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## WORKING WITH EMOTIONS

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**Group question:** Our question today concerns the concept of the emotions. A couple of months ago Q'uo described emotions as the thinking of the deep mind and said something about how we might be able to utilize our emotions in our spiritual evolution, and we would like for Q'uo to elaborate a little bit more on that today.

*(Carla channeling)*

We are those known to you as the principle Q'uo. Greetings in the love and in the light of the one infinite Creator. We thank you for calling us to your session of working this day. It is a great blessing to us to be able to speak with you on the subject of the emotions and their role in working to accelerate the rate of your spiritual and mental evolution. It is our privilege to be able to address this subject, but, as always, we ask that you refrain from following our suggestions without careful thought. For what we have to offer are opinion and consideration, which we are glad to share with you as long as you understand that we are not authorities. We would not wish to be taken as authorities, for we are your brothers and sisters who walk the same dusty path that you do.

There is an irresistible pull to evolution. There is implicit in the structure of each density every potential outworking of every energy within that density. In a universe of builded light the subtleties are endless and, at the same time, progress through the gradually ascending densities is inevitable and irresistible. The only question that each entity faces is, "How quickly do I wish to progress?" There is no question that you will progress. It is as necessary to our nature to progress as it is for the iron to be drawn to the magnet. It is understandable that you might doubt this, for you see instances of your own lack of perceived progress, and you see apparent lapses in progression on the part of those with whom you come in contact. When these lapses are perceived it is easy to become discouraged, but we would encourage each of you to meet these judgmental feelings about the self and others with the courage of your conviction that all is proceeding according to an unseen plan.

You are, little by little and step by step, gaining in experience and awareness, and each of you is on a path of strong progression. As time goes on, we encourage each of you to come into a fuller understanding of the meaning of imperfection. It was not intended that third density be an illusion in which any conscious seeker after truth could honestly perceive the self as perfect. It was, in fact, designed into third-density experience that from beginning to end each person's personal experience will include perceptions of the self as being subtly or grossly imperfect, not once, not twice, not three times, but seven times and seven times seven. In other words, cyclically, without an end, throughout the incarnational experience.

This would seem to be a recipe for discouragement, heavy heartedness, and feelings of hopelessness. And yet the actual intent is the opposite. You see as the spirit awakens, this process of spiritual and mental evolution begins to accelerate. Whereas before awakening you were content to skate upon the surface of life as though it were a pond, once you have awakened you are aware of and drawn to the depths of each present moment. The profundities, implications, resonances and overtones of each present moment are infinite. The learning in each present moment is potentially infinite. The gateway to intelligent infinity lies within each present moment. As the spirit awakens it

becomes gradually more able to hear the far more complex symphony of messages that are coming in within each present moment.

The resulting weight of experience can be crushing, and, typically, the spiritual seeker will scramble for a way to control this process, which seems too chaotic to be useful. The first defense of an entity which wishes to control experience is the analytical, logical, reasoning mind. There is the desire to get hold of the experience, to rationalize it, and to understand the workings of it by analysis and logic. Great religious systems have been built which encourage and structure such intellectual and logical analysis of experience. We offer, for instance, the Buddhist, the yogic, and the Taoist systems of study, learning and worship as those systems which are primarily designed to utilize the intellect and the faculties of reason and logic in becoming able to distance the self from those things which are occurring to the self and which the self is feeling. We call this basic approach the way of wisdom. It has many advantages for the seeker, and for those who are unable to move directly to working with the emotions we encourage the pursuit of such study. For it does accelerate, to some extent, the evolution of spirit and mind. However, the way of wisdom as a general discipline—and here we over-generalize for effect—is a way of remaining comfortable while learning, thus obviating the main thrust of the third-density experience.

There is another way to look at this process of learning from experience, and that is, shall we say, the way of the open heart, or the way of love. The religion which is known to this group as Christianity is a system of study, learning and worship which moves along this path of love or the path of the open heart. And it encourages the utilization of emotion. Now, let us look at why this might be. What are emotions exactly?

