

Discourse 4. Why is there religion in the world?

Jesus: I would like you to consider the question: “Why is there religion in this world?”

Do you think that God needs religion? Do you think that the being who created an incredibly vast and complex universe has some kind of need to be worshipped by human beings living on a planet that is like a speck of dust in infinity? I am not hereby saying that human beings are not important to God. I am simply saying that God is an unlimited, infinite being, and God does not have human needs. The idea that God needs to be worshipped is yet another example of backwards reasoning.

The simple fact is that God has no need to be worshiped by human beings. Therefore religion was not created for God’s sake. It was created for your sake.

The simple fact is that God does not need religion. Human beings need religion, and it is very important that you understand why.

God created you in his image and likeness. You have the capacity of consciousness to experience the fullness of God’s infinite being. Yet, as your soul decided to descend into the material universe, you faced a challenge that is quite severe.

You must understand that my Father’s house has many mansions. By that I mean that there are many different levels of God’s creation. Modern scientists have found that the entire material universe is made from energy. Energy is vibration.

You know that your eyes can detect only the types of energy which you call visible light. You also know that there are many forms of light, and many other forms of energy, that your eyes cannot detect. Therefore, there are many different layers or levels of vibration. In fact, one might consider that the totality of God’s creation is a vast (but not unlimited) continuum of vibrations.

Visible light is simply part of a continuum of vibrations. Your eyes can see only one pocket of that continuum. Likewise, the material universe is simply one pocket in a larger continuum of vibrations. Your senses, and the lower consciousness of the carnal mind, can perceive and fathom only a small pocket of the continuum of vibrations that comprise God’s creation. That small pocket is what you call the material universe.

The only difference between visible light and invisible light is a difference in vibration. The only difference between the material universe and higher levels of God’s creation is a difference in vibration. The only difference between heaven and earth is a difference in vibration.

There are no impenetrable barriers in God’s continuum of vibrations. There is a dividing line between the vibrations of the material universe and the vibrations of the lowest level of the spiritual universe, the level that is right above the material universe in vibration. That dividing line is not an impenetrable barrier. However, your physical senses and the lower consciousness will never be able to cross that dividing line. Therefore, to the physical senses

and the lower consciousness, there seems to be a barrier between the material world and the spiritual world.

The dial of consciousness

However, you are much more than the physical body and the carnal mind. You might think of your consciousness as the dial on a radio receiver. You can turn the dial on the radio and tune in to different stations. What you experience as different stations are simply radio waves broadcast at different frequencies.

Your consciousness has the capacity to tune in to both the material universe and the higher universes in the spiritual world. Throughout the ages, numerous people have had mystical visions of higher worlds. Such visions have been the basis for virtually every religion or spiritual philosophy known to humankind.

Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God. Therefore, every human being has the capacity of consciousness to tune in to the spiritual worlds and have a direct, inner experience of those worlds and the reality of those worlds.

The only reason why you do not have direct perception of the spiritual world is that you have not yet learned to turn the dial of consciousness. Consider why it is so important to turn that dial and attain a direct experience of the spiritual reality?

Imagine that you meet someone in the marketplace who starts telling you about a wonderful new fruit that has recently been discovered. After hearing the description of the amazing properties and delicious taste, your first reaction is a question: "Where can I find this new fruit?"

It is a natural tendency of the human mind that when you hear about something desirable, you want to experience it for yourself. You are simply not satisfied by an image or description provided by a source outside yourself.

I am aware that as children many people were indoctrinated with the saying: "Curiosity killed the cat." I want you to understand that there is absolutely nothing wrong with the desire to experience something directly instead of relying on a mere description. God would not have it any other way. In fact, God himself embedded in your soul the curiosity and sense of longing that can never be satisfied by anything on this earth.

God created you in his image and likeness.

God is the ultimate joy, love and bliss.

God desired you to venture into the world of form that he has created. He desired you to experience and appreciate that world of form, but he never desired for you to become lost in that world a form. Therefore, your soul has a longing for something ultimate, something beyond. That longing is a longing for your Father in heaven. It is a longing to experience the totality of God's being, the memory of which you have embedded deep within your soul (God has written his law in your inward parts). You will never be fully satisfied, you will never be fully at peace, until you have the direct experience of God's unlimited being.

