## REGENERATING OUR CONSCIOUS SPIRITUAL CIRCUITRY

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Would you say that when we think about the world in which we live, much of what comes up for us is names? There is this person and that person; there is so-and-so and so-and-so. There are the people close to us, perhaps our family, our closest friends, and maybe a partner. And then there are the names of public figures—political leaders, entertainers, sports icons, and authors.

There are names that are more like labels: for race, age, ethnicity, gender orientation, and so much more.

And yet, sometimes, when we are just thinking of those names and labels, and the people behind them, we attribute the cause of everything to human personality without seeing the larger pattern of what is transpiring. We do not see the underlying dynamic. And therefore, it can become difficult to understand the world

in which we live when we are obsessed with those names and labels and what soand-so is doing or not doing. On that basis, we can lack vision for the way forward.

Are you up for a view of our human experience that looks past individual personalities and labels to gain insight into how we are made? And how we function creatively? Here is a thought you've probably never had. Our conscious awareness is made to function like the circuit box in a house.

Think about it this way. The circuit box receives power from a generating station and circulates it through the house. The circuit is completed when the wiring takes current back to the circuit box, and from there back to the source of the power.

As electrical current circulates in the

house, it performs the creative work it was designed to do. It lights up our lights, powers our toaster, and runs our washing machine.

There is so much about this physical technology that mirrors our intrinsic spiritual technology. That, too, works as a circuit. And like electrical technology, if any part of the circuit doesn't function properly, the current doesn't flow.

The circuit box is the crossover point of a figure eight. The upper loop of the figure eight carries the current from the source of the generation to the box, and after the current has circulated in the house, the box sends it back to the source.

The lower loop of the figure eight circulates the current in the house. Of course, there are usually multiple circuits, so multiple lower loops.

Our consciousness is the circuit box. When our heart and mind open to the voltage of Love and Light from the source of our existence, we receive vibrational power from that source. Our heart is warmed and our mind lit up. We transmit that power to our world.

Our consciousness also receives what comes to us from our world. We receive an awareness of the forms of that world, and we also receive its vibrational energy. We receive its thoughts and feelings and

its power. Like the circuit box, we return that energetic flow back to its original source.

In an electrical context, this is the wiring and the flow that power the house. In spiritual terms, this is the One Law—the Law of Cause and Effect, the Law of Karma, the Law of What-Goes-Round-Comes-Around, or whatever you want to call it. Creative power flows from its cosmic source through human experience into the world and returns to be offered back up to Source in worship, praise, and thanksgiving.

It is fascinating that the circuit box has both a positive and a negative side. It has both the side that allows voltage to push current into the house and the side that receives the current back into itself. It has the components that receive power from the generating station, and it has the components that send power back to its source. And so it is with us.

In all people, there is a built-in ability to give and receive. We have the capacity to receive the voltage of Love from Source and receive what comes to us from our world. We have the capacity to give spiritual current to our world and give the current of Love back to Source.

When our capacity to give and receive is fully functioning, we are like the circuit

box. We allow the circuitry of our life and our world to flow.

There is, for each of us, the masculine and feminine face of consciousness. There is the radiating face of consciousness, and there is the receiving face. We are present as Being, abiding in this present moment. Like the circuit box, each of us has both sides, joined in union together in one place. And that is true whether you are a man or a woman; it is true whatever your gender orientation.

If you haven't noticed, gender issues are up in our world. It all fascinates me. And, on another day, I would enjoy a grand exploration of what is happening in gender politics and the sociology of gender. But it is like the names and labels. If all you are seeing are the gender dynamics in the world, it can mask the underlying blueprint of how we are made and how we function.

The truth is that there is a masculine face for each of us. There is the radiant outpouring of current powered by the voltage of Love. There is the ability to give the power coming to us from our world back to the source of the voltage.

There is the feminine face for each of us—a magical ability to receive our world and all the people in it. And an ability to receive the gift of Love from its divine source.

This is both an individual and a collective matter. There is the voltage of Love that seeks to flow through us as a person. The same is happening for all of us together. For that to work, our collective conscious circuitry has to be in place. We have to be a collective circuit box with all our wiring working. We can't have the positive radiation of spiritual current here and then the reception of current over there, unrelated to the source of it. That's a short circuit.

The story of Adam and Eve in Genesis is a story about our spiritual wiring. If you can remove any moral overhang that might intrude on the meaning of the story, the author attempts to tell us about the original wiring, how it short-circuited, and what resulted.

You can see the story as addressing the spiritual wiring in you. Or you could see it as addressing the spiritual wiring for the masculine and feminine face of Being in humankind. Either way, the same principles are at work.

To many modern readers, a literal reading of the story of Adam and Eve lacks credibility. And then there is all that is read into the story that was not originally there. (By the way, there is no apple!)

But what if the author had a vision of how we are made? And they were trying to share that vision? And then attempting to

describe what goes wrong for us and what the result has been?

The story is an allegory for human experience, with characters and a plotline symbolizing what the author was so earnestly attempting to say. There are features of the story that are rich with meaning. And like many biblical stories, there is a great economy of words, with so much said so concisely. Here I will touch on only a few elements.

Consider that Eve was made from Atom's rib. Not from his toe or his head. From his side. She was made not to be the same, but equal, just as the positive and negative circuits on a circuit box sit side-by-side.

Also, consider that the author says that they were to be one flesh. Of course, that's physically impossible. But it isn't spiritually. The feminine and masculine face of Being is meant to be one reality. The spiritual body of the feminine and masculine is designed as one body, functioning as one.

But what happened? The spiritual circuitry broke. The author addresses the results of that brokenness distinctly for the feminine and the masculine. One translation says this of what would happen to Eve:

I will sharpen the pain of your pregnancy,
and in pain you will give birth.

And you will desire to control your husband,
but he will rule over you.
(New Living Translation)

The natural processes of life become painful for the feminine face of Being. And instead of the feminine and masculine being as one flesh, as equals, there are contention and control issues.

How more clearly could the author describe the unnatural dominance of men over women in our culture? And apparently, it has been going on for a very long time, right up to today. Bless the author who realized there is something not right about that.

The author goes on to talk about what Adam will experience. The joy of creation that he initially experienced will disappear. In its place will be struggle and futility.

Cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread....
(Genesis 3:17-19, King James
Version)

We have some thistles that give us problems here at Sunrise Ranch, where I live. We pull them out, but they come back.

Here is the pain of accomplishment instead of the joy of creation. It is the pain of functioning without a unified circuit box that allows spiritual voltage to do the work. Rather, we have accomplishment through the sweat of the face—human effort.

So, what are we to do?

If this was the circuitry of a house and your circuit breaker flipped, you might just flip it back. But if the cause of the broken circuit were faulty wiring, you would have to fix the wiring. Because if you forced the circuit to operate when it was short-circuiting, you might cause a fire in the house. The circuit breaker was thrown for a reason.

If you were a homeowner who had a house with a broken circuit box, you might call an electrician. But we have a different situation. Our spiritual circuitry is not made of hardware and wire. It is a living reality. In fact, it is a living reality with self-healing properties. But those properties rely on consciousness. Consciousness has to open to the power available from Source to heal, re-create, and regenerate. It has to avoid the pattern of broken, separate thinking and feeling

that busted the human circuit box in the first place—that cut it off from its source and fractured the positive and negative poles of what is designed as one whole.

So we have conscious steps as spiritual electricians to rebuild our circuitry. The first step in that process is to have a true vision of how we are wired as human beings. We are meant to bring the voltage, the positive extension of current, all together as one—not to have one person short-circuit over here, somebody else short-circuiting over there, and somebody else resisting over there.

We can bring the current as one because we receive it from its source as one—one crucible, joined heart-to-heart; one flesh, allowing the voltage to move the one current.

Likewise, we receive from our world as one, not receiving a tiny trickle of current as one's own: *Oh, this is mine, I'll take it over here.* Yes, something comes back to us individually, but we are designed to let it ultimately come back to one flesh, so that it can return to one source.

It can do that because, within us, the masculine and the feminine stand side by side, joined as one. As men and women, as people of whatever gender orientation, we stand together as one, heart-to-heart, as one flesh, one body. All of us participate in the voltage of current moving out, and

all of us participate in receiving together what comes back, holding it precious. We all celebrate the return of spiritual current and the hearts of people who come with it. Yes, names are carried on the wings of that current. Bless the names, bless the people, and bless the spiritual current. We are here to receive it all as one.

While the symbol of a circuit box is valuable, it is cold—it is hardware, after all. Our truth is that we are a unified heart that receives One Love and gives it back to the source from whence it came.

I am grateful to the author of Genesis for doing their best to share a vision of how we are made, what went wrong, and what is broken. It is essential to see what is broken as just that. Otherwise, we think it

is natural, that it is just how we are made. No, it's not. As humankind, we are broken. Fortunately, we have self-healing abilities that are now at work.

Perhaps the story of Adam and Eve can be an allegory that sheds light on human experience. And as unlikely as it might seem, so does the wiring of the modern house.

I invite you to join me as a visionary who calls us to know our conscious spiritual circuitry, to become a spiritual electrician who rebuilds our collective capacity to bring the voltage of Universal Love to the world.

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