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Christ vs. a n t i c h r i s t (or 10 Things to Know About the Antichrist)

Ok, I lied. There is no list of 10 things. Marketing manuals tell you to make lists of things to grab an audience. I don't know why this is so appealing to an audience.

Maybe it is because people know that lists are usually sound bites, and no one has any attention span these days, so they know it will be a quick read. Well, don't despair, if you are one of these "speed readers", because, even though this "list" is a fabrication to grab your attention, I will still entertain you with Tales of the Antichrist, and it will be short because there is no such person.

There are many warnings of a very scary dude in the Bible, with seven heads and ten horns and such, but if you look at it more closely, you realize that the name "antichrist" is never capitalized, as are all the proper names in the Bible. And, the reason is because it is not a proper name for any person. The antichrist is not a person. If not a person, then what is "it"? Very good question.

After a lifetime studying the Ageless Wisdom Teachings (an enormous pile of esoteric wisdom from the beginning of time, that is SLOWLY becoming exoteric as we take certain leaps forward in consciousness), I have learned that the antichrist is an energy. It is a destructive force which sweeps away the old junk we don't need any more, and which will not do us justice in the future. Think "greedy, selfish, excess materialism" and you will be on the right track. It paves the way for the new time of sharing and true brotherhood. The antichrist energy is embodied by some individuals in a very powerful way, such as Hitler, but it is NOT a person. There is no person in the past that you can point to and say he was the antichrist (you CAN say he was BAD, however). But you CAN point to Jesus Christ and say that He was the Christ.

I look at it this way. I see LIFE as this ONE STREAM of energy. It encompasses EVERYTHING. It is like a very long road. On one end of the road you have these gorgeous Alp-like mountains and green valleys, with crisp blue skies and Christopher Plummer singing Edelwiess . On the other end you have a smoking hot desert with sand storms and scorpions. We are all on this road SOMEWHERE, jumping around on our pogo sticks. Most of us are somewhere in the middle of the road. Some jump a bit sideways on their pogo sticks and end up flirting with those sassy scorpions, and others become airborne in the other direction, close enough to wave to Mother Theresa who is sipping chai on the lovely mountainside. But ultimately, it doesn't matter where your pogo stick lands or how long you keep pogo sticking in that one spot, because we are all heading up-road whether we like it or not. Some of us are just rather pokey about it and some are seriously impatient with the process. These folks have pogo sticks made by Tesla.

So, what's the point of this ridiculously this long road anyway? Why not just hitch a ride on one of those Tesla Pogo Sticks? Well, it seems to be this way: the GREAT PLAN involves evolution of planet earth - which is a big hefty piece of matter (with all its inhabitants, who are hugely obsessed with matter). We are lagging behind our fellow planets in the solar system, like Mars and Venus. We are not allowed to hang out on Mars or Venus because of this one little problem - we are unevolved and spend all of our time in one enterprise of war or another. The way to get this planet, and all of us, to evolve enough so that we can fraternize with those wonderfully mature Space Brothers, is to learn to "Spiritualize Matter". Say what? Spiritualize Matter. It means we need to

find a way for all of our structures to become Divine. Our economic, social and political structures, to name a few. And of course our environment. Can't forget our poor little abused planet. You might imagine the difficulty of this when we have a system of red tape such as exists on planet earth, at the present time. You can kind of look at this red tape like a piece of twine wrapped around a rock placed at the beginning of a path in a Japanese garden. The Japanese consider this twine wrapped rock a sign not to enter the path. Well, the red tape in our lives may not mean stop, but it certainly means, "maybe not in your lifetime"! Hence the LONG road. It takes time to sort out our messes, come to terms with our glammers and beat that self-centered personality into submission. Consequently it takes time for ourselves and our planet to shine.

Not only does the red tape slow us down from our attempts to make all of our structures Divine and lock that antichrist energy in the basement, but so does the sheer number of ways we get to (have to!) practice making matter spiritual. Let's just take one example. Suppose the opportunity you have in front of you in this particular life involves taking your talent with numbers and finance (matter) and spiritualizing it. Does spiritualizing it mean putting all the billions you have earned, as the result of your talents, into a golden box in that Swiss bank? Or does it mean sharing those billions with the needy in the world? Can you see the temptation here, which could slow things down for you even more than your run-ins with red tape?

This problem of overcoming greed and self-absorption, maybe even self-aggrandizement (which are all shades of the antichrist - sorry) could follow you through many lifetimes and keep you pogo sticking in the sand storms for some time. But, this seems to be the only way to reach a good solid seat on the mountain top with other Christ infused and Christ animated people - keep sloggin' away at these pesky shortcomings until your inner light begins to shine. And the cool thing is, once your light begins to shine and you start to give up your warring and selfish ways, then you become a beacon for the guy behind you. And pretty soon you feel yourself being pulled along by the light shining down on you from Christopher Plummer with his guitar. And evolution becomes possible. Even a visit with the Christ Himself (the Head of our Spiritual Hierarchy) becomes possible, especially since He is our biggest cheerleader, and wants nothing more than to see us reach the summit on our pogo sticks. So, if you are worried about the antichrist, all you have to do is make those cupcakes Divine, and make your garden Divine, and make your life's work and your relationships Divine (including with your teenagers!), and everything else Divine, and by doing this you get to say, "Hasta la vista, baby" to that antichrist energy and pat yourself on the back for a job well done (but that's another life trying to rid yourself of pride)!

Don't ask me why we have to leave our cushy SOURCE up in the clouds in the first place (as inherently Divine beings) and pop down here on this long road (wearing a brown paper wrapper) with the task of spiritualizing matter, when it seems like God could just wiggle his nose like Samantha on Bewitched, and make it all happen for us. Maybe it has something to do with free will. Who knows? That's a big question, requiring a big answer, making it unfit for those with no attention span. Anyway, don't

think i'm going to solve all the mysteries of the world for you in this silly soundbite with a fake list.

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