

What is the Changing Nature of the Family?

And welcome to you all. It is Portia and the Guides. And we thank you for your question this week which is, "What is the changing nature of the family?"

You also asked about how best to support the children in these changing times and what is the best and highest way for parents to parent in this new time to support the incoming generations.

First and foremost, we ask you to consider what family truly is. Family is unconditional love for each member of the family, including their differences, their ups and downs. It is a full measure and embrace of who each individual is within the family system. Unconditional love.

And then, your discernment of how to parent each child as this child is developing and coming forward and learning his and her own lessons in their own way, guided by the God that created them and their spirit. Your discernment involves patience, involves listening, involves being quiet in a moment when your ego or your fear may want to jump ahead and make corrections within the child or corrections in the circumstance. So always pausing as a loving parent. Asking God and your spirit for guidance in that moment. And it can be a nano second. But holding yourself true, at the center of your being, as you respond. And your response may be to simply smile, or to engage the child in just the right way. It is your discernment, your asking, your listening and then your trusting as a parent.

As all things in life right now are being dismantled and the old ways are falling away so the new ways can appear and be revealed, so is the nature of the family system. Even though it may seem that the family systems of the past looked perfect, they actually were perfect in that particular time. But the format and the dynamic of the family system now is its own, and it is different. Blessedly so, because much of the constriction and containment and format of the systems in the past are falling away. So if a parent holds to those formats and insists upon them in this timeframe it will not be the best and highest service to the family members, to the children, to yourself as a parent. It requires much greater presence in the moment and asking for guidance, "What is needed now?" It is not to impose the format that perhaps you were used to or in your mind you think is perfect, but it is to have humility and trusting that the now and the new is available to you and will come forward for you as a parent as you open your perspective, your inspiration, your joy, your humor in the moment.

This truly drives the ego crazy because the ego is attached to the known, the certain, the experience of the past, and the ego wants to drive this forward. So, it is a great opportunity for you as a parent to recognize when the ego is driving to achieve its status quo, we will say, so that it has more comfort. So there may be great discomfort for you as a parent, but hold steady. Stay at the center of your being where peace and calm and comfort and the truth arrives when you ask. And then take action on the guidance that comes forward.

Again, reminding you that the ego may cause great discomfort. So try this out in baby steps and observe what happens within you and stay true to asking for the highest truth in each moment. For each family situation.

Children, as you already know, are new. So imposing the old on them will not work. What children need within the family is abiding love and acceptance of their true nature and design and character. And while it is true that a parent is not actually allowed to see the full breadth and depth of the individual child

because that is for God's knowingness and for God to bring forward. You as a parent have the opportunity to provide guidance and structure and discipline, yes, in the best and highest way. A child needs to feel held within the safety of guide rules for living and for behavior as well within the family because those things they will carry with them as they engage with the greater family of man in their schooling, in their jobs, in their communities going forward.

So it is for you as the parent to discern, again, the discipline, the goodness, the space, the generosity of space given to the children. And not to be afraid or fearful when you are setting standards which you know must be set for the well-being of the children in their futures.

Your role as a parent is not to be a best friend. Many parents wish for this. But it is not your highest and best role. It is to be a guiding light like a guardian angel over the children. And sometimes your actions may not feel so sweet to you, and you would wish for only sweetness. But please remind yourself that you are the parent, and your role is to prepare your children to go forward in independence on their own at various stages. They will continue to need you, to look to you for guidance as they enter the different schooling stages and then step into the greater world.

So we say to you also to be kind to yourself in this new time of the family system coming forward with much greater spaciousness and opportunity, actually, for each individual to grow and to learn. Be kind to yourself as you observe old patterns that you have believed would work now. And often they are patterns that you experienced as a child. And so to be quite aware, and discerning again, of when these patterns are trying to take over. And this again is your ego and its desire to have the known be present, the certain be present. But this is not what you are asking for as the parent that you are wanting to be; the best and highest service to you as the parent to your children and to life itself.

We hope this has answered your question, and kindness, human kindness is what we are recommending here. So much is changing in the world now, including the atmosphere and the molecules in the air itself. It is changing and you are navigating these changes as a parent. Be present in the now. Be present. Ask for guidance. Trust. And observe how the unfoldment is taking place. Make adjustments. Be kind to yourself. Hold yourself with kindness and with love. And feel God's presence and guidance and love of you as you are being your best as a human being. A human, coming forward in all of your roles, including the parent role.

Our love and blessings are with you always. Namaste.

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