

002 Possessiveness and Jealousy

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And I say good evening to you one and all. Well it is indeed a pleasure for me to once again have the opportunity of manifesting in this manner, in order to bring forth some understanding that might allow each of you to work more proficiently towards your a-one-ness with your God.

And David, I would like to start by saying, I believe you can turn the light up somewhat. It seems as though the medium got a little carried away with the darkness.

Now that's better, and I would like to say that of course, first of all I am Dr. Carlos Blair and it's rather obvious that I'm a little bit English, but that's all right.

Tonight I have chosen to speak on a subject which I feel is of utmost importance which I have considered and contemplated speaking on previously to now, but it seems as though Robert never allows enough time. So tonight I'm going to do it anyway, so there.

Now, I have chosen this evening to speak on a subject that man has great difficulty in dealing with in his personal life. And I'm saying man-I'm speaking of man as a whole. And it is that of possessiveness or possessions. It has been spoken of by many, time and again, including my medium, from the pulpit of every church, I believe, having to do with possessions. But I'm not speaking of material possessions. But rather I'm speaking of the possessiveness that mankind as a whole seems to evolve to in relationships with other people. And it is indeed one of the major factors in keeping many from evolving to their own a-one-ness with their God, without even having the awareness in an unconscious state, so to speak. Man becomes possessive of his fellow man. And I'm not speaking merely this evening of spouses, of course that's included. But man by the very nature of his creation takes unto himself the possessiveness of others. And this is done to various degrees, that is why so frequently you may hear man verbalize when he refers to "my friend" or "my God," as it were, or "my minister" or "my spouse", "my church", "my beliefs". The word 'my' denotes very clearly singular possessiveness.

It would behoove each of you here to endeavor to realize most especially involving other individuals, the need for them to not be a possession belonging to anyone. Only one really possesses, and of course that is God Almighty.

Most of you refer to my soul. Well I have news for you. It's God's soul. He has merely allowed you to manifest with it for your own spiritual growth.

My intellect, my spiritual growth, now those are positive things-what about the others? Well, if you had my problems - - that isn't so positive, is it? That's what you call positively negative. Yes. And I hear those phrases frequently being uttered by man in the physical body. Of course the one that brings about the greatest harm is, of course, that where it involves the possessiveness of another individual such as a spouse. Regardless of whether it be the man possessing the wife or the wife possessing the husband, because, to do so, puts limitations on that individual's ability to manifest fully with the God given free will of choice, as to walking the path that they would indeed aspire to, without the mis-direction that comes upon them through possessiveness.

Now let me explain more clearly. Let's say that one of you chose to fully involve yourself with God's work. And your spouse was of a possessive nature, not only possessive of you personally, but of your time. Then very quickly you would find great interference in your abilities to fulfill the very work you had chosen. Possessiveness always leads, and I'll repeat that, always leads, to jealousies. Now you may say, "Oh, no I've been very possessive of my spouse for many years, but I'm not jealous." Well, give you time. [(Someone asks to be excused) Yes, that's all right. You see he knows the proper way without any difficulties]. But be careful with possessiveness. Not only of the spouses, even of your friends, as it were. Because therein is born jealousies. Well that person's showing more attention to that other person than myself. And then jealousies and animosities have a tendency to creep into your being, which are, of course, therefore, of a negative nature, which in turn snowballs, and gets in the way of your own spiritual growth.

I love it when I hear people saying "our children". Now it depends on the circumstances, of course. If they've done something quite outstanding then it's "my child". Well, if they've done something which wasn't too good at all, it's "your child". And when things are going along pretty well, it's "our child". Isn't it amazing how man's mind works.

But too often I find one of the greatest obstacles in the way of the individual's spiritual progression is either their possessiveness of another or another's possessiveness of them.

People become jealous of the strangest things, jealous of the physical or material possessions that another has. Oh, but he's got that brand new shiny car and I don't have one, or jealous of the monies or jealous of the position. There are those who live in the area of your country that is very cold, in the very near future it will be, at least, that are very jealous of all those who live here where it's not cold, you see.

It's amazing how jealousies are stimulated. And when you look to one and you see that that individual has something which you behold as being worthwhile, don't have jealousy, but rather say, "God Bless them," that is indeed what they have chosen for themselves.

Now if you look around and about yourself you may find that your possessions are of a completely different nature but may be of much greater worth. You may find you possess a happiness, a spiritual fulfillment that that individual may not know. Many times the burden that another shares is one you may not know.

All of mankind, in proportions, are given both opportunities of possessions, things, and at the same time, they are given responsibilities and burdens for growth.

And now, I've spoken a great deal about not being possessive. And I have yet to tell you how to keep from it. And in reality it is of the simplest manner and means. And it's nothing more than becoming aware and literally counting, and fully understanding and recognizing the many blessings that God has so readily bestowed upon yourself.

When you take into consideration, all the blessings, whether it be that of help or a free country in which you live, or the food you have available to you, your housing, the many beautiful friends, the opportunities for growth. Every individual in his own right is very wealthy. And it is not necessary for mankind to reach out beyond himself in the form of possessiveness in order to create a greater kingdom of his own.

It should be indeed looked upon instead as a great compliment, if you see one that you consider your friend, as you might say, which is a possessive statement, my friend, who is indeed reaching out and embracing another. Because that merely says that you have made a

good choice, that that individual is worthy and worthwhile, as counting as another beautiful entity manifesting in a physical body without any degree of possessiveness whatsoever. Remember, only God has the ownership of any soul. Even those who have been joined by God, as it were, in the bonds of matrimony. They've only been joined, not released, both individuals still are a portion of God himself.

If you find as I say, twinges of jealousies creeping in, look around and about yourselves, especially involving people and say, "Am I really possessive? Is that my wife or my husband, my children, my home?" It's called having the "my's".

That is one of the reasons that many years ago, and possibly some of you are not aware, at the time in which this little church was being conceived in spirit, Robert at that time was given the name of Y-our Church, not My Church, Y-our Church, so that no one would ever speak of it in such a way as to lead others to think that there was possessiveness. Even Robert himself cannot say "my" church. It says on the front to the contrary, does it not, you see. It is indeed a matter of giving. A matter of putting forth blessings thanking God for the opportunities to have the friendships, the relationships, and the fulfillments that are placed there for you. But no individual in a physical body has the right to infringe upon or usurp the free will of another through their own possessiveness.

Now I believe that I better take leave of the body because I do know that the medium is anxious to, as you would say, skedaddle down the road. And it has indeed been a pleasure for me to manifest in this manner, and I hope that in some small way I might have caused each of you to think a little more seriously as you say, "my this and my that and my the other." The best 'my' is my goodness. Yes. You can possess that one.

Now I believe I'll take leave of the body and as I do I ask only that God pour forth his richest of all blessings upon each and every one of you. May you ever walk in his light and know his love. But most of all, may you be filled with his peace. God Bless you all.