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How to Transform Painful Questions About Life into Healing Answers

First Key Lesson: Our highest possibility for spiritual growth can't be separated from our daily work to question, explore, and illuminate any dark thoughts and feelings that may confront us along the Way. A fearless life awaits anyone who will cast-off from the "shores of the known," and who will remain set on that celestial course called "self-knowledge."

Second Key Lesson: Real questions seek what reconciles them; Living questions seek Living Answers.

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Talk Takeaways

- A true spiritual school is a place intended to open up questions that have been dormant in you, and then help you remember to find answers within your own life experience.
- The symbol of the snake eating its own tail connotes that there is no beginning and there is no end.

- There is no such thing as a painful real question. Rather, there is a consciousness that asks questions whenever there is a disturbance, and at the same time sets out on a search for the answers to those questions.
- A negative reaction shows that there is a disparity between the mind's expectations and the real life events that reveal those expectations.
- The consciousness that asks a question automatically assumes that the answer is to be found somewhere outside of itself in a time to come. It insists that our life, who we think we are, depends upon finding the answer.
- Most of the time we do not actually want the answer to the question. The feeling of the urgency of the question is what that lower nature craves.
- In reality there is no conflict between the opposites. There is conflict only when there is identification with one side or the other.
- The very fact of you being alive means that you are asking for what you need -- a living question -- and what you really need is always being provided for you.
- Real questions are mostly lost because real questions are deflected in favor of asking questions that will hopefully ensure the continuity of the self that is asking.
- All real questions could be reconciled properly if they were not rejected as part of the search for answers that are pleasing to pride and vanity.
- The antidote is in the venom. The answer is within the question. But you must remain where the answer reveals itself, which is within the question.
- The moment "you" do not want has been brought to you in order to reveal the divided consciousness that is resisting that same so-called unwanted moment.
- All disturbances are Divine in nature, but to know that we must work at watching the activity of the consciousness that does everything it can to avoid disturbances.

- There is no you that is separate from the condition you are facing. The feeling of separation is a lie being advanced by the consciousness that is divided in its imagination and believes answers are outside of itself.