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Decalogue

Decalogue means ten words. The original Hebrew word “**aseres hadibros**” means “**ten sayings**” or “**matters.**” Calling them commandments perpetuates the wrong translation of that phrase. Additionally, if you count them, you will find more than “**Ten Commandments.**” If you see them as phrases or matters, then they do become the discussion of ten issues as opposed to ten specific commandments. This is very disturbing since it is common to call God's words “Ten Commandments” when God did not give or say Ten Commandments.

How and when did they come to be called commandments? Who initiated these words? What was their agenda?

The obvious reason to describe something as a commandment is to insure compliance with the following of a rigid structure. However, using the word commandment alters the relationship between the Creator and people. It creates a scenario which is not accurate, nor is it correct. It is a way for people to instill distance and fear into others. The originator of using the word commandment as a translation is guilty of "adding" to the Creator's words when it is clear that we are prohibited from adding or detracting from the words of the Creator.

The person/people who originated this translation, mistranslated many other words as well. They altered the meanings of the words so that the scriptures would best

serve their agenda. These changes enabled them to exercise control over people. This has changed a certain intended balance in the world, actually interfering with each person's direct connection with the life force and energy that was put into the words through Moses. By making this alteration Moses became known as a law giver when in fact he was a conduit for allowing an open a connection with the Creator for all mankind.

It is possible that those who used the word commandment wanted to institute a law system of their own to be in control of and achieve personal agenda. Thus a translation and system was created with some truth, fooling the population who let themselves believe everything that they were being told. Or they were forced to believe it, with dire consequences if they did not accept.

The Septuagint correctly translated the Hebrew as Decalogue. The Tyndale and Coverdale Bible translations use the term "ten verses." The Geneva Bible (1560, much of the work was done by William Whittingham, the brother-in-law of John Calvin) was the first to use the term "commandments" followed by the Bishops' Bible followed by the Authorized King James Bible. The publication of the Geneva Bible established the term "ten commandments."

Subsequently, many Jewish books followed the King James version in their translation even when in contradiction to the Hebrew. In fact, over time many non-Jewish corruptions that have crept into the thinking and writings of Jews. Many Jews today are no different from many non-Jews who do not know or care to know the origins of the words we use or customs we keep.

What is it about the words of Moses that we hold so Holy but do not want to hear? The words of God were not commandments but suggestions or explanations of proper conduct and the repercussions of improper conduct. We have discussed this at length in other articles.

Regarding the words that Moses spoke to the Jewish people before he passed away, he uses the words (Deuteronomy 5:1) "**In your ears.**" The expression "in the ears" is in several places, for example, Exodus 11:2, 17:14. The Hebrew expression is about where the speech is directed. Moses then describes how the Creator spoke with them.

5:4 **“Face to face YHVH spoke with you on the mountain, from the fire.”**
When people say face to face they imagine one person directly facing the other person. The Hebrew speaks about the relationship of speaker and receiver. Yet here the description of face to face is interesting since there was no face. See details of the interaction 5:19-23 and 4:11-12. **“You did not see any form, you only heard a voice.”** 4:15-19 **“Be very careful for your souls, for you did not see any form on the day that YHVH spoke with you at Chorev from within the fire. Lest you become corrupt and make for yourselves any image etc.”**

The issue of images is a very sore point for people. They are always looking for an image to associate with. So even though It states clearly and at length not to make any image, people who say Gods word is holy continue to worship images.

When creating a new religion or structure you do not want people to know that God gives suggestions and tells of ways to connect directly. You want to make other dependent on you and the way you see things. The business world and government today is no different as they want to make people dependent on them.

There is fear that if the verses are explained in their exactness and given proper translations then you with your ideas and issues would be irrelevant. Many people who appear to be very religious are in fact guided by internal fear. They therefore also create fear among their followers so that others do not see their personal issue. Instead of dealing with the personal issue they export it to all people. Such religions teach people about fear of God which actually creates distance.

There are those who teach love. God is also about pure love. Yet, so many have what appears to be a pure love until something comes to disturb it and you see it was not really so pure. It was a pure love as long as certain things were in place. As soon as they were removed the love changed revealing that it was not pure. As long as it is not challenged, others do not see the impurity that lies beneath the love.

