Sometimes an
	outright negative manifestation [in the NOW]
	may indeed be
	necessary [and hence ULTIMATELY good]
	for
	a total development
	to take place.
	This applies
	to
	• the individual
	as well as
	to
	• mankind as a whole,
	or, to put it differently,
	to
	• the entity earth.
08	
	In this lecture I should like to discuss
	some specifics
	that accompany
	the new influx.
	One [of these specifics that accompany the new influx of the Christ consciousness]
	is
	communication.
	Communication
	is
	a by-product of
	highly developed consciousness.

To the degree that development of spirit exists, the ability to • communicate, to • listen and • express • adequately and • appropriately also exists. [Conversely] To the degree that *development* [of spirit] is still impaired, the ability to • communicate is limited. So [i.e., When development of spirit is impaired and hence where *ability to communicate is limited*] you see innumerable people who • cannot and • will not even try to put into words what they really • feel and • think. They are either too proud or they demand to be understood by others without having to labor to make themselves understandable. *For it* [i.e., For making yourself understandable] does require some labor.

	Communication
	is an art
	that everyone
	• can
	and, indeed,
	• must
	learn.
	ieurn.
	It [i.e., Communication]
	requires
	• goodwill,
	• a positive intentionality, and
	• a will to cooperate.
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07	Let us start by examining
	the outermost level [of communication].
	It is no coincidence
	that
	one of the major byproducts
	of modern technology
	is communication.
	Even though
	this level of communication [i.e. the level of modern technology's impact
	on communication]
	applies to
	• outer events
	only,
	<i>it</i> [i.e., modern technology's impact on communication]
	has a tremendous impact
	on the
	• inner levels
	of humanity.
	In the first place,
	it [i.e., modern technology's impact on communication]
	brings people
	much closer together.



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	Knowing what is going on in the world
	has a definite impact on
	spiritual growth.
	• Isolation and
	• separateness between people
	in the past
	made the world appear
	too vast
	to be encompassed.
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	One's own tragedies
	seemed unique,
	hence
	a sense of
	• brotherhood and
	• sisterhood
	was totally lacking.
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	Today
	even the least spiritually inclined individuals
	experience
	your entire planet
	in very different ways.
	Things no longer appear
	• strange or
	• foreign.
	There is a
	greater overall awareness,
	because
	knowing the events that happen
	right now
	in a different corner of the earth
	has an impact on
	the soul's development.
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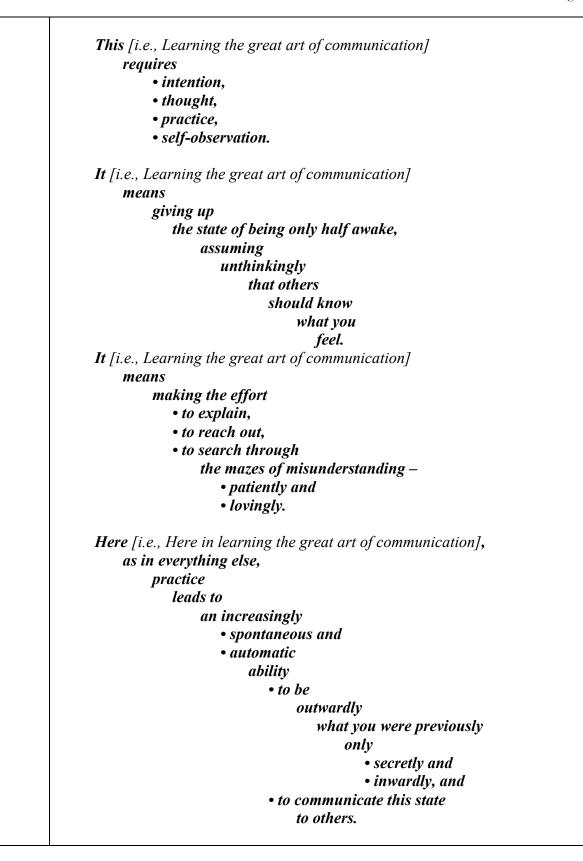
11	So you see, my friends, technology is not in opposition to
	 spiritual development and
	to
	• spiritual life.
	However, it [i.e., technology] is often
	• abused and
	• misdirected
	and therefore it is
	• seen as
	an obstacle to spirituality.
12	This again shows how everything • in the universe and • on this earth • is intrinsically an expression of divine • will and • creation and • can and • can and • should serve the great plan [i.e., the Plan of Salvation]. Nothing can be created that does not have its roots in the world of spirit.

	All demonic manifestations can only be • distortions and
	• misuses of divine creation.
	<i>They</i> [i.e., Demonic manifestations] <i>can never be</i> <i>self-creative</i> [i.e., Demonic manifestations can never be
	CREATED by the "demon" per se].
13	Your present ability • to witness and thus • to experience events with your brothers and sisters elsewhere has a significant impact on your soul. Your ability
	to move relatively fast from one corner of your earth to the other brings you closer to the laws of the spirit world, where movement is • instantaneous, • one with thought.

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	Communication
	is a most important byproduct of
	advanced spiritual states.
	The ability to communicate
	on more
	• subtle and
	• personal
	levels
	has also
	greatly improved
	over the last decades.
	Psychological approaches
	have created
	• a greater awareness
	of self
	and therefore
	• a greater capacity
	• to understand oneself,
	• to express oneself to others,
	and thereby
	• to communicate.
	Before this particular influx,
	most human beings
	were
	completely in the dark
	about
	• themselves,
	• their feelings,
	• their needs,
	• their true reactions,
	let alone
	those [i.e., let alone the feelings, needs
	and true reactions]
	of others.
	It was therefore
	impossible
	to create a bridge with another person
	in a significant way.

