

The Family Unit - Part 1

Trance Library File No. 88-15

SUGGESTIONS ON READING THE TRANCE LIBRARY FILES

by

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I appreciate your interest in the information we have been receiving from [The Council](#), the spiritual source which speaks through the Trances. In all the years that I have been manifesting the Deep Catatonic Trance, I have learned a great deal from The Council, and I earnestly wish that you also gain a greater understanding of our existence.

These Library Files present information from The Council over a vast range of topics. In some cases, the information presented comes from one or two Trances that were usually held consecutively, within a few weeks or months of each other. In other Library Files, the information is selected from Trances held over many years. In all cases, if you study these Library Files carefully, you will notice a common thread of awareness that runs through all the information that The Council presents.

You may also notice that by the manner in which The Council presents the information, it becomes evident that they are layering awarenesses and insights. The observant reader will realize this progression of awareness and the unfolding of these insights.

These Library Files will not reveal their deepest insights to you with a casual reading. You must study them and reflect upon them. I would advise you to read the Library File at least twice and reflect on the information that The Council gives.

Again, thank you for your interest. I sincerely hope that you benefit from the Council's wisdom.

Sincerely,

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AN INTRODUCTION TO THE COUNCIL

by

William Allen LePar

The Council has often referred to themselves as "spiritual beings." We must remember that this is a very elusive term and means something far greater than what we normally have been taught to understand as "spiritual beings."

In our finite minds we look upon spiritual beings as living beings confined in similar manners as we in the physical, and this is not the case with some levels beyond the physical. But in this expanded description from The Council, we begin to realize that there are levels that we can reach as spiritual beings that far surpass our present concepts.

Respectfully, I submit The Council's own personal description of themselves.

THE COUNCIL SPEAKS OF THEMSELVES

After a soul or an entity has accomplished a certain level or degree of perfection, through whatever system that is the ruling belief system of that time, then the individual or the soul or the entity is elevated to a level wherein it is not necessary for reincarnation. Once entering the spiritual realms without the need to reincarnate, a growth period is undergone. Many steps of awareness or many levels of awareness are accomplished, many degrees of elevation, many degrees of perfection until finally the soul, the entity has evolved into a state where there are no levels, no degrees, but begins to expand in love and awareness to the point where there is a total mergence or merging with other beings; where all ideas of limitations, all awarenesses of false limitations, have been done away with; where the person or the soul or the entity begins to realize its true unlimitedness and in that begins to expand greater and greater and greater, interweaving more delicately and more closely with all others and all other things, and in so doing grows closer to the Divine Himself. Once a soul or entity has reached this level, then they are in union with others, total union, yet completely individual, and yet completely united. This soul, this entity has its own personality, yet delicately flows in and out and with other souls but yet maintains its own personality, its own being. The soul, the entity becomes more god-like in that it becomes part of all things, yet maintains its own personality, its own being. Once a soul has reached this level then there is no name, there is no body as you would recognize or understand, but a more complete and unlimited **Child of God**, one who is so developed that no name could ever describe him. That is the existence we live in, and if you wish to use confining and restricting terminologies as levels, then we souls have to say that is the level we exist in. In all of mankind's history this level has never before spoken in the **physical plane**.

Even though we refer to ourselves as "spiritual beings," we use such statements only to give all who come to us some idea to relate to or some concept that they can relate to.

THE TRANCE PHENOMENON

We believe The Trances of William Allen LePar are the rarest paranormal experiences known to modern man. The only example of a similar phenomenon ended with the death of [Edgar Cayce](#) in 1944. The Council's unparalleled revelations, through Mr. LePar's trances, are made available to the public through the SOL Association for Research. His time and efforts are without compensation, and SOL is a non-profit, tax-exempt concern dependent on the commitment of volunteers.

The following is a brief explanation of a Trance, so those without the opportunity to participate have a better understanding of the phenomenon. On the day of a Trance, Mr. LePar remains in a peaceful environment. He consumes little food and The Council recommends his diet include red shellfish. He engages in considerable prayer and meditation throughout the day.

Those participating in a Trance, to question The Council, gather about a half hour before the session for socializing. Nancy LePar, his wife, is always the last to leave her husband before a Trance begins. She sits with him in a separate room as he quiets himself with prayer and meditation. When she enters the room in which the trance is to be conducted, all talking and noise cease. Soon he enters, silent and already in an altered state. With everyone seated and quiet, he enters, removes his slippers and positions himself on the floor.

He wears, as instructed by The Council, loose clothing of all natural fabric. Also, Mr. LePar wears no metal other than a wedding ring and cross. As he rests his head and bare feet on pillows, he maneuvers his body into alignment with magnetic north. Those participating, following instructions from The Council, are to place themselves in a quiet, prayerful state as until this remarkable source begins to speak. There are two distinct time periods in the linking of LePar's spiritual vibrations with those of The Council. The first period concludes with LePar's extremely deep and rapid breathing, a form of [hyperventilation](#). His hands, folded across the abdomen, quiver; his left leg stiffens and his left foot extends. Then, suddenly, silence. It seems almost as if he has stopped breathing. Finally, The Council begins to speak -- slowly at first, repeating the name of the Trance moderator, until the link with the physical world is ready. It usually takes about thirty minutes from the time Mr. LePar lies down until The Council speaks. But on some occasions, for a variety of reasons, it can be as long as 45 minutes.

Once The Council begins to communicate, a Trance usually lasts between ninety minutes and two hours. The Council is offered the opportunity to give the gathering an opening statement, which has always become a segment of information useful for universal spiritual growth. Then, the trances follow a simple question-and-answer format, beginning with written questions and continuing with follow-up questions raised by The Council's comments. At some sessions, there are so many follow-up questions that only the first question asked will be from the list of written questions.

Afterwards, when Mr. LePar awakens, he remembers nothing. His memory is blank from the time his wife leaves him before each session until he awakens at the conclusion of the Trance. He is always physically drained, cold and disoriented. He is helped to a seat, wrapped in an afghan for warmth, and given a slice of bread and a glass of orange juice to help him recover.

We hope you profit from the information in these Trance Library Files. If reading a particular file gives rise to a question, we encourage you to contact us for more information. Thank you.

FOREWORD

The Council has told us on many occasions that truth has always been available to mankind from the very beginning. As you read this Trance Library File, you may note similarities to information from other sources. You will also encounter new information. You may be surprised by some of the information revealed by The Council, to the point where it strains your credulity. The Council realizes this, and so they often begin a Research Group Trance with an opening statement such as this:

Again, a reminder as we have said before, we ask that you think about what we have said, the answers to your questions. It is not necessary to accept everything we say, but we do ask that you take the time to think on what we have said and hold it for possible use or acceptance at a later time. What is most important is that you do think, that you exercise your God-given mind. Use what you can use and store away that which is not serviceable at this time, for if you wish to see a dawn tomorrow with its clear blue skies, you must make ready for it now. If you cannot believe that tomorrow will be a better day than today, then it will not be so for you. If you do not carry the light of tomorrow, then where will it come from? If your tomorrow is not planned for today, then how can it exist? Forearmed with the knowledge of the path you are presently traveling, you are then in a position to create a better path for your travels tomorrow. The outlook for the children of the Divine is definitely a bright and sunny day. Only you can make the decision as to what your tomorrow will be. We have one distinct advantage over each of you, and that is we have gone through the process of life that you are presently experiencing and in those activities we have learned that one must never narrow their vision down to what they prefer to see, but it is great wisdom when one is willing to look at the total picture, even those segments that one wishes were not there.

Always keep this concept in mind: Use what information you can, and that which you cannot agree with, put it aside for now. Do not discard it, for you may find it very useful in the future.

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EXPLANATION OF TRANCE LIBRARY FILE FORMAT

Reincarnation⁽¹⁾

page 31⁽²⁾

Selection # 16⁽³⁾

Reincarnation⁽⁴⁾ was discussed on 80-06-28⁽⁵⁾, the 78th Trance⁽⁶⁾.

The word "reincarnation was first found on page 1235, in line 387⁽⁷⁾.

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387 ***:⁽⁹⁾ Since we believe in reincarnation, and apparently have experienced death a number
388 of times, why do the majority of us fear death, and why do we not have a conscious
389 awareness of what it is like beyond the veil?

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391 C:⁽¹⁰⁾ If you have reincarnated then evidently you have not fulfilled or let us say you
392 have not taken advantage of the opportunities available to you while in the material
393 manifestation, thus you have relegated yourselves to the man-made heavenly realms. The
394 fear comes from a degree of awareness of the conditions in the man-made heavenly realms.

NOTES

(1) **Title** - This is the topic of the Trance Library File.

(2) **Page** - This is the page number of the Trance Library File. Each Trance Library File begins with page one.

(3) **Selection** - This number indicates the chronological order of this block of information in the whole of the Trance material.

(4) **Key Word** - This is the search word used for this selection.

(5) **Date** - This is the date on which the Trance occurred. It is given as a year-month-day (80-06-28).

(6) **Trance Number** - All of Mr. LePar's Trances have been numbered chronologically beginning with number one. This number indicates from which Trance this selection was drawn.

(7) **Master Volume Information** - All information from all Trances is transcribed in chronological order into the SOL Master Volume. This line indicates the page number and line number as found in the Master Volume.

(8) **Line Number** - The transcript of each Trance session is numbered from one. If a Trance Library File is made up of information from more than one Trance, then these numbers will change sequence.

(9) **Questioner** - The symbol *** indicates an individual at the Trance asking a question or responding to The Council's remarks. This is used to maintain confidentiality.

(10) **Council** - The symbol C: indicates that The Council is speaking.

EXPLANATION OF TRANCE LIBRARY FILE FORMAT

79-12-01⁽¹⁾

Life After Death - Part 1⁽²⁾
Trance #2⁽⁴⁾

page 21⁽³⁾

This trance was the second trance in the Research and Study Group series. The Trance was attended by William LePar and (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), (***) (***), and (***) (***).⁽⁵⁾

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2 C:⁽⁷⁾ May the Peace and the Joy of the Infinite Father be upon you, and may His Light
3 shine down upon you and around you and within you.⁽⁸⁾

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5 ***:⁽⁹⁾ Thank you. Are you ready?

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7 C: Yes, we are ready.

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9 ***: Would you agree with the statement that Jesus Christ came into the earth in human
10 form and is both man and God?⁽¹⁰⁾

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12 C: Yes, we acknowledge that Jesus Christ is both man and God and that He did come
13 into the material manifestation.

NOTES

- (1) **Date** - This is the date on which the Trance occurred. It is given as a year-month-day (**79-12-01**).
- (2) **Title** - This is the topic of the Trance Library File. If a subject requires more than one Trance Library File, then the file is divided into **Parts**.
- (3) **Page** - This is the page number of the Trance Library File. Each Trance Library File begins with page one.
- (4) **Trance Number** - This is the number of the Trance within the Research and Study Group Trance series.
- (5) **Identification** - This paragraph identifies the Trance and the persons in attendance. Individuals are identified by the symbol ******* to maintain confidentiality.
- (6) **Line Number** - The transcript of each Trance session is numbered from one. If a Trance Library File is made up of information from more than one Trance, then these numbers will change sequence.
- (7) **Council** - The symbol **C:** indicates that The Council is speaking.
- (8) **Greeting** - The Council always opens with a greeting.
- (9) **Questioner** - The symbol ******* indicates an individual at the Trance asking a question or responding to The Council's remarks. This is used to maintain confidentiality.
- (10) **Test of the Spirits** - As outlined in the First Letter of John this test is given at the start of each Trance.

Family was discussed on 75-09-12, the 14th Trance.

The word "father" was first found on page 172, line 276.

