



LETTERS
OF
SENRIEL

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Letter 1

Dearest Senriel,

It has not been long since you brought me to this wonderful place that continuously breathes life. I am surrounded by beautiful things that cannot be explained in human words. I will not forget the great things you showed me as I was brought into my true self in your presence. As you have promised, I am now able to see the source of many things that I scarcely contemplated while on earth. Sometimes, I feel as if I will faint as I marvel at the wonders of this heavenly realm where you brought me.

I am also fascinated by the changes that occur in my mood and how they manifest in the aura that surrounds my body, which is itself a thing to behold! I find that I have feelings about many things of my life here which are different than my life on earth. I also yearn deeply to share the wonders of this wonderful existence with those on the earth I left behind. The yearning, however, goes beyond wanting to tell those who I loved. I also want to share it with all human beings that still appear in the memories of my earthly life!

I am excited often by the speedy delivery of answers to all my questions, most of which come from internal convictions and lessons delivered by those nearby who seem to sense my inquiries and immediately appear to assist my learning. But there are some things

that I will only feel comfortable about if the answer comes from you, Senriel. I know that you are never very far from me and I beg that you will provide answers so that I can grow into the fullness meant for me here in this state. I thank you for your ever loving presence of love and wisdom.

Letter 1 Response

Dearest Ledriel,

I am delighted to see that you are quickly adjusting to the atmosphere of the region you have chosen in that lower heaven. So few humans from your earth ever reach this realm and I am here to promise you that there are still in store for you innumerable unseen places of learning, activity and delight which far exceed that which you now enjoy.

Your crossover from earth life was unique for me. Though I have helped millions to find their first place in heaven, few have contained in their life experience nodules such a mixture of good and adverse things. This challenged me greatly as I had to find the proper remnant of heavenly light in you so that your true face would appear and seek light. You were one of those who arrives with a fearless character of inquiry. Your undying desire to know your own source eventually won out which also made you become more solidly

convinced that your source is here. This enabled you to progress quickly thereafter on your journey of eternal endeavors.

Your ability to compare your current life to your former earth is also unique and quite intriguing to me. Nearly all who cross over are very quickly done with earth memories, regardless of whether their choice for eternal activity is toward good or toward evil. Like the person who cannot remember a dream after sleeping due to the mind's immediate orientation to the waking world, so does one's soul immediately put off earthly memories stored from the human waking state. The realm of spirit has the same effect on all who touch it after they accept that they have died – it's potent and tangible atmosphere makes souls often fervently pursue the greatest activities and inclinations they have stored up in themselves through daily earth life. The fruit falling from a tree seeks not to know the tree from which it fell, but to shed it's fleshy covering so that it can become a tree itself from its own seed. This is the course of transition for souls who enter the spiritual realm. A good tree cannot bear evil fruit and an evil tree cannot bear good fruit. Souls always seek to fully manifest their truest nature in this realm. They do this as soon as they accept that their bodies are real and that they can carry out activities in them in an even greater manner than they did while on earth.

Your conversations with me would greatly benefit those on earth if they could read them in these letters

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since you have retained, for now, a significant part of your earthly memory. Your words could provide important knowledge to those on earth who inquire properly about the realm of the spirit. Nearly all who make letters here are conversing only about this realm, whether they be in heaven or in hell. This is so because souls here are deeply involved with their pursuits since they can now experience their own root behaviors without the impediments of flesh or the need to conceal intentions through a false face. I suspect that there is a yet unseen purpose in these heavens for making your memory last this long. Perhaps our conversations can somehow come into the hands of seeking human beings.

