

AWAKENING

Awakening to the Inner Divinity: An Essay

This time has been called the 'Great Awakening' by mystics and poets, scientists and philosophers. Contemporary thinkers recognized decades ago that the human species has a higher dimension of consciousness, which has been increasingly emerging. As this new awareness expands and spreads across the globe, it is giving rise to a sense of human unity that is turning the tide of our evolution.

The world we live in has been shaped over vast eons by a sense of separation that began with the perception of ourselves as separate physical forms. When the soul awakens to the life *within* the form—the spirit that is life itself—the illusion of separation gives way to the realization of our essential unity. Current global crises have accelerated our awareness of the inseparability of human lives, exposing the urgency of human need and arousing the Soul's response to need.

This awakening was long foreseen by Those who dwell in the realm of Souls and seek to guide humanity through the transition to a new era that will be shaped by the soul's awareness. For seekers who may wonder what we are awakening to, in the larger scheme, the following is a response from the Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul, whose works exposed the vast evolutionary shift that is now underway.

"All that *IS* is ever present. What we are concerned with is the constant awakening of humanity to that which eternally *IS* . . . but of which the subject is unaware . . . *the Kingdom of God is present on earth today.*" ¹

Only the soul, the inner divinity, has the power to perceive this truth. As we awaken collectively, the realization is dawning that the world we long for—a world imbued with love, light, and purpose—is being born in the consciousness of the higher self. By transcending the limits of mind divorced from the soul, that which has always existed but remained invisible comes into view. And we are learning the requirements to make it visible.

Awakening to new life might be likened to what we experience in the early morning hours, when our freshly opened eyes perceive a subtler quality of light that is not visible amid the stresses of daily living. The current planetary crises are causing us to see life in a subtler light. When life crises interrupt our habitual patterns of thinking and feeling, they often trigger a search for the deeper meaning of our own lives, and of human existence in general.

Those who genuinely seek higher understanding will always find their way to spiritual teachings that illumine the mind. Fresh insight into the challenges of life comes through reflection on truths from the wisdom teachings, which have stood the test of time, and through meditation that opens a pathway to the light of the soul. When the heart opens as well, one has access to the inner knowing of the soul with its capacity for self-observation and discernment of truth.

Great insight is contained in these words from Carl Jung:

"Your vision becomes clear when you look into your heart. Who looks outside, dreams. Who looks inside, awakens."

The light of the soul, when directed inward, exposes the 'shadow side' of the personality. Those who are committed to spiritual growth will recognize the need for self-purification. By eliminating the dross of the persona, it becomes possible to align the lower self with the soul, the true Self, allowing consciousness to expand. Steadily, as we awaken to the love of the soul—and to the presence of Those greater and wiser souls who subtly radiate their light and love—the path unfolds.

Albert Einstein, the illumined soul who gave us the formula for the synthesis of energy/spirit and matter through light, said this about the need for expanding consciousness:

"A human being experiences himself, his thoughts and feelings as something separated . . . a kind of optical delusion of consciousness. Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty."

The Soul has the power to free the personality from its imprisoning *self*-consciousness. In the state of soul awareness, we recognize the indivisible web of life in which we exist and are called to serve its well-being. In this time of planetary crises, we can sense the forces of light pouring in and arousing the higher Self of humanity—the Christ consciousness, the Buddha nature. It is the awakened inner divinity that will transform our suffering world into a realm permeated by peace, love, and truth.

Awakening leads in time to the journey of transformation. As the path unfolds and identity shifts from persona to soul, there is a growing sense of responsibility for co-creating a new reality. In the case of this experiment, the soul's urge to serve led us to a loving group of souls working in cooperation with an inner ashram of Masters and Teachers. In the aura of Their wisdom and love, a bridge of communication between the two realms was formed, allowing their energies to enter our world. This is the potential awaiting to unfold as the soul of humanity awakens.

¹ Bailey, Alice A., *Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle*