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The Torah Is Given to Those Who Need It

Question: How can one advance by faith above reason in the group?

Dr. Laitman's Answer: Without the group it's completely impossible to do this. Either you unite with a teacher the way it was done in the past or you unite with the group. But it's impossible to advance by yourself.

When talking about the relationship between a person and the Creator, we always mean the presence of the environment. Without it I don't have anything to ascend above, nothing to correct. A plea to the Creator is a plea for correction, but the correction of what? The only thing I have to correct is my attitude to my neighbor. This is egoism, the evil inclination, unfounded hatred, broken *Kelim*, the broken Temple.

Therefore, it's obvious that what we always mean by that is that a person is in the right environment, with his group. This principle originates from Mount Sinai where a condition was established: to unite as one man with one heart. Only then will you receive the Torah and be able to correct yourself.

If, however, you do not try to unite and reach mutual guarantee, then what will you correct? In that case, you will not receive the Torah. The condition for receiving the Torah is a need for it. But if you do not want to unite with others, then you do not need the Torah. It is intended only in order to correct the connection between people.

Therefore, in our times, when the world is being brought to a dead-end situation of universal interconnection, when it is becoming apparent that without the right connections between us civilization will reach its end, people will have to use the Torah. They will need the Upper Force, the force of the Light that will unite them.

This is the purpose for which the Torah, the Kabbalistic method, is being revealed. All the other methods cannot be called Torah because they do not oppose the evil inclination. People will gradually reveal the evil inclination in this world and will then need the real Torah.

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Don't Get Distracted by the Sharp Turns

The states of "Israel" and "nations of the world" constantly alternate inside a person and this process does not depend on him. All he has to do is "push down on the gas," strive forward with everything he's got. To do that, one needs a strong connection with the group and relentless thought about spiritual advancement in the direction of bestowal. That is how the principle "Israel, Torah, and the Creator are one" is realized, which is the Creator's command.

The more efforts a person makes, the more often these two states alternate. That's when it is important not to let either of them knock you off track, not to wish to remain in either state and not to get stuck in either of them.

One must always see the goal ahead of him and aspire directly to it, even though the path is curvy and crooked. Every person is whirled about by his own *Reshimot*, as if he is advancing down a winding tunnel. There is nowhere to escape to and you only aspire forward, not making any calculations on the sharp turns.

Perhaps you want to stop, to experience the current state, to study it and "chew it up." But that will never help. Try to go through all the places at full speed and don't worry if you are unfamiliar with the path.

The only way to understand anything is from a higher level. A child never knows what developmental stage he is now going through. He understands only the previous stages. That is why older children can be instructors for younger ones. The best thing is to set up this kind of interaction between adjoining levels.

Therefore, we always aspire only forward, until the very end of correction. Only there will we reveal all the roots, all the initial, intermediate, and final states. When they interweave into one whole, then you will reveal the system in an instant and understand everything. Until then there is no truth that you can rely on.

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