

CD #3 Karma and Reincarnation

This is the third in a series of lectures; this one is on Karma and Reincarnation. It is a subject that many do know something about, though there is a lot of information that is quite distorted and much of the information that is given through Eastern sources is not right, which I'll try to explain a little bit in this talk.

I am going to start off this talk with a portion of one of my poems, it is a large poem called 'The Journeying'. Which explains much of the essence of what I want to teach to you about karma.

Karma is something like a dance, we dance from life to life weaving in and out our patterning in the fabric of space and time. When one actually looks at Karma from a great height from the realm of Enlightened Being, one actually sees a tapestry. If each of you think of what you truly are, you are not these forms that are sitting here, that's the illusion, you are a bundle of colours, of emotions. If you have heard my lecture on Auras - you are minds, minds interrelating with other minds, emotions interrelating with other emotions. Your forms are illusional they are changing, they started when you were a baby, you go through the stage of adolescence and eventually grow old and die, and we die in various ways according to our karma. But when one sees this tapestry, how each of us walks through life, from the inner realms, from above down, when it is seen clairvoyantly, one sees it more in terms of colour and sound.

You can see it in terms of a sequence of time, say your whole life as a band of colour weaving through the mental planes, through the emotional realms and of course what most of you are aware of, on the physical plane. When you weave these little threads of colour, of individual lives into a set patterning, say a national scene such as the city of Amsterdam or Holland or Europe and you make a bigger patterning of individual lives till you encompass all of humanity then you get something like a carpet. Seen from great heights you see a carpet of interwoven strands of Karma, and that is international Karma, World Karma and the bigger carpet is universal Karma, it is the strands of individual colourings seen over an expanse of time from a point of view of the higher realms of the mind and therefore it only has a certain amount of substance to it because Karma as is properly understood from the higher dimensions of perception has really got to do with the Mind.

You think, as you think so you create things. Everything on the physical plane is the result of thought united with action or thought united with the emotions or your desire body. First of all you create the originating image and then you clothe it with desire substance of some type and then a desire propels it into the physical plane as action, as forms that you all recognise. For instance, if you get up in the morning and you look in front of your sackful of clothing on the floor and you say now I'm going to take this one and this one and put it on and you have to put the image of the way you had to actually look into that clothing and you pick up those things and you try it on and you say no, and try something else depending on the predisposition of the desire of the individual concerned. But the action follows the thought, the image and it's the same as the way universes are created and so forth. What I'm trying to point out here is that the karma of an individual is really created by their mind, their minds enclosed by a desire and the physical body automatically follows suite, the physical body from our perspective is just an automaton, it just simply automatically follows the desire of the mind. It's an animal body after all.

Karma really only comes into effect when people have free will, when beings have free will. That's what sets us apart from the animal kingdom. The animal kingdom has no karma as such they have group karma, and the experiences of each animal are shared by the group, for instance a herd of cows. We have individual free will, we have the intelligence to choose right and wrong and therefore we have individualised karma, we have the karma that affects each individual being. Whereas the animal kingdom do not have the intelligence to work out right from wrong, they are governed by instinct, they are governed by the instinct of self preservation and sexual instinct and so forth. And they follow out those instincts according to the group or herd patterning of which they are apart. So you see schools of fish swimming this way and that according to the danger in the water and so forth, bees and ants and all of that are working towards a preconditioned code of programming. Biologists call it genetics whatever the way you want to label it, it is instinct and that is the way it works there is no individual karma. We have individualised karma because we have free will, in other words we have mind and we use our minds to rationally choose to go with creation, with nature's laws or go against nature's laws. A lion for instance when they are stalking the cow or the deer or whatever, it's going simply with instinct. It's not using its will to go against nature law it is simply part of nature and this is where we differ.

So when you look at Karma properly you will find that karma exists in all kingdoms of nature but human karma is different because it is individualised. We have the karma within say the mineral kingdom producing the law of chemical affinity, the law of chemical affinity some of you might say what is that? Well, you get an acid and you mix it with a base, for example sodium hydroxide and hydrochloric acid and it produces salt and water. All the laws of chemistry are the law of karma, those particular elements and compounds or the elements combined to make compounds in a certain way according to the predisposed law. Later on if I was talking about sex in the mineral kingdom I would say that the law of chemical affinity is really sex in the mineral Kingdom. So in the mineral kingdom we have the Newtonian Laws of physics: a body continues in a state of rest or unified motion unless acted on by an external force. To every action there is an equal or opposite reaction. And energy is neither created nor destroyed it changes from one state to another. These are three fundamental laws of physics and these are the laws of Karma onto the physical plane, everything on the physical plane is but the effect of subjective or inner plane law. To every action there is an equal or opposite reaction is simply the Law of karma. As I manifest in action so eventually I must receive the equal and opposite reaction, the equal and opposite effect in my emotions if that action is emotional, in my mind if that action is mental and on the physical plane if the action is physical. So we can go into these laws of physics and apply all of them to spiritual law or vice versa. We can even say - God is energy and energy is love, however you wish to say it, this is all physics and spirituality are but one.

I was talking at the beginning in terms of this tapestry of life, the individual streams of karma woven into a patterning and the patterning producing a mandala. This is where the Buddhist and Hindus and some of these great religionists get their concepts of mandala, what they are really talking about is this weaving of the patternings of life, but of course they're talking specifically about these patternings and these universal archetypes such as chakras and what derives from chakras. We can find many universal archetypes, the Star of David for instance, the fixed cross and so forth.

What I was getting to in regards to this patterning of the karmic thread of say, nations, is that your karma, you have your individual karma but you also have your group karma, your karma of social responsibilities, each of you have relationships with each other. You are all interrelated in different ways and you affect each other emotionally you affect each other mentally; you have your emotional and mental reactions to each other. For instance, lovers can have their little flings and they fall out of love and may get angry with each other or jealous or whatever. All of these types of things have karma attached to them. However you manifest emotionally or mentally with another person has its karmic effects and you must pay that. If you are that type of male or sometimes female that gets really jealous because their lover has left them and does this or that action well they eventually must pay for that in a future life. It is a law that you cannot do a thing without paying the reciprocal karma. If you are unloving to a lover then some time you will have that lover or another lover unloving to you. Therefore it is best to be loving at all times. It always boils down to that in the end; be Loving, be kind, be good, be courageous, give generously because all comes back to you.

There is nothing that you can do on this physical plane that does not come back to you. For instance we have a magic hat system and some of you say, "I will just put a tiny bit in or nothing at all", or if you get a free lunch or free meal, you have this illusion that I have got out of paying or I don't have to pay for 6 weeks or something "oh great!" and you feel whatever you may feel inside but inevitably you are going to have to pay for that because the karma is there and the karma does not forget. The Lords of karma do not forget and I will explain as much as I can the mechanism of karma and the way it exactly works. But I do want you all to understand there are no free meals in this universe. In chemistry this is simply called the Gibbs Free Energy Equation – it means that this universe is a container and in the container there are different pots boiling here and there but ultimately the equation is whatever energy is put out, and goes out into the universe must come back, it all stays within that whole container of the universe, it must be equilibrated. Everything in nature, everything in the universe tends towards harmony, everything is perfectly ordained by law, there is no such thing as chaos really. If there was a speck of chaos in the universe then everything would crumble, there would be no God, there would be no universe there would be no law, there would just simply be explosions and scattered atoms going every which way and no form. Because there is Law there is a universe and there is a universe in which we human beings evolve and because we human beings evolve we evolve in Love we are evolving towards Love – Love is the law of the universe and that law which hold it all together in bunds of love is called Karma.

Karma is but the Love of God acting out throughout manifested space. You can see when you actually look at Karma it is a far vaster thing than most people think. Going back to this concept of no free lunches it is an essential thing for all of you to remember you can't win tats lotto and suddenly inherit a million bucks and not think that money is yours by right. It simply must be paid back or you have earned it from a former life where you have done great services to humanity in one way or another and you are simply getting your karmic reward, your karmic due. If you take from another person then that person sometime down the track must take from you. You must lose equal resources as to what you gave out. It does not mean for instance if you take \$10,000 from a multimillionaire, it might put a bit of an ouch in his back pocket but not really much, he's earning that much money a week, for some of them

that amount per minute. So the karma is not really the cash, the dollar amount you take from another person but really the pain you have caused, the amount of suffering you have caused and the amount of distress you cause upon that individual by taking that resource. If you take something it may only be a few dollars from someone who is poor and they can't pay the rent for that week then you must pay the karma of all that distress, it may only be a dollar or two instead of \$10,000 but that's the karma. You will get more karma from that than you ever will from stealing money from a millionaire.

Whatever goes for individuals goes for nations as well. Nations are busy involved in all sorts of territorial grabs, stealing from each other, stealing resources and trying to amass it for their citizens or for a few millionaires and billionaires. Whatever nations do - the citizenship of that particular country share the accumulated karma of that nation, they cannot avoid it, thus they go to war, thus they have famines, thus they have economic collapses and all these sorts of things the whole nation shares. It basically means that if you subscribe to a particular policy of any particular government and that policy in itself is evil and that policy itself is not really honest, that policy in itself causes a lot of distress and pain and suffering to many or leads to the destruction of the environment, then you suffer your individual part of the accumulative effect of what that nation has done. Therefore it's very, very wise to get involved in politics. It's very, very wise to get involved in trying to set the balance of this world right. To actually try and teach nations and the leaders of nations how to act. To demonstrate and protest in your various way against these types of laws that you know are harmful to the national soul and to the national spirit.

National Karma is something which Enlightened Beings are always looking at and always working with. Something of which most people don't have much of an understanding. Anyway we have wars and famines and pestilences and all these sorts of things because of national karma because of national thievery. You have a big country such as United States bullying everyone all over the place bullying all these little countries through money and its war machine. Like for instance in Iraq, that's all Karma for the nation, that karma of attacking Iraq in what they think is justified, or bombing this or that country because their embassy was bombed, that's additional karma for that nation and the individuals responsible for the bombing must pay for it. For that pain and suffering and for the death that they caused they can't escape it, if you subscribe to that sort of retaliatory action. If you don't then you demonstrate against it or you protest. One way or another try and absolve yourself from the blame.

We can go very much into this sort of karma, this level of the way karma works but I also want to get back to this carpet, this magic carpet, that flies through the air that can take you to wondrous places. These are the streams of karma that take us far into the distant future because these strands are built into the ever-present now based on past actions. And the colourings of past actions are woven into the future and those strands are woven far, far into the future. Lives and lives and lives, millions of lives into the future in some cases, working into the entire way evolution goes. What I was trying to get to is that you create group karma through group interrelationships. For instance, all of us sitting here at present are creating group karma or we are a result of a former group that sat like this in a former life and we simply come together again because that is the way that the karma is woven. Most of you have emotional interrelationships with each other and you affect each other emotionally, often

unconsciously and that emotional interrelationship, the way that you interrelate has its own types of karma. For instance, when you send a lot of emotional energy into the atmosphere eventually you will weaken areas in the body, you are absorbing their substance, you absorb each others substance all the time, you are sending out different types of streams of substance after you qualify it with your own, that is all group karma and when you look at it on a vaster scale then you have the seeds for group sicknesses and group diseases. Why flu's suddenly affect a lot of people all at once, why sexual diseases come, that's more obvious but people rarely relate their flu's their coughs and some of these other types of infectious diseases as the result of group interrelationships from past lives, the way you erred through past orgies of emotional indulgence. You ascribe it, and doctors like to say to you a germ has got hold of your lungs and you have caught hold of the flu, but that is only the physical plane seed, the true problem is the karma that you created from past lives with that group, with those individuals.

So there are different ways of cleansing karma, most of you only think in terms of yourselves. You say to yourself, "well if I am doing good to my brother or sister, I should always experience good karma." If you are always helping, always trying to give the right type of advices, it is possible that karma then increases for you and yes you shall reap that type of reward. But what you don't realise is that you are also manifesting karma to do with the emotions and you will reap that sort of reward as well. Whatever is created good or bad, an example of this for instance, is that you are with a group of people and you decide to rob a bank and you go get your masks or whatever and you go do this act, and you come away with your million bucks, your bag full of dough and the police haven't been able to find you and suddenly you are struck with remorse, you realise that there is karma involved in this thievery, then what do you do? You decide to give it away, you might give it the nearest charity and they thank you for it and you become a big person in their eyes but the fact is you cannot absolve the karma of stealing with the karma of giving, the way it works is that you must pay the evil effect from whatever you have stolen from whoever you have stolen from and then you also get the good effects of the donation you gave. It's both, it goes both ways.

Nobody, not one person in this universe can save you from your karma. No God, no Christ, no Buddha, certainly no person who claims that they can do it. You must work every bit of it. You know the New Testament says "it's easier for Heaven and earth to pass than one jot or tittle of the law to fail." That is the truth. The whole universe will go before your karma. It is your karma, you must cleanse yourself from every bit of it. Nobody can say I will do this and get out of my karma by doing that. Yes, you get some good from it but whatever you did in the first place you still must pay for. Isn't it wonderful to be sailing together on this ship of karma, I hope on board I have a whole ship of wise people rather than a bunch of fools.

That was the background essentially to this poem that I have to read. I started off with dancing, – well I have done a lot of dancing in my life –I used to be known as quite a good one – I like dancing because with me, dancing really means dancing in spiral eights. This spiral eight motion when you begin to understand it and energy movements are that which creates the fabric of time and space, the fabric of the universe in terms of spiral eights. And so this weaving in and of karma in terms of serpentine motion, in what is essentially spiral form creating these eights every which

way you look, so its always dancing, it's always weaving -your karma, whether its pleasant or loving karma, this nice smooth ride or its karma that's full of hatred or bigotry or selfishness that has all these jagged ends to it that you have to somehow smooth.

*Life is an eternal dance,
dancers swirling by, round and round,
In an ever-increasing frenzy,
faster and faster until they're gone.
Humanity's gone, and the world disappears.
It is a sweet passion,
like garlands of flowers in the air
and the springtime birds singing.
It is a vivacious interaction
of countless sentiencies
flowing through our veins;
the manifold ramifications
of myriad coloured rays,
essentially energy quanta, all interrelated
with widespread interdependence.
becoming never-ending, like galaxies streaming
from a big bang explosion
in a Universe seemingly forever expanding.*

*Life, all the manifestations of the knowable, unknowable,
Feasible, unfeasible God, is impermanent.
Death destroys life, and life amid its weeping
brings forth new joy, a surreal offering
of fragrant breezes,
ever rearranging and terminating
in crystalline splendour
sparkling in the wind,
metamorphosis of colour.
In such a form we are born again and again,
As an expression of the senses
and of the Spirit of God
as it broods over the Face of the Waters,
whilst our Mothers scream
as we tear their wombs.
Oh motherhood,
who can fathom the exuberant miracle
bought about within you?
You harbour eternities' journeying
within your bosom.
Then the milk you exuded
nurtured a Universe
Oh Earth,
thank you for your sustenance,
the air
for the vitality that you give*

*and the sea
that was the womb,
the chambered doorway to Life.
Where is Deity?
Can we know Him,
the Infinite Logos, the One Life,
the silent solitary Reaper,
Who from an ineffable pinnacled Tower
eternally watches the parade,
the flowing turmoil of our lives,
all lives pass by?*

*The worlds spiral in cyclic growth,
Persistent, though unhurried,
whilst the crystal gazer
silently watches, meditates,
absorbed in the fickleness
yet the aesthetic beauty
of the ever-changing panorama.
It's a majestic drama always played anew.
Of every being and in every being,
the greater as the smaller, wheels are turning,
of hourly changings, seasons, yearly happenings
and the great Wheel of the Law revolving.
From birth onwards there is maturation,
the internal wheels of our beings
eternally cycling like breathing,
the blood's circulation
from this to That, life sustaining.
People must find the hub of their journeying
if they are to cease their earthly toiling
and from that centre of Peace
know the cause of their growing*

*Humanity, in you there is an atom,
an ocean of atoms, a Cosmos
a divine Spark, an ocean of sparks
that shine like night-time starlight twinkling
through the air, over the mountains
and across the land.
But a whirlwind came that obscured the sparks,
then storms, a savage precipitation tore the land.
The watery element and the rough earth
became a muddy torrent,
like mortal beings,
who, with their massed desire
and emotions distorted
produced a sea of selfishness,
anger, voluptuousness, voracity,
vanity, and the like,*

*wrought through ignorance
and tempered by fear.
People fear life, fear the unknown,
old age, sickness, death, isolation of failing,
and humanity itself;
whilst ignorance destroys.
But Divinity, the Spark, lives on.*

Anyway the poem goes on and in that particular portion and others of my poem I've given much esoteric information concerning reincarnation, concerning this process of living from life to life. And it's an eternal journey we all travel together, there is not one atom in this universe that is not journeying with you, is not journeying with God, its all within the greater Mind unfolding. Every Enlightened Being and everyone on the path to Light must turn backwards and help the younger ones to travel the way that person has gone – to greater and greater revelatory lights. No God, no great Being can evolve and not do so, for that reason stars are born and Solar Systems come into existence, earths such as this one have their appearance and humanity comes onto it. All through the great compassion of Great Lords who have gone this way before in past cycles, all reincarnating because every star, every solar system, every earth sphere is but the birth of another great Being going through material existence on a higher cycle as we understand it. Reincarnation is but the Law of Evolution, everything reincarnates, there is nothing that does not. Every time you think, you die to an old thought and you reincarnate to a new thought. It is but reincarnation every time you have another emotion you die to an old emotion you reincarnate and you give birth to a new one. One cannot think of life without this evolution to Godhead, this evolution to full enlightenment because that is all reincarnation does. If you read my book and I use Biblical terminology, using the Bible itself as a mechanism to teach reincarnation because its there. Very much so in the New Testament specifically when they ask John the Baptist was he Elijah, and Jesus said, yes, if you believe the prophets, this is Elijah reborn, and there are a number of other quotations such as that.

People seem to think that Christianity does not teach reincarnation but it taught reincarnation and Jesus certainly taught it very much so. It was very extant at the time of the Jews 2,000 years ago. When Alexander the Great conquered a portion of India all these teachings came and flooded the Middle East. They had a great ecumenical council in about the 4th – 5th Century AD, the Council of Constantinople, it's in my book the exact date, outlawing the doctrine of reincarnation because they were trying to destroy the doctrines of one of the great Church fathers called Origen, who taught reincarnation as very popular.

In the Old Testament, we have certain statements in the Book of Ecclesiastics and we certainly have karma, the Jewish concept of “an eye for an eye a tooth for a tooth” is but karma, is it not? It's just pure teaching of karma. St Paul states “as a man sows so shall he reap”, every religion speaks of karma, it is just a universal law. We can go into this from a religious point of view if we so wished. There is a good book that has many of these quotes together “*the phoenix of firebird mystery*” many hundreds of pages thick, quoting many great beings and sages and doctors and religions concerning karma and reincarnation.