You mentioned the beauty of things that surround you and you said that human words cannot adequately describe them. These limitations of human language will, over time, be wholly forgotten. As an angel, you will develop, in your time, the ability to express yourself more perfectly. The things of earth life that hinder perfect expression do not exist here. You will know this is happening as you begin to feel less inclined to make motions with your mouth when you want to communicate. You probably already noticed that many souls here “speak” to you with their thoughts or, if not with their thoughts, with sounds that are musical in nature. Those who speak with thought are able to convey as much here in a word as you would use on earth in an entire paragraph. So much can be conveyed so quickly and with much higher quality of content. This is all quite

wonderful because humans yet on the earth expect that there is no rush to express oneself here since all of eternity is available. But there is a rush here! In heaven we are anxious to show others who we are and to lay bare our assessments and thoughts. There is great satisfaction in watching the way others perceive the import of what is communicated. Not because of pride and haughtiness, but because there is always something new born from the conversation that has a beneficial effect on both the speaker and the listener.

Those who use music as conversation are more advanced. They are usually the greater teachers of the spirit realm. They move not only the hearts of angels, but the very structures of the heavenly realm can suddenly appear to change due to a conversation being held by them nearby. This is because their conversations are meant for all. They are not content with revealing their face to one or a few, but they seek to reveal themselves to everyone. This is why you sometimes feel a swoon coming over you when you contemplate the delights of your learning; there is probably a musical angel in your vicinity who sings your joy and that of other around you who are experiencing a similar joy.

The mood changes you mentioned are usually somewhat disappointing to those who crossover with a large amount Christian experiences. Often they are taken aback by their ability to change at all from a state of constant happiness and bliss, which is feigned. This

often happens quickly after they accept the reality of their bodily form and start to act out their assumptions about “heaven” as they perceived it during earth life. I’m often summoned to help these souls to learn that a person continues to be whole in the spirit realm. Changes of mood are part and parcel of a person’s identity. As there are three parts of a typical earth day that vacillate – dawn, midday and dusk, so are there three general moods that an angel can experience, even in the lowest of heavens. Only for night is there no corresponding heavenly mood, for the changes that occur in the mood of night are known only by those in hell. As angels learn to know themselves better, they come to know also that changes on mood indicate change of state and continual progress. From infancy to the end of earthly life, and afterwards to eternity, a person’s state of life is continually changing.

Ledriel, I am here for you even if not in your presence directly. I will hear of you often through others and in the recesses of my soul as we are inextricably linked through those things found mutual in us during your transition. May God continue to fill you with greater learning and love.

Letter 2

Dear Senriel,

STEVEN BENSON

It is wonderful to hear from you and I am happy to say that your letter was handed to me when I was in the middle of a forum of angels who were discussing some of the very things you spoke about in your previous communications. Some of their discussions I had heard before in conversations with other angels, but I was still very interested because of the unique expressions of love and wisdom that came from the voices of the speakers.

I cannot say that I feel any remorse over my ability to remember and relate to some of my earthly experiences though I am in this realm of heaven. From you and others I have heard about how strange a thing this is indeed. There is something like a great chasm between the corporeal and spiritual worlds which no one can cross – a chasm that no one is interested in crossing due to the fullness of activity that takes place in each of the two separated places. I have been told and I sense it to be true that the corporeal world is an outward emanation of the spiritual world where all things have their source. I certainly have no desire to return to the life of flesh, but I do remember it rather well right now.

There is one earth recollection I have that reminds me of these very letters we send to one another. I am thinking of a fictional book I once read wherein two devils were conversing through letters in the same way we are currently. The name of the book was, *The Screwtape Letters*. The author was a gentleman who went by the name of C. S. Lewis. The book contains

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letters from a more senior demon named Screwtape to his nephew, Wormwood, who is Screwtape's fiendish underling. The "Screwtape Letters" are friendly advice from the elder to the front-line junior tempter on how to procure the soul of a young Christian man who is living his everyday life on earth. Do you know of this literary work? How do you comment on its premise dear Senriel?

I thank you for your advice about the way my whole person has come with me into this realm. I adjusted well to this phenomenon because I did not fool myself in the earth world about being ever-blissful in the presence of heaven. Though my initial experiences with Christianity were full, my later adversity against its imposed doctrines were fuller. In the end, I was certain of one thing – the Lord and Creator accepts people as they are with all the moods that compose them. Until we converse again, be blessed in the presence of the angels of God...

