Karma and the Path

For this month's advanced webinar, we will continue our exploration of karma, drawing from the some of the more profound writings of the Mudrashram® teachers on these topics, and describing what you might encounter on the path ahead.

We will explore the evocative ideas posed in the article, "Phases of interaction with Karma." It's on the web site. Some of you may have read it. Some of you have not. I'll do my best to explain it, because it has some passages that are difficult to understand.

Phases of Interaction with Karma

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As karma is removed by transformational methods from behind the vehicles of consciousness and the ensouling entity, and from the Nadamic channels, karma appears to dwell in ten discrete states. These ten states of karma may be conceived as dwelling in three phases:

- (1) States of dominant blockage or occlusion, the Nescience Phase
- (2) States of interplay between conscious and unconscious elements, the Conflict Phase
- (3) States of removal of the roots of karma, the Resolution Phase



These ten states of karma, with their associated phases, are shown in the table on the next page.

Phase	State	Appearance of Karma
Nescience	1	Very densely packed - full occlusion down to micromicroforms
	2	Densely packed - full occlusion down to microforms
	3	Moderately packed - full occlusion down to entire forms
	4	Lightly packed – partial occlusion of forms, with up to 3/7 of the form's activity integrated into consciousness
	5	Very lightly packed - partial occlusion of forms, with more than 3/7 of the form's activity integrated into consciousness
Conflict	6	Up to 3/7 of the forms purified within a vehicle of consciousness, negative polarity of unconscious elements predominate
	7	More than 3/7 of the forms purified within a vehicle of consciousness, positive polarity of unconscious elements predominate
Resolution	8	Karmic plug with seal – this thread-like extension of karma is used by the Lords of Karma to establish an individual in a particular state of consciousness. This state may be chosen, for example, in the voluntary assumption of karma seen in Bodhisattva Projects. It may be involuntary, as when disciples have a "spiritual fall" after failing to resolve core karmic issues required to fulfill their mission.
	9	Core issues holding the disciple back from Liberation or Empowerment – these karmic issues are anchored directly in front of the state of Liberation or at the gate of empowerment. They must be overcome for the disciple to move into Liberation or Empowerment.
	10	Liberation (Jivan Mukta) - all karma is dissolved except for the remaining traces of Pralabdha Karma.

In the *Nescience Phase*, aspirants and disciples are primarily concerned with removing the unconscious veil. Depending on the density of karmic occlusion, from very densely packed to very lightly packed, their progress through these zones of the unconscious varies.

Very densely packed karma and densely packed karma, where inner vehicles store the greatest volume of karmic impressions, take longest to transform and transmute their embedded karmic matter.

Forms with moderately packed karma take less time to transform and transmute this material.

Forms that are partially cleared already, such as lightly packed and very lightly packed karma, take the least amount of time to transform and transmute their karmic stores.

The karmic storehouse in any Division of the Great Continuum of Consciousness [1] appears to alternate in relative impaction of karma. Some bands might be lightly packed, whereas others might be more densely packed.

Spiritual wayfarers cannot make assumptions about how dense the karmic accretion will be in any given form or vehicle. They must simply do whatever amount of transformational meditation is necessary to dissolve it, whether it contains light, moderate, or heavy impaction.

In the *Conflict Phase*, which occurs at more advanced stages of the Path, there is sufficient activation of a vehicle for the spiritual wayfarer to begin to empower it and use its faculties. At this stage, the unconscious mind appears to battle against incursion into its territory. Disciples on the path may have to intensify their efforts in using their transformational technique to power through these difficult stretches of the inner journey.

When all vehicles in one of the Divisions of the Great Continuum of Consciousness have been purified by transformational meditation practice and/or reception of the Light, disciples encounter the foundations of their embedded karma.

During this *Resolution Phase*, they encounter the actual karmic plug that moved their ensouling entity and its vehicles into this band of the Continuum. With further inner development, they uncover their final karmic anchors that hold them back from Liberation or Empowerment.

