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Reason For Life (a)

[Topic 4 – Lesson One – pp. 1-126]

1. Explain why it is not wrong to dislike.

2. Why is it best not to worry?

3. List the areas these signs have to work on.

Cancer:

Leo:

Virgo:

Libra:

Scorpio:

Sagittarius:

Capricorn:

Aquarius:

Pisces:

Aries:

Taurus:

Gemini:

4. Why is there no escape through suicide?

5. How and by whom are our lives judged?

Definitions:

Adultery:

Phobia:

Reason for Life (b)

[Topic 4 – Lesson Two – pp.26-46]

6. Compare false ego and the true I Am. Why is it better to come from the point of the I Am?

7. Who do we go through to get to the Father?

Definitions:

Behavioral overlays:

Spiritual Desert Period:

Spiritual ostentatiousness:

Guilt:

Church:

True or False: [“T” for True, “F” for False.]

1. Spiritually advanced people feel hurt and pain more because of their advanced perception. ()
2. Spirituality is the master. We are the servant. ()
3. Every person is a tiny universe. If you have three people in a room you have a mini-universe. ()
4. You continuously give birth to a new self. ()
5. Only a few can talk to God. ()
6. Without any negative rub or phobia or worry, you would not gain knowledge or who you are. ()
7. We have certain lessons to learn in life until we finally accept who we are. ()
8. The fear of life is greater than of death. ()
9. The truest partnership you will ever have is your own Other Side of yourself. ()
10. The most wondrous mysteries are in your soul. ()
11. We believe in judging people. ()
12. Through pain we learn true spirituality, and we can still be grateful and thankful that we are here. ()
13. This religion lets God stretch because God is no longer cramped by religious dogma. ()
14. God is love, goodness, forgiveness and grace. ()
15. Everything good comes from God. ()
16. It takes courage to start a religion, and so must we stand proud and strong. ()
17. Our faith in ourselves is constantly being tested, which is a test of our faith in God. ()
18. We can break old circles of pain and patterns by auditing ourselves and stepping outside of it. ()
19. Live life to experience it for tomorrow. ()
20. Push evil, violence and negativity away from you, and do not give energy to it. ()
21. A lifetime is a wink of an eye in eternity. ()
22. Material things tie you to them. You should only be identified by who you are, not by anything else. ()
23. God holds us in the palm of His hands, but we are the fingers of God that move and experience. ()
24. Within your weakness there lies your strength sleeping. So do not ever give up. ()
25. All things come to those who believe and wait. ()
26. Surround yourself daily with the White, gold and purple lights. ()
27. Your will and God’s will are different. ()
28. The only appreciation in life may be from us and God, but we agreed to experience our Chart. ()
29. This world can brainwash us in many areas. ()
30. People, not things, make us sick, give us pain. ()
31. Be specific what you pray for. ()
32. God always pays attention. But when your soul pays attention, your soul elevates to God. ()
33. There is not anything that you have gone through that someone else has not gone through. ()
34. We were meant to get accolades in this life. ()
35. Everyone on the Other Side learns from us. ()

36. Live each day for God seeking your truth. Give witness to what you believe and to your truth. ()
37. Avoid apathy and despair in life. The mark of a person is how we can stand through suffering. ()
38. Ask for forgiveness from yourself. ()
39. If our motive is pure, there is no backlash. ()
40. Church dogma is filled with fear and control. ()

Discussion: (Choose One—circle choice)

How are you perfecting your soul by: (1) finding your true I Am, (2) not judging, (3) stepping outside a circle of pain or patterns, (4) finding appreciation within yourself.