266 ***: Could you suggest a proper guidance for my elder son, (***)?
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268 C: We have made suggestions to this before. At this late date we
269 would suggest that you offer more of an explanation of your actions
270 in the present and an explanation of your actions in the past. Allow
271 him to understand that you are grateful for being instrumental in
272 allowing him to make a manifestation in the physical. It is an
273 honor to be used in such a way. This can be explained to him in
274 terms that he would understand. You take a benevolent dictatorship
275 attitude. This is not proper. It is an honor for you and for
276 any father to be used as a channel for a spirit entity to enter the
277 physical plane and continue its spiritual development. In so
278 doing you add to your spiritual development and in this you should
279 give thanks. Your decisions concerning the older son have been
280 somewhat remiss to put it gently. We have suggested to you to
281 soften those attitudes to emanate a love quality. This would be
282 beneficial not only to your spiritual development but also
283 to the situation you find yourself in. You are at the beginning
284 of what could be a new and growing relationship with the older son.
285 He still is in need of guidance, but it is the attitude in which
286 this guidance is given that therein lies the key to your success
287 or failure in this particular situation. You understand this?
288

289 ***: Yes.
290

291 C: Forget the past and concentrate on the present and the future.
292 Rejoice in knowing that you have the solution to your problem.
293 Do not give it lip service, give it action.

294 ***: Thank you.
295

296 C: You are more than welcome.

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298 ***: I have another son, (***). I would like to know what his

299 relationship is to me?

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301 C: In what respect?

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303 ***: In the past, possibly?

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305 C: You make reference to a past life?

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307 ***: Yes.

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309 C: That time when you were employed in the temple of sacrifice

310 you were guided and tutored by an older woman. She insisted

311 in you pursuing your work. She forced you, so to speak, into

312 situations you would have walked away from, thus bringing to

313 you spiritual growth. The lesson learned was giving of yourself

314 for others, facing those things that were quite hard to look at.

315 This is the relationship you find coming through at this particular

316 time. There was a fondness and love in that relationship, for

317 although you objected to many of the things you were forced into

318 doing you realized deep within you in the spirit that this was a

319 development process for you. This is why . . . (end of side 1)

320 This is why you find a closeness in your relationship with that son

321 now. Do you understand?

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323 ***: Yes.

324

325 C: Very well.

Family was discussed on 76-03-13, the 18th Trance.

The word “family” was first found on page 238, line 620.

607 ***: Please tell me what is the purpose of this life?

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609 C: The purpose of any life is to use it in such a way that we
610 can return to our rightful place with the Father. Is this so
611 hard to understand? Of course there are many avenues by which
612 this is accomplished depending on what you have created for
613 yourself in the past and in the present and what you will create
614 for yourself in the future. As to your present position you have
615 the obligations of being a wife and a mother. These obligations
616 are great and must be fulfilled to their fullest. Along with
617 this you will have the opportunity of helping others to find their
618 way, not necessarily in great ways, but in the small ways that
619 people help one another. It is for you to guide the spiritual
620 growth of your family in this present experience. Also to
621 overcome some of the selfishness that one indulges in, but this
622 is not to be taken as a reprimand. Most of those in the physical
623 have a certain amount of self-indulgence or selfishness. If it
624 is kept to the superficial things, the little trivial things, it
625 is not as bad as when one is self-centered and egotistical and
626 controls the situation so it adds to the individual's glory only.
627 Does this answer your question?

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629 ***: Yes, it does. Can you tell me how to overcome my selfishness
630 and to become more spiritual?

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632 C: You have already done a very good job in this. When we said
633 your selfishness, we did not indicate that it is a strong
634 selfishness. We used the word a little overindulgent would probably
635 be more accurate. To overcome your selfishness continue in thinking
636 about your family and about those around you. In guiding them

637 spiritually, in allowing them time and freedom in situations where
638 you feel you need the protection or you need the concentration of
639 emotions. Do you understand this?

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641 ***: No, I don't.

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643 C: In other words, if a situation comes up where you are excited
644 or emotionally worked up, you understand this?

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646 ***: Yes.

647 C: Instead of concentrating on your excitement, your tension,
648 concentrate on that which is causing it. Thus forgetting your
649 own excitement and trying to correct the situation is what is
650 called for. Not depending so strongly on those around you for
651 support, giving them support, giving them time for freedom, for
652 growth, for expression. You have had a great deal of catering
653 from the spouse to you. Now it is your turn to cater to his
654 needs. Do you understand this now?

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656 ***: Yes, I do. Thank you.

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658 C: There is a great joy in giving if one is wise enough to see
659 it. It brings to one the greatest growth possible, the greatest
660 growth possible. The more we give, the more we grow, the stronger
661 we become. It becomes an endless circle that spirals
662 (end of side 2) It spirals around and around upwards and upwards
663 into the very feet of the Father. This is the ultimate goal, the
664 ultimate reward of giving, at the feet of the Father, what more
665 could one ask for?

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667 ***: Thank you.

668

669 C: You are most welcome. You are not so far from the path. In
670 fact as we look upon you at the present time you are moving very
671 well. Have strength to continue in that direction.

Family was discussed on 76-04-09, the 19th Trance.

The word "parents" was first found on page 268, line 1006.

993 ***: I have a question that is really many different questions
994 in one but it all relates to the same.
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996 C: Yes.
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998 ***: How can I get my family to (a.) go to church?
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1000 C: By the example you are now setting. You are having the effect
1001 that is necessary on and in the family. You cannot force those to
1002 go to church but continue in your attendance and if it is their
1003 will, their free will, to decide to correct their ways, they will
1004 attend. Use yourself as an example in this particular case. It
1005 would be wise on occasion if it comes up in normal conversation to
1006 suggest that possibly the parents should try attending one church
1007 or another.
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1009 ***: Pray for help?
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1011 C: "Pray for help." Set the statement in a question.
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1013 ***: How can I get my family to pray for help?
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1015 C: At the evening meal we would suggest that before you begin
1016 eating you, yourself, say a prayer out loud so the rest can hear
1017 it. It is not advisable for you to demand that they do likewise,
1018 but you can suggest that they begin to set a new policy within the
1019 household, within the family. If they do not wish to say a prayer
1020 at the meal, then you say it yourself. It would be advisable for
1021 you to say the prayer verbally so that they cannot avoid hearing
1022 it. This will act as, shall we say, a little probe, a little

1023 jab, but do not weaken once you start. If you start this, you
1024 must do this all the time, for if you don't, then they will find
1025 grounds to see weakness in your decision. You understand this?

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1027 ***: Yes.

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1029 C: Very well.

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1031 ***: Does that also apply to the next question, how can I get
1032 them to thank God for what they have and (phrase inaudible)?

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1034 C: We feel that by using the prayer at the evening meal, one
1035 gives thanks to the Father. This could very well instigate a
1036 change in attitude of consciousness in both parents.

Family was discussed on 76-04-09, the 19th Trance.

The word "family" was first found on page 278, line 1527.

1497 ***: I have no questions.

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1499 C: Very well. At this time of the year man chooses to celebrate
1500 an event that is the crowning glory of all that there is. From
1501 the beginning of time the Father gave man a Promise and so it was
1502 through all the ages, through all the eternities, God the Father
1503 kept His Promise. In that time something less than two thousand
1504 years ago, the Father sent His Love, His Divine Love into the
1505 physical, into the earth plane creating an actual, living human
1506 being, this was Jesus the Christ. And through His years living a
1507 life that was done so to make it easy for all to reach a conscious
1508 level that is called the Christ Consciousness. His lifestyle is an
1509 example that each and every one of you should live. Do not become
1510 infatuated with Jesus the man but Jesus the Christ. The Christ or
1511 the Love did make its way in and across the earth through the man
1512 Jesus but one must remember that the man Jesus was the creation of
1513 the Christ or the Love of the Father. We are not detracting from the
1514 man or from Christ, but we are offering an explanation. Do not think
1515 less of one or more of the other. As He lived His life, so
1516 should you live your life, and His life was led by the Commandment
1517 which He gave you all as He gave us, and that is to love one
1518 another. Love one another to the point that if you are called upon,
1519 if you are called upon, to give up that life, you will gladly, you
1520 will gladly. In attempting to do this, in living an imitation of
1521 Christ's life with the sincerity in your heart, you will reach
1522 perfection. You are not asked to die on a cross. Many times we ask
1523 and we state that you destroy self, that you pick up your cross. We
1524 do not mean this in the literal words. We mean this in your day to
1525 day actions. Do what you must do to live a good life. Do not move
1526 away from it. Do not accuse others of your shortcomings. In your

1527 places of employment, do not use your positions to raise yourself.
1528 Do not use your positions to harass and destroy others for you.
1529 In your family by all means do not use your position whether it be
1530 a father, a mother, or a child to destroy another member of the
1531 family or to use other members of the family. This is not love,
1532 this is selfishness. Remember: this is the time of the year when
1533 man has chosen to celebrate the apex of the Christ Consciousness,
1534 the completion of the Christ Consciousness. Jesus Christ the God,
1535 Jesus Christ the Man did give His life, did suffer the tortures
1536 that man applied to Him, the lashes, the spitting, the insults,
1537 the carrying of the cross, to die a very humiliating death and then
1538 come above it and rise up with a newly created body, one that man's
1539 eyes could not quite understand, the perfection of the Christ
1540 Consciousness. The same perfection that all of you can obtain
1541 to a degree. Some may rise above death, but that will be very few.
1542 Know that when you enter death, you enter the new life. Be
1543 positive in your existence, so that when you enter the new life, the
1544 real life, you have some thread of the Christ Consciousness within
1545 you. At least be able to say to yourself that you have sincerely
1546 tried to live a Christ-like life. God the Father promised us a way
1547 from the very beginning of eternity, and He has kept His Promise. It's
1548 an easy way. Do not be so selfish that you cannot take advantage
1549 of the easy way that the Father has given you. Use the Love
1550 that He has given you. With this we wish to bless each and every
1551 one of you in our own way as God the Father has blessed us and as His
1552 Divine Son blesses us, we extend that which they gave us to you
1553 as a direct gift not from us but from them using us only as a
1554 channel. May the Blessings of the Father and His Son Jesus Christ
1555 be upon each and every one of you. Accept this and gain strength
1556 from it. Thank you very much.

Family was discussed on 76-09-24, the 24th Trance.

The word “parents” was first found on page 326, line 827.

827 ***: Can you tell me why I was born to the parents that I have in
828 this life?

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830 C: Is there a particular reason for such a question?

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832 ***: Yes, I never really felt that I belonged in that family.

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834 C: The feeling has not been all that strong, if you look at the
835 actual feeling, the existence with that particular group of souls
836 or spirits or entities is a fairly recent relationship. The true
837 purpose was because the parents of those souls or entities that
838 manifest as your parents would have a greater acceptance of your
839 husband than would some others. The situation, shall we put it,
840 at that particular time prior to your marriage and at the time of
841 your marriage to your husband was such that the parents would have
842 had to have a certain amount of understanding. Do you understand
843 this?

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845 ***: Yes.

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847 C: There shouldn't be any strong feelings of disassociation with
848 the parents. That would be an artificial or contrived feeling out
849 of your own, shall we say, selfishness. In other words that
850 detached feeling, there is no real basis for it other than what you
851 have more or less created for it in your own thoughts.

Family was discussed on 76-09-24, the 24th Trance.

The word "father" was first found on page 330, line 1018.

960 ***: Is there anything we can do to help (***) in his situation in
961 regards to his mother, always in asking about his friends and
962 where he is going?

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964 C: That depends on who wishes to become involved and how much
965 they wish to assist. The problem there is that the mother does
966 not particularly want to see the son in a situation where he will
967 grow and she will not. This is on, shall we say, a subconscious
968 level so therefore she is not too happy to see the world passing
969 her by, yet she does not wish to work to keep in pace with what is
970 going on, but prefers to hold back those that wish to move ahead.
971 So then as to what you can do to lighten the situation that would
972 depend on how much involvement one wishes to take upon yourselves.
973 Those here could help to some degree by allowing themselves to be
974 used as, shall we say, an excuse. But that would depend on those
975 and whether or not they wish to become involved.

