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Get Ready For The Congress

We have to keep in mind that we are all in one "boat" and part of one common soul. Everyone has to understand that the gathering that will take place at the forthcoming Congress, like all gatherings of a large number of people who aspire to spirituality, is a gift from the heavens.

The Creator has given me an opportunity to take part in this special event where parts of my own soul come closer to me. If I relate to them in this way, with the understanding that I have been placed in an assembly of souls closest to me that are willing to unite with me, and if every individual as well as all of us together think this way, then it won't be difficult at all.

Everything depends on preparation. During the ten days that are left before the Congress, I have to constantly prepare and attune myself to think, act, and feel precisely this way while I am there. It doesn't matter when it will happen, today over here, or tomorrow over there. Time and place don't mean anything. It's an exercise for me to deliberately think today about what will happen tomorrow; this will help me later on, during the Congress when all the conditions come together for attaining the required common effort.

This is very important and it determines everything. Later on it will get easier. It's like preparing for war. If everything is ready and you are willing to do anything for spirituality, then you will see how everything will come together and happen exactly as you had hoped. If you made great efforts from the bottom of your heart, then everything will happen as you wish. There won't be any unpleasant surprises. Everything will be good.

Imagine how a gang of thieves prepares in the darkness to go on a dangerous operation to rob a bank. Each of them feels that he depends on the rest, and thus he takes care of the rest. There's a lot for us to learn from this example. The only difference is the goal. If the goal is egoistic and obvious, then it's very easy and simple to unite. But if the goal is to attain bestowal, which lies above the individual egoistic desires of every person, then it is not easy at all.

Even the examples of our world demonstrate how useful unity can be. The only problem is that nothing can sustain unity besides the Upper Light. Unity can be sustained only by love.

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It's Better To Be Good Students

If we don't correct something inside of us in time, then this "tail" keeps dragging behind us, greatly complicating our lives as a heavy burden we are carrying. For example, what did a newborn baby do to suddenly receive so many problems and such suffering in this world? The matter is that the baby is born into this world with all the "baggage" of the past, all the things he went through and did not correct in the previous lives. All of this becomes revealed to us because we will have to correct it at some point or other. It's impossible to "skip" anything.

For example, suppose I was a poor student in first grade, and I am now starting second grade even though I don't understand half of the things being taught there because I missed that material in first grade. The teacher tells me, "You have to make up for everything you missed before. Go and fix it quickly now. You have to, since otherwise you won't be ready for second grade." But how can you even tell what you missed in the previous grade?

This is now being revealed to you. But how can you tell what happened to you in previous lives if you can't even tell whether the things that happened to you yesterday were good or bad for you? You can't even judge the present moment correctly. Yet, if you are not attentive enough to the present moment and are unable to discern and correct your attitude to see that "There is none else besides Him" and "He is good and does good," meaning that you are unable to stay in the middle line, which is the line by which one ascends, then you will have to correct this later on.

Don't think that you will be "pardoned" from Above for everything you didn't do. You won't be able to ascend that way since all the levels are connected by a chain of cause and effect. So how can you predict the levels that lie ahead if you didn't understand what happened on the previous levels?

In our world we simply don't feel how absolutely interconnected and predetermined the system is. But in the spiritual world there can be no doubt about this because the system was created by the Light that entered the will to enjoy and expanded it, building an entire universe out of one point.