SPARK 241

(Matrix Code: SPARK241.00 for StartOver.xyz game.)

DISTINCTION: Authority precedes Agency.

NOTES: Agency is your practical ability to cause real things to occur. With Agency you can reinvent circumstances, <u>Notice</u> extraordinary <u>Possibility</u>, give birth to startling originalities, stay on your <u>Path</u> even without a map or a trail, keep <u>promises</u>, step <u>sideways</u> through <u>Doorways</u> into <u>Archetypal</u> Spaces, <u>Cavitate</u>, <u>Contextualize</u>, <u>Inhabit</u> and <u>Navigate</u> new <u>Gameworlds</u>, communicate what has never been communicated before, transform breakdowns, and fail profitably. The ways Agency can manifest is endless, but so is the list of ways you might try to avoid unleashing your own Agency.

Why would anyone plot ways to avoid their own <u>Agency</u>? Ah! Because having Agency marks you as a target! In a field of sheep, the dragon cannot hide. If you shine, people become afraid of your differences, awed by your radiance, jealous of your sudden deep intimacies and magical 'good luck'. In self-justified rage they slam you with their <u>Projections</u>, <u>Expectations</u>, and <u>Revenge</u>. Self-assurance then grows less attractive.

But you don't have to worry about this. You are unlikely to obtain Agency because you are trained to avoid having <u>Authority</u>. No one gave you permission to be 'strange'. Reclaiming Authority comes before unfolding your knacks. *Authority precedes Agency*.

You may have the experience that you live on 'thin ice'. You fear that at any moment the 'ice' could crack away from under your feet. Then you are swallowed by the cold fate of the world, a world not quite noticing or caring that you have disappeared. Therefore, you do everything to try to 'keep it together' by amassing money, physical possessions, fame, the 'right' information... everything to guard against the Void. But your 'ice' truly is thin, because the resources you rely on to assert your credibility are fake. Secretly you know that your position in the hierarchy could disappear. Your house could be repossessed by the bank. Your knowledge could become outdated. Your Gameplan for gaining Authority is faulty because you seek external validation. If someone — who already has fake authority conferred upon them by a popular system of values — 'likes' you, then you might gain fake authority in their shadow. But you still 'walk on thin ice' because the world could change its mind about them. One way to make the thickness of the ice upon which you walk irrelevant is to upgrade your capacity for sourcing your own Authority.

But then, who *officially authorizes* your Authority? The answer is, *you do*. But how is this true Authority? Doesn't authorizing your own Authority indicate arrogance, or insanity? No it doesn't, not if you live in a <u>feedback and coaching circle</u>, keeping each other real. New ideas must at first appear to be insane, or they are not new. A certain degree of certitude is required even to get out of bed in the morning. Isn't it true that self-reliance, self-assurance, and conviction equate to Arrogance? Yes, *Conscious Vulnerable Arrogance*, more like being a <u>Conscious Pirate</u>. But this question of Arrogance distracts us from an even bigger fear. What if there is, in reality, *nothing* to stand on? What if there is no 'ice' at all? And what if all the 'fake authority' in the world cannot help you exist in that <u>Nothingness</u>? Think of Sinead O'Conner, Heath Ledger, Prince, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Dolores O'Riordan, Michael Jackson, and so on...

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Let us suppose that you grant yourself the Authority to build and inhabit your own <u>Gaian Gameworld</u>, and that you have gone through enough <u>Emotional Healing Processes</u> (<u>EHP</u>) and <u>Authentic Adulthood Initiatory Processes</u> to have little or no <u>Reactivity</u>, <u>Self Abuse</u>, <u>Energetic Blocks</u>, <u>S.H.I.T. Thoughtware</u>, <u>Gremlin Self Cannibalism</u>, <u>Hidden Competing Commitments</u>, <u>Trigger Phrases</u>, or <u>Past Life Vows</u> against building your Gaian Gameworld. Something may still inhibit you from building your Gaian Gameworld. The bridge from having the Authority to gaining the Agency is <u>Possibilitator Skills</u>. No one can build <u>Possibilitator</u> skills for you. More interestingly, no one can *stop* you from becoming absurdly effective in skills of your choice.

Your Agency changes from theoretical to practical by befriending <u>Chaos</u> as one of your greatest <u>Resources</u>. With direct immediate access to the Void, you open plenty of space for <u>Creation</u>, <u>Transformation</u>, <u>Healing</u>, and <u>Invention</u>. If you try to keep the Void 'safely' away, you generate very few <u>New Results</u> because you avoid (no pun intended) the <u>'death and resurrection'</u> <u>Liquid States</u> central to authentic Agency.

EXPERIMENTS:

SPARK241.01 DETECT THE RULES YOU FOLLOW FOR FALSE AUTHORITY. Make a RULES I FOLLOW list in your <u>Beep! Book</u> capturing all the rules you obey to avoid standing in your own Authority. Create for each Rule an Experiment where you consciously direct your <u>Gremlin</u> to take back your Authority from your <u>Box's Rule Book</u>. Practice interacting so that instead of having Rules, you have Authority.

SPARK241.02 WRITE ABOUT LIFE WITHOUT AUTHORITY Write a long, free-verse poem in your *Beep! Book* about all the facets of your life where you dodge having your own Authority. Deeply feel as your pen lays open who and what you give Authority to, precisely how, painfully why. Read your poem at your next <u>Possibility Team</u> or <u>3Cell</u> meeting while they video your reading. Watch the video 9 times over 9 weeks.

SPARK241.03 HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN NOT HAVING AUTHORITY? Many people stay in life-long positive or negative judgements about standards, beliefs, and behaviors of external authorities. What are you secretly using to justify not having your own life territory, your own thought-space, your own time, your own creations? Ask your Team to tell you, in detail, everything you are missing, and what is blocking your Nonmaterial Value from coming out and being useful, spoken or written in the world. Ask your Team to help you list new skills to practice for building out new qualities of your **Being** so the Universe can interact with you differently. Choose 7. Practice them. SPARK241.04 FOR EACH AREA YOU LACK AUTHORITY, WHAT SCARES YOU ABOUT OBTAINING THAT AUTHORITY NOW? Arrange to have a Possibility Coaching or EHP to help you harness each of the fears that come up about every area in your life where you lack your own Authority. Write an Article about your discoveries. SPARK241.05 FABRICATE ENOUGH BOUNDARIES TO STAND IN YOUR OWN **AUTHORITY** Is it arrogant to make a Boundary? No. Proper Boundaries create Clarity and respect. What you care about, what you are discovering, what you want to create, these all come after you make the Boundary that you authorize your own Authority. Give a WorkTalk about Making Boundaries To Recover Your Own Authority. Share it. SPARK241.06 TAKE THE AUTHORITY TO PLACE NOTHING IN THE CENTER OF **YOUR MEETINGS** For the next 6 months, whenever you have a meeting, arrange the space to have Nothing in the middle of the space. No table, no candles, flowers, crystals... Nothing. Clear the space to receive Nothingness. Notice the differences.

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