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	Similarly,
	a child
	in an early stage of development
	does not really know
	• that it is
	• hurt or
	• lonely,
	• that it needs more
	• love,
	• attention or
	• understanding.
	If this awareness
	were articulate in the child,
	it would be a relatively small step
	to convey these feelings
	to another person.
	Without communication,
	you live
	• in the dark,
	• alone in a fog of confusion,
	• isolated from others.
	The Christ spirit
	represents exactly the opposite.
	It [i.e., The Christ spirit]
	brings the
	great light
	of
	• awareness,
	of
	 communication and
	of
	 brotherhood and sisterhood.

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	Obviously,
	true communication
	presupposes
	communication
	with
	• the self,
	with
	 the inner levels of being
	that were
	inaccessible before.
	Understanding
	the self
	is
	• the groundwork,
	• the foundation,
	for you cannot
	• convey,
	• explain and
	• communicate
	something you do not know.
	So a path
	such as the one I guide you on [i.e., a path such as pathwork]
	must always
	be primarily concerned with
	• self-exploration
	and
	• self-knowledge.
	It must never stop there, however.
	Self-knowledge
	is only
	the preliminary phase.
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	The next organic step [i.e., the next organic step after self-knowledge] is learning
	the great art of communication.



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	Just use your imagination
	and think about
	the enormous difference
	this [i.e., this practice of the art of communication]
	makes in human communication.
	How often do you believe
	someone is mean to you
	when, in reality,
	this other person
	• fears you and
	• erroneously uses a
	• coldness or
	• rejecting attitude
	as a defense?
	Knowing this [i.e., Knowing that the person fears you and is erroneously
	using defenses of coldness and rejection against you]
	removes
	your
	• fear,
	your
	• false pride
	your
	• anger.
	It [i.e., Knowing that the person fears you and is erroneously
	using defenses of coldness and rejection against you]
	may enable you
	to meet this person
	in an entirely different way
	that, in turn,
	will dissolve
	his or her negative defense
	that alienates you.
	So you see how
	communication
	brings souls together,
	eliminating walls of fear
	that create
	hate
	between humans.

	Therefore
	communication
	is an intrinsic part of
	the good life.
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	However,
	the fact
	that you may
	attempt
	to explain yourself
	is not enough.
	The
	way
	in which you reveal yourself
	is what makes communication
	an art.
	If you explain yourself
	in a way that implies
	• blame and
	• accusation,
	you only create
	a bigger wall.
	But
	if you attempt to explain yourself
	by simply conveying
	your
	• feelings and
	• needs,
	your
	 impressions and
	• assumptions
	in a
	 questioning and
	• open spirit
	without insisting
	<i>that they</i> [<i>i.e.</i> , <i>that your assumptions</i>]
	be the truth,
	then you can reach
	a true understanding.

	[In this way] You can establish • clarity, • light and • truth. By • learning the skill of communication, and • practicing it [i.e., and by practicing the skill of communication] as an art, you foster • love and • unity.
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20	How can you • assuage your loneliness unless you establish bridges with others?
	How can you • lose your fear of people unless you truly expose the misconception that others want to be your enemies?
	You can achieve this [i.e., You can assuage your loneliness and lose your fear of others, fear brought on because of your misconceptions] only by taking the trouble of exploring yourself sufficiently to know what it is you really feel. Often you believe that you feel in a certain way, yet it is not at all what is really going on in you.

You need to take the apparent risk of explaining yourself, even if this can rarely be done in one simple stroke. [Rather than trying to explain yourself in one simple stroke,] You need to enter an ongoing dialogue, • full of goodwill, • increasing your willingness • to shed your pride and • to give up your stake in blaming. This is what communication entails on an emotional level. This is how the great oneness among all human beings will be established. This is how • fear and • hate – hence • war on all levels – will increasingly disappear. In other words, true communication will contribute to bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to earth.

21 But there is an even deeper level of communication which you ignore. *It [i.e., This even deeper level of communication that you ignore]* is still very obscure but once you focus your attention on it, it will reveal itself as clearly as the levels [of communication that] I have just discussed. All interactions between human beings ultimately contribute to the final aim: • reconciliation, • oneness, • brotherhood, • love, • understanding, • truth. In the final analysis, even the most negative interaction between individuals serves this [final aim and] purpose.

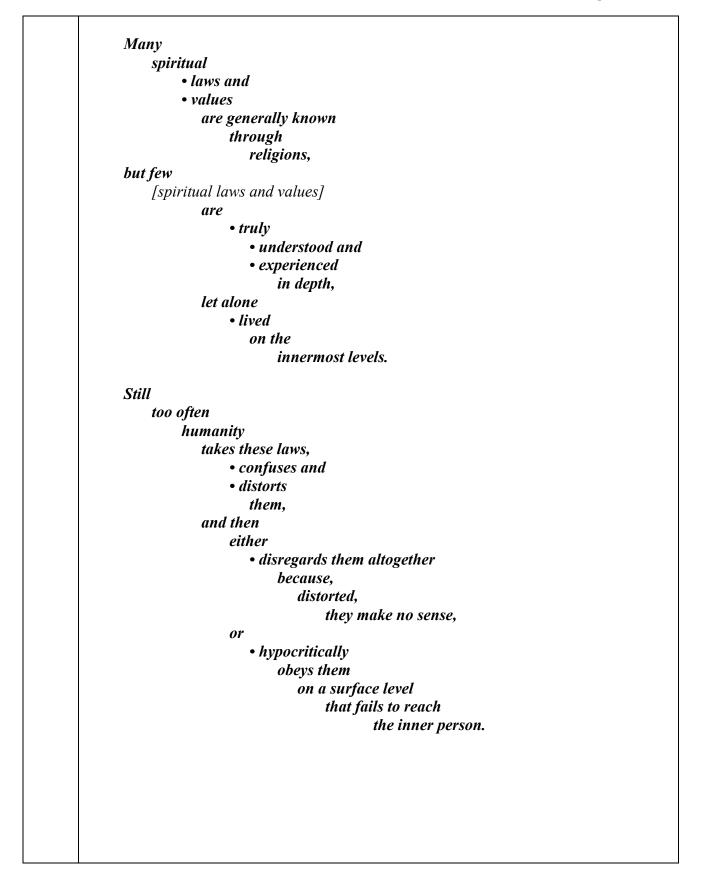
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	When
	two entities – either
	• individual or
	• collective
	ones –
	are involved in
	a negative interaction,
	a deeper purpose
	is being fulfilled,
	even if
	the interaction
	has a most undesirable result
	at the moment.
	The higher selves
	of both entities
	are always at work.
	The higher self
	has not created
	the negative interaction per se,
	<i>but it</i> [i.e., but the higher self]
	uses
	what already exists –
	negativity –
	for the purpose of
	<i>dissolving it</i> [i.e., for the purpose of dissolving the negativity].
	The
	• dissolution and
	• transformation
	of negative material
	cannot possibly take place
	unless
	there is
	an outright manifestation [of the negative material].

