## The Reality of Guides

Throughout history, nearly all religions and cultures have referred to communications between mortals and God's messengers in one way or another. They are sometimes referred to as "angels" which came from the Greek and Latin words for messenger. Although sometimes angels are artistically portrayed with wings, the Biblical Hebrew term for them denotes "messenger" without connoting its nature.

All SoulOpeners' material comes from such messengers who refer to themselves as simply "guides." Their guidance is available to all who seek it. We share the guidance we have received because we have been advised to do so:

The following is a Message about guides in their own words:

God who is the beginning, the source, the creator, and all that is, is part of your growing understanding of the reality of spirit guides. All human beings are the subjects of guidance whether or not that guidance is recognized. For some, the concept of guardian angels in a general sense is familiar and even comfortable to consider. For others, there is a tendency to reject any such reference because it smacks of the occult and feels somehow inauthentic, contrived, or patently false. The reality of what exists far exceeds what can be proven in concrete terms that all can accept.

The truth is that there are forms of life outside of or beyond direct human comprehension. There are forms of energy that connect to human life in ways that assist in focusing the spiritual energy that is God upon all, in fact upon everything. There is no separation between the Spirit Center you refer to as God and your own life. There is no intercession that must be penetrated either to reach God or to be illuminated by God, but the presence of guides or guardian angels is nevertheless real.

The guides serve you willingly and lovingly. We, who speak to the spirit, serve to help clarify the Spirit Center in order to enable you to consciously be receptive to God's presence. You and all others are embraced by and are a recipient of God's presence whether or not you acknowledge either the reality of God or the reality of your guides. But connecting with you through our presence is a way of strengthening your perceptions of a spiritual existence that exists beyond your vision, your view, your understanding.

The help you receive from God and from us is always with you. There are no times when anyone lives fully in the shadows. Your life as a human being follows a trajectory not unlike ours, for in living, you grow in love. In living, we grow in love. It is this growth that is so important.

Human life is part of our past experience, but there are many guides whose experience prior to serving in this capacity was not human and yet was capable of recognizing the Spirit Center, recognizing God. We bring our past experiences, our past lives, into our efforts to guide you in ways that are most beneficial. Human life is part of many of us. Whatever our background, we as guides bring what we have learned from past lives and what we continue to learn in this plane of life to serving you.

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Every human being has a principal guide. The guidance is not restricted to being received from that principal only. There are many guides who collectively are committed to assisting each human being. Some of that assistance is expressed through what is described as gut feelings, through more direct connections, through a sense of touch, through hearing, through simple channeling. Regardless of the means, all humans are assisted along their paths.

We who are your guides are committed to you for eternity. Sometimes the principal guide with whom you communicate may change and another will provide that service, but even with a change, all guides remain connected to your development. No guide is pressured. No guide feels obligation. No guide serves by instruction. Your guides serve through their loving connection to your individual soul.

Ultimately the lesson that is learned in human form is an understanding of the importance of pursuing loving, nonjudgmental relationships with all. These messages that you receive come from the collective wisdom of all your guides. Their ultimate purpose is your affirmation of God's reality, God's creation, God's love.

We speak to you through a kind of inner voice. That inner voice can be manifested verbally. It can be manifested through your actions. It can be manifested through your attitudes. When we speak, we speak as God speaks. When we listen, we listen as God listens. When we exercise love, we are exercising God's love. When we share with you aspects of our lives, we are sharing a part of God's life.

Yes, we are guardian angels. We are guides. We impact your thoughts. We have an imprint on your loving heart. We are engaged in your growth. We are committed to your understanding. Although you may not see us physically, you can recognize us from within. We are a voice in your development, but your entire development is a consequence of a chorus of voices. For such a chorus to function efficiently, each member must listen, adapt, adjust, and redirect. That is what each of us does. We listen to you and to one another. We adapt and adjust, but we are always present.

You are loved individually and collectively. You are given life as we are given life. You have experienced other kinds of life as have we. Whatever challenges human beings face are challenges within our view. We have the capability of helping you at every step on your pathway to God. Guidance is as natural as the earth beneath your feet, as the rains that fall upon your head.

We who are your guides fill your life with the great illumination of God's presence. You are given vision as we are given vision. You find balance in your life as we, too, find balance. You experience love as we experience love, and you are the Light as we are the Light. May you always be committed to sharing that Light as we are so committed. It is God who brings all of us together forever.

Amen.