Nothing else will do.

Because God is the ultimate joy and love, why would God want his children to settle for anything less than the fullness of his being? Therefore, why would God create you in such a way that you could be satisfied by the things of this world? If your soul was satisfied by the conditions found on planet earth, you would never long for anything more. Therefore, you might become stuck at any level of the world of form. Obviously, a God of unlimited love and bliss would not want to see this happen. It is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Therefore, your soul will never be satisfied until you have a direct experience of God's being.

Seeing is more than believing

Back in the days of my mission on earth, I often rebuked my followers for showing a lack of faith. I even said: "Blessed are those who see not and yet believe." The reason was that back then the energies of planet earth were more dense than they are today. Therefore, it was far more difficult for people to turn the dial of consciousness and tune in to the spiritual world.

Another limiting factor was the lower state of consciousness of humankind. In other words, I was limited by the conditions found 2,000 years ago, and therefore I could not easily give people a direct inner experience of the spiritual side of life. I had to encourage them to start by believing in the reality of God, so that they could gradually raise their consciousness and eventually go beyond belief and have the direct experience.

Today, the equation has changed. Even though there are intense pockets of darkness on this planet, the planet as whole has progressed to a higher and purer vibration. At the same time, humankind's state of consciousness has been raised, in large part due to the seed of the living word that I planted 2,000 years ago, but also due to the striving of many sincere seekers found in all religions and cultures.

Therefore, my hands are no longer tied. I have more options than I had back then. Today, I can more easily take you beyond the consciousness in which you believe in me and believe in God. I want you to reach beyond the consciousness of belief and attain a higher state of consciousness based on direct knowledge. That state of consciousness is the state of inner knowing; the state of Gnosis. The consciousness of knowing is beyond faith, because it is beyond doubt.

Let us return to the example of you meeting a person who tells you about a new fruit. When you ask the person: "Where is it?" the person says that it can be found only on a remote continent. In other words, you simply cannot go there and see the fruit for yourself. You can choose to believe in the existence of the fruit, or you can choose not to believe. Even if you choose to believe, there will always be an element of doubt in your consciousness. After all, how can you really know that the fruit exists?

The simple fact of life is that you cannot know for sure until you experience it for yourself.

Time to go beyond faith

Both God and myself are clearly aware that there are many devout seekers on planet earth who are sincerely seeking God. Neither my Father, nor I, desire to see your efforts be in vain. We desire to see your efforts produce good fruit, the fruit of certainty, the fruit of knowledge. We desire to see you escape the consciousness in which your faith in God can be challenged by the arrows of doubt.

How could you possibly escape the state of consciousness that is vulnerable to doubt? You can do so only through a direct inner experience whereby you see the reality of God.

I am not in any way denouncing the value of faith. I am very well aware that for these past 2,000 years many sincere and wonderful souls have had a very strong faith in me and my Father. I truly want you to recognize that the faith held by so many devout Christians has been the major factor that has raised the consciousness of humankind as a whole. I commend you for your faith.

Yet, I must tell you that it is now time to go beyond faith. Faith was simply a tool for raising the consciousness of humankind to the next level. Planet earth is entering a new age in which people need to move beyond faith. You need to move into a state of consciousness in which your relationship to God, and your relationship to me, is no longer based on faith but on a direct inner experience; a direct personal communion.

Today, it is far easier for you to turn the dial of consciousness and tune in to the spiritual worlds in my Father's kingdom. If you want an outer proof of this, consider the millions of people who have had a spiritual vision as part of a near-death experience. Consider also the fact that many more people claim to have direct communion with the spiritual beings that inhabit my Father's kingdom. In fact, this site is another proof of the fact that I can now bring forth a more direct teaching than in the past.

Seek and you shall find

Once again, I am aware that some people will choose to cling to orthodox ideas and use them as an excuse for rejecting what I have stated here. Therefore, let us take another look at the scriptures and my life as Jesus of Galilee.

I stated earlier that I am amazed that so many people believe certain ideas about me. At the same time, I am amazed that there are so many logical questions that are not being asked by sincere Christians. After all, the fragmented account of my life found in the scriptures raises more questions than it answers.

Did I not say: "Seek and you shall find?"
Then, why are so many Christians afraid to seek?

Did I not say: "Ask and you shall receive (meaning that if you ask for knowledge and certainty, you shall indeed receive it)?"
Then, why are so many Christians afraid to ask?

Why are so many Christians holding on to beliefs and doctrines, when I and my Father are quite willing to give you knowledge and proof?

Are you afraid of knowing?

Do you fear that if you attain direct knowledge, you might have to let go of beliefs that make you feel comfortable?

Fear not, little flock; it is the Father's good pleasure to give you direct knowledge of his kingdom.

Why didn't Jesus write down his teachings?

Let us look at one of the questions that I would like all sincere Christians to consider. Some people claim that the historical Jesus was illiterate. Let me assure you, that I was in fact literate. Nevertheless, even if you doubt my personal literacy, many of the people around me were literate. With that in mind, consider the following question: "Why didn't Jesus himself write down his true teachings?"

If you take an objective look at modern Christianity, you will see that there are numerous sects and churches who cling to different interpretations of my teachings. Many of them even claim that their particular interpretation is the only true interpretation. Why didn't I simply avoid this confusion by writing down the true account of my life, so that there was no room for interpretation?

Let me begin by making one thing clear. No interpretation of my teachings could possibly be true to my teachings. There is simply no way to know the true teachings of Christ through any interpretation that has been affected by the lower state of consciousness; the carnal mind. Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven. The carnal mind cannot fathom the true spiritual teachings that I brought to this planet. Therefore, no human being could possibly provide an accurate and true interpretation of my teachings. There is no such thing as a true interpretation of my teachings.

There is only one way to know my true teachings, and that is to receive a portion of those teachings directly from me. No one else could possibly impart my true teachings to you. However, it is possible that a person could serve as a mouthpiece, or messenger, and deliver a morsel of my true teachings. It is possible that a person can raise his or her consciousness and receive elements of my true teachings through a direct inner experience. By having such a direct experience of the living word that I am, this person can serve as a messenger who brings forth a cup of my teachings, a cup of cold water in Christ's name. By doing so, the person can impart a portion of my true teachings without interpreting (and thereby distorting) those teachings.

In other words, if a person will make a sincere effort to raise his or her consciousness to the level of the Christ consciousness (even if the person has not yet permanently attained Christ consciousness), that person can serve as my mouthpiece; as my messenger.

Why didn't I write down my true teachings? Because I knew that any written account would be misused, misquoted, misrepresented, misunderstood, misinterpreted and any other kind of mis... that you could possibly imagine. If you will take an objective look at the historical facts of how the written account of my life has been butchered by church authorities who thought

they had the power to decide what people should know about me, you will agree that history has indeed proven me right.

You must receive my teachings directly from me

The real reason why I did not write down my teachings is that I intended to provide a way whereby people could receive those teachings directly from me.

Look at the early church that I established. I sent people out to preach my word. I did not send them out with a written account, so that they could read aloud from a predefined doctrine. Instead, I said to them: "Take no thought for what you shall say; it shall be given unto you." My early apostles and disciples did not give sermons by reading from a book and interpreting the words in that book. My early disciples and apostles preached by the power of the Holy Spirit. They did not deliver a fixed outer doctrine. They delivered the living word of Jesus Christ which I spoke to them directly in their hearts.

The reason why I created an organization without an official doctrine is very profound. I stated earlier that the door to our Father's kingdom is not the person of Jesus. The door to our Father's kingdom is a state of consciousness, namely the universal Christ consciousness.

Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven. There are people on this planet, even some who consider themselves spiritual teachers, who subscribe to the false belief that it is somehow possible to raise or perfect the carnal mind, the lower consciousness.

This is not so.

The lower consciousness must die before the soul can live forever in the light of Christ. There is no possibility of a compromise. You cannot take the carnal mind with you into my Father's kingdom. You must use your free will and make a conscious choice to surrender that lower mind and all of the erroneous beliefs that are propping up the tyrant which that lower mind truly is.

The only problem on earth

The only problem on planet earth today is that most people have descended or fallen into a state of consciousness in which they no longer have a direct perception of the spiritual side of life. In fact, many people have descended into a state of consciousness in which they no longer have any memory of their spiritual origin and their identity as spiritual beings. They literally believe that they are mortal, limited human beings who are confined to this material universe and that there is nothing beyond that material universe.