Letter 2 Response

Dear Ledriel,

Your readings while on earth were speckled with many of the greater insights that seeped into your realm. You see, the corporeal world, as you correctly surmised, is an emanation of the more interior spiritual

realm. But this is in all respects, including the myriad types of societies and their inclinations of thought. I have no doubt that Mr. C.S. Lewis was more open than his Christian contemporaries to ideas about the activities of the spirit world societies due to his receptivity. These heavenly societies take great effort to push ideas of themselves outward. The only realm outward to the spiritual realm is the corporeal. Mr. Lewis was right there with his antennae up and ready.

But things that seep into the corporeal from the spiritual have to transverse a thick darkness that separates the realms. What starts out clear becomes muddled and appears as if in a cloud. Though C.S. Lewis did much to push forward the plane of Christian understanding about the subtleties of evil in the everyday life of human beings, he also pushed forward some longstanding errors of Christian doctrine. To begin with, he presents the underling Wormwood as a devil who can somehow peer into and intentionally affect the actions of his “patient,” the Christian. Demons are nothing more than souls from the earth who have come to love their own insanity to which they have been opened after death. There are higher and lower souls in hell, but they are very engrossed in the activities of hell and don’t care at all to intentionally interact with humanity. If there is interaction, it is because the human society is the outward semblance of the hellish society. There is no intentional relationship, only a correspondent one.

The closest we who are here get to seeing into the

earth realm is when we are in the role of receiving the recently departed souls. This we do after they are greeted by previously departed loved ones. We are encountered afterward in order to bring them into their acceptance of the spiritual world. Here is where we get to review their life's defining moments and we witness the emergence of their true face in the spiritual world. We manipulate nothing. They look to us and immediately know which acts in their lives are loved more, the good or the evil. Once they are convinced, we leave them to themselves and they begin to seek out their own eternal activities. Those who find that their ruling love is goodness to the neighbor, move toward heaven and those who find that their ruling love is self, move toward hell. All of this happens quite naturally with no need for us to interfere.

Mr. Lewis also perpetuates the idea that there is a great superior figure in hell who rules all demons. The "Satan" of the church is called by him, "Our Father Below." The realms of hell are numerous and though there are increasing levels of intensity of the evil and falseness there, God is the only ruler of them all. They rise up occasionally and the great power of his love contains them from causing more harm to themselves or others than what is lawful. Though there are many higher-level demonic human souls in the realm of hell, there is no single superior demonic figure who rules over them.

Mr. Lewis states that human beings are at an ad-

vantage because they, unlike pure spirits, experience life as incarnate souls. The assumption here is that these pure spirits were created in the spiritual world with no accompanying incarnation into flesh. This would mean that they never experienced death. We know for sure that the population of the spiritual world comes from only one place – the corporeal worlds. The departed souls of humans from innumerable spheres over many millennia continue to populate the spiritual world. Corporeal human life is intentionally structured to ensure that births continue to happen and people go through all the earth life phases necessary to begin their eternal journey here.

In summary, we know that Mr. Lewis did the best he could when he wrote his great work that has incited the imaginations of many Christians. This is very important since they have trusted for so long in the views of church authority and relegated into obscurity their own ability to wonder about things of our world that they cannot see. We are also delighted that people have this literary work to help expose the subtleties that are employed in the forming of a person's ruling love that is developed in earthly life. Though many are not aware of it, this ruling love carries them along and holds open the door through which they walk into their eternal activity. Though there are certain tenets embedded in his work that do not depict our realm accurately, we are quite pleased with any small seed that brings about the awakening of humankind to the true power that lies

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within their daily experiences.

I welcome your queries young Ledriel, and I know that you will continue to seek greater good and truth as you progress further into heavenly realms. We shall converse again soon my friend...