If you can gaze at the panoply<sup>1</sup> and scope of your life experience, you can see a definite progression and coherent trail of emotions that are difficult and emotions that are wonderful. Both kinds of emotions have cropped up within the life experience in response to the difficulties and challenges of the incarnation and in response to the gifts and joys that are spontaneously given to the heart, whether it be the song of a bird, the smile of a child, a thought that is read in a favorite book or any other thing which has enlarged joy and encouraged faith within you as a spiritual seeker. For the most part it may well seem that the difficult emotions—anger, guilt, remorse, fear, grief, jealousy, pride, alienation—are very much in the majority, and that the joyful emotions are given out with the miser's hand. And, indeed, this seems unfair. What is the justification for the surfeit of suffering that each awakening spiritual seeker seems to face?

Life is energy. Progress within life is a shift in energies. Everything that you do and everything that you think creates a certain vibrational energy, and the summation of all of these processes of energy changes and exchanges within your life represent an energy system or field that has a certain strength. To an awakened seeker who is pursuing the way of wisdom these energies move in a spontaneous manner and the seeker's goal is, more or less, to allow them to proceed. This allows the seeker to remain relatively peaceful and comfortable. However, this also creates a stiffness and resistance within the process of transformation, and this is where we get into what emotions are.

If the way of wisdom contains a linear structure so that one can follow one's processes and talk logically about them, it also holds the energy within the higher chakras or energy centers. Working with wisdom is not working with [the]heart [energy center] or with the lower energies but, rather, largely, the indigo-ray, and to some extent, the blue-ray energy centers. While it is good to do work in consciousness in this manner it is also somewhat imbalanced because there is no encouragement of the flow of energy through the system but, rather, the holding of energy in the higher chakras. Conversely, when one is working in the way of the open heart one is constantly faced with the entire spectrum of self, from the lowest and most primitive emotion, the desire for survival, the desire for sexual reproduction, the desire for food and safety, upwards throughout the system, touching all of the energy centers, rising as high as indigo ray, but again and again springboarding from the heart. So that instead of the seeker moving into and maintaining as a steady state reliance on the higher chakras, the seeker in the way of love has released the preference for work in the higher energy centers and has accepted the self as a full energy system and reconfigured the goal from staying in the higher energies to accelerating the flow of energy throughout the entire system. Instead of a safe but somewhat turgid and slow-moving path of energy refinement, the brothers and sisters of the open heart

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<sup>1</sup> A panoply is a complete and dazzling array.

are attempting to take the whole self as it is and, through blind faith alone and the processes of self-acceptance and self-forgiveness, blessing, forgiving, redeeming, transforming and offering each and every emotion and sensation to the one infinite Creator.

This invigorates, energizes and enlivens the entire system. It is as if the owner of an automobile began running the engine through its paces in such a way that it began to burn off the carbon from the valves. The way of wisdom collects detritus, shall we say, the carbon on the valves that is not easily dealt with from the way of wisdom. The way of love is a rough and tumble way in comparison, but it also is the faster and cleaner way to use the energy system of the body, mind and spirit. For the emotions that are the responses to catalyst are the shadows, symbols, or increasingly as one progresses, the essence of deep and purified rivers of energy that abide within what your psychologists would call the unconscious mind. At the roots of consciousness lie rivers of purified emotion that are as gems, perfectly and regularly refracting from the white light of unlimited energy the colorations of energy which are called emotion, which express essences which the Creator has previously learned about Itself. These essences are as great truths into which the seeker taps, however imperfectly and however distortedly, as it moves through catalyst and encounters difficulties and meets challenges.

Each has felt those moments when a tiny thing triggered a massive flood of emotion. And when this occurs it is an excellent signal from the self to the self that here is a gift that is imperfectly seen, perhaps, but that is real. This moves into the experience as a done thing, as something that is felt, not created. Emotions are messages from the unconscious or deeper self to the conscious self.

