

### Gathering In Kingston, WA – June 11, 1995 By: Raj Christ Jesus –

QUESTION: I just had this one question. I've looked and looked and looked through a lot of metaphysical sources and things trying to find someone who would address this issue, and it's very hard to find information on ... there ... It's a controversial subject, so ... It's about homosexuality, and I just wanted to know, wanted to hear something positive ... any kind of comment in any direction you want to take.

It's just extremely difficult to find information that's positive. I do a newsletter so I'm just kind of looking for a positive something

RAJ: Well, it's very simple. This is an area where the borders of everyone's tents need to be enlarged. It just hasn't started yet.

# **QUESTION:** Is the outcry of the so-called religious right or the radical right basically a resistance to this invitation to enlarge one's tent?

RAJ: Absolutely. Absolutely. Ahhh. Although you experience as a strenuous thing, it is a breath of fresh air. Or shall I say it is the making of the crack through which fresh air can flow, bringing new definition, new meaning, new clarity to what religion is all about, to what relationships are all about. To what Love is all about. And at the bottom line, it is a gross misunderstanding of what Love is about that causes the judgment, the negativity associated with homosexuality.

So, it will be awhile before there is literature of that sort, because there can only be as much clarity expressed in print as there is clarity allowed to penetrate one's conscious awareness.

And if it's not being allowed, it won't be in print, even though it ought to be.

## **QUESTION:** But being a part of the gay civil rights movement is kind of helping all of us move in the right direction?

RAJ: That is correct.

#### QUESTION: Without being in your face, so to speak? [small laugh]

RAJ: That is correct. But sometimes it needs to be quote "in your face" unquote.

QUESTION: Well, when we walk down the street holding hands, it's called flaunting. With everyone else, it's called, "Isn't that cute." So .. I hope that ...

RAJ: It is an ignorant attempt to avoid enlarging the definition of Love, of humaneness, of kindness. You see?

**QUESTION: There is one ... another question in there ... A lot of groups use the Bible to condemn homosexuals and everybody who said that ....** RAJ: Hmm. I will tell you that there are Bible students who condemn A Course in Miracles too.

QUESTION: Oh, absolutely. That's the other one. I've kind of been two wrong, got my one foot in two wrong camps, but that's all the feet I have so, that's all I'm going to do for now. But one ....

RAJ: So my question is ...

QUESTION: Question is ... RAJ: My QUESTION: QUESTION: Oh, your question is ... RAJ: So what?

QUESTION: True. So what. If I had another foot, I'd put it somewhere else. So, one of things is that is ... that group of people says is that Jesus never addressed homosexuality in the Bible. However, some people say that it was addressed at one point in the verses concerning eunuchs. Could you address that?

RAJ: Nope. [audience laughter]

#### **QUESTION: Okay.** [laughing]

RAJ: Love your neighbor as yourself. Love your neighbor as yourself. That's what I said. And it was two human beings about being humane. And that's the simple truth.

### **QUESTION:** That makes a lot more sense than arguments on either side, actually.

RAJ: Amen.

QUESTION: I think that's about all I had on that. If anybody has ...

RAJ: It is a good place to end. We started out with: How do you live in a world that seems to be becoming violent, and we've ended it with love your neighbor as yourself. It is such a simple thing.

But remember that loving yourself means getting in touch with your peace, connecting with your peace, and being in the world from that place of peace. Because that's where your capacity to be love lies. It doesn't lie in all these concepts about right and wrong. It doesn't lie in getting everyone to conform or cooperate according to a certain standard so that there can be quote "harmony" unquote.

Everybody is learning how to be real. And because it requites the abandonment of conditioned thinking and conditioned responses, there is great resistance. But, as I said a moment ago, so what?

The answer's here. How to do it is here. And what is essential has uninterruptedly been right in the center of your being.

As always, I have enjoyed being with you. I thank you. AUDIENCE VOICE. Thank you.