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LEAD: I am in the enterprise of life. I am on an adventure of a lifetime. I chose this; I desire this. I made a decision based on a need within, and so I am here. As "enterprises" and "adventures" go, there are no guarantees or absolutes, except, that I have that need. I have heard it called by many names: evolve, graduate, powered, purified, holy, selfless, expanded, and even one with all (to name just a few). It does not matter what I call it, it is all the same thing. It is up to me to claim my opportunity here. And there is a difference between forcing something and *claiming opportunity*. If I am stuck forcing something, then I am working from the outside in. If I claim it, then it is already mine and I am simply taking the steps to allow it to be. That being said, I am a god, among gods. Meaning, decisions by others can have effects on me and the environment I live in, just as mine do to them and theirs. Regardless of things that come my way, whether positive or negative, it is my life. There are no excuses because I make my decisions. I *Lead* me. Or to repeat what was powerfully said before, "Lead me, follow me, or get out of my way." I know you are doing what you need to do, I am here to do what I come to do . . . and I'm going to do it.

STANDARD: One of the greater challenges in working with people is maintaining empathy and compassion without getting personality involved, emotionally attached; love & respect without getting hooked. I can sense potential in others and feel the need within. I cannot however, lose perspective of the soul's journey, or the step by step evolvement. If I feel myself getting too far out, I come home to the bedrock standards: I am here helping people to help themselves — I make suggestions but do not make their decisions — I am unafraid of people "failing" — I accept you 100% — I truly want you to be happy (with or without me) — I value your time, because I value mine. I am a Prefect Pattern of Energy. I will always be a brilliant illustration of what to do or not to do. Someone might say, "Wow, I want to be like that!" Or they may say, "Wow, I don't want to be anything like that!" It is impossible to hide or cover up, I need not try. While I am not here to live for other people, I must ask, "Am I doing the best I know how?" Within me is a high standard. A standard that is made especially for me and my purpose. It is not my mother's, it's not my father's and it's not the dog or cat's. I am willing to venture to the places and spaces in order to learn and grow. If I stay in a clique, comfy in my little group, I will not fully accomplish what I have come to do, in a timely manner. In the end, it is me who sets the pace.

LESSON: I see and experience people I can model from. I am gathering, breath by breath, thought by thought, action by action. The idea I cannot learn or grow from people, or things, is an ignorant idea. Indeed, there are lessons I have already experienced . . . and have the battle scars to show for them. Those scars must not prevent me from going out, reaching further and experiencing more. I will of course encounter individuals, still learning what I have already learned. I can pass on some pearls of wisdom and then move on. A common mistake is forgetting that *flow* is essential to the learning and growing process. In contrast, stagnation is the opposite of learning and growing. I am constantly being offered lessons for my life's situation. I attract this to me. I can get involved early for a smoother *lesson*, or I can wait for the lesson that comes with hard knocks . . . either way, I'll get it, sooner or later!

GUIDE: It is said, I don't really have problems with answers, it is more a matter of finding the right questions to work with. Perhaps the most basic question is: "What is my business here?" While I do not indulge in things that do not build me, I recognize that all things have purpose. It could not be otherwise. The laws of spiritual gravity would not I appreciate that whatever challenge I am going through, I'm stuck with it. as long as I am stuck. So, if I am not feeling good, if I am not enjoying the process, if I am experiencing "lack," being possessive . . . then who am I copying? There is another interesting thing that can float by, that is the feeling of, "I already know this stuff", or "What's the point?" Or "It's just a stupid game." Or "It'll never really help." Or "I'm just so tired." This is when I am not seeing the forest for the trees. It is a highly semiintellectual state coupled with a low, unbalanced feeling state. In short, I get to the place of noninvolvement or indifference. This of course is my amazing and fabulous . . . Excuse. Yes, 'excuses' to separate myself. Here are some of my questions for true measurement and facts: How close am I to being one with all in this situation? Where am I feeling separated from things (politics, groups, places, religion, relationships, or maybe "evil" things)? What is underneath tells me a great deal. I need to pay attention to my inner if I am to be successful in the outer. This is a quide to understanding my motives.

PARADIGM: It is not what I do, but how I do it. There is a beauty that comes from doing things in a *present* way; it brings a natural authenticity and enthusiasm to my actions. In working with people and situations I can truly get what I need and feel free to release the rest. As a wise journeyman once said, "Watch what I do, more than what I say." That is an invitation to a new way of living (and being). Cleansing, building and giving-of-self with crystal clear motives . . . I have come to realize that all things are a means to an end and I am here to be of service. My dream is my dream. Yours is yours. We may share things in common, however my dream is mine alone. I can learn from you and you can learn from me, IF, I am willing to commit to my goals and willing to emulate the results of successes. I begin having troubles when I start copying something (or someone) because I like it. The law of diminishing returns will set in if I place likes and dislikes ahead of my purpose and needs. When I begin evaluating my direction and needs from the view point of energy, a whole new world opens up to me; a whole new paradigm is created. The example I receive and share will be true.