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RAJ: Well without any preamble we will go directly into any questions or comments or concerns any of you might want to bring up for discussion.

**QUESTION: Over the years I've asked you many questions pertaining to my relationship with my husband Steven. You've given me answers ranging from my needing to maintain my integrity and leave the situation, which felt to me dominated by Steven's drug and alcohol issues. You also told me at one point not to take this opportunity lightly, that if I could move through this challenge it could mean a good deal to my spiritual growth. Well Steven and I are seeing a mediator and are pursuing a divorce. I have mixed feelings over this even though I am moving on. But I don't want to have this become a rearranging of furniture, so to speak. I don't want to miss the point of my being with Steven. And I want very much to have guidance regarding what the next step is for me, where to my energies in a focused way about work**

RAJ: Indeed, as I have said many times, it is always important to pay attention to the obvious, not what should happen, what ought to happen, what ought not to happen, but what is obvious. And what is obvious is that there are no longer two of you in the relationship bringing energy to the relationship. This is not right or wrong, it just is what is. And so you do not try to change it. You do not try to manipulate it into what you would like. At earlier times when you asked questions the arrangement of the energy, so to speak, was different and it was available to the two of you as a unit from each of you.

Now, the obvious calls for no judgment, it just calls for a willingness to not abandon that place in you where you can recognize the Movement of God in your life. Because that is where fulfillment is coming forth, very much like everything is coming forth because it is Spring right now. Your energy needs to be available to your children and it needs to be available indeed to that activity or those activities which will give expression to what you love, to your creativity. And yes I would fully encourage you to give your commitment to your jewelry making business. That is where the gathering of energies is occurring, which will come forth identified as activity, as income, as your joy.

I also encourage you—and not just you, but all of you—I encourage you to allow for an openness to the evidence of fulfillment and fruition this year, more than any other

year so far. Because as I indicated last time we met, a shift has occurred, the equivalent of a breakthrough has occurred, which has released everyone and put them in the position of experiencing or of being able to experience unjustifiable good. This does not mean that those who are insisting on a very narrow vision that they have employed for years, it does not mean that they will suddenly experience unexpected good. Because with their blinders on they will not let themselves see the more that is available. And so this is why I am sharing it with everyone. So that they might say, “Oh, maybe I should open the blinders a little further, or maybe I should take them off entirely, and let any old good that might just happen to me happen.”

So I guess you could say if there is one thing I am meaning to convey to you it is to let go of the idea that you must do something to justify having good in your experience. At the bottom line, that is what everyone uses to hold their good away from them. “I haven’t earned it. I don’t deserve it.” And the flip side of that is, “I don’t want what I haven’t earned, because if I have something I haven’t earned it doesn’t say anything about me. It doesn’t give me credibility. It doesn’t demonstrate the fact that I can prove my worth. Give-aways are useless because I can’t use them to demonstrate what a responsible and good person I am.” You see? In other words one side of the coin is “I don’t deserve it,” and the other side of the coin is “I don’t want what I can’t use to prove something about me because it doesn’t serve me.”

So I won’t go any further into that side of the coin right now, but it will give you food for contemplation. How much do you require yourself to earn your good because you can use it to prove your integrity or your worth? And what would it be like if you had all and it said nothing about you, and its presence couldn’t be used to define you personally, what kind of an existence would you be having? It is an interesting and fruitful thing to contemplate. That is an aside from your question and the answer to your question—a bonus. That’s the end of the answer.

QUESTION: Thank you very much.

RAJ: You are welcome.

QUESTION: Good afternoon.

RAJ: Good afternoon.

**QUESTION: Just as a side bar I’ve taken care of that little situation we had last time we talked. Back in ’91 in Hood River I told you at that time I had no idea what I was doing or where I was going. Well I find myself in that same vein right now. I think or I feel...**

RAJ: Did you think that although that is supposedly a good place to be because I said it is, did you suppose that if you allowed yourself into that place it would then move you into a place where you did know what you were doing and where you were going?

QUESTION: Well it hasn’t worked.

RAJ: Indeed.

QUESTION: Because that's where I am right now again.

RAJ: So things are still working on your behalf?

**QUESTION: Well, yes, but being human I'm in this position that I was told last year I should be in, that was it fulfilled purpose for me to be here. And of course, I say being human, I'm really questioning that right now because I just don't feel like I should be here, not in this location but in the job I'm in right now, even though as you had said at one time it was not a job it was a vehicle, and look forward to be moving me elsewhere. I guess I'm just looking for a little confirmation that that elsewhere is still moving.**

RAJ: Oh indeed. The place you are right now is not a stable place because it has no roots. It is a vehicle. It is a part of a Movement of your Being bringing you into a noticeably clearer experience of not only your stability and groundedness, but your practical fulfillment. And I encourage you not to get impatient and try to hurry the process along or abandon it because it isn't going fast enough for you. What the situation is calling for is you being alert and conscious to the moment you're in every moment. And when I say, being conscious I mean to be present in the moment not alone. In other words, whether you are hearing guidance or not I want you to be in every moment aware that you are [connected] (tape was blank for a word or two, so I put in a word that I thought fit) with, aware that whatever is occurring is not being seen by you alone, but by one or even those who see the whole picture and intend to bring the broadest view of it to your attention that you are willing to embrace. If you will attend to each moment you are in as though you truly aren't alone, that will open the door for insight and for reconfiguration to occur so that when at times you're experiencing imbalance momentarily balance will resume spontaneously and quickly with a feeling inside you of stability that isn't dependent upon circumstances—the circumstances of the moment.

Very often you and others want guidance so you can get off the spot, get off the dime, get rid of the hot potato so to speak, instead of learning to be with the hot potato or how to be on the spot from a new vantage point so that it becomes something you don't need to get away from, because you aren't unequal to it. And the moment you let yourself be present with the circumstance that your conditioning causes you to feel uncomfortable with, the moment you allow yourself to be present with it and there is nothing in you attempting to deny it, then that about it which your conditioning had found uncomfortable will be able to be seen in a new light which isn't frightening or unsteady to you. And this becomes a place now in which your balance is felt. And the amount of the universe that you can occupy comfortably has gotten larger, less objectionable.

Now I know that that might sound like you will become comfortable with an uncomfortable situation and because it's not uncomfortable you'll be stuck in it. But

that is not what I'm talking about. When you don't need it any longer to move you into that willingness to be present and to not try to get away from the hot spot, then that spot which had always been apart of the Kingdom of Heaven ceases to be a hot spot, an uncomfortable place that you couldn't be comfortable. Now it becomes part of the Kingdom of Heaven that you can be comfortable in with no elements of distress associated with it. In other words, the apparent circumstance will transform.

As each of you wakes up there will be less and less of the universe that you will feel a need to get away from. And in your willingness to be present with it, what it Really is will begin to register with you. And that's called healing. It's called letting that Mind be in you which was also in me. It's called letting yourself have new eyes.

When you are resisting something in your world or in your life because you feel unequal to it, you create in that thing the elements which justify for you the need of getting away. And so you don't see it correctly. And because of your inappropriate response to it, you get responses from it that don't represent what is truly there.

When you look in you brother's eyes and you see somebody who cheats, someone who consistently lies, someone who you don't dare depend on because his history proves that he's undependable, you are looking at the Son of God and making those judgments and then acting on the basis of those judgments and you are likely to elicit that kind of behavior. But if as the Course says you are willing to look into your brother's eyes and see the face of God or remember the face of God, your behavior is going to be different. And even if that one had been expressing dishonesty and the other things I mentioned, if you are treating him as the Son of God, if you are seeing God there those kind of responses from him won't fit and will throw him into a quandary and cause him to be able to respond in a new way because he feels no threat from you.

But you have to be willing to stand there and be present with that one at the point where you are defining him negatively so that you can dare to let in a different point of view. You must love that one enough not to run away based on your judgments, but dare to see the Son of God there, dare to see the presence of God there. This is called Love—the willingness to recognize that which is Real in him. Your willingness opens your vision and as your vision changes then this one is no longer someone you have to get away from or be frightened of. And in your fearlessness that one feels safe. And feels no need to reinforce his defense. And his behavior changes. The same thing applies with jobs or circumstances.

You see?

QUESTION: Yes I do now. Thank you. That cleared up some “yes, buts” I was having along the way.

RAJ: Very well.

**QUESTION: You've already spoken somewhat to what is going on with me. The one place where I really have trouble seeing the Son of God in a sense is my**

children. And they're not babies, there nearly thirty. But I tend to worry about them. It is the one area in my life where I can just lose all my belief systems so quickly...

RAJ: Lose all your what?

QUESTION: My belief systems, all my patterns, all these wonderful things I'm learning from you that working and making my life wonderful. But if I see something that looks to me as if it is threatening one of my sons I just go a muck.

Anyway my youngest son is twenty-five and he's going to Europe. And he's going to hike around Europe for a couple of months, and I just want to look at this differently. The old me would really, really worry and yet I don't think that's appropriate. And I think I'm hanging on to some beliefs that are not true.

RAJ: I will tell you this you will wear yourself out and make yourself miserable, while he has the most time of his life.

QUESTION: I have a feeling you're right. I mean I guess there's some part of me that really just wanted to come over here...

RAJ: Do you really have such free time that you can waste your time in this way?

QUESTION: No, I really do not have any free time.

RAJ: I am appealing here to your sense of practicality.

QUESTION: Okay.

RAJ: Because you have a tendency to value what is practical more than you value your capacity to be emotional.

QUESTION: That's true.

RAJ: A little bit of self-discipline here will save you from the distress you will feel between the contacts you have when he is telling you what a wonderful time he's having.

QUESTION: Thank you. I think I needed to hear that. Thank you very much.

RAJ: You know you can't stop loving. And in a way this is directed toward mothers more than the men here. You can't stop loving, but you can stop being mothers. There is a point where emancipation must occur. And there is a point where mothers must agree to it occurring. It will occur whether you like it or not. But there is a point where the mantel of responsibility must shift from your shoulders to your children's shoulders, so that they might dare trust into themselves and feel the strength and integrity of their being that you are enjoying experiencing for yourself so much. And your taking hold of the idea that you have innate integrity that you can become still enough to feel, that process took some nerve, some trust, it wasn't easy. But to whatever degree that you invested the energy in it, you found yourself becoming more firmly grounded, I'm going to say in the universe rather than in your personal skills or your local circumstances.

