

Pathwork on

Life is a School, We Determine the Curriculum

Pathwork Lecture 69 *The Folly of Watching for Results While on the Path; Fulfillment or Suppression of the Valid Desire to be Loved* states that Life is a School, and that we create our own curriculum out of what experiences we manifest – “good” or “bad.” Our growth is in our mastery over our life experiences, again mastery over the “good” and “bad” experiences in our life.

17	<p>... Life in itself is a school. The curriculum of this school is made up of the outward-manifesting conditions of your inner life. This includes the positive and the negative conditions. It is sometimes more difficult to assimilate and constructively absorb the positive results of your inner life. The existence of the negative and erroneous side in you may prevent you from taking life fully at its best, as well as at its worst. The rhythmic change from positive to negative outer manifestation, and back again, alternating in cycles, applies to all human beings alike, whether or not they are on any kind of path, spiritual, psychological, or otherwise. As I said before, the only difference between these two types of people is that the person who searches in the right direction will learn to have a different approach to <u>both</u> the positive <u>and</u> the negative manifestations. Only thus will the searcher gradually master and control the self and also life. This control comes with gaining a deeper and more meaningful experience of life. The constant changes between "good" and "bad" will reveal meaning that will be missed by the person who lives ignorantly in this respect. Thus, in the measure that he or she progresses the searcher and worker on the path will experience the essence of life in a fuller dimension.</p>
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