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977 ***: (***) and I would like to be involved so it would lighten
978 his burden a little so he wouldn't be put on the spot all the time.
979 Is there anything the two of us could do to help that out especially
980 since they don't approve of us?

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982 C: It would appear that you are doing about as much as can be
983 expected. The hostility that exists between the mother and you
984 and (***) is quite strong. You and (***) represent her failures
985 as a mother, and this hostility will not lighten in any way as time
986 goes on. It is a situation that will grow no better but can be
987 prevented from growing worse. The less that the mother knows of the
988 boy's relationship with the two of you, the better it is, the better

989 it will be for all concerned. She has no desire to be a real mother,
990 but yet she does not want to see the boy have the necessities that
991 are required. We are speaking now of the spiritual guidance and
992 the installation of moral standards. She would prefer to see the
993 boy or the young man take to a life of carousing so then she can
994 say that, "It is not my fault that he is not a good person. What
995 can you do with one who does not listen?" So that when he does
996 not pay attention to her edicts and instead holds fast to his
997 Christian beliefs, then she by no means can take credit for it,
998 and in fact this shows her lack of Christianity, and this she
999 finds hard to accept, because within her there is a deep realization
1000 that she has failed not only as a woman but as a mother and as a
1001 wife. And not willing to accept this she prefers to blame her
1002 failures on the most helpless of those around her, the one that
1003 has the least ability to protect himself and that is of course
1004 her older son. So what can be done? The objection is the
1005 relationship between the two of you and the son, because of the
1006 influence that you have on the son. She does not like the idea that
1007 you have given him some religious foundation where she was not able
1008 to, not because she did not have the opportunity but because she
1009 chose not to. So then she must have indications of the son's
1010 relationship with others. How this is done you will have to make
1011 the choice.

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1013 ***: Is it advisable that he keeps on making other excuses for
1014 coming down here and not telling her exactly where he is going.
1015 Is this permissible?

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1017 C: No, this becomes a very touchy situation or question. There
1018 is a certain amount of respect that is due a mother and a father.
1019 This is required. But what determines a true mother and a true
1020 father? Is it that the father sires and the mother bears, is this
1021 what makes the mother and father, or is it the moral standards,
1022 the spiritual standards that are given that makes the mother and
1023 father? The young man is according to law an adult. As long as

1024 the mother and the father allow him to be respectful of course
1025 he should, but when their demands are such that it jeopardizes
1026 his own spiritual growth, then he does have the right to deny
1027 those demands. Does that answer your question?

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1029 ***: Yes.

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1031 C: You see if we were to address the situation in any other way
1032 that would leave, shall we say, the wrong impression. Each situation
1033 such as this has to be looked at from a very personal point of
1034 view and under the conditions it would be wiser to ask such a
1035 question in private where the details could be gone into.

Family was discussed on 76-12-05, the 25th Trance.

The word "family" was first found on page 345, line 420.

409 ***: There is much controversy over women becoming
410 priests and ministers. Is there a reason why they should not
411 hold this office?

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413 C: Women have gone far from their station. They should not hold
414 such offices, because that is not their station. They have more
415 important things to do than to handle the ritualisms that man has
416 created. It is for the masculine or the male to feed that word
417 to the female and it is for the female then to disperse that word
418 to the rest, to show it in action which she is most naturally made
419 for. What better example of love on all levels than that of the
420 mother and the child, the mother and the family, the mother and
421 the husband. You see the common denominator in all those statements
422 was the mother, not the male, not the father, not the son, not the
423 daughter, but the mother. And so the female aspect succumbs to
424 the materialism of the world thus prostituting herself for something
425 less. For shame on the woman who does such a thing. Woman, cover
426 your head when you enter the House of the Lord. No true woman
427 accepting her position and her rightful place would ever enter
428 the House of the Lord with her head uncovered.

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430 ***: Why is that (phrase inaudible)? What is the significance
431 (phrase inaudible)?

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433 C: She shows herself as a true servant to the Lord God and not the
434 word carrier, but the true servant. She humbles herself and offers
435 herself as a worker, as a worker, as a doer, as action.

Family was discussed on 77-07-09, the 31st Trance.

The word "parents" was first found on page 443, line 224.

156 ***: The question we have is why does the physical deceive the
157 spiritual and the passage where that question came from started
158 out or where you said, "One must learn to control the physical
159 so that the physical does not control the spirit. The spirit
160 seeks to develop itself to the higher realms. It wishes to become
161 perfected so that it can co-exist with the Infinite Father. At
162 times the physical is quite shrewd. It has a way of clouding
163 over what the spirit or soul is attempting to inform the physical
164 mind. So then the physical moves from place to place searching
165 only the physical desires and not the spiritual gifts."

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167 C: And the question?

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169 ***: The question is, Why does the physical deceive the spiritual
170 and by what means is this done?

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172 C: Part of the physical manifestation is that area of the mind
173 that one would refer to as the subconscious, shall we say. Now
174 in the very closest touching of the subconscious, in other words
175 that part of the subconscious that lies just beneath the conscious
176 awareness is the collection of all the physical experiences in the
177 present experience and that which has called the regression or
178 downfall of the entity in past physical expressions. Now it may
179 not be there in an awareness of a past expression, but the fault,
180 shall we say, is there. An example, suppose in another expression
181 an entity, shall we say, had a lack of control over the sexual
182 appetites, the very base, base appetites of the physical. Then
183 this is the aspect that must be brought under control. When the
184 entity develops then in the present expression, those weaknesses
185 that must be strengthened then come closest to the surface of the

186 subconscious. Is this understood?

187

188 ***: Yes.

189

190 C: Very well. That being the closest to the conscious level

191 then the guiding forces of the spirit itself must pass finally

192 through that last layer. Do you understand this part?

193

194 ***: Yes.

195 C: Passing through the last layer then this will be the most

196 governing aspect of the physical. This will be where the physical

197 will have its weakest tendencies. The physical manifestation has

198 a life force, shall we say, of its own. It is quite alive separate

199 from the manifesting spirit, yet it is very directly connected.

200 Now under no circumstances should anyone assume that we are saying

201 that the physical body is in total a separate thing. It is not

202 a separate thing. But in the spirit's creation of that physical

203 tool in which it works, the physical tool is the furthest from

204 the spirit that is creating it or the entity that is creating it,

205 it is like the toe from the top of the head. Is this understood?

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207 ***: Yes.

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209 C: In other words the toe being the physical tool in which each

210 of you are developing, and the top of the head then being the

211 creating spirit, so to speak, or you as a real and true entity,

212 you as the creation of the Divine Father. Now because of your

213 lack of control over a period of time certain weaknesses or flaws

214 have been allowed to develop in the spiritual aspects of yourself

215 and those that are the weakest then are brought closest to the

216 physical so that the spirit then may learn through necessity to

217 control by creating a more perfect physical condition in which to

218 work. Is this understood?

219

220 ***: No.

221

222 C: Not only do you create your own physical body, but you also,
223 shall we say, help create that condition under which you are born
224 by the fact of choosing who your parents are, choosing those
225 parents that will offer you the best point of growth. Now is
226 this understood a little better?

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228 ***: Yes.

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230 C: If once the material is typed up, it is read over, with some
231 study it will become more clear. The weakness of the physical
232 is the weakness of the creating spirit or soul or entity. If
233 an entity as we said before has no control over his most base
234 desires now that is because he must learn to control them. This
235 is more than likely because of a past expression. In this respect
236 then since it is part of the subconscious that is the closest to
237 the physical, it works more directly with the physical. It is
238 more part of the physical. Even though it is not a physical thing
239 it is more part of the physical. So thus then the physical and its
240 closest subconscious awareness tries to, shall we say, outwit that
241 creating force, so that the entity must learn then to gain better
242 control in the situation it has chosen. Very well.

Family was discussed on 78-02-26, the 38th Trance.

The word “family” was first found on page 652, line 168.

[In this Trance a questioner asked The Council to comment on the state of the questioner’s soul and how the individual could be a better human being. The Council gave a rather lengthy answer in which The Council discussed the questioner’s family situation.]

168 C: In the family situation itself, even here all revolves around you
169 and this should not be the case. You, as the head of the family,
170 should revolve around the family unit. You should be the one that is
171 protective. You should be the one that brings in the spiritual
172 awareness that is necessary for the family. What has been done in
173 this case? As we look across the pages here we see nothing, nothing
174 at all; and this then makes you responsible for the lack of spiritual
175 guidance and spiritual awareness, not only for yourself, but that of
176 your entire family. YOU wish to reach a state of spirituality, but
177 what about your family? They are as much a part of you as you are
178 yourself, and this points out one's self-centeredness, one's
179 selfishness, one's egotism. You, as the head of the family, are
180 directly responsible for the spiritual awareness of that family of
181 yours. You should make available to them the opportunity to gain a
182 spiritual understanding. Instead of this, we see here that the time
183 has been spent in fretting around with silliness. Now, another thing
184 that one should take into consideration is the attitude that one has
185 about one's marriage. The marriage, the family, should be a sacred
186 situation. Now, what has gone beyond can be corrected with the
187 development of a better attitude towards the responsibility of the
188 marriage. The flirtatious attitude that some maintain is, shall we
189 say, a mark against the marriage. You should keep this in mind. Do
190 you understand?

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192 ***: Yes.

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194 C: Such things are nothing but ego builders and soul killers.

Family was discussed on 78-02-26, the 38th Trance.

The word "mother" was first found on page 654, line 251.

234 ***: I'd like to ask about my daughter, (***) . If you need a
235 birthday, I'll give it to you, but the school seems to think that she
236 has a learning problem, and she had influenza meningitis when she was
237 a child or a baby at five months, and we almost lost her, but the
238 school thinks she has a learning problem or a slight mental
239 condition, something maybe like slight mental retardation or
240 something on that order. The question is, could this condition be
241 corrected in the future or, if so, what can be done to help correct
242 this?

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244 C: Let us give you a key that could unlock many doors, and the key
245 is the situation within the family is much too unstable. Along with
246 that a diet that would be clean of poisons, toxic chemicals, would be
247 beneficial. In other words, what we are referring to is a cleaner
248 diet, better food, better quality food. You see, one's eating habits
249 are also a reflection of one's spiritual attitudes, spiritual
250 position. A piece of information for, shall we say, all is that
251 whenever a mother, or whoever, decides to cook a meal for her family
252 and she uses a short-cut, this shows something about her and about
253 the situation. A mother's act of preparing a meal is an act of love,
254 and if that act of love is always dealt out in quick-cook and
255 pre-prepared foods, that gives an indication of how much love there
256 is, because in this type of food one introduces many toxic things to
257 the system. Do you understand our answer to you?

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259 ***: Yes. Yes, I think I understand. Thank you.

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261 C: If, shall we say, you were to go to your grocery store and buy
262 food that was more wholesome in the very beginning, you would notice
263 that in time the effects on the child would be noticeable and

264 beneficial. Now, the food alone cannot take care of the situation.

265 There is tension in the family, and it is a combination of both that

266 must be worked on. Very well.

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268 ***: Thank you.

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270 ***: Do you have any more questions?

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272 ***: No.

Family was discussed on 78-07-18, the 48th Trance.

The word "family" was first found on page 820, line 869.

781 ***: Well, I have one other question. It concerns my son. I know it is
782 a little late. He is 21 years old now and needs much guidance for him.
783 I would still like to know if there is some way I can help him.

784 C: You know the basic problem has to be eliminated before anything
785 else can be done. There are things that the younger generation do
786 that defile not only their physical body, but also their spiritual
787 body, and as far as being able to do anything now, the only thing
788 that one could do now would be to attempt to talk some, shall we say,
789 common sense into the young man, to try and establish some sort of
790 respect for one's self and a goal in life. In order to be able to
791 even begin to accomplish or near accomplish this would mean that
792 there would be certain habits that would have to be eliminated. Do
793 you understand what we are saying?