A mother has to arrive at a point where her wisdom as a mother says, "I must be

through being a mother. I must be through bearing the responsibility for what does or doesn't happen in my children's lives," so that they have no recourse but to lean into their essential integrity, so that they will put forth the energy and the effort that you had to put into it. Because in making that leap of faith they take the essential step that connects them with the God in them, so to speak. You see?

As I said it doesn't mean you stop loving them. But perhaps as a mother instead of saying, "you know, I don't think you ought to do that," or "from my experience, blah, blah, blah," you will begin to say, "you know, it's time for you to reach inside yourself. It's time for you to lean into the integrity that I see in you, and learn to feel for it." And you be the one teaching them to not lean on you, but to learn to rely on their fundamental inner substance. You become the one who gives a vote of confidence in their divine integrity by turning their life over to it. You see?

QUESTION: What a relief! Thank you.

RAJ: Indeed! You are welcome.

**QUESTION: I have rather an opposite situation. I have a 97 year old mother who all my life has been concerned that I become saved in the way in which her fundamentalist belief thinks I should be saved. I probably should add that she's now at the place where she's somewhat mentally confused.**

RAJ: She is not or she is?

**QUESTION: She is becoming. Sometimes I feel... in fact she told me that she doesn't feel that she can... she wants the Lord to take her home, but she can't go until I get saved. And I've struggled with this all my life and recently have come to a place where I can just let it be. But I'd like some comments from you on this.**

**Just this morning... I don't go to church with her, I have someone pick her up and take her, someone who goes to her church. And when she came home this morning I was there and she said, "these people really know that you won't go to church with me." So obviously she informed them of her problem with her daughter, which I finally learned to just let it float off, I used to get very angry about it. But it's interesting it doesn't seem to ever stop. I don't expect it really will, but...**

RAJ: There is a saying that the essential meaning of which is that when another shoots an arrow, or engages in attack, shoots an arrow towards you, you are the one who barbs it, who puts the point on it. Until you join in a mutual dance of attacker and victim. Until you join as victim, as attackee, the attack has no substance to it, it has no capacity in itself to affect you at all. But the minute you say, "Aha, that bitch did it again," you have joined the dance and the arrow has a point on it. And it hits you and you suffer and you say, "you so-and-so look at what you're doing to me." And yet there was no point on the arrow until you put it there.

Now you have learned not to put the point on the arrow. You can't stop her from

shooting the arrows. Even though she feels she is doing something loving, you recognize that because it's inconsistent with your unfoldment it has no meaning for you and could be interpreted as an unkindness because she never lets up. But again, that judgment is the way the arrow, the point gets put on the arrow. You must just chuckle.

**QUESTION: Well I pretty much learned to that but it just occurred to me in the last few weeks... before then I say no there's no way I'm going to go to church with her. I cannot handle it. I don't want to handle it. And I don't need to do it. I do everything else for her and she can have someone else take her. And it's occurred to me in the last couple of weeks that maybe I could go to church with her, and what is the big deal! I guess that's kind of where...**

RAJ: I will be very practical with you, if you give an inch she will take a mile.

QUESTION: That's what I kind of thought...

RAJ: And I am not projecting a negative judgment on her. But there is an element of control here and if you yield she will try to do everything she can to bring you even closer to being saved. That is not the place in which, or the manner in which to share your love with her.

**QUESTION: That's pretty much how I had thought it would happen. It's helpful to me to hear your thoughts about actually going this mile with her. I think then she would, as you say she would start working on some other area then if she got me to do that. And she's the one that's miserable about it. I'm from the place where I just let it roll off, you know, I just chuckle. But she keeps at it. And I don't know maybe I would just be adding to her discomfort if I kind of went along with her little by little. I don't know. That's my question.**

RAJ: Just continue to be true to your highest sense of integrity for yourself. And share your love in the areas that don't entangle you in her agendas for you.

QUESTION: Thank you. That's a very helpful.

RAJ: You are welcome.

**QUESTION: I'm Camila. And I'm a lot better than I was down at Hood canal and most grateful for all the information. And the latest problem that's come up is my eye sight with my left eye, which is an old problem coming back or something else going on at some level I'm not aware of.**

RAJ: Problems are always current misunderstandings manifest.

QUESTION: Okay, so what am I not understanding?

RAJ: It is important to understand that, because if you say it is an old problem coming back then it seems to have the force of time on its side. It has a history to it, you see. But Creation is always the current expression of God. And distortions, distorted perceptions of Creation are always current misperceptions. So you problems are always arising out of the instant you're in and therefore haven't been around long enough to have gathered enough substance to resist correction--you see?--to resist healing. They are

always the current manifestation of what has been a fleeting thought, a fleeting incorrect thought. Fleeting only because in an instant that's all the time there is for. You see? Continue.

**QUESTION: Well, what do I need to correct the perception then, if I don't even know what's being misperceived?**

RAJ: Well it will be helpful for you to understand that what you call your eyes have the intent to identify their reason for existing. And their reason for existing is to identify conscious experience, awareness. Awareness is Mind, God being conscious of what He infinitely Is. That is the meaning or function of vision. You might say that God in the act of Creation is the conscious experience of vision itself. Therefore, your eyeballs and every aspect of them has the divine intent to identify its reason for being perfectly. And I shared this with you before, relative to your body in Hood River: Your body has the intent or its function is to identify the presence of your individuality perfectly. And your individuality is Mind. It's the conscious experience of being alive.