There is absolutely no way that a person can rise above the lower consciousness by using the energies found in the material universe. The lower consciousness is made from the vibrations of this universe. You simply cannot use those energies to build a stairway that will take you to heaven.

The ladder that Jacob climbed was not a ladder made from material energies. It was a ladder

made from spiritual energies, namely the Christ consciousness.

What I am trying to make you see here is that once you have descended into the lower state of consciousness, your soul has no way to free itself from that lower state of consciousness. You cannot pull yourself up by your own bootstraps. You cannot use the energies of the material universe to escape the lower consciousness. That is why virtually every religion known to humankind contains the concept of an outside savior.

When a person has descended into the lower consciousness, that person can only escape if a savior from the spiritual world comes into this world and imparts to the soul a cup containing the higher energies of the universal Christ consciousness.

The real savior is the universal Christ consciousness. That universal Christ consciousness was created by God at the very moment that God created the world of form. What I am saying here is that the universal Christ consciousness has existed since the beginning of time. In other words, it has existed for far more than 2,000 years.

I came to bring forth teachings about the universal Christ consciousness and to provide an example of a human being, in a physical body, who had united with that Christ consciousness.

I did not invent the Christ consciousness.

God did not create the Christ consciousness at my birth. The universal Christ consciousness has always existed, and it has always been available to human beings, because it truly is the open door which no human can shut.

The only way to salvation is that the soul must receive a portion of the universal Christ consciousness. That Christ consciousness then becomes the leaven that leavens the entire loaf of the persons consciousness.

Without the Christ consciousness, no flesh can be saved. That is why I created the ritual of breaking the bread of life. The bread of life is meant to represent the Christ consciousness. I broke that bread of life to my disciples, and I taught them to raise their consciousness so that they could break the bread of life to others.

This is the chain of discipleship that leads from my heart to your heart. I never intended for this chain to be broken. It was my intention that my disciples would impart the bread of life to others. That bread of life would then raise these people's consciousness until they attained a sufficient level of oneness with the Christ consciousness so that they in turn could impart the bread of life to others.

If that chain had never been broken, the living word that I brought would have continued to spread as rings on the surface of the ocean. If the chain had not been broken, the bread of life would long ago have been imparted to (or at least offered to) every human being on this planet. If my original vision had come to pass, I would not have been speaking to you through these outer teachings. I would have spoken to you directly in your own heart. You would have been able to hear me, and you would have known that it was I, your Jesus, who was speaking to you.

The living word of God

The bread of life that I came to bring was the word of God; the living word of God. In reality, the word of God is the soundless sound, and therefore it can never be spoken by the human tongue. You cannot hear the word of God with your ears, and you cannot understand it with the lower consciousness. However, you can hear the word of God in the stillness of your heart.

I did not come to bring an outer word that could be interpreted and misinterpreted by human beings in a lower state of consciousness. I did not come to bring an outer word that could be turned into a doctrine and used as a weapon to enslave the very people that I came to free. I did not come to create an outer institution, an outer church, that could be used as a weapon in the ongoing human power struggle. I did not come to create an institution through which a small elite of power-hungry people could exercise physical control and mind control over my brothers and sisters in spirit.

Because human beings have free will, and because some people chose to reject the bread of life, the living word, my original vision did not come to pass. Therefore, I am sad to say that for the past 2,000 years planet earth has not had a living church that imparted the living word in an unbroken chain. However, time is nothing but an illusion created by the lower mind.

Therefore, it is never too late to bring forth the living word or the living church. I do not desire to create a new church which will compete with the many existing churches who claim to be the only true church of Jesus Christ.

Instead, I desire to bring forth a new type of church, a type of church which is the only kind of church that could possibly be the true church of Jesus Christ. That type of a church is an inner church. It is a church built from the lively stones of the Christ flame that burns within your heart. It is a church made up of those who have the courage to reach beyond the lower consciousness. Those who have dared to consider what so many call blasphemy, namely that they too could embody the living word, as I did.

The word made flesh

So many people have wondered about the mystery of the word of God that became flesh. In reality, there is no mystery. The Bible itself records how God created the world. God said: "Let there be light."

God created by uttering a sound; a word.

Therefore, the entire universe is created from the word of God. Even this dense material world is the word of God made flesh. Without him was not anything made that was made. Without his word was not anything made that was made.

The problem on planet earth is not a real problem. In the mind of God, in the shining reality of God, the problem on planet earth simply does not exist.

Why? Because God knows that no matter what the outer appearances might be, everything is

made from God's own substance. Everything that exists is simply God who has taken on a disguise. The entire universe is God smiling to you behind a mask. Some masks look like heaven, and some look like hell, but they are all temporary disguises for the only reality there is: the living word of God.

The only reason why there is a problem on planet earth is that when a person falls into the lower state of consciousness, that person can no longer see that the material universe is an expression of God. What I am saying here is that you are not separated from God or from me. There are no real barriers between us.

The sense of separation is nothing but an illusion, a veil created by the denser energies of the material world which your physical senses and the carnal mind cannot see beyond. You are not separated from God; you only think you are separated from God.

The sense of separation exists only inside your mind. It can only continue to exist because you continue to give it power. It will cease to exist only after you come to a conscious realization that it is not real and that there truly is something beyond the material universe.

You can come to that realization only by having a direct perception of the spiritual world. You can have that direct perception only by raising your consciousness, by turning the dial of your conscious mind, so that you can tune in to the higher vibrations of the Christ mind. You can perceive the spiritual world only by looking through the open door of the Christ consciousness.

I am Jesus Christ, and I came to set you free. There is only one possible way by which I can set you free from the lower consciousness. I must impart to you a portion of the universal Christ consciousness with which I have united.

Your true identity

I want to make it very clear that I am an individual, just like you are an individual. I am a son of God, but I am not the only son or daughter of God. If God created you in his image and likeness, then you too must be a son or daughter of God. Without him was not anything made that was made, including you.

The only real difference between you and I is that I have realized and fully accepted my identity as a spiritual being who is created by God. I have come to this realization by letting go of the lower state of consciousness and by embracing the higher state of consciousness of the universal Christ mind. I have completely united with that Christ consciousness, and therefore I am and individualization of the universal Christ. That is why I can truly say: "I am the open door which no human can shut."

Yet, the very essence of my true teachings is that I was not created by God in the fullness of that Christ consciousness. I had to go through the exact same process, I had to follow the exact same spiritual path, that you are now in the process of following. I came to show you the way that you too can walk, and that you must walk if you want to go home to your Father's kingdom.

I know this concept is very difficult to accept for many Christians who have grown up with the current beliefs about me being the only son of God. Therefore, let us reason together. Consider the question: "Do you believe God is evil?"

If you consider yourself a Christian, I am sure your answer is: "No!" Then, think a little bit further and consider if the following scenario makes sense to you:

God created you as a sinner and sent you to an imperfect planet, called earth. As you are wallowing in misery and suffering, God sends you a person, called Jesus Christ, who is the embodiment of God's perfection. This Jesus is the only son of God, and God sent him into this world so that by seeing the perfection of Jesus, you could come to fully realize your own miserable state of imperfection (a state which God created). The coming of Jesus could only be designed to make you feel like a miserable sinner who could never possibly attain to the perfection you saw in Jesus Christ.

If you follow this line of reasoning, you will see that there is only one logical conclusion. If indeed I was the only son of God, then God must be a very strange, and almost evil, God. Because sending someone into the world to show you something that you could not possibly attain would be an evil act. Why would God want you to feel like a miserable sinner who could never possibly deserve to sit at the right hand of God?

If God created you in his image and likeness, and if God is a benevolent God, then God's only desire for you is to see you escape the temporary prison of mortality and limitation. God wants you to come home to your home of light in his own kingdom.

Therefore, does it not seem logical that a true God would provide a way for you to climb back into his kingdom? And does it not seem logical that God would send me not as an exception, but as an example of the path that all other sons and daughters of God can follow on their way home to their Father's kingdom?

I desire you to go deep within your heart and with an open mind consider these ideas. If you will dare to look beyond the doctrines and dogmas that are full of dead men's bones, I Jesus promise you that I will reveal to you the truth about these matters. I will reveal this truth in your own heart. If you will ask me with an open heart that truly desires to know the truth, I will prove to you, through a direct inner experience, that it is the universal Christ Consciousness, and not the outer person of Jesus, who is the truth, the way and the life.

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