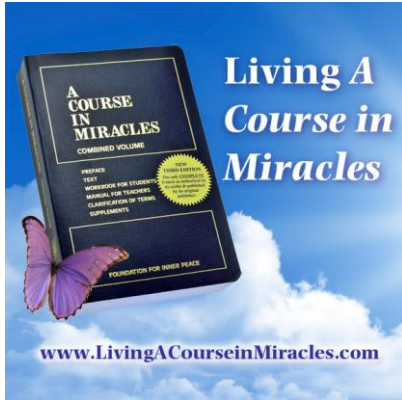


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# Relationship Restoration



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Welcome to *A Course in Miracles: Living the Love, Walking the Talk* with Reverend Jennifer Hadley, a beloved teacher of the course, who has helped thousands learn how to express their beliefs from moment to moment in their everyday lives. Get ready to focus on your intent to be the Love, be the Peace, through practical application.

Here is your host, Reverend Jennifer Hadley.

Jennifer Aloha! Aloha! So happy to be with you! Oh, what a blessing! What a blessing to join together!

I got a very strong, clear directive from Spirit to keep our relationship series going here, so let's do it! Let us do it!

We're joining together, and as always we begin with prayer. Since our topic today is "Relationship Restoration," we are restoring ourselves, restoring our relationship. Yes, indeed! Giving thanks that we **can** choose this feeling, this restoration.

## *Opening Prayer*

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We place our hand in our heart and declare that we're wholeheartedly available for the healing, the transformation, and the restoration that we are calling forth.

Taking this breath of Love and gratitude, we are grateful and thankful to call upon the Holy Spirit, the Higher Holy Spirit Self, to lead us and guide us. We're making a holy offering of our relationships. We're making a holy offering of **all** the blocks to Love. whatever the resentments, the regrets, the resistance and the reluctance.

We're opening our hearts and our minds to Love, compassion, true forgiveness, Wholeness and Freedom. We are willing to be patient, to be kind, to be generous, in our heart and in our mind, with ourselves, and with our brothers and sisters. We are willing to have a restoration in our mind, in our heart, in our relationships, in our very life.

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We are grateful and thankful to share the benefits of the healing we're calling forth. We are grateful to share the benefits with **all** beings, because we are One with them.

We are grateful to **fully** receive the insight, the Wisdom, the Clarity and the healing. In gratitude, in Divine Grace, in Joy, in true willingness, we allow it to be. And so, it is. Amen. Amen. Amen.

### *Relationships Are Our Greatest Challenges*

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Yes! Alright!

I'm going to take a sip of my tea here. I was telling Jeff, my wonderful engineer, we've got a lot of "vog" for the last couple of days, which is volcanic smoke from the big island of Hawaii blowing on the wind and it mixes with the fog and we get "vog." We don't have smog here, we have "vog" so sometimes my throat just catches in there.

Okay! We've been working up to *The Healed Relationship* which is Section V in Chapter 17. I've done a lot of shows over the years, a lot of teaching on the holy relationship, and the healed relationship, and we often get so -- the first part of this Section V, *The Healed Relationship*, is so **rich** and so full, we often don't get to the later part, so I thought we'd go speeding through the early part and go to the later part.

You've heard me recap this in the last month, the healed relationship is when we allow the Holy Spirit to transform our unholy, special relationship, ego-based relationship, to a holy relationship.

It says here that, in *A Course in Miracles*, it says and in this section and previous sections, that this transformation of the special relationship to holy Relationship is the **single best tool** we have for our awakening.

So, all of the curriculum of *A Course in Miracles*, I'll say this -- in my perception, it does not offer us as much as just doing **this** curriculum of *The Healed Relationship* and really focusing on having holy relationships in **all** our relationships. And, of course, because it offers the greatest **healing**, it

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also offers us the greatest **challenges**, because the ego will cling, and cling, and cling, and cling. But this is where we can get so much help from the invisible.

Remember, too, that the Holy Spirit **is** your Higher Self. It is the great, mighty I AM Presence of your being. So a lot of times in our life, you've heard me say this many, many times before, if we're trying to **understand** things, if we're trying to figure them out, what's the best strategy, how to do it, we're entrenched in the ego, because the I AM Presence, the Holy Spirit, our Higher Self, **knows**. It knows, just waiting for us to be **willing** to follow, to be willing to accept and receive that Divine Guidance, and to **stop** trying to figure it out.

