

CHAPTER SIX

No Man's Land

1. As you move through the inner space of consciousness toward the union with Self, there is a bridge you must pass over. It is the link between the third and fourth dimensions, and it is on this bridge that you shed the remaining particles of error thoughts and negative beliefs and go through the final cleansing. It has been called "no man's land" because it is the point of separating with the ego just before uniting with the Total Self in consciousness.

2. As the bridge comes into view, your world may seem to turn upside down, and the reason is because you are beginning the process of letting go of everything that seemed secure to you in the third-dimensional world. Depending on the degree of your functioning in lower mind vibrations, your ego may choose to do battle as you step on to the bridge, and it will do whatever is necessary to save itself. If that means creating an insufficiency of funds, it will do it, because this effect could very well cause you to step back into third-dimensional thinking and assume control of the situation, which would put the ego back on the throne of the mental world. Another ego tantrum may give the appearance of a business failure, or the interruption of a successful career, or perhaps a physical ailment. The ego simply wants to show who is boss.

3. Throughout the world, men and women are moving up in consciousness and are reaching the higher realms, and as they close in on the borderland of the Kingdom, the ego starts to panic. It knows that when the bridge is crossed, its role in the scheme of things will be reduced from master to servant.

4. But remember the story of the Prodigal Son. As you step out on the bridge, the Christ within, the very Spirit of God, comes forward to meet you—and this Omnipotent Presence will meet you at the half-way point. You don't have to make the journey across no man's land alone. You only have to go half-way, and at this center point you are engulfed in the Light and are taken into the Spiritual Dimension with the everlasting arms of Love around you.

5. How do you navigate the last mile as the ego begins to fight for its life? You totally surrender to God. You literally take on an "I don't care" attitude—regardless of what is going on in the world around you. You turn *everything* in your life over to the indwelling Christ and give up all concern, knowing that your God-Self is the solution to every problem and the answer to every need, and that Spirit cannot let you down because it is against God's nature to do so!

6. In the booklet *The Manifestation Process*, I point out that we know when we have truly surrendered by "the total lack of concern, anxiety and outside pressure in our consciousness. This negative energy will have been replaced with the positive vibrations of peace, joy and confidence . . ." Of course, surrendering and reaching this state of mind is sometimes easier said than done, because even as you begin to give up to the Higher Power, the ego will do what it can to bring you out on the battlefield again.

7. Total surrender means to not resist, attack, or fear anything. It means to have the courage, perhaps for the first time in your life, to put your trust in God and only God. It means to place your faith in Omnipotence and not in the potential actions of your creditors . . . to trust the Activity of Spirit and not the illusory activities of this world . . . to believe in the One Cause rather than in negative appearances.

8. If checks are bouncing, creditors are calling, your business is failing, your spouse has left, the children have turned savage, and your body seems to be falling apart, what is the worst thing that can happen? You cannot die. You are not going to be eaten alive. You cannot really lose anything because all material effects can be recreated. And the only person you can do anything about is yourself. So what are you afraid of? If you say anything other than “nothing” – it’s the ego talking.

9. When you get to the end of your rope, let go. Underneath are the Everlasting Arms. God is your support! Remember the promise: “For I, Jehovah thy God, will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.” God is your security! “I will fear no evil for thou art with me.” When you turn away from the illusions of this world and completely surrender your life and affairs to the infinite Love, Wisdom, Power and Activity of Spirit, the ego is smothered by the blanket of spiritual Light that enters your consciousness. And you are free to complete your journey home, knowing that God will meet you half-way.

Spiritual Activity

Read and meditate on Psalm 27 and Psalm 91.