People worship form and shape, giving them a way to define and limit the God they worship. The person teaches about a God who agrees with the way the person thinks. All the while not realizing that the God they believe in is a god created by humans not the Creator of heaven and earth. Not the God of Abraham or the God of Israel.

To believe in a God that is beyond our imagination is something people do not think they can live with. The belief that they cannot live with it has caused much destruction and limited people from realizing their true potential.

People have a definite issue with understanding their own limitation and limits. Once a person knows their own limits (not falsely) they are humbled and are able to accept that which is beyond their ability to grasp. That beyond is something many have taken advantage of to control and abuse people. Describing the beyond which cannot be confirmed other than by imagination has very dangerous consequences.

Over time things change. Only a small group of people are aware of the changes or how things change and many just assume that the way they do things is the way they always were. Rewriting history is so common that it has been accepted and is done throughout the schools and text books. The reason to know about the changes is to know that the way we do things was not given by God. It was formed by mankind. By treating the things formed by mankind as given by God we fool ourselves and never know why our children are turned away or why we encounter any variety of problems.

The book of Deuteronomy is an example of change. It is divided into eleven portions (as well as thirty-three chapters.) This division was done in order to complete reading the five books of Moses once a year. In ancient Israel the custom was to finish reading the five books of Moses once every three (and a half) years. The book of Deuteronomy at that time was divided into twenty-seven chapters. This is also the way the Midrash Rabbah on Deuteronomy is divided. Many people accept everything s God given and are unaware and often have no interest in becoming aware of how and when changes happened.

The Torah has breaks in various places but is not divided the way we divide it. It is important to know that most of what is written and explained is based in the way people divided and explained things and not Moses or God. People become very hung up with so much in the name of God, killing and dying, fighting and being stubborn, when those words or customs were made up by people. It is high time that we learn to distinguish between man-made and God given in order to bring some clarity to our personal lives.

Comfort

Isaiah chapter 40 talks about the future in order to comfort the people. **“A voice calls out in the wilderness, they have cleared, way of YHVH, they have straightened with the arovoh, a path, for our God. Every valley will be raised and every mountain and hill will be lowered.”**

This can be explained according to that which is written in ParshasDerochim (derech 8) in the name of the Rashbo. The Rashbo writes that if a person prohibits another from entering his house and the house becomes destroyed and is no longer there, the other person is not allowed to go on that property. (Another Rabbi known as the Rabbeinu Nissim disagrees with this.)

The Parshas Derochim asks, “This means that in the future Moses will not be able to lead those who died in the wilderness into the land since Hashem said, (Psalms 95:11) **‘they will not enter my resting place.’** Yet the Midrash states that in the future Moses will lead them into the land.

He uses the above quote from Isaiah to answer. In the future there will no longer be a mount Moriah since it will all become a level playing field. Therefore the oath that was sworn not to bring them into the land will not apply since it will be a new land.

This is what the Midrash Rabbah (Koheles 66) writes that **“to my resting place”** refers to the present resting place but not to another resting place. The Pri Megodim writes that since the future land of Israel will be a new land, therefore those who died in the wilderness will be free to enter the land.

Moses wanted to enter the land and asked (Deuteronomy 3) to be able to enter. He was told that to should stop talking about it. God had other plans for what and how things should happen.

The Jerusalem of the future will not be the Jerusalem of today. According to the Jewish tradition all Israel will be Jerusalem and the whole world will be the Holy land. Meanwhile many people are living in the past and fighting over the past. Others are not living anywhere except in a fictitious space and fight over anything that will allow them to vent their pent up anger and frustration.

The eventual truth is far beyond that which most people will allow themselves to see. Moses could not lead people there because they could not accept the Creator's truth. They did not want to hear directly and asked Moses to be there on their behalf. That has not changed and today's society is still unwilling to accept the reality of the Creator.

In the future all the hills and mountains that we have created will be flattened. Why not begin the process and flatten some of it now. There are many negative forces that are destroying society. It is being done in a way that is harmful because people have chosen not to transition in a peaceful way. We are all one and yet as individuals we have boundaries.

An open heart and pure love is best but to live with today's society a person needs harsh boundaries. In the future we will be able to live with pure open hearts and soft boundaries. The boundaries will be there to keep matter in existence as an individual and unique form while not detracting from the oneness in any way.