Karma & Dharma

[Topic 34– Lesson Three – pp. 47-74]

8. Why do we keep reincarnating until we come upon the Gnostic belief? How does this relate to you?

Definitions:

Grace:

Karma:

Church:

Personality:

Retributive Karma:

Karmic Chain:**Baptism:****Dharma:**

14. Stop being so concerned about yourself. But if someone hurts you, righteous anger is fine. ()
15. Criticism can be positive. ()
16. If you want to separate the chaff from the wheat, get a trauma in your life. People avoid you. ()
17. If something hurts you, get out of it. ()
18. The Judaic religion believes in just the first five books or scrolls of the Bible. ()
19. We carry our likes and dislikes with us to the Other Side and through all our lifetimes. ()
20. We are the Truth, the Way and the Light. ()
21. You must live with someone awful, because it is your karma. ()
22. The one obligation you do have to karma is you must finish what you have begun. ()
23. We can never end a relationship with children, but we can stop the karmic tie. ()
24. Through the centuries, Christianity has been based upon the idea that Christ had to be crucified. ()
25. The more advanced and spiritual you are, the more it brings hardships and hurt. ()
26. The more psychic and intuitive you become, the more spiritual you become, and vice versa. ()
27. Bible stories are parables. People should rely upon their own God-Center to direct them. ()
28. Our karmic life experience is totally different than anybody else, but everyone wants to be loved. ()
29. When our soul stretches spiritually, it may hurt but we are magnifying the Lord and ourselves. ()
30. You must love all people, even those who are rotten and are not worth of your love. ()
31. Honor your father and mother only if they are honorable. ()
32. Do not let others treat you badly or demean you, because you are a spark of God, the Divine. ()
33. Karma does not apply to Dark entities. Their life is to disrupt but they never go to the Other Side. ()
34. Only advanced souls pick horrible experiences. ()
35. Walk-ins take over in hard times. ()
36. On Earth we're in full essence, not fragmented. ()
37. If you are stuck in one's karmic dome, grab your Golden Thread of spirituality to pull you out. ()
38. In our last life, we hit on all the Themes. ()
39. If it is a baby's karma to drown, do not save it. ()
40. The more spiritual, the more Dharma. ()
41. Our Guides learn along with us. ()
42. Answers to prayers can come in human form. ()
43. Bad karma is incurred with malicious intent. ()
44. Some people may not like your being spiritual. ()
45. There is no way in the world that God does not want everyone to be happy. God is love. ()

True or False: ["T" for True, "F" for False.]

1. Karma is balancing the experiences of others. ()
2. We keep our same Themes throughout our life. ()
3. When we get off-track, we do not lose our souls but it makes it tougher to make it through life. ()
4. Stop worrying and let God handle your life, because our will and God's will are the same. ()
5. It is not your karma to live in misery. ()
6. Do not feel unworthy. You are part of God. ()
7. We want to end the rotations of our lives. ()
8. Imagination is the worst word ever coined. ()
9. Father God plays favorites and is humanized. ()
10. This religion doesn't promote hell or sin or devil, but the responsibility is put back on us. ()
11. God did not make us come down here. We made a Contract with God to experience for Him. ()
12. Love yourself as God loves you. ()
13. Do not judge the person but the act. ()

Life Themes

[Topic 4 – Lesson Four – pp. 75-94]

1. Describe your essence.
2. Why or how do we cleanse our essence?
3. Review the meaning of karma.
4. What are Life Themes? Compare Primary and Secondary Themes.

Themes are:

Primary Themes:

Secondary Themes:

5. How can we tell if we are off-track?
6. Why is child-likeness a desirable quality?
7. Briefly describe these Themes.

Activator:

Tolerance:

Catalyst:

Builder:

Pawn:

Banner Carrier:

Warrior:

Pacifist:

Leader:

Experiencer:

Justice:

Definitions:

Cocooning:

Merging:

Keening:

True or False: [“T” for True, “F” for False.]

1. Knowledge brings about freedom. ()
2. People, not places or animals, create negativity. ()
3. All entities on other planes look human. ()
4. Visualize time speeding up to heal pain fast. ()
5. Guides can read our mind without permission. ()
6. Our aura can reflect the mood we are in. ()
7. We experience emotional knowledge on Earth. ()
8. Last lifers will touch on all the Themes. ()
9. If you are too emotion, you cannot think. ()
10. If you cannot get four people to stand with you in your lifetime other than family, you have failed. ()
11. Babies play with their hands to see their race. ()
12. Two to four your old’s have past life recall. ()
13. Much of our insight is just imagination. ()
14. Crib death is that entity choosing to retract. ()
15. On the Other Side, there is only one emotion, love. We are accepted and allowed to be. ()
16. If your motive is in the right place, do not be so responsible for your spoken word. ()
17. No one is the master of anyone else’s soul. ()
18. Negate illnesses in life; ask to die with dignity. ()
19. The Bible is like man’s journey through life. ()
20. If we want, we can change Themes in life. ()
21. There is no guarantee that life would be fair. ()
22. See your true shining self with your soul’s eyes. ()
23. Themes were not distributed equally, but we did choose our Themes to work through on Earth. ()
24. When you are on track, life is not perfect, but there is a quiet peace in letting God control your life. ()

Discussion:

1. What are your two Themes? How does your life validate that? [For list of Themes, see Sylvia’s Biography or Journey of the Soul, Topic 8.]

Synergism

[Topic 4 – Lesson Five – pp. 95-120]

1. Explain Synergism and how it works.

2. How does negativity prevent synergism?

3. Explain, “Insecurity builds, ego destroys.”

Insecurity is:

Security is:

4. State three Gnostic Universal Truths?**Man is:****You do not harm:****You do not have guilt:****5. Describe the concept of wishes.****Definitions:****Aristotle's premise of essence:****True or False: ["T" for True, "F" for False.]**

1. We are our own salvation, our own keepers. ()
2. No one should take precedence over another. There are no saints. All people are equal. ()
3. Gnostics seek mysteries built on faith. ()
4. Each day we test the metal of our soul. ()
5. Obesity is usually for protection. ()
6. We have been different races, creeds, sexes. ()
7. Continual lives is worse than burning in hell. ()
8. If sanction exists, less immoral acts occur. ()
9. Karma propels us through lives to evolve. ()
10. Most people have malicious intent. ()
11. Do not stay in situations that destroy or block or keep you from being who you are. ()
12. Gnosticism is a guilt, fear and pain reliever. ()
13. Organized religion became big business. ()
14. Positive energy in a room is bright rose and golden. Negativity is hazy and munge green. ()
15. Christ was wealthy—from the House of David. ()
16. You are your own reality. ()
17. Going to Church is synergistically adding your power to everyone else—two or more gathered. ()
18. Earth is a permanent place. ()
19. We are able to construct things by thought on the Other Side synergistically. ()
20. You may not get exactly what you ask for, but it can be transferred into something magnificent. ()
21. All the buildings and things in our world were first constructed in someone's mind. The minute the mind has constructed it, it is there. ()
22. You should be a sieve by which information comes in. Some is kept, some pours out. ()
23. Better to be a rebel, infamous and controversial than to live a life of mediocrity. Wealth is in the action of living and the soul. ()
24. Be above the body to discount pain. ()
25. Synergism can accelerate our Chart. When our wish comes at the same time our window of opportunity opens, Miracles occur. ()
26. Without facades, souls speak to each other. ()
27. The will of God is the same as our will. ()
28. We write in Option Lines after we get in. ()

Tenets For Living (a)

[Topic 4 – Lesson Six – pp. 121-139]

1. Briefly explain each Tenet.

1. *The way of all peace is to scale the mountain of self. The love of other makes the climb down easier. We see all things darkly until love lights the lamp of the soul.*
2. *Whatever thou lovest, lovest thou.*
3. *Do not give unto God any human pettiness such as vengeance, wrath or hate. Negativity is man's alone.*
4. *Create your heaven, not a hell. You are a Creator made from God.*
5. *Turn thy power outward, not inward, for therein shines the Light and the Way.*
6. *In faith be like the wind chimes; hold steady until faith, like the wind, moves you to joy.*
7. *Know that each life is a path winding towards perfection. It is the step after step that is hard, not the whole of the journey.*
8. *Be simple, allow no man to judge you, not even yourself, for you cannot judge God.*
9. *You are a Light in a lonely, dark desert that enlightens many.*

10. Let no one convince you that you are less than a God. Do not let fear imprison your spiritual growth.

11. Do not allow the unfounded belief in demons to block our communion with God.

12. The body is a living temple unto God, wherein we worship the spark of the Divine.

13. God does not create the adversities in life. By your own choice they exist to aid in your perfection.

14. Karma is nothing more than honing the wheel of evolvement. It is not retribution, but merely a balancing of personal and universal experience.

15. God allows each person the opportunity for perfection, whether you need one life or a hundred lives to reach your goal.

16. Devote your life, your soul, your very existence to the service of God. For only there will you find meaning in life.

17. War is profane, defense is compulsory.

18. Death is the act of returning home; it should be done with grace and dignity. You may preserve that dignity by refusing prolonged use of artificial life support systems. Let God's will be done.

Tenets For Living (b)

[Topic 4 – Lesson Seven – pp. 140-end]

1. What is the real purpose for church?
What should true religion be like?

Church is:

Religion should be:

2. What is the Gnostic Mission?

3. What are the negative effects of fear?

4. What should we release or let go of in life?

Definitions:

Dark night of the soul:

Benjamin Franklin's definition of fear:

Sin:

True or False: [“T” for True, “F” for False.]

1. Greed is the heart of every wrong and does not exist on the Other Side, only on Earth. ()
2. When children and elderly go to the Other Side, they stay that age until they are reoriented. ()
3. Snap a rubber-band on your left wrist to cement your intellect and your emotions together. ()
4. If you are positive, you cannot be negative. ()
5. Cults and fear control, love does not. ()
6. Do not be a conduit for other’s fears. ()
7. If everything is perfect, there is no learning. ()
8. Our will and God’s will are different. ()
9. In the higher elevation of the spirit, universal and personal truths become the same. ()
10. Stop wrongs done to you or they can repeat. ()
11. Do not judge the soul, only the action. ()
12. Righteous anger helps stop fear. ()
13. God does not crucify, hurt, burn or mutilate. That is a man-made false god found in the Bible. ()
14. God protects, loves, guards, Guides and holds us. We petition Mother God to intervene for us. ()
15. We can program to die in a dignified way. ()
16. Someday Christ is going to appear in the sky. ()
17. Orthodox Jews believe death is the end of you. ()
18. Replace your fears with hope and love. ()
19. The more spiritual we become, the more psychic we become. ()
20. We are on a Mission in life alone, but Mother and Father God and Christ walk with us. ()
21. You have to go through the pain to release it. The deeper your love, the grater your pain. ()
22. Turn the other cheek and do not get angry. ()
23. You have to profess who and what you are in this life. Release people if they do not accept you. ()
24. You can lose things but not people. ()
25. We incorporate God into everything we do. ()
26. Only wanting materialism wrecks spirituality. ()
27. Spirituality and walking in the Light of God’s love are the most important things in the world. ()
28. The love of God rules out devil, fear and sin. God did not create the horrors and negativity of life. ()
29. If there is good, there cannot be evil. Two opposite emotions cannot reside in the mind together. ()
30. What we don’t get or complete on this side, we finish on the Other Side. ()
31. Earth is hell and the domain of the Dark. ()
32. Gnostics said, “All things good come from God. In your own heart resides the Truth. Think!” ()
33. We love God, not fear God. ()
34. We will always fulfill our Chart whether we like it or not. We can’t break our Contract with God. ()
35. You can’t have knowledge without experience. ()
36. We do not promote the mean god of the Old testament or the suffering Christ on the cross. ()
37. Our soul magnifies God. ()
38. We have free-will on the Other Side, not here. ()

Discussion:

1. Describe how the removal of fear, sin and guilt from your life has helped you.