	Even if
	the entities involved [in a particular negative interaction]
	• are totally in the dark
	about the part
	they themselves
	play in this [negative] interaction
	and
	• are still on the level of
	self-righteous
	one-sidedness,
	<i>they</i> [i.e. the entities involved in this negative interaction]
	nevertheless
	serve a higher purpose.
	How much more
	does this [serving a higher purpose] happen
	when entities [rather than being in the dark and
	feeling self-righteous in their one-sidedness, instead]
	recognize
	<i>the total truth of an interaction</i> [i.e., recognize the total truth
	of a negative interaction
	that may be hidden from their immediate view!
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25	So you can see, my friends,
	that
	underneath
	the lower-self exchange,
	a higher-self exchange
	exists simultaneously
	between the entities in conflict.
	This is a
	very important
	new thought
	for you to contemplate.

Just imagine: two • people – or • groups of people – are at war on the surface. They • hate and • accuse each other. They • wish each other the worst and • want to harm each other. At the same time, on a deeper level, these entities agree. They know that what occurs on the surface serves • the common good, serves • truth and • love, serves • their unity.

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2 4	On this path,
	when
	two of you
	• are at odds with each other
	and you
	•
	• work very deeply to come to the truth
	of the issue,
	you often experience
	a wonderful conciliation
	in which
	love unites
	the same two individuals
	who
	• hated and
	• accused
	each other
	before.
	You then
	witness
	what I explained just now.
	On your earth sphere,
	in this dimension,
	the manifestation of conciliation
	happens in
	sequential time:
	first
	• the hate,
	then
	• the search for truth,
	then
	• love and
	• unity.
	On the deeper level of being,
	there are
	no such sequences.
	no such sequences.
	[Rather, on the deeper level of being,]
	• Truth
	• love and
	• unity
	always exist simultaneously.

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	Take this
	new vision
	into account.
	It will help you perceive
	that
	every situation,
	• no matter
	how hopelessly
	• confused and
	• negative
	it may appear,
	• simultaneously
	harbors
	inner
	• truth,
	• love and
	• unity.
	Your understanding of this
	will accelerate
	the conciliations
	on the level of
	sequential time,
	so that
	enmity/search/truth/love/unity
	follow each other
	in ever quicker succession.
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	The influx of
	the Christ consciousness
	brings more
	spiritual
	• values and
	• laws
	to your plane.
	to your plane.

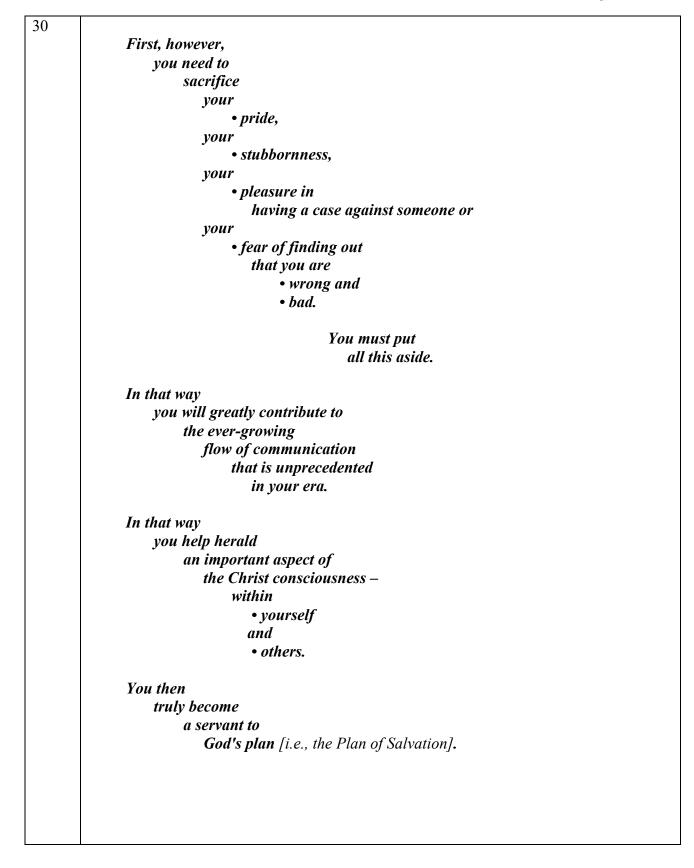


	The more
	humanity grows,
	the greater
	the influx of
	the Christ light
	can be, and
	the more
	it will be possible
	to make
	true spiritual values
	part of
	the human consciousness.
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	In this particular lecture
	we are dealing, first of all,
	with
	the law of brotherhood,
	which I have often mentioned.
	Without
	brotherhood
	there is
	no love,
	without
	love
	there is
	no brotherhood.
	Love
	is
	• union.
	Hate
	is
	• split,
	• dissension,
	• isolation.
	Love
	means
	mutual understanding.

