
A REVOLUTION Is What's Called For Here

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There are those who thought that on The Big Day, December 21, 2012, the world would end. It did not. Indeed, little has changed, and that is the greatest sadness. After all the hype and all the hope, little seems to have changed. It is still true that the life we have created for ourselves on this earth is not working.

Not one of the systems we have put into place in our world is functional—not the political, not the economical, not the ecological, not the educational, not the social, and not the spiritual. None of them are producing the outcomes we say we want. In fact, it's worse. They are producing the outcomes we say we don't want.

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When even those who should be happy by any reasonable measure are also not happy, there's got to be a serious systemic problem in humanity's culture. You know that the formula is askew when even if the formula is working, *it's not*; when even if everything's going right, *something is wrong*.

What *is* wrong here? Do we dare to ask? How is it possible for 7 billion on the earth to all want the same thing and to be unable to get it? We all want survival, safety, security, peace, prosperity, opportunity, health, happiness, and love. Yet we seem utterly unable to produce it for any but the tiniest minority of us—even after trying for thousands of years.

Is it possible that there is something we don't fully understand about God and about Life, the understanding of which would change everything? Is it possible that there is something we don't understand about *ourselves*, and about who we are, the understanding of which would alter our lives forever for the better?

Yes. The answer is yes. Ours is not a dumb species. We have put a man on the moon. We have unlocked the secrets of the human genome. We have discovered how to take stem cells and coax them into becoming brain cells, heart muscle, liver tissue—any organ of the human body that needs repair.

These are our miracles, and there are more. Yet we have not yet found a way to do the simplest things: To live in peace. To stop killing each other when we disagree. To distribute that which is good in life freely and fairly. To use the resources of the planet wisely. To simply be *happy* on a personal level, free of daily struggle, free of constant mental anguish, and open to the wonders and the glory of life.

What's up? For heaven sake, what's going on here?

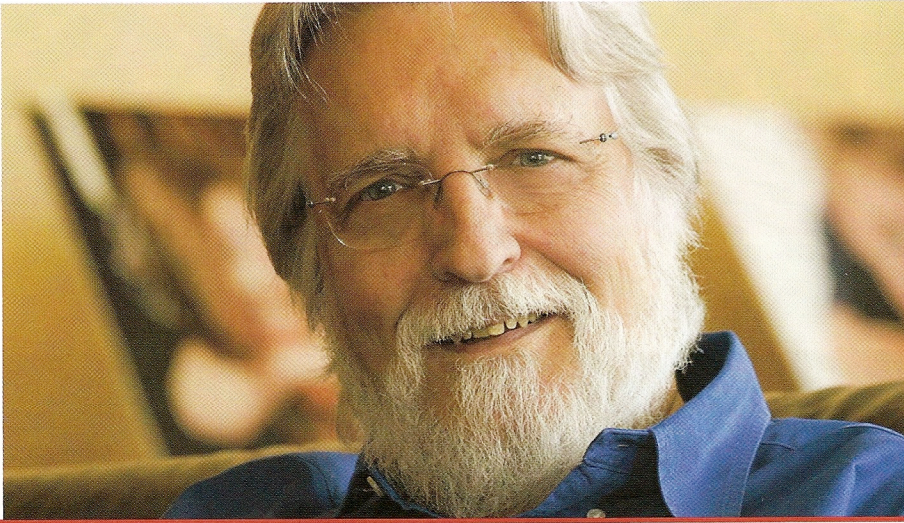
What's going on is that our most fundamental ideas about life are not serving us. They never have. But now, with our advances in communication and technology, the situation has become critical—for our *mechanisms* have outrun our *mentality*.

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And so we find ourselves trying to solve the dilemmas of tomorrow with the solutions of yesterday. We are caught in a trap, a cycle, in which we keep trying to solve the world's problems at every level—except the level at which the problems exist.

The problems in the world today are not political problems, they are not economic problems, and they are not military problems. The problems in the world today are *spiritual* problems. They have to do with what people *believe*. They have to do with our most fervently held thoughts and ideas about Life, about God, and most of all, about *ourselves*, and our very reason for living.

And herein lies the biggest mistaken notion: We think that life is about get the girl, get the guy, get the car, get the job, get the house, get the kids, get the better job, get the better car, get the better house, get the promotion, get the office in the corner, get the kids on their way, get the grandkids, get the retirement watch, get the cruise tickets, get the illness, and get the heck out.



That's it. That's a good life.

But life has nothing to do with any of that. That is not our purpose in living. That is not the Agenda of the Soul.

Each of us has a Soul. But no one has stopped to tell us what the Soul is in the world to do. Or if they have told us, they've given us incomplete information—for example, that our job is to get back to God.

That is not our job. We couldn't get *back* to God if we wanted to, because we never *left* God. God is everywhere, and exists in us, through us, as us. Our "job," our intention as spiritual beings in a body, is to express our true nature—to fully know ourselves as expressions and individuations of the Divine. We are aspects of Divinity, in the process of knowing ourselves experientially.

All those other things mentioned a moment ago are simply ways to experience that. And some people experience Divinity without doing any of those things. We see, then, that this agenda is *The Only Thing That Matters*. When we pay full attention to this, all the good that life has to offer, in its endless forms, comes to us automatically. Someone else, much more eloquent than I will ever be, put this perfectly: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and all these things will be added unto you."

Yet how can we be motivated to seek first the Kingdom of God when we keep hearing such terrifying or totally unacceptable things about God?

What is needed today is for all of us to work to change the world's mind about God. Why? How does God fit into all of this? Is it not true that a significant percentage of the world's people, for reasons just given, don't even believe in God?

Yes. Yet it is also true that virtually all of the civil laws in all of the world's societies are based on what humanity, in the earliest days, believed to be God's Law.

Look at the history of civil laws in our world and the source from which they emerged, and you will see that the vast majority of them arose directly from, or were based in principle on, Roman Canon Law, or the laws of other religious origin. Sharia is another

notable example. Some of our earliest codes of ethics in the so-called Western World are little more than a rewriting of the Ten Commandments. Eastern legal constructions likewise arise out of the earliest spiritual traditions and understandings.

It is demonstrable and observable that our morals are based on our earliest spiritual beliefs. Matters of the Mind in no small measure have reflected matters of the Soul.

And so I make this bold statement:

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We crave, we deeply yearn for, release from the limitations of a dogma that declares

separation, disunity, and judgment to be the essential condition of life. Years ago I was asked on NBC's *The Today Show* what God's message to the world was. I answered in five words: YOU'VE GOT ME ALL WRONG.

I am inviting people everywhere to join now this Civil Rights Movement for the Soul and help move the messages about our true nature and our true purpose into the marketplace of ideas, then place them on the ground through local community-level projects, programs, and platforms rendering the remarkable ideas of today's New Spirituality (which is based on the unity of everything) functional in daily life.

This is the work of Humanity's Team, a global network of persons committed to creating a grassroots movement producing a newer world based on releasing old ideas about God and Life and who we are in relationship to Deity and to each other.

If you would like to join in helping to create this spiritual renewal for our planet, your energy is awaited and welcomed at HumanityTeam.org.

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