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Chapter 1:

The Road to Malkutha

Who and what am I? These old questions have never really gone away. The drive to answer these questions, born of a natural innate curiosity as well as an intense terror of personal death, is still present today as much as ever. Equally innate appears to have been a built-in fear or taboo of obtaining too much enlightenment. The perfect archetype for this is contained in the book of Genesis with the story of Adam and Eve. Their downfall and expulsion from Eden resulted from eating fruit from the “tree of knowledge of good and evil”.

What does this mean? Almost everyone has an interpretation, but the lesson and fear remain. This deeply ingrained taboo has likely been with mankind since the beginning. Over the years, it has been institutionalized frequently. The message is that one dare not tread into the domain of the gods, or God. Consider for a moment religious institutions. Repeatedly, some have acted as a force of repression and resistance to advances in wisdom and knowledge. In times before the current, advancing revolutionary ideas could be a dangerous endeavor. Yet, many insightful and courageous men and women have given their lives to promote truth over ignorance, light over darkness. The quest for the light of truth has never really been denied in the long run. When the time is right, the truth will present itself and mankind will move forward. There will always be courageous torchbearers, no matter the cost.

One might say modern science with the infallible scientific method is finally dismantling the dark curtain of ignorance and superstition after millennia and will lead to eventual enlightenment after there is garnered enough knowledge, or the technology advances far enough. But is this true? It is this very technology that came within a hair of leading to planetary annihilation, and some of the best scientists have repeatedly demonstrated the very same obstinate resistance to new ideas as representatives of any other body of knowledge. Science has its own set of dogma and doctrine.

In looking at the errors and mistakes of others however, one must be aware that everyone is in the same treacherously deep water. Collectively, everyone has made mistakes and done his or her best. Everyone rides in the boat or drowns together. As a species, man moves forward and backward together. Anyone else’s error belongs to everyone else, the historical religions being no exception. On a deep psychic level heretofore undetected and generally misunderstood except by a handful of visionaries and sages, everyone is interconnected. Basically and fundamentally, all people are each other! This statement is not meant rhetorically, nor is the next one, which though found to be a core tenet in many religious bodies of belief, has generally been functionally ignored through the ages. Condemnation of any other is condemnation and judgment of the self. Not one thought of condemnation or judgment against any other has ever made anything any better in the long run. People are still destroying each

other in the name of God. They are still abusing and killing each other to steal each other's possessions. There is still starvation. Ideological warfare rages at every level. Despite the potential for reaching a higher level through religious devotion, is there any real possibility of attaining peace and happiness with man's current mentality?

Well, it's obvious that one must change the level of thinking if this is ever to have any chance. Without that happening, it is unlikely mankind will advance much as a species and might indeed regress or die. This change in thinking must be fundamentally profound. The human race is currently stuck in ways of thinking that are getting it nowhere. Primarily through the greed of a few individuals, combustion engine technology and the use of oil have placed modern civilization in a dependence on this outdated technology that will exhaust itself in the foreseeable future. Even if oil isn't exhausted, there is still pollution. Man's overall attitude, denial of the problems while tragedy after tragedy parades across the daily news on the TV screen, seems to be that no one has the individual power to do anything significant. Thus people remain transfixed in somewhat of an impotent daze.

To carry this further, most people, even in the U.S., have had little concern as to the growing crisis of encroachment by overpopulation. Already, there is such a fundamental dependence on the technologies of electricity, transportation, and marketing (which led to this golden age) that a prolonged breakdown at any major level would lead to a crisis of unthinkable proportions. Individuals live in a fragile, interconnected house of cards, and the unconscious state of denial is deep. The problem seems to be that though many realize there is a dilemma, very few know what to do about it. Another warning flag or prophecy of doom is not what is needed. However, what might be required is the realization that the current paradigm has taken man as far as it can, and it's time for a new one.