It's good that you don't remember your past lives it would be terrible for most of you if you did especially with your selfishnesses and your fears. You would hate to know that for instance the lover you are currently with may have murdered you or raped you in a former life and that you have this terrible karma to do, or if you are driving down the street, five minutes from now you are going to have a terrible accident and lose your head or your arm or something and suffer terrible agonies in hospital. These types of karmic situations you really do not want to know about and most of you would try to avoid it not one of you would knowingly go into a car knowing that five minutes down the street you are going to have this terrible accident and be mangled for the rest of your life. This type of karma only great ones like Jesus could handle when he willingly went to his death tortured on the cross. Most of us would say, "no thanks!" and escape your karma, but the fact is if you have tortured people, if you were inquisitors in Europe during the war of religions or tortured people in various wars throughout the centuries then you must pay the karma for that torture. If you tortured a lot of people then you've got terrible karma.

The karma of killing people in wars or whatever – incidentally there is a difference, there are some good books, Dostoyevsky went into this subject well in *Crime and Punishment* for instance, where the difference between national karma and individual karma comes into it. For instance if when war comes you are forced to go off and fight for a King etc, or you are conscripted, in that particular case you are swept into national karma or swept into the karma of that King's policy. Your karma is the karma of that nation when you go and fight in a war. However within the context of the general rules of warfare you go and do silly things like rape a woman than that's your individual karma, it's not the karma of that war or that nation. If you plunder, pillage or steal it's all individual karma, you may be caught up with the national karma. So there are certain things that the whole nation must pay for and which you get caught up in sometimes because you have no way of controlling those events and of course that's karma from past lives anyway but there are things that individuals within that group karma have their own individual rights which they must pay individually.

Generally you pay for karma for wars by dying young, you may have a flu or cancer or something like that, some quick death and its gone, you have escaped the wheel of life quickly or early in life. So I just want you all to understand the difference between being forced to do things because the situation is beyond your control or doing things willingly because you have evil intent upon somebody else or their property.

One of the things that is taught in the east in Buddhism, Theravada Buddhism and in Hindu philosophy is what's called *transmigration*, you also get it in Plato's writings and some others. Transmigration means the belief of birth into animal forms. In other words when you die you can become an ant or a bee or something like that. I have a very long poem here, I actually wrote to the Dalai Lama many years ago pointing out the errors on this particular field, this belief in transmigration. It simply cannot happen, it's against the laws of Life. You have long ago evolved from the mineral stage to the plant stage, and from the plant stage to the animal evolution and from the animal evolution to the human. You long, long ago were that ant or that flower, millions of years ago, billions of years ago in some cases you don't need to go back into what you have long outlived, it no longer can contain your consciousness.

How can the life of a pig as a pig atone for what you have done, no matter what you have done. It's inconceivable, grunting around in the mud, why? Because you had an emotionality in one particular stage, and if you believe Buddhists anyway, most of you should be ants or dogs or something, certainly cattle because a lot of people have eaten meat. If you chump into a bit of cow's leg than you get reborn as a cow, how can a cow atone for it anyway? One can go around chewing grass, that sort of pays for eating a leg of an animal? No, you will suffer for the act of eating a leg of an animal, and believe me there is considerable karma in terms of that you suffer the pain of the slaughtered animal, the pain of the entire animal kingdom as it goes to the hand of human executioner. There is no way you can avoid that karma, the karma does mean sickness and disease associated with the animal kingdom, people do not get diseases such as mad cow's disease from eating grass, they get it from eating animals but there's all sorts of other diseases and sicknesses that come from animal eating and psychic diseases that most people have no conception of. Karma is there and the karma will manifest inevitably, the more the animal has suffered the more your suffering is to be in the inner realms and in your form, you share the group karma of the slaughtered animals and their sufferings.

You don't do it spending a lifetime chewing grass with no thoughts, no way of working out what you did wrong or right there's nothing there. Besides your consciousness is far greater than that and animals don't have the charkas you have to incarnate into, they don't have a head centre, for instance the greatest chakra in a animal is the solar plexus, that's the abdominal brain. If we want to go into psychic or spiritual science then we would just point to a chakra and say "look at that, where are the charkas for a human being" – they're not there, how can a human being be there? Where is the consciousness of a human being? How can the consciousness evolve there? its not there. How can that animal create new karma or atone for their karma, its not there! Also you can think logically, well if karma is such and such, and you become a lion that pounces on another creature and creates karma for itself, does that mean you are going to be a lion for twenty billion years recreating this type of karma? How will you ever become a human being after that? they cannot tell you, they never tell you because their whole philosophy is flawed, its quite putrid in its thinking, it's very limited in its understanding of anything. So, you cannot incarnate into animal forms, it's an impossibility as Dr Evans Wentz says in the Tibetan Book of the Dead.

It's a great pain of mine to see so many people come to the east to Buddhist Lamas and Rinpoches and they come back with the most awful understanding of karma or they go to Hindu teachers and the same thing, just terrible, terrible concepts and they do not have any background of understanding and neither do the teachers and one of the problems, is to see these teachers give these teachings and they themselves do not understand the law of Karma and the karma is this; the teacher is responsible for the student, in other words if the teacher gives teachings to a student and the student follows it and acts according to the belief earnestly the karma is the teachers not the students. If I have somehow brainwashed you to go and murder people and people can do that go and hypnotise you and your walking around like a zombie doing these acts, its my karma not yours. I must pay for that. If I give you erroneous teachings, teachings that are distorted in any way, not based on Love and you act out accordingly and you believe that, its my karma not yours. I must cleanse out whatever you do in future lives. This is the law and many of these teachers are totally

ignorant of this particular law. If they were not ignorant they would not be teaching *kundalini* yoga and all these types of things either because the karma from premature psychic awakening in students who have no background or knowledge and no inherent love is horrendous. Our lunatic asylums are filled up with these types of individuals; Karma of the teachers.

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KARMA PART 2

Evans-Wentz who is the editor of *The Tibetan Book of the Dead*, Oxford University Press, and his teacher Lama Kazi Dawa-Samdup wrote this in their section on Karma in their book. Of course the present Lamas try to teach you not to read such things because they have a very exoteric account of karma.

This is from the *Bardo Thodol*¹ –

The exoteric interpretation, namely that the human stream of consciousness, that is to say, the human life-flux, not only can, but very often does take re-embodiment in sub-human creatures immediately after having been in human form, is accepted universally by Buddhists, both of the Northern and Southern Schools – as by Hindus-who, referring to Scriptures, invariably regard it as being incontrovertible. Their belief, being based on the authority of written records, and on untested theories of *gurus* and priests who consider the literally interpreted written records to be infallible and who are not adept in *yoga*, is nowadays considered to be the orthodox interpretation.

Over against the exoteric interpretation, which, without any doubt, the *Bardo Thodol*, if read literally, conveys, the esoteric interpretations may be stated – on the authority of the various philosophers, both Hindu and Buddhist, from whom the editor has received instruction – as follows:

The human form (but not the divine nature in man) is a direct inheritance from the sub-human kingdoms; from the lowest forms of life it has evolved, guided by an ever-growing and ever-changing life-flux, potentially consciousness, which figuratively may be called the seed of the life-force, connected with or overshadowing each sentient creature, being in essence psychical. As such, it is the evolving principle whose normal goal is Enlightenment. And, just as the physical seed of a vegetable or animal organism- even man's seed- is seen by the eyes to be capable of producing after its own kind only, so with that which figuratively may be called the psychical seed of the life-flux which the eyes cannot see – if of a human being it cannot incarnate in, or overshadow, or be intimately bound up with a body foreign to its evolved characteristics, either in this world, in *Bardo*, or in any realm or world of *sangsaric* existence. This is held to be a natural law governing the manifestation of life, as inviolable as the law of *karma*, which sets it into operation.

For a human life-flux to flow into the physical form of a dog, or a fowl, or insect, or worm, is, therefore, held to be as impossible as would be – let us say- the transferring of the waters of Lake Michigan into the depression occupied by the waters of Lake Killarney.

¹ W.Y. Evans-Wentz (1960) *The Tibetan Book of the Dead*. Oxford University Press, London. P42 -3, Introduction.

[he later states]

Human life is far richer in possibilities for the workings out of evil *karma* - no matter how animal-like the *karma* may be- than any sub-human species could possibly be.

This is Evans-Wentz and the Lama talking to enlightened beings before Tibet was invaded. This is the way the enlightened beings look at it – impossibility, but the exoteric doctrines that you get from the East today simply all state, the Tulkus, the Rinpoches and the Geshes, and the Hindu Sadhus all busy teaching this doctrine from the dark ages, when we were children, and you tell children simple things that they believe in. You tell them not to touch this, not to do that out of fear, and you teach them the doctrine of fear, likewise the human race when they were not thinking very clearly and they were not very intelligent. Humanity has evolved a little since these thousands of years ago BC when these doctrines were given out and we now have a bit more intelligence and we are able to think and reason for ourselves that there is no way your consciousness, your feelings, your emotions, your sentience could ever be expressed in an ant crawling around on the floor. Just look at the karma from this, as an ant crawling over the floor, surely you will have karma with all the other ants of which it is a group of. So, if you incarnate into the ant kingdom you have all the other karma, you are tied in with all of the other ants, how long are you going to be incarnate again and again as ants. Also if you have karma with those ants what about your karmic affiliations with all the other people you have karma with, do they all have to become ants as well?

Because how can the karma be expressed because it was created by interrelationship with somebody else, you created this action, by saying something foul to someone else, by eating an animal, whatever, and so you can see quite logically the whole philosophy has no roots, has no foundation - yet millions and millions believe in this type of concept.

Believe in good karma and I pointed out before that it is purposely held from you and I'm sometimes asked this question, why if the law of karma exists do we not see our past lives? And I've just told you if you saw your past lives most of you would avoid all your bad karma you would not do anything on the whole, you would live in fear of being destroyed by a car accident, or going to war the year after or suddenly finding out that if you walk out your room that day your going to come back that afternoon and discover that there is nothing there, that it is all gone. Most of you are so selfish and very possessive of your valuables, or fire coming through it, or even sickness and diseases. All these things if you see beforehand, most of you do not have the courage to allow them to happen because it is your karma. An Enlightened being, incidentally must work out consciously their karma, and as you become more and more enlightened you see karma quite clearly and you know that that is your karma. You will walk that way with your eyes open and willingly no matter what it means, the karma is there to be cleansed and you cannot become an enlightened being until you work out consciously the cleansing of your karma, and you see the streams of karma far into the future.

Either your creating karma or your working it off. And we, who are on this path to Light, we are always constantly working it off; we will do everything that relates to cleansing our karma with this material world. We have relationships with other people because there is still karma there and we are trying to mould that karma in such a way that it produces good results in the future: loving results make that person more and more loving inherently, more and more wise inherently more and more giving inherently, we learn to give and we give all the time. And as we give all the time of course we create for ourselves good karma. In the higher stages of enlightenment good or bad karma seem the same. Neither good nor bad karma, what people call good karma, which is having lots of money thrown at your feet, or for guys and girls lots of relationships, that type of thing, where everything is going wonderfully they don't have to worry about life, that is what people mostly call good karma.

For me that is neither good nor bad, whether you have lots of money, whether you have no money, these are just opportunities for spiritual growth. Good karma for me is if you find a Buddha and you sit in front of the feet of that Buddha or that Enlightened Being that Great Saviour and you learn from them how to escape from the realms of karma altogether so you no longer have to be born in these human forms. Because we are much greater than these human forms, we are evolving into something much greater than this, we are Gods in the making, and good karma is that which allows you to become Gods, no longer bound by petty emotions, and desire for wealth and desire for sex and all these things. These things are left behind. Think about how much you are conditioned by these types of desires and think therefore how much you are bound by karma and the way to release karma is the Buddha's teachings of non-attachment. Anything that is transient, anything that is ephemeral, anything that is changing you can ride the gift wave of this nonattachment, but you also are not attached to your karma and you take whatever karma is dished out for you wisely with your eyes fully awakened with your eyes fully opened, and that is surely the sane way to be.

