

# **Living and Being Alive**

## **Part 3 – Recognizing the Activity of the Intuition**

Since intuition is critical to our ability to become Spiritually Alive, it is important for us to recognize and understand how it manifests in everyday living.

Many mistake feelings, or bursts of thoughtful insight as Intuition.

The Grail Message teaches and helps one to distinguish intuitive activity from feelings and thoughtful insights.

It describes intuition as a sudden and un-premeditated burst, or urge, that takes control of our being.

Usually, the urge is compelling us to do something selfless, even when it appears out of place, or is not readily evident. Also, such sudden urges are often followed by rational thoughts or emotional considerations that want to discourage us from yielding as it is seen as a self-less urge. (Self-less, meaning urges for which there are no perceived immediate, or longer-term benefits.)

These urges can arise in practically every aspect of life, and are not necessarily restricted to aspects of life that we generally consider as Spiritual.

The following examples illustrate the activity of the intuition.

In the story of the Good Samaritan, one of the parables of Jesus Christ, a Samaritan is urged from within to help of a Jew lying on the roadside bleeding and in pain after an attack by robbers. The immediate intellectual and emotional responses to that urge would have been to ignore the Jew, who was after all considered an enemy of the Samaritan clan. A part of him might have seen the Jew's suffering as deserved justice of "an eye for an eye". Yet he over came these inner responses and followed his intuition. He did this without consideration of immediate or potential benefits to himself, or the money time and effort that the act would cost him. The only thing that could have nurtured and encouraged him to this urge would have been some sensing of a connection between himself and this foreigner who lay in pain and

suffering by the way side. This sensing then welled into compassion for an otherwise enemy, but now seen as a fellow creature of creation.

The second example is in an arena of life that one would not consider Spiritual.

Albert Einstein's sudden flash about *Relativity*, while reflecting on enigmas and obstacles that he was encountering in his research, is another example of the activity of the intuition. Here also, his intellectual knowledge of the classical laws of Physics immediately refuted this apparently contradictory notion of *Relativity*. His emotion must have cautioned against a notion that could affect his stature within the science community. But his commitment to the pursuit of Truth compelled him to yield to this intuition, and as the saying goes, the rest is history. Subsequent research validated his intuition, and opened a new and wider vista for scientific discovery and exploration, from human beings have benefited immensely.

The third example of intuition, though occurring in the arena that we generally describe as Spiritual, did not come to a person who was associated with being spiritual.

When Constantine I, yielded to an inner, or, one might even say, the promptings of his mother, to decree Christianity as a state sanctioned religion of the Roman empire, he took great risk to his political position. But he must have felt something within that made him yield to that urge. Perhaps, he sensed how the true practice of the teachings of Jesus Christ could have an ennobling effect on society, or he might have done so out of love and veneration of his mother. Regardless, he followed the urged not out of any benefit to himself.

We see from these three examples that urges of the intuition are always driven by selflessness, even when they entail risks to our person or position

Another thing that we need to appreciate is that because a person has had and yielded to one intuitive experience does not mean that they will thereafter automatically continue to perceive, or respond to future inner urges, nor will they always be selfless in their actions.

Each urge of the intuition is a separate event, demanding a separate perceiving, responding, and execution.

However, knowledge, or awareness of the Laws of creation (the governing principles of Life) make it easier to recognize or assess urges when they assail us. This knowledge helps us to assess whether it is the intuition trying to catch our attention, or whether it is our thoughts or emotion at work.

As already discussed in parts 1 and 2 of this write-up, the Laws of Creation operate only to help in with the development and sustenance of Creation. For the human Spirit this means developing towards ennoblement of their person. Such ennoblement is ultimately fostered and based on a grasp of the true concept of Love.

True Love entails selfless acts carried out consciously or unconsciously, in humility and in alignment with the higher purpose of living and Life.

Thus, the higher the degree of development of one's intuitive ability, the more humble a person actually becomes. This contrasts with a person who pursues Intellectual or Emotional growth. With such, there is a striving to become a recognized authority, a figure to be admired, while sometimes feigning humility.

Thus, we have the *gurus*, who represent the height of intellectual knowledge, and the "*saintly*" or pious, who represent the height of emotional development. But a truly spiritual person, who is guided by the intuition, is seldom outwardly noticeable in a crowd. They are only recognized in their words and their actions.

In accordance with the Law of Homogeneity, those who strive after intellectual knowledge will naturally be drawn to the gurus, and those who wish to cultivate piety will be drawn to the saintly or pious type of leadership. These are seldom able to fully appreciate or grasp the wisdom inherent in the urges of the intuition, or the Laws of Creation. Only a person who is sincerely yearning for knowledge, without concern for any immediate benefit, and are ready to accept their insignificance in the grander scheme of Life and existence can drum up the humility to learn and accept the Laws of Creation, which hold the key to freeing up the Intuition.

By continually listening to and yielding to the intuition, the person can gradually become Alive and grow into the sublime recognitions that float like a dream before many who are still stuck at their intellectual or emotional level of living.

The Grail Messages gives a glimpse of the splendor that being truly alive will ultimately lead.

*“Radiant light! Dazzling purity! A blissful feeling of lightness! All this speaks for itself so clearly that it is hardly necessary to go into details. The less the ethereal body, i.e., the cloak of the human spirit in the beyond, is burdened with some base proclivity, with any kind of desire for material things and pleasures, the less will he be attracted by them, and the less dense and therefore the less heavy will be his ethereal body which is formed according to his volition; and through its lightness he will be all the more quickly uplifted to the more luminous regions corresponding to the lesser density of his ethereal body.....*

*Just as it would be impossible for a painter to portray the torments of actual life in the dark regions, so is it equally impossible for him to depict the delight which life holds in the light regions, even if these regions still belong to the transient World of Ethereal Matter before the boundary to the Eternal Kingdom of God has been crossed.”*

..... Lecture “The Regions of Light”

“In The Light of Truth” (The Grail Message)