

## Article 289: A Personal Promiselanguage –part 4

In part 3 of this series, we left you dangling on the idea of a personal **Promiselanguage** ...but you don't really believe that such a language is necessary ...or even that it will effect any genuine changes in your self and life, ...do you? ...or that it will actually support you better than your present language does, ...do you? Then, let's consider the word *support* ...as used to mean *supporting your partner in an endeavor*.

In your dichotomylanguage, support is defined as: to provide for or maintain by supplying with necessities; to aid the cause of by approving, favoring, advocating, or assisting directly; to bear the weight or burden of. Within these definitions, you do not know how to provide for your partner relative to his or her endeavor, and you certainly don't know what necessities to supply to maintain your partner and the endeavor as he or she desires. Can you aid the cause of this endeavor by approving? ...if so, by what approval and in what way? Isn't it just as likely that approving one thing works against other matters? ...or that a "blanket or general approval" doesn't actually demonstrate approval to your partner? And what if your partner doesn't really want to start or continue with this endeavor, ...isn't it likely that your approval might prolong what your partner doesn't really want?

Does not objecting or not interfering with your partner in this matter constitute approval? And if you can begin answering these questionings, what about "favoring"? ...doesn't this require some active involvement? What involvement? What constitutes favoring for you may not be the same as what your partner believes shows or constitutes favoring? What will you do then? ...will you conceal your disfavor and favor your partner? And do you really suppose you can conceal your disfavor? ...and won't that compound your disfavor? ...create a problem between the two of you? ...and make favoring even more-difficult? And won't all of these problems make supporting your partner even more difficult?

How can you possibly know what to do that will directly assist your partner and this endeavor? And if you suggest asking your partner how he or she wants to be supported, you will discover very quickly that this is frequently a mystery to your partner as well. Why does all of this doubt and confusion occur?

Setting aside the particulars of supporting a partner and his or her endeavors, in a duality-language self and world, you, like most people, have a different opinion about what constitutes "giving support" and "being supported" by another is all about; these are two completely different

actions, ...and in trying to decide how to support your partner, you will ask yourself, quietly or aloud, “How would I want to be supported” ...and offer that. The problem with this is that, as we said before, *how you want to support another and how you want others to support you* are usually different ...completely different, ...therefore, when you offer the support you want to *receive*, that is not the support you want to *give*, ...and what you want to receive or give probably has very little to do with what your partner wants. And if your partner indicates what you should offer, that response says more about what he or she would *offer* in your position than what your partner wants to *receive*.

It seems that in a dichotomyworld and language, *giving support* and *receiving support* is different for each partner, ...but to complicate this situation even further is the fact that by using a language that only conveys and processes “packets of information”, neither you nor your partner can speak beyond your *memories*, which means that both giving and receiving support is limited to previous memories of these things, so now we must consider the possibility that these memories are faulty ..and limited to *previous occurrences*, and have little to do with what you or your partner “truly want”, or even want in this situation. Is it at all possible to sort out, overcome, or by-pass these problems and limitations?

Since there are no accidents in life ...and your mind actually operates on a near-infinite scale and rate, and because the universe fully supports you by never refusing you, if you will stop limiting your mind to memories and “mouth-speed”, which is the rate of speaking your language ...or creating and considering your images and feelings, you won't have or continue these problems. In other words, what you know about *support* is what you have limited your self and mind *down to*.

Are you beginning to sense the deadly result of Buddhism's injunction to “quiet your mind” or “control your thinking”? All such actions limit your mind and life ...and confine your knowing merely to memories, ...both of which destroy the expansive self and life you truly desire. Whether this is a spiritual-self, an illuminated-self, or Christ-consciousness, your language alone withholds this from you; ...however, all of life is **promise** ...and promise will never deny you.

In this regard, I drew a **Promisecard** and discovered that, for me, **support** ...as in “giving support” is **27** ...*always living and revealing that all things are nourishing ...though possibly not as I desire*.

And Promisecard 27 continues to indicate that judging and struggling against problems or trying to make matters turn out as I believe they should keeps me from promising and supporting myself with the goodness I desire, ...thus, helping others make matters turn out as they believe matters should keeps them from promising and supporting themselves with the goodness they truly desire. Odd as it sounds, this reveals that supporting my partner so things turn out as I believe they should does not support me as I desire, ...and supporting my partner make matters turn out as she believe they should keeps her from promising and supporting herself with the goodness she truly desires. From this ...it is obvious that I must do some serious thinking about what I believe truly supports, ...and only offer others what *genuinely supports me*. Isn't that a twist on supporting a partner? Are you willing to support your partner only in that way?

Living against things ...or supporting endeavors that are against things is never really supportive or enriching. Are you willing to offer others, including your partner, only what genuinely supports you? ...knowing that what truly supports you will genuinely support them? Are you taking in and offering matters you truly desire? ...if not, your self and life ...and certainly your relationship will steadily decline. Do you support yourself by doing what you say you will do? ...what you promise? Dependability is a supporting attribute, especially in the dichotomy world you have language into existence for yourself.