HOW NOT TO SPREAD BABA'S MESSAGE

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PILGRIM 1: When we go back to the natural way with all the communication skills. We can communicate Baba's love and presence to people. And then you had a question I was telling about how in the practical way

ERUCH: But how, how would you do it? It should be years for him to speak. What about the receptivity?

PILGRIM 1: I was talking in the practical manner.

PILGRIM 2: That's the important thing.

ERUCH: You can't fire shots with a blank [inaudible], and expect the results.

PILGRIM 1: No, no, but I was giving him practical advice about how to get involved and set these things up. Because John Page and I would get a number of experimental colleges.

JOHN: Oh, my goodness! Oh yeah, yeah.

PILGRIM 1: Remember that? In any university, not any university, let's say a university they'll let you teach anything on any subject. I was about talking to him about the practical. The magic words are reincarnation and karma. And that reincarnation and karma would draw them all out of the woodwork, according to Meher Baba.

PILGRIM 2: Did he say that right?

PILGRIM 1: That was a talk. Then he was telling me a story of how he brought the spirit of Christ

to somebody. I was saying, why not do that with a receptive audience to bring the spirit of Baba to people's hearts.

PILGRIM 2: How charismatic Baba lovers.

ERUCH: Don't do that. It is not Baba's way.

PILGRIM 1: Not Baba's way?

PILGRIM 2: That's Jack's way. Jack's way is to touch him on the forehead.

ERUCH: Baba has given us the latitude to say His message to speak, not to accent. But He wants us to live His message to ourselves but not to go and put your hands there and there is nothing like that.

PILGRIM 3: Did Baba ever say ever say anything then about spiritual healing? If somebody does have, I'm not speaking for myself, if somebody does have an aptitude for it or has done in the past as a Christian.

ERUCH: Baba doesn't give the word spiritual healing. Any healing that helps a person is good.

PILGRIM 3: Whether it involves the spiritual laying on of hands?

ERUCH: Isn't it a spiritual healing if I were to talk to you about Baba, and if you feel uplifted and your way of life is changed? Isn't it a far better healing than any physical ailment that is healing, spiritual healing. Any healing that uplifts and helps somebody is the best. Baba doesn't

mind that. But if you give a spiritual, what you call it, slant to it, He doesn't like that. You may hold it that it is a spiritual healing. Use whatever faculties you have got, whatever things that are to your credit, but bear in mind that all healing proceeds from Him. Never take the blame upon you nor take the credit upon you.

Now suppose the person has just come to hear about Baba and has begun to feel about Him. Now the surge that you have within you, you know what I mean. I have no words to express that because I am not an [inaudible]. That person comes to Baba and that person sits around Baba and all that, and at an opportune moment the person speaks out, "Baba, I have been doing spiritual healing. Is it alright if I continue doing it?"

Do you expect Him to say no? "No, continue doing it." Because the person and the heart has just been drawn and Baba relates to each one in his or her own way that some people who are healed feel uplifted, that's very good. They come to me they are brought to me by that. That doesn't mean he gives a license for spiritual healing. But for that person at that particular moment it was right. Then gradually the person comes closer and closer to Baba stops that and continues with the healing knowing fully well that the source of all healing is Him. There are chiropractors, there are these medical professionals. They do it and Baba encourages them to do it, but not in the name of spirituality. [clock chimes].

PILGRIM 4: What would you think about? [inaudible].

ERUCH: Pardon? What is that?

PILGRIM 1: Doing Baba's work and [inaudible]. But I really loved that part where He walked into the audience of 300 people. [crosstalk]. **PILGRIM 2:** He loved it. He wants to go into the audience and everyone falls down and swoons.

PILGRIM 1: On Baba's love. I had this dream a number of years ago, where I was with a group of people who knew nothing about Baba. And I just said Baba's name, I said "Baba" and I repeated Baba's name and they all swooned and felt Baba's name. They felt Baba's love right then and there.

ERUCH: Did you hear what he said? That was so beautiful an experience. The initial experiences. You heard his story from the beginning? You were here, and he derived that great joy, the upliftment, others derived it and all that. Then gradually what happened? Then what happened is that some people feigned that they are having their experiences, then it becomes commercialized. No there are these chances like that. That's the reason why from the very beginning nip the bud, nip in the bud. You never go in for that. That's how it is, otherwise that will not give any fragrance of Baba. That's not Baba's way.

PILGRIM 1: What's not Baba's way?

ERUCH: Going out and just putting your hands there. This is also a dream and I saw it in a dream, this is dream, this is dream and then well in the name of Meher Baba all feel His presence and all this and speak in various languages and speak in different tongues and all that, the Holy Ghost descends now. That's not the way. There were so many cases. Didn't I describe you so many stories? There are people who used to do these things in presence of Baba. I do not mean presence of Baba but Baba was physically present with us. They would go out and do the same thing outside.

Don't you remember the case of a person who was revived? That child on the lap of a Baba lover repeating Baba's name and all that and he was so elated with this. Do you know the story? That he sent a cable to Baba glorifying Baba. Saying that Baba, the child of the chieftain who was lying dead on my lap revived to life by repeating your name and saying your glory. And Baba made me sent out a cable that I would have been very happy had you died instead of the child being revived. You follow? [crosstalk].

Because then what happens he gets that feeling that "Oh! how good has come out of me," and the mind is such that it begins to develop a superiority over others. And that is not wanted. All that is wanted is that the mind should be annihilated. That's what Baba says, if you really are pursuing spiritual advancement, the real advancement is effacement, efface yourself. Not all these powers and this and that and all that sort of thing, the phenomena all in the world it is there it is everywhere.

PILGRIM 6: It has certainly not done anything for the upliftment of humanity.

ERUCH: Yes, do you mean to say that this Christianity that is at present now, how many millions are believing in Lord Jesus Christ are believing because he could perform those miracles? In the heart of hearts of a true Christian, do they see Jesus performing the miracle or do they see Him on the cross and suffering?

PILGRIM: On the cross.

ERUCH: The greatness that He is, humbling Himself for our sake, giving Himself up. Alright He wants my life here it is. That's what He wants from us which is never [inaudible]. It will create an uproar Oh!, Oh!, Oh! There will streamers in newspapers, televisions, and radio and all you will be televised all over the world. It will shorten your life you see by that.

PILGRIM 1: What is it about? Because you encouraged me the other day, yesterday by going to Andhra?

ERUCH: Did I encourage you to do this? I said share your treasures with others, tell them about Baba, it would be so good and all that, but I didn't say that. This is how you'll quote me all the time. You said it and therefore I did it. Physician heal thyself.

PILGRIM 2: I made a mistake, we're going to send it to L.A.

PILGRIM 1: That's what I said, I said it five minutes ago.

ERUCH: You need not go anywhere just live His message and the world will come to you, that is the thing. [laughter] I tell you, I tell you, I tell you, you have not to step out of your room. You have not to step out of your room. Just begin to live His message and the world is at your feet. Don't withdraw your feet.

PILGRIM 3: Laying your sanskaras at His feet.

ERUCH: It is like that always. But it is good to share the treasures. He has told us to do that, don't keep it to yourselves. In some remote way it might help somebody. One person is enough for us. But He has said of Himself that if at least one who has heard me and seen me today profits by my visit here will not be in vain.

He says to the crowd. So how much, what should we say? At least one, that's what Buddha meant by that. That one who after many, many, reincarnations I gather and put it in my barn, my labour is such. So never create such thoughts or have such thoughts or share such thoughts with anybody and don't incite anybody to do that.