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Revealing The Place Of Breakage Between Us

Question by a Student: How do I waken more connection between me and the others?

Answer by Dr. Michael Laitman: The group needs to show you the importance of bestowal, the importance of connection amongst yourselves, the importance of coming out of yourself, the importance of considering things that you read in a book or hear from the teacher, and not allow you to calm yourself as you always do instinctively — "everything is fine, I am right."

Question by a Student: I understand it. But what can I do?

Answer by Dr. Michael Laitman: I do not know. Do something that will make them bestow to you the same importance in return. You need to find the place where you will be able to realize spirituality, and this place is only in the connection between you and them. If you do not feel this place, meaning, if you do not feel the support, the reaction, their demand, then you will not have the possibility to implement a thing.

Question by a Student: Will the thought about the friends and their inner demand waken in me an ability to hear?

Answer by Dr. Michael Laitman: Yes. Like the Rabash writes in his articles about the group – we must waken the friends so that they will waken us in return. But beforehand, we must understand that without it we are lost. I must hear from the group, receive from them a deficit that is only in the group, only in the connection between us, I can realize myself, see myself, feel spirituality, bestow; I must bring myself there and there I must toil. I need to hear from them that this is important. They need to reveal to me the place of breakage—what should I correct, where is the place of correction etc., otherwise I do things in a place that is not broken at all.

Therefore, the Rabash writes that 99% do not succeed because they do not identify the place of exertion. They give a lot, but it is not called "exertion." There is a vessel before you, and instead of correcting the fracture in it, you clean it, caress it, and do things that are completely unnecessary. You are not operating in the right place and you are not performing the correct action, plus you are waiting for fulfillment, for a response. But that vessel cannot be filled – the Light cannot come if there is a hole

in the side of the vessel. We must identify this hole: Where is it exactly, how do we amend it, and how do the others help us with that, because this is mutuality.

Being Present In The Thought Of The General Purpose

If one does not consider his general purpose, it is not good. Prior to everything, he must be present in the thought about the general purpose, and alongside that solve his everyday problems like work, banking, family, health etc. Otherwise, why is he doing anything? Inside every thing that we do there should be a current that connects everything to the goal. Otherwise, we will lose the "human" level. And I say that in the sub-consciousness this level exists nevertheless, and determines our advancement. If our whole reality was not so connected to this inner level, we would not advance by the growth of the will to receive.

The Book Of Zohar Can Only Be Understood By Uniting

When we study *The Book of Zohar*, we have to remember that it was written by a group of Kabbalists and therefore, it can only be understood within a group as well. In order to understand this book, we have to first unite, find the connections among us and try to reveal those connections with the help of this book. We will be able to reveal this book only inside the connection between us.

Everything that *The Book of Zohar* talks about is **between** the souls, **between** us. If we desire to bestow to one another, these desires will become our souls, and inside them, inside the connection among the souls, we will reveal the Creator, the Light that connects us together.

The Book of Zohar talks about how we can reveal the Upper Light: It is revealed inside the intention of bestowal and love. That is why preparing for the study and engagement in *The Book of Zohar* is the same as preparing to acquire the quality of bestowal and love, the thought of unity, mutual guarantee, and "love for your neighbor as yourself." We are preparing to attain this state in order to reveal the Light of bestowal and love. This is what *The Zohar* will help us to accomplish.

This is exactly the reason why Kabbalah is being revealed in our time: in order to help humanity attain this quality. But it will only happen to the degree we realize that it is necessary.

The Goal That The Book Of Zohar Sets For Us

Out of the reading in the *Book of Zohar*, we see that it speaks about the things that we always learn about – about the way to advance in the ladder of levels by the teacher, the books, and the group. It tells about the way a person discovers the place of breakage – "I created the evil inclination," reveals how our inclination is evil, and afterwards "I created Torah as a spice" – man needs the Light that Reforms. And thus he ascends up the levels from this world to the next world – from lack of knowledge to knowledge, because "knowledge" means "connecting with the Creator," coupling with Him, as it is

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written: "And Adam knew Eve." The more a person "knows," meaning connects with the Creator, he can become similar to Him, cause Him satisfaction, and be like the Creator. This is the goal that *The Zohar* sets for us.