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Changing your Opinions as you get Greater Knowledge

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Estelle often used issues that are affecting a member of our group as the subject for her talk.

Because your knowledge base is increasing you're answering a lot of the questions of the problems that you have arising in your life for yourself which is a wonderful. But as a teacher...I don't know why I really like to be called a teacher because I'm just an adviser on what is the correct procedure or how to conduct your lives. And the greatest gift that people can give me is to take in, follow-up and actually change their lives in accordance with the teachings which are being given. But that occurrence seems to be very difficult for so many people.

We get the lesson out and it goes into your subconscious, or more your conscious mind, and by the time you've got out to the road it dissipates and melds in with the rest of your thinking and you tend to have a mental block when the situation comes when you have to bring that lesson forward. Because that's when it is important to remember what you have been told. There's no point in thinking "Well I have the knowledge" because what's the point in having the knowledge if you don't take it in to your everyday life. And I know that's a very big ask. It's a very big ask to expect people to change the format of their life but that's what we've all got to do if we want to progress. We have to continually change. We have to continually develop. Develop in the manner of correcting our pathway.

So many people have the opinion that if you make a statement say 10 years ago, that 10 years later your opinion should be exactly the same as it was previously. This is very true with the teachings that we give is it not? And none of us have the capacity to be all knowing. None of us have the capacity to have all the knowledge at our fingertips to pass on. We all have limited capacity depending upon how much we have changed our lives. So that is why you have to be very careful with whom you read and whom you listen to because if an individual and I'll utilise the school curriculum, or the school process, as a point of reference, when you are in Standard 5 you have a limited capacity and a limited amount of learning. Now when you proceed to leave school at, Form 6 I believe is the time for leaving isn't it? Well it is in jolly old England. I think the Australian curriculum just continues and I think you have Year 12 don't you?

Yes we do.

You see I'm still back in the Old Country and Standard 6 or Form 6 used to be the pathway to university didn't it?

Yes it did.

So as we are in Australia I suppose we should really refer to the Australian curriculum. So when you're in Standard 12 your thinking and your ability to understand is far different to that when you are in Standard 5. You have a 7 year differential in time and therefore the opinions that you had in Standard 5 will obviously have changed by the time you get to leaving high school. This is natural progress is it not?

So therefore why isn't the same set of standards placed upon the teachings which people receive from Spirit? They do not consider that we have the capacity or the ability to change our thinking which is really a very short-sighted position that people put us in is it not? We too are progressing. That's why when you get teachers like Red Cloud, like Silver Birch, like so many of the others, they have to be very careful that they have the same form or the same level of knowledge at the beginning to that at the end. Because people will take the teachings which were received at the beginning and compared them with the teachings that they received at the end and look at them in the same vein. They do not allow the fact that lessons could have been learned by the individual and therefore their opinion and their teachings can be modified.

The example that I will utilise is that when Silver Birch was doing his talks through Maurice he advocated very strongly on the vegetarian lifestyle for all people upon the Earth Plane. But now there is a realisation that it is an unacceptable or unobtainable desire because there physically isn't enough resources of the Earth Plane at this point in time to facilitate every member of the Earth Plane being vegetarian. He still advocates that it is, in his opinion, the preferable way and he would prefer everybody to follow that teaching but he now realises and accepts that it cannot be that way in everyone's life. You then have to modify your thinking. So therefore if he comes through now and advocates that he accepts the fact that the consumption of meat is acceptable, people will be mortified and horrified because it goes against the teachings that he had when he was utilising Maurice. I'm using that as an example.

So always be open minded on your judgment of the teachings and your judgment of people because the teachings and people have the capacity to progress and change. And as you progress and change the requirement that you have for information changes as well because the teachings that can be given to somebody who has never had our teachings has to be modified to their level of understanding. And then from that level of understanding we can then bring their level of acceptance, their level of thinking, up to a higher degree and then the teachings can vary. But if you look at the teachings at the end to the teachings at the beginning, you will say they can't be from the same individual because there are different levels.

And this is the problem that we have when we go to do our demonstrations. We have to be very careful that we don't make statements which can be utilised years later as incorrect information because you said "x" 5 years ago, now saying "y". We can't have that so we have to be very careful on how we prepare the teachings that we give. Which is why we have to go to the Halls of Learning to have the capacity to do the teachings that we do.

A lot of people just think we have the natural ability. Well that's true but just because you have a natural ability doesn't mean to say you have capacity to share that ability

with those who are coming to learn. Having the knowledge and the ability to share that knowledge are totally different. Not everybody who has the knowledge has the capacity to bring it to the level that people can accept and understand.

So what I'm trying to say is be tolerant, be accepting in the fact that people have a different level of understanding and acceptance. Be confident in what you consider is correct and your level of understanding because we will gradually change your thinking. If we don't change your thinking, what's the point in us coming in the first place?

I know our friend(*Talking to a member of our circle*) has fully accepted that. I think it has changed in a lot of ways since she joined our group has it not?

Yes.

And changed for the better I hope.

Well I hope so too.

Well I can assure you it has. Because you have a greater acceptance and understanding of the correct teachings. Not saying that what you had before was incorrect, it was correct for your level of acceptance at that time.

Yes.

And that is true with so many people. We have to be very careful what information we give out because until people have the capacity to take our teachings into their lives we have to play baby steps. You know yourself ... (*Talking to a different member of our circle*) that when you first came it all sounded quite airy fairy didn't it?

Yes it was a lot to take in...

And you didn't fully comprehend what we were talking about.

No.

But slowly the level of understanding that you have has increased, in fact it has increased quite dramatically.

Yes it has.

And because of that you have had the ability to change your thinking for the better and life has been a lot more pleasant hasn't it?

It has, yes.

Because you don't retaliate in the manner that you would have done previously.

Yes that's correct.

So for that reason we feel very privileged that we have been just a little small part in

your improvement.

A big part.

But you had to make the change my friend. We can put the teachings in front of you. We couldn't instil them into your consciousness so as you made them a part of your life. You did that yourself. So for that we are exceptionally pleased and happy that you have incorporated our teachings into your everyday life and that makes us feel that coming to talk to you has been a worthwhile exercise.

Very much so.

So keep up the good work my friend. You haven't got there yet. You still have quite a way to go, but you are on the right path. I hope you don't mind me using you as an example.

No it's no problem.

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