They behold the state of Liberation for their ensouling entity and its vehicles of consciousness, and for their spirit. At the completion of their work in this Division of the Continuum, they enter into Liberation or become empowered as Spiritual Teachers and Initiators.

Moving through the Karmic Avalanche

The thoughts, word and deeds of aspirants and disciples continue to add to their karmic storehouse. It is important for spiritual wayfarers to begin to work on their karmic issues to resolve them, to reform their character, and begin to attune their personal will with the Divine Will so they may begin to actualize and carry out their Soul's mission.

This upward journey through the karmic avalanche is not uniform. There are times during the wayfarer's journey, in periods of thoughtlessness or inattention, when their passionate nature comes to the fore, or when they lapse in their dedication to spiritual progress that their karmic stores begin to increase again.

This darkening or obscuring nature of karma, depending on the nature of the wayfarer's transgression, may fill a micromicroform, a microform, a form, an entire vehicle, or cast a shadow upon even larger segments of the Path.

This new karmic avalanche, if there is sufficient volume of new karmic impressions, can back down the Soul one or more nodal points as this material starts to fill in on the track of Adi Karma. It may move the inner vehicles of the Soul down to lower vibrational states as the vaults behind these vehicles take in a new influx of Kriyaman Karma. The opened channels of the Nada may also partly fill in as new Sinchit Karma is extruded into these channels.

For this reason, if an aspirant or disciple gives up spiritual practice, this karmic cascade will erase some of their progress. This continues to remain a possibility for the wayfarer until liberation in that Division of the Continuum is reached.

Liberation

Liberation can be attained at seven stages of the Path.

- 1. Subtle Liberation of the Soul Spark at the top of the Intellechy Plane of the Subtle Realm, with rebirth as the Planetary Soul
- 2. Planetary Liberation of the Planetary Soul at the top of the Atmic Plane in the Nirvanic Flame (5th Planetary Initiation), with rebirth as the Monad
- 3. Transplanetary Liberation of the Monad in the Pleiadean Vortex, with rebirth as the Astral Soul
- 4. Cosmic Liberation of the Astral Soul in the Brahma Jyoti (Paranirvana), with rebirth as the Supracosmic Soul or one of the Transcendental Sphere ensouling entities
- 5. Supracosmic Liberation of the Supracosmic Soul on the Supracosmic Path in which it dwells in the Supracosmic Light of Liberation (Mahaparinirvana), with rebirth as one of the Transcendental Sphere ensouling entities [2]
- 6. Transcendental Liberation of one of the seven Transcendental ensouling entities (Soul of the Bridge Path, T1 through T6), with rebirth as Satchitananda

7. Eternal - Liberation of Satchitananda (T7)

When spiritual progress follows the pattern laid down in the Great Plan, the Alayic current appears to recede from the periphery of the Great Continuum of Consciousness to its core in Satchitananda, as each ensouling entity on its track is animated in turn—though not all of the ensouling entities of the Transcendental Sphere necessarily are animated on this Alayic track.

Those that skip ahead in this process by prematurely activating octaves of being beyond their cutting edge of spirituality do become liberated at that higher octave, but must return to work at the level animated by the Alaya.

Problematic in this process is when spiritual wayfarers do not have a technique to ultimately liberate their ensouling entity in one Division of the Continuum. They remain in sublime states of Divine Union and Mastery, but fall short of ultimate liberation. This condition is most commonly encountered in Supracosmic and Transcendental Paths.

In Supracosmic Paths, wayfarers receive a transformational method or are translated up to the level of their lineage's current spiritual teacher, but have no method to take them beyond this stage. [This track that the Supracosmic Soul must follow is described in endnote 2.]

In Transcendental Paths T1 to T5, the disciple's spirit unfolds the Transcendental ensouling entity by opening the channels of the Nada. When the spirit opens these channels to their origin, the ensouling entity is merged into the origin of the spirit. In this stage, which we call Sat Guru Bhagwan, disciples become empowered to become a Nadamic Master for this Transcendental Path. But they lack a method to ultimately liberate their ensouling entity, so they remain fixed in this blessed state of Divine Union. [3]

Fortunately, the teachers of the Mudrashram® lineage have discovered that the use of the Alayic Divine Name—or in the case of selected Transcendental Paths, the Transcendental Divine Name—can liberate the ensouling entity in the Supracosmic and Transcendental Spheres. These key transformational methods have remained hidden on the Bridge Path until they were rediscovered by the Initiates of the Mudrashram® lineage.

