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People who Pass into the Astral Sphere with Strong Religious Views

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Maurice, you know when they say people can progress at their own pace, I was wondering about religious groups who still maintain firm acceptance of their religion after they pass, if they were taken to the Halls of Learning and showed them, would they still persist?

You have to progress at your own pace and the answer to your question is yes they can be taken to the Halls of Learning, they can be shown the error of their ways, but this will not occur until they are ready and they request it and therefore until that request is made they will have the same narrow minded views that they had whilst they were on the Earth Plane.

Are they aware that they have this opportunity?

When their guides, their mentors, consider that they are right to move forward then they will take them forward but they cannot make the suggestion. This is one of the benefits of going to meetings such as we have over the Easter period. Then knowledge is given and if you have a fixed narrow mind you will think, "Well that was a lot of twaddle" and go along on your own way exactly the same as you would have done on the Earth Plane, or you can go to the meeting and it could spark an interest. Spark a request for knowledge and therefore with that request you then place forward the thought that I want to know. I don't understand. Can you show me somewhere where I can learn and then, and only then, will your guide, your mentor, your friend, take you forward.

So it's a sort of catch 22. If they don't know how can they ask?

Because they come to meetings. Why do you think we allow the groups to be around us when we meet in your group as we have this evening? It is for their knowledge as much as it is for yours. You always have the opportunity but you have to make the effort. You can go to a lecture but you have to choose to attend the lecture do you not, because unless you choose to attend the lecture you haven't made the step yourself. You have to make that conscious effort. Do you understand? Once you have made the conscious effort then help is given, then guidance is given.

I suppose it's a good system.

It is the only system and I'm glad it has your approval.

Well I'm thinking of it from a lot of angles of the Earth Plane because we have a tendency to force people sometimes to maybe think a certain way.

There is the big difference between the Earth Plane and the astral spheres. In the astral spheres nobody ever forces you to do anything. Anything that is achieved is achieved because of your desire to move forward. The desire and the request has to come from you. Whereas on the Earth Plane there are many people who push their will upon another being. Our churches are very guilty of that scenario are they not? And the Old Testament is very guilty of that scenario because the God which is portrayed in the Old Testament is a jealous, vindictive, nasty person because if you didn't follow his way you would be cast out into Hell, eternal damnation and yet they say he is a God of Love.

You can't have it both ways.

But that is the teachings within the Old Testament.

I sometimes wonder whether that was actually so or someone inserted those bits because otherwise it doesn't make flowing sense.

The Torah is the rule book. The Torah is the guide which doesn't have any leniency for variation. The Torah is very firm in what you should and shouldn't do and if you don't follow it you are damned and if you actually analyse the teachings, and I'm talking now of the New Testament, that unless you are without sin you cannot enter the holy of holies, you cannot enter Heaven which in essence means that nobody on the Earth Plane will ever get to Heaven because every single one of us are sinners. So therefore it is a guide but it is taken to the extreme. So the Torah or the New Testament are no different in certain ways.

Was that written the way it was or have people changed it?

It was written in the way that it was perceived to be right. Why do you think the Jewish people had the book which was known as the Torah?

Why did they have it?

Why did the powers that be decide that the Jewish people should have a document which they can follow?

I think they needed it.

They did because the Jewish people had an inherent desire to record things and therefore because they had this desire to record things it was utilised.

Not because they were chosen so to speak.

Then certain preconceived ideas were placed in and certain inaccuracies were placed in, a little bit off poetic licence, but in essence the stories within were to give hope to the people because the Jewish people have been down trodden from their conception.

I think it's just their inheritance.

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