So if you understand that your body and your eyeballs are not just lumps of physical matter, but are indeed the visibility and tangibility of the divine intent of God, and that they are present to fulfill the identification of your presence perfectly, then instead of finding out what you personally can do better mentally or physically to heal yourself you could just for a moment become totally self-irresponsible so that the Presence of God might be the only thing there. Do you see what I'm saying? The Movement and the Intent behind the act of Creation, which has to be responsible for every single thing you're experiencing at this moment, called life in all its wonderful details... (I'm sorry, I lose it.) ...in the Presence of the Movement of Life in all of its marvelous details there is not call for you to bring anything to bear upon it. All you need to do is to get out of the way momentarily, so that the act of Creation, the assertion you might say of Mind/God... (I lost it again.) ...in getting out of the way so that the Movement of Creation or what you might call the assertion of God can be the only thing manifesting itself you will experience healing.

**QUESTION: It's like God seeing Itself through me?**

RAJ: Exactly, except when you get a personal, let us say metaphysical worker out of the way, a personal knower of the truth whose going to through the proper use of truth effect a healing, when that gets out of the way then God's being of perfect vision is all there is present where you are. So God isn't seeing through you, it's that this you that you thought you were separate from God is gone. And what is real about you remains. And what is real about you is God seeing everything that He/She has made and behold it is very good, very perfect, you see.

And this is important to understand because—you are familiar with the statement, “Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free”—what is often misunderstood is that you don't know what the truth is to know until you listen. You must listen on the

spot, in the moment for the voice for truth, for God's Voice so that you might know the truth, so that you might know the truth to know.

There is another statement, "Truth is revealed, it needs only to be practiced." And that means that truth is always a revelation in the moment of conscious experience. And so if you want to know the truth that will make you free from illusion, you must become still enough in the moment to have the revelation. And again, the revelation is inevitable because God in the act of Creation, you could say, is asserting truth. And that assertion is bound to register whenever one is not asserting a mind of his or her own, and is quiet enough to be impressed by the assertion of God called the act of Creation in the moment. And when you know the truth as a result of revelation in the moment, all you have to do you could say is practice it or get with the program. You see? Flow with it, be with it, allow for it to be. You see?

Metaphysical work... those are perfect words. It is work! It's effort! And it's effort put forth that isn't the assertion of the Will of God in the act of Creation. It's a personal private little work that is done by a puny little mind that perceives itself as separate from God, that which because it is separate is vulnerable and subject to Heaven knows what. And so it must use the truth to protect itself from all that it sees which is fearful. And all that there is for it to see is what God is being. But of course, in its separated sense it doesn't know it's all God, and it misperceives. And in its sense of vulnerability it sees all of what God is as something to protect itself against, because if it doesn't keep its vigil strong God only knows what will happen. Again, perfect words. And this separated little ego is frightened to death to find out what God only knows.

So, "ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." And in order to know the truth you must become still enough for the revelation of truth in the moment to register with you. So that in the clarity of the experience of truth you might yield to it and allow it to be the Presence, the only Presence there where you are.

Now today so far we haven't talked about grand points of truth in any universal sense, the questions have all been mundane you might say of practical little nit-picking things that are a bother to each of you. Well, you see, these little nit-picking botherations are exactly those places where one must be willing to be still so as to be able to recognize the specific truth that heals the misperception around it.

Many people study metaphysics. Many people are on their spiritual paths so as to rise above and get away from all these nit-pick, chicken-shit botherations. And that's what I was referring earlier to you about, being willing to be present with these nit-pick, chicken-shit botherations. And be quietly present so that you can experience the revelation of truth that is pertinent and that cleans the lens through which you're looking at the only thing there is to see. You see?

**QUESTION: That's part of it. The other half is is there some way that I could hear the full spectrum of the sound current, like I've never heard the flutes**

**and I hear a lot but not... I don't know what's blocking that in the silence.**

RAJ: Again, whether it's the eyeball or the eardrum or all of the structure of the outer and inner ear, the structure is there to identify the presence of you as conscious awareness perfectly. So that the Movement of God, the Being of God in all of its infinite variety can be experienced without distortion. This means that your ear, your eyes, your heart, your... every part of your body has a conscious intent of its own you might say, set in place in it by God's Will to identify you perfectly. It is constantly, every aspect of your body, is constantly insisting on registering with you in its perfection, whether you're thinking right thoughts or not. And the only thing that blocks any of you from experiencing perfect health is other thoughts, "I don't deserve it. Well, I mistreated my body. I abused it. I've done this. I've eaten that. Too much of this not enough of that. I don't deserve to experience perfect health. The body must have its justice and not let me off the hook too soon." These kinds of thoughts are the way each of you block your experience of the current moment by moment act of Creation that the Father is being perfectly and expressing perfectly.

You see it isn't so much an old problem coming up, it's an old mindset it's an old set of thoughts that is asserting itself, or seeming to be more valid to you. So, becoming silent is a very rich resource for enlightenment and healing, because when one is willing to become silent one ceases to assert private, personal misunderstandings in the face of God's assertion called Creation that is always happening in the instant fully and perfectly.

So I don't want you to try to find out what you are doing wrong. I want you to embrace consciously the idea that your body is intent at every part of your body is intent upon identifying perfectly what God is Being right there. And then inviting that in, inviting the revelation of that conscious experience whether you deserve it or not, whether you've treated your body well or not.