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795 ***: Of course.

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797 C: Until those habits are eliminated there is absolutely nothing
798 other than prayer that can be done.

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800 ***: Would it be advisable for me to ask him to leave home and get
801 out on his own so that he would assume more responsibility?

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803 C: You have a situation where it is six of one and a half a dozen of
804 another. There, without building up too much hope, do you understand
805 what we are saying now?

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807 ***: Yes.

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809 C: There is a slight chance of, shall we say, a change, but that
810 would come only if pressure and respect could be applied to the

811 situation, to the young man. As the parent, you are rightfully
812 deserving of certain things. Do you understand this?

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814 ***: Yes.

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816 C: And it would be wise if certain things were demanded. If they
817 are not given willingly, then they should be demanded. Do you
818 understand that?

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820 ***: You mean such as paying the rent and . . .

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822 C: Whatever you would choose to use as a teaching method of
823 responsibility, then set that as a rule and see to it that it is
824 obeyed.

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826 ***: I see.

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828 C: There are certain conducts that you have a right to request and
829 demand and those should be established also. Do you understand?

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831 ***: Yes.

832 C: For an example: in your home if you think it is, shall we say,
833 ill-mannered for a man to sit at a dinner table with his hat on, then
834 you make a house rule that all men sitting at the dinner table may
835 not wear a hat. Do you understand?

836

837 ***: Yes.

838

839 C: The home is yours, you have a right to certain house rules,
840 certain respects, and you should demand those. Do you understand?

841

842 ***: Yes.

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844 C: It will not be easy, and it will create problems, but the problem
845 stems actually from a lack of real discipline from the very

846 beginning. There was not that firmness, constant firmness, that is
847 necessary with young people today. Saying one thing or setting rules
848 and then allowing, shall we say, half-application or half-acceptance
849 of those rules sets up a certain amount of disrespect in the child.
850 There is a natural desire for a child to be guided. It is, shall we
851 say, an instinct in all children, and this instinct continues not
852 only from the moment of birth but all the way to approximately the
853 mid-twenties. Now this is a natural process of both male and female.
854 The natural instinct is to be guided. Unfortunately, in the society
855 that you live in today, if a child has the first seven years of
856 guidance they are doing well. From there on it is whatever they
857 choose, and the parents are no more than figureheads and not much at
858 that. What you can attempt now is to, shall we say, catch up on what
859 has been missing. Set rules, and insist that they be kept. Now,
860 this will take cooperation of both parents and as long as the young
861 man is under your household, in your household, then those rules
862 should be kept. The only thing that can be done is offer an
863 ultimatum and see that whatever choice is made it is stuck to.

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865 ***: I see.

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867 C: The unusual, well, we should not say "unusual," but the odd thing
868 about young people is that they are screaming and crying for guidance
869 but the parents always seem to be the very last to hear it. This is
870 a general rule of the world today, especially in the affluent
871 societies, and it is such a pity because in most cases the parents
872 are truly a very negative aspect on the young. The family in this
873 country today, a country that once was dedicated to God, the Divine
874 Father, and the very root of spirituality, the family, is just about
875 nil. It is a pity. Children today crave guidance. They know that
876 spirituality comes through discipline. The young people simply do
877 not have the discipline. They do not have the father-head and the
878 mother-head figure to guide them. We would say that set rules and
879 regulations and demand that they be kept. That would probably do the
880 most for the situation. Insist that the don'ts do not occur in your

881 household, and insist that the do's do occur in your household, and to
882 sit by and complacently accept those things that you know are not
883 right does not say much for the situation or for yourself. Do you
884 understand?

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886 ***: Yes, I do.

887

888 C: We would suggest that decisions as far as do's and don'ts should
889 be discussed with the husband and instead of, shall we say,
890 explosions, firm "no's or else" occur. Do you understand?

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892 ***: Yes.

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894 C: A firm strong attitude expressed in very quiet ways can be as a
895 shock at times to those who are belligerent or hard-headed. Do you
896 understand?

897

898 ***: Yes.

899

900 C: We cannot guarantee that any of this will help because the
901 situation is much more complicated than what we have just covered,
902 but that would be, shall we say, the most effective thing under the
903 conditions that now exist. The only other alternative is to seek
904 some sort of professional help because there are underlying
905 psychological problems there that, shall we say, feed the fire.

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907 ***: Yes.

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909 C: And those should be dealt with if the situation were to be
910 handled in total.

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912 ***: (phrase inaudible)

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914 C: These things should have been done much earlier than now and
915 unfortunately they were not taken care of when they should have been.

916 Other than what we have suggested the other alternative is prayer,
917 but along with prayer there is some action needed. You come to a
918 point, as we said before, of six of one and half a dozen of the
919 other, and it is kind of a teeter-totter thing where you either move
920 very drastically or you practically do not move at all and under the
921 conditions just how drastically can you really move? And what will
922 the effects be?

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924 ***: Well, it seems to me that with a situation like that that the
925 prayer might work better than being drastic.

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927 C: Yes, that would probably bring the greatest amount of
928 satisfaction, but also, you cannot sit passively by and pray. You
929 must have action, too. Now, to go too far would have its adverse
930 effects also as far as actions. The situation really has no
931 solution that would be acceptable other than a severe drastic
932 occurrence such as professional help, forced or otherwise. Then,
933 even at that, there would be no guarantee.

934

935 ***: That makes me feel like I have failed as a mother.

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937 C: In that department you and the husband could have done a better
938 job, but that should not stop what can be made out of the situation.
939 Do you understand?

940

941 ***: Yes.

942

943 C: Sometimes, (***) , being too busy with trivia has an expensive
944 price tag on it and that goes not only for you but for the husband.
945 Everything has a price tag on it, and in the material existence when
946 we become involved in the movement of the material we at times lose
947 track of where the priorities should be. At times the lesson is
948 quite expensive but take it as that. Turn, shall we say, a trial, a
949 tribulation, a failure into an awareness that can be reversed so that
950 the end result would be constructive. Does that make sense to you?

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952 ***: That might make sense but you have made it sound like it's
953 hopeless.

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955 C: No, it is not hopeless. There just is not that much that you can
956 do. There is not much that you should expect to accomplish now. The
957 situation needs professional help. There are psychological aspects
958 involved that we cannot, shall we say, be specific about. There are
959 some things that even though you as a mother may feel you have the
960 right to know, it is best not to know. The young man needs help, not
961 just with the problem that you are aware of, but there are other
962 factors underneath. What is the sign?

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964 ***: Gemini.

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966 C: Take that as a key.

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968 ***: Well, that is the sign of the twins.

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970 C: Think, (***).

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972 ***: Well, they're very restless, always on the go.

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974 C: Possibly two faces? Two beings?

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976 ***: Yes.

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978 C: One above, one below.

979 ***: Well, I really don't know that much about Gemini.

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981 C: It is not important to know anything about the sign and what they
982 say the sign means. We only brought that out to indicate . . .

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984 ***: Split personality?

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986 C: Not in the normal sense; emotional problems, but not in the sense
987 of split personality. Shall we put it this way? There are hidden
988 desires there. Think about it. The, shall we say, friends of the
989 young man have not helped the situation at all.

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991 ***: They are all in the same boat.

992

993 C: Yes, but we are talking in other ways. Shall we say, that your
994 son was "done in" in a number of ways by his friends. Is there
995 anything else?

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997 ***: No, not at this time.

998

999 C: We truly wish we could give you something more positive, some
1000 course of action that would be more definite, but because of the
1001 situation and what it involves and what we have said about such
1002 things in the past, there is only one channel open to the boy, and it
1003 is all negative, and there is not much that can be done until that
1004 channel is rearranged or, shall we say, wiped out, and this would
1005 necessitate a change in habits. There is not much influence that you
1006 can bring on him nor the husband other than possibly trying to teach
1007 him now in his condition some respect and responsibility.

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1009 ***: He has a sister. He does listen to her.

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1011 C: Do you want us to go into that situation?

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1013 ***: Only as far as things I could ask her to try.

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1015 C: She will not correct him.

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1017 ***: All right.

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1019 C: The best that she would do would listen, and there is much more
1020 needed than that. In fact, the silence is an acceptance and a

1021 verification or an okay, shall we say. We could not in all
1022 seriousness and concern for the young man suggest that you do that.

1023

1024 ***: No, I just, I didn't mean that as an alternative. I just with
1025 everything else that would be a little added emphasis.

1026 C: There is much there, too, that you are not aware of.

1027

1028 ***: (phrase inaudible)

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1030 C: The mind must be rechanneled and in that, for that to occur then
1031 would necessitate the giving up of certain habits. What really it
1032 would boil down to would be a complete change of the personality, a
1033 complete reconstruction of the young man we talked about.

1034

1035 ***: Well, I'll, I'll try. I'm just going to see if I can get him
1036 an appointment with the doctor, and if I have to drag him in there.
1037 The thing is finding the right doctor. I just don't trust very many
1038 of them.

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1040 C: Well, possibly a key to judging the proper doctor would be one
1041 that does not agree with permissiveness, regardless.

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1043 ***: All right. Thank you.

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1045 C: We wish we could help more.

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1047 ***: I appreciate what you've told me.

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1049 C: Remember, there are some situations that reach a point where they
1050 become negative and are static, and that is the situation you have
1051 now, and there is nothing that can be done outside of taking a direct
1052 action or feeling around on the other side. Do you understand? That
1053 is the type of situation you have. There either has to be a direct
1054 forceful action or just a feeling around and hoping and praying.

1055 Very well.

Family was discussed on 78-12-12, the 51st Trance.

The word "parent" was first found on page 879, line 272.

[The Council gave a long dissertation on several stories from the book of Genesis. In this, the sixth story on Noah and the flood, The Council comments on the family. For the full information that The Council gave us refer to the SOL publication - Genesis II: A Personal Revelation.]

257 6) What is the way back? What is the message that the Old Testament
258 presents to us? The first of these steps begins with segment six and
259 this is Noah and the Flood. The story of Noah and the Flood to give
260 the full interpretation of the story can become quite involved and
261 quite lengthy. Possibly the total meanings of all the numbers
262 concerning the story of Noah beginning with Chapter 7, verse 1 to the
263 fourteenth verse, possibly the full meaning could be given at another
264 time; but to give it to you in, shall we say, a capsule form, Noah
265 paid attention to that spark of godliness that from time to time
266 touches each regardless of how much distance there may be between you
267 and the Divine and your rightful place.

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269 Then the Bible says that Noah gathered together his family after
270 building an ark according to the instructions of the Divine, and they
271 in turn brought a male and female of each animal. The gathering of
272 the family is important. Each parent, mother, father, have a
273 tremendous task in seeing to it that those that they have been
274 entrusted with have proper spiritual guidance and education.
275 Gathering the family into the ark is gathering the family into the
276 instructions of the Divine and the awareness of the Divine. This
277 would be a broad understanding of the story of Noah.

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279 A more personal understanding is that we must search for that
280 quietness so that the Spirit of God may begin to instruct us in the
281 proper path. We must build conditions around us that separate us
282 from the materialistic world that we have placed ourselves in, and so

283 as it speaks in Chapter 6 in the corruption of mankind we must take
284 into consideration the corruption of our own existence. What have we
285 made of our own life? We must scrutinize our life and see which is
286 according to God's Divine Law and which is according to our personal
287 law; and build a tabernacle or an ark that we place ourself in that is
288 constructed only of those things that are Divine. Now this does not
289 mean that we are to separate ourselves literally from the material
290 world, this is foolishness; but we must condition ourselves to look
291 upon the world in more spiritual aspects. We must look upon the
292 world as one home, one house, one ark, in which all of us live.

Family was discussed on 78-12-12, the 52nd Trance.

