



HEART JOURNEY

Stage Eight: Acceptance & Generation

The most distinguishing features of this stage of heart openness are acceptance and the ability to generate love in any environment and for anyone. You are able to do this because you walk with God and exemplify the principles you have learned.

When you reach this stage of heart openness, you are at peace and your surrender is complete. Rather than enlist God's help in manifesting a personal desire, you are content with whatever God has in mind for you. You willingly accept the path you are on and simply follow ease wherever it might lead you. You are comfortable with who you are, where you are, and with what you are doing. Your co-creative partnership with God is strong and if communication was interrupted in the past, it has now returned. Your spiritual practice is part of your daily routine, and you easily adhere to the spiritual principles you have learned.

While not exactly lacking desire, you are also not filled with desire. You may not feel the need to write another contract. Instead, you are open to following God's lead, willing to see what develops. Doors open, opportunities arise, and your path is made known step by step. You follow the flow of ease, and it all makes sense. You trust that everything will be revealed to you in time. Despite what you might think, this is not a static period. It can actually be very dynamic and exciting as events unfold. You have reached a point where you are truly living life from the top down, from the spiritual co-creative interchange with God to the physical.

You carry sacredness within you. You exude love and light wherever you go. You not only channel love to others, you are able to generate love in dark places. This is because the Divine shines through you regardless of the environment and it comforts everyone you meet. You are in love with the world, with God, and all beings. You understand your place in the scheme of things and willingly accept responsibilities and tasks as they arise.

In the midst of all this, you are still abundant, but the manifestation process is different. This is not the flashy, desire-driven materializations of the past, but a gentle, stable process of continuing manifestation. There is no pressure to manifest and no navigational issues. The process of manifestation through attraction and receptivity tends to occur spontaneously on its own. It seems like it is automatic and perhaps it is.

The nature of abundance has also changed. Abundance may or may not be material at this point, but there is enough material support regardless. In some way, you are sustained or taken care of. The presence of nonmaterial abundance is obvious. You experience insight on a regular basis. You have spiritual adventures and may travel to sacred sites or educational events. God moves through your life creating wonderful surprises, leading you to your highest good in each situation. Because you are a clear and open channel for God's grace, you are happy, hopeful, and fulfilled. Your joyful mood lifts the spirits of those around you.

Beyond Stage Eight

The movement through the Eight Stages of Heart Openness is not a one time, straight-line, end product progression. You may move ahead quickly in some stages and drop back in others. Even though you complete the progression through to the eighth stage, this does not mean that at some point in the future you will not return to a lower stage or formulate a new desire-based contract. You can recycle at any time. Every life period has its own calling.

It is also true that the Eighth Stage of heart openness is not necessarily the final stage and end product of your spiritual journey. There may be more stages or transitions to come for those who continue on spiritually. Whatever comes next cannot be defined in these pages. Once you have reached this level of spiritual development, you and your co-creative Partner will ascertain what comes next and it is likely to be individualized and ineffable.