The last thing I want to do with you is give you something correct to do with your thoughts. There's very little trust that any of you expressed when you even clearly and correctly assert truth for yourselves. You do that because you're afraid there isn't a God whose already doing it, the evidence of which you will experience the moment you stop asserting truth on your behalf and listen in the moment for the revelation of truth that will set you free.

**QUESTION: To experience it rather than...**

RAJ: Exactly! Everything there is that's Real, with a capital "R", is geared toward your having the experience of your perfection when you have gotten out of the way. It is a perfectly safe thing to do, no matter how dangerous your ego perceives it to be.

So, 20/20 vision, 100% hearing, full spectrum... this is what is constantly insisting upon registering with you, this is what is constantly finding way to insinuate itself through your defenses into that place where you can recognize it. You don't have

to create your health. It is already wanting you to experience it. You just have to dare not to try to hold the universe up with your own efforts, even though the ego says the moment you abandon that everything will be reduced to chaos.

**QUESTION: So that could for financially too? To just allow it to come in, some funds somewhere?**

RAJ: There is no other way. It doesn't mean you won't be involved, but in taking the time to be still so that your abundance can be revealed, whatever your participation is in it will be revealed as well, along with the motivation to be involved, not to make anything happen, but because it's a happening. You see? And you might huff and puff to keep up with the unfoldment of your abundance.

Of course, that brings us back to what I still will not go into in any detail, if your abundance comes and you are not responsible for it, and there's no way to use it to prove who you are then Who are you? What is the state of existing when your abundance is yours but you didn't create it?

QUESTION: Well, I have a rich Father in Heaven.

RAJ: Yes, you have a rich Father in Heaven but what about the Daughter who has a rich inheritance?

QUESTION: I'm ready! I'm ready! That doesn't mean to say I don't love my work.

RAJ: Indeed, I understand.

**QUESTION: Okay, and I bring you some regards from Zeffer. And she's having some surgery on her nose in April and she'd like her healing angels to carry on the good work and she sends you her love and her gratitude.**

RAJ: Indeed. Thank you.

QUESTION: And I thank you.

RAJ: You are welcome.

QUESTION: You've been with me a long time.

RAJ: Indeed.

**QUESTION: What I seem to be mulling over right now, and I don't feel like I'm working at it too terribly hard but it's starting to concern me, I will be graduating this June. And I'm wanting to change my geographical residence upon graduation. And my question I guess is will it become apparent to me where that needs to be? Am I pursuing things as I should?**

RAJ: I will tell you that you are a special case where it will not come to your attention. (laughter) No matter how hard you listen you will hear nothing. (laughter) This is one of those cases where you are going to be lost. (Paul/Raj laugh)

**QUESTION: My ego is busy wanting to be in charge of choosing a place. And inside I guess I know that that's not necessary. And do I need to be sure, like put resumes and letters out to a lot of different places? Or is where I am looking at**

### **right now really appropriate for me?**

RAJ: Every single thing that presents itself in your life is an opportunity for you to observe it in a state of being consciously joined with the Father or with your guide or with the Holy Spirit, all of which have an infinite view with which they are observing everything you look at. Every moment is an opportunity to be Awake, and I mean by that, alive to the fullness of anything you're giving your attention to. Every moment and everything that you consider is an opportunity to look with God, which is another way of saying it's an opportunity to experience the revelation of truth in it. This means that there is no "general rule of thumb" that you can just apply to living life.

And so, if there seem to be a number of places to send your resume, I would ask first of all are you aware that there are a number of places to send a resume because first you were still, and in the silence you became aware that there were a number of places? Or did you use your best logic and reasoning and come up with these? You see what I'm saying is that in each step and in every aspect take it to the Father, take it into the silence and listen for what the truth is here. And just keep doing it, and keep doing it, and keep doing it, and keep doing it, and keep doing it because that amounts to allowing yourself to be alive to the potential, or alive to the real meaning, the real living meaning of any little thing, everything that your day provides you with to experience. I'm trying to make this sound delightful, because it is delightful. It's the opportunity to be alive to the fullness of what God is being in the moment.

And you know this. And you know that you have been guided. The experience is not foreign to you. But I also understand that when you are faced with what you would call opportunities for major change it's like that means there are opportunities for major chaos as well. Which means that this is the kind of circumstance where a little bit of control might be wise. But I will tell you that if you are on the threshold of a major change you are on the threshold of—well for lack of better words—unlimited good.

And so I would ask you what I asked Paul and Susan many years ago at a point of change, what level of poverty would you rather establish than the level of infinite possibilities that it's the Father's good pleasure to present to you. Any attempt at personal control is going to establish invariably a level of poverty greater than the Father is preparing for you. Your level of poverty based on your prior experience maybe really wonderful, but it will always fall short of the wonderful that the Father prepares for you. You don't have to approach this as though it's a major change. It's just one where the potential is less restricted, where the good, where the order, where the harmony of its unfoldment can occur in wonderful ways beyond any structure that you might create by being in charge yourself.

So I encourage you to allow, that as I said a few moments ago, one's eyeballs, one's eardrums or any part of their body, they are intent upon, they have a function to fulfill, they are intent upon identifying what the Father is Being right there perfectly.