Throughout known history, mankind has been driven by the mutually paradoxical dynamics of curiosity and fear. Perhaps the interaction of these two basic drives has formed the essence of reality as it has been known. Caught in a bubble between these two, man has existed inside a pressure cooker with the temperature on high. It has had the effect of creating a precarious existence in which mankind has survived despite itself, yet miraculously it has survived and achieved incredible technological sophistication. To have been driven and motivated by such intense forces of war, fear, survival, hatred, anger, and sex is perhaps the way it should have been. But this way of thinking has now played itself out. Humans have been caught in this duality of survival/death, pain/pleasure, shelter/exposure, and the list of opposites goes on and on. This is duality — "either /or". Closely tied to duality is the concept of "cause". In Newton's Third Law of Motion, which every high school student learns, is contained the essence of causality— "To every action is met by an equally opposed reaction". All currently officially recognized physical reality is fundamentally tied to cause and effect via Newton's law. Nothing else material is considered to have any possibility of being. This is a basic law of physics considered to be applicable to all matter everywhere in the universe.

The quantum leap from our paradigm to the next begins in considering whether it might be possible that thoughts themselves have some type of potentially interactive substance? If so, the implication would be revolutionary to the point that it would completely redefine reality! If actual thoughts are substantially more than nebulous byproducts of neuronal processes, it could suggest that perhaps the real origin of conflict, both within the self and with each other, lies within one's thoughts – not just from possible subsequent overt action, but from the interaction of the substance of the thoughts themselves. The most incredible implication would be that **when situations, thoughts, ideologies, or people are resisted through simple thinking, this would in fact have the effect of drawing these people or things, because resisting something would create the “equally opposed reaction”, or more accurately, a pushing back.** It would mean that resisting something would have exactly the opposite effect of what is desired! It would also mean that there is now a scientific explanation for the underlying principle of why so-called “sin” is harmful, and it would finally provide a working, scientific explanation as to why the concepts of tolerance, peace, and forgiveness are so important. Could it be the beginning of a sort of science of love?

At times, major shifts in thinking and development do indeed occur. Though easily observable through long periods of history, they are less obvious at the time they are occurring, because things generally do not manifest in a flash from one second to the next. Perhaps the most profound evolutionary shift currently conceivable occurred at the point that man as a species arose and walked upright, or when he began to vocalize words. Over how long a period of time did these developments occur? However, if a shift is major enough, it could perhaps lead to a shift in paradigm. A paradigm is a belief or set of beliefs or assumptions that provide the primary model of interacting with the world and reality as known. Somewhat minor shifts have occurred throughout mankind's history. Basically, these beliefs are the working definition of reality. Historically, it's important to be aware that paradigms, at the onset of their adoption, are very freeing and empowering. However, as a paradigm is moved through, it eventually becomes restrictive and limiting, because it is outgrown.

A look at some former paradigms can be illustrative of how this works. Each paradigm reflects an advancement into a new one from the one before it.

- 1 The ability to survive is dependent on personal brute force.
- 2 Advancement to technology of clumsy weapons such as clubs, rocks, and spears.
- 3 Advancement to technology of levered weapons such as arrows and catapults.
- 4 Advancement to the technology of combustion weapons using gunpowder.
- 1 Humans are at the mercy of the natural elements.
- 2 Humans have the technology to produce fire.

- 1 Shelter dependent on natural shelter such as caves.
 - 2 Knowledge to construct shelters with natural materials such as wood and stone.
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- 1 The earth is flat and cannot be navigated fully without falling off of it.
 - 2 The earth is round and can be circumnavigated.
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- 1 The earth is the center of creation around which all creation revolves.
 - 2 The earth revolves around the sun, which is only one of many “suns”.
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- 1 Natural laws are divine and beyond man’s ability to comprehend. It is blasphemy to attempt to define or understand these laws.
 - 2 Natural laws are definable and understandable with math and science.
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- 1 The skill to read is reserved for the educated and elite.
 - 2 The skill to read is everyone’s right to acquire.
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- 1 Men will never fly.
 - 2 Technology to construct flying devices and machines.
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- 1 Men will never fly faster than the speed of sound.
 - 2 Airplanes that fly faster than sound.
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- 1 Men will never fly through space or set foot on another planetary body.
 - 2 Men have flown to and walked on the moon.