Now, there are various levels of messages and various layers to emotions. It is not a simple practice to enter into one's emotions and to attempt to come into a deeper understanding of the heart of those emotions, not simply what triggered the emotion, but what kind of emotion it essentially is and what challenge it represents. In this wise it is often helpful to think of the centers of energy within the physical body, for difficult emotions often can be placed within certain energy centers and can be seen as messages expressing to the heart the need for working with those aspects of those emotions which are disturbing in such a way as to be able to balance and clarify those feelings. For there is a deeper truth within each emotion. The key to working on emotions is to realize the seat of emotion, shall we say, as being the green-ray energy center or heart chakra.

If one attempts to work with blocked and negative emotions from the energy in which they originate without moving into the heart chakra there is little chance or opportunity for self-forgiveness. Therefore, while it is very important to assess and evaluate such negative emotions as probably stemming from certain energy centers it is well to model the working with these essential and energetic nexi which are emotions with the model of keeping the energy in flow, moving again and again into the heart chakra and resting in that primary emotion which is called faith.

There is a deep well of emotion whose basic goal is to move all entities into unconditional love. It is towards unconditional love that the path of your spiritual evolution is irresistibly moving. This unconditional love is the most universal and powerful emotion and, indeed, is all that there is. In other words, the Logos Itself, the one great original Thought, is a purified emotion. It is not a thought precisely. A thought is linear. An emotion is global, universal, round, three-dimensional. It does not climb. It rolls. It does not fall. It continues to roll. Nothing can knock out the force of emotion. Indeed, it is that to which each must come in order to be able to graduate into the density of love which is your next experience.

Consequently, it is simply more efficient to choose the way of the heart, in our opinion, and to see the goal, when working with difficulty, [to lie] not in achieving happiness, peace, or content, but rather, simply in continuing to accelerate the pace of spiritual and mental evolution. The energy of the open heart is open-ended. It does not attach [itself to] an outcome. It simply seeks greater openness of self and a greater ability to allow these rising emotions to do the work of the refiner's fire. The seeker who has faith in the way of love has faith that no matter what comes she will be able to survive it. That no matter how much various difficulties cause suffering and pain she will be able to use those difficulties to refine those rivers of emotion that are rising to consciousness.

It is a bumpier and rougher ride to seek the way of the open heart than to seek the way of wisdom. It is a way which invokes faith without proof, reason or logic. There is no attempt to justify hardship, but neither is there the attempt to disempower hardship by rising above it. Rather, the way of the open heart is the way of vulnerability, of remaining open and weak in the face of strong and sometimes painful feelings. And, yet, because it sees the whole of imperfect selfhood as a beautiful and perfect thing in all its paradox, it is the wiser path for your density. There is time enough to learn wisdom once you have learned to love fearlessly, to meet each moment with an open and unguarded heart.

This entity has experienced two pure emotions that it consciously knows of: grief and love. Neither experience shall ever be forgotten. When the seeker touches the heart of an emotion and it resonates purely, it is a life-changing event. Never again will grief lay waste to this instrument as it did before it experienced pure grief. And we might say that this is so for each shade of emotion, each tributary of each river of purified essence.

When each of you staggers under the load of difficult emotion, we can only ask you to think on what you basically believe to be true about your incarnational experience. If you believe that your life makes sense, and this we truly believe is so, then you are able to see that each difficult emotion is a gift from the self to the self of the truth of what that self is processing at the moment and of its relationship to the deeper truths within. If the seeker can believe that the life makes sense, then there is that faith which can be called upon, that faith that says, "My life does make sense. These difficulties have a reason for being there. They are my way of learning past this moment." Then the seeker has a reason to work with these challenging and difficult feelings, to allow and even to encourage their movement through the energy system.

It may help, as it does this instrument, to think of the heart as a seat which contains deity so that there is, in emotions brought to the heart, a place where they can be laid [down] and given away to the one infinite Creator. For many times emotions are overpowering and there is literally no way to do anything with them except to offer them up. But if they are offered up in faith, this, too, is working with emotions in the heart center and is part of work well done.