Well, your resumes have a reason for being. The places or the place you will be has a reason for being. All of this is intent upon coming into your range of vision, your conscious experience in their fullness. And I'm encouraging you to dare to believe it enough so that you might in the smallest way entrust yourself to that Movement of manifestation, that Movement of "coming into view" of the Father's Will.

That's the end of the answer.

QUESTION: Thank you. Hello, Raj...

RAJ: Good afternoon.

**QUESTION: ...and Paul. My question is will you, if you're willing, ask my question for me and then proceed to answer it? If not, I have a back-up.**

RAJ: I will let you ask your question and I will let you answer it.

QUESTION: Okay, I'll try it.

RAJ: After you have asked the question I want you to listen for the answer.

**QUESTION: May I then have a little guidance on how to listen? I feel I haven't been doing well on that score.**

RAJ: That idol chit-chat is bullshit and simply saves you from having to be open to the experience a little bit longer. Listening doesn't take skill, it just takes silence. And I wouldn't be asking you to do something that would make you look foolish. So if you will verbalize your question.

QUESTION: My question, it goes basically like this...

RAJ: I'm going to interrupt you for a moment. I said that to you because your "excuse" is the sort of thing Paul engages in often when he's afraid of the answer or he has something he would rather do, or he thinks maybe he won't hear an answer. And it's like the solution to that dilemma is just say yes instead of all the words that are used that just delay having to listen. You just step up to the edge of the unknown and take one further step. You just say "yes" to being there.

The wisdom, the all knowing presence that is God is the presence of you in your actuality. And it is intent upon being your conscious experience of being you.

Now I will be quiet and let you ask your question.

**QUESTION: I receive feedback around myself that goes something like, "you're still in the sandbox here. You haven't got out there and made anything of yourself or participated in the life's abundance, bringing wonderful... the fullness of life, you're in the small game still." And with this feedback I do the thing I usually do, which is, "it might be true, it might not be. I don't know." And then just proceed to do what I do. And my question goes something like, is it true that I could be proceeding along a lot better, you know getting higher marks in life 101 or whatever way you want to express it. I guess I'm asking, if God were sitting in front of me, I guess I'd say, "Hi, I'm Ted how am I doing so far?"**

RAJ: And what does God say?

QUESTION: I don't know. I mean Ted doesn't know what God says about this.

RAJ: Close your eyes and let God be in front of you. God intends for you to know Him, experientially. Revelation may not be in words, it might be in feelings. But God at this instant is intend upon your having an experience of some sort of His presence.

QUESTION: So am I.

RAJ: And so I encourage you to relax and let whatever it is embrace you, enfold you within itself as an experience of meaning of some sort. And I simply ask you to verbalize in whatever way you can what the experience is.

QUESTION: The experience I have is kind of like a consciousness... (The tape was bad here and I can't hear the words well enough to transcribe.)

RAJ: I understand. Just let that be. Notice that it's occurring but while it's occurring you bring your attention back to God in front of you and what God might be conveying the meaning of to you. It's not a test. It's all right for you to misperceive.

**QUESTION: What I perceive is kind of a blank, it's kind of a looking for something, listening for something. And putting out some energy towards keeping the distract from behind it, it starts trying think things or come up with things and be distracting and putting that aside and then kind of watching or listening for something, but not seeing or noticing or hearing or experiencing anything. It's kind of a void.**

RAJ: Indeed. This is the way. Let us persist a little bit longer in the effortlessness of waiting for God to speak to you, or God to extend to you something that you are able to recognize.

QUESTION: I heard a nice bell.

RAJ: Indeed that was in the room here. Did it have a meaning for you.

QUESTION: It had a question, "What was that?"

RAJ: Pardon?

QUESTION: I don't think so. It just brought a question to my mind, "what was that?"

RAJ: A chime that is on top of the fireplace.

**QUESTION: And it brought a thought that if it was that easy and that clear it would be great.**

RAJ: It will be that clear. I realize you feel some self-consciousness.

You know you can't stop loving. And in a way this is directed toward mothers more than the men here. You can't stop loving, but you can stop being mothers. There is a point where emancipation must occur. And there is a point where mothers must agree to it occurring. It will occur whether you like it or not. But there is a point where the mantel of responsibility must shift from your shoulders to your children's shoulders, so that they might dare trust into themselves and feel the strength and integrity of their being that you are enjoying experiencing for yourself so much. And your taking hold of

the idea that you have innate integrity that you can become still enough to feel, that process took some nerve, some trust, it wasn't easy. But to whatever degree that you invested the energy in it, you found yourself becoming more firmly grounded, I'm going to say in the universe rather than in your personal skills or your local circumstances.

A mother has to arrive at a point where her wisdom as a mother says, "I must be through being a mother. I must be through bearing the responsibility for what does or doesn't happen in my children's lives," so that they have no recourse but to lean into their essential integrity, so that they will put forth the energy and the effort that you had to put into it. Because in making that leap of faith they take the essential step that connects them with the God in them, so to speak. You see?

As I said it doesn't mean you stop loving them. But perhaps as a mother instead of saying, "you know, I don't think you ought to do that," or "from my experience, blah, blah, blah," you will begin to say, "you know, it's time for you to reach inside yourself. It's time for you to lean into the integrity that I see in you, and learn to feel for it." And you be the one teaching them to not lean on you, but to learn to rely on their fundamental inner substance. You become the one who gives a vote of confidence in their divine integrity by turning their life over to it because of others here and your not wanting to impose on their time by your "spiritual dullness." Which is your ego's assessment of you, not mine. What you are engaged in here, of giving your attention to one who is intent upon communicating with you and at the same time that you are doing this you are noticing thoughts and questions occur and you notice them but bring your attention back to this one who is intent upon communicating with you. This literally is the process of meditation, with the added depth that in the silence you desire to avail yourself of the experience of revelation, not just silence.

