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Yaum: Good evening to you, my friends. I wish to extend a special greetings to each one of you tonight, and I wish to greet our old friend here whom I have not had in our presence for some years now. It is good to be able to speak to you again, however, I have been in your presence a few times. I do not believe you were aware of who I was, but anyhow, I am interested in the progress of all of you and attempt occasionally to learn about you and how you are progressing.

I believe you have some questions you would like to ask this evening, and since my time that I can spend with you is somewhat limited, we shall get right to the point.

Questioner: Last night we were discussing initiation, and I was hoping that you might have some comments and suggestions that might be helpful to one who is striving to approach the doorway of initiation.

Yaum: Anyone who is working towards this type of thing, who wishes to embark upon the road of mysticism or occultism, should attempt somewhat, as he does along the line, to choose a certain school or a certain teaching of that type to follow, or perhaps explore many of them. Now you know there are many schools of occultism and of mysticism, and I assume you are interested more in the occult. Personally, I believe this is a wise choice. That is the path that I chose and the one I believe to be the most fruitful. Now, as you go along, it is necessary for you to get your own house in order, to attempt in every way to master this old devil self, to become aware of the carnal desires and to become master of them. This is a must before you can go very far in the field of occultism.

One must become pure of heart, mind and body. One must be very meticulous in his own affairs. One must learn to be orderly. One must learn to control the emotions. One without control of the emotions can never enter this field. It is necessary to develop your center and especially your love center, to become aware of what universal love is and to attempt to practice it in every way possible.

It is not an easy path. The road you will find most difficult, and you will find those carnal senses and

desires at times most difficult to control. Before you can reach the ultimate in occultism, it will be necessary to get all of your karmic debts taken care of, as these must be paid. If you have a karmic debt to others, this will have to be paid, even if it takes you another incarnation to do so.

But following the laws is the preparation, and you know the laws, but always bear in mind that it is not only the act, but the thought. What the mind does is as important, if not more so, then what the body does. The desire, in other words, is as important as the act.

Service to your fellow man is most important, and it is most important that you do not take advantage of your fellow man. Self must be completely removed. It is better to lose your own life than to take that of another.

Now, it is not always possible for you to know-how much advancement, nor how much you have earned toward your goal in other lifetimes, and this is also a consideration when it comes to the time at which you will be accepted. But, do not be concerned about this, for there are those in the higher forms of life, there are Masters who are watching over all of those who are working with themselves, attempting to grow spiritually and to accomplish greater things in spiritual advancement, and they will know when you are ready, and they will work with you and are working with you at all times, you see, though you may not be aware of it, and at times you may be aware of it.

But, my friends, you are never alone, for when you try sincerely, you shall always receive help, and this help is given in such a way that you yourself, in a large percentage of time, are not aware of it, and that is the way it should be, for when we serve our fellow man, we do not serve to be recognized. We serve and we give silently, expecting nothing in return, for it is easy to love those who love you, but to love those who persecute you and those who ridicule you and condemn you, this is the sign of true love—true fellowship with creation.

But, when you are ready for the final step into the real initiation into occultism, a Master will appear, an Adept who will be able to guide you and to take you through the steps of initiation and start you then on the real path where you will find the tests to be most severe. It will not be easy, for great things are not accomplished

quickly or easily. You must earn your way, every step of it. This is why before anyone is taken in beyond this point, they are given complete understanding of what they are about to embark on, and the great importance of it. This is made very clear, and they then have the choice to go or to turn back.

From then on, if you choose to embark upon the path, your will find the road most difficult and very little leniency towards you so far as your accomplishments are concerned. You will receive help according to your own efforts, but many of the tests will be difficult, will be hard to make. The perspiration may turn to blood upon your brow, as it did upon the brow of your great Master, Jesus, the Christ, in his time of great trial and decision. Does this answer your question?

Yaum: Yes.

I cannot tell you when this will be, because this is up to you. Nor can I tell you who your teacher will be, for I do not know. This will depend somewhat upon the path that you choose.

Questioner: Is it detrimental to the soul if one does not choose to embark upon the path of initiation?

Yaum: This is not detrimental to the soul. It merely means that you are not ready if you do not choose to go. At sometime everyone will reach this point of decision, for there is only one path and that path is up. Sooner or later you will reach the point where you will decide to go.

Questioner: In the meantime before we decide to go, we are probably piling up karma, either good or bad.

Yaum: This is right. You will still be on the wheel of incarnation, reincarnating, experiencing, growing, for you cannot be without karma, for you live by the law of cause and effect.

Questioner: Then if we continue to aspire toward initiation, some day we will take it?

Yaum: Everyone is aspiring toward it. They do not know it, but they are. Their soul knows it.

Questioner: The particular pathway within occultism itself is pretty much determined by what has gone before in previous incarnations. This seems to have the natural bent or sway of the individual. It seems that at this point one does not have too much to say in making a choice. He is more or less going by what he feels within what he would like to do.

Yaum: I believe that in leaving seekers mostly to their own intuitiveness, they are more or less led to the school that is suitable to them. However, there are some who try different schools in the early stages of seeking. There are many schools on your planet, many teachers, which in a direct or indirect way, are connected with a particular school of occultism. There are those who sometimes start in one and then they

are not satisfied, and they may seek through others and eventually they find the path that is right for them.

Questioner: What I had reference to is. There is the path of the Saviors, the path of the Prophets, et cetera. This is what I meant by natural bent.

Yaum: Man has created names for many of these schools. Perhaps you will find when you are deeper into them, these names mean very little. There are many schools, and there are some differences in their teachings. And beware, there are some that are of little value. So weigh well any teacher that you follow. Study him well. By their fruits shall you know them. Many have been misled, have been, you might say, regressed in their progress, because they have not been wise in their choosing. So be sure any teacher that you follow is one of true light. Many claim to have the light, but do not.

Questioner: Is attempting to prepare oneself for the touch of the Holy Breath considered a path of spiritual growth?

Yaum: What you have in mind really does not have anything to do with occultism. These people have received, perhaps you could say, a revelation. The Holy Breath has touched them, awakened them, but they must themselves progress from there. Many of these people become then very closed minded in their search. They think they have reached the ultimate in spiritual growth.

Questioner: The baptism then is something different to aspire for.

Yaum: The baptism is something different, and there are many ways in which this can come.

Questioner: When you speak of the tests that will be severe following initiation, does this have to do with the greater responsibility resulting from the initiation and the employment of that responsibility?

Yaum: The responsibilities will be much greater, because you have reached the point where you are worthy of initiation. You no longer are under the law of grace, because you know, and you know that you know. You see, sin for one man may not be sin for another man.

Do you understand?

Questioner: Yes.

Yaum: Here is where things change, you see, and not only at that time, but as you grow it changes. Because, what may not be a sin for you today, may be a sin for you tomorrow. Violating a law when you know that you are violating it, is a much greater sin than violating a law when you do not know. This does not excuse you, you see, but the penalties greater, because you know better. You have come into a higher consciousness, for you are in a much greater awareness of these things.

You know the results and still do not conform, you will suffer much greater consequences.

Questioner: This is why you said there is very little leniency shown.

Yaum: Right. But as you go further on the path, you learn more and more and you are given greater responsibilities, because you learn more of the laws, of the secrets of the universe and how to use these laws, you see. You attain a great responsibility. Many have failed. There are what you call black magicians who use these powers to control other's minds, to gain power for themselves, to gain wealth and all of this. This is what I mean. The temptations are great, believe me, but the loss of these people will be great too. They will suffer the second death, which is the worst that man can suffer.

Questioner: Where tasks or assignments that are given to one as his responsibilities are not fulfilled in the degree that perhaps the Hierarchy would like to see fulfilled, would this in the beginning be a state of growth, or would this be a state of failure?

Yaum: This is a state of growth—as long as you are sincere, as you do the best you know how to do, when your judgments are made with due consideration of all things and of all the ones involved. You see, it is a matter of justness, a matter of love, a matter of honor and all of these things. If these are considered and you carry out your assignments and your services to the best of your ability and you err, this does not condemn you. But when you deliberately make a judgment or commit an act or use a law in a wrong way to gain for yourself, then you have violated, you see, and you will suffer the consequences.

Questioner: Do the most severe tests always come at the time of the greatest responsibility?

Yaum: Your tests will come in the degrees that you are able to handle them. This does not mean that they will not be difficult, that the road will not be hard and that your decisions will not be hard, because there is always temptation, you see. This old self, this old devil self is always there tempting you, and you must beware of these things, because it is so easy to slip over the line.

Well, my friend, I would not, if I were you, be too concerned about these things at this point. When the time comes and you have reached that point, you will know. If you stay on the path, you will know what you want to do, but be sure you are ready. This is accomplished through discipline, and it takes great discipline to control the senses, because we have believed so many things were right that were not right. We have been taught through incarnation after incarnation that this or that is the right thing to do, that we must muscle up and defend ourselves, we must not be struck on the check and turn the other way. We must fight back, you see, "an eye for an eye, a tooth for

a tooth." This has been the philosophy of your civilization. It has not been the philosophy of the Christ. Otherwise your nations and your people would not be warring all the time, would not be in the courts all the time fighting each other through the law. Someone says something to some else which affects them a little bit, and they are right up and have to protect themselves. They have to fight back. This is not necessary, my friends, not necessary at all. Truth is truth. You do not have to defend truth. Truth will defend itself.

It is time for me to depart.

(Thanks is given by the group.)

If I have been of any help to any of you, I am pleased. You do not have to thank me, for this is life. This is why I live, to serve. If I could not serve, I would not want to be. I have been helped so much by great Ones upon my upward climb, and I am most humbly grateful to them. Whenever I can and whatever I can do to serve my brother man, I most sincerely desire to do so, for it is really the only satisfaction and pleasure of being. You will someday—all of you—come into this realization. I hope I do not appear to be boasting, for I am not.

I must leave you, my friends. May the love, peace and the blessings of all the great Ones be invoked upon each of you and may that Christ Love grow in your hearts. May you come into a full understanding of it which will raise you to a new height in consciousness that you have never experienced before.

Peace be with you, my friends, Peace, Peace. *