<u>~1st June 1998~</u>

Good evening. (General welcomes)

<u>Les:</u> Thank you very much for being with us and I'm sorry we're so low in numbers tonight. **Let me say this before we speak this time:**

Let us give thanks for quietness and peace of now. Let it enfold us all in perfect stillness and a humbling.

I say to you, numbers are not so important now, but it means only that I would refrain from any speaking that is important for all to hear. So for this time, I will speak to you and as usual allow time to work quietly with this one. (*Certainly.*) What I would like you perhaps to think about this time, is that as your earthly years go forward, I want you to consider how it affects your spiritual selves. For example, is realisation there that as you approach say for instance you my dear friend, who is now in the winter of your earthly years, how much it contributes to that lightness of the spiritual self. Have any of you considered this matter?

<u>Les:</u> Yes, I have the advantage there of course, being the oldest here. And of course the onset of years, which is so inevitable, has made me think much more profoundly of the spiritual content of myself here and hopefully what I am going to experience when I come over to you.

Yes, but do you not also understand how much more you can give to those who are younger in their years?

Les: Oh yes, I beg your pardon.

Continue please.

<u>Les:</u> Yes I do accept that too and I have often thanked those in your world, for the privilege I have had during my lifetime here, of passing my information and learning onto others.

Yes, but that is why we on this side of life, speak so often to you as being *beacons of light*, because as you grow older in your earthly years, so that spiritual light becomes stronger and is more amenable to others who *seek* this knowledge. As you become older in your earthly years, so the spirit comes to the fore and the earthly body, the earthly thinking, should begin to take second place, you understand? Les: Yes I think we all understand that. But of course, we can never fully understand it until we reach the age when we can accept it, without even having to think about it.

That is the purpose of life, is it not, that there should be no seeking, but that the inner self, the inner knowledge is completely at one with itself?

<u>Les:</u> Yes, you put it better, that's what I meant when I said I have the advantage of years, because my colleagues here cannot possibly yet, have experienced, what I've experienced, because of the additional years I have.

But I would say this to you all: Why fly with the wings of the sparrow, when the power of the eagle is within you all, no matter what your earthly year? That knowledge is innate within you all, from the time of what you call birth and what from our side we call 'death,' as you would phrase it in this world.

Les: Yes that we do accept and understand. That knowledge and power is within each of you, from that very beginning, but what I say to you my dear friends is that as these earthly years pass, so the mirror of your lives, of *spiritual* lives, should become much clearer; that all mists and — how can I say to you, all distrust of the earthly body, should manifest itself, in allowing the truth of spirit to come forward. Les: Yes I think I would be right in saying — and I'm sure my colleagues would agree that even though they haven't my years, because of your teaching and the teaching of others here on occasions, they have become more aware of the ability to fly as an eagle, rather than as a sparrow, than they would have had, had they not been privileged to have your teaching. I think you all would agree with that wouldn't you? (General aareement)

Of course as we spoke before, the inner self, that part of you which is the real you, *has* this knowledge; but when you are clothed within these physical bodies, so much is lost to the thinking. That is why I have come to teach you about the power of your own thought; that is what has been lost, that is what must be found, if you are all to truly fulfil your true passageways in this world. You have to allow that inner self to come forward in every area of your lives and thinking. <u>Les:</u> Yes you have told us a number of times that we must always think of ourselves primarily as spiritual beings and not as physical beings.

I will always reiterate it for you, because it cannot be expressed often enough to you, because your earthly memory is not good at retaining the vocal words used here, you understand?

<u>Les:</u> I think everybody follows Salumet, don't they? (*General agreement*)

I will take one question this time.

Les: Right, I have been thinking a lot about what you have told us in your various lessons, because of the disastrous earthquake you undoubtedly know in your world — I'm sure you've many helpers waiting to assist those who are coming over to you. (Yes.) Now, I want to take a hypothetical case of a man who has died in that disaster in the prime of life. You've told us that we choose our parents and our life here on each occasion. Would that man have been aware that he was going to be cut off in his prime, before he came back, even though he would have forgotten it in a physical sense?

