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Shifting From One Screen To The Next

Kabbalah uses words that we are all familiar with, but they can either be interpreted in the material sense or the spiritual one. When one is just starting to study the science of Kabbalah, one imagines everything it talks about through images of this world. Later one starts to think that Kabbalah does talk about spirituality, but in whatever form one imagines it to have. In reality, what he imagines is not yet spirituality, but just his own fantasies about it. Thus, one imagines various charts and images.

It's not easy for a person to shift to the spiritual perception since it can only be felt through qualities that have no time, motion, or space. A person is unable to immediately imagine it in this form, and therefore he depicts various pictures and images. This is how he shifts from one screen to another, as if in a computer, until he finally corrects his perception.

Yet, the vocabulary and terminology remains the same throughout. I have a thousand changing screens, like in "Windows," which are described by the same words. However, the picture is always changing. At first you imagine every term in the material sense, but gradually you start to imagine it more and more spiritually. Instead of imagining arms, legs, an embrace from the left, an embrace from the right, *Rosh* (head), and *Toch* (torso), you start to imagine qualities that don't have any material form.

Even in the material world, quantum physics has revealed that there are no "solid" particles such as electrons, protons, and myons. Everything is smudged, like some sort of disappearing electron clouds that are actually closer to the notion of qualities. Nevertheless, the names remain the same because we don't have any other place to take names besides our world.

But why do we have to be so pedantic and never change a single word? It's because a word is the material branch that points to its elevated spiritual root. If we change the words, then we will confuse the connections between the roots and branches. Then it won't be a science any longer. Imagine that we are chemists who change the names of some substances, and then start mixing them according to a formula to produce a chemical reaction. We will come up with a completely different substance.

This is why we always keep the same language, but constantly try to improve our perception of it, moving toward a more advanced, truer spiritual form.

Our World Is But A Corridor Into Spirituality

Today is Holocaust Remembrance Day. Can spiritual revelation through the science of Kabbalah prevent another catastrophe from happening?

The world is facing enormous problems. We feel this, even though we still have good lives. It's like the joke about a person who's falling off a ten-story building, but in the meantime, while he's still flying through the air, he thinks that everything is ok.

All the experts are speaking about the perilous state of the world, even when it comes to the economy, which seems to be blooming. We are cooking up a powerful bomb for ourselves in all areas of life, although its action is delayed for now. The science of Kabbalah is being revealed as the general solution to all of the world's problems. However, this is not happening in order to rid the world of these problems. These problems are given to us precisely in order to turn the world to a new direction.

The science of Kabbalah is not a remedy against misfortunes, so that instead of the misfortunes you would feel good. Rather, it is intended to elevate man to a different dimension.

Therefore, as long as people feel that they should merely get rid of their troubles, without having to attain a different life, one that's eternal and perfect, it will remain difficult for us to disseminate the science of Kabbalah. It does not provide a temporary or partial solution, but talks about your entire life, this entire reality which you now feel. It tells you that this reality is incorrect, transient, and imaginary, urging you to ascend as fast as possible from this reality to the true, eternal reality. Your current existence takes place in obscured senses, in a state of unconsciousness, like a patient in a critical state. You have to save yourself by ascending.

Humanity does not feel this yet; but gradually, step by step, by virtue of the dissemination of the science of Kabbalah, public opinion must be brought to the realization that our world is but a corridor leading to the Upper World, and we have to ascend from this world to spirituality. Then we will attain it.