Now, the answer to how you are doing, God's answer is "I love you." The experience of that love awaits you. What I want to share with you is that the answer to "how am I doing" is not going to be an assessment of how you're doing. God is not going to say, "you're in the upper ninetieth percentile. You're already Home. You're already the Son of God. You're already Whole. And so the Father responds to you from the truth about you. And all he can say is, "I love you." You don't have to be able to jump three feet taller. You don't have to do this 10 percent better. You've already arrived. I know it sounds like I'm harping on a point, but what the ego has engaged everyone in for centuries is efforting to gain, to grow, to become more than you are, so that you might arrive at a point of achievement. When the fact is that from day one you had already arrived by virtue of being the presence of God expressed and nothing else. And waking up is a process, you might say, of letting go of all ideas and beliefs to the contrary. So that the exercise of effort to arrive at a point of achievement can be unemotionally abandoned. I mean abandoned without fear.

Opinions stink! When anyone wants to offer you their opinion politely listen and

then in the absence of the person who has offered the opinion do what you would normally do with that which stinks—toss it in the trash can. And insist upon doing your own inner listening to a voice whose intent it is to get you to see the reasonableness of not trying harder, not learning how to do something a little bit better and in so doing constantly denying that you already have all the divine integrity there is for you to have.

**QUESTION: Given that like point of arrival would be to be consciously aware of my own divinity or God expressing Itself, given that goal...**

RAJ: Well you know what? Someone trying to climb out of a barrel has the top of the barrel as his goal. But the goal, if we're going to call it a goal of having the conscious experience of who you divinely are is the result of not only no longer climbing for the top but letting go of the side and yielding to gravity, if you will, and falling to the bottom of the barrel. Because in that place where whatever was trying to get to the top has yielded up all intent to get to the top all that's left there at the bottom of the barrel is the Son of God. And the Son of God discovers that the bottom of the barrel is Reality—the Kingdom of Heaven.

In the conscious experience of abject failure as an ego you in all of your sanity stand uncovered. This is true of everyone. So when you talk about a goal let it be a goal like, "I'm going to let gravity take over." You get the point?

QUESTION: That would be easy.

RAJ: Utterly! Your conditioning makes it seem scary. But as you recognize yielding to gravity is effortless. And all I am trying to do with anyone who will listen is to encourage them to yield to gravity, encouraging them to yield to the Movement of God which causes you to be nothing less than God expressed and having the conscious experience of it. And if you can only yield to gravity an inch at a time? Good! Again it's not a test. If you're losing an inch or a millimeter each time and not recovering it, you're on the right track. And inevitably as you lose control over and over and over a little bit at a time, and you discover that the universe doesn't collapse, and that you are feeling more sane although you cannot account for it, you find that you begin to have reinforcement that makes the next letting go less fearful. That's the end of the answer.

QUESTION: Thank you.

RAJ: You are welcome.

**QUESTION: If there is going to be a "Second Coming" as predicted in Revelations will you be using Paul's body.**

RAJ: I will be using yours and yours and yours and yours and yours...

**QUESTION: So it's just a consciousness raising metaphor that's in the Bible?**

RAJ: It refers to each one of the Brotherhood who are still sleeping waking up to their True identify.

QUESTION: Okay, Thank you.

RAJ: You are welcome.

QUESTION: Hello, hello.

RAJ: Good afternoon.

**QUESTION: You've been talking around this topic all day. I want to try to ask it in a different way. Last night Mike Tyson earned \$30,000,000 for a fight that lasted 9 minutes. There's a lot written about manifestation, and I'd like to know more about abundance. I'm aware that there are things that are temporal and things that are spiritual, and that one might become distracted by too much money. I'm not aware how it works.**

RAJ: Ordinarily when one talks about abundance and when one hears about prosperity and "prosperity consciousness," it refers to "temporal" things. It refers to "the world of form," and learning the skills necessary to cause the form to reconfigure in what is conceived to be a desirable way. And you know, it doesn't matter whether one is trying to manifest a million dollars or whether a slight variation of that is used where one tries to manifest a yacht or a tennis court or a mansion rather than the dollars that it takes, the point is that all of it is considered and dealt with at the point of effect. And always when it is dealt with at the point of effect, one is operating in a realm where gain and loss are forever partners.

Now, abundance is an inadequate way to refer to fulfillment. Fulfillment is not something that occurs at the point of effects. Fulfillment is something that is experienced at the "level" of the Source, of That which is Moving and which is seen at the level of effect or manifestation, form. I have spoken of the body as being the visibility and tangibility of each one's Individuality, and Individuality is the formless. The visibility and tangibility is the identification, or form.

You will find that individuals who, through good psychological or business practices, are able to achieve significant wealth, are as subject as anyone else to sudden loss of what they have achieved because it's something they can do "in the privacy of their mind." Fulfillment, on the other hand, is inseparable from one's abiding at the point of the Source, abiding at the level of the formless Movement, the Movement of essential Being, which is an experience available to everyone in the silence within them.