There are different types or levels of love. Tanya chapter 44 states that the Holy one makes itself known and attaches itself to each individual according to that person's capacity. With comprehension we expand the capacity of our love. We are filled according to our capacity which means that there is more awaiting when we are ready.

May we all merit to be one with divine without pain. May we all live with a straight and clear path with the source of all life.

Fifteenth of Av – A good heart

(Deuteronomy 3:23) **“And I prayed – voeschanan to Hashem at that time saying.”** (Deuteronomy 3:25) **“Let me now go over and see the good land ... and the levanon.”** (3:26) **“And YHVH said to me do not speak anymore to me further in this matter.”** The Hebrew word **“noh”** that is translated as **“now”** seems superfluous.

(Psalms 68:19) **“You ascended on high, you captured captives and you took gifts for man.”** The Talmud (Shabbos 89a) states that this refers to when Moshe ascended to receive the Torah he was given gifts by the angels. The angel that is in charge of the world gave Moses a gift being a name of one hundred and two.

When Miriam was sick, Moshe prayed for her (Numbers 12:13) **“Power noh heal noh her.”** The common translation is **“Please, God, heal her now.”**

“Noh” has a numerical value of fifty-one. Mentioned twice it equals one hundred and two. It was the name of one hundred and two that the angel gave Moshe for a prayer to be accepted under all circumstances. Thus, here in Deuteronomy, when Moshe prayed he began by using the name expressed by the word **“noh.”** Before he was able to complete it he was told not to continue by adding another **“noh.”** The decree was final – Moshe was not to enter the land.

In order to understand how this works, we need to understand a little about creation. When the world was created something had to be set up in order to allow creation to exist. The origin of all existence and life has no definition.

Human beings cannot exist in a life that has no beginning, no end, no form or shape. For example a ray of light, that we are able to absorb, does not exist in the sun as it becomes absorbed into the sun and is effectively no longer a ray. In the same way, we become absorbed by the original life force and have no separate identity.

If we were even to come to close to the sun (yet not in the sun) we would already cease to exist. How can people exist and think they can even come close to the Creator?

In order for the world to exist many levels were created so that the creation does not become nullified. People are blocked from being nullified and thus often do not see beyond where they are. Yet through progression of internal growth we can progress from one level to another of infinite realms, bringing us higher and closer to the source (where expression initiates.)

The essence of the source of all life is beyond definition allowing it to be everywhere and not limited by the definitions. Connecting with such energy may only be done with a simple pure heart and pursuance of the desire of the Creator.

The sages teach that the world was created by using ten utterances. In a similar fashion there are many different words in Hebrew for prayer. The term used in Deuteronomy 3:24 is the same essence as that of the term used in Exodus 33:19 where he prays and is answered even without merit.

“Eschanan” means **“I will pray”** and by adding the letter vov to the beginning it transforms the word to past tense. **The verse states “and I prayed – voeschanan-at that time”** not mentioning explicitly what that time refers to. Yet some commentaries also explain **“and I will pray at that time,”** meaning at some future point referring to the future redemption.

The Gemorroh (Talmud Taanis 26b) states **“There were never such good days for Israel like the fifteenth of Av and Yom Kippur. On those days the daughters of Israel would go out in borrowed white clothes and dance in a circle in the vineyards.”**

The Apta Rebbe said that the words can be read as the fifteenth letter of the Alef Bais. This is the letter samech that is round. The Talmud (Taanis 31a) states that in the future The Holy One Blessed is He will make a mochul – circle for the righteous. In a circle all are equal and so there will not be any jealousy.

Another explanation given is that fifteen in Hebrew is the Holy name with the letters yood and hey. Thus the Gemorroh can refer to the number fifteen made up of letters from the alef bais.

“White” which is the word **“levanon”** in the verse Deuteronomy 3:25 represents simplicity. **“Mochul”** the term for dance also means forgive. Hashem borrowed the merits of **“others”** (i.e. the patriarchs) and added it to them and in this way all was forgiven.

(Isaiah 5:7) **“The vineyard of Hashem is the house of Israel.”** Yet the people of Israel have strayed. (Zohar 3:161a) The heart is called Jerusalem. Just as the heart is central to the body so too Jerusalem is central to the world. In Ethics of the fathers 2:9 **“A good heart includes everything.”** In Isaiah 40:2 is written **“Speak with heart Jerusalem.”** In the verse Jerusalem is called heart but also the King can be called heart. A proper King is one who understands the people and such a King is the heart of the people.