This instrument is informing us that we need to end our initial message, and we do so in hopes that we have given you some food for thought that may give you some comfort as well as some resources. We would at this time transfer this contact to the one known as Jim. We are known as those of Q'uo and leave this instrument with thanks in love and in light.

*(Jim channeling)*

I am Q'uo, and greet each again in love and in light through this instrument. It is our privilege at this time to offer ourselves in the attempt to answer any further queries which may yet remain upon the minds of those present. Is there another query at this time?

**R:** I have two. In your talk you said the gateway to intelligent infinity is present in every moment. Would you state that in other words to help me find entry into it?

I am Q'uo, and am aware of your query, my brother. By that statement we mean to say that each moment contains not only love but perfection. If one were to investigate all of the energies that have added themselves into that time period which you call the present moment, if you were able to investigate your own experience leading up to that moment, any such moment would offer you the opportunity of making contact with the one Creator, of experiencing the full presence of the one Creator. Thus, the use of catalyst is the variable which offers to each entity more or less of this opportunity to realize the perfection and the love contained in each moment. Thus, if one is able to fully utilize the catalyst that is presented to one, at any time that one is able to do this the doors to infinity open for you.

Is there another query, my brother?

**R:** Yes. I will have to think about that. The other question concerns another term that you have used and that is the purified emotion, and I would like to ask you to restate that in other terms.

I am Q'uo, and am aware of your query, my brother. The purified emotion is closely related to that which we spoke of in your first query, and this is the untangling process which each of you goes through as you utilize the catalyst which is given to you in your daily round of activities. As you are able to see where catalyst originates, to see its effect upon you, to see your response to it, to see those responses which you have made previously—this ability to see the nature of your experience is also the process of untangling those emotions which are fused together, perhaps in a confusing fashion, so that you are able to separate anger from jealousy, from disappointment, from doubt, from hilarity, from rage, from all the various sources which may be a portion of your experience, so that when you have discovered the sources of your feelings you will have found the various threads that together form the fabric or tapestry of your lives. You will see what part each emotion plays. A purified emotion is an emotion that stands alone, that is itself pure, that has one source and one effect in your being. It is not blended with any other emotion. It is not confused with any other emotion. It is, itself, a thing in itself.<sup>2</sup>

Is there another query, my brother?

**R:** Is this purified emotion a reflection of the love and the light that is the universe?

I am Q'uo, and am aware of your query, my brother. We may further confuse you by suggesting that [in coming to experience] the love and the light that each so values as fundamental portions of this experience that each shares, the purified emotion occurs as that kind of feeling that is so basic within one that one is able to see the ramifications of this feeling, its source, its object, its effect, its continued presences within one. And there is a kind of satisfaction that comes from so seeing an emotion that will, indeed, reflect to you increased amounts of love and light. However, the purified emotion is, shall we say, a joy in that there is no confusion any longer as to its nature.

Is there a further query, my brother?

**R:** No. Thank you. I don't mind being confused, and I appreciate your attempt to make sense with words. That is very difficult.

I am Q'uo, and we thank you also for your ability to perceive the difficulty that each of us has with the word description of experience.

Is there another query at this time?

**Carla:** I have two questions from P that I would like to read. "Somehow, the year 2000 tripped a switch in me and I have been on quite an emotional rollercoaster, and I don't know where these deep feelings of anxiety come from, but I would say that they are blocking love from my heart. The anti-anxiety drug seems to have kicked in for the meantime, giving me much needed relief."