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	Yet
	for understanding
	to grow,
	• effort and
	• goodwill
	are necessary.
	In other words,
	• love
	is not
	something that happens
	like a miracle,
	nor is
	• union [something that happens like a miracle].
	You cannot
	experience
	union with
	• God
	unless you are able to
	experience
	union with
	• your brothers and sisters,
	even [union] with
	• those you think are
	your enemies.
	On the
	• outer level
	you may not achieve
	friendship
	with them [i.e., friendship with your brothers and sisters],
	for it [i.e., for friendship]
	takes [i.e., requires]
	both parties
	to really desire
	• truth and
	• union.
	But on the
	• inner level
	you may well be
	quite consciously
	connected with
	the higher self
	of that person.

29 Never forget that • love – union with • God and • other people – is the result of • communication. And • communication is a result of • serious effort, with a commitment to use your • attention and your • energies, • to make yourself understood in the best possible way, and • to understand the other. For both purposes [i.e., For making yourself understood and for understanding the other], you need to • empty your mind of all preconceived ideas [that] your lower self has a stake in retaining. You need to • put aside • enmity and • distrust. You need to • listen • deeply and • openly.

You need to • convince the other of your goodwill for the truth. You need to • summon the maturity to realize that others do not know what you • mean, • feel, • think and • want. You need to • explain yourself in the • deepest, • most sincere way possible. If you proceed in that way, you will find no problem between • you and • others that cannot be resolved. Great • strength and • self-esteem will grow from this, my friends.



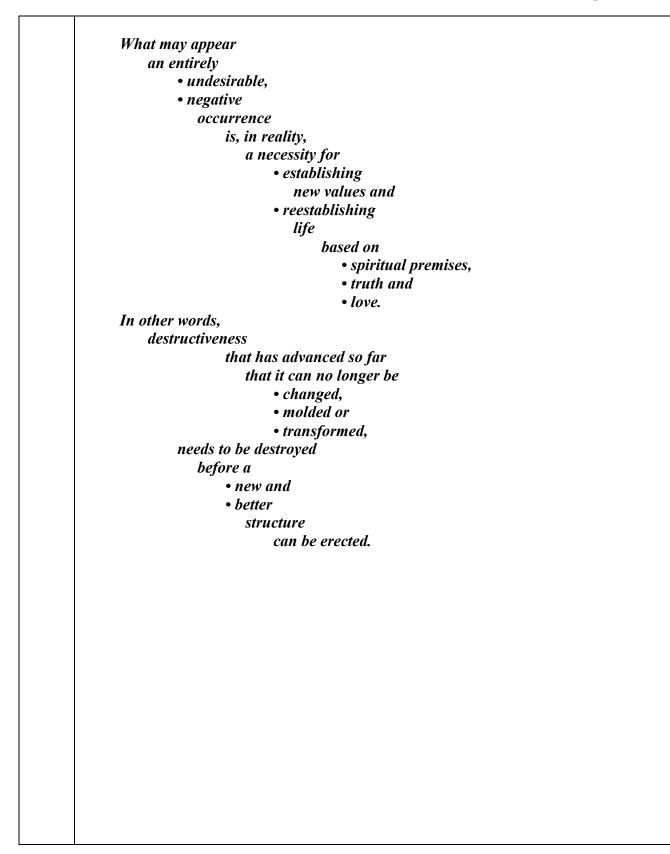
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	Desist from
	yielding to the temptation to
	• keep yourself
	locked up in
	• isolation and
	• resentment.
	Desist equally from
	yielding to the temptation to
	• accuse and
	• blame.
	Make yourself
	neutral,
	at least temporarily,
	until
	you have the chance of finding out
	what the truth is.
	Do not fear
	the truth.
	It [i.e., The truth]
	will be
	so liberating!
	It [i.e., The truth]
	will let you off the hook
	of your own
	secret
	self-accusation and
	<i>it</i> [<i>i.e.</i> , the truth]
	will free others
	of your
	accusations [of them].
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	You may well find
	imperfections
	in
	both
	• yourself
	and
	• others,
	but
	these imperfections
	will have
	a new connotation
	that will
	free you of
	• hurt and
	• shame,
	as well as [free you of]
	the need to put
	• hurt and
	shame
	on others.
	on others.
32	
52	Yes, my friends,
	this
	is what you have been doing in your work
	all along.
	I am
	not telling you about a
	new process,
	but I want to
	shed a new light on it [i.e., shed a new light on the work you have been
	doing all along]
	now, from a new angle, so that
	you can deepen
	your commitment
	to follow through.
	to jouon intough.

33	
	The new influx of
	the Christ consciousness
	sweeps through your world
	with tremendous force,
	yet
	its manifestations
	are not always recognized.
	At first
	the influx [of the Christ consciousness]
	reaches humanity's
	inner
	consciousness.
	Wherever
	there is the slightest potential,
	[humanity's inner] consciousness
	begins to change
	• gradually,
	• subtly.
	- subily.
	It [i.e., Humanity's inner consciousness]
	may change
	through
	• new ways
	of thinking about
	life
	0r
	through
	• a desire to find a way
	to understand
	• the self
	and
	• life
	more profoundly.
	Even those
	who are less
	• ready and
	• developed
	may lend a hand,
	perhaps unwittingly,
	to the unfolding of
	the Great Plan [i.e., the Plan of Salvation].

