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## **Proof of Survival versus The Teachings**

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When we are carrying out various deeds we can be selfish for unselfish reasons, because if you're doing things for the betterment of another and you're doing it without any thought of reward or praise. In reality it's the old story is it not? You would be a fool if you are doing a good deed and you did not know you're doing good. The only difference is if you are doing good and you know you're doing good you just accept it as a part of your life, but if you are doing good and then look for aggrandisement and approval for your doing good, then it's wrong. You see, as I said, it's the old story. You have the same action but the essence of why you are carrying out that action is what's important. You've been told that so many times have you not? But we all need reminding of that. We all need a bit of a gee up occasionally.

I've seen changes even in this group and we have taken the lessons into our being. No thought is given to that action anymore. It's just a natural way of reacting to a situation now.

When myself, Estelle and so many others were around it was necessary to give proof, proof of survival. You've already had proof of survival so why do we have to keep going through that avenue again! Now you should have the benefit of the teachings because that's after all what the proof of survival is all about. That's going through your first test, your first class. You don't want to keep staying in the first class do you? You want to say well alright I've achieved that, I understand that, I don't need any more of that, what else is there to know? And that's where we move forward.

But the people within the establishment, within the churches, they can't see past the truth shall we say.

But Maurice in some churches the congregation itself does not want any more. That's all they want.

But that's because that's all that is given to them. It's an easy way out syndrome.

Maybe they should actually alter what is done in the churches slightly and move forward with the teachings.

Well we are trying to achieve that, but if your leaders in the churches portray proof of survival as being the most important part of the service it makes it very difficult for us to move forward with the teachings.

Proof of survival is what the congregation will then engender in their mind. This is the important thing. This is why we come. All the rest is padding.

Because that is a problem that we have within the churches. We come in and we teach that we are merely a continuation of life. Even in the Seven Principles, one of the principles is the acceptance of the continuation of life and then in the next breath we talk about death! The two are not quite connected are they? It's a total misnomer to talk of death when your basic principle says you have to accept the continuation of life. So that is one of the hurdles we have to remove. It has to be removed to move forward.

It's all wrong and slowly what we've got to do is to get through and we will get through don't worry. Although it's not my worry. I am only here to deliver what I can. Sometimes I do babble on a bit and think well if a little bit of knowledge comes out, well then it's a benefit.

We've all gone to the Halls of Learning to teach ourselves the English language. Well I was very fortunate in that the last time I was on the Earth Plane it was my native tongue so therefore I didn't have to learn, but you think about it. The various teachers who come through, the last time they were on the Earth Plane it wasn't their native tongue, but they still had to learn and they had to come back to learn how to communicate and communicate in different dialects and tongues. That is something a lot of people don't think about you know.

## I think we spoke about it in the circle. The amazing thing is that they'd go to all that trouble.

That's an effort, it's not trouble. It's merely a means to an end. To deliver the teachings to the area that we are dealing with is necessary to be conversant in the English tongue and therefore we learn. In the Summerland you can learn a foreign language in a matter of 2 to 3 years. Some of us have had 2 or 3 thousand years so you would think we would have a reasonable grasp don't wouldn't you. But it's true and therefore when we elect to guide a certain area of language then it's incumbent upon us to be fluent in that language.

When Silver Birch came through initially he could, if he had wanted to, have conversed perfectly in perfect English, but it wasn't desired. It was necessary for the group to grow to feel a part of him, feel that they had been brought together by his learning and therefore he slowly unfolded. A little bit like a flower coming into bloom. It's very tight before it's ready to show its true beauty is it not? And that's what he did. He slowly opened up and with that openness came the wisdom until he flourished into a full flower and then once the full flower was in full bloom it stayed, it didn't wilt, it stayed in full bloom for many years, 60 years plus it stayed in full bloom. We have that problem at times because the timeframe upon the Earth Plane becomes insignificant and yet the peoples of the Earth Plane consider it as so significant.

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