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Question: *A Course in Miracles* (Text 4.I.2) says that ego and spirit are not in communication and can never be in communication. This seems to imply a true split, when the purpose of *A Course in Miracles* is to teach that the separation never occurred. Will you address this seeming contradiction within the text?

Answer: The ego is not real. Anyone perceiving a true split also perceives the ego as real, but this is never the case.

Mind is all that is. Even perception is a product of mind, and mind is always shared. This is why perception can seem to be shared so that two "separate minds" seem to witness the same event, which is not occurring at all, like the rain. Seeing the rain through two different sets of eyes, when the rain doesn't exist, is an example of sharing perception. Perception can be shared in this way, because spirit is one and spirit is in communication always.

However, at the same time, the mind has a belief in separateness or ego. And the mind, as one, agrees to experience this belief, so it seems to partition the mind. It limits one aspect of mind to one perspective of shared perception and it limits another aspect of mind to another perspective, so that separation seems real. Yet, it is not real, because even these limits are held in place through decision in one mind. In this way, even the limits are communicated.

Communication is a constant fact that cannot be interrupted for a single instant. The separation is not real. But the ego is the belief in separation, and this belief experiences the effects of communication without recognizing it as the effects of communication. In this way, ego does not communicate with spirit, because it is not aware of the communication that cannot cease.

At the same time, spirit is only aware of communication and cannot respond to imaginary blocks to communication. In this way, spirit does not acknowledge ego's insistence in blockage and isn't in communication with the idea of division.

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"The journey that seemed endless is almost complete, for what *is* endless is very near. You have almost recognized it. Turn with me firmly away from all illusions now, and let nothing stand in the way of truth. We will take the last useless journey away from truth together, and then together we go straight to God, in joyous answer to His call for His completion." (ACIM Text 16.IV.12)

Question: What is meant by this statement? "We will take the last useless journey away from truth together."

Answer: In order to accept truth, you must look at untruth and deny it its reality. Any reality it seems to have comes from you, so you are the one that must deny its seeming reality by accepting it as wholly unreal.

November 9, 2006

Question: Holy Spirit, *A Course in Miracles* says, "The ego wants *you* dead, but not itself." (Text 15.I.3) What do you want to share about this thought?

Answer: You are the one beyond the ego, and you cannot be heard or known among the ego's raucous chatter. In this way, you are dead to awareness, since your ongoing truth is unknown and hidden from you as long as you listen to the ego.

The ego is not trying to kill you, for you cannot be killed. The ego attempts to render you dead by rendering you unknown. It does this by making itself constantly known by you *as you*.

The ego is nothing that can be hated or struggled against. The ego is merely a collection of false ideas in the mind, which cover up and hide the true ideas that are beneath them. It is like a false building built on top of a true one or a mask upon a face. You are neither the false building nor the mask. You are that which is beneath, *or beyond*, the false covering.

The ego wants you dead in that it wants you to remain unknown, but you do not share the ego's goal. You seek to remember your Self. To do this, you cannot participate in the ego's plan to keep you hidden. You must choose to exercise your right to rest the thinking mind. Choose "I don't know" and let Me speak. Cling to "I don't know" as if it is your answer, *because it is*. As the artificial is put aside, realness rises into recognition. It is through this experience that you shall finally decide to take off the mask of falsity forever.