F601, Survey of Non-Traditional Beliefs

REVISED AGENDA

- 1. Session I, September 20 Introduction Sources Mystical Traditions What Is a Mystic
- 2. Session II, September 27 Karma Resolution of Karma

3. Session III, October 4 Reincarnation Akashic Records

- 4. Session IV, October 11 Free Will Choice Understanding Karma, Reincarnation and Free Will Choice
- 5. Session V, October 18 Astrology Healing Systems
- 6. Session VI, October 25 Chakras Kundalini

Short Items

Classical Elements (including Prana, Aether, White Light) Changing Your Energy How to Changing Your Attitude Kybalion Tools Thoughts Are Things Image/Plan/Implement Gender and Mental Gender Ley Lines Energy Layers in Body Mystery Schools Lesser Mysteries/Greater Mysteries NOTES:

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Idea of reincarnation

definitions

Cambridge Dictionary:

the belief that a dead person's spirit returns to life in another body Google (probably from Wikipedia):

concept that the soul or spirit, after biological death, can begin a new life in a new body

ARE: belief that each of us goes through a series of lifetimes for the purpose of spiritual growth and soul development

synonyms:

transmigration metempsychosis

reincarnation is basically the tool to do all of the following: earn new positive karma deposits to the savings account resolve negative karma deposits to cover withdrawals from the saving account learn new skills spiritual growth

long term goal:

get all the karma fixed, all the problems resolved learn all that need to know at the soul level can then "graduate out" of the current reincarnation cycle cannot be proved lots of anecdotal evidence are not kinds of tests and repeatability that scientists want

Edgar Cayce, (March 18, 1877 – January 3, 1945) full trance medium means that he appeared to be asleep did not hear or listen to himself, could not remember someone else took notes

did over 2000 "life readings" which was his name for past lives information concept of reincarnation really hard for him, did not fit with his beliefs readings continued so he finally became a bit more comfortable with it

lots of experiences for me

used past life info to help getting problems recognized in this lifetime makes concept comfortable for me

Overview of Reincarnation Theory

live a life time and die or "make transition," soul carries on in afterlife

short period (few days) of healing and interaction with those left behind

do self assessment, called the Bardo compare with list of outstanding issues

work on some project between lives

finally feel that it is time to go back in body your work with counselors you and counselors design the new life time contacts for karma resolution or unfinished work learning opportunities

birth process will forget the planning!!!

live the life

transition

repeat until all the "goals" are met

Now the details:

again, this is all theory this info is based on: way I learned it at Astara my own experiences and how I found the process functioned some of my understanding has changed as I used the concepts

Choose a reincarnation cycle

Hindu idea of being human or being an insect or being something else
Graham Schweig, professor at Christopher Newport University
Smithsonian class on dying and after life in various religions
concept that attributes get separated and go to different individuals
but..... how do you get back together again?

I learned a more western version that do a series of lives of one type human pet

color type of sound etc.

in the human cycle

for first couple of human lives come in with some kind of disability are loved and cherished, supported by others

makes the entry to this cycle easier

are able to learn way around and how a lifetime on Earth works then come in totally on your own with a full set of skills to manage on Earth while in the afterlife, when feel ready to go back into body: you work with counselors to design the new life, all the details parameters what karma to resolve what skills want to learn where live: race location, nationality, social strata body type parents: genetics may include potential for a given illness not required that will have the illness, still a choice type of life: large, strong family group impression that Kennedy family often came back as a group smaller family single parent orphan health and well being: short life vs long life living area: urban vs rural vs mountain valley vs ocean side what need to learn: based some on previous lives look for missing areas of education look for missing experiences so learn about that life style what need to resolve in terms of karma: work from a list of outstanding issues if others are involved, counselors work to see who is also in body for karmic resolution will those individuals be in approximately same location arrange *probability* of meeting

part of the theory:

if someone does ABC to me

at some point in the past I may well have done ABC to them may be centuries between the two events

may or may not actually be the case

may be that other person is a substitute who needs that lesson

finish the design all the plans in place

prepare to go into the new life

"birth Bardo"

concept: at birth forget all the planning, supposedly don't remember any of it

but clearly some do
child prodigy learned some musical instrument in previous lifetime into current lifetime and immediately highly accomplished e.g., Mozart
study at University of Virginia, Drs. Stevenson and Tucker see resources for more details
can sometimes sort of remember the plan for this lifetime will know about major life events and are accepting story of divorce and telling the kids Diana was 17 Karen was 12
was a period when parents and teachers stopped any feeling of anything

intuitive

made the kids close that pathway

age 13, child no longer have access to anything of the plan that info which gave some comfort to the early years is over reason teenagers have to try out everything "what if I do XYZ–what kind of trouble will I get into?"

the concept also says that events in life of a child under 13 are parental karma implies that children are not always responsible for their actions they don't always understand the implications they don't always see all the potential for issues example: a toddler picks up a gun......

