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## **November 6. 1979**

**Yaum:** Greetings to you, my friends. It is my pleasure to again come among you. What would you like to talk about tonight?

**Questioner:** We thought perhaps you would like to talk to us about the situation that we are experiencing in Iran. Would you like to talk about that?

Yaum: Well, there is not too much I can say about that situation. It is not possible at this moment to predict the exact outcome when you have involved a group of very radical, ill-informed people who are stirred to anger by a few. But I think they will try to work out the situation without any loss of life, if it is possible to do so. Iran does not want to become militarily involved with your nation. But the situation there is such that there is no one great authority in command and anything can happen in a situation of that kind. But I am sure it will not evolve into a big conflict.

What would you like to know that I might know? I do not claim to know everything.

**Questioner:** Could you give us your opinion on whether there could be times, for persons of our placement on the path, that violence against another human being would be appropriate, when we would actually take someone's life?

Yaum: Through the process of evolution man has come up through a process of survival of the fittest. He is now beginning to come out of that "survival of the fittest state" into an era of understanding one another and the development of brotherly love. It depends upon the state of evolution that you might stand in. Your society or your evolution has grown through that process and violence has been a necessary part of that evolution, a part which man passes through. And often through this process of the survival of a civilization or a nation or whatever, violence is necessary. But it is never justified except for self-survival or to uphold a way of life that one may desire and another is trying to take away from them.

Until man reached a state where his mind has developed to a point where he can combat violence by mental process, his only chance for survival, in most cases, is to return violence for violence and this is part

of evolution. Those who are working with planets and galaxies, (Masters of the Brotherhood), are continually trying to forward the evolvement of a planet. They understand these things and this is why they never force but they work silently from the subtle side in trying to bring man mentally to a state where he can avoid these things.

**Questioner:** Would the very fact that one knows that this is wrong place him in a position where he should morally and ethically not kill to survive?

**Yaum:** This is not necessarily so. If your nation and your way of life is good and you are maintaining this way of life, you have a right to protect this way of life against someone who would take it away from you and enslave you. It does not matter whether it is a nation or an individual, the same principle holds true.

**Questioner:** You mean that you have a right to kill if they are taking away your property?

Yaum: It depends upon the situation, whether one must at times, use violence against violence. You must never promote violence but avoid it if possible. If you had a family of children, would you stand by and watch someone murder all of your children, destroy all of your property and not try to protect it?

Questioner: The point is, should we kill in order to do that?

**Yaum:** It might be necessary in some cases of that type but not if it can be avoided. But there are extreme cases where it might be necessary in your state of evolution.

**Questioner:** You mean in our state, the state of those of us here in this room?

**Yaum:** I am speaking about your evolution as a civilization.

**Questioner:** We would like to get it down on an individual basis.

**Yaum:** It would be the same thing with an individual. You would have to protect your property or your family against such an invasion.

**Questioner:** We have been told over and over that our physical body or that of another is not important enough to kill for.

**Yaum:** It is not that important if you do not place that much importance on it. But most individuals would and they would also place great importance upon their families. It would be the same for a nation.

If you are speaking about going out and meeting someone on the street who may use some violence against you and try to attack you or rob you of a few dollars, I would not say that you should kill this person. I am speaking about when it might be justified in cases of extremes. Your life is just as important and maybe more important than the other persons. In the evolution of man each individual is important so you should not allow someone to take your life and the life of your family, if you can avoid it.

**Questioner:** We could avoid it by shooting or by killing them. This is a choice you would have to make on your own.

**Questioner:** All of the teachings so far have said that the physical vehicle is not important and that we should not care so much for material things. So to me this is contrary to what Jesus taught and also what we have been told many times. I cannot correlate these statements.

Yaum: I'm only saying this about extreme cases. Where would you be, for instance, if you had not fought for independence or for religious rights through the history of your civilization? This is the same thing exactly. Would you think it would be advisable to allow another nation to come and invade you and enslave you if you could stop it? Would this be advisable?

**Questioner:** Well, then we are not very far advanced if we are going to be subjected to that kind of activity and consciousness. I don't think the U.S. will be invaded so that we will have to defend our own land.

**Yaum:** The reason it would not be invaded would be because you would defend it.

**Questioner:** Let us say that we have advanced in evolution and now we know about the light. We know about asking for protection.

Yaum: But can you use that to the extent of it being effective?

**Questioner:** Well, I have not learned that and I prefer not to use the more violent way.

**Yaum:** This is a choice each must make, whether he would want to stand by and watch himself, his loved ones, and his property be destroyed then that is his choice.

**Questioner:** Even the Ten Commandments say, "Thou shall not kill."

**Yaum:** This is true and this is of course the ideal situation. Man will eventually evolve to this and is coming close to that state now.

**Questioner:** To us who have studied and prayed and asked for protection—and I know of many cases where this protection has been given—it seems the alternative you are suggesting is that everyone should have a gun in case this should happen so that one would be prepared.

**Yaum:** But everyone is not capable of using energies so they have to use that which they know best or which they know how to use.

If you were far enough advanced to use your mind power, you could put a wall around you that would protect you and you would not need to worry.

**Questioner:** We would not know if we could do it until we tried it though, would we?

Yaum: Have you tried it?

**Questioner:** No, but some have and succeeded. If it came down to self-preservation, none of us know exactly what we would do. I don't think that anyone of us in this room, if someone were to come in here and molest and torture the women, that would not fight to save them and one's self.

Questioner: I would fight but I don't know if I would kill.

**Questioner:** Karmically speaking, how responsible are we if we are defending our family and our personal property or even our country, when we kill?

Yaum: I am not a Lord of Karma. But in my opinion, I would not think that one would be held responsible in a case of that kind, as one would be held responsible if they deliberately, without reason, committed a killing. In fact you may have saved the other individual from some very severe karma. But I'm not advocating killing, so do not misunderstand me. Man, in certain states of evolution, is going to do these things to protect his rights.

**Questioner:** So you are saying then that we are in a state where we do not have enough light to use effectively.

**Yaum:** No, I'm not judging your state of evolution. I'm saying that if you are enough advanced to stop that person mentally, then that would be the thing to do without harming him. There are many ways you can practice and find out whether you can do this.

**Questioner:** There have been many people who have been able to use this light to control the energies and control storms. They asked for protection and have received it. I don't think they were Masters or had much more understanding than any of us here.

**Yaum:** As I say, this is great if you can do this and that would be the way of an entity or individual who had this power but few have developed to this point on planet

Earth where they could use this power effectively in a case of strain or stress. You have to be a very emotionally controlled person. You have to have self-control and calmness and be able to survey the situation rapidly and act rapidly. This can be done if the individual is capable of this.

**Questioner:** With all the studying that we have done, hopefully we have learned to use the light a little now and will in the times to come.

**Yaum:** This is why you are encouraged to learn to do these things so that when the occasion arises, you will be prepared. But how many of you practice this to the degree where you have mastered it?

**Questioner:** I think that there is always help if you ask for it. I really feel that if you have a sincere prayer, that there can be help and miraculous things can happen. I just can't correlate this picture of violence and defending one's self with the light.

Yaum: I'm not advocating violence.

**Questioner:** Could you give us some exercises that would help us to develop the light? Would it be an appropriate time now to do so?

Yaum: No, it would not be an appropriate time now, because it would take too much time. There are all kinds of information on this that you can find and read and there are those who practice these exercises and can show you how to develop these powers of mind and use them. But it takes practice, discipline and self-development.

**Questioner:** Would this be advisable to practice without the aid of a teacher?

Yaum: You can pursue it up to a point and when you reach that point you will get a teacher. There is a lot of information written on how to develop yourself. This isn't something that you just learn to use above everything else. It goes along with the power of the mind and this has to be developed through character and through many things. It isn't just a matter of developing the mind itself. You have to grow spiritually along with it and master many segments of the mind and become master of the lower mind, what you call the lower self, which is the animal nature of man.

A person who kills another is not forever condemned as you might think. Perhaps all of you have done this at some time or another and maybe many times. But still you are going on, you are growing, you have not been condemned to hell and brimstone, as some would have you think. But you do go on and you grow. It has only been through evolution that man has gotten to where he is and he is gradually growing.

If you go back into your histories where even those who were acting from other realms have, in order to protect someone, as when the sea was parted and when Moses lead his people through the sea. What

happened to those who tried to pursue him? The waters rolled in upon them. They lost their lives.

**Questioner:** Yes, but we are interested in our present state of consciousness.

**Yaum:** Well, you will have to judge your own state of consciousness. I cannot sit in judgment on your state of consciousness and dictate to you what you should do in your present state of consciousness. You must decide that for yourself.

**Questioner:** Well, I have to think about the results of these situations which we have talked about protecting your wife, your family.

**Questioner:** I just witnessed a series on television on the effects that floods and nuclear explosions have had on children which have made them nervous wrecks. I don't know if I would want my children to live after they had witnessed such violence.

Yaum: Well, again this is something that each has to decide and it is very difficult for anyone to say what their reactions might be under certain stress circumstances when you are faced with making a rapid decision that involves others. But as you learn, you will see that this has been a necessary part of man's evolution.

**Questioner:** Well, we understand that better now. But it's hard to realize that we are still in that race consciousness of violence.

**Yaum:** But it goes on in your civilization and people are faced with these situations every day. We cannot judge another person on the actions that they might take in those situations because we ourselves might even do worse.

Now, my friends, I have stayed my time. I do not think I have been of much help to you. Perhaps someday you will understand thoroughly what I am trying to convey.

As I leave I extend to each of you my most sincere blessings, my love and understanding.

May the peace and the blessings of all the Great Ones be invoked upon each of you now.

Go in peace, my friends, go in peace. \*