

# **The Spiritual Path: Humanity's Search for Truth**

## **Module 1: Theology - Transcendence & Immanence**

The first set of sessions explores transcendence and immanence. We will explore our long history of theology and the application of belief. This is a six-week/six-session online course.

### **Session 1: All Rivers Meet The Sea**

The first session:

- explores the idea of a spiritual path and if it is distinct or different from the path of life.
- explains terms used in the context of the spiritual view of human evolution such as initiation, realization, discipleship, aspiration, identification.
- defines the term theology and describes its contents.
- engages the idea of Mother Earth and her place within the cosmos as the focus the first spiritual tradition. We will also look for its expression in the current world.
- asks, what are common themes or teachings to look for within the world's religions and spiritual traditions?

### **Session 2: All Water Is Wet**

The second session:

- examines several themes held in common within the Ancient Egyptian, Buddhist, Mithraic, Christian, and Aboriginal faiths & traditions.
- explores the ways that Ancient Egyptian theology exposes the thought of humanity's Great Ages.
- asks how long humanity has been around and on a Path?

### **Session 3: The Three Abrahamic-Faiths**

The third session:

- explores the Abrahamic faiths. Judaism, Christianity, and Islam come from the same root teacher: Abraham, according to the Bible and the Koran. If understood as an allegory, what does this legend tell us about humanity, faith, and the teachings in common within these three faiths?
- will ponder and discuss the possibilities of why, under the auspices of each of these three religions, wars have been waged, atrocities perpetrated, and why this foment continues today.
- will examine the ethics of compassion in action as taught in each of the Abrahamic religions and their effect in world jurisprudence and law.

## Session 4: Spiritual Traditions Have Deep Roots. The Metaphysical Faiths Are Rooted In Them.

The fourth session:

- will look at Atlantis and Lemuria as previous incarnations of human civilizations. They are Root Races to the current long cycle of evolution that we are passing through. The evolutionary purposes and life styles of the Atlantean and Lemurian Root Races were alternative to ours, but are foundational to our current cycle of evolution.
- will look at what was normal to them for 100's of thousands, possibly millions of years?
- examines the evidence that they have left. We will scan the world for evidence of these previous Root Races through artifacts, megalithic structures, and legend that are worldwide.
- asks, what traces of our previous layers of evolution are ripe within us to this day?
- contends that the Upani and Vedic Indian traditions, the Chaldean and Egyptian traditions, the Taoist, and the Tantric Buddhist all retained and brought forward the lineages of the Atlantean and some from the Lemurian root races. We'll examine this briefly.

## Session 5: Myths, the Psyche, Archetypes, and the Evolution of Belief

The fifth session:

- adventures into the world of the human psyche.
- explores the subtle nature of our character development and consciousness through the Archetypes as expressed in Myths and imagery of the world.

## Session 6: The Application of Faith and Living One's Beliefs

The sixth session:

- looks at faith as applied through cycles and forms of torture on the non-believers or to enforce belief; through the creation of wars, the conquest of lands and wealth, and the subjugation or genocide of populations; through mystical rapture, prophetic visionary leadership, and poetry articulating profound realizations; and through political systems and political agendas.
- looks at faith is unseparated from secular life. In fact, it is often the driving force behind the secular-appearing world.
- investigates some facts regarding faith, beliefs, and their driving force of evolution through human history.

We will complete this module with heart-felt clarity and aspiration about our particular applications of faith and the joy possible through living one's beliefs.