The word "family" was first found on page 895, line 553.

[The question that is asked in this selection refers to information from The Council about the creation of man. In this information The Council states that we are androgynous beings; our souls are both masculine and feminine. For more information about the creation of man and the different aspects of the soul or the spirit, refer to the Library File - Creation.]

502 ***: You state, "As the history of your spiritual being progresses
503 and the masculine and feminine aspect of your being takes on a
504 grosser form, as the material earth or universe comes into existence
505 and in this respect then there is a separation of the androgynous
506 being in that at certain times it must manifest as the creative
507 and at other times it must manifest as the receptive, and as we touch
508 closer then to the material, the grosser existences, we translate
509 this then into the positive and the negative, and in this explanation
510 the positive and negative one should not look on this as a negative
511 statement." And our question is particularly as far as the
512 female or female aspect, could you give us a positive statement
513 on the female?

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515 C: Without the female there can be no development of anything. It
516 is absolutely necessary for the female. In actuality the female will
517 be the deliverance of the masculine aspect. Here is an explanation
518 then. In the original fall it was the masculine aspect who heard the
519 challenge but the masculine is the thought; the thought cannot
520 produce unless it has a substance to form from; the masculine is the
521 godly thought, the feminine is the material former. In the very
522 beginning it was the masculine thought that hesitated; the masculine
523 hesitated at the challenge. For this hesitation to manifest it was
524 necessary for it to manifest through the other facet of the entity's
525 being and that would be the feminine aspect. It is true that the
526 feminine aspect is responsible for the fall, but it is even more true
527 that the masculine is the original one that is guilty, because the

528 feminine is a lower vibration of the masculine, yet it is an absolute
529 necessity. It is the prime mover, it is the foundation, and just as
530 it was the cause of the Fall, so it shall be the way back. Without
531 the feminine aspect, without the female, no man or no masculine aspect
532 can return to his God. So it is through Eve then that you shall be
533 reborn, as the fundamentalists would put it, or as the orthodox
534 religion would put it, because it is through this feminine aspect
535 that you are capable of bringing the acts of love into the
536 material aspect. Now the masculine aspect of each of your beings is
537 belligerent, and, shall we say, staunch, hard, stiff. The feminine
538 aspect is the gentle; it is the mother; it is the giver; and so it is
539 through this aspect then that you shall manifest the love of the
540 Divine, the Christ Consciousness, and therefore that being the birth
541 of the Christ in you, that being your salvation or your at-one-ment
542 or your whatever you wish to term it, your return. Do you understand
543 that any better?

544 ***: Yes, I think....

545

546 C: No, you don't.

547

548 ***: Okay.

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550 C: The positive statement in regards to the female is that nothing
551 can be accomplished without the female. In the future in the new
552 existence the female will be absolutely indispensable; even now her
553 position and her proper place determines whether a family grows
554 together or falls apart; she is actually the foundation of all
555 spirituality. Those manifesting males who are spiritual are only
556 spiritual because they are capable of using the feminine aspect of
557 their androgynous being in proper avenues of expression. The
558 manifesting female is that being which comes in to express in a very
559 active and positive way of demonstrating the totality of God's Love,
560 so the female is absolutely indispensable. When a female holds her
561 rightful position properly, she is the closest thing to God possible
562 in physical form, but those females are extremely few and far

563 between. You see, in the story of the mother of Christ this was a
564 spiritual being who agreed to come into the material form as an
565 example for future female aspects. This being took on a feminine
566 aspect. This being did not accept the challenges of the angels but
567 came into the material manifestation, as a free-will offering of love
568 to each of you so that a channel could be in the material that would
569 hold divine essence. Do you understand this?

570

571 ***: Yes.

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573 C: Consequently, the Fall that Eve is blamed for now becomes the way
574 back in the Mother of Christ, you see; it was the feminine aspect
575 that was blamed for the Fall, but now it is the glorification of the
576 feminine aspect that should be prominent in all of history because it
577 is through the feminine then that your at-one-ment is guaranteed.
578 You are not following it as closely as we would hope. Would there be
579 any questions? There is information available.

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581 ***: Then the way back began through Christ?

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583 C: Yes, because through this female then was released into the
584 physical manifestation a force that each of you now could tap into for
585 additional strength to overcome what is necessary. Thank you for the
586 question.

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588 ***: But a female? You are not speaking of Mary.

589

590 C: Yes, Mary. Up till now man has had a male God; in times to come
591 man will realize that his God is not male but both, and so in man's
592 understanding it will be necessary to develop a female counterpart of
593 the Godhead and Mary will eventually be crowned Queen of the Heavens
594 in man's eyes, so that man will see then that God is also
595 androgynous, that both aspects of your androgynous being must be in
596 balance and in perfect harmony and both must be productive in a
597 positive form. The masculine is the godly thought; the feminine is

598 the godly producer of that thought, the godly manifestor of that
599 thought. That is quite a hunk of information once you digest it.

600

601 ***: That would also then tie in with what you said in the past
602 that the mother is the highest example of spirituality that we
603 have?

604

605 C: Yes. Because that is the one that does the producing, that is the
606 maker, that is the developer, that is the child-bearer, that is the
607 fertile ground, in which the seed is planted. Without mothers who love
608 properly you would now all be living in a very black hole. It is
609 only the feminine aspect that is keeping spirituality alive now. The
610 relatively few male aspects that are spiritual are absolutely
611 insignificant to the feminine aspects who are spiritual.

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613 ***: Then when we go back, when we finally make it back to the
614 Godhead will we be androgynous beings again?

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616 C: Certainly.

617

618 ***: The fact that God will be thought of as both the masculine and
619 feminine there are some religions now that in their prayers say, Dear
620 Father-Mother God. Do they ...

621

622 C: Baloney. Those we would not call religions. That is a
623 capitalization on baloney.

624

625 ***: Thank you. I thought they might have some inner awareness of this.

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627 ***: Then this has not transpired yet?

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629 C: No, but it is coming.

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631 ***: When?

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633 C: Soon.

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635 ***: Will we be aware of it?

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637 C: In your lifetime you will definitely see an increase in the
638 reverence to the Mother of God. Now how much you see depends on a
639 lot of situations that are not completely set yet. You are not
640 predestined, neither is the world predestined to an absolute, with
641 the exception that it must be refined, and it must be made acceptable
642 in the Presence of God. How that comes about is, shall we say, very
643 unsettled. If there were a cut and dry outline, then you would
644 definitely be predestined but you are not. What is on the books today
645 can be completely changed tomorrow or at least to a degree.

646

647 ***: Did Mary make the appearance at Fatima, the prophecy at Fatima
648 that is credited there?

649

650 C: Yes. You will see more appearances of the Divine Mother, or,
651 shall we say, you will hear of more appearances of the Divine Mother
652 in the future. There have been a number which you have not heard of
653 yet.

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655 ***: Thank you, that gives me chills.

656

657 C: The Church is a little hesitant to speak of too many appearances
658 of the Blessed Mother. Their question is, "Why is she appearing
659 instead of the Lord?" And some of the old biddy-bodies in the
660 hierarchy just could not accept a feminine aspect of the Divine.

661

662 ***: Then her appearances are laying the foundation for God to be
663 recognized as both masculine and feminine?

664

665 C: Her appearances is to lay the foundation for your awareness of
666 the need for your returning to the Divine and basically the Mother's
667 appearances are for the express purpose of stimulating love in

668 yourself and for the Divine, and it is through applying that form of
669 love which she expresses will you be guaranteed a return; now this is
670 in reference to the female aspects. The female, whether man wishes
671 to accept this or not, is the governing force on the earth today.
672 The female will judge whether things will develop peacefully or
673 something less than that: the way you mothers raise your children,
674 the way you instruct your children will determine what will happen
675 tomorrow. How you mothers hold your family together through
676 spiritual teaching will determine how spiritual the world will be
677 tomorrow.

678

679 ***: What do you see for women politically in the next few years?

680

681 C: The less that women have to do in public life, the better off the
682 world will be. Their place is to instruct their husbands and their
683 children in a spiritual way of existence because it is only through
684 that close unity of the family, the close tie can the, shall we say,
685 cloudy days of tomorrow be overcome. Women are the teachers of
686 spirituality. They are the ones that cultivate the seeds and teach
687 the students how to respect the seeds and the plants that grow from
688 them. The female has the most important job. Now how much more
689 positive can we get on the feminine aspect? Unfortunately, some
690 females are not happy with such a position because it demands that
691 they do the best that they possibly can, and they are a bit on the
692 lazy side. They would prefer to primp their pretty little noses and
693 tighten up their little bustles than to do what they were destined to
694 do, what they were created for.

Family was discussed on 78-12-12, the 52nd Trance.

The word "mother" was first found on page 899, line 762.

735 ***: The next question is in Gen. 3:16 it states, "To the woman He
736 said, 'I will multiply your pains in childbearing, you shall give
737 birth to your children in pain. Your yearning shall be for your
738 husband, but he shall lord it over you.' " Could you explain further
739 or give some examples?
740
741 C: Well, this is the process through which, if you choose to manifest
742 in the feminine aspect, this is the process that you will undergo or
743 this is part of your karmic situation as a female. You are
744 subservient to the male, yet although the male may be the seed
745 planter, he is useless without the female and the fertile ground;
746 since the male is the thought, the thought is useless without its
747 ability to be formed into the tangible which is the proper place of
748 the female. One other interesting aspect that the female, physical
749 female, should be made aware of is that there is absolutely no pain
750 in childbirth, and that all pain that transpires in a normal
751 childbirth is personal persecution of yourself. The female body is
752 constructed so that when the time of delivery comes the body can
753 adjust to the movement of the baby out of her body without any pain
754 whatsoever, but it is the refusal to manifest or work in the ways of
755 God, the tightening and the rigiding of the lower part of the
756 feminine body that causes the pain; something interesting for women
757 to think about. Doctors may not agree with this; they do not know
758 anything. By developing the proper attitude any woman today can have
759 a painless childbirth and she has no need whatsoever for a doctor;
760 now, this is if the birth is normal. If there are other
761 complications, then there could be any number of excuses, but as long
762 as the baby would be born normally, the mother can lay across any
763 bed, deliver her child, and in a few hours move about her daily work
764 as if nothing had happened, but of course this takes an extremely

765 godly woman. Now, everything in the physical is representative of the
766 spiritual, and the pain in childbirth is an example of what you as an
767 androgynous being did to yourself; by the feminine aspect accepting
768 that thought, that challenge, the feminine aspect now must pay, but
769 you cannot honestly say that that is unfair because each female is
770 not really a female but is a male and female; it is very hard to
771 begin to think of yourself as male and female, so you cannot actually
772 blame the male for your pain, you must blame yourself, because each
773 of you accepted the challenge. Very well.

Family was discussed on 78-12-12, the 52nd Trance.

The word "parent" was first found on page 905, line 1045.

1044 ***: The next question is in the story of Noah, you state, "The
1045 gathering of the family is important. Each parent, mother, father,
1046 have a tremendous task in seeing to it that those that they have been
1047 entrusted with have proper spiritual guidance and education.
1048 Gathering the family into the ark is gathering the family into the
1049 instructions of the Divine and the awareness of the Divine." In this
1050 reference to the parents is this position you refer to in the family
1051 situation, is this the same situation that existed with the Essene
1052 families?
1053
1054 C: Yes, in the Essene family it was the father or the male of the
1055 family that received the direct instructions of the Divine; and in
1056 turn he then instructed his wife or the next female in line, the
1057 mother image; then the mother developed the family, individually and
1058 as a unit. She was the backbone and she is to be the backbone yet,
1059 and so in this gathering of his family, this is one aspect of the
1060 story that the father must encompass his family; he must be a part of
1061 his family; he must be the head of it, yet he must be protective, he
1062 must be the guardian, the guider, the deliverer of the information of
1063 God. Now this may seem somewhat contradictive to what we said
1064 before, but no, the father in the family is the authoritarian figure,
1065 the mother is the receptive of the father's wisdom, and although the
1066 father may voice his wisdom to the family, it is the mother who
1067 teaches the practical application of that wisdom. In other words,
1068 again she is the fertile ground, she is the true seed-sower, the true
1069 life-giver, she provides the nourishment for the seed to grow. Very
1070 well.

