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Closing the Distance Between Yourself and the Divine

Key Lesson: Our greatest gift – the heart and soul of our Divine possibility – may be summarized as follows: not only are we created to give ourselves to what we love, but that we are able to discern – consciously – the difference between one order of Love that sacrifices itself for the sake of something Greater than itself, and another kind of love... that lives only to give itself what it imagines makes it great.

Talk Takeaways

- Understanding is the marriage of thought, emotion, and body.
- Most of the time what we call "love" is secretly nothing but love of self.
- Love doesn't separate and blame others for their actions. Blame is a dividing action.
- What we love is what we do with our mind and heart every day.
- What we love presently is the identity derived from that consciousness considering the content of itself.
- The distance between myself and the Divine is the difference between the way I love and the way God loves.

- What we have always been told and shown about love is incomplete at best.
- Compassion is connected to the realization that everyone else is just like you.
- When there is no awareness of resistance, negativity is produced by default.
- There will come a clear point in your spiritual life where you recognize that you don't want there to be any distance between yourself and the Divine. We have to realize that we don't know what love is, and until we do, we won't be able to close the distance.
- You find out what love is as you peel away what love isn't.
- You are the hope of the world. If it weren't for the light that lives within you, which you didn't give to yourself, there would be no hope for the world.
- It is torment to believe that everything depends upon you.
- Desire is not love. Desire is an action inside of love.
- Creatures in nature have simple awareness, with no self-awareness. The next level of consciousness is awareness of consciousness. The real start of conscience and individuality is becoming aware of consciousness.
- True teachings are trying to get you to see that the imagined world you live in is not the real world and that there is another order of consciousness altogether, in which there is no separation, and in which the observer is the observed.
- Justice is built into love, which means that justice is not yours. Justice is already taking place in the consciousness.
- Stop trying to make the divine in your own image by seeing the pain in doing that.
- Love never stops trying to communicate, but you have to be there to receive it, which requires giving something up.

- There is no such thing as an old moment. If all moments were the same moment there would be no chance to change the consciousness responsible for them.
- Don't try to be loving. That produces second force. Instead see what isn't loving. Don't be afraid of watching yourself disappear.