All of these can be called paradigm shifts because they led to significantly new ways of thinking and functioning. If you have figured it out by now, you are realizing that today there is still a major working paradigm. Why would now be any different? Science hasn’t freed man totally from error and misunderstanding. One primary characteristic of each paradigm is the belief that mankind is finally at the peak of enlightenment and there is very little of significance left to discover. Paradigms are like spotlights. They illuminate only a very small circle. The inhabitants’ entire reality is within the illuminated area of the circle. Therefore, you might say that they are *paradigm centric*. They cannot see beyond it. Looking beyond is threatening to most of those within. As a simple example, what do you think would happen if a flying saucer landed in a big city? This would have to be witnessed and documented by millions including the press.

First of all, many would still deny it. There would even be many in academia and the sciences that would deny it. Religious leaders and others who interpret the Bible as saying mankind is the entire creation would have a “dark night of the soul”. Some would say the aliens were demons from hell. Others would look to the aliens as saviors. The military might offer a cover story while secretly attempting to cut a deal with the aliens for technology. Civilization would shake, maybe dangerously. Some would try to destroy the visitors. Mankind would change in inconceivable ways. Man’s very core beliefs and assumptions would be threatened. Eventually, the human race would adjust and a different kind of life would go on, and the human race would never be the same.

Another example would be seen if someone could time-travel to the year 1000 AD with a flashlight. This simple device might be feared beyond all reason. This person would be lucky to survive, because he could be accused of sorcery and put to death in a horrible way.

Now, look at some of the core beliefs of the current major paradigm:

- 1 People will always be at war with each other at some level.
- 2 Hard work, struggle, and sacrifice are the only means to obtain anything.
- 3 One has to make, or force (or figure out how to make) things to happen.
- 4 People are separate from each other.
- 5 There is a separate world “out there” and I exist in it.
- 6 Thoughts have no substance or significance except in allowing one to use judgment and be clever.
- 7 There are innocent victims.
- 8 Some people are lucky.
- 9 Some people are unlucky.
- 10 If I or someone else has, then I or someone else must do without.
- 11 One thing or things causes other things to happen.
- 12 I can change someone or make someone agree with me.
- 13 Some are right and some are wrong.
- 14 Men will never travel faster than the speed of light.
- 15 Man is all alone in the universe.
- 16 Science and technology will eventually solve everything.
- 17 Religion will eventually solve everything.
- 18 I must accumulate all the possessions I can to be safe.
- 19 I can’t be happy unless I have _____.
- 20 You make me unhappy/happy.
- 21 There is no justice.

- 22 Life is not fair.
- 23 If you don't agree with my religion, you're evil (wrong, condemned, lost or damned).
- 24 Government can save us.
- 25 Others must be forced to do right.
- 26 Death may be the end of life.
- 27 Accidents happen.
- 28 Money and possessions will make me secure and/or happy.
- 29 We are different from *them*.
- 30 I am right and you are wrong.
- 31 We are our bodies.
- 32 Surrender means defeat.

What is being said here is that mankind always has been and still is in a system of beliefs, which are considered to be more than assumption. The existent system of beliefs of any time period is considered to be the best science available at the time, and those core beliefs are operational assumptions held by most of the individuals within the system. Those in the past who have been able to change the laws within the system generally have been considered to be able to perform miracles. The man known as Christ is a perfect example of this. He knew very well what the system was, and he knew it could be overridden. From what were and still are viewed as miracles, he walked on water, healed people, multiplied bread and fish, and turned water into wine. He never claimed exclusive ownership of the ability to do these things. In fact, he told the disciples they could access the power to do these and even greater things. However, he made it clear that it wouldn't be they themselves providing the power, but "the Father".

But under any circumstances, if miraculous acts at levels seen in the experiences of the disciples could become commonplace in daily life and be produced virtually at will, then could it be said that mankind would have entered a different quality of existence, or a new paradigm? No doubt yes, but how does one go about accomplishing this? The answer is not so difficult to begin to understand for anyone of faith. One depends on a divine power to accomplish that which is beyond one's own power. In other words, these things are considered miracles in the current paradigm, but perhaps not in the emerging one. To begin to get there requires at least some degree of surrender to that power perceived to be greater than the currently known "self".

Throughout recorded history and through various religious scenarios, mankind has awaited a golden age in which the generally distressing drama of earthly existence would radically change or improve. There is no doubt that Christianity endorses the belief that this will happen. Referred to in scripture as the New Earth and New Jerusalem, it is described as a time when Christ will return to dwell with the human race and restore it to a "pre-fall" condition. With various doctrinal scenarios, it is predicted in one form or another by many religions and

cultures. It appears to manifest from a planetary human racial feeling of incompleteness, a condition whose only remedy is reunification with what man knows he is capable of experiencing, which is certainly more than what it has been seen thus far.

But let's take a momentary breather and consider a couple of crucial questions. For anyone considering breaking out of a doctrinal box, is there potential danger? In other words, is there the possibility of being fooled and being led astray by unsound belief and practice? If so, what are the consequences? Perhaps the genuine value of following organized religion is in that theoretically, one knows what he or she is getting. In other words, there is a safe and predictable structure. For example, Christians have stern biblical warnings against following teachers that are false or misleading. Though both "prophet" and "prophecy" are terms that are so archaic and laden with pretense that they would be rarely used for any contemporary figure, they could be applied to anyone who speaks from spiritual vision (or in the warning by Christ, anyone who pretends to do so – thus, false prophet). Even a cursory examination of some of the more contemporary Christian, or self-proclaimed Christian prophets, since the time of Christ is likely to provide abundant examples of everything from deluded messianic lunatics to just basic purveyors of false information that many have adopted as spiritual teaching, sometimes at great cost since people who believe that the earth is ending next Tuesday, for example, might have a tendency to give away everything they have. Additionally, there are the more tragically prolific recent examples of Jonestown and Heaven's Gate, among others. But consider the current groups of people, both Christian and otherwise, who potentially culture and actively participate in notions of prophethood.

First, there are large numbers of the sincere, yet sometimes quite naive, New Age seekers, seemingly comprised primarily of disaffected Christians who are trying to find new spiritual insight. There is the enormous mass of the millions of professing Christians who await the rapture, and there is no shortage of those scripturally literate adepts who claim to have the exact timetable of it all figured out. There are the millions of Moslems awaiting the Hidden Imam, and there are the Jews, many of whom still await the messiah. There are many others. All of these groups turn to one and another of those who either claim to be, or who are believed to be prophets by their followers.

So the real question has to do with exactly how one goes about discerning reliable like-minded teachers or fellow believers with whom to commit. For Christians, to those who would say that the mark of a true prophet as compared to a false prophet is one who speaks in the name of Christ and adheres to scripturally sound doctrine, it can only be said that to exploit in the name of Christ is hardly a new endeavor, and it appears to be at least as widespread in these days as it ever was. So perhaps truth as opposed to falsehood where prophecy is concerned has nothing to do with words, doctrine, or names. On the other hand, maybe it has everything to do with the honesty and integrity of the message itself, and just maybe the intent of the messenger. Is there a test to separate the true from the false? It is a critical question, and it's one that has led to deep conflict and division.

This question, along with a couple of others, get to the very heart of the doctrinal issues that separate the traditional Christian from the non-traditional. To the traditionalist, there is nothing else to be known. All necessary prophecy is already there in the pages of scripture, which is viewed as literally true. Any variant perspective must come from minimal interpretation of what is already there, and the more minimal the better. To deviate is akin to recarving the face of an authoritative idol. The traditionalist views the holy doctrine as complete and having come from the permanent and unalterable word of God. The holy work is viewed as a complete and inerrant final document. To deviate from it is to invite great danger, because one does not question or tamper with the mercy of God. Many good, faithful, and very spiritual people maintain exactly this attitude. It is not being claimed here that this perspective is wrong, or that one must depart from this attitude in order to spiritually develop. What is being claimed though is that spirituality is activated by faith and forgiveness and does not necessarily have anything at all to do with any prescribed set of beliefs.

Anyone with an open mind can see that much of the Christian Bible as known today came from spiritual vision and divine revelation. The pertinent question has to do with whether this process of God communicating with mankind is ongoing. Many Christians would likely believe that it is, though only in a doctrinal context. In examining the type of information that is communicated from a spiritual or angelic messenger through a person, how is this to be viewed? There are found abundant warnings in the biblical book of 1st John regarding “testing” the spirits to see if they are “of Christ”. According to these verses, one should determine whether a source of prophecy is “of God” based upon whether it will serve as a witness that “Jesus Christ has come in the flesh”. In short, this amounts to an interrogation or challenge, which must be successfully passed by the spirit in order to be considered sound. Most traditional religious authorities today carefully avoid “going there” regarding this verse, but if it is interpreted, it typically is considered as applying to prophecy from a flesh and blood person. Yet it is clear that the practice of “testing” is metaphysical in nature and that these verses primarily pertain to prophecy from “spirits”. Paul himself later addressed this issue when writing to the church in Corinth and instructed the members to not ignore prophecy, but to “test” the source of it. Within the context of “testing the spirits” it appears that one is given the proper method of receiving information from that source.