some questions today about how much newborns actually remember from planning they seem to know more, remember more than did 20 years ago not that change in the adults, more a change in the children lots of very strong babies being born Karen about Ashley: she's 10 going on 25 not so much on the details of the previous lives more a matter of knowing the concepts, the philosophy live the life

can also can notice that sometimes very easy to learn something probably learned it before becomes natural to you example: my learning German, not interested in French

feel like you have known someone before could be this lifetime could be a past lifetime Kennedy family often appeared together lifetime after lifetime gather to renew friendships, mutual support

can find that make friends or trust someone very quickly means probably already worked to establish that trust in a previous lifetime

can find that don't like someone immediately, do not want to be around them could mean that some kind of issue from the past could relate to skills that need to develop in this lifetime communication understanding and/or patience with others, give them their space could also mean that have developed skills to ensure safety in this lifetime person might well be problems ahead--you need to avoid that issue

actual lifetime may or may not have all the experiences and events designed will certainly have some

past life info can help with understanding and resolution identify an old issue example Jane and Belgian convent

understanding past life can help with how to take care of karma Marshall Lever and his life as a gladiator able to hypnotize opponent so killed them easily did this for 25 years, really unusual to live that long per Marshall, he must resolve with: all those he killed everyone who watched from the Coliseum lots of karma to fix some he did by giving lectures, again touch a large group

ideas of mission for a given lifetime in 30's or 40's begin to want to know the "mission" for this life "there's something I'm supposed to do; what is it?" can get answer through meditation and/or a reading from a psychic can just get a sense that are on the right pathway one option or idea feels right, another does not feel right

conclusion: each situation is really unique

applies to seniors and others with terminal illness who are getting ready for transition different for accident situation

as person gets near the time of transition may talk about others who have already passed away actually quite normal that is the "welcoming committee" person leaving then knows that others are waiting will help will answer questions will assist with adjustments

soul leaves through the crown

someone asked in the other class if that was White Light the departure for those who see it, it is foggy or wispy

end of life, go through the death process

after soul leaves body

we usually have a several day period of open communication with person who died deceased person is saying good bye

will appear in dreams and say good bye

will appear in bedroom near bed

will get a sense of a hug or their love being around

deceased person is being sure family and friends are OK

deceased person may even attend funeral or memorial service

you may actually be able to reach them in meditation/deep prayer

Bardo

start of Bardo is by deceased person's choice, usually a matter of a few days lasts 72 hours (by the clock) doing self assessment of life just finished get into a kind of judgment period but it is *self* judgment

for those who are still on planet is a black out period in communication can't reach the one who left don't feel like they are "around" deceased person is very much "gone" not available to anyone grief for those still alive is really hard

during Bardo

soul looks back through the lifetime just ended sorts through the choices made during that lifetime based on the outcomes

categories for sorting events in life just finished:

- some choices may have resulted in positive outcomes-they are simply noted

- some choices were basically neutral-they are also noted

- some choices from the lifetime just finished were actually restitution and resolution of issues left from other lifetimes—they close out an open unresolved issue and are removed from the list of karma still to be resolved

 for some issues from the lifetime just completed, full restitution has already been accomplished during that lifetime and those can be just noted

– some issues from the past remain to be resolved

– some choices from the lifetime just completed caused new problems for others and are added to the list of unresolved karma

last two result in unfinished or unresolved karma items

for some particular situations a period of healing and restoration as needed Hitler-type person goes into a long sleep tended by "nurses" and counselors he will have to undo all that karma for every person he ordered killed he killed them directly he ordered someone else to kill them he approved the killing based on question someone asked: Hitler is not even half way through that period of deep sleep died in 1945 so call it 70 years ago look at options for work between lives what opportunities are there for growth work on project from end of lifetime story that Kennedy is continuing work on civil rights Martin Luther King Jr probably doing the same my mother, going around to get someone on the planet to do her work lots of stories of missing documents person deceased tries to help the appropriate person find the document hard to work on resolution of issues from life just finished not easy to contact anyone still alive can use dream state can use sensitive person, someone willing to say "this seems right" can use some kind of individual as a channel to get word through

goal of reincarnation

graduate out of this cycle and go into whatever is next your choice

Buddhism calls it nirvana: escape from samsara (which means reincarnation) Hinduism calls it moksha:

samsara: chain of lives karma: law that manages samsara moksha: salvation from samsara

part of Greco-Roman mystery religions

reincarnation is not taught much any more

made for changes to the definitions *in various words* over time original definitions get something that involves completion of series of lives (see 2) more recent definitions are softer, don't imply the reincarnation (see 1)

this is a Nirvana definition

Webster's College Dictionary, 2010

1. A state of ultimate wisdom and blessedness

2. A state of release from the cycle of reincarnation and absorption into the universal reality

Any questions

Akashic Records

Edgar Cayce called it the "Book of Life"

records of every thought, word, and action of every person

your own choices and actions are also on your soul

no need to look at the records to see own history

- 1) can make a request for the information
- 2) can get the information through deep meditation

by far the best way to get past life information is to get it yourself

can get confirmations:

from a reading from someone else from enhancement of the original information

more in the short topics but mind is amazingly strong that which you ask for is yours

for the Akashic Records

in general access is limited, must have a reason to see what is in the records <u>not</u> an information playground

secures your privacy

security is tight and very effective

cannot go in the Hall where records are stored and just read about others would be invasion of their privacy

if try to violate and even want to get in anyway, karma would be extensive

if ask for past life info

will receive only the info you need at the time enough to understand and resolve the issue you are concerned about

e.g., Belgian lifetime and convent for me not get info on the rest of the family suspect (not know) that we lived in the German speaking area that the convent was in the French speaking area Resources:

Reincarnation

ARE, Association for Research and Enlightenment, Virginia Beach Edgar Cayce, (March 18, 1877 – January 3, 1945)

Sugrue, Thomas, There is a River, The Story of Edgar Cayce

Dr. Jim B. Tucker, M.D., the Bonner-Lorry Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences at the University of Virginia (from Bill Stoney's Paranormal class)

Bio, (aka curriculum vitae or CV) http://www.medicine.virginia.edu/clinical/departments/psychiatry/sections/cspp/dops/staff/ji mbio-page

http://www.today.com/news/return-life-how-some-children-have-memories-reincarnationt8986

Dr. Ian Stevenson, Carlson Professor of Psychiatry and Director or the Division of Personality Studies at the University of Virginia, predecessor to Dr. Tucker http://reluctant-messenger.com/reincarnation-proof.htm

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(also in the first handout)

http://www.themystica.com/mystica/default.html

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