

## Change

### The Great Secret of Alchemy

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Life, at any given moment, is either acceptable or unacceptable to me. If it is unacceptable, I am wishing that I had things that I don't. I am concerned about my security, my survival, my health. I am wishing that people would treat me differently. I am wishing that God would treat me differently. I am wishing that I had a different personality, a different body. I am not willing to accept things as they are because I believe that certain things are unjustified. They are not balanced, not merciful. There is something wrong with the world. There is something wrong with God.

This earth, this planet, is the ultimate altar. I approached this experience, I approached this most sacred altar, before entering this lifetime, and I took from the altar the equipment that I would need. I stepped into this body and onto this earth.

In order to be in harmony with the altar that I serve, with the source of my being and my experience, I must look at Life and say of God and of all that is created here, "In this place, in this moment, all is right with me and my God. I give to all people on this earth the right to be exactly as they are. I accept life exactly as it is, without wishing that it were different. I am willing to accept all, just as it is. And I am willing to be in harmony with the source of it. For to suggest that there should be a difference in what is suggests that I am dissatisfied with, and out of sorts with, its creator, my creator. So I accept it all just as it is. And I accept as well my responsibility to encourage, to uplift, to create, and to recreate harmony where I see a need to do so, but without wishing things were different."

I cannot wish things were different and be powerful. I can accept things as they are, and then, I can create/change things into what I see they can be. But this can only be done without condemning what they are, or what they have been. The great secret of alchemy is to accept what is, just as it is, and with that acceptance, to take it to its next step.

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