

Article 373: Thy Soul -part 1

The original Hebrew term for soul meant a breathing creature ...as in Genesis in which “God breathed the breath of life into Adam and he became a “living soul”. The Hebrew term for soul indicates your essence and inner nature ...and also your entire personality ...or all that pertains to you. Early Hebrews were living bodies, they did not have bodies. Soul is spirit ...as opposed to material. Soul is the person you are but it's not you. Soul, in the form of god, proceeds from god. Soul is a living being ...and is the seat of desires and aversions, feelings, and affection. Soul is moral. Soul does not dissolve at death, ...and freed from the perishable body ...it is a disembodied soul. Soul is your principle of life, actually it is life itself. Your body is perishable ...while your soul is everlasting. In this paragraph, I've said “soul” twelve times ...and you don't have the slightest idea what I'm speaking of, but whatever soul is, since I've declared that *your soul is everlasting* ...you want one, ...right?

People who language soul with you will declare, in one form or another, “It is impossible to define soul ...or even say what soul is, besides,” these individuals frequently say, “any such definition would be an intellectual process ...and soul remains above any such process,” ...then these same people continue speaking about soul without being able to tell you what they are talking about, ...but don't worry, at the first opportunity, these same people will turn into authors and write a book about soul without ever knowing or telling you what soul is ...or what they are writing about.

Consider the following statements about soul: it is your soul that makes you human, ...actually, it is when you are most human that you have the greatest access to your soul; honor your soul's dramatic ways of expressing itself; physical symptoms portray what your soul is doing; observing how your soul is manifesting itself will enrich you; pay close attention to how your soul functions ...and manifests in your life; your everyday decisions either support and work with your soul ...or disturb and interfere with your soul, ...therefore it is best to shape and live your life for the good of your soul. Have you listened carefully to these statements? ...all of which seem reasonable about soul, ...wouldn't you agree? ...yet there is a disturbing commonality running through these statements, ...do you know what that commonality is?

Well, here are a few more soul-statements to consider: it is never too-early or too-late to care for your soul; cultivate, tend to, participate in, and enjoy the gifts of the soul; fulfilling and rewarding work, enriching relationships, purpose and empowerment, and relief from problems and ailments are all gifts from your soul; troubles are due to loss of soul, ...therefore, bring soul back into your life ...and enter into the wonder and mysteries of your soul.

Have you discovered the language-commonality in these statements about soul? ...or maybe in the following statements: by doing evil or wrong, or

by trying to avoid errors or failures, you move beyond the reach of your soul; leaving matters to fate ...or even to destiny disowns your soul; and regard your soul with an open heart and mind. Have you done your soul-work ...and listened carefully to what is said but not said?

Listen carefully! ...your soul makes you human, your soul's dramatic ways of expressing itself, what your soul is doing, how your soul is manifesting itself, and how your soul functions ...and manifests in your life all indicate that *soul is other than you* ...and is functioning separately from you, ...however, since your everyday decisions either support and work with your soul ...or disturb and interfere with your soul, it is best to shape and live your life for the good of your soul.

In language, to care for your soul makes soul other than you; the gifts of your soul flow from a separate soul; bringing soul back into your life is a separate action; doing things beyond the reach of your soul makes soul separate and independent; even the actions of disowning your soul ...or regarding your soul with an open heart and mind creates soul as separate. You cannot language about soul without making everything you say separate or other than you, ...yet, you depend upon soul *being you* ...so that when you die and your soul continues ...you live on. Unfortunately, any speaking or thinking of *your soul* only conveys other than you, ...see what language does to your soul? ...in this languaged world ...that is.

Also in language, your desire to be or possess a personal soul ...so you can live beyond death also maintains you and your soul as separate and different ...and if your soul, which is not you, survives your death ...then you do not survive death ...and everything you hope for is lost from you.

There is something very peculiar in all of this, ...could it be that, despite the fact that language misrepresents sequential as cause and effect, language distorts meaning into meaningful, misinforms you about "truth", limits and depowers you by creating opposing dualities, imposes judgments on you, and ...well, despite these and many other faults of language ...including, especially, the false underlying structure of language, there is one overlooked aspect of language which correctly represents the universe you live in? ...and that is that *the universe IS a universe of individual "things" interacting with other individual things*, ...and of course, these individual things interact in a single quiescent field of mind, ...but it is the epitome of foolishness to believe that oneness is the exaltation of life; ...individuality is the excellence and Godliness of life!

With this awareness in mind, realize that there is no life in undifferentiated-oneness ...in fact, undifferentiated-oneness is so abhorrent to the universe that it is not permitted to action; ...you cannot become one with your higherself or God ...or with your soul, ...which means that at death you

die ...you do not live on, ...however, the data and information which is you ...which you have lived into your soul lives on everlastingly, ...in other words, you don't actually live on ...but you do!

The only problem with this image is that you still have no idea of what soul is ...or what *your soul* is, so lets individualize and particularize soul as eternal privilegedbeings who choose how they will be alive, ...and you are an image, a picture, or a dreamlike-self in mindform of a privilegedbeing. It is more appropriate to declare that *you do not have a soul, a soul ...or privilegedbeing has you ...in mind*. Having properly separated you and "things", we can now know and speak clearly of the eternal privilegedbeing that is mindforming you; ...all these awarenesses and particulars are available to you ...simply because, *before you became ...a privilegedbeing (soul) was ...and after you leave ...a privilegedbeing (soul) will eternally be.*

You have unique offerings for the world of privilegedbeings.