If we want the world to be whole then Jerusalem has to be restored fully to the Jewish people in a way that is according to Torah. We all need to have a pure heart connection with the Creator and not allow our thoughts or feelings to get in the way but allow them to exist. Thus it will be that each one of us will have a

combination of intellectual and emotional qualities with simplicity at the same time. We will then be a balance of all that we are and this in turn will restore balance to the creation.

(Hosea 3:5) “Afterwards the Children of Israel will return and seek out Hashem their God and David their king.”

Transforming Delusions

The wisdom of the Creator is expressed in all matter.

Each aspect of existence is an expression of, and thus a name of, the Creator, and should be respected as such. As it is connected with the Source of Life, each and every thing displays the Creator life force in the expression of its existence. The Creator of all power has bestowed upon mankind the ability to create. (We in fact often create that which we believe in.)

There is a popular sentiment that is voiced in the following words: “What goes around comes around.” Yet very often when people experience matters in life they fail to recognize their origins. It is easy to blame someone or something else for the consequences of our actions. People often do so while they are oblivious to the fact that it is what they have created by their actions, speech or thoughts that has brought about certain circumstances.

The energy that we put out ultimately returns to us. Sometimes the results come back quickly. Yet sometimes the results are seen or felt only after the passage of many generations. While we did not create existence, we do create with our existence. People generally expect or desire to see instantaneous results of putting forth their negative or positive energy.

At times people put out energy that they consider righteous and godly, and find that those efforts have generated negative results. Conversely, at times people receive positive energy in exchange for the negative energy that they have generated. This is because people are often blind to their own limitations (or issues) and the universal balances.

At times our actions are mechanical. While it is true that some mechanical responses prevent disasters, it is the understanding of a concept along with a balanced response that will achieve the best results. Whatever action(s) we take prompts a re-balancing of the universe. There is a universal order established by The Creator. Individuals should choose wisely which part of that balance they will fall into.

We can be the positive that allows us to flow with the universal order. Or we can be that thorn that brings about a harsher response in the “cleansing and rebalancing process.” The cleansing will happen. It must if this existence is to persevere. No matter where we fit into that puzzle --- it is up to us to take responsibility for our actions.

Let us look at a verse from what is commonly known as the Ten Commandments. We can use this to elucidate the difference between how people read and choose to understand something as compared to the more precise meanings of the words and implication of those meanings.

Moses calls the words of the two tablets (Deuteronomy 4:13, 5:19) ten matters (not Ten Commandments). They are not about commanding they are about guiding.

(Deuteronomy 5:11) Common translation: “**Do not take the name of God your Lord in vain. God will not allow the person who takes his name in vain to go unpunished.**” The Hebrew for “do not” is ‘ahl’ while the Hebrew word used here as in many other places is “loh.” Loh means no or negative. The Hebrew work for take is “kach” while the Hebrew word used here is “tisah.” Tisah means to lift or carry. The word ‘name’ is accepted to mean certain words that are considered “His name.” In fact, the Jewish sages teach that every word in the Torah is “His name.” Additionally, we know that everything is a name of the life force and Creator of existence.

That is why a more precise translation of the above verse is: “(You create) **negative (energy) when you carry or bear any aspect of expression, of YHVH (the ever present and transcendent being, that you have accepted as) your God, for falsehood or no purpose, then (with) negative (energy) will (be) cleansed (by) YHVH everything caused by those who bear His expression with no purpose or for falsehood.**”

In other words, we have to take care about the energy we create. Yet people freely use parts of their existence for the purpose of expressing that which is false or wasteful. People were (are) so committed to their previous attachments that they were unable to effect any change based on the words Moses was speaking and the energy that he put forth. (Deuteronomy 3:26) **“And YHVH passed through me for your sake and you still did not listen to me.”**

We are obsessed with worry and wonder about the future. Rabbi Shneur Zalman of Liadi visited the city of Vitebsk. While there a Rabbi and leader asked him “When will the Messiah come and fix the world?” He responded, “The Messiah that people are waiting for does not exist. No-one wants to listen to the Messiah that does exist. So, how can he come?”

