

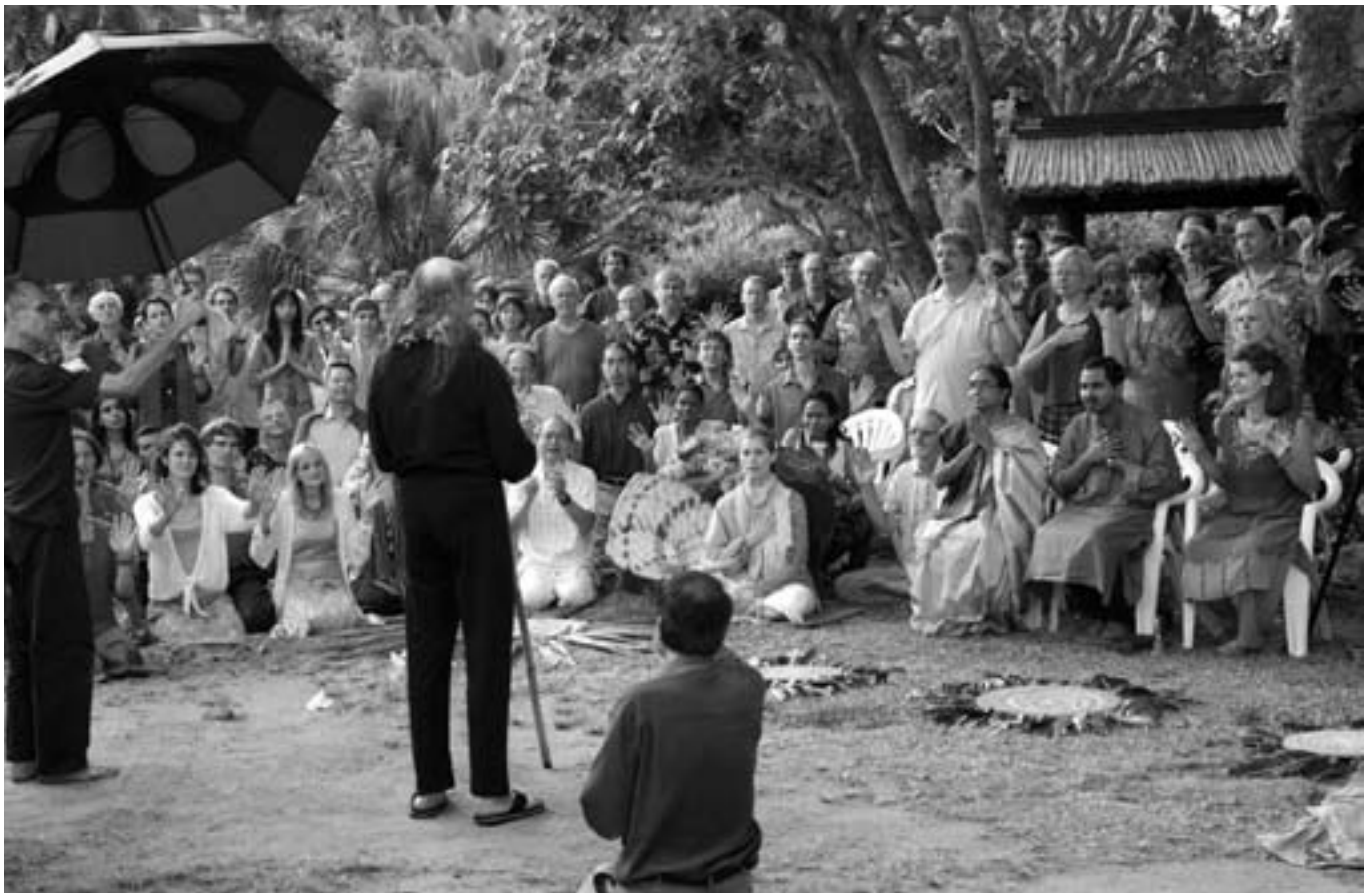
Open Eyes



Why Are Spiritual Masters Necessary?

The Spiritual Master is a Transparent Reminder of the Divine Reality, a Guide to the ecstatic Realization of the One Reality in Which all conditions arise and change and pass away. The Spiritual Master is not to be made into the merely “objectified” idol of a cult, as if the Divine Being were exclusively contained in the “objective” person and “subjective” beliefs of a particular sect. Rather, right relationship to the Spiritual Master takes the form of free devotional response to the Spiritual Master’s Radiant State.

—Avatar Adi Da Samraj, “Adept-Realizers Are The Root of All Esoteric Traditions,” *The Aletheon*





Welcome to Open Eyes

This newsletter is produced by devotees of Avatar Adi Da Samraj. Avatar Adi Da established the ego-transcending Spiritual Way of Adidam Ruchiradam.

“Open Eyes” is one of Avatar Adi Da’s descriptions of Perfect Enlightenment, or the non-exclusive, non-inward state of one who is identified unconditionally with the Indivisible Reality that is the Prior and Divine Condition of existence.

Avatar Adi Da Teaches that this Indivisible Reality is the Truth of everyone and everything. He has said that we could be completely Happy in every moment, if we truly Realised this. Instead, we chronically feel and think—and experience—that we are separate from apparent others and things.

This feeling-sense of separation is what Adi Da calls the “I”, the ego, or the “self-contraction”. He Teaches that the self-contraction is something we are doing, not something that is happening to us. Adi Da appeared in human form for a time to “learn” this limitation, and to fully Reveal the means to transcend self-contraction in the Prior Divine Reality that is His Eternal State.

IN THIS ISSUE:

A true Spiritual Master is able to transmit his or her spiritual realization to devotees. This transmission makes a true Spiritual Master necessary for all who wish to truly learn spiritual truths—because real knowledge outside of one’s current understanding is granted by experience rather than by study. Throughout the great traditions of religious and spiritual wisdom, we find countless descriptions of the preciousness of this gift from the Guru, and of the knowledge it gracefully bestows.

Here we present a taste of Avatar Adi Da’s many, many profound and clarifying communications on this subject. Also, two devotees of Adi Da share their experience of His Blissful and profound Divine Transmission.

The True Divine Heart is Always Already Active

The True Divine Heart is Always Already Active, Always Already Accomplishing the thing that desire constantly seeks but never finally Realizes. The True Divine Heart is Always Already Non-separateness (or unqualified relatedness), Always Already Conscious Force (without obstruction). But the life of desire is always based on the presumption (and activity) of separation. In the usual human being, separation has already occurred—therefore, desire tries to heal the feeling-sense that arises as a consequence of that separative activity. But no ultimate “success” is ever achieved via the means of desire, even so-called “Spiritual” forms of desire. There may be temporary releases, distracting fascinations—but desire never escapes its own dilemma, because desire does not deal with the dilemma. The search is concerned only with desire and the objects of desire. But beneath the search is this root-contraction.

Only the Divine Heart Itself Is the Radiant Continuum of Satisfaction, the Unobstructed Flow of Divine Spirit-Power. Only the Divine Heart Itself Always Already Knows Perfect Satisfaction, Perfect Desirelessness—because the Flow of the Divine Heart-Current is Always Already Accomplished. Always Already Accomplished—not accomplished as the result of any motivated action.



Avatar Adi Da, 2008

The Great Siddhas are those extremely rare Adept-Realizers (of whatever Real degree) who Function as the True Divine Heart in relation to living beings. And that Function is the unobstructed Flow (or Transmission) of Spirit-Force. The pressure of the Presence of a Great Siddha Awakens and constantly Intensifies the Flow of Spirit-Force in living beings. All obstructions tend to fall away in the Presence of this Spirit-Force. Where the Spirit-Force Moves, either there is devotional surrender in Its Presence or there is the flight from Its Presence. The Great Siddhas Communicate the Living Force of Reality. They Live It to living beings. They simply Live their State of Enjoyment (or Realization) with other beings. And those who devote themselves (with greatest intensity and profundity) to a Siddha-Guru will tend to Realize that one’s characteristic State.

—Avatar Adi Da Samraj,
“Understanding,” My “Bright” Word

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Reality was clearly a field of Divine Light

[Avatar Adi Da’s] Transmission Power moved into the room where we were seated with Him face to face and the “Brightness” of His Divine Light Infiltrated the space with Luminosity, such that the walls, the objects, and persons became visibly “Brightened” by His Siddhi. The differentiation between objects loosened, such that Reality was clearly a field of Divine Light rather than a field of apparently separate material objects. Beloved Adi Da was Revealing to us the Truth that matter equals Energy equals Light and that His All-Pervading Divine Spiritual Presence is the Very Substance and Nature of That Light.

—Ruchiradama Nadikanta,
a senior renunciate devotee of Adi Da Samraj

An Unutterable Heart-Fullness and Peace

[Avatar Adi Da] sat in silence. As I gazed at Him, I lost my “anchor” in the room. My point of view became fluid, no longer fixed to the body. It was as though I were seeing Adi Da and the whole space from different places in the room, and, for periods of time, all the apparent objects, including Adi Da’s body, faded in an all-consuming Radiance. I blinked often, but the Radiance did not diminish. It was not a merely visual phenomenon. Afterward, what remained was an unutterable heart-fullness and peace, a certainty of Being, deathless and absolute, and the recognition that Adi Da conveyed That, Transmitted That, was That.

For a time, the mind was forgotten in this unspeakable contemplation. But then the mind kicked in. What had happened? There were no stored categories of experience in the memory by which to classify it. I could not say it was a religious experience, nor a mystical experience, nor a psychological experience. It was not a loss of awareness, or a dream. What had been revealed had no content. It was not any merely conditional, or passing, state. From the first moment, it was paradoxically clear that what was happening was not about “me”, or “my experience”, or “my life”. It was a tacit, transcendent knowledge, which, over time, I came to express to myself and others along these lines: “Nothing is the same. Adi Da is not merely a person, or a Master. He is an Event, an Intervention, a Happening of supreme significance for human beings. He is, by His mere Presence here, answering, revealing, demonstrating the root-state of the world and of human life and death, and of all myth, religion, and philosophy”.

—Carolyn Lee, author of *The Avatar of What Is*

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I Am here to Awaken you to the Realization that you can feel absolutely, that you can be ecstatic, that there is a different way to be than you are tending to be in every moment.

—Avatar Adi Da Samraj, "The Fire Must Have Its Way,"
Right Life Is Free Participation In Unlimited Radiance



I am like the sunlight in the morning. I Intensify the light of morning until you Awaken. Until the Light Awakens you, even the Light of Consciousness Itself, you continue to dream, try to survive within the dream, manipulate yourself within the dream, pursue all kinds of goals, searches—none of which Awaken you.

The ordinary means only console you and distract you within the dream. I, Myself, the One Who would Awaken you, am not a person, not an individual within the dream. I Am your Very Consciousness. I Am Reality Itself, the Divine Conscious Light, the True Waking State, the True Divine Heart—Breaking Through the force of dreaming.... I Am your own True Self-Nature Appearing within the dream to Awaken you.

—Avatar Adi Da Samraj, "The Gorilla Sermon," My "Bright" Word

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In His written word, Avatar Adi Da uses a unique style of capitalisation, in which words describing the Divine Self or Spiritual realities are capitalised.