With the exception of within some “charismatic” denominations, this issue of prophecy through spiritual vision is rarely if ever addressed. It is somewhat ironic that it is in the secular world where this practice has become commonplace. Unfortunately, this has in many cases been with total disregard for any kind of verification or testing of the source of the channeling, the attitude apparently being anti-religious to the extent that there is no reason to doubt the information given since all of it seems so spiritually benevolent. The real truth is that channeling is a risky business, and there is no proven method to determine how much of it that is so recently recorded is from a positive source other than to determine if the source of it has been tested or challenged. However, it appears obvious that scripture leaves the door open for this method of obtaining information if it is

done properly. There is no way to understand why testing or challenging works from a physical standpoint, because just as with the science behind the act of surrender itself, it is metaphysical in nature.

So is there any contemporary channeled material out there now that is useful and dependable? If challenging the source is a reliable means of getting untainted information, then the information contained within the five volumes of the Law of One² material is. A brief synopsis of it is that the next stage of evolution, called the 4th Density, is already in place, though not fully in effect yet. Though this will occur over a period of 100-700 years, some effects of it already are being experienced. Some people who are developing cancer and other deadly and debilitating diseases many times are suffering from their own thought. Thus, many could recover from spiritual growth using honesty, meditation, prayer, and faith. It also could be possible that all physical conditions, including depression, are accurate physical responses to what is being held in the mind – held on to through resistance (remember Newton's Law). The biblical terms for the 4th Density are New Earth, and New Jerusalem. These terms are commonly known by Christians. Furthermore, according to the Law of One material, it will become more and more difficult to remain separate and isolated from each other since each one's thoughts are immediately known to all. Therefore, there will be constant awareness of individual, mutual connectedness. Love for one another will become a way of life. Doesn't this sound familiar from the words of Jesus Christ who seemed to be saying the same thing?

The term used by Christ in his native Aramaic language for 4th Density experience was Malkutha, which means Kingdom. From his words, he seemed to be saying what other more modern-day "prophets" are saying, which is that through changing erroneous thinking based on chronic resistance, one begins to become aware of the nearness and availability of Malkutha ("The kingdom is at hand"). The essence of the message contained in the Gospels is that one cannot enter it with the current way of thinking, which is ego-driven competitiveness - competitiveness with people, ideologies, or even one's own thoughts. Engaged in this manner of mentation, mankind has daydreamed about some utopia that might one day materialize when enough of the "enemy" are destroyed, or enough people adopt the "true" faith, which of course is the only right one, or when enlightenment is achieved through knowledge. It is this state of mind that St. Paul referred to as "sleep".

However, it appears that here have been some have always been awake. This awakening can be compared to the symbol of the diligent town crier. As in colonial America, the crier, ever vigilant, never sleeping, watches the hour and awakens the town at the appointed time. He is now wandering the streets, attempting to awaken those who still slumber. The message is that it's the hour that one must arise from sleep and set forth on the road to Malkutha. Some houselights are on; others aren't. The hour is late. Dawn approaches. All must arise lest they miss the journey, which ends in a celebration of freedom. The crier is the voice of Spirit, and all are being invited to awaken, to partake in the wedding feast at the end of the road in the Malkutha Kingdom. This change will not manifest on a planetary level by forcing others to accept it. It must be approached as a personal decision. The very act of attempting to force another to change violates the Law of Love. This transformation must be allowed to

happen. It cannot be forced, even on oneself. However, for those who wish to participate, there may be specific things that can be done to speed up one's entry into this new way of living. If a truly new science emerges, it will be the study of those things spiritual and the laws that govern them. This is mankind's true heritage, and you are invited to embark on this journey, brothers and sisters. Many are already traveling this road of love, brotherhood, and true abundance.

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