You see, everyone is very occupied with sensory data. Most everyone's life is primarily one of sensory data. And yet there is present with each individual an inner place. We've called it the Void, the not-knowing place, the silence, peace. And because everyone has devoted 99 and 99/100% of their lives occupied with visual and sensory data, when anyone says, "It is well for you to give attention to the Void, to the silence, to the peace that is within you," it seems like an alternative to something major.

If one begins to meditate, if one begins to value the silence, it begins to be a short time each day, or a couple of short times each day, not beginning in any way to equal the time or attention that is given to sensory data. And so, it isn't really grasped that this

experience of peace, this experience of the Void is meant to be 100% of one's conscious experience of his days, and that this is what is divinely natural to him.

So, one seems to shift back and forth from the "inner" to the "outer," from the world of form to the level of Source, the level of essential Being. And as I said, the level of essential Being seems to be of minor importance compared to the majority of the time which is spent being preoccupied with sensory data.

Nevertheless, as one begins to value this inner place enough to let it become a regular part of his experience, he begins to find that its qualities bleed over into the periods of time when he is dealing with sensory data, the level of effect, and he begins to find his experience at that level becoming more harmonious, less stressful, where there is less lack.

Now, you asked for the truth about abundance, and so that is what I am telling you. At the level of Source, one of the first things you find is that you are not alone, whether it's the presence of God, or the Holy Spirit, or Guidance...or just the feeling of conscious Presence which is present with you on your behalf. You find that you are not alone.

In other words, one of the first experiences that comes right in the middle of the silence is one of relationship. And this relationship begins to add color to all relationships with those in what I'm going to call "the world of effect"—your daily activities as you experience them from an uncentered place.

Love begins to register with you as the fundamental of relationships, the real fundamental of relationships, and you begin to find yourself sharing Love which is arising from this centered place, this place of Source, rather than reacting to and manipulating at the level of effect, which you had before.

I am bringing this up because abundance or, more truly, fulfillment, comes into view as your conscious experience when the real meaning and function of relationships begins to be actively embodied from the level of Source—in other words, from that place of peace within you where the real meaning of Love begins to register with you and bleed over into your daily activities.

When the Movement of Love which identifies communion with your brothers begins to dominate your behavior "in the world," all that identifies fulfillment begins to manifest. However, unlike the manifesting of abundance which occurs at the level of form, you cannot take credit for it, because it isn't the end result of steps you have specifically taken to create that result. It is, rather, a side-effect, you might say, of daring to make the gift of You, which you can only discover and let out from the level of Source, from the essential level of Being, your Being.

This abundance, or fulfillment, cannot be achieved or taken away. In fact, it will never be accumulated, but will always be equal to whatever fulfillment of Purpose is at hand. And so, not only will you not feel personally responsible for having it, you will

not be preoccupied with “having it,” because you will come to trust, from experience, the fact that more or less will be present depending upon whether more or less is needed to fulfill Purpose. And so the abundance, the joy of fulfillment, will be experienced, and measuring sticks of ability to create, measuring sticks of wealth, measuring sticks of personal competence, will have nothing to do with it.

You see, fulfillment/abundance will always simply be the flow of the Movement of your Being, being always equal to the full identification of Purpose. And so, you could say that if you have a goal at all, it is a goal to be on Purpose, rather than demonstrating or manifesting abundance. It is like being a boat, whose purpose is to float on water, and instead of trying to always ensure that there is enough water for it to float in, it stays where the current is. If it’s where the current is, it will always be where the water is. That is as specific as I can get.

At the bottom line, fulfillment/abundance will always be what you experience when you dare to make the gift of who you Are—who you divinely Are—because in abandoning the vantage point of the tiny separated ego, no matter how many wonderful skills it has, you cease operating at the level of effect where it’s always polarized—give and take, get and lose, have and not have, rich and poor—and you begin to be in the world from the silence, the formless.

Love is formless, and yet it is eternally identified in form. Learning to trust into the essential level of your Being means that you are disidentifying with the level of form, where you can be not only in the flow of the Movement of Being, but you can discover that you aren’t something separate from It to be in It or out of It. And in letting that Movement be all there is of you, there simply is nothing present to hide the fact that it is the Father’s good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.

Everyone’s function is Love, the being of Love. And in being the Love that you Are, instead of a manipulator of effects, effects begin to fulfill their function, which is not to be the pawns of manipulators, but the visibility and tangibility of the Kingdom of Heaven evidencing the Father’s Will, evidencing the Movement of Love that each one of you is the presence of.

Again, this is not a spiritual answer that doesn’t have much relevance to the world you’re going to go back to when you leave this house. When one asks about abundance, one is usually asking about a way to be in the world that can be abundant. And what I am saying is: The answer is to be in the world Awake—which means to be in your peace instead of being in the world, to be increasingly from the level of your essential Being. And when you’re being from there, the world of form, no longer being tinkered with by manipulators, will begin to identify Source.

So, don’t leave here and go back into the world and try to cope with it. Leave here and stay in whatever peace you have allowed yourself to experience here, and be in your peace rather than in the world, so that you can make the gift of who you find

yourself to be when you're in your peace in the world. And then you can say you are in it but not of it.

That is the answer, and it is enough for now.

QUESTION: Thank you. Thank you for being here with us.

RAJ: You are welcome. We will call it a day.