I am Q'uo, and we believe that we grasp the nature of this query. The feelings that one has about an event, or a person, or an experience such as the year that you have numbered 2000 may be investigated by the entity that so values it in order to see what value one has given to it. Look, then, within you to see each aspect of this event, this year, that has meaning for you. Dissect it, if you can, with pen and paper. Look to the essay, the driving out of the meaning within that you may not consciously be aware of. Make a list of those qualities that you feel are unique to this year 2000. Beside each quality give your emotional response, that which you feel about this quality. Take this list as that which you then remove yourself into meditation to consider. Look deeply at each quality, each emotional response and to their summation as well. Then you, yourself, shall find the triggers that have opened in your mental and emotional and, perhaps, spiritual energy systems, the torrent of emotions that now move through you. As you are able to untangle these various sources and qualities of emotion and experience then you will be able to see more clearly the power that you have given to this event and its effect upon you.

Is there another query, my sister?

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<sup>2</sup> In philosophy, a "thing in itself" has meaning, and a fancy name, "Ding an sicht." A ding an sicht, or thing in itself, is an entity apart from any dependence on context.

**Carla:** Yes. His second question: “I would also like to ask what might be the effect of the May 5th planetary alignment and whether that might affect one’s emotions?”

I am Q’uo, and am aware of your query, my brother. Again, we would recommend the same process be used for this event as well, for each of us creates the fabric of our experience by the expectations that we hold for certain kinds of events, of experiences, and of people. There are within each of us preconceived notions, shall we say, that we attach to certain events. Those of the astronomical and astrological and metaphysical moving together blend many powerful energies that only we can describe for ourselves. Thus, we recommend that this entity utilize the same procedure for discovering the value of this event which has now passed.

Is there a further query, my sister?

**Carla:** I would like to follow up on something that is common to P’s question and the conversation I had with M before the channeling meditation, and it has to do with what you said earlier about blessing, forgiving, redeeming, accepting and transforming these difficult emotions. I was saying to M earlier that, “You are going to have to take care of yourself because no one else is interested in your having a happy heart. You are going to have to support your own work and your own security emotionally.” I was just wondering if you could look into that. How do we support ourselves? How do we bring ourselves healing and comfort when we are dealing with these difficult emotions like anxiety?

I am Q’uo, and am aware of your query, my sister. Within your meditative state—and this is again our recommendation for the investigation of emotion, to use meditation—look, then, to those feelings which you have, for they are valuable in themselves. They are the temperature, shall we say, of your current experience. Each may be seen as a portion of a trail, a thread, that will lead one to more fruitful finding of the value of experience. The emotions that one feels at any particular moment give one a place to begin to assess that which is occurring in the life pattern, to see the honest and spontaneous response of self to self. Then, as one is able to utilize these emotions in the balancing process one shall find their opposite occurring. Thus, if you are able to relive a situation in which a strong emotion occurs and within the meditative state to see this occurring, giving it free reign, to become as large as you can imagine, then there is the opportunity for the polar opposite emotion to arise within the meditative state so that you begin to feel another way about a certain situation, person or event. Then allow this polar opposite emotion to get as large and as powerful as it can. When this has completed its growth and presentation to you, then accept yourself for having both of these means by which the Creator may know Itself in you, in your experience. Thus, you have taught to the Creator that which you have learned within the situation and you have seen a fuller expression of natural emotion within your being as a means by which you know the Creator in you. Thus, you, working with every emotion that leaves its imprint upon you, are able to see the full range of your beingness, the appropriateness of each facet of emotion, the direction that each emotion points towards the heart of being, so that eventually there is but one emotion for [every] event, that being compassion, love, forgiveness, mercy, understanding—all of those qualities of unconditional love.

Is there a further query, my sister?

**Carla:** Just to finish up, then all emotions, all these purified rivers of the Creator, empty into love or stem from love, or are a derivative of love, or are distortions of love?

I am Q’uo, and am aware of your query and also aware of the accuracy of each observation that you have made in asking it. For all does come from love. All exists in love. All is pointed towards love. The examined life is that life which is able to get a glimpse of this truth from time to time in the process of examining, balancing and accepting each emotion as it moves through your being and points towards each heart.

Is there a further query, my sister?

**Carla:** No. Thanks. That is a beautiful message.

I am Q’uo, and we thank you once again. Is there a final query at this time?