The ego **cannot** figure it out. All the ego can do is help you find coping and managing strategies. But that's not what we're **for**. We **are** the Christ. We are the Son of God. We are the Son of the Holy Mother and the Holy Father. We are the One Child, the only begotten Child, and we are God, Itself. We are **part** of God. We're not meant to struggle and to labor in vain. We don't have to figure anything out. All we have to really do is be willing to **remember** that there's that within us which **is** perfect, whole, complete, and already knows.

### ***Who Is In Charge of Your Relationship?***

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Everything in *A Course in Miracles* is designed to get us to stop the managing, coping strategies of trying to figure things out and implement ego thought system and, instead, completely turn away from it, and to have trust and faith in the Holy Self, the Holy Spirit Self, the Higher Self, the Holy Spirit.

That's why, in the *Manual for Teachers*, Jesus tells us that trust is the number one characteristic of anyone who's a teacher of God, and we're all **meant** to be teachers of God. We're **always** teaching the efficacy of our choices. Everyone in the Universe is watching, feeling, listening, perceiving what our choices are **and** the motivation. Are we coming from ego motivation or are we coming from Divine Inspiration? Just like we can choose Love or fear, we could choose inspiration or motivation.

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Now, a lot of us has spiritualized the ego, the ego is in charge of our spiritual practice, and we don't even **know** it. That was **so true** for me for a long time! At least 20 years, the ego was in charge of my spiritual practice and studies.

When we put the Holy Spirit in charge of our spiritual development, the study takes a backseat and the practical application comes forward. The greatest example of this is the healed relationship.

The special relationship is the one that keeps us in the ego mindset, and the holy relationship is the thing that sets us free. If anyone in a relationship calls upon the Holy Spirit to transform the relationship from unholy to holy, from special to holy, that's **all** that is needed, because we're all One with each other.

### *The Purpose of Your Relationship*

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You don't even have to tell the other person. They don't even have to know. **You** are the savior of the world. This is the teaching of *A Course in Miracles*. It says in *The Healed Relationship*, Paragraph 3, again Chapter 17, Section V, my page 362,

*"This invitation is accepted immediately, and the Holy Spirit wastes no time in introducing the practical results of asking Him to enter. At once His goal replaces yours. This is accomplished very rapidly, but it makes the relationship seem disturbed, disjunctive and even quite distressing. The reason is quite clear. For the relationship, as it is, is out of line with its own goal, and clearly unsuited to the purpose that has been accepted for it."*

The purpose of the special relationship is shelter against the storm, affirming that there are problems, that there is a storm, that you need protection, and that you're not responsible for the storm. Things are happening **to** you. You're a victim, you're in a little boat on a big ocean, and this person is your savior. **That's** the special relationship. It could be your dog, it could be your boss, it could be your parent, or it could be your child. It doesn't matter what **kind** of relationship is. Unholy relationships come in all kinds of flavors.

It's not the **form** of the relationship that makes it special. It has **nothing** to do with the form of the relationship. It has to do with the **purpose** of it. The

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purpose of a special relationship is to keep you playing small and stuck in separation.

The purpose of the holy relationship is to help you understand the Oneness and Unity of all life, and to **liberate** from ego domination, and to start **really** listening to the Holy Spirit, and to set yourself free, and accept the Atonement, which is the full realization that separation never existed nor **could it** exist. It's just an illusion.

This is the purpose of the special and the Holy relationship, two diametrically -- nothing could be more opposite than the purposes of the special relationship and the holy relationship.

### ***The Temptation to Leave a Relationship***

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The minute you give the relationship to the Holy Spirit, the purpose of the relationship is quickly changed. Now the relationship -- as it was designed for a special relationship, to keep the ego going and going and going -- it's not going to work that way anymore, so now the relationship is going to seem ill-fitting. It'll seem disjunctive. It'll seem distressing and disturbed. Now the relationship is going to start to **change**, because otherwise it doesn't make any sense. This is what Jesus tells us, in no uncertain terms here, in Paragraph 3,

*"Many relationships have been broken off at this point, and the pursuit of the old goal--*

In the special relationship --

*"... re-established in another relationship."*

This is what happens. Remember, one of the **main** things that people come to me with is "My relationship isn't working well. Should I leave my relationship?" My suggestion is always -- first of all, I ask

them, "Well, we're **all** One with each other, and we're **all** eternal. Where are you going to go? If you leave the relationship, where are you going to go? How are you going to get away?" It's like, you can't get away from God. Even if you make your bed in hell, God is there. So, where are you going to go? You can't go anywhere.

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The thing is, all you can do, in the illusion, is go somewhere else. If you try to break off that relationship, you **won't** succeed, because you're One, because you're Eternal.

However, you can start a new special relationship, and you can start the process of healing all over again, and that's what most people do, again, and again, and again. They break the relationship off, and they start all over again. They look for just another special relationship substitute, again, and again, and again.

This is why spiritual practice saves time. It saves time spent in suffering. It's kind of a no-brainer, if you're willing to really think about it. It says here,

*“The temptation of the ego becomes extremely intense, once there is the shift in goals in the relationship, for the relationship has not as yet been changed sufficiently to make its former goal complete without attraction--”*

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*Spiritual practice  
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When we're in this transition, the goal of the special relationship, the shelter from the storm, the false idol-ness of that relationship, **still** has appeal. We haven't healed that yet. So now it's becomes “Well, this relationship is so unpleasant, and so difficult and challenging, and I don't know my way around it,” because we have to **learn** our way around the holy relationship. It's a different kind of a relationship. It has a different way to it. Everything about it is different.

A lot of times, if we don't know our way around, and we're still identified with the ego, then we feel **terrified**. “Who **am** I in this relationship? I don't know! I can't tell my neighbors, my friends and my co-workers what this relationship is about. It's in flux.” If I can't tell what it's about, if I don't know who I am, in this relationship, I'm lost, I'm so uncomfortable.

You see, this is what happens, and this is why people just start grasping at a new special relationship, because they **think** they know who they are in that special relationship.

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But the fact is, they don't! All they know is, they know how to identify with the ego and relate to somebody else who's identified with the ego. So, being in a relationship as your Holy Self with someone else who is making that same transition to identify with **their** Holy Self, that's a totally new journey for almost everyone who is going through this challenge, if not **absolutely** everyone.

### *Peace & Harmony Through Holy Relationship*

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The ego cannot stand to be a new territory, and it certainly doesn't like being in loving territory, so you can see how the ego is going to have **every button pushed**, and it's going to be like all the demons coming up a lot of the time, unless you're **totally** committed. The demons come up, and the demons are saying to you, "Get out!" You know, like one of those horror movies where the house has demons in it?

The relationship is like a house. Right? Remember I was talking about this in recent episodes? It's like the ego builds your relationship like a house, that you build it one room at a time. "Oh! Now we need a playroom!" "Oh! Now we need a sex room!" "Oh! Now we need a 'I-need-some-time-away-from-you' room!" and the ego just keeps building this totally dysfunctional house where things don't make sense. Imagine if you had an architect design your home one room at a time, and with no sense of how the other rooms work together and the flow of the whole thing. Right?

But the Holy Spirit knows how to **completely**, while you're living in that relationship that's been built so haphazardly, the Holy Spirit knows how to tear the whole thing down to the ground and rebuild it, **while** you're living in it.

But there **are** going to be times when it feels **really** uncomfortable, **only** when you're identified with the ego. You can keep Partnering UP, as I say it so often, every time you feel uncomfortable, just say, "Holy Spirit, help me now! Help me now! I'm feeling uncomfortable. I can feel myself clinging to the old way. I'm not interested in the old way. I'm interested in having maximum transformation."

Now, one of the things that's really -- your buttons are going to get **so pushed** is the relationship will feel threatened. It will feel threatened! It will feel like, oh! **You're** going to walk away. Oh! **They're** going to walk away.

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“Oh! It’s going to fall apart! It’s never going to make it! It’s never going to be what I’d like it to be!”

Now, I’ve been through this **many** times, because I decided to have all holy relationships, so I’ve been through it in **all** my relationships, and some of them are **still** becoming holy. Sometimes it takes a long time. Sometimes even I cling to my thought of, “Mmm!! I don’t know!” and that’s where my **work** is. I can attest to, this **is** your maximum healing opportunity, so don’t give up!

I can honestly say that some of my special relationships, when I gave them to the Holy Spirit, that **seemed** to be the end of, temporarily, communication. I don’t really talk to those people anymore. Some of them I haven’t talked to in **many** years, some of them since the minute I gave it to the Holy Spirit.

But you know what? In every single one of them, I have **Peace**, I have Harmony, even to the ones I don’t talk to anymore, and all the craving, the attachment, all that sense of trying and yearning to make it be, what I **thought** it could be, all that angst, and agitation, and suffering, where did it go? What happened to it? **Gone!** Totally gone! Amazing, miraculous healing! I couldn’t have done it. My personality couldn’t have done it. The ego couldn’t have done it.

And I’m **so grateful** I gave it to the Holy Spirit and I **kept** giving it. Every time I tried to take it back, oh! I’d realize, “Oh, my God! I just took that back. Now I’m giving it back to You, Holy Spirit. Oops! Oops! Oops! I took it back! I’m giving it back again! I don’t know what anything is for. Everything only has the meaning I’ve given to it. I’m never upset for the reason I think. Help me now!”

### *Healing Through the Intensity*

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*“The temptation of the ego becomes extremely intense with the shift in goals, and the relationship has not been changed sufficiently to make its former goal --”*

Of, really, specialness and separation --

*“...completely without attraction, and its structure is ‘threatened --”*

So, the relationship will feel **threatened** sometimes, and it’s --

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*“...’threatened’ by the recognition of its inappropriateness for meeting its new purpose.”*

You will think, “Oh, my God! This relationship might **end** if I keep letting the Holy Spirit transform it, and I can’t bear the thought that it would end!”

Let me just tell you, as a sister who’s done this, you will feel **so much better** without the specialness, without the craving, the needing, the wanting, the trying to control, and make it be what you think it could be. You will feel **so much** better, and the holiness of the new relationship -- and maybe it will have a new **form** in the world, it’s **worth** it! It’s worth it!

There was **no** situation where it was not worth it. Every single one of my relationships that have been transformed to holy, **totally** worth it! I would not change a thing! Would not, would not, would not!

When I was on the other side, I **couldn’t** believe it, **didn’t** believe it, but I was **willing** to have faith and trust. I was **willing**. I was tired of suffering. I couldn’t stand it anymore, and I was willing to put my trust and my faith in the Holy Spirit. And thank God, because it transformed my whole life! Yes! It’s the way out of hell, my friend.

*“The conflict between the goal and the structure of the relationship is so apparent that they cannot coexist. Yet now the goal will not be changed. Set firmly in the unholy relationship, there is no course except to change the relationship to fit the goal. Until this happy solution is seen and accepted as the only way out of the conflict, the relationship may seem to be severely strained.”*

The thing is to just keep on saying, “I’m **accepting** the holy relationship. I’m **willing** to have a holy relationship.” That’s what worked for me.

Now, it goes on here to say - [- and this is Jesus telling us,

*“It would not be kinder to shift the goal more slowly --”*

That would not be kinder.

*“... for the contrast would be obscured, and the ego given time to reinterpret each slow step according to its liking. Only a radical shift in purpose could induce a complete change of mind about what the whole relationship is for.”*

So, you see, the change in the relationship that’s happening, when we make this transition, is for us to help **us** have a lot of healing in our mind so the **intensity** of it is to help us heal. Well, the intensity of it is because we

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**cling** to the old form, so the more we can say, “I surrender. I’m willing to have a healing,” the faster it will go, and the less painfully it will go.

Be **mindful**. Are you clinging to the form of the relationship? Are you thinking you know what you want? Because, remember, Jesus tells us so clearly in the *Course*, “Stop thinking you know what will make you happy. You do not know!” And you **know** that you do not know! you’ve proven it to yourself! How many times have you gone after something that you thought would make you happy? It did **not** make you happy! How many times? How many **more** times do you need to do that?

### *The #1 Tool For Happiness*

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Here is what’s going to make you happy -- holy relationships healing your mind. This is the number one tool -- holy relationships, 100%.

One of the things that I offer is spiritual counseling. I’ve been a Spiritual Counselor as a Science of Mind Practitioner since 2000, so 16 years I’ve been counseling couples, and people, and individuals, and parents, and, oh, just about every kind of situation.

I started my *Sacred Circle*, oh, I’m not sure when it was. Maybe four years ago? That’s a weekly open spiritual counseling call. **Anyone** can call in with a question of any kind. I do that four times a month, once a week, almost every week. It’s \$33 a month, anyone can join, you get all the recordings, and you can ask a question every week, if you like. There are many people who ask a question almost every week, and almost all the questions are about relationship. Almost **all** of them. This is our big issue.

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*When one mind is changed, all minds are changed. This is the best gift that we can give to the Sonship.*

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What *A Course in Miracles* tells us, we talked about in the last recent episodes, this is our **best tool** to transform our mind, because this is where we have the strongest attachment to **how** we **think** it should be. And, if we can let that go to the Holy Spirit, we can have **tremendous** healing, and tremendous **fulfillment** in our relationships, **and** transform, not just **our** life, but the lives of everyone we’re in relationship with **and** the relationships that **those** people have that don’t even involve us!

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Because when one mind is changed, **all** minds are changed. This is the best gift that we can give to the Sonship. This is it, right here! Absolutely! How wonderful! How wonderful that we can do this! How wonderful that we **have** this gift! Ah!

The relationship may seem severely strained. Do not give up!

We're going to continue on here in "The Healed Relationship". It's time for me to take a break. I'm Jennifer Hadley, and you're listening to *A Course in Miracles* on Unity Online Radio, where we're living the Love, we're walking the talk, and I'll be right back!

Thank you for tuning in for *A Course in Miracles: Living the Love, Walking the Talk*.

Get ready to focus on your intent to be the Love, be the Peace, through practical application as we return to *A Course in Miracles: Living the Love, Walking the Talk*.

### *Conferences, Classes & Retreats*

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Jennifer Welcome back! I'm Jennifer Hadley, and our topic this week is "Relationship Restoration".

Just before I jump back into that, I'm going to make a couple of announcements here. If you're interested in attending the Las Vegas *A Course in Miracles* Conference, the price now for the ticket is \$649, I believe it is. Well, I have access to some \$390 tickets, if you're interested. That does **not** include your hotel, but it does include some of your meals. If you go to [JenniferHadley.com](http://JenniferHadley.com) on the [Events](#) page and scroll to the *A Course in Miracles* Conference, you'll see how to get those \$390 tickets, if you're interested.

I'll just say, I've got a couple of events coming up here in May. Many people have been interested in my [Spiritual Counseling Training](#). I haven't opened it up in a couple of years, so I'm opening it up now. Anyone can jump into my [Spiritual Counseling Training](#).

I also, as part of that training and certification, I offer an *Intensive*. It's a weeklong *Intensive*. I'm doing the *Intensive* in May, and anyone can come to the *Intensive*, because I have had many therapists and counselors come to the *Intensive*. They make it into a personal retreat, they learn a lot. I'm working on it so you can get CEU credits. So, if you'd Love to get CEU credits

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for your licenses, or you're just interested in learning more about counseling people, this is a great opportunity for people who do a lots of counseling, coaching, even for people who do things like working acupuncturists and people who work with clients and are talking with them about their issues. Even for people who are parents and grandparents.

If you're interested on how to be a better Counselor, and counseling skills, and have a really wonderful, restorative healing retreat -- because you'll be doing a lot of healing in my *Spiritual Counseling Intensive* -- come join me this May. Go to [JenniferHadley.com](http://JenniferHadley.com). The details are there. You can click right through from the [Home](#) page or the [Events](#) page, my [Spiritual Counseling Training Intensive](#). I believe it's May 9<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup>, something like that -- or, the 15<sup>th</sup>. It's at a beautiful retreat center in the Blue Ridge Mountains. It has a wonderful Ayurvedic spa. It's going to be a really yummy, nourishing time.