	They [i.e. these who are less nearly and less developed]
	<i>They</i> [i.e., those who are less ready and less developed],
	too, become instruments,
	even though
	their instrumentality
	may appear
	entirely negative.
	churcy negative.
	Through their sphere of
	• influence and
	• activity
	they affect events,
	which then conspire
	to bring about
	new conditions.
	It is again, as I explained before,
	the higher self
	of such a person
	• working
	in conjunction with
	the Plan [i.e., the Plan of Salvation] and
	• using the
	negative outer will to contribute
	positively to the whole picture.
	to the whole picture.
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	The new influx –
	called
	the New Age –
	also affects
	outer
	events,
	often
	in a most obscure way.



35	
	Many destructive events
	on your earth
	are of this kind [i.e., the kind of destructive events that destroy the
	destructiveness that has advanced so far that it can
	no longer be changed, molded, or transformed].
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	You need to learn to distinguish
	between
	• those [destructive] events
	that are
	• outright unnecessary and
	• directly opposed to life,
	being expressions of evil,
	and
	• those [i.e., those destructive events]
	that fall into the category I just described.
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	<i>The distinction</i> [between these two kinds of destructive events]
	is not always
	immediately clear,
	but as you
	• train your
	inner vision
	and
	• become more aware of
	<i>these processes of creation</i> [i.e., aware of these processes of creation that
	sometimes require destruction of the old and entrenched destructive
	structure before the building of the new structures can be started],
	your perception
	will become more accurate.
	will become more accurate.

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20	Many of you already see that
	new values
	are
	• springing up
	all over,
	• working their way
	laboriously
	through
	• the thicket of
	obsolete values,
	• the old
	 negative and
	• destructive
	attitudes toward life.
	The new values
	are still
	• small and
	• delicate
	plants
	that need nurturing
	with
	• courage,
	with
	• commitment to
	the larger cause of life
	and
	with
	 the ever-necessary self-honesty
	that fosters
	 development and
	• expansion
	of individual consciousness.
	The more
	people nurture this growth,
	the stronger
	the new plants will become
	on your planet.
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	The process [of growing new values]
	is always based on
	a cellular structure.
	It [i.e., The process of growing new values]
	begins with
	the single cell,
	the individual consciousness
	that needs to change.
	Such individual change
	cannot take place
	in isolation,
	but always
	in conjunction
	with others.
	For
	• individual consciousness
	is part of
	• the collective consciousness,
	• the great whole.
	Individual
	• values and
	• development
	can only be measured
	by interaction with others.
	Communication
	is one aspect [of individual development]
	that improves interaction [with others]
	until there is no separation.
	The more
	individual cells of consciousness
	begin to
	• purify and
	• align themselves with the divine will,
	the more
	they [i.e., the more the individual cells of consciousness] will affect
	the totality of the earth entity.
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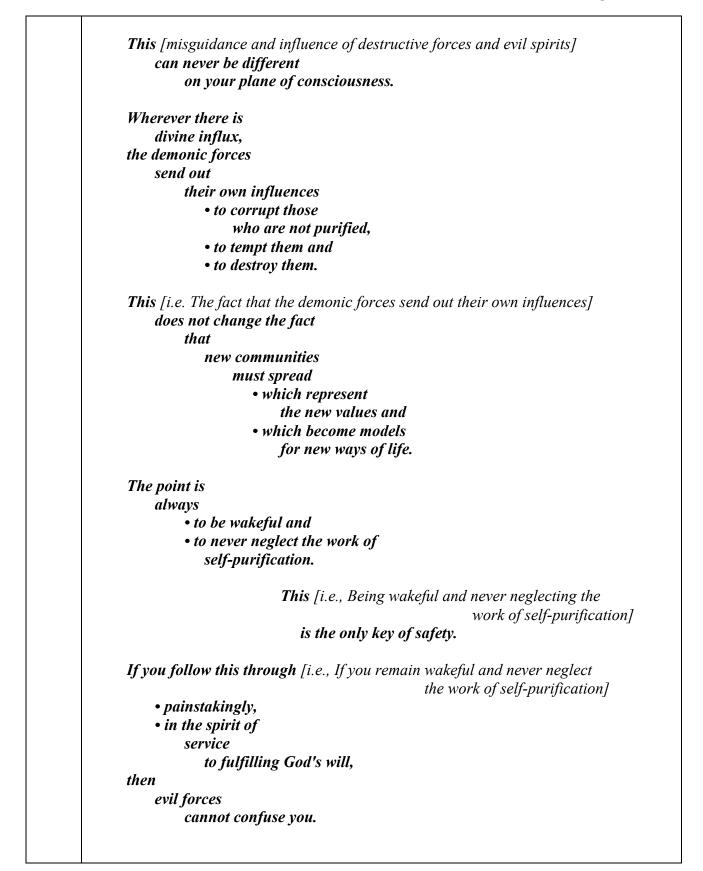
	The [individual] cells
	meld into
	one structure,
	although
	<i>they</i> [<i>i.e.</i> , <i>the individual cells</i>]
	each have
	their individual life.
38	XY I
	You have
	a great deal of ambivalence
	about this melding [i.e., this melding of the individual cells of consciousness into one structure].
	On the one hand,
	• you fear giving up
	what you call
	your individuality.
	• You believe that
	• your uniqueness,
	 your particular divine manifestation,
	is dependent on
	your separation.
	• You falsely assume that
	in oneness with the whole
	you lose
	what is
	uniquely yours.
	In reality
	it is just the other way round [i.e., in oneness with the whole you more fully manifest what is uniquely yours] .
	Thus
	you struggle against
	the innate fate
	of all created beings –
	the striving toward oneness.

You • resist and • fight *it [i.e., you resist and fight against striving toward oneness* which is the innate fate of all created beings], to your great chagrin. *For, on the other hand [i.e., the opposite hand to the hand that fears losing your* uniqueness and individuality should you move toward oneness], the longing for oneness can never be relieved without oneness being achieved. The longing [for oneness] *is desperate* in your soul, and the pain of not experiencing oneness is excruciating. • Not knowing of this [desperate] longing [for oneness in your soul], • not feeling the [excruciating] pain [of not experiencing oneness], is even worse [than the pain of the desperate longing for oneness per se and the excruciating pain of not experiencing oneness per sel; *it [i.e., this state of not knowing the pain of this longing for oneness* in your soul and not feeling the pain of not *experiencing oneness*] is a state of • apathy, • unaliveness, • confusion and • secondary pain.

	It [i.e., This state of not knowing the pain of this longing for oneness in your soul and not feeling the pain of not experiencing oneness] is a state that you can never understand because it [i.e., this state of not knowing the pain of this longing for oneness in your soul and not feeling the pain of not experiencing oneness] is a result of a long chain reaction whose origin is precisely the pain of denying oneness.
39	It has often been mentioned that • the New Age, or as it is also called, • the Aquarian Age, brings about group • formations, group • consciousness. Such a process [of group formations or group consciousness] has not existed in the same way before. Of course, humanity as a whole is a group on a larger scale. Society could not exist
	unless group consciousness were cultivated to some degree.

	But until now
	individuals
	were mainly concerned
	with
	• themselves and
	• their own interests,
	regardless of
	the effects
	of such self-concern
	on the rest of the world.
40	
	Not that this [individualistic] attitude
	has now
	disappeared.
	Far from it.
	But
	a new awareness
	is growing
	in which
	people are beginning to see
	that
	if they pursue
	nothing but
	their self-interest
	to the detriment of others,
	they go far beyond
	violating
	• moral and
	• spiritual
	• laws and
	• values.
	They are beginning to see
	that
	they themselves
	must eventually suffer
	from this attitude
	as much as,
	if not more than,
	those
	they disregard
	with shortsighted selfishness.

41	
	The human family
	could not exist
	without
	a group spirit.
	But
	most societies
	have not yet
	put sufficient weight
	on spiritual values.
	<i>They</i> [i.e., Most societies]
	are unaware of
	any new influx and
	they proceed
	by old
	• standards and
	• values
	that are often based only
	on literation of the second seco
	• expediency and
	on the west shortsighted coals
	• the most shortsighted goals.
	It is surely
	no coincidence
	that
	in your time
	• new groups,
	• new communities
	of all sorts
	are springing up all over.
	<i>Many of them</i> [i.e., <i>Many of these new groups and communities of all sorts</i> <i>that are springing up all over</i>]
	are
	misguided.
	Many [i.e., Many of these new groups and communities of all sorts
	that are springing up all over]
	succumb to
	the influence of
	• destructive forces and
	• evil spirits.



	[If you remain wakeful and never neglect the work of self-purification]
	You will
	• always know,
	you will
	• find the answers,
	you will
	• ultimately stay clean,
	even if there must be some
	temporary
	manifestations of
	your lower selves.
42	
	I wish to discuss now
	another manifestation of
	the new influx:
	exposure.
	Again,
	you can see this aspect
	• individually and
	• collectively.
	It [i.e., Exposure]
	can hardly be missed,
	<i>it</i> [i.e., exposure]
	is so obvious.
	Through
	• psychology, and
	recently through
	• profound spiritual work,
	exposure of self
	has reached depths
	unknown before in your history,
	with the exception of
	initiates,
	who formed
	small minorities
	in different cultures.

	Now
	exposure of
	the deeper levels of self
	has reached
	unprecedented degrees.
	Even the
	least knowledgeable people have attained
	a certain degree of awareness that there are
	deeper levels of being
	which determine their lives.
	You may now
	take this [degree of self-awareness] for granted,
	yet it [i.e., yet this degree of self-awareness]
	was by no means
	always so.
43	
	This new ability to
	explore the self
	is a combination of
	• communication and
	• exposure.
	The
	• willingness to expose
	leads
	• to communication
	and
	• communication
	leads
	• to oneness,
	• to alignment with the Christ spirit
	that sweeps
	with great force
	through your world.
	an onga your north.

44	
	The resistance to
	exposure
	is always present.
	It is obvious that
	refusal
	to expose
	creates isolation.
	When you
	deny exposure
	it always means
	that
	you have a stake
	in maintaining
	• a rotten structure,
	• a structure
	that you need to
	• eliminate and
	• replace.
	This unwillingness [to expose]
	clearly implies
	the wish to continue
	living a lie.
	Dedication to
	the truth
	must bring
	• the willingness and
	• the courage
	• to expose
	and
	• to change.

45	
	If it [i.e., If exposure]
	is not done
	willingly,
	secret matters
	will be exposed
	through
	• outside forces,
	through
	• crises
	that will bring them [i.e., will bring secret matters]
	to the surface.
	Once the
	The more
	opposition
	<i>it</i> [i.e., the new influx]
	encounters,
	the more
	painful
	the crisis will be.
46	
	in your public life.
	In verv recent times,
	destructiveness
	has been
	and
	······
46	force of the new influx is set in motion, it [i.e., the force of the new influx] cannot be halted. The more opposition it [i.e., the new influx] encounters, the more painful the crisis will be. This has also become very obvious in your public life. In very recent times, a great deal of hidden destructiveness has been • exposed

Again, this [level of public exposure of hidden destructiveness] has never been the case before • in the same way and • to the same degree.
And it continues.
Something new has been set in motion.
Through
• communication,
through
• exposure,
the whole world
knows of political misdeeds
that would
previously have remained secret.
nuve remuineu secrei.
Through
 the evolving group consciousness
a great
• interplay and
• interaction
takes place
that allows all of humankind
to participate in
the drama
of development.
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47	
	Viewing world events
	with this understanding
	is important.
	It is exactly
	the process you follow
	on this path:
	you
	• expose your lower self,
	you
	• share it [i.e., you share your lower self],
	you
	• communicate it [i.e., you communicate your lower self]
	to others.
	Can you think of a better way
	to establish
	• love,
	• trust,
	• closeness?
48	
	Again and again
	I show you parallels
	between
	the development of the
	• individual
	and
	• [the development] of the
	• planet.
	All the processes
	you learn to apply
	to yourselves
	also apply
	in some form
	on the collective level.

