

# The Keepers of the Ten Commandments

Etzion Becker, 2007 (My personal views concerning Judaism and the Story of Creation.)

## An Introduction:

I am aware that there are endless interpretations for the Biblical texts, and my version is no more but another angle of perception. I am not saying that what I am offering is the perfect truth, it meant to provoke thought. This essay is not a work of comparing texts. I am looking only at the Hebrew Bible, some of its English versions, and dictionaries.

Since 1971, when Avatar Meher Baba walked into my life, and turned it at once upside down, I have been trying to fathom the purpose of life and the creation. Over the years I looked through various schools of thought and religion, as I felt being prompted by an inner impulse.

For me, Meher Baba is a universal axiom – I know for myself that He is the highest spiritual authority in the universe – at least from my earthly experience. My experience of Him has been absolutely amazing, of Divine Love, Infinite Compassion, Infinite Wisdom and Infinite Patience, which are not within the human domain, nor within the human ken. I cannot prove this axiom to others – it is based on personal experience. However, even an intellectual who believes in the power of his reason can see that the words of Meher Baba are challenging. He is accessible for the layman and a challenge to the highest mind on earth – and no human can come up with such a work, which is accessible to the entire spectrum of humanity.

Meher Baba possesses the ray of Divine Love. Only through Divine Love the old scriptures and teachings can come alive, or we can see deeper into them, beyond the form of the dry words. Divine Love doesn't exist in the old scriptures, but they were written under the Ray of Divine Love. Divine Love cannot be clothed in a text form – it has to be experienced, and it can be experienced only by the Grace of a Perfect Being.

My attempt to look through the Hebrew Bible is based on this ray of Divine Love. I trust and hope that it will engender more respect and appreciation for the Hebrew/Judaic nation and its mission, which greatly looms in ignorance and superstitions amongst many, even those who claim to be spiritual.

## **A survey on the Hebrew/ Judaic mission.**

When Naosherwan Anzar, editor of Glow International, which is dedicated to Avatar Meher Baba, requested me to write an article about Carrie Ben Shammai, who was the first disciple of Meher Baba in Israel, and carried His Center in Jerusalem from 1956 till 1980<sup>1</sup>, I felt strongly that since Carrie was the daughter of one of the most prominent Jews of the 20th century, I must give some explanations concerning the purpose of Judaism. For many, it seems like another religion – a body of faith based on some ancient scriptures.

A religion looks from external view as a codex of behaviour, do this, don't do this. You do what is good, there is a reward. Do what is bad, you will be punished.

This sounds like treating little children, a form of education, or conditioning of the human mind, based on fear. Divine Love never imposes, neither makes a demand. Fear and coercion do not belong there.

### **Human beings, devoid of such Love, distort the teachings or misinterpret them.**

Meher Baba stated that Master Moses was a true Master, a six plane Master, as He called him, and that the story of the Hebrew Exodus from Egypt was true as well. He sent His disciples to view the movie "The Ten Commandments", by Cecil D. B. Mill, when it came to the theaters:

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Baba had sent word beforehand that he would not be giving darshan, and that no one should come to see him at Ashiana except for those few he called. He did, however, go with the men to see the Cecil B. De Mille movie *The Ten Commandments* at the Regal Cinema, but he stayed only up to the part when Moses sees God (as the burning bush) on Mount Sinai. Afterwards, Baba revealed:

Moses was on the sixth plane. His seeing the land of Israel but not being able to enter it is symbolic of his experience on the sixth plane of seeing God, but not yet merging in Him. Though when he dropped his body Moses realized God. I liked this picture very much; it was well acted and well made. It has much to give those who are able to receive it. Rameses [II] in his next incarnation entered the Path; the old Pharaoh [Seti] received mukti, because he took Moses' name when dying.

Baba then recalled his meeting with Cecil B. De Mille in Hollywood in 1932. Later, the women mandali were also sent to see the movie. While climbing the stairs to the theater's balcony, Baba was supported on one side by Homa Dadachanji and on the other by Homa's brother, Dara. Homa had a long history of leg problems and Dara had recently injured his knee. After the movie, Baba joked, "It was a sight for the gods! Here I was, injured myself, leaning on two cripples."

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<sup>1</sup> The Center moved under Etzion's custody since 1980.

There is no historical evidence whatsoever that the Hebrew story is true, apart the statements of various Masters, like Meher Baba.

Let's project the Ray of Divine Love on the Hebrew Bible. We are dealing with a period which started from Abraham, about 3500 years ago, and ended with Yehoshuah (Jesus), both were Avatars, the full manifestation of Perfect Divine Consciousness on Earth, as Meher Baba stated.

Traditionally, Master Moses, (In Hebrew Moses is being called Moshe Rabainu – raban is a master) wrote the Torah, the Pentateuch. The very first chapter of Genesis is actually equal to God Speaks of Meher Baba – creation is a process of creating states of consciousness, and their residue, the byproduct of the individual effort to create states of consciousness, is the physical world. We actually the creators of the physical world or realm – impressions are being formed while we create a state of consciousness; these impressions sink to the subconscious mind and solidify there. These latent impressions form what we call the outer shell of the individual – the physical body. Or we can say that the physical body represents the conglomeration of all past experiences. These individual shells are being accumulated, and over billions of years form what we call the physical world.

The first book, Genesis, is also being called "The First Book of Moses".

**"In the beginning God created the heaven and the Earth".**

In Hebrew it says: "Be'rr-ah-shith ba'rrah Elohim et ha'shamayim ve'et ha'aretz".

Listen to the sound of brrrr-ah-shshshsh-ith – it feels like a process of something that is percolating and about to spring forth, to be born. This can remind us of the original Lahar – the Whim of God to know Himself. The urge which brought up the question: "Who am I?" to cause a stir in the unconscious state and this stir creates ripples, and the ripples create waves; the foam on the crust of the waves symbolizes the individual souls, who are springing forth into the dual creation in order to answer this question. (See God Speaks of Meher Baba)

English speaking people don't pronounce properly the R, you have to listen how Arabs or Spaniards pronounce it. It is a very deep, guttural sound, like igniting a motorcycle.

The word barrah is singular. But the word Elohim is plural. (EL or Eloha are singular). The process of creation is a differentiation from Oneness to Manyness. The sentence should be written as: " Be'rreshith ba'rrooh Elohim et ha'shamayim ve'et ha'aretz". (ba'rrooh is the plural of barrah)

But there is no mistake here: It is a united action made by various God-beings working together with perfect accord. And this is the reason why the verb barrah is in the singular.

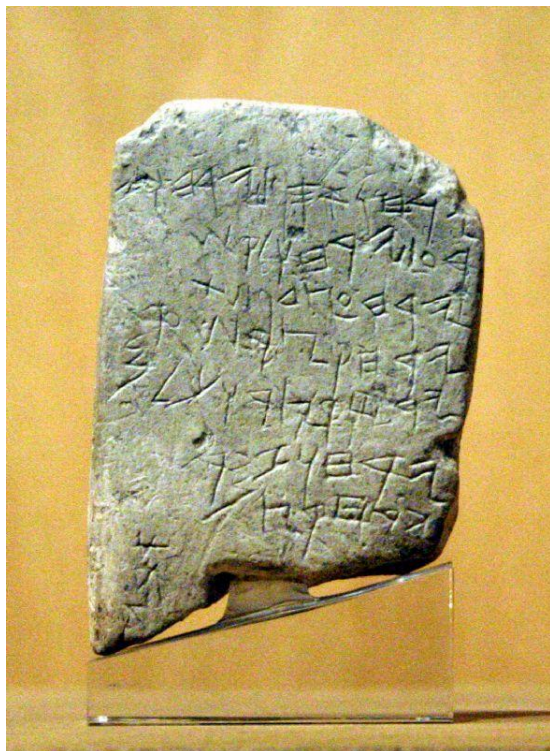
The letters (Or more correct glyphs) of the ancient Hebrew language used to be like slides (still frames) in a motion picture – each word provided an episode in the moving picture – there were

no spaces between the words – just the same in a constant movie film. The separation of the words was actually a descent to gross matter – the fall of man from the spiritual state to the coarse mental state. The moving images turned to be mental structures, devoid of fluidity.

(When we speak, there are no breaks between the words, and we still understand each word, as if each one is a sound by itself)

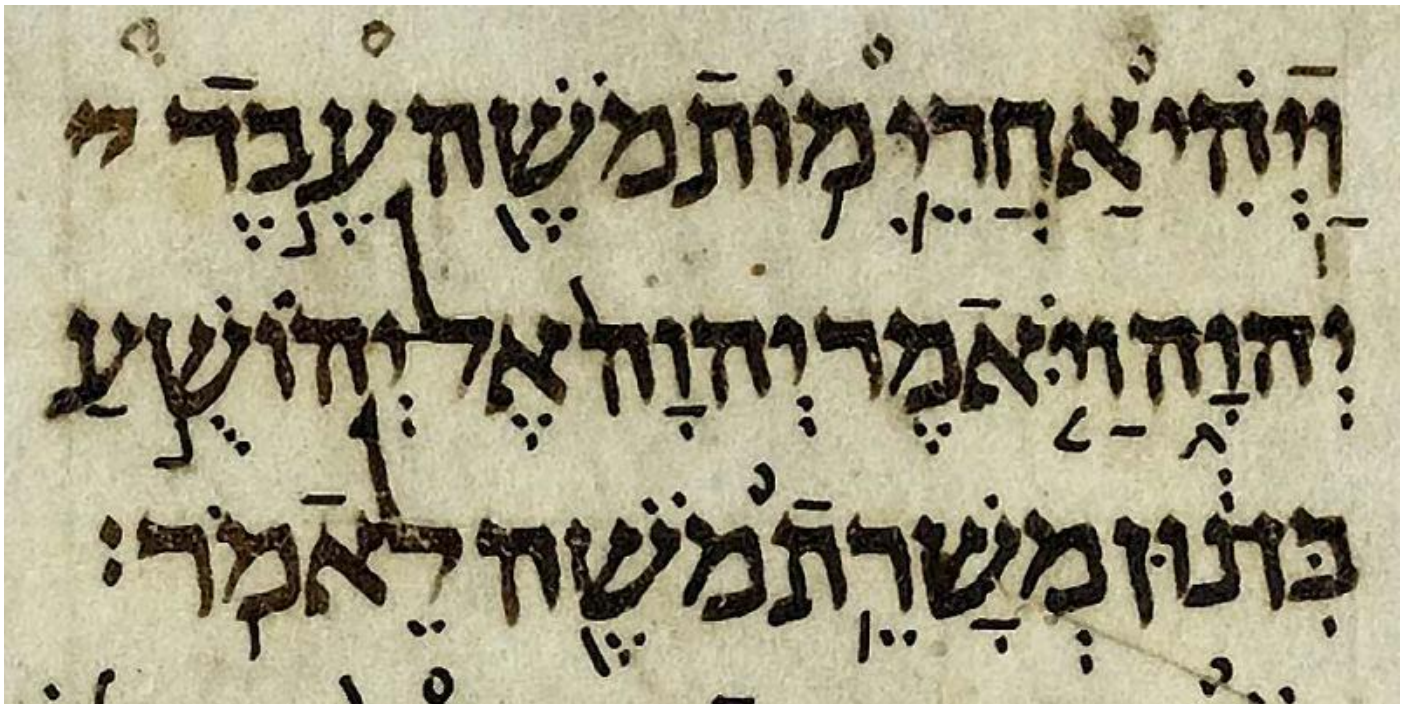
A sample of ancient Hebrew: A piece of limestone from the city of Gezer. (It was located, presumably, between Jerusalem and Jaffa). 1000 BC approx.

The Hebrew letters are not the letters we use today, and only learned scholars can read them.



לוח גזר  
ירחו אספ  
ירחו זרע  
ירחו לקש  
ירח עצד פשת  
ירח קצר שערם  
ירח קצר וכל  
ירחו זמר  
ירח קץ

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(Text of the Torah without spaces between the words)

Try to pronounce bbbrrrr with closed mouth – then open your mouth and speak out – ah - shshith. Ah is being produced during the process of opening the mouth. Shshith cannot be produced with a closed mouth.

This resembles the process of creation – something is percolating within, then it springs forth for manifestation. Note that the next word, ba'rrah has the same root as Be'rre-shith: B.R.AH.

Ba'rrah means to flesh up, to form a body – to create. To be whole, healthy.

I would like to offer a little exercise, which can give the reader a better feeling of this:

Stand erect, close your eyes while your head is a bit bent. Then start pronouncing with a closed mouth brrrrr, lift your head, open your eyes and mouth and say: Ah, and at once stretch your two arms forward, while your fingers piercing the air like forks, and say shshith. The symbol for the Hebrew word Sh, is a three legged fork, facing upward. All this should be done at once, in one movement. This might give you a wee-glimpse of this process.

El (singular) is an ancient word which signifies a higher being, a powerful being. It also points to a direction.

Et is a unique Hebrew expression which denotes relation between things and people. It directs the movements and relations between beings and things. It is also the root-word of Me, You, Them, etc. An indication of manyness. Et, or maybe At, contains the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, and the last letter, thus denoting a complete cycle.

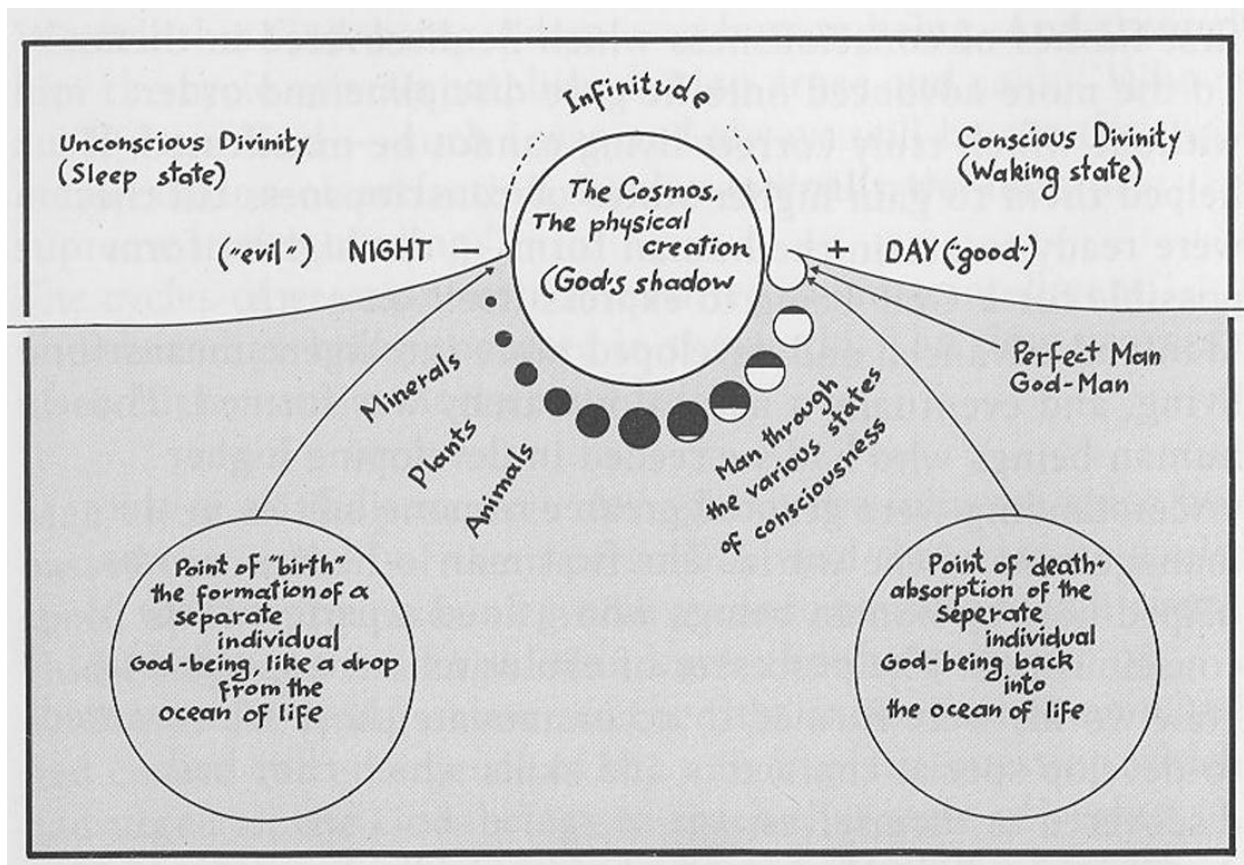
Sha'mayim (plural) is heaven, sky, water, and hearing. It contains a feeling of something airy, watery, of constant movement. It can represent the conscious mind.

Eretz (singular) is ground, massive, a solid basis. It can represent the subconscious mind.

Now, try to look at all this again: The God Beings wake up with a thrill to know themselves – because they don't have wakeful consciousness. In order to know themselves, their inner urge thrust them to experience and thus sanskaras are being formed. The residue of these sanskaras is the physical realm. Tell me now if this sentence - **"In the beginning God created the heaven and the Earth"** – makes any sense now.

You can gather from what I have written that these sentences cannot be translated into other languages, these words must to be experienced, and you will have to take a Hebrew incarnation in order to absorb the deeper, spiritual meaning of the text. The Hebrew letters and the words are actually IMAGES to be experienced, moving, fluid pictures.

We have dealt with just one sentence, and I suspect the rest of the chapter is as deep, and needs special concentration. Let's look at the seven days of creation through the chart below:



I drew this chart during 1983, as a simplification of Meher Baba's explanations in God Speaks.

It denotes the Cosmic Engine – the constant movement from Unconscious Divinity (Sleep state) to Conscious Divinity (Awake state).

Note also on the left side the words Evil, Night and the negative - sign.

On the right side the words Day, Good, and the positive + sign.

Note that the drop soul while entering into the chain of evolution in the dual world starts its journey as a small dot; then the dot is growing bigger and bigger, and darker, due to the fact that while attempting to gain higher states of consciousness through experiences, the residue of the binding impressions (sanskaras), is clinging to the subconscious mind of the drop soul, and stains it. This process binds the individual souls to the world of duality, till the individual soul enters the spiritual path of involution. Then the sphere of the state of consciousness remains, while the binding impressions are evaporating, due to the conscious effort of the drop soul to reach the goal of the Path – Conscious Divinity. Note that the sphere of the consciousness remains at the same size, after gaining full consciousness in the human form, while the dark residue is diminishing. This process happens while the individual soul enters the Spiritual Path.

I would like to move directly to the six day, the creation of Adam and humanity, paragraph 27, in the same first chapter.

**27: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.**

And in Hebrew:

"Va'ivrah Elohim et Ha'adam be'tsalmo btselem Elohim barrah otho zakhar oonkevah barrah otam".

This is another strange, enigmatic sentence, apparently wrong: God created a single individual, and at the same breath He created individuals, separated in duality to males and females.

I think this is one of the most profound sentences in the Hebrew Bible, and in it contains the entire working of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

I'll rephrase it a bit: **"And the Elohim created Adam in their own Shadow, in the Shadow of Elohim they created humankind, male and female they created them"**

In Hebrew the word for an image is tselem – shape, form, also an idol. But what I see when I concentrate on this word, it contains the word tsel – shadow, reflection. We don't really know how they really pronounced the Hebrew words, because in the original Hebrew there were no vowels, nor spaces between the words. As I suggested before, the ancient Hebrew was a fluid stream of images, and when a seer was reading it, he didn't hear mental words as we do, but actually SAW the process.

**In this phrase, Adam is actually a mirror, a reflection of the full manifestation of God. As if God sees Oneself at last with fully Awakened State of Godhood.<sup>2</sup>**

The Elohim, the God-beings, have reached the full state of Divine Consciousness, through their unified efforts, prompted by the initial urge to know themselves fully. Adam in this story is actually the full manifestation of Conscious Divinity, or the Avatar. But at the same action, the body of humanity has been formed, divided into sexes in the dual world of activity. The entire humanity, functioning together with perfect accord, is equal to the state of consciousness of a Perfect Being. Thus the Perfect Being, the Avatar, is One, and humanity as a whole is oneness borne of manyness. The ancient question: "Who am I?" is being answered by a living person in the physical realm.

I would like to address this highest spiritual manifestation as 'The Divine Beloved. Try to replace in the Hebrew Bible the name of God or Elohim, or other name for the Deity with the expression: Divine Beloved – the text will look completely different.

Here we can also see the principle of Master-disciple relations:

### **The Divine Beloved and the manifold creation.**

In the next paragraph is hidden the purpose of the physical creation – the purpose of humanity in the realm of free will. In English it is being said:

**" And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth".**

(King James Version).

We can see two words with similar meaning: Subdue and dominion. In Hebrew the word subdue is kavash, to conquer, but also to pave the way. Dominion in Hebrew is read rdooh, from the root word R.D.H or Y.R.D. which has two meanings: To rule, dominate, and also to

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<sup>2</sup> During 1983, I came independently to the realization that Adam was the first Avatar, just by meditating a long time on this sentence, BEFORE Bhau Kalchuri explained in his book The Nothing and the Everything, that Adam was the first Avatar.



go under, to be humble, to serve. In all the various translations I have observed, no one paid heed to this possibility.

I would like to try to rephrase this passage again, from this angle:

**" And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and pave the Way in order to serve the fish of the sea, and the fowl of the air, and every living thing that moveth upon the earth".**

By the word Way I mean the Spiritual Path, the purpose and aim of the physical creation. The purpose of humanity should have been to direct the processes of evolution quickly and efficiently. People read the scriptures, the Words of the Masters, through the coloring of their mental frame – if your orientation is selfish – this world is an arena for your personal accomplishments. If your orientation springs from the attitude of service, you will see your success as the success of the creation, your presence on Earth would not be to exploit it, but to replenish it. It is all in the eye of the beholder:

**Here is concealed the principle of free will in this world.**

Humanity has to make a choice: Take advantage of the creation for its selfish needs, or be its servant.

The Torah was designed in a way that people will choose according to their ingrained mental frame, or will make the effort and go against themselves, thus the Torah is actually a trap for the ones who are addicted to selfishness and egoism – they really believe in the letter, and don't see what is behind it. The Torah is full of such traps.

It is evident that humanity made its choice, that this world exists in order to satisfy her needs and wants. But truly, humanity was supposed to serve as the link between the states of Unconsciousness and Perfect Consciousness.

Humanity is supposed to pave the way for serving the purposes of creation. The missing link of creation is a body of conscious humans who function together with perfect harmony. Only when humanity will function as one body, she will have the true spiritual experience of perfection on Earth.

Look again at the chart, and see how the Cosmic Generator has been working: From one side a constant stream of unconscious beings move into the dual creation and from the other side Divinely-Conscious beings reach the purpose of creation, and re-emerge in the body of Absolute Consciousness. Humanity was supposed to function as a regulator of this mechanism, directing the movements of the drop-souls through the processes of evolution, making the way

smooth and easy. The decision of humankind to see the physical creation as a purpose for its selfish ends, disrupted this process, and made this process slow and painful.

## Adam and Eve

### Genesis chapter 3

This classic allegory is actually the daily story of our decision making:

**1: Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?"**

**2: And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden;**

**3: but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'"**

**4: But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die.**

**5: For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."**

**6: So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate.**

**7: Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.**

**8: And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.**

**9: But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"**

**10: And he said, "I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."**

**11: He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"**

**12: The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."**

**13: Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate."**

**14: The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.**

**15: I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."**

**16: To the woman he said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."**

**17: And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life;**

**18: thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.**

**19: In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."**

**20: The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.**

**21: And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins, and clothed them.**

**22: Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, lest he**

put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever" --

**23: therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken.**

**24: He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.**

I would like to rephrase a sentence from this chapter, along the lines I looked at before:

**9: But the Divine Beloved called to humanity, and said to her, "Where are you?"**

"Where is your focus, on Me, or on the physical creation?"

The common answer of the physically-oriented person is that he is not responsible – it is the circumstance, his upbringing, his neighbours, parents, school, he is a victim of fate. But any person can make the choice, in his momentary living, where is his focus, on the Divine Beloved – his higher self – or on the byproducts of his own efforts to achieve freedom. This chapter is actually a tale of psychological actions within our mental makeup. Heaven is a focusing on the Divine Beloved within, assuming full spiritual responsibility, and its experience is the sweetness of the heart realm. Hell is actually focusing our conscious beam upon the physical creation, turning our gaze away from the Divine Beloved, and the experience is hell, our heart realm is being filled up with the excreta of the physical world, and becomes acidic. It is due to our focusing on the byproducts of the creation – the dead sanskaras which actually form the physical realm. It is a matter of constant choice, a question that we have to place constantly before ourselves – are we focused on the Divine Beloved and thus walk the Path, or turn our gaze upon the physical realm as the purpose and end of creation, and thus we get off the Path, and disrupt the Divine Machinery. The choice is in our hands.

## The Law of Karma

### Genesis 9, 6

**Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed; for God made man in his own image.**

Usually in the Hebrew Bible there is no mention of reincarnation and karma; but there are many hints for this, like this sentence. The working of the Law of Karma – there is equal reaction for any action. We have to understand the state of mind of the ancient people, who had a direct sight into spiritual phenomena, but this was a very childish, limited site. The Law of Karma appeared before the ancients as an angry, revengeful deity, who punishes those with whom he is displeased. And in order to appease this deity, the person had to offer some kind of sacrifice, often in the form of killing an animal or another human being.

## Abraham

Meher Baba confirmed that Abraham was an Avatar – a person with full Divine Consciousness. Presumably, during the time of Abraham there was almost no one who was willing to walk through the Spiritual Path, which is the only way to maintain the working of the Cosmic Generator. Look at the simile of a running motor – from one side a current is being pushed into it, from the other side work is being done by the movement of the motor. Now throw a monkey wrench into the wheels – the motor will be stopped, and due to the constant pumping of energy, it will be burnt. This is exactly what would happen to the creation if no one would be willing to walk the Spiritual Path. The divine forces which are pushing into the Cosmic Generator unceasingly will shutter the mechanism if the cycle will not be able to reach its accomplishment. The purpose of all the Avatars and Perfect Masters, who are actually one in consciousness, is to keep this machinery working, otherwise the creation will be automatically destroyed, and untimely Mahapralaya will be enacted. The Avatars and the Perfect Masters have the capability and authority to maintain the Path, even if there is no one who is willing to tread it. They are the Path personified, and their very presence on Earth ensures that the Divine Machinery will keep on going. But in order to do so, they must use suffering, because the choices of humanity to focus herself on the physical realm, creates constantly unnatural sanskaras, borne of ignorance, and these sanskaras create suffering, and the only way of removing them is by suffering, or treading the Path. This is the choice before humanity – to serve as a key component in the Divine Machinery, which can be equaled to the gear box of a car, or to act as a monkey wrench. Human decisions are quite apparent.

Abraham is quite unique as an Avatar – he behaves like an ordinary limited human being. He needs to be directed, guided, and corrected. But at the same time, he actually behaves and acts as a person with Divine Consciousness.

## Sacrifice.

Abraham is well known for two reasons: Forming the two nations of Israelis and Arabs, and the story of sacrificing his son Issac, or Yitskhaq in Hebrew.

Genesis, 22.

- 1: After these things God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I."**
- 2: He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Mori'ah, and offer him there as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."**
- 3: So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; and he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.**
- 4: On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place afar off.**
- 5: Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the ass; I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and**

come again to you."

**6: And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.**

**7: And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood; but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"**

**8: Abraham said, "God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.**

**9: When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood.**

**10: Then Abraham put forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.**

**11: But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I."**

**12: He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."**

The pattern of sacrifice, or burnt offering (In Hebrew Olah, facing up), is part and parcel of the dual creation. In Hebrew we have another word for sacrifice: Hakravah. It has the same root of karav, to bring closer. We can see that "sacrifice" is actually a process of ascension, expansion, broadening of consciousness. Take the example of a mother who has three children: She actually lives in four centers, she feels for her children as if she is inside their being. Her state of consciousness has expanded, even if she has no trace of spirituality. Now this process goes on millions of times, and since that all of us are being born alternately as male and female, we have the blessed opportunity of being a mother, and thus our state of consciousness engulfs millions of people.

**After these things God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I."**

Note that each time The Divine Beloved approaches Abraham, Abraham's response is always: "I am here". I am spiritually focused on the Divine Beloved, come what may. This is an answer of spiritually mature person – it is a state of accepting total spiritual responsibility – there is no one to blame.

This is the answer we should give to the Divine Beloved on a daily basis.

Jacob and Israel.

Genesis 32, 22-31

The meaning of the name Jacob in Hebrew is to follow, and also not straight.

Symbolically, when Jacob was supposed to come back to the land of his fathers, Canaan, as it was named those days, he had to leave behind his old self, the human earthly self, and reach the state of solid spiritual orientation. This is the meaning of his fight with the angel, who didn't allow him to cross the river and enter the land. When he persevered with the angel who fought with him, and won, his name was changed to Israel, which means also a perfect man, a man of God. This later on became the name of that land, the Land of Israel, which is a symbol for the state of Divine Consciousness. The story of Jacob-Israel depicts quite well the explanation in God Speaks concerning the crossing of the Six Plane towards the Seventh Plane. There is a vast abyss between the two states, and the Jordan river, where this incident occurred, represented the abyss, which Jacob had to traverse before entering Eretz Israel – literally meaning the State of the God Man.

## **Master Moses**

The story of Master Moses is a classic story of Initiation – the process of walking the Spiritual Path towards its attainment.

Players: The Divine Beloved, Master Moses, Humanity as a background (the Children of Israel).

Stage: The physical plane.

As Meher Baba stated, Master Moses was a six plane Master.

What is the meaning of this statement?

From what I have gathered from the spiritual literature and God Speaks of Meher Baba, this is actually the end of the Spiritual Path, where the individual accomplishes the entire process of evolution of the states of consciousness, and enters the involution, meaning erasing the load of binding impressions which are being stored in the subconscious mind, and thus preventing from the individual from attaining the highest spiritual state.

The story of Moses portrays this state quite accurately. (To be continued)

## The Keepers of the Ten Commandments

This is the name I would give to the people who adhere to the book of Moses. The Children of Israel are long gone, the name Jewish was actually derived from the name of the tribe Judah, the last tribe to survive, after all the wars and exiles.

The blood lineage from Israel was mostly destroyed, and what we see later on was an attempt by Rabbis and scholars to preserve the way Moses offered to the people. Later on the people were being mixed with the blood of the nations through wars and persecutions, which kept on happening till the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Since the core of the teachings of Moses is the Ten Commandments, I see it fit to call the people The Keepers of the Ten Commandments.

We have no evidence to support the story of Exodus besides the Bible. Various spiritual Masters, like Madame Blavatsky, Rudolf Steiner, Meher Baba, Islam and Sufi Masters have proclaimed that the story is a true account. We understand, or believe, that these persons have the occult capabilities to view past episodes since all universal data is being stored in what is being called "Akashic Records". In order to be able to "read" these records, the person has to ascend beyond the dual existence, beyond wants and desires; such a person receives what is being called "Universal Mind", with which he can know and understand the ins and outs of creation.

Master Moses was a six-plane master, as the Sufis call the spiritual state that he achieved. In this state, the person has a direct sight of the Godhood. He sees God face to face, as the record depicts the case of Master Moses. He achieved the highest state possible, before the final destruction of inner bindings to the dual creation, and attaining the state of Perfection, or the God state. Such a person has already, even before attaining Perfection, the full understanding of the purpose of the creation and its mechanism.

Mose's mission was to erect a body of people who work in accord, in order to create an organ in the body of humankind, which might work as a guide and control mechanism, like a gear box in a car. Each individual is like a cell in a body, and each cell has a particular role to play.

Our physical body has been made of endless cells that are being grouped in many organs. In a healthy body, all these systems are working together with perfect accord. But all these organs are working automatically, the organs don't have a conscious knowing of their performance – they simply function. The lungs breathe in and out without any thought that it needs to inhale air into the body in order to supply oxygen to the cells. The fist simply grips the handle of a hammer and drives the nails inside a piece of wood without any conscious knowing. As soon as there is the need to hold a tool and perform some work, the hand and its fingers act even before there is a thought in the mind that work needs to be done.

The components of the human organ which Moses had to form had to be Conscious of their operation. There were twelve parts of that particular organ, what we call the twelve tribes of Israel. While in the desert, they were stationed in a particular order, which could resemble the spread of the great pyramid of Cheops.

The Twelve tribes were supposed to create the Spiritual Engine with which spiritual energy would be generated into the physical plane, and this energy would direct the consciousness of humanity back to the Spiritual Path. Without such a mechanism, the body of humankind will never be restored.

The purpose of Ishmael, the other side of Israel, was to defend Israel, to create a hedge around the people, to ensure safe working.

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