

Questioner: Holy Spirit, a question has come into my awareness that I would like to ask. What is meant in *A Course in Miracles* when it says:

“Make this year different by making it all the same.”

Answer: That is a statement of oneness. It means, make this year different by seeing it all as one with *one purpose*. Do not accept that there are different people, different relationships and different purposes. Do not accept that there are different wills. Accept only one Will as the purpose and meaning for all things. Embrace one Will in gratitude and joy. Know the complete freedom and total release of joining one Will by making that your only choice.

“Make this year different by making it all the same” is a request that you make the final choice, which reveals the glory and complete freedom of choicelessness . . . of knowing God in all that is and all that seems to be until all that seems to be vanishes as all that never was.

Questioner: You recommend that we see God in all that seems to be. Does that mean that we see God in the ego?

Answer: It means that you choose to no longer see the ego because you know it cannot be. And while the illusion persists, which it will for a time, you see the reflection of Truth as all that is meaningful. [And you see] anything that seems not to be that reflection as totally without meaning of any kind.

Questioner: I hear what you are saying, and your words are beautiful to me, but there are things in the world that have meaning to me. My daughter has meaning and things that seem to affect her have meaning for me. What would you share regarding this thought? How can you help me?

Answer: Everything has the meaning that you give it. The meaning given to your daughter is special, as if this part of the Sonship has more power to influence you than does the rest of the Sonship as a whole. You have separated out an aspect and made it different, and within you there is an unwillingness to make it the same. This unwillingness comes from the belief that if it was all the same, you would somehow lose or sacrifice something that is needed for your happiness. This is a projection of the belief that you are less than everything. This is the basic ego belief, which you are still clinging to.

Questioner: I don't know what to do about that. How can you help me with my perception?

Answer: You must be willing to see that *you choose your beliefs*. If you hold onto your belief in lack and need, you will continue to experience lack and need, and you will not know the Peace of God. This is the choice you are making. But if you are willing to let go

of your belief in lack and need, and you are willing to give that belief to Me for correction, I will correct it for you.

And the hills and valleys shall be made level,
and the Joy of the Holy Son of God shall extend into eternity,
because he shall know himself as complete in One.

This conversation with the Holy Spirit left me feeling mad at God, which also left me feeling sad. I can't really explain why, so I won't try. It just is what it is. I picked up the newspaper and saw that the Chronicles of Narnia was playing at the movies at 3:45. I got the notion that this movie would make me feel better, so I told Jasmine that we were going to the movies. Here's how that played out:

I wanted to go. Jasmine did not.

I wanted to hurry so that we could get there on time. Jasmine did not want to be rushed and got angry at me.

Jasmine wanted popcorn. I thought popcorn was unnecessary since she'd just had an after-school snack and we would eat supper after the movie. I also had a desire to save money.

Jasmine wanted butter on the popcorn. I didn't. I think it is too greasy, too heavy and makes the popcorn unnecessarily more fattening.

I wanted Jasmine to eat the buttered popcorn that she'd asked for & I hadn't wanted to buy. She didn't want to eat it.

Jasmine hated the movie and wanted to leave. I only thought the movie was so-so, but I felt a strong desire to stay, and I felt "intruded upon" by her desire to leave.

This morning, with this scenario in my mind, I continued my conversation with the Holy Spirit:

Questioner: I did notice a lot of resistance to letting go of an underlying anger toward Jasmine. I noticed a strong desire to hold onto that anger and to attack her, blaming her for my lack of peace. What would you share regarding this observation?

Answer: It is the basic belief that you need something other than you, and you need that something controlled in a specific way, in order for you to be happy. And then Jasmine was there with the same perception and desire, but what she thought she needed seemed to conflict with what you thought you needed.

You had an awareness that letting go of your [desires] would bring peace, but you were unwilling to let it go because you were unwilling to let go of the basic belief that you need something other than you, controlled in a specific way, in order to be happy.

Questioner: Why am I so resistant to letting go of this belief?

Answer: Because you identify with it. It seems to be you.

Questioner: Please tell me more. How and why do I identify with lack and need?

Answer: You identify as a separated part of the Sonship, which is inherently identifying with lack and need. You cannot be apart from everything and *be everything* within yourself. It is one or the other. Either you accept yourself as everything and needing nothing or you [believe that] you are not everything and so you need something.

You have chosen to be separate, to be individual, to have your own will and your own way. And so you have chosen not to be a part of everything. This is how you identify with lack and need. It is an inherent part of a choice that you made. It is also a choice that you continue to hold dear, which is why you experience strong resistance to letting go of the basic belief in lack and need.

Questioner: This is really helpful. I don't think I've looked at this belief like this before. Thank you. What would you share with me now?

Answer: Recognizing your desire to hold onto the belief in lack and need is important. You can't give your willingness to let go of this desire until you recognize that it is *your desire* [and] held onto by *your choice*. Now that you have seen it, continue to notice when it comes into your awareness. Remember what you are choosing if you choose to believe in lack and need, and then restfully give your willingness to let the belief in lack and need go. If you feel confusion as to what to do, remember that what you do isn't important. A temptation to seek a desired outcome is yet another symptom of the belief in lack and need. Remember that no outcome is necessary [for you to be complete and happy]. Put your faith in this thought, and rest in willingness.

Now I feel happy; I am not mad at God anymore. This has been really helpful!