You cannot answer these questions so black and white. You — when your soul chooses to return, it returns to the condition most appropriate for the learning of the lessons which the soul needs to return *home*. Why do you say, the *'prime'* of life?

<u>Les:</u> It's an expression which we would all recognise of course.

Yes I see, yes, well the soul before it returns, knows the extent of the living, which it has to do. Once it has acquired life's lessons — and again we will use your case as an example. That soul need not necessarily be aware that that *time* on Earth, would be the time of his departure. Only if life's instruction had been completed, then conditions would arise for him to depart this world. Do you understand? (*Pause*) No?

Les: No I'm afraid I don't.

No, I see, let me explain it to you further. (*Thank* you.) The soul is aware of the conditions to which it returns, in order that it may fulfil those lessons needed for spiritual growth — you know and understand this? (*Yes* —) But again we must return to the free will of the soul clothed within the human body. That free will enables the soul to take many paths, which it perhaps had not had foresight of, when still in spirit. The choice

belongs to the human being, you understand this much? (Yes.) There are pathways in life upon this planet that are pathways not chosen by the soul, at the time of — shall we call it rebirth? (Yes.) Therefore there will be occasions when the soul has lost all knowledge of what it should be trying to achieve, because of the free will given to it on the return to the human body. You understand so far?

<u>Les:</u> Yes I do. Everybody understand that? (General agreement)

I am trying to keep it simple for you. If that individual has completed life's tasks, then the soul, without the knowledge of the human being, will *see* that he is placed within conditions, which will return him to us. Do you understand now?

Les: I see, yes that is clearer.

It is a difficult thing, it is not so clearly '*cut and dry*,' I believe you would say, because of the free will of the human being.

<u>Les:</u> Yes, you have said before that there is no *black and white*, no one answer to any question that we might put.

The task has to be achieved — once life's conditions allow for those lessons to be learned, then conditions are put right with influence perhaps, that that individual be placed in those conditions which will help him to return *home*. Whether it be a natural dying, or what you term *'tragedies,'* which we have spoken of in the past and which are not *tragedies* at all, because all is known — but there are conditions, which are needed to help so many over at the same time. You must remember that each soul may not necessarily come for their own individual good, but for *'group* good.'

<u>Les:</u> Yes you have explained that before too. Yes, so it is difficult always to single out one individual, without seeing the wider picture; without the wider knowledge, you cannot see what is happening within this world.

Les: No so again we have to remember what you've told us, that the soul for us ourselves has many horizons, many paths, not just the one. Of course and it would not always be good for that individual aspect of the soul, to return solely for its own growth. You have to realise that in giving of yourself to others that is where the major growth comes from. (Yes.) In giving love, in sacrificing for another, although I do not particularly like that word 'sacrifice,' because it

seems to indicate that the soul would feel sorrow in doing such deeds, when in fact it should indeed bring joy. Do you understand? (General agreement)

Les: I agree I don't like the word *sacrifice* either. I hope it has helped you a little in your understanding this time?

<u>Les:</u> Yes it's certainly given us a lot to think about and — I speak for myself of course, it has made me aware of the need to depart from individual thinking, or thinking individually.

Yes, if you singularise that thinking, then you will lose so much.

<u>Les:</u> Yes I think that's a track that I am tempted to go on, rather than thinking of the universal consciousness.

Yes, once you allow the mind to expand, then these ways of thinking become nullified — the whole being is encompassed by universal thinking, which brings greater understanding to all and encompasses you *all*, in a much more refined type of living and giving of *Love*.

Les: Does everybody understand that more now? (General agreement) Well thank you very, very much for that, it's added to our knowledge of course once more and we are grateful for it. I will leave you all my dear friends, with that Universal Love I have spoken of. I hope that each one of you can be filled to the point where you feel this love surround you and within you, to allow it to sustain you, in all that you try to achieve.

Les: Thank you and God bless you.