Challenges at the Brink

When disciples have reached state nine in the Karmic Resolution Phase, they must fulfill the final karmic challenges anchored here. In the event they are unable to resolve these karmic impediments, they may be returned to state eight, where they will be involuntarily moved back to a prior state of development where they can work out any unfinished business.

This movement backwards from the brink of Liberation might seem like a spiritual fall. Indeed for some, it is a permanent fall.

For those who are unable to complete their designated tasks may remain fixed in state eight, entangled with their karmic struggle, and are unable to ascend again. These dwellers at the threshold behold he Light of Liberation ahead of them, but cannot reach its shores of freedom.

For others, this movement backwards is temporary. They readily resolve their issues. They return with renewed resolve and commitment to state nine, and quickly eradicate their remaining karmic challenges. They step into Liberation.



In the Mudrashram® tradition, this encounter with core karmic issues normally occurs when an advanced disciple is ready to become an empowered teacher. Common obstacles that would-be initiators and teachers encounter are:

- (1)The challenge of surrendering personal will to Will Divine
- (2)The challenge of clearly understanding the Mudrashram® teachings, so they can communicate them to others without distortion
- (3)The challenge of sacrificing personal goals or dreams to become an emissary of the Divine Plan, and to carry out the mission imparted to them
- (4)The challenge of clear seeing—the ability to see the attentional principle, ensouling entities, spirits, nuclei of identity and vehicles of consciousness, and to be aware of the content of the conscious and unconscious zones of the mind in self and others
- (5)The challenge of clear hearing and discernment—the ability to discern the transformational mantra for self and others, plus the ability to discern the "voice" of the attentional principle, the spirit, nuclei of identity, the ensouling entity and the guidance coming from their supervising Mudrashram® Adi Sat Guru.
- (6)The challenge of faith and trust, which is the willingness to trust their supervising Mudrashram® Adi Sat Guru and the Divine to rightly guide them through the difficult stages of the path, to overcome their personal obstacles, and to lead them to empowerment, Mastery, and Liberation.



(7)The challenge of unresolved desire—here the disciple must put away or resolve any remaining issues so that they are ready to assume their place in the lineage as teacher, advanced teacher, or lineage holder, [4] and so fulfill the purpose given to them by the Divine



Aspirants and disciples will benefit from carefully examining the following topics raised in this article:

- 1. How is karma laid down in my unconscious mind? Are there areas in which it is densely packed? Moderately packed? Lightly packed?
- 2. What are the three phases of karma? Which phase is currently active in me?
- 3. What are the ten states of karma? How can I discern which state of karma is present in the layer of the unconscious closest to my cutting edge of spirituality?
- 4. What level of intensity of transformational spiritual practice will be needed to overcome the avalanche of karma that darkens my vehicles and blocks my path? Are there stages in my inward journey where greater intensity will be required?

- 5. What is the state that marks liberation for each of my ensouling entities? For each spiritual domain? Which of my ensouling entities are currently liberated? Which still need to be liberated? Which spiritual domains have been cleared and the spirit within it freed? Which domains still need to be purified?
- 6. What are my core karmic challenges that keep me back from liberation and empowerment? How might I resolve these issues?
- 7. What is the state attained by the teacher in the Mudrashram® lineage? The advanced teacher? The lineage holder? The Adi Sat Guru?

Those who genuinely wish to wind up their karma in this lifetime and to attain Liberation and Mastery must clearly understand the answers to these questions. They must verify their spiritual progress through each stage of their spiritual journey and ultimately lay hold of the promise held out to them by the Divine.

For those given a calling to serve in the Mudrashram® tradition, they must maintain their commitment to the inner work of transformation for longer periods than many other paths, as the work of purification and empowