

## 012 How to be a Better Listener

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And I say good evening to you one and all. Well it is indeed a pleasure for me to have the opportunity of manifesting once again in this manner. As I come forth this evening I wish to welcome all of you especially those of you who have not had the opportunity previous to now. And I am very limited in the amount of time the medium has left for me so I'll do the best I can with it.

First of all I am Dr. Carlos Blair and as you probably recognize by, now I'm a little English but that's all right I'm in good company here, even if it is that day when you have to commemorate the Irish, as it were. But I hope you'll overlook that, and this evening I've chosen to speak on a subject which I feel is of great importance that man has not well yet learned the lesson of, and that is if you have ears to hear then, of course, learn to listen and listen properly. Most in a physical body have not yet as it were come within the ability of understanding how to go about properly listening. And what is happening, as often as not, is that, first of all, when there is conversation taking place between two or more, instead of hearing what is being said, the others are so anxious and concerned with what they're going to say in return that their mind is on that, rather than on what is being said to them, so in reality they don't even hear.

Further more, man does not conceive ideas which are of what you would refer to as an abstract nature. It is very difficult indeed to fully understand and conceive and remember that which has been said when you're listening only from the levels of the things which are abstract, but rather when you create them in mind pictures, that of concreteness, not only in hearing with the ears but hearing with the mind, seeing what is being said as well as hearing. You will find as an example, it is a lesson that my medium learned many years ago and it's not exemplifying him as being, as it were, extremely learned. However, that is one of his better areas, and he was forced to learn, and if you notice most times when he is listening to another who is in a teaching capacity he does so with the eyes closed, and the reason is of course that it cuts down on his distraction of his own mental imagery, and therefore he can more intently visualize the words as they're being spoken, so that they are not nebulous or not of an abstract nature, but rather of a concreteness and that, if you wish to learn and you wish to hear truly hear and understand what is being heard, then it is a good habit to get in the practice of attempting to see not just hear. But see the words, the pictures that are being created as the person is speaking. Now of course it's quite rude if you were standing in conversation with another individual to close your eyes as they're talking to you. They would think something was wrong with you. But certainly if you are in a study situation, then I would highly encourage learning to shut out all other things, except that which is being said in order to better comprehend and to remember for your own future reference.

Now I could give many examples because you take small children, where parents through the process of habit in the means of correction, have found themselves, time and again, hollering as it were at the children. Then soon the children learn to ignore totally what is being said. Because they realize it is of little importance because there's not going to be any follow through on it.

Where in, if they were to associate the verbiage that was forth coming with the idea that it was going to be followed with some substantial means of reprimand, of course then they would be much more quick to listen, as it were.

So it is a matter of association with that which you hear as well. Now I could go on for quite some extensive period speaking about man's lack of ability in hearing. But it is one of the very important essential five senses that you have to work with, and most of you in a class such as this is concerned with working towards development of your extra-sensory abilities as it were. And the first step of course is learning to be truly sensory in expanding that level of hearing as well as sight and touch and smell, and so on, to where it's being utilized to its fullest.

Then of course when you start doing that you will expand beyond that normal level and get into what is referred to as extrasensory or clairaudience, as we in spirit call it. That is when you have the ability to tune your hearing to a higher level of vibration, much the same as that of the dog whistle I have spoken about previously, that the animal hears that man doesn't. It's because he's more attuned to that vibratory level. Man limits himself by saying, "oh, but I could never do that."

In reality there's no reason you can't. So my medium, as an example, has been tested with them and hears them quite well. But still when someone tells him something that needs to be done, he's deaf as a post, as it were, if you know what I mean. So it is very important for your own spiritual progression, as well as the evolution of your own intellect, to learn to properly listen in terms of properly understanding.

I know we're very short on time this night and that's why I've chosen a subject that I could speak briefly on, that still could be of considerable help for each of you.

Now I'm going to allow any questions about the subject, and if we have a few moments left I'll allow questions on any subject as it were.

Question: I have a question that been in my mind. When one exists on the other side, are there networks of souls that interrelate and also, is there force and coercion, can it be applied, is it applied?

Dr. Blair: Not at all.

Question: You can't intimidate?

Dr. Blair: That's correct.

Question: Create fear?

Dr. Blair: Because that is negative and there's no negativity in spirit.

Question: What happens then to those who live their lives on the basis of commanding hundreds, perhaps thousands and then suddenly find themselves on the other side with no force to direct and to command and to bully?

Dr. Blair: They become very subdued as it were, and quite frequently very enlightened because they have been unenlightened while in the physical body. So they see the error of their ways, the manner in which it was misused, the authority they had, and they see it more clearly. And of course then work towards evolving to an even higher level and degree of understanding.

Now where you say networks, I assume you're referring as it were, in the context of the meaning of the word in the physical body, and no, there is not networks as such. All of us, including myself, we all have teachers that we study and learn from, and we're all here for the purpose in spirit of making even further progression, the same as we were when we entered a physical body.

Question: What I meant by networks were, communication networks.

Dr. Blair: Well over here it's an automatic thing. You don't have any secrets you know, in spirit. You can't lie here, because everybody would know it. You see that's why it's perfect harmony and peace.

Question: Well perhaps another work would be associations. In other words are you in association with many souls, many...

Dr. Blair: Yes, certainly, most definitely. There is no time or space in spirit, as you know it to be, in a physical body, and therefore the mere thought is all that it takes, as it were, to be anywhere or to find and research and such as that, yes. It's a beautiful opportunity for growth. Unlimited.

Question: I think I misunderstood you. You said people who are in command of dozens or hundreds of people find the error of their ways when they get over there.

Dr. Blair: If indeed they had misused that authority when they were in the physical body, such as he referred to as bullying and coercion and such as that.

Question: Well I'm thinking of people for instance who've been raised in governments, where they were reared, almost all their lives, to subdue others and suddenly find that there's nobody to command.

Dr. Blair: Yes, it's quite an adjustment. Certainly.

Question: Millions of spirits have passed on the other side. How were you chosen or why did you choose to manifest yourself in this way?

Dr. Blair: Well I wasn't chosen, as it were, it is an opportunity that was placed there because I chose Robert my medium, at the time of his coming into the physical body to look over and work with in any way possible, because I was aware of his vibratory levels being that and his purpose being such that it should allow me and afford me this opportunity. And through doing so I'm working very much on my own spiritual growth, as it were. Yes, you see people in the physical body, they say, "oh how lucky we are that we have spirit to learn from". And those who are having the opportunity in spirit of manifesting in this manner in order to enlighten and help man fulfill his purpose are saying "Oh thank goodness for the opportunity for us to make the growth." You see if Robert were to say "Doc you can't use my body no more," that would be a tremendous blow.

Question: What will happen to you when Robert passes on and is no longer in a physical form?

Dr. Blair: Well, of course, he'll be here with me.

Question: But you will have no means then to communicate with us unless you chose some one else.

Dr. Blair: That's true, but I work through three different mediums at this time. Yes. I work through one in my home country, in England, and I also work in, through one in what you call New York. Yes.

Question: Back in '75 I received some guidance and on a particular job and I heard on the outside of me the name of a store, I did go apply and I did get the job. Was this clairaudience?

Dr. Blair: Yes, but in reality my child was what would be more properly referred to as independent voice. Because it was a voice box which had been built independent from your own hearing. They were utilizing that as a means of speaking through, so then it is, of course, independent voice.

Question: And who did the speaking?

Dr. Blair: Your teachers, your guides.

Question: Then when I was in Phoenix I had a dream. I was telling Robert about it before the service tonight. I had a piece of tissue put over my eyes and then I could see all things. I said "Yes, that's how Richard Ireland does it."

Dr. Blair: Yes, and then you've never tried it yourself? You see?

Question: Does that indicate that I would have the gift?

Dr. Blair: Well it would certainly indicate that it would be well for you to at least work toward the development of it, would it not?

Question: Yes, it would.

Dr. Blair: David, how's the time, the Rock's getting a little nervous.

Well I'm sorry the medium got so long winded, as it were, not in reality, because a lot of good was accomplished this evening in the former portion, but none-the-less, it does cut down the time, and you know he's rather fussy as it were about the - having the class over promptly, as it should be. And I know this night he's going on to do some hospital visiting, is what he calls it, for some who are in some dire need and I know his own body is rather...well...the old boy isn't as young as he used to be, you know. And so he's a little on the tired side so I don't want to keep the body beyond what is reasonable.

It has indeed been a pleasure for me to have the opportunity to manifest once again in this manner. And as I leave you, I ask only that God pour forth his richest of all blessings upon each and every one of you. And may you ever walk in his light and know his love, but most of all may you be filled with his peace. God bless you all.