I have looked at many, many past lives of my own and many other people that come my way and often I am looking at the karma of an individual within a national setting within a time period where they interrelated with other people and when you see the sequence of such karma you always see the evolutionary growth. You are always looking at the way they have evolved say from Ancient Atlantis through to Egypt and from Egypt to maybe medieval Europe, through to renaissance Europe through to maybe Japan and onwards into different cultural situations, different religions into the now. One of the things bound with karma - we call *sangskaras*- (in sanksrut terminology). *Sangskaras* are bundles of aggregates of karma, what it really means is that you have had many lives developing a certain type of quality - for instance, strong pride, ego, strong sexuality, or whatever and this quality you've had life after life after life developing and in any particular life you have to start to cleanse those *sangskaras*, those tendencies, and for some people when they begin to work on these *sangskaras* it is very difficult indeed it is like a smoker trying to quit smoking. The urge to smoke is so strong that on the whole most

people cannot do it in one session but have to plan it like planning a battle or a chess game. Because that urge is there, likewise all of you are pushed into your conditionings into your social, emotional and mental patternings of life according to *sangskaras* from past lives. When you begin to look at those past lives you find that any particular part of any life you are reliving the karma from a particular past life.

That's the way that I often think when I'm looking at those close to me, this is the karma that you are reliving now from such a such life and when you begin to see, for instance if you had a particular life born in Victorian England and you were one of the noble people strutting around with all those beautiful clothing and great power and below you all around you are the poor and the miserably depressed in the streets busy starving on the whole. What I'm trying to get to is that those types of responsibilities that you may have developed also carry through in this life. If you live with a lover now and in a former life that lover caused you great amount of pain or suffering then you may have spent five lives cleansing some of that and you may just have a reciprocal karma to experience. In one life you may have spent 40 or 50 years with that person as a wife or husband or whatever doing certain types of karma and by the time it gets to this life that whole life time may have been shrunk to 4 or 5 weeks. In those 4 or 5 weeks you are cleansing out the residual karma in which case that particular life time and all the people around you that suddenly flow into your life have got to do with that particular life. So often when you meet new people in your life, or you suddenly fall in love, whatever, or you go to a new country and all of sudden new people are brought into your context and that comes from the life that you had with them, and the whole life flashes bringing the *sangskaras* in from different world periods making your life in the now.

In this modern epoch -- we travel very fast. In Medieval Europe on the whole, people lived in villages and didn't travel more than 20 or 30 miles from where they were born and they lived a very, very slow pace of life. Now you can live 5 or 10 or 15 lifetimes in one life. You can have lovers in and out, coming and going each week, each month whatever, cleansing out experiencing this and that stream of karma. Whereas before in former lives it may have taken nearly a whole life dealing with that one person or that one issue that person brings into your life.

Often therefore when it comes to these *sangskaras* if you begin to see the types of ways that you think or what it is you are attracted to you can often see that suddenly you have a change of clothing style and you might see that this is medieval karma because you are suddenly attracted to medieval or say celtic type designs. These types of streams of influences in your life you can look to. If you have a sense of history you can say this is from such a such type of life in this period of time. If you have a love for Japan, for instance or for the East than almost be certain that you have had a life in Japan, for instance if you spent years at one stage, studying Japanese language and culture you most certainly have been born there, you have a love for that country. Likewise any other nation you admire in one way or the other.

When you looking at the cause of karma or the mechanism for the transmission of karma we are really looking at what I call the deva kingdom, the angelic kingdom (I will talk about devas, the angelic kingdom later in the series). Understand that karma manifests the way it does because it is the devic substance, the angelic substance that is all that you see around you. Your own forms are devic the floor that you are sitting on is made up of devic substance, the trees out there, the grass, the sky - all is devic. All is angels and fairies and pixies and all of these little nature spirits interweaving their bodies into forms. These forms are all around us and exist on all the realms and it is because we affect and modify their forms through our emotions, through our thinking patternings, through our physical actions, that creates the karma. They give us back what we have given to them; they simply come back to their originating source.

So if you make love to someone you are actually putting your devic substance into another person that devic substance, that karma is stored and twenty lives later it may come back, and may have to come back to its originating donor in exactly the same way it was given. This is a subject I will go more into when I talk about the deva or angelic kingdom.

I wanted to point out that karma is not simply something that happens in the air, it is a universal law and there are vectors of karma - the agents of karma - and we in our terminology have terms such as the *lapika* lords. The *lapika* lords are scribes and they -these are devic forces, great cherubim that make ritualistic gestures and create the geometry of the universe and they build with the geometry of the universe, karma and karmic streams of past and future. So later on you will discover as you become more awakened, more enlightened you will begin to see these little people, these angelic beings the way they work and paint karma into everything that there is because it is their bodies of manifestation, their lives that we affect, they simply give back to us what we give out. That's a vast subject

Going back to the earlier subject of why we don't see our past lives, it's not just because your chakras have been closed in the earlier stages of human evolution, beings were clairvoyant, they did see their past lives, they did see their karma they talked to the gods and anytime they did anything they did these rituals asking advice from the gods. They were clairvoyant in those days; we have lost that clairvoyance for good reason because when the mind was awakened in human beings, with that came selfishness. Then with that came the will to destroy, the will to take from another. Understand that most of you are inherently selfish you really only think of yourselves and in terms of ourselves, and when you think only in terms of yourselves then how can the Lords of Light awaken your perception to see karma. It is only when we are truly loving can you be shown your past lives and your future. Most of you if you saw your karma would be out there busy trying to win lotto - a million bucks for yourself because you could see ahead, and you could make yourself very wealthy indeed. You could see the future because all past tendencies go into the future. As I said before you would tend to avoid all your bad karma because you don't particularly want to be in that road accident, or have your possessions stolen but you will also want to make for yourselves or

give yourselves things that you desire most.

Very few of you are responsible enough to look at your karma with dispassion and when you begin to see most of the evil things you have done in past lives, murdering, maiming and stealing on a massive scale and then when that karma descends upon you, you really don't want to know about it. Who am I? I am such a nice person. Very often what I see when I actually look at karma is those people that are very loving in intent and by nature are very loving, they are very loving because they have learnt the lessons from past lives of being very unloving and very hateful indeed, they have gone through their hell states and paid back the karma of all the evil they have done, they are now by nature very loving because they have learnt the lessons, the law of karma have taught or punished them enough and the substance in their whole body reacts to the idea of the type of evil that they would have done before - sometimes these type of people can become fanatics and extreme in the other way, again we have to learn the balance between all extremes.

Questions

I am curious to know the connection between my past life, this life and my family.

We all have different types of karma, some of us are born in special religious groupings, sometimes nationalist groupings, but religious groups certainly can have very close ties. You are what you are born as, for instance if you are born into a Muslim family, you are bought up as a Muslim in a devout family then you will wear the veil for women and so forth, and you are automatically conditioned that way. We have been bought up in Western societies with more liberal viewpoints about sexuality, others are born in some very straight jacketed societies indeed and few can break free from that and it's their karma to be born that way because they are born in groups who have evolved through different religions. The whole group manifests in this religion, so they're Catholic in one life and all of sudden their busy being American Indians in another life, then they continue onwards and so forth.

Sometimes the karma of a family is that type of karma where you coevolve but on the whole your family for most people are beings that were your past lovers from other lives. If you have strong karma with them and it is simply a means whereby your love interrelationship is worked out in a different way than merely sex. After all sex is just one way of interrelating or learning how to love and sex of course, you find a partner and you try to give to them something of beauty or joy to them and they give back to you and hopefully you learn how to love and produce children or whatever it is that is the purpose of your interrelationship. However very often you find that lovers have learnt how to give to each other sexually in one life then they have to learn how to give to each other nonsexually in another life, still being lovers, still being very close to each other inherently, therefore you often get these sibling relationships.

Sometimes you get enemies in a particular life where they have learnt to hate one another and one way of getting these enemies to learn talk to each other or to resolve their differences is by bringing them into the same family, so they can't escape that family bond, certainly not at first until they are twenty or whatever when they can run away from home, but on the whole they can't escape that family bond. Those former enemies have to learn to live with each other, live in the same rooms and they have their little fights and squabbles and they might not like each other inherently, the brothers or the sisters are fighting, are clashing all the time, because they are actually brought together through the Lords of karma have decided to solve their differences and that's the way to keep them long enough to give them a chance to do so.

Sometimes a member of your family is someone who you have done a great wrong to - you have done a great harm to, you have for instance have poisoned or killed them through some jealousy or whatever in a former life and you destroyed their purpose for that life and in this particular life may have to atone for that, and therefore they are brought in your mother or father or whatever and you actually have to learn to respect them and to serve them and to help them one way or other to fix up that injustice you did to that person in a former life. Some types of family situations there may not be that much strong karma at all in which case the father may die when you are two or your mother when she is giving birth to you, she has only existed to bring you into physical incarnation and she has had to suffer certain terrible karma associated with the birth process.

Another thing is when you see people who are very good friends, they can be women or men, they can be opposite sexes or whatever, just very, very good friends, they are lovers in fact from a former life and they have chosen in this life to be lovers in a different way to learn different types of lessons on this art of giving to each other. So that's on the whole how it goes with families your physical plane family is generally nowhere near as strongly connected to you as your true spiritual family. True spiritual families, those of you that are more on the path to light, are beings who have traveled with you life to life over time immemorial. Where often your family are more incidentals they have come from one or other particular life where you have done, for instance great harm to someone or some people and now you have to learn to give to them and you may find that you are the one who is dominated or picked on in that life, being the youngest sibling or whatever and there is a good reason for that because you did that to somebody in a former life under your power. You understand that while you are children you are under the power of your parents. Of course many of you rebel under this in your own way but that is often because they were under your power for instance you may have been a military commander in a battlefield and they were the ones underneath you and you had right over them, life and death as to what they did it was your command they had to follow. So there is all different types of situations that have to be cleansed and worked out in a family situation always in a new context.

Karma - the law of karma, I repeat is the Law of Love - every person's karma is worked out in such a way that that person can learn from it. Whether the

person learns from it or not is up to the individual concerned, but the Lords of karma always give the opportunity for that individual to learn from their interrelationship no matter what religion they are born. And we know some terrible things and terrible religions and we could go into these and go more specific into these and individual karma and certain types of religions and this particular incidents that happen for instance, the bombing of a plane and trace that karma back to when those people caused a lot of death to somebody else.

It's most interesting when I look at this side of karma, when I look at these litigation cases, somebody does something to somebody else and somebody spends time in jail, sometimes unjustly for what's called a crime and sometimes there's no crime at all, people are just cleansing their karma. Some people get really angry with someone else and they try to send them to jail. If people want to do that, they have to understand that if they plot and scheme to put pain on another individual even if they think that individual deserves it, they must share the karma and pay the karma. If they send somebody to jail then they must go to jail sometime. That's the law; this is part of the basis of Jesus's teaching of 'turn the other cheek'. If somebody would hit you then turn the other cheek and allow that person to hit you on the other side as well.

Simply it's best for you to cleanse your karma, if somebody does you an injustice than don't plot or scheme as to give them pain in some sort of way, if you plot and scheme to give them pain because they have given you pain in one way or another, then you are guilty of karma and you must pay for that. They have simply given you karma back from a former life that you have done to them and now its over and done with, the receipt book is done and you have paid back your debt, bow down to them, thank them for the opportunity for you to cleanse some of this terrible karma of yours, and go on with life. If you plot and scheme to give them hell, and one way or another send them to jail or to take money from them because most litigation these days is to ruin people financially, then fine you can do that but you must pay for it. Countries such as America, where they have this terrible litigation - terrible, terrible karma people are giving to themselves because of their hatreds and anger and the rest of it.

Don't plot and scheme if something has happened to you that you don't like, think it out how to say a good, kind word for that individual, try to help them on the path of Light. Bow down to them, walk away, leave it to the lords of karma, because if somebody has taken something from me -fine -that means I may have paid back some karma from a past life in which case I am so happy for or else somebody owes me a lot of karma which I am happy for. I'd like to have a life where people showered me with presents etc because that's what I've done to someone in a former life. So if your selfish your going to reap the rewards of being selfish, your life is going to be hard in a future life, everything not going your way, your going to be poor and the rest of it, while somebody over there is having everything given to them. Always do good, don't create evil even if you think it is justified, help the person out, avoid the evil if you can, use your wisdom, use your commonsense, you have been given it for a

reason go on in life doing good works for others.

Q: Regarding incarnation, if someone is born into this world like an infant according to Christianity the person is free of sin so they don't have to feel guilty of anything before, but according to reincarnation each person born is not free of sin, they're already guilty when their born of what was before. Is that right?

Well, the Christians totally didn't understand their Bible, they don't read it properly, they don't even read the words of Jesus or Paul, and it's so sad to see their misinterpretation and their avoidance of the words of Jesus in the Bible. There's a statement in the Bible, I won't spend time looking for it now, but the question that Jesus answered, "why was this man born blind? is it the sin of his fathers or is it his sin?" The question is therefore this, if it was the sins of his mother and father's in other words the parents did something stupid while the fetus was developing in the womb, ate poison or something like that, then the man is born blind, born with this terrible infirmity but if it was his sin in other words something he did before he was born – the law of Karma. So you get statements like this in the Bible, which the Christians avoid, they step around it, they forget that it is there, it is the Law of Karma, it is the law of reincarnation. He can only have committed the sin before he was in his mother's womb if he was born before, how else could he have committed the sin? A sin by nature, by definition is something that you have created, that was punishable by some action, in other words being born blind. In my book I have the exact quotation, here it is - John 9:1, "Jesus passed by a man who was born blind from his birth. And as his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?"

If the man had sinned than the only possible way for him to have done so is to have previously lived, then committed the acts that karmically resulted in blindness in the next life. It also presupposes that some of the Jews were familiar with the law of cause and effect and the doctrine of reincarnation or rebirth in one form or other. Certainly the way was open to contact with the assimilation of Hindu and Buddhist doctrines after Alexander the Great's conquest of Northern India, also the testimony in Plato's republic, the works of Pythagoras, Herodotus and others tells us that the doctrine was in existence in the Middle East long before Alexander's time. If it was his parents that had sinned, acted in such a way during the pregnancy so as to cause deformity in the fetus than this could have resulted in the physical effect in the newborn child. Jesus' answer here is interesting "neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him." And this is the Bible quotation, this indicates that the man is predestined to accomplish certain things for instance to meet the Christ. This phrase also indicates that the man's karma as all other beings is directed by the guiding light of the spirit within, that is God, and that by the means of blindness he can be made to know God, or certainly of the nature of the manifestation of the works of God within him.

These works can only mean the development of an enlightened consciousness which the man possessed which is aptly illustrated by the rest

of the chapter, as the man's answer to the Pharisee is and to Jesus. We see therefore by all probability that the man's soul chose that life to be born blind as most of the spiritually evolved do when they take a new body and this is another question because all of you are blind. Ok, you are born with the eyes of a child opened to the wondrous world with this sight here, but you are blind spiritually because you are ignorant of the inner realms, you are ignorant of the law of rebirth. You are ignorant of your former lives, you are ignorant of the seraphims and the cherubims and all the deities and godlings on the inner realms, you are ignorant of the devas, the ignorance of all of that therefore esoterically you are blind. You only have these physical eyes and the physical senses. But you are born with eyes open when you begin to see these worlds and you begin to be blind to this material world with its desires and covetousnesses and its jealousies and its possessivenesses, and the rest of the Bible, the rest of this particular verse relates to this type of blindness, spiritual blindness versus materialistic blindness.

So, the teachings of reincarnation are quite clearly in the Bible it's just that the orthodox Christians have avoided what's so clearly there and if you read my book, I think its chapter 3 it goes through a stack of Biblical quotations relating to rebirth.

Q: I was wondering if it was possible for people to be reborn on other planets and how karma – what would create the situation where people would be reborn in other places?

Your question has got to do with other places and you probably have on your mind physical plane planets such as Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, Venus and all of these with physical conditions. Throughout the universe there are human units, enlightened beings from past solar systems of evolution, beings from this solar system that have evolved long before humanity came into existence. There's been many streams of evolution where human beings have evolved and gone onto become Gods, because that's what the eating of the forbidden fruit of knowledge is all about if you read the book of Genesis.

So what you have to do is expand your field of vision to include the inner realms to include the nature of life after death and then you will see all the planets have beings on them but civilizations such as this earth has that all exists but then you have to look at different aspects of the evolutionary process.

Q: What's happened to a person when they make a decision to kill themselves, to suicide? Why does it come that a person can do this and what happens to them?

Okay, this is technically a question to do with the nature of life after death and so preempting a question to do with next talk but what happens when a person commits suicide, well first of all they have a certain amount of karma, now karma is to meet their life's problems head on and to actually surmount them, to pass them, right? When life is very difficult and it is terrible to live in this particular situation there in, it's not for them to commit suicide, it's not part

of the plan of God, there may be certain cases where it is preferable – we won't go into that – but it's not for them to commit suicide, it's not part of the plan, it's for them to actually solve the problems of life, solve the problems of life by actually meeting head on their karma.

When they commit suicide, when they take their own life, what happens is it was not destined by the Lords of Karma necessary to leave their bodies at the time. Therefore there is no inner plane preparation for that soul to come. What happens therefore is that their physical body drops away and their *prana*, their vitality is very strong so they live, they have a very powerful vital body, in an etheric form. It's almost so this etheric double goes and is heavily vitalized and that individual enters a type of hell state in a sense, in that they have left their body, they've had no preconditioning, training for what happens in life after death, there's no individuals on the inner realms looking for them, because the plan was for them to be there a little further on. They wander in this etheric realm between the astral realms where heavens and hell meet, which I will explain next week, and the earth. They have a very close to earth physical body and they often try to get into other people's bodies. They go to mediums they do anything they can because often they're lost, a terrible plight for them they cannot communicate, they can't talk to you because you will not listen to them, you're not listening to their thoughts, they're opening their mouths and speaking, because most of them are not even aware that they're properly dead. Eventually anyway some being comes and takes them away and shows them where they must go, but the karma for that suicide is that they're quickly reborn, it's close to the time period where they committed the suicide, generally it's as soon as they die, they wander around and experience this type of suffering and then they very quickly reincarnate, the first possible opportunity because they still have karma with that material world that they left behind and the people they have karma with are still there, though they will be much older later on. Then they must suffer the karma eventually, in other words they go through the same type of situations that caused them to commit suicide in the first place, they must suffer the karma of committing the suicide, and the harm they've done to others whom they should have helped or interrelated with, and just pay back the karma. They have much more on their slates then, they must cleanse the karma of killing themselves and of not doing the things they should have done in that life. The workload is still on their shoulders and they must accomplish that and their life is woven so that it actually assists them to bear the extra load of taking two lives in one. Very often they are very quickly educated on the inner realms anyway.

It's a bit complicated the whole subject because it very much depends on what they died, whether they committed suicide because they're in a war situation or because they had terrible cancer or something like that, there are different reasons, whether there emotional reasons, there lover just left them and they feel so depressed they just can't live with themselves. There are many, many different reasons and I'm just giving you a general overview. When it comes to karma we always have to look at individual causes and effects as well as the group of which they are part of.