

Obedience to the Guru

Walking the Spiritual Path provides countless opportunities for learning and growing. It will also lead to situations where people can work with Real Gurus / True Teachers. Such a Sacred Relationship can be priceless in making good progress on The Path . . . to rise higher in consciousness, BE our Higher Self, fulfill our Divine Plan, help Humanity and the Earth, and earn our Ascension. There are three types of Guru / Chela Relationships, and **“Obedience”** is the Key to making the most of them.

- 1.) A Person of High Spiritual Attainment (on the Physical Plane)
- 2.) Our Holy Christ Self
- 3.) An Ascended Master (on the Etheric Plane)

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Obedience can be difficult at times, depending on various factors. Some examples include:

- The personality of the Human Guru and the Chela
- The impurities within the Human Guru and the Chela
- The karma of the Guru and the Chela
- The dharma of the Guru and the Chela
- The initiations yet to be passed by the Guru and the Chela
- The level of consciousness of the Guru and the Chela
- The situation / environment of the Human Guru / Chela Relationship
- The Chela’s level of Discernment / Attunement
- World Events
- Planetary Energies
- Holding a Balance of Light to counteract the Darkness

The Pure Motivation of an **“Outer Guru”** (i.e., the Human Guru) is to help the Chela / Disciple / Student to work with the **“Inner Guru”** (i.e., the Holy Christ Self of the Chela). At some point, the Chela can then begin working more directly with the Ascended Masters . . . especially Lord Maitreya (“The Great Initiator”). That Divine Relationship may start as illumination / guidance through other people, including one’s Outer Guru. It can then become more direct illumination / guidance through one’s Holy Christ Self, as the **“still, small voice within”** . . . which we also refer to as “Conscience” / “Gut Feeling” / “Intuition”. People can continue to increase in *Discipline, Purity, & Surrender* and reach a point where they can “Walk & Talk” with the Masters in a very direct manner, like having a conversation with another person. The Masters do not often “appear” to people, unless it serves a Special Purpose. However, they do speak to people and can be heard with the “Inner Ear” as easily as we hear others with our “Outer Ears”.

The Key to all three of these Sacred Relationships is ***Obedience***, but that can be challenging at times no matter how much a Chela desires to be Constantly / Perfectly Obedient. Without Obedience, there is no purpose to such a Relationship. It will achieve very little (if anything) and be a waste of time for the Guru and for the Chela. When we surrender to a Real Guru / True Teacher, we are putting our Trust in that person (or in our Christ Self and the Ascended Masters). Without ***Trust***, there is no Guru / Chela Relationship . . . and it goes both ways, because each must earn the Trust of the other. When there is Absolute Trust, incredible things can happen. When Trust is broken, it can be very difficult to repair ANY relationship, including a Guru / Chela Relationship. Through ***Love, Understanding, Forgiveness, Mercy, and Patience*** . . . the Trust can be restored. Everyone makes mistakes in life, so we must learn from the situation . . . make amends . . . and continue Onward & Upward.

It is helpful to remember these two passages from The Bible:

“...He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.” (John 8:7)

“...Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.” (John 8:11)

Chelas must strive to be Obedient, no matter how rebellious they might have been “in society” or with their families / friends. The purpose of a Guru / Chela Relationship is to grow spiritually, and that means listening to the Guru. If there is no Obedience, then a Guru can only do so much to help the Chela. It would be a wasted opportunity for the Chela and a waste of time for the Guru. If we make the decision to work with a Real Guru, we do not allow ourselves to become “brainwashed” or stop thinking for ourselves. No True Teacher violates Free Will or expects people to become “mindless robots”. However, they hope that their Chelas will listen and do what they suggest; this is the same for our Holy Christ Self and the Ascended Masters. Continued disobedience will result in decreased assistance and eventually an unfortunate ending of the Guru / Chela Relationship.

Why would a Guru continue to spend Time / Energy / Light / Love on those who are not truly committed to Spiritual Growth? How many Gurus enjoy working with people that are always complaining, showing ingratitude, remaining undisciplined, and using the ignorant human mind to question their Wisdom? We can all learn from Moses how difficult it is to be a Real Guru. After being a Great Instrument for God to free the Israelites from slavery, so many of them still did not listen to Moses . . . complained . . . worshipped the Golden Calf . . .and so on. We can certainly understand why he would have been frustrated at times when dealing with the “stiff-necked people” (**Exodus 32:9**). The same is true with other Gurus. Are we to believe that the Disciples of Jesus, for example, were all perfectly obedient all of the time? We know they were not, and that is one of the burdens of being a Guru. It is a balance of knowing when to be serious and also when to laugh at the silliness of the human ego and the circumstances of life!

Therefore, it is essential for Chelas to be Obedient to the best of their ability . . . especially when they understand that they are Blessed / Privileged to be working with a Real Guru / True Teacher. Even if they do not yet have that full realization, they should still be as Obedient as possible out of respect to the Guru (and to themselves). It is a matter of ***Honor*** and ***Integrity*** to do things “the right way”, and being Obedient to a Guru is simply the “right thing” to do.

Otherwise, people should not waste their time (or that of the Guru) and just do whatever they would like with their lives. There is a **“Spiritual Mantle”** that Gurus have; the Person and the **“Sacred Office”** should be appreciated and respected. It is an incredible opportunity to work with a Real Guru; no matter how challenging it can be at times, Chelas should understand how fortunate they are and strive to be THE BEST Chela that THEY can possibly be . . . for their sake and the Guru’s.

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It is known by those who have been Chelas to Real Gurus that **“Disobedience equals Pain”**. It is not pain from the Guru toward disobedient Chelas; instead, it is the pain the Chelas bring upon themselves for not doing as instructed. Like a child being told not to run in the house and then getting hurt after falling or running into something, the pain could have been avoided by listening to the parent in the first place. It is a spiritual equivalent to how Gurus will sometimes have to work with their Chelas. They know the **“Pitfalls on The Path”**; it makes sense that we should listen to them. If a sign clearly says that a road is closed due to flooding, and yet some people ignore the warning and then their cars stall in the water or they get swept away by the floodwaters, they have nobody to blame but themselves for the unfortunate predicament.

This concept certainly applies to our physical well-being, but it also applies to our Souls. When we are Walking the Spiritual Path, we are rightfully focused on Purifying our Expressions of Energy through our thoughts, feelings, words, and deeds. The Guru is there to help us purify ourselves, and that includes helping us to see things within us (and around us) that we cannot see for ourselves as well as creating opportunities for us to be initiated. They also help to guide us, which means sometimes having to tell us certain things that should be done or should not be done. It is in our own spiritual interest to listen. However, there are times when people will choose to ignore the Wisdom of the Guru, and it always leads to pain / suffering of some kind . . . sooner or later. The Guru can only stand back and respect Free Will, and hopefully the Chelas will have learned an important lesson . . . even if it was “the hard way”.

This applies even more to our Holy Christ Self and the Ascended Masters, because they are operating at even Higher Levels than even a Human Guru in embodiment. When they illumine / guide us, they are seeing things from the Etheric Plane and have access to Infinite Wisdom and the Cosmic Mind of God. They are able to view the Akashic Records in order to see the fullness of our existence over ALL of our previous lifetimes. They know our karma, our dharma, and our situation . . . past, present, and future. Because of these things (and more), they share suggestions that even Human Gurus could not . . . unless those Gurus were Pure Instruments for the Masters to speak through (i.e., Messengers). Therefore, it is absolutely in our best interest to listen to our own Higher Self and the Ascended Masters when they tell us something.

There are many things that Chelas can work on to improve their ability to remain Obedient. Here are six of the most important ones:

- 1.) Always maintain *Love* for the Guru.
- 2.) Always maintain *Gratitude* for the Guru.
- 3.) Always remain *Loyal* to the Guru.

- 4.) Always remain *Surrendered* to the Guru.
- 5.) Always remain *Humble* before the Guru.
- 6.) Always maintain *Hope* that things will change and improve.

Love, Gratitude, Loyalty, Surrender, Humility, & Hope → *Obedience*

These six things will make sure that Chelas are ALWAYS **Obedient** to the Guru no matter what happens or how many obstacles they face on The Path. The Guru's job is to push their Chelas to be Better, Purer, and Higher. It is not always easy and can be very difficult, depending on the karma that must be balanced and the initiations that must be passed. We are pushed in ways that we cannot imagine until it happens. The Guru / Chela Relationship is NOT for the faint-hearted! The intensity can make us feel terrible at times, because we are dealing with Heavy / Dark Energies. This burden can even make people frustrated with their Guru at times, but they must remember that the Guru is the Instrument for their own Higher Self and the Ascended Masters . . . and the Guru's job is to help us rise higher.

The Guru tells Chelas what they NEED to hear, not what they WANT to hear. They often say or do things to intentionally cause a reaction within the Chelas, because they know that we will continue reacting until we develop more Self-Discipline of our minds / emotions / bodies and there are no more impurities within us that cause us to react to things. If we cannot imagine the Ascended Masters or Saints saying / doing something, then we know that we should not either. If we are saying / doing such things, then we know that there is more work to do on our Path of Self-Perfectionment. Therefore, we need to surrender any feelings of "injustice" / sadness / discouragement . . . remember that EVERYTHING is an initiation . . . and remain Obedient to the Outer & Inner Gurus.

When the temptation comes to the Chela to NOT be Obedient (and it WILL come!), we must know how to resist it . . . and eventually surrender it altogether, so that eventually there is no temptation to be disobedient. We must learn how to "weather the storms", and there are strategies to do so. This is the purpose of this section on this website, because Obedience is absolutely essential . . . and people must understand how to maintain it even when they feel horrible because of dealing with negative karma or when they receive Higher Initiations and it feels like ALL OF HELL is attacking them. What makes things so intense is the density of the Energies on the planet, people's karma and ability to pass tests quickly / easily or not, and whatever specific initiations are being experienced.

It is also important to remember that the human ego / dweller-on-the-threshold does not want to be surrendered; it has become people's "false identity" / "lesser self". The Guru is needed to help us see the impurities within and to hold an Immaculate Concept for us to BE our True Self, while we strive to let go of everything that is NOT a part of our True Identity. The Guru wants Chelas to one day become "Adepts" / "Masters", and that also involves pushing them to become so Self-Disciplined & Self-Controlled that they can maintain their Peace, Harmony, Love, & Joy no matter what situations occur . . . and that they will spend their time wisely **ACTING** instead of unwisely **REACTING**.

Forging a Spiritual Sword requires The Refiner's Fire and striking it on a Golden Anvil to remove the impurities and shape it according to a Special Design. The Guru is the "Master Blacksmith" teaching Chelas (i.e., Apprentices) the Sacred Craft. The Spiritual Process is for the refinement of our Souls and our Qualities / Skills / Talents. When it is done, the Blacksmith and the Sword have become One . . . both are Purified, Strong, and Ready to be used in Divine Service to God for the Holy Work of saving His Children and restoring His Creation.

**Real Gurus / True Teachers are not trying to "*Break* our Spirit"
 . . . they are trying to "*Discipline* our Spirit".**

**The balancing of negative karma and the passing of difficult initiations
 should not make us *Bitter* . . . they should make us *Better*.**

Initiations are always challenging, but they take place in different ways during Golden Ages and on the Etheric Plane than they do on the Physical Plane. This Plane has been one of pain, suffering, and misery since "The Fall" . . . and that meant our initiations required us to overcome the Dark Energies and impurities of God's Qualities. However, the greater the challenges . . . the greater the victories! Earth is a Schoolroom, and Souls want to be born in order to be tested and transcend. They want to come to achieve Self-Realization & Self-Mastery as well as to have their Mighty Victory in the Light!

God did not create the impurities that led to such Darkness on Earth (and beyond), and we do not need Darkness in order to be initiated. However, it has provided Souls with many opportunities to be initiated in ways that they could not have been on the Etheric Plane. Lightbearers are not "gluttons for punishment" . . . they are Spiritual Adventurers and Selfless Servants. Instead of remaining in the Bliss of Nirvana, they freely choose to take on human form in order to help their Brothers & Sisters who are caught in the Traps of Darkness by the Fallen Ones and their counterfeit creation. Sometimes those Lightbearers even get caught themselves and have to continue reincarnating to balance karma and win their own Freedom in the Light. The entire Spiritual Journey leads to incredible opportunities for learning, growing, and glorifying God!

Initiation is a fundamental part of the Spiritual Path and NEVER ends, no matter how high in consciousness we climb. God is a "**Transcendent Being**"; therefore, we should always be striving to transcend . . . as Individualizations of God. Initiations are required for us to transcend, because they test our Souls in countless ways that lead to increased Wisdom, Power, and Love. God wants us to develop more Self-Mastery so that we can be given more opportunities for experiencing His Creation . . . and to become Co-Creators with Him. We cannot be given MORE until we have earned the privilege of receiving MORE . . . which requires us proving that we can be trusted to use His Energies for ONLY GOOD. We must be "tried-and-true", and that comes from constant testing to show that we are *Prepared, Purified, and Ready*.

We would not want someone to perform any type of service for us who did not have the necessary knowledge / skills to do an excellent job (e.g., carpenter, electrician, mechanic, pilot, plumber, surgeon, etc.) . . . because we need them to do things effectively / safely. We want

those who have demonstrated “mastery” in their particular field . . . which comes from experience and from having worked hard to succeed and increase in knowledge / ability / confidence. Similarly, we want our soldiers to be trained so intensely that they can withstand nearly any opposition and overcome nearly any obstacle for the protection of our Nation and Allies. If we want THE BEST, then we must demand THE BEST . . . from Others and definitely from Ourselves. God (and the Ascended Masters) need us to demonstrate our Self-Discipline / Self-Mastery before providing us with Greater Opportunities for Cosmic Service. We must prove ourselves to be *Worthy & Deserving* . . . and that requires continued **“Testing of the Soul”**.

The hope of a Real Guru, then, is for their Chelas to one day no longer need them as a “Teacher” but to instead be “Friends” who work together to do Greater Things for Humanity, the Earth, and Beyond. They hope to show their Chelas “The Way”. They hope to share their Wisdom and Experience so that the Chelas can rise higher and become Beacons of Light in the Earth. A True Teacher wants the Chelas to be better than them. While that is not possible in a Spiritual Sense (because the Teacher would rise higher up the Ladder of Spiritual Hierarchy while the Chela took their former place), it can be possible while in embodiment on the Physical Plane.

The purpose is for the Guru to help the Chelas to know what they know . . . and for the Chelas to then receive greater illumination in order to share it with Humanity. It is the concept of “Standing on the Shoulders of Giants”; the Chelas stand on the Shoulders of their Guru. It can also be understood by what John the Baptist said regarding Jesus: **“He must increase, but I must decrease.” (John 3:30)**. John demonstrated the philosophy of a True Teacher.