	Exposure
	has never existed
	in the way it does now.
	• Masks
	are beginning to fall,
	• lower-self aspects
	begin to show clearly,
	with less concealment
	than ever before.
	Thus
	• events and
	• intentions
	can be recognized
	• for what they really are,
	• without the camouflages
	that bring
	so much
	• lying,
	so much
	• suffering,
	so much
	• confusion.
49	
	Exposure
	is very much a part of
	the new influx.
	It [i.e., exposure]
	is a
	direct expression of
	the Christ consciousness
	that sweeps through
	the
	• inner
	and
	• outer
	planes of this planet
	at this time.

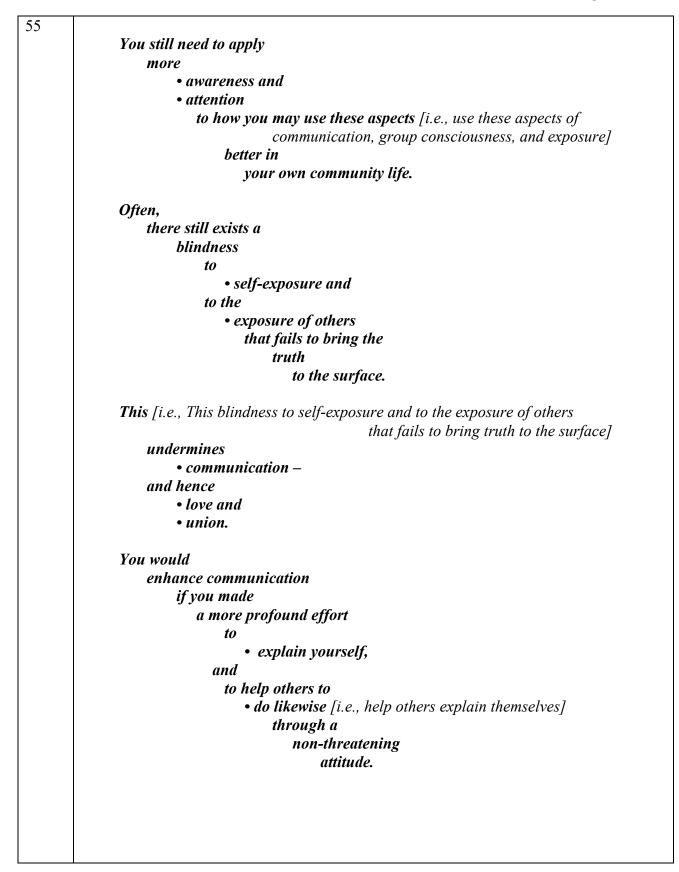
Spiritual development without exposure can, at best, be only a half measure that leads eventually to a stalemate. **But unless** exposure is infused with love, *it* [*i.e.*, *exposure*] becomes self-defeating. Show respect for the person who has the courage to do it [i.e., courage to drop masks and expose lower-self aspects] willingly. Those who refuse to open up willingly must not be allowed • to destroy their environment and • to influence events through their concealment.

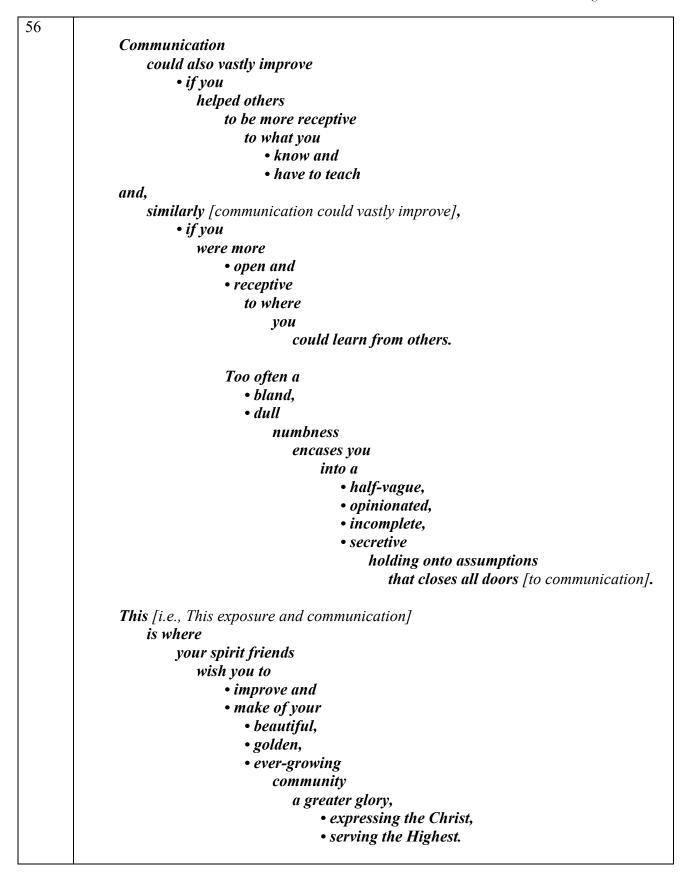
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50	The
	• courage and
	• strength
	necessary
	to bring about exposure
	wherever
	• appropriate and
	• necessary
	stems from
	the inner conviction
	<i>that it</i> [i.e., that exposure of lower-self aspects]
	is done
	• in the service of a larger cause –
	<i>in other words,</i> [the inner conviction that
	exposure of lower-self aspects is done]
	• in love.
	The more
	you expose yourself
	• to yourself,
	and subsequently
	• to others,
	the more
	you will discover
	your
	• true
	• intrinsic
	worth.
	You will know
	that
	the already developed
	higher self
	is the part
	that makes the exposure [of lower-self aspects] possible.

51	
	It is the same
	with
	the planetary entity.
	The earth's
	higher self
	is conducting
	all the exposures
	that occur now
	on the political front.
	Do not think of
	the New Age
	as a
	• general,
	• vague
	• force.
	[Actually]
	It [i.e., the New Age]
	is a
	• consciousness
	• by and
	• in
	itself.
	Specific aspects [of this New Age consciousness]
	manifest
	in various parts of your earth as the need arises.
50	
52	As all consciousness,
	the New Age [i.e., the New Age consciousness]
	consists of many aspects
	that complete
	a harmonious whole.
	In this lecture I discussed
	three particular aspects [of the New Age consciousness]:
	• communication,
	 group consciousness, and
	• exposure.

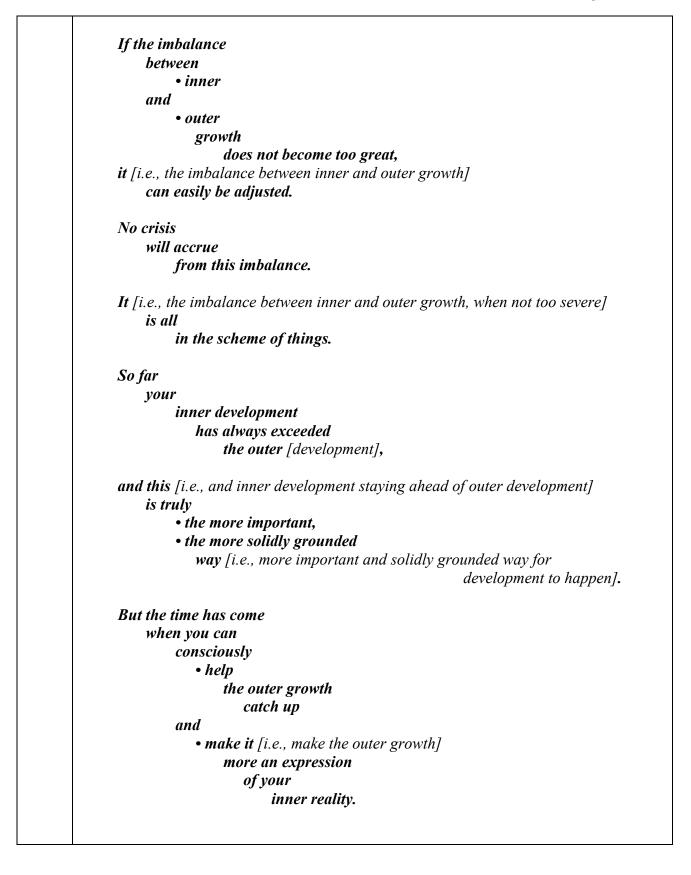
	We also discussed the
	inevitable parallel
	between all these aspects manifesting
	on the
	• individual
	and
	on the
	• collective
	levels.
53	
	You are quite well versed on the
	• individual level,
	since this was
	the emphasis
	of your pathwork
	all along.
	Although there are still some
	obstructions and
	• resistances,
	in principle
	• you are reconciled
	<i>with this process</i> [on the individual level]
	and
	• you comprehend its
	intrinsic
	• necessity and
	• value.
	You can observe how the same [pathwork] process happens on the
	• collective level
	and
	this [i.e., this observation of how the same pathwork process happens
	on the collective level as happens on the individual level]
	will help
	your expansion
	as an individual.

54	
	By seeing
	the same principle
	repeated
	• in microcosm [i.e., on the individual level]
	and
	• in macrocosm [i.e., on the collective level],
	you develop
	a deeper understanding.
	Through
	 this understanding and
	through
	• your ever-intensified efforts toward
	• self-exposure
	and
	• communication
	with your
	immediate circle of dear ones
	with whom you share
	your process of development,
	you greatly contribute
	to
	the earth's evolution.
	Although it may not be possible for you
	to see this influence [on the earth's evolution]
	• directly and
	• immediately,
	you will
	gradually
	sense it [i.e., you will gradually sense your influence on the earth's evolution] ;
	<i>it</i> [<i>i.e.</i> , your influence on the earth's evolution]
	will become
	an ever-growing realization.
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              I want also to call your attention to
                   a specific observation:
                       watch the parallels
                          between the
                               • outer
                          and
                               • inner
                                  growth
                          and
                               • the expression
                                  of your group entity's
                                      higher self.
              At times
                   one [say, for example, the inner growth]
                       is ahead of
                          the other [is ahead of, for example, the outer growth].
              At other times
                   it is reversed [i.e., in this example, the outer growth is ahead of
                                                             the inner growth].
              A certain balance [i.e., A certain balance between inner and outer growth]
                   should be maintained,
              though it [i.e., though the balance of inner and outer growth]
                   can never be
                       completely even.
              This [i.e., This complete balance in which inner and outer growth
                                                                    are completely even]
                   is not necessary.
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58	
	Look at this beautiful world
	with the eyes
	that
	• <i>see</i>
	the whole,
	that
	• comprehend
	the Lord's working
	behind all that is.
	Let your hearts
	be filled with
	the freshness
	of life's healing power
	that flows from the Source
	that encompasses
	all that
	• ever was created
	and
	• ever will be created.
	This Source
	resides
	right in your own center,
	even when
	you are unable
	• to connect with it or
	• to experience its reality
	through
	 your confusions and your momentary suffering.
	your momentary suffering.
	It [i.e., this Source]
	is always there.

59	
	You are all
	surrounded by
	the great force
	that flows
	with such renewed vigor
	through your universe.
	Be blessed,
	my beloved ones.
	Pursue your commitment
	to the end,
	never let up
	in your devotion
	to serve God.
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