

Today's Lesson
A Matter of Divine Order
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When we talk about divine order in our lives and how it unfolds, what we are really talking about are those turning points that are aided by divine order.

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What are some of the turning points in your life that turned out to be divine order in action?

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Martha Smock, past editor of the Daily Word and author of the book Turning Points wrote:
You know, we do not have to wait for a turning point to appear. We can make our own. We should not sit around hoping for a change, a break, for something to happen.

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We have it in our power to turn the corner, to make the change, to start things going in a different direction. We should never think that we are too old to make a change, that it is too late to begin again. We do not have to go along with unhappy conditions or accept lack and limitation as our lot.

All true turning points are first created in us through some outer circumstance which can be related to divine order.

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In the matter of divine order, Fillmore said, *“Order is the first law of the universe. The facts of Spirit are of spiritual character and, when understood in their right relation, they are orderly.”*

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What does this picture of a vise have to do with divine order and the turning points in our lives?

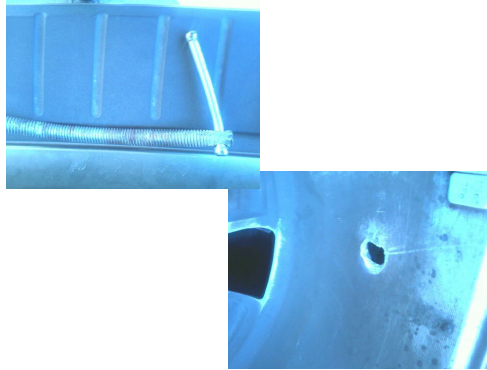
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It has been said that everything happens for a reason.

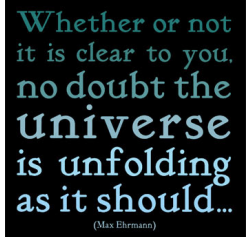


It was a Sunday morning, like any other Sunday morning for KD and I except for one thing...

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As spiritual beings, part of the great universal life force, our lives are unfolding in divine order according to our turning points.

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The old adage about divine order that states: "You are right where you need to be, right now.", is sometimes hard to understand and accept. Why is that?

The number one reason why shows up as resistance to the current situation, circumstance, or event.

Things that happen unexpectedly and are difficult to accept can cause us to develop feelings that cause us to feel forsaken, lost, giving up, giving into fear or negative emotions.

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You will have trials and tribulations, but be of good cheer, I have overcome them and so can you. Just remember: keep moving: To move through this type of resistance requires that we re-connect to our source, to the Christ spirit in us.

Charles Fillmore's favorite all time scripture was from Paul who wrote in 1st Corr: "*Christ in you, your hope of glory.*"

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Whatever may cause us to feel rejected, unloved, unworthy, afraid, bitter, hurt, affirm that these are emotions, temporary in nature, and thus will pass with time. What remains is the truth of who we are—God’s beloved children.

Then as the master teacher taught go to headquarters and reconnect with the divine in you.

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To reconnect with the Christ spirit and it’s power within us we stop, look, and listen. Stop by *being still and know* what all the spiritual teachers knew – in the silence is the answer. Say to yourself, “Be still, troubled thoughts. Be still, anxious feelings. Be still, self-accusations. Be still, fearful imaginings,” so you can hear, “Be still, and know that I am God.”

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A Jewish father was concerned about his son who was about a year away from his Bar Mitzvah, but was sorely lacking in his knowledge of the Jewish faith. To remedy this, he sent his son to Israel to experience his heritage firsthand.

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A year later, the young man returned home, saying, “Father, thank you for sending me to the land of our Fathers. It was a wonderful and enlightening experience; however I must confess that while I was in Israel, I converted to Christianity.”

“Oi vey,” replied the old man, “what have I done?” So, in the tradition of the patriarchs, he went to his best friend and sought his advice and solace. “It’s amazing that you should come to me with this question,” said his friend. “I, too, sent my son to Israel, and he returned a Christian.”

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So, in the tradition of the patriarchs, they went to see the Rabbi. “It’s amazing that you should come to me,” said the Rabbi. “I, too, sent my son to Israel and he returned as a Christian. What is happening to our sons, our brothers? We will take this question to God,” said the Rabbi.

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So they entered into prayer and began to pour out their hearts to the Almighty. As they prayed, the room filled with light and a booming voice that said, “Amazing that you should come to me with this problem. I, too, sent my son to Israel.....”