*(No further queries.)*

I am Q'uo, and as it appears that we have exhausted the queries for this session of working we shall thank each once again for inviting us to join you for your meditative session. We are filled with joy at each opportunity to do so. At this time we shall take our leave of this instrument and this group, leaving each in the love and the light of the one infinite Creator. We are known to you as those of Q'uo. Adonai, my friends. Adonai.

## NOTES TO OUR READERS

Greetings and blessings from the crew at L/L Research! The rain in Kentucky has drowned half of the crops at the Magic Kingdom, but our tomatoes look promising. The public meetings are suspended, as is usual, until the first Sunday in September, and except for personal channeling sessions, Carla is not channeling.

David continues to appear on shows like *Coast to Coast*, on which he joined Wynn Free last night to discuss the book he and Wynn together wrote, *The Reincarnation of Edgar Cayce*. David has been able to offer a much wider audience information about the Law of One as he makes appearances connected with the book. He also recently published a four-part series with Richard Hoagland on interplanetary climate changes and their significance, a series which has enjoyed wide circulation on Hoagland's site, [enterprisemission.com](http://enterprisemission.com). Much information about the Law of One has been seeded in this series as well.

Vara Lyngklip has been covering herself with glory in her quiet way, and to see the fruits of her fascinating work, click on [www.bring4th.org](http://www.bring4th.org), L/L Research's activist website, and take a good look at the Celtic knots that indicate each journalist on the site. Now each of these designs was original to her. Moreover, each design was executed by a pen which never leaves the paper, so that the whole design is made with only one "thread." Yet the finished designs are complex, intricate and quite beautiful. I love my own, which has a cross shape enlivened with hearts, and is colored just to my liking. What a treat to have these magical glyphs! And the magic is unique to L/L Research, rather than being borrowed!

The site has recently received from Carla's teacher, Papa, a series of letters created to discuss the way of the world seen from the point of view of the Law of One. It is material that is both quite wide in its scope and deep in its focus and content, and we hope you will take a look at his work. He is a special man, in the end years of a life wholly dedicated to service, and his thoughts are definitely worth a read. You may well disagree with things he says. Chances are that you will find much with which to agree also, and new things to think about.

As we encourage artists like Hanasura and Gerald McBean to place their images, songs and poetry on the bring4th site, we are beginning to be able to offer a site which has that feeling of embracing and sheltering love for which we hoped when we began. And with Jeremy Weiland now working as moderator for the forums, we will see much improvement there. We hope you will check the site out and participate as well.

On the [llresearch.org](http://llresearch.org) site, our web guy, Ian, has been busy at work and quite a few newly transcribed sessions have been added to the site as our Transcription Project continues. If you would like to participate, please write to [carla.l.rueckert@llresearch](mailto:carla.l.rueckert@llresearch) and request tapes to transcribe. Be sure to send your snail mail address in order that we may send you the tapes that need typing out. We still have about 50 tapes to transcribe, and could use your help!

The Avalon project has been put on hold while our members are working elsewhere, and will pick up again in the fall. It sleeps quietly in the summer sun and the soft, sultry breezes of Kentucky knobland, anticipating our energy returning there, and waiting for our stewardship. How we look forward to improving the water and soil of Avalon, learning more about biodynamic farming and walking with Joy, Beauty, Peace and Wisdom on its green and welcoming acres. The Garden of Eden has long been buried in history and myth, but at Avalon, the Garden archetype rises anew, a fourth-density enclave where spirits speak, devas dance and all is magic! This spirit has been awakened in Avalon as members have walked the land and talked with it. We hope to have work crews up at Avalon this fall, so if you would like to participate, please start the process of corresponding and getting to know each other. That does take a little time, and we look forward to deepening relationships with those who wish to be a part of this *beau geste*.

Have a wonderful summer! Much L/L from all of us.

Jim, Carla, David, Vara, Gary, Bruce and Romi

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