Family was discussed on 79-03-16, the 60th Trance.

The word "mother" was first found on page 985, line 117.

23 ***: Regarding hyperkinetic children, would you give us any
24 information as to general causes for this? Anything that would be of
25 help on a general basis to the public?

26

27 C: We have more or less given you the answer to the problem. This
28 comes from an extreme sensitivity to, shall we say, those things that
29 are not natural in the line of food; and although we must acknowledge
30 that at times medication is necessary as a temporary solution, the
31 actual problem is not eliminated with the medication; but such
32 situations can be overcome by a very close eye on the diet. All
33 those foods that are not natural and pure and clean will cause
34 problems. It is a complicated system of allergies to unnatural
35 things, and we might say that the unnatural things are toxins,
36 actually, and so with an extremely sensitive system these toxins have
37 the effects of keeping the child on an unnatural high, so to speak.
38 So if one were to eliminate those things that are not clean, those
39 things that have been overprocessed, you would see a marked change in
40 a child.

41

42 ***: Is there any truth to the theory that fluorescent lighting adds
43 to this situation?

44 C: In some cases, yes, it can cause additional disturbances, but
45 this is the situation that could exist with many other individuals
46 that are not affected by the allergies to unnatural things or
47 overprocessed things. Those who have a tendency towards epilepsy can
48 be affected to a degree and in some cases to a severe degree by being
49 exposed to fluorescent lighting.

50

51 ***: Would it be a good policy for maybe the rest of us to avoid
52 fluorescent lighting as much as possible?

53

54 C: If you find yourself becoming somewhat, shall we say, irritated
55 easily under fluorescent lighting, this should be a natural signal to
56 you to eliminate as much fluorescent lighting as possible. There are
57 some people that are not affected by fluorescent lighting. You see,
58 although the eye cannot sense the fluorescent lighting, it is not a
59 constant lighting but is an on and off light, and this high rate of
60 energy, on and off energy, can upset the system. Now, of course,
61 this is all tied in with the chemicals in the body or the chemical
62 compounds that are necessary to create the electrical flow or vice
63 versa, whichever is applicable in the situation, and this on and off,
64 this shot of energy and then the taking away of it, sometimes in
65 certain individuals can affect the constant flow of the energies, the
66 electrical impulses, in the body.

67

68 ***: Is it the theory that many hyperkinetic children outgrow this
69 condition in their teen-age years as they reach puberty, is there
70 accuracy to that or do they carry it with them into their adulthood?

71

72 C: Again, in some cases this can be just a phase. The sensitivity
73 to the toxins can be overcome, but there are many cases where the
74 outward manifestation of the allergy simply changes its appearance.

75

76 ***: Into, like, what please?

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78 C: Such as an emotional withdrawal in one aspect or another. The
79 inability to handle certain emotional stresses that would be under,
80 shall we say, average conditions; the normal ability to handle such
81 things would not be there.

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83 ***: Before you had indicated to a particular individual that part
84 of the situation with hyperkinesis was tied up with instability in
85 the home situation, family situation. Would this also be a common
86 problem or one of the contributing factors to the hyperkinesis?

87

88 C: As a general rule, shall we put it that way, a child who is
89 overactive can cause unnecessary strain within a family unit, and it
90 is a matter then of backlash from the other individuals in the family
91 unit. Do you understand?

92 ***: Yes.

93

94 C: The inability of those individuals to cope with the overactive
95 child can only cause more problems in the child, in that they show a
96 lack of understanding, and thus an intolerance to the child and
97 naturally friction which would develop causing greater irritations in
98 the child, and as the child becomes older in years and the schooling
99 comes into the picture, the activities of the child then could appear
100 to give the impression of a poor learner or a slow learner thus
101 denying the child's opportunity to learn normally, and also the
102 amount of information that the child can assimilate. This then one
103 could see would cause an effect later on in life, so it can be a
104 progressive effect on an individual. Now, as to the medication
105 mentioned earlier, naturally, if a child is in a severe situation, if
106 we may use that term, or a severe condition, then for immediate
107 correction medication would be acceptable, but at the same time the
108 diet must be changed radically, and through careful watching, those
109 things that are toxin to the system can be determined and thus weeded
110 out, so that there would be, shall we say, a few things that a child
111 would not be able to handle in the system, thus giving the child a
112 fairly normal diet.

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114 ***: If mothers were to nurse their babies, those who are able
115 to ...

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117 C: Much better than bottles. Why should a mother deprive herself of
118 such a beautiful act, such a glorious privilege and honor?

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120 ***: It is. I was wondering if that could possibly help prevent the
121 hyperkinetic situation?

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123 C: There are natural, shall we say, stabilizers in the mother's milk
124 that are quite beneficial to a child, to a baby. Now you notice
125 we use the word "stabilizers" as opposed to other words that we could
126 use.

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128 ***: The only other word that I can think of is . . .

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130 C: There are certain antibiotics that are beneficial at different
131 times in the baby's life, and we use the term "antibiotics" in a
132 natural sense.

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134 ***: Do you understand what they mean by "natural sense"?

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136 ***: By natural, just elements or substances that would help to
137 control harmful bacteria or harmful reactions as opposed to a
138 synthesized or cultivated product?

139

140 C: Yes. If one would leave things to the workings of God, you would
141 find that everything would be much more healthier, much smoother, less
142 problems. The natural thing would be for a mother to breastfeed a
143 child. Now, there is a reason for that, because the mother's body
144 manufactures through its natural processes things that the baby needs
145 for protection; that is only one aspect of it all. The closeness and
146 the warmth that the baby feels while nursing is extremely important
147 to the proper development, both emotionally and spiritually for that
148 child, and to deprive the child and the mother of such an expression
149 is wrong. Now, there are some rare cases where breastfeeding may not
150 be possible; then, of course, that gets into other areas, but we are
151 speaking to the normal circumstances where breastfeeding is possible.

152

153 ***: How far along into the baby's life is this recommended?

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155 C: That would vary with the child itself, but one should not wean
156 a baby away too early. Also, you have to consider that as the
157 mother breastfeeds the child she may, if we may use this term, run

158 dry after a period of time; that is the natural cut-off point. It
159 would not harm to feed the child, to breastfeed the child into the
160 second or even third year, if there is a need for it. And that
161 can be determined by the baby or the child's actions. Now it is
162 necessary to introduce the child or the baby to outside foods, and as
163 a mother progresses in this development, then she should keep a close
164 eye as to whether the child craves the breastfeeding or not. If she
165 senses or sees that there is a need, whether it is physically or
166 emotionally, then she should continue to do so according to that
167 need.

168 The thing one should keep in mind, and that is this: that from
169 the moment of conception the soul could be there or the spirit could
170 be there, and as long as the spirit is there or the soul is there, it
171 is quite aware of its circumstances whether it be in the womb or out
172 of the womb, and is quite conscious of all the affection or lack of
173 affection, whether it be affection in touching or verbally, and as
174 that soul's needs come into play, that affection, whether it be the
175 touching or the verbal affection, must be fulfilled. In, shall we say,
176 recent years there has been a decline in the breastfeeding, and of
177 course you can look at that generation and see what has become of it.
178 Now, of course, this is only one factor in the total picture, but that
179 is something to consider, and it is something that each individual
180 mother can handle and affect.

Family was discussed on 79-04-01, the 63rd Trance.

The word “family” was first found on page 1014, line 395.

[The Council was asked about spiritual development, and The Council's reply touched on the value of self-sacrificing and this need not be painful. The example The Council used, as given below, is a spiritual mother.]

383 C: It can be done in one lifetime. Now again, you must remember
384 self-sacrificing does not mean hardship or pain or suffering. It
385 means the setting aside of your own personal desires for something
386 more, for someone else, and in many cases this is not painful, this
387 is not suffering; it is a joyful and joyous act and brings great
388 personal rewards to those who are involved in it.

389

390 ***: Yes, thank you.

391

392 C: A very simple example, although it may not be accepted by most
393 people because they like the fantasy, but a very simple example of
394 self-sacrificing is a good spiritual mother in dealing with her
395 children and her family, when she sets aside her personal desires to
396 take care of her family. This is a great step in spirituality, when
397 a soul manifests in the feminine form; so in essence this is
398 self-sacrificing but is not painful or suffering; it brings mothers
399 great joy. So you must realize that spiritual growth does not have
400 to come through suffering and doing without. It can come in
401 lifetimes of great happiness; although we must add a factor of truth
402 here, and that is man has chosen to make his greatest spiritual
403 growths in suffering, but this is not the Will of your Father or
404 Christ; this is what you have created yourself. Very well.

405

406 ***: Yes, thank you.

Family was discussed on 79-04-01, the 63rd Trance.

The word "mother" was first found on page 1032, line 1258.

1224 ***: I have an older son who seems to be having some problems, and
1225 he has a job that I don't think is to his best interest, and I wonder
1226 what we can do to help him find another position.

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1228 C: What is the name?

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1230 ***: (***).

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1232 C: He is basically fighting himself and, shall we say, he does not
1233 accept authority as well as he should. Do you follow what we are
1234 saying?

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1236 ***: Yes.

1237

1238 C: And until he learns to accept that there are many, shall we say,
1239 situations that one must learn to contend with he will have problems
1240 with employment.

1241 ***: Would prayer help him?

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1243 C: Yes, he is basically, shall we say, going through a stage where
1244 he is somewhat unbending. Possibly if you could explain to him the
1245 story of, shall we say, the oak tree and the willow tree. The oak tree
1246 in the windstorm was snapped and broken in two, where the willow tree
1247 was bent over to the ground, but it did not break, you see. This is an
1248 attitude that is hard to instill in the young people of today's world;
1249 they are too used to having their own way, but they must learn that
1250 there are times in each individual's life where they must endure some,
1251 shall we say, situations that they would prefer other than what it
1252 is.

1253

1254 ***: I know it bothers him because it came to me in a dream and, of
1255 course, that is how I found out. So I know that his higher self must
1256 have come to me. I don't know how else to explain it.

1257

1258 C: Mothers are naturally intuitive, and so mothers can sense in many
1259 ways when there are things bothering their children; it is not
1260 important. If one were to have a talk with the child and explain
1261 that there are times when one must learn to crawl before he runs or
1262 walks.

Family was discussed on 79-12-01, the 52nd Trance.

The word “mother” was first found on page 1167, line 592.

584 ***: What harmful effects or hindrances does the soul of a woman
585 who bears an illegitimate child suffer after death?

586

587 C: There we get into a karmic situation or the creation of a
588 karmic situation or the effects of a previous karmic situation. If
589 there would be a condemning factor in the situation, it would be
590 this: that her lack of commitment to the aspect of a spiritual love
591 or a dedicated love to a co-creator; this would be a factor of
592 judgment. The fact that the mother (assuming she is a good mother)
593 tends to the child and sees to it that the child's needs are
594 fulfilled, spiritually and physically, this would add to the
595 mother. Do you understand?

596

597 ***: Yes.

598

599 C: Now this is not to give a condoning to such actions. Do you
600 understand?

601

602 ***: Yes.

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604 C: But there is the factor of the mother tending to the child
605 properly that must also be considered. According to standards, an
606 illegitimate child and the situation that brings it about would not
607 be acceptable, but there are always situations where karmic
608 conditions or karmic situations come in that cannot be, shall we
609 say, done away with; but remember that we are not condoning such a
610 situation. Very well.

Family was discussed on 80-01-26, the 74th Trance.