Indeed, how can we be preparing for the Redemption with our eyes and ears closed to our responsibilities within the existence? Yet there is a balance for all things. From this certain knowledge we may take comfort and know that sooner or later we will get it right!

To add and detract/the equilibrium of existence

For centuries people have introduced species of birds, animals or plants into countries or areas where those things did not exist before. Although this is an accepted practice, there seems to be little, if any, consideration given to its long-term repercussions. We have been witnessing for a long time the detrimental effects of these purportedly wondrous ideas. This is a prime example of how adding something even for a righteous purpose is very limited as it is not in tune with the earth’s balance.

The direct effects may only become apparent to us after a lengthy period of time. Yet they will remain invisible to those who choose to ignore them out of indifference, greed or lack of knowledge. They will remain blind as to the effects of our actions upon the environment. This is true of the air we breathe, the food we eat and the water we drink. We have been so indifferent about eating anything irrespective of its natural balance that we have compromised our internal balance and relationship with all matters in existence. We need to refocus ourselves and allow the natural eternal balance to restore itself.

The same applies when we remove the natural flora from our internal and external environments. It distorts the balance and causes direct side effects

that may be detectable immediately or may only be recognizable after the passage of time. Even then it is generally only when something goes wrong that we come to realize that we might have done something to cause it. By then it is often too late for the many people who have been hurt or even died as a result of our actions.

There are many negative effects resulting from the eating of “trans-placed” foods from all over the planet. We take foods whose origins have different water supplies from our own. We accept foods that have been picked while still unripe in order to survive long shipping routes. We eat things that are not native to the environments that nurture us. Why? Simply, because we CAN.

Thanks to smart marketing, we believe that these choices are more exotic. Or we come to accept that we are now “entitled” to eat whatever our pocketbooks allow us to pay for. Our new “need” to have what is not seasonal or usual for our environment is killing us along with the environment. It has all become part of the sicknesses that we have created within our society.

(Deuteronomy 4:2) “Do not add onto the matters that I have connected you with and do not detract from them.” Most of what people accept as God’s word has been corrupted by addition or subtraction to the original. One of the problems is that people feel they must make changes when they are presented with the opportunity and ability to do so. They also have the option of allowing what they find to remain pure and simple. Yet they often choose to create based upon their own agenda.

Even those who do for so called holy or health purposes are adding or subtracting. There have been precious few individuals who have been truly blessed with the gift of understanding how to maintain balance by implementing necessary adjustments. The Creator life force is everywhere and adding or subtracting often reflects that the person doing so is passively or purposely blind to it in some way.

With each additional day more people are beginning to be aware of that power that guides everything from a deeper space (than we usually accept as connected to with our senses.) When mankind ceases to constantly interfere, they can then become perceptive and allow for the free-flowing ongoing process of restoration of matter to its natural self. Once that

restoration process is completed, the thousands of years of history will have come full circle. The beginning and end of time will become one.

Afterwards, time will not have the same meaning as it does today. Actually, in Hebrew, the word for time is “zman,” which also means “invite.” An invitation creates an experience. Thus, time will be looked upon as an experience.

Presently life has an appearance of beginning with possibilities and perspectives of what “the end” means. When we talk about the word beginning, we often do not comprehend how the beginning got there. The same is true of when we talk about our reality. We do not consider the relationship between our reality and a much deeper existence of reality.

Moses says (Deuteronomy 3:24) “You have begun to show your servant” but the result is not the way Moses understood that it would be. The book of Genesis begins with the letter bais. The Hebrew word for house is bayis and is the same word for desolate in Isaiah (5:6, 7:19) is bosu and batos. The letter “y” or yood representing the Creator life force in the word is taken out of the word.

This world is a house for everything in it, but a house can also become desolate when we change things to create the appearance of separation from the Creator. The world we were given was formed by a perfect and limitless being that is beyond our comprehension. It was created with a balance that allows for the hidden and new revelations that have occurred and disappeared over the course of the “invitations” to the continuance on our journey.

If in your lust to gain control and power you bypass the importance of the infinite details, your life will build itself upon a foundation of lies and will ultimately fall.

