1997 05 28 Wednesday Wayne Green

Time Travel

AB: "Anyway, listen, I've got a lot of questions I wanna ask you about. One (1) involves Time Travel."

WG: "Umm-hmm."

AB: "Um, I had a really interesting guy on about a week ago ..."

WG: "Umm-hmm."

AB: "... named Terrence McKenna."

WG: "Right."

AB: "And, ah, that eternally great question came up: 'If Time Travel is possible, where are all the Time Travelers?'"

WG: "Right. I think I have a reasonable answer to that."

AB: "Well, let me tell you what he said."

WG: "Okay."

AB: "He said that they will be here and it will occur when Time Travel is invented. From that moment on, you will see many, many Time Travelers, but it will not be poss-, ah, possible to travel back past the point where it was invented."

WG: "Umm-hmm."

AB: "I thought: 'What a good answer!'

What's yours?"

WG: "Ah, my answer is that, ah, I think if you take a look at the sweep of development of, ah, technology, as you say it is going up, ah, asymptotically – ah, it's ever increasing in its, ah, ra- ... rapid growth. And we take a look at what we've developed in the last fifty (50), hundred (100), five hundred (500), thousand (1,000) years – and you see how fast things are going (!)

That eventually we're going to figure out how to travel in Time ... that it just has to happen!

And I don't believe, ah, that, um, we're going to be limited. There's some pretty good indications that we're not going to be limited in where we can go in Time."

* * *

AB: "Okay, then where are they?"

WG: "Okay ... now let me explain. Ah, one of the paradoxes of the time travel is killing your grandfather, right?"

AB: "Correct ... correct, yes."

WG: "Well, now if you expand that concept, anything that the time travelers do that changes, ah, civilization enough so that they're not going to be there in the future ... they're not gonna do that."

AB: "The size of mind and you could go [Art makes the sound of a 'raspberry,' aka 'Bronx cheer']."

WG: "Exactly."

AB: "And be done.

Ah, before I would be willing to be involved in that, I would ... I would go to the person making this claim, take a book I knew damn well they hadn't read – you've got a whole list of 'em ..."

WG: "Umm-hmm."

AB: "... – and I'd say: 'Here. Prove it.'

And then ... then I would test them.

And then if, ah, all ... if I got all the right answers, well, yeah, then I too might, um, say: 'All right. Let's get into this. ..."

WG: "Sure."

AB: "... Let's try it."

WG: "Well, you know, that's one of the problems that psychics have had."

AB: "I know."

WG: "And, ah, you know they, ah, some of them can do awfully well, but they spend their whole life proving to one person after another that they can do it. And it gets rather frustrating after awhile.

And of course, again we have the sub- ... the subconscious. We have things like reincarnation, past lives ..."

AB: "Yes!"

WG: "... ah, out of body ..."

AB: "Yes."

WG: "... ah, near death experiences ..."

AB: "Yes."

WG: "... psychics, auras, Ouija boards, and psi ... and so forth.

All of these things tie into consciousness. These are fields that you're not supposed to investigate these days, and you're ridiculed if you do. *But they need to be investigated (!)*"

AB: "Well, don't worry about ridicule."

WG: "No!" (WG grins).

AB: "Um, look, um, I don't worry about it."

* * *