The word "mother" was first found on page 1193, line 876.

872 ***: Returning to silly cigarettes. The news recently, medical
873 news, was that smoking by mothers during pregnancy would harm the
874 unborn child. Is this medical news not so or ... ?

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876 C: No. No. When it comes to a mother bearing a child, at that
877 time she must take every precaution that she can to keep her system
878 as free from any unnecessary stimulus that she can. Cigarette
879 smoking is a stimulant, and she must not indulge herself in
880 cigarette smoking during pregnancy. The soul entering the physical
881 body being formed within the mother does not have the influence on
882 the mother, and in this respect then the mother can give that
883 physical container a handicap that is not necessary for the
884 incoming soul. Do you understand that?

885

886 ***: Yes.

887

888 C: Now there are certain situations where common sense should be
889 the ruling factor. If it is your body, then you have the right to
890 do with it what you choose, providing it does not bring it harm.
891 Now the cigarette smoking will not do harm to your physical body
892 unless you accept that as an avenue of harm. A mother and her
893 state of motherhood is a holy state; and even if the mother does
894 not normally take good care of herself, at the time of pregnancy
895 she should take exceptionally good care of herself because she is
896 the ground for a new physical container; and she must cleanse her
897 physical body to the best she can and keep it cleansed. A mother
898 should not drink any alcoholic beverages other than possibly on
899 rare occasions a red wine, but very little. She should not smoke;
900 she should not take medications that do not REQUIRE a prescription.
901 At that time the mother should develop an entirely different

902 attitude towards her body; it is no longer just her body, but it is
903 also the container for another body.

Family was discussed on 80-09-14, the 83rd Trance.

The word "parents" was first found on page 1333, line 766.

740 ***: (***) had another question, that when a baby dies the
741 Catholic Church teaches that their soul has not been cleansed
742 unless the baby has been baptized and cleansed of "original sin."
743 Again, does that soul who has no chance to be baptized remain in
744 "limbo"?

745

746 C: If a child dies, particularly a baby, and according to your
747 rules and regulations it has not been baptized, that soul simply
748 returns to the realm from which it came.

749

750 ***: Would that be any different if the child or the baby had been
751 baptized?

752

753 C: If you want a detailed explanation it would be this: If the
754 child were baptized and it came with full intentions of fulfilling
755 its proper position and because of some other set of circumstances
756 that child were to have its life ended, then it would go into the
757 God-made Heavenly Realms. Baptism is only an indication of
758 something; it is an outward sign that you are willing to accept a
759 concept or an attitude and work in that concept or attitude to the
760 best that you are capable of, so naturally a child would not have
761 the opportunity; but if a baptism is performed on that child or
762 that baby, it would indicate that that child had intentions of
763 starting its life and continuing it under that particular belief
764 system; so the benefit of the doubt would be given to the soul;
765 that is exclusive of certain conditions such as a deliberate
766 acceptance of that early death in order to help either parents or
767 family or what have you to become aware of a particular lesson. Do
768 you understand?

769

770 ***: Yes, I think I do.

771

772 C: Now there are conditions where other souls who have agreed to
773 participate in your part of your material manifestation make a
774 change so that they cannot fully cooperate with the original plan;
775 in such cases then a child may die very early. Now we are giving
776 you possibilities.

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778 ***: What happens to the adult who has not been baptized?

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780 C: If the adult dies?

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782 ***: Yes.

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784 C: That adult will be judged according to his lifestyle or her
785 lifestyle. You see, if you accept a religious concept, you must
786 fulfill that concept to the best of your ability. And if you accept a
787 religious belief that says baptism is necessary and you are of the
788 age where that can be performed, then you must fulfill that part of
789 your belief. If not, you are picking and choosing as you see fit.
790 So depending on the situation you may find yourself in the Man-Made
791 Heavenly Realms. Hardly, hardly, would you find such a situation,
792 the point of decision as to whether you will go into the Man-Made
793 Heavenly Realms or the God-Made Heavenly Realms. Do you understand
794 that?

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796 ***: Yes.

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798 C: That would hardly be the determining factor, but if you have
799 one attitude such as that, there are many more chances that you
800 will have many more attitudes that you have changed to suit
801 yourself.

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803 ***: If an adult wants baptized and they die before they are
804 baptized and baptism is performed afterwards, is that accepted?

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806 C: Yes, because it is the attitude and the desire to fulfill on
807 the part of others, so this would not be deprived. Do you
808 understand?

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810 ***: Yes, I do.

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812 C: In most cases, such occurrences are not accidental; they are a
813 deliberate part of the plan, in order to give those who are left
814 behind an opportunity to do what they can or should be done.

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816 ***: Who is given that opportunity? The family or the person that
817 baptizes them?

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819 C: It would be those who are round and about. Certainly not the
820 one who has just passed, because the action would be on those who
821 were alive. Do you understand?

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823 ***: Yes, I do.

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825 C: Very well.

Family was discussed on 80-12-07, the 85th Trance.

The word "parents" was first found on page 1375, line 896.

896 ***: Would you please give some suggestions as to how parents can
897 convince their children that the use of marijuana is dangerous and
898 wrong?

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900 C: Education is the first step. If there is a family unit that is
901 strong, if there is a joy received in the family unit, if the
902 children are felt as though they are productive to the family unit
903 and they contribute and work as a unit, you will find very little
904 problem in the line of drugs. Any time that there are drugs to be
905 taken by any member of the family, it should be explained to all
906 the members of the family why those drugs are taken, and those
907 drugs should only be prescribed drugs. Unfortunately, with the
908 American family as it is today it is no longer a family in its
909 truest sense; it is a group of people living together. Some have
910 the nuisance of putting up with those who are, shall we say,
911 underage and tolerating their existence. Now this is what most
912 families are like. When the family is a true family and there is
913 an activity as a family, again, natural education will come to the
914 child, natural understanding. If a problem arises then the first
915 step that the parents must take is to examine the family situation
916 to see if there has been any example of lighthearted drug taking.
917 There are some parents who eat medication as though it were part of
918 the family meal. There are some members of the family who drink
919 excessively as though it were water. These are all bad examples,
920 bad examples. If there are any situations like that in the family,
921 those things must be corrected first, then you can approach the
922 child and explain that these things are not to be. If the child
923 persists in being disobedient and if the child insists on
924 participating in such things, then our recommended cure is a bend
925 over the lap and bruise the bottom good and proper, black and blue,

926 and if at all possible, a blister or two. If this is done and then
927 the depriving of all the "things that are necessary in life," if
928 these are taken away from and if the child is given additional
929 chores and if the child is deprived of quiet time, and if the child
930 is reprimanded to an isolated area, you will find quite a change in
931 the child, but the attitude must be constant. You as parents have
932 the responsibility of teaching right and wrong to your children and
933 that means teaching them in the only means that they understand, if
934 necessary. Those parents who refuse to bruise the bottom are only
935 asking for problems, so it is quite necessary to be very stern with
936 children, very, very stern. Does that answer the question?

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938 ***: Yes, thank you.

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940 C: You see, children are placed in the care of parents for one
941 thing and one thing only and that is to learn discipline, to learn
942 control, to learn a set of values that are godly. Now, that soul
943 has agreed to accept you as parents, whoever you may be, knowing
944 full well that you are given the right to reprimand that child to
945 whatever degree is necessary to maintain absolute control over that
946 child until that child has reached the time in its life when it
947 shows maturity, not an age, not an age, but maturity. Once the
948 child has reached maturity, then your responsibilities lie in an
949 advisory capacity to the most extent or to the greater degree.
950 There are conditions where that would not be so. In your society
951 today there is no real development of spiritual concepts in
952 children today. Mommy and daddy are, oh, too afraid to punish the
953 child. You have been given the guardianship of that child by
954 permission of that child at a soul level and the parents MUST
955 fulfill that obligation. To give you an example that is meant only
956 as an example and not literally, or as a way of making a point and
957 not as a literal action, do you understand? If it is necessary to
958 break the child's leg or legs to prevent them from walking into a
959 situation that would be spiritually corrupting, it would be better
960 to break the legs. If that does not accomplish the situation, it

961 would be better to remove the legs altogether. Now, we do not mean
962 that literally. Do you understand?

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964 ***: Yes, but how far can you go before it is considered child
965 abuse?

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967 C: Oh, that is a question. Whenever a child is reprimanded on a
968 physical basis or on a physical level you should maintain your
969 presence of mind. If you lose your temper and go off half wild you
970 definitely will hurt the child unnecessarily and nothing will be
971 accomplished other than the child experiencing your uncontrolled
972 wrath. Now, if disciplinary actions are presented to a child if it
973 calls for the physical, shall we say, point-making, then it should
974 be done not in a fit of anger but with a cool mind or a cool
975 head. Let the child experience pain. It is not going to kill that
976 child, but in so doing if you are to bruise the bottom, make sure
977 it is on the fleshy part and not at the spinal column, the end of
978 the spinal column. Caution. You are not going to abuse your child
979 if you think a little. Another good corrective tool after the
980 bottom has been warmed, put the child in a corner, facing that
981 corner, without any means of entertainment. Let the child stay
982 there for a day without a meal or two. You will find that child
983 will be less bothersome to you and more respectful and far more
984 grateful when it matures. You must demand from children, you must
985 demand from children. Now this may seem harsh; and, as we sense,
986 many of you have not expected such answers; but they are given with
987 this in mind, you have the responsibility of setting the stage for
988 that soul's spiritual development in his life or her life; and, as
989 we said, some souls come in with very little discipline, and it is
990 part of your learning process to dole out necessary punishment
991 without, shall we say, going overboard and becoming brutal.
992 Children and the rearing of children, the tending of children, can
993 be a very touchy situation to some people because they may not like
994 to hear what is required of them as parents. Far too many parents
995 let the little darlings go. Children should be taught manners,

996 should be taught respect, and at all times should parents know
997 exactly where their children are, and in your society today a child
998 does not reach the age of maturity until he or she is much, much
999 into the, shall we say, late 20's. Because of the selfishness
1000 permitted in your society today parents have extended their
1001 responsibilities. Take a look at your young people and how they
1002 act, how they conduct themselves. Is that any way a mature
1003 individual would conduct themselves? No, no. Sad, sad situation.
1004 They should have never gotten rid of, shall we say, the woodshed.
1005 The best path to spirituality was a trip out to the woodshed every
1006 other day whether it is needed or not. It is best the child
1007 receives its bruises under the love and tender care of the parents
1008 than under the hateful and spiteful vengefulness of the world. So,
1009 as we said, a trip to the woodshed is a lot more loving than the
1010 hate of the world, a bullet in the head or despair and suicide or
1011 drugs.

Family was discussed on 81-03-20, the 90th Trance.

The word "family" was first found on page 1464, line 641.

625 ***: Is the proposed Equal Rights Amendment and the women's
626 liberation movement detrimental to our society?

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628 C: Why must men legislate your divine right? And, if that divine
629 right has been taken away from you, do you truly think that your
630 legislation can give it back to you?

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632 ***: No.

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634 C: You, as a human being, have God-given rights, not man-given
635 rights, and woe to that man who attempts to take away your
636 God-given rights. Let him pass all the legislation he chooses; he
637 can give you nothing. These women now who seek their position in
638 the world, let them seek whatever position they wish, give them the
639 same rights as any other human being, but let them fulfill their
640 first position first, and that is that of a woman of God, then a
641 mother of a family.

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643 ***: Could you repeat that please?

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645 C: First a woman of God and then a mother of a family. Now, we
646 are not saying that all women must get married, but if a woman
647 chooses to get married, her first responsibility is to her family.

648 Her first position in life is that of a wife and a mother. After
649 that, what time she has, what abilities she has, she is able to use
650 as she sees fit.

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652 ***: Are you saying then that it wouldn't be harmful for a mother
653 to work, say, fulltime as long as she is tending to the needs of
654 her family?

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656 C: In such a situation there has to be a mutual agreement between
657 the husband and the wife. It is not right for the husband to
658 expect the wife to do all things, for she has a need of rest and
659 she has a need of fulfillment, even if it calls for activities
660 outside of the home. So, what we are saying is that if a woman
661 chooses to have other activities, she must do it with the agreement
662 of the husband, and if the husband agrees then, he must learn to
663 give and not expect the wife to do all. Do you understand?

664

665 ***: Yes, I do. Thank you.

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667 C: There are times when the man must be the head of the family;
668 there are times when that must be. There are times when the mother
669 or the wife must hold her proper position. What of the other times?
670 Well, at that time then they may give and take as they should.
671 Do you understand?

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673 ***: Yes. Thank you.

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675 C: The husband that only does what, shall we say, a husband is
676 expected to do as a man is neither man nor husband. A man and a
677 husband is one who can see what is needed for all and for their
678 betterment. If he is called upon by the situation to be
679 understanding, to be gentle, to be loving, to be giving, then he
680 must be all those. If the situation calls upon him to be firm,
681 then he must also be firm. If the situation calls upon him to
682 possibly do some tasks that are normally assigned to the female,
683 then he must forget such foolishness and perform those tasks,
684 because a family is a unit that must share in all things. There
685 must be a give, and there must be a take. Are there any other
686 questions concerning that?

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688 ***: No.

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690 ***: No one has any other questions.

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692 C: There are certain areas in a family where the husband must be
693 the head of the household and the wife must assume her position
694 alongside, but there are other situations which, shall we say,
695 normally far surpasses the types of situation where there must be a
696 chain of rule, if we may put it that way. In those other
697 situations then, the husband and the wife must learn to be
698 more considerate of the other's needs, and not so worried about the
699 formalities or the role-playing that some feel is so important, for
700 if marriage is a sharing totally of each other, that goes across
701 the board of life and one's experiences. Very well.

Family was discussed on 81-05-28, the 93rd Trance.

The word “mother” was first found on page 1489, line 226.

[This information came in the midst of a discussion of the effect of beer, wine and alcohol on the body. For the full information on this topic, refer to the Library File Food and Nutrition.]

223 ***: It is often recommended to nursing mothers to drink beer to

224 promote milk supply. Would this be harmful?

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226 C: It would be wiser if the mother were to have a small glass of

227 red wine with her meal. Now, do you notice we said a SMALL glass

228 of red wine; naturally, the quality of wine that would not have the

229 stabilizers that some have.

Family was discussed on 81-05-28, the 93rd Trance.

The word “mother” was first found on page 1491, line 295.

286 ***: I have two questions with regard to the disciplining of
287 children. The first one is can you spoil young babies? And also
288 when should parents begin to discipline their children?
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290 C: Children must be disciplined immediately. For a baby to cry on
291 occasion is healthy. It builds up the lungs; it builds up the
292 muscles of the physical body; it increases the rate of the
293 heartbeat, and this builds up strength; so crying for a small baby
294 is a form of exercise. Now, one should not allow the baby to cry
295 too long, but yet at the same time a mother need not run every
296 time the child cries. See that there is nothing wrong with the
297 child, there is no real reason for the child crying. If you see
298 this is the case, then it does not hurt to let the child cry once
299 in a while.
300 Disciplining: a baby begins to learn while in the womb. If
301 the parents were smart, if parents were wise to spiritual things,
302 the mother would talk to the child even while she is carrying that
303 child; the father would talk to the child even as the mother
304 carries the child. If the father were to lay his head gently on
305 the stomach of the mother as she carries that child and talk to
306 that child, touch the stomach, the child in the womb will hear and
307 will know and will feel. Tell the unborn child of your love for it
308 and continue this love after the child is born. So, one must be
309 careful even in what one says while carrying the child or in the
310 presence of a mother to be; and once the child is born then, of
311 course, all things are registered with that child. The reflections
312 in your voice, the attitude that you have, that you display,
313 becomes a part of that child and will manifest in time; so that the
314 moment the mother realizes that she has conceived, she can begin to
315 educate her child and show affection to that child. Likewise, with

316 the father, he must also show affection to that child. What a
317 husband and wife may speak of in private while the wife is carrying
318 a child could very easily be heard by that child, and once the
319 child is born then, if the mother or the father expresses a hate or
320 a dislike for this or that, that child hears that. It may not
321 understand fully what it has heard, but as it grows, as it matures,
322 it realizes then what it has heard, and it has accepted what it has
323 heard, also, with what the child sees. The child remembers, and it
324 becomes a part of that child. At all times, the wife, the mother,
325 should be respectful to the husband in the presence of children, in
326 the presence of a baby, and while she is carrying the child, she
327 should be respectful and obedient to her husband so that that child
328 learns the order, the godly order, of things. Of course, we are
329 assuming that the husband is of such a quality that there is no
330 need for concern or that the husband is of such a quality that he
331 is not demanding; that the father or the husband is a just and good
332 man; that the father has an interest in what is good for his family
333 spiritually as well as what is good for him spiritually. Does that
334 answer your question?

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336 ***: Yes, also, with regard to the discipline, if a young child,
337 say that is just learning to crawl or walk, and say they can get
338 into a dangerous situation. What type of discipline should a
339 parent use, physical or otherwise?

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341 C: If the proper steps have been taken to raise the child from
342 conception, from conception, to whatever time you are referring to,
343 there would be no need to physically discipline the child. The
344 child would understand a verbal "no." But since none of you are
345 perfect and really are not expected to be so, then it is necessary
346 to, at times, use the hand in such a manner that it is quicker than
347 the eye. A paddling, even to a small child, is not wrong.

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349 ***: If you try the physical discipline and the child continues to
350 do the wrong thing ...

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352 C: First try with the verbal discipline. Use the tone in your voice;
353 use the tone in your voice. Part of raising children is the mother
354 and father's tone in which they speak to the children. The child
355 should always be spoken to in a loving tone. When the child is
356 disobedient, then the tone must be changed. If the child is old
357 enough to understand, then an explanation should be given as to why
358 the child is not to do this or that. If the child is too young to
359 understand the full explanation, now we are talking in the normal
360 sense of understanding. Do you understand?

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362 ***: Yes, I do.

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364 C: What we said before about a child picking and learning from the
365 very beginning still applies, but because of some fault or what
366 have you of the parents in earlier years, the child may not have
367 the proper understanding, so that when the child is disciplined it
368 should be explained to the child if it is of the age of
369 understanding or if it is a situation that a child of that
370 particular age could understand, it should be explained. If the
371 child is persistent after a number of attempts, then other
372 disciplinary actions are called for. Depriving a child of
373 something that it enjoys can be at times more productive than a
374 paddling; in any case depriving the child of something that it
375 enjoys should always, always, be part of the discipline, if the
376 child persists in doing what it should not. Paddling is something
377 that should be done only on, shall we say, occasions when it is of
378 a more serious nature. Now, depriving children of something they
379 enjoy. We are not saying that a small child should be deprived of
380 food or anything that might be necessary for its well-being, but
381 things such as treats or toys or what have you. Does that answer
382 your question sufficiently?

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384 ***: Yes, but I still have another part to that question, though.

385 What can you do to deal with, say, grandparents that don't agree with

386 your form of disciplining children?

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388 C: You must first take into consideration whether what the
389 grandparents have to offer is valid or not, then you must decide
390 whether your attitude is just. If your attitude is proper, then it
391 is wise to very politely inform the grandparents that you are the
392 parents, not them. Now, caution. There is a wisdom in older
393 people that younger people have yet to gain, so always take into
394 consideration what the older people have to say. They have learned
395 the hard way through their mistakes, and it is not necessary for
396 the young of the world to learn the same way. It is their
397 hard-headedness that makes it necessary for them to learn through
398 their mistakes. So when grandparents or older, wiser people offer
399 advice, it is always wise to give it serious consideration. Again,
400 use judgment for not all older people are wise.

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402 ***: Thank you.

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404 ***: You said before that the child will pick up or accept
405 expressions of anger or hatred that are going around him from
406 parents or whoever. Does it have a negative effect on the child even
407 if it had nothing to do with the child at all? Like the father
408 comes home and complains about something at work and is very angry
409 about it?

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411 C: In front of the children, the children understand what you are
412 saying, if they are of the age of understanding. If it is a small
413 baby, they may not understand fully or in total, but the attitude
414 that is expressed, the words that are used when one is, shall we
415 say, angry, certain words are emphasized very dramatically, and
416 these are impressed on the baby's mind, and the attitude then is
417 related to these impressions, these actions are related to these
418 impressions; so that as the child becomes older then he
419 begins to put the pieces together, this violent reaction is
420 connected to this thing. With children who are somewhat older that

421 are at the age that they have some understanding what you say in
422 front of them, they will begin to take into themselves. So that if
423 you express hate or dislike against an individual or a thing,
424 according to what you have done in the years gone by as that child
425 was much younger, as that child was in the stage of infancy, will
426 accept your present demonstrations to the degree that it was
427 influenced by in the infant state or stage and pre-natal stage. Do
428 you understand?

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430 ***: Sort of.

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432 C: Here, let us explain it this way. From the moment of
433 conception to in the area of, shall we say, of four or five years of
434 age, the child is constantly taking in, and all these things are
435 placed in neat, little places or in an order. Do you understand?

436

437 ***: Yes.

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439 C: After the fourth or fifth year, then what the child experiences
440 in the family unit and from those influences outside the family
441 unit, such as friends and close family, those influences upon that
442 child then begin to formulate the expression of those items or
443 attitudes that the child received prior to that time; so that then
444 is when the child learns to express outwardly those things that it
445 had been taught earlier, the manner in which it will express them
446 and to the degree that it will hold those attitudes. When a soul
447 chooses to become a part of your family, you assume a
448 responsibility. Does that answer your question?

449

450 ***: Yes.

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452 C: Let us add, if mistakes were made in raising children, they can
453 always be corrected, they can always be corrected, but the
454 correction must come in the form of an outward manifestation on the
455 part of the parents. The human and the divine in all of you is

456 very flexible; it can be changed one way or the other. Naturally,
457 the older, the harder the change; the younger, the easier the
458 change. The rules of God can be given to an infant and should be
459 given to an infant. A mother and the father both can take the Ten
460 Commandments of God and simply state them to the baby. As the
461 child becomes older then or the infant becomes older then, say the
462 age of one, two, three, even on, the mother and the father can at
463 the nighttime when the child is put to sleep or put to bed for the
464 night rest, after the child has lightly dozed off, the mother or
465 the father can recite the Commandments to that baby. Once or twice
466 is all that is necessary. In doing so, you are assisting the soul
467 of that infant to gain greater control over the physical. Once the
468 Laws of God have been established in the consciousness of that
469 infant, the soul will have a much easier task in controlling the
470 physical, but you cannot preach to an infant or to a young child
471 one attitude at one time and then through your own personal
472 attitudes, actions, and words demonstrate another thing. Very
473 well.

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475 ***: It is 9:55 now. Should we end this now or continue?

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477 C: Let us go a short period of time more.

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479 ***: I think you partially answered some of this question. Why
480 does one form of discipline work with one child and yet not work
481 with another?

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483 C: Each child is different and to the degree of influence in
484 relationship to right and wrong in relationship to love and
485 affection that the child has had from the parents, this determines
486 the degree of, shall we say, punishment of the child. Some
487 children, simply a stern word or a look of the eye is sufficient
488 to, shall we say, stop the child in its path. Other children are
489 less affected by such actions and take a more physical, shall we
490 say, measure. One can generally, shall we say, generally look at

491 it this way: Those children that take a stronger hand in
492 correction -- in other words, those children that take a greater
493 degree of punishment are the children that need more affection;
494 they need more attention; they need more security; they need to
495 know exactly where they stand with the parents; they need to know
496 that they DO stand with the parents.