SURRENDER

The following is an abstract of Ram Dass’ Prophets Conference ~ Monterey presentation.

“Surrender” is a word that carries very negative images for us here in the West. It is a red flag to a “Type A” culture like ours. And yet “surrender” is a word that is widely used in descriptions of the spiritual journey, so it becomes important for us to understand its implications. For example, my own sadhana (spiritual practice) is called “Guru Kripa,” which means that I surrender to the Grace of my Guru. That’s the core of my practice. However, my surrender is not to the fellow with a blanket whom I once knew in India; my surrender is not to the man, but to the God in the man. By exploring subtleties like these about the nature of “surrender,” we are able to enter more deeply into an understanding of the spiritual meaning of the practice.

In our time together at the Prophets Conference, we will examine this practice of surrender. We will look at what it means to surrender, and who it is that surrenders, and to what we surrender. We’ll talk about various practices, like devotion, that help us surrender. And we’ll talk about the things that stand in the way of our surrendering. We will take as our framework the perspective laid out in the Bhagavad Gita, the path called karma yoga. The Gita outlines a path by which our lives become our sadhana through the dedication of each of our acts to God. That is, through surrender, our daily actions become our spiritual practice. And we will ask how we can begin to develop that perspective in our own lives how we can start to surrender the perceptual vantage point of our Egos to the vantage point of our Souls.

COMMENT FROM THE COWBOY:

YUP, IN THE ABOVE THERE A LOT OF UNFATHOMABLE TERMS, THAT WHEN FULLY UNDERSTOOD ARE SUPPOSED TO LEAD TO ENLIGHTENMENT THE PROCESS OF SURRENDER IN PARTICULAR. UNFORTUNATELY, AN UNDERSTANDING OF THIS PROCESS IS HARD TO COME BY WHEN THEY USE FOREIGN WORDS. SO, WE’LL SEE IF WE CAN SIMPLIFY IT A LITTLE:

THE SURRENDER THING MEANS TO SURRENDER TO GOD, WHICH IS WHAT THE WORD MOSLEM IS LITERALLY TRANSLATED AS MEANING. IT IS FAIRLY OBVIOUS THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE MISSING THE MARK BADLY!!! SEPTEMBER 11TH BEING THE MOST GLARING CASE IN POINT.

BUT, THIS SURRENDER THING IS A VERY REAL PART AND ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTS OF ENLIGHTENMENT. ONCE ONE SURRENDERS ALL OF THE DEFINITIONS OR LABELS OF THINGS AND SEE ONLY GOD IN ALL THINGS, THEN YOU ARE VIRTUALLY ENLIGHTENED. AND, YOU HAVE TO FIRST SEE THE GOD WITHIN YOURSELF BEFORE YOU CAN SEE THAT GOD IS EVERYWHERE ALL THE TIME – STANDARD METAPHYSICAL FARE.

NOW, LET’S APPLY 2-D AND 3-D TO THIS SURRENDER THING.
IF SPACE/THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE FIRST CAUSE AND THUS GOD, HOW DO YOU GET YOURSELF THERE? HOW DO YOU GET FROM 3-D INTO BEING ONE WITH SPACE AND PASS THROUGH 2-D IN THE PROCESS?

NOW, AGAIN EVERY RELIGIOUS TEXT ON THIS PLANET SAYS THAT WE CAN ALL DO THIS. AND, THE FLAT PHYSICAL FACTS OF THE MATTER IS THAT YOU ARE ALREADY THERE. THE ATOMS THAT MAKE UP YOUR BODY ARE 99.999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999999 PERCENT SPACE. BUT THAT IS NOT HELPFUL.

WHAT IS HELPFUL IS THE NOTIONS THAT ARJUNA “NICK” ARDAGH BROUGHT BACK FROM INDIA I.E. THAT IF YOU CAN NOTICE THAT YOU ARE THINKING, THEN WHO NOTICED? THE ONLY ANSWER IS: THAT PART OF YOU THAT DOES NOT THINK, SPACE. SO, FOCUSING ON THAT PART OF YOU THAT IS SPACE IS MEDITATION AND IS HARD FOR MOST OF US TO DO, BECAUSE OF THE CONTINUOUS SELF TALK – HYPNOTIZING OURSELVES – BRAIN DAMAGE - OUR POSSESSIONS – EXPECTATIONS – MORE BRAIN DAMAGE. BUT, WE ALL LIKE THAT SHIT SO MUCH THAT WE REFUSE TO LET GO OR SURRENDER IT TO GOD. SO, THE HINDUS SUGGEST THAT YOU SURRENDER ALL OF THAT TO A GURU AND LET HIM HANDLE IT – THEN ONCE YOU ARE ABLE TO SURRENDER TO A GURU, LETTING IT ALL GO TO GOD IS RELATIVELY SIMPLE, IF YOU TRUST YOURSELF/GOD.

IN THE 2-D AND 3-D WORLD OF THE UNIFORM FIELD CONCEPT, THIS IS ALL VERY SIMPLE: ALL 2-D CONSTRUCTS HAVE TO BE SEPARATED BY SPACE, OTHERWISE, THEY WOULDN’T BE 2-D. ALL OF THE ANUs IN 2-D HAVE PARALLEL ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC COMPONENTS – THEY ARE NON-POLAR ELECTROMAGNETIC THINGS THAT ARE TOTALLY SOVEREIGN UNTO THEMSELVES. THE MINUTE YOU IDENTIFY AN ANU AS CHAIRNESS, THAT ANU IMMEDIATELY OBEYS AND POLARIZES ITSELF INTO 3-D CHAIRNESS. ITS PHASE ANGLE GOES TO 90 DEGREES BETWEEN THE ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC COMPONENTS AND THAT ANU IS NOW MANIFESTING ITSELF AS A CHAIR – IT CAN ONLY DO THIS FOR HALF OF THE TIME I.E. SHOWING ITSELF AS MATTER AND THE OTHER HALF IT GOES BACK TO HANG OUT WITH GOD/SPACE – THE GAP IN THE 2-D.

SO, SURRENDER BECOMES A LETTING GO OF EVERY OPINION ABOUT HOW THINGS ARE AND SEEING ONLY GOD IN ALL THINGS. IF YOU TOTALLY SURRENDER TO A GURU – THE GURU KNOWS EVERYTHING AND YOU KNOW NOTHING – IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE IDEA.

THE NEXT STEP IS TO MAKE THIS CARBON BASED BODY ENLIGHTENED BY MAKING IT A FULL SUPER CONDUCTOR ABLE TO WALK ON WATER AND HEAL BY THE TOUCH OR THOUGHT – THIS IS TOTAL ENLIGHTENMENT LIKE JESUS AND SAI BABA. AND, THIS IS WHERE WE ARE ALL SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO GO. SHOW ME SOMEBODY THAT HAS DONE IT AND IS HELPING OTHERS TO DO THE SAME AND I’LL SHOW YOU A MASTER TEACHER, GURU, GOD – LIKE SAI BABA.