If we were to truly comprehend how the beginning came about, we would not change or manipulate anything. If we valued truth and the words that we use, then we would not become limited by them. They would all be a structure for us to expand and go deeper in our relationship with all existence.

Reflecting the Future

We live in a fast paced world where separate physical events become meshed together in a mode of synchronicity. Similarly, we find that people's thoughts, words and experiences, whether they are positive or negative, are all part of one consciousness.

We are taught that what goes on in our world reflects the spiritual realm. What we are not often taught is that our beliefs and actions contribute to creating the spiritual. This then becomes part of universal knowledge and reflects back to us. Each moment is a new creation and we create it as much as it creates us. Many times people create or direct energy without understanding what they are creating, and then assigning those self-made creations a variety of other names.

With all of the miracles that were done for the Israelites in ancient times Moses still says, (Deuteronomy 3:24) "You have only begun to show your servant." All the experiences that Moses had were still not enough; he knew that there "is still the other side." In his case, the other side refers to the land over the Jordan River, which illustrates that there were still things he had not experienced.

When referencing the other side in a spiritual vein, there are various ways of understanding this concept. One is that it represents a place called home, where there is peace, tranquility, and everything is in place. In that place there are none of the physical issues that plague society. It also reflects a future that people believe in. Or it can be representative of the place that the Creator is eventually taking us to.

We all have experiences in life that let us know without question that there is an existence (or realms) beyond that which we can see. Society is often taught to disregard it since there is no tangible explanation for it. A credible alternate explanation may disprove their theories about the creation and existence of this world. Yet there are some who are very open to listening and following the things that tell us about more than what we know.

Moses recognized what he was shown and wanted more. He is told, “you have experienced a lot do not speak more about this matter.” We all have experiences and want more. Maybe we first need to be thankful for the experiences that we have. As the old saying goes, “those who bless are blessed.”

We either will or will not be shown more. Unfortunately, the all-too-human desire of wanting more often blinds us from being fully connected in the present. We are generally in possession of all of the information that we need. However, sadly, far too many people see only what they want to believe. Thus, a person’s circumstance often creates a cycle that seriously impacts on the perception that many people have about the future.

“Do not add to the matter that I use to connect (commonly translated as command) you today and don’t detract from it.” Adding actually detracts because it interferes with the ability to connect to how the Creator sees it. This is also about listening. Once upon a time there was a group of people each of whom declared exactly how they would act if they were God. One wise person said that if they were God they would do exactly as God does.

A wise person endeavors to see the end result of what they do or say. Words are limiting but that is what we have as a base at present. Once people get beyond this need there will be more homogenization of energies and a flowing balance between all existences. At the end of life, what will really matter? By that time it is too late to do what you did not do.

Those who connect with the Creator and source of all life are always alive, no matter what the structure is.

The Torah structure was given to keep in the land that the people will inherit (Deuteronomy 4:5). It was to keep a balance flowing between the physical and spiritual. People are blessed with forgetfulness and also utilize the blessing to forget what they need most. Conversely, some people remember those things that are often best forgotten.

Some form of balance needs to be established. Those who do not know what they have done (or cannot clearly see the physical and spiritual

repercussions of their words and actions) need to divest themselves from the need to tell others what to do (or from being public officials). This is part of why the Jewish nation set aside specific cities of refuge for people to escape to (so that others would not kill them.) This is not just about killing physically, but about killing spiritually as well.

We all live in lands where various expressions of corruption are rampant. We awake each day to face the imperfections that exist. We must hope and pray together to enable the creation of the new existence that we desire.

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We are constant witnesses to miracles in our own body as well as in the world around us. This knowledge permits us to accept that at any given hour, minute or moment we are free to lose ourselves and submit to a higher power. This submission is humbleness, acknowledgement, freedom and allowance for change in one swift action.

Moses said (3:26), The name of God passed through me for your sake, but you did not listen to me and the name of God said to me to, it is much for you, do not add to speak further about this matter. (3:28) Connect with Yehoshua and strengthen him.

There are various types of listening and hearing. Sometimes it bounces off the person who hears or it goes in one ear and out the other. Then there is to what degree we allow it to penetrate us and in what manner we absorb it. Becoming one with the source of where the voice comes from is an art.

Although we are communicated to in a variety of manners, we are usually not taught the art of how to be attuned to listening. For those who are open and able to share as well as those who do not know how to receive this wisdom, the result is frustration.

(4:2) Do not add to the matter that I command you and do not detract from it. In the name of God, we have created systems that add to and/or detract from the natural balance in creation. Those who have created structures for individuals and society often base themselves in their own interpretations rather than following the Creator's perspective. In the end, our legal,

religious and spiritual systems all have limitations that affect, bend, blind and/or bind people by virtue (or absence thereof) of their dictates.

(5:9) Do not turn right or left. People who travel a straight path are those who often do not fit into society. What a strange world we live in!

Being involved or stuck in a specific perspective does not help us to connect with the source of existence and creation. The only way to get to a new future is to connect with something that is beyond our present limitations. People attempt to do that in different ways.

Living beyond and being in the physical world would be easier if people did not interfere. As individuals living within our own space, there would be a higher rate of success. Yet we were given everything in the physical realm that is necessary in order to connect with the Creator and to creative forces beyond our intellectual and spiritual selves.

It is a general assumption of mankind that the level of a man's intellect makes him superior to others, and in fact, to all other life forms. This is a critical error in man's thinking. Actually each creation possesses unique abilities of its own. Each creation exists here in order to contribute and share with others. In essence we are all (individually and together) an expression of oneness that lacks description. Sharing brings forth the oneness while control often destroys that potential. Part of our purpose here is to use our intelligence to assist things in coming together as one. Yet the sad truth is that instead we often use our abilities to separate and destroy.

Many worship only that which is tangible to them. The Jewish nation was warned against such conduct. Oneness and togetherness in any situation promotes strength and power. If mankind were truly united in pursuit of the Creator's perspective, the power of what could be achieved by mere thought or simple words would be astounding to behold.

Then, those who are able to connect to the oneness of the beyond, where there is only one entity, will be even more powerful. That is essentially doing what the Creator wants, because then we connect with beyond

definition. How this will actualize in this world or in the next world is a mystery of the future.

Mankind has long been in the systematic process of destroying all of what was given to us freely. The result has been that we have all paid a high price for that destructive process. There have been many times in history when transition was possible but did not happen. Our present space is another time when transition is possible, and the proper freedom can, once again, exist. The choice is ours to pursue that course.

There have been individuals who were able to move between the physical and spiritual worlds. Of those, some do it only on a superficial level. Others have the ability to go further yet they too are only able to reach a specific spiritual realm or level.

Why does the Creator choose some persons or people for one purpose or set of tasks and others for totally different reasons? It is similar to asking why was one part of the body chosen to do one thing and another part something different.

Not every individual is necessarily bound to the exact same dictates since each person's source and purpose in this world or in another world varies. Sometimes the knowledge or ability to see a sole purpose can explain and define these things for us. Yet much is hidden from us or is simply beyond the soul, which makes it incomprehensible to mankind. Perhaps that is the reason that humbleness and humility have the ability to create a connection where one would not otherwise exist.

Sometimes we feel intense love from a distance for someone or something. It can be extremely painful to keep those intense emotional feelings in check, and not reveal them on all levels to the person for whom they are intended. Understanding this concept can give us a microscopic glimpse into the pain in the expression of love between the Creator and his creations.

There will be a time when physical distance or spiritual uniqueness will not interfere. At that time, we will be able to effect movement by thought, and

will transverse all distances instantaneously. Our abilities will not be restricted to being in only one place at a time since we will not have the attachment to the physical that we are presently subject to. This thought is challenging for most people as they can only relate to life as they know it in the present. Yet if we choose to live in a world where people know the proper ways to act and react in each moment, there will never be anything out of balance or out of place.

Physically we may be blocked from things that are open to us on a vibrational level. Blockages may exist for many reasons. One of those can be that they keep us focused in the present, allowing us to pursue our purpose at any moment.

To be open to two different dimensions at the same time and to remain balanced is an amazing experience. Being open with another creation to the degree of not needing to use words is wonderful. It is a total acceptance and understanding of the other person's individuality, and merging together in oneness at the same time.

We all love the romantic notion of achieving that one relationship with a person who can understand us without the need for verbal communication. We understand the potential that the joy of that type of relationship can accomplish. Just imagine a world full of people who are able to live all together that way. Now you are presently living in the future.