And I'm also offering a retreat that's a three-night, four-day retreat the following weekend, also in May there, also at this beautiful Art of Living Retreat Center in the Blue Ridge Mountains. All the details are at [JenniferHadley.com](http://JenniferHadley.com), again on the Home page or at the Events page, my [Stop Playing Small](#) retreat, if you're tired of playing small, and you'd like to really dig in and do some deep healing work, some real transformative work.

That's what I'm all about on these retreats, because we can talk, and talk, and talk about spiritual teachings, and we can read all kinds of books, and listen to all kinds of audios. But when you're actually **doing** the inner personal work, it's **such** a healing and a clearing. And, I know at my retreats and my events, people really connect and they make friends with people all over the world -- all over the world! -- so come and join us.

These two events, [Stop Playing Small](#) retreat and [Spiritual Counseling Intensive](#) retreat, lots of opportunity for healing.

Yeah, I think those are my main announcements.

Also, my [Prayer Power](#) class. We just finished that. You can get all the audios. That's one of my more popular classes. You can download them all with the transcripts. It's not a free class, but [Prayer Power](#), one of my most popular classes, for people who are really interested in becoming a powerful prayer person.

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Prayer is the most powerful technology I know. It is that direct connection with the Higher Holy Spirit Self. Yeah, baby!

### ***Willingness to Surrender For Real Love***

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Okay! Let's go back to "The Healed Relationship" Chapter 17, Section V, and we're in Paragraph 5, talking about allowing the Holy Spirit to continue doing Its work. What Jesus tells us here is,

*"As the change develops--"*

So, as we allow the Holy Spirit to continue to do the work --

*"As the change develops and it is finally accomplished. It grows increasingly beneficent and joyous. But at the beginning the situation is experienced is very precarious."*

You'll notice in this section, Jesus is warning us, again, and again, and again, it's precarious, it's disturbed, it's disjunctive, it's distressing, it's filled with conflict, it's extremely intense, it's severely strained. He's not mincing words in this section! He's telling you, this is your best opportunity to heal your mind, **and** it is challenging!

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***Real Love is worth everything you have to do to get to. It is worth everything! It's your way home.***

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But if you just, over and over again, just keep saying, "I don't know what anything is for. I'm only interested in a holy relationship. I'm willing! I'm willing! I'm willing! I'm willing!"

That's what I did. It was **very** challenging to me. It was certainly **the most challenging** thing I've ever done, and the most **worthwhile**. It was the making of me. It transformed my whole life!

Give it everything you have! Let the Holy Spirit do Its work!

Remember, Holy Spirit **is** your true nature, your true identity. It's **not** something outside of you. It's not a separate will. There's only One Will, it's God's will, and your Higher Holy Spirit's Will **is** your will.

Now, it **seems** like the ego has its own will, but the ego is **nothing**. It's nothing! All it can do is create smoke and mirrors and illusions.

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Real Love is worth **everything** you have to do to get to. It is worth **everything!** It's your way home. It's your way back. It's your way out of suffering and misery. Do not give up and go create another special relationship! Do not! Stay the course! The form of the relationship may change. Stay the course! It may change, and change, and change, and change again.

I know so many people who've done it completely uniquely. Marriages that split up got back together. Marriages that shifted and changed into just really close friends. You have to be willing to let go of the form of the relationship. That attachment will **keep** you in your suffering. You must **surrender** it in order to have the healing. There's not another way. There's not another way. It says here,

*"A relationship, undertaken by two individuals for their unholy purposes, suddenly has holiness for its goal. As these two contemplate their relationship from the point of view of this new purpose, they are inevitably appalled. Their perception of the relationship may even become quite disorganized. And yet, the former organization of their perception no longer serves the purpose they have agreed to meet."*

### **The Time For Faith**

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Now, you may be the only one in your relationship who's focused on this transformation. You do not have to tell the other person in the relationship that you are allowing the Holy Spirit to change it. You **don't** have to tell them. **You** are not in charge of their mind. Stay focused on your **own** mind. Do your **own** work. It says here in Paragraph 6,

*"This is the time for faith."*

This is how a lot of people **develop** faith, by riding this bucking bronco.

*"This is the time for faith. You let this goal be set for you. That was an act of faith. Do not abandon faith, now that the rewards of faith are being introduced. If you believed the Holy Spirit was there to accept the relationship, why would you now not still believe that He is there to purify what He has undertaken under His guidance? Have faith in your brother in what seems to be a trying time."*

Have faith in the other person that, even if it looks like they are not listening to the Holy Spirit, and that they have no intention of listening to the Holy Spirit, **all** minds are joined. Hold in your awareness that they **are**

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listening to the Holy Spirit, that the Holy Spirit is speaking to them. Be **willing** to see everything as holy. **Do not** give up this view. Keep surrendering. Keep releasing the attachment to the Holy Spirit for healing.

*“Have faith in your brother in what seems to be a trying time.”*

*“Now the ego counsels thus; substitute for this another relationship to which your former goal was quite appropriate.”*

This is where the ego starts saying, “Get out of here! Get out! Get out! Go! Get another special relationship!” and you have to say, “Nope! I’m only interested in a holy relationship. There is **nowhere** for me to go until this relationship is made holy. **This** is where I’m staying!”

Now, I just want to be really clear here -- if there’s violence in the relationship, if there’s emotional violence and all that, well certainly do not allow yourself to be treated poorly. There’s **no** benefit to that. Only the ego would allow you to be treated poorly. **Only** the ego. There is no **value** to staying in a relationship situation where someone is treating you poorly.

You can’t **really** leave the relationship. That’s just an illusion. But you **can** leave the **situation** and you can work on the relationship from afar. That works **really** well. People have accomplished so much by doing that.

Don’t give up on the relationship and, surely, only the person who is identified with the ego would allow themselves to be mistreated. That doesn’t matter whether you’re at work or in any kind of a relationship. Only your ego would allow you to be mistreated, because only the ego believes you’re **unworthy**. It’s **really** important to understand that.

*“You can escape from your distress only by getting rid of your brother.”*

That’s what the ego will tell you.

*“You need not part entirely if you choose not to do so. But you must exclude major areas of fantasy from your brother, to save your sanity.”*

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Then it says in italics,

“Hear not this now!”

With an exclamation point! There aren't that many exclamation points in *A Course on Miracles*, but this one is. So, hear this!

*“Have faith in Him Who answered you. He heard. Has He not been very explicit in His answer? You are not now wholly insane.”*

It might **feel** like it, but you're in that split between trying to serve two masters, is what happens.

*“Can you deny that He has given you a most explicit statement? Now He asks for faith a little longer, even in bewilderment. For this will go, and you will see the justification for your faith emerge, to bring you shining conviction.”*

And I can testify about that!

*“Abandon Him not now, nor your brother. This relationship has been reborn as holy.”*

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So, hear this now! You **must** get rid of the fantasy, the fantasy of the special relationship that's the way **you want** it to be. That's the fantasy you have to get rid of. **That's** the thing that you have an attachment to.

At least, I know that's the way it was for **me**, because I had an attachment to how I thought the relationship would be **if** it was the way **I** wanted it to be, and I had a fantasy about that, and I had **such** a strong attachment to it. It was **excruciating** to let it go, but I managed to do it, because I kept giving it to the Holy Spirit again, and again, and again, and again, thousands of times! **Thousands** of times! But it worked, and it worked in so many different **kinds** of relationships. It's really worth it. So hear this now!

*“Accept with gladness what you do not understand --”*

And that's what I had to do. I just kept saying, “I don't know what anything is for, but I am accepting it with gladness. I do not know what anything is for. It's for my healing. I accept my healing with gladness. I do not know what anything is for, but I'd like to. I accept the insight with gladness. I'm willing. I'm available. I'm wholeheartedly available.”

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“Please take these attachments, these cravings, these fantasies from my mind. I’m no longer interested in them. Higher Holy Spirit Self, heal my mind now, and let **everyone** who has these same attachments and fantasies have the healing as well. I’m interested **only** in my holy relationships.”

And it worked for me, thousands of times. **So worth it! Nothing** is more worth it. Honest to God! It says here,

*“You will find many opportunities to blame your brother for the ‘failure’ of your relationship, for it will seem at times to have no purpose. A sense of aimlessness will come to haunt you, and to remind you of all the ways you once sought for satisfaction and thought you found it. Forget not now the misery you really found, and do not breathe life into your failing ego. For your relationship has not been disrupted. It has been saved.*

You see? It’s been **saved!** I can’t explain enough how **true** that is, that even though the form of the relationship might change, if you really Love this person, or you hate them -- you know, when you start out, whatever is going on, your salvation is in that holy relationship, and there’s no better place to find it. I **cannot** stress this enough.

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*The reward of faith is  
the healing of  
your whole life*

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*“You are very new in the ways of salvation, and think you have lost your way. Your way is lost, but think not this is loss..”*

Okay? In the section, He really talks like Yoda, doesn’t He? [laughs] “Think you not --” that’s very Yoda, isn’t it? Yoda from *Star Wars*.

This is where finding your holy legs, if you will, like sea legs -- you know -- you find your land legs or sea legs. You’re finding your way in the holy relationship. It’s new territory. **Very** new territory. And, it’s **beautiful!**

I’m inviting you to **allow** yourself to be in a new territory, and to have trust and faith, so this is a beautiful way that you **can** learn trust and faith. It says,

*“In your newness, remember that you and your brother have started again, together. And take his hand, to walk together along a road far more familiar than you now believe. ”*

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The road is more familiar than **you** believe, but as you move along this road of holy relationship, you'll start to realize that it feels more congruent with your being-ness, that your heart **does** know the way, and there's a familiarity that will begin to break out, and the strength will build until you feel confident, until you **really have** faith.

And, the reward of faith is the healing of your whole life. Now, if that's not worth it, I don't know **what** is! It says,

*"And take his hand, to walk together along a road far more familiar than you now believe. Is it not certain that you will remember a goal unchanged throughout eternity?"*

The goal of your life, the purpose of your being, is what you're going to find on this road to the holy relationship, and as soon as you **really** begin to experience it, the familiarity of it -- because, remember, it's your **nature**, it's your eternal **nature**. It's **always** been known to you -- so the familiarity will start to make itself known to you and your awareness through your willingness, and the beauty of it will astound you! Absolutely **astound** you! It says,

*"For you have chosen but the goal of God, from which your true intent was never absent."*

Yes! Whew! Well, we didn't get all the way through it. I think we're going to have one more session here on the holy relationship. It's wonderful, isn't it? Ah!

### *Announcements & Reminders*

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Just as I'm coming to a close here, just a reminder that there are a few more tickets left at a discounted price for the *A Course in Miracles* Conference in Las Vegas in April, so that's coming right up. \$390 for the ticket, so you're saving \$260 over the current price. That's available. Then you still have your hotel and some meals and things as expenses.

Then the two offerings in May, the [\*Spiritual Counseling Training Intensive\*](#), for anyone, for life coaches, therapists, all kinds of people. And you can -- we're working it out, so you can get CEU's. If you would like to help us with that, that would be great. We could use some help with that. If you have any experience with CEU's for therapists and for people who go for that kind of

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licensing, life coaching, if you'd like to help us with that, we're accepting volunteers.

Also we're accepting volunteers for some of the things related to this project of the transcription and organizing that. People have been writing in, and I'll be responding to you shortly about that.

Then the [\*Stop Playing Small\*](#) in May, the [\*Stop Playing Small retreat\*](#). Come join us! It's so wonderful when can get together and do the deep work in person.

Whew! Alright! I'm going to be doing some events in New York, some forgiveness workshops in New York, so stay tuned for that, as well.

### ***Closing Prayer***

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Let's place our hand on our heart and take this breath of Love and gratitude together. We're grateful, we're thankful, for the Harmony, for the Wholeness, for the healing in our relationships.

We're grateful and thankful to put the Holy Spirit in charge. So grateful for our healing. We're willing to accept it fully and completely, right now.

In gratitude, we share the benefits with everyone, and we let it be. And so, it is. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Thank you so very much! God bless you! I love you! Mwah! Have a **great** week!

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