

# Spiritual Responsibility

Survival of our world depends on opening to your deepest desire

Many make a good case that our world is in crisis. Increasing numbers seek saints and sages to make themselves known and to unveil to us more sustainable—survivable—paths.

What is the core essence of a saint or sage, but an advanced state of harmony with self and Self (the Collective Consciousness)? Consider for a moment the possibility that the thing most needed for the progression—even the survival—of our world is for you (and every one of us who dares) to stand up to accepting your deepest longing—not hedonistic attention to your more transient hungers but that thing which in embracing will put you more in harmony with ‘All That Is’.

Perhaps you have had long known an intense and persistent yearning in your life. Often this ‘need’ is beyond our full conscious understanding, and frequently exceeds our ability to succinctly and completely express—without some real time spent in communication with our deeper selves. This yearning may be for a partner with which we have an undeniable and boundless unity. It may be for a teacher that understands our questions and evokes from within us the answers fitted precisely to our purpose. It may be for the opportunity to spend our employment exclusively in an activity that we find meaningful and fulfilling. Whatever the longing, it is pervasive, insistent, and consistently our own. Even the illusive hint of it gives substance to our ephemeral selves, spirit to our form.

Once you have identified that deepest yearning, and you have taken the responsibility of putting it into words, thereby defining the need to yourself and to the creative energies the Universe, what if . . . one day you find yourself transported to a foreign place and there stood your spirit mate, your teacher, or the opportunity for fulfillment of your dreams? The answer sounds easy and obvious, but take a moment to truly consider the intentionally chosen words ‘transported’ and ‘foreign’ before you answer.

You may be fortunate. It is quite possible for the transition from desire to fulfillment to be instantaneous. Perhaps your mind and the manifestation will progress evenly, so there is no doubt. For my own sake and for those I hold dear, I hope this for each and every one of us. Our response, however, is too important for me not to ask you to consider something. Can you release the person that you have always known as yourself without being consciously certain how your attainment will redefine you and your experience? How will those that have been drawn to what you have been respond to what you will become?

The individual you are now, in having the yearning—but not the manifestation of that desire—is not precisely the same individual who will be radiating the energy that brings forth the fulfillment of the dream. There may be that moment of consciousness where you stand at the fork of your transformation and you are both radiating the energy to produce your dream and that old identity that is still most comfortable with producing the desire—but not the fulfillment. As each of us comes to this crossroads, the future of our world hangs in the balance.

In order to make such a leap of faith, we must first accept our right to feel the union with the mind of creation that is ours upon embracing our deepest yearning—that yearning is actually our personal invitation from the Collective Consciousness. Mind you, even this monumental transition does not provide finality. You achieve your greatest potential in order to put you in position to perceive yet another possibility...the ever-progressing horizon. This, by no means, diminishes the great joy you feel in folding into your new self-definition the fulfillment of that yearning so long sought.

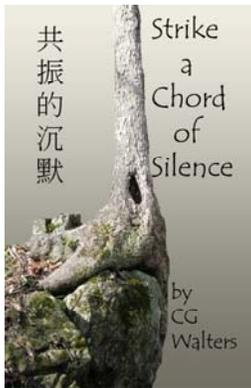
So, how is obtaining your deepest yearning a vital part of the survival of our world? Each time you accept the invitations to greater union with the Universe—those deep spiritual yearnings—you begin to radiate a more harmonious energy field around you as you pass through your day—spreading that harmony where you travel. The time has passed when the impact of a few harmonious saints and sages moving through the masses could resolve our situation. We can no longer indulge ourselves in remaining in the position of yearning only... and not stepping up to accepting the fulfillment. What we need now is an ever-increasing number of individuals

radiating in harmony with the Universe...accepting those invitations for union with the Absolute. Only then will our world be sustainable.

Note: what is considered to be base desire for one may be spiritually essential—at this time—for another. To come to know our own true nature well enough that we may distinguish between want and need may seem like a daunting task, but isn't really. This can be achieved by any activity—meditation, walking, gardening—so long as it takes your mind from the chatter of active thought to the nonjudgmental state of communion with yourself and all that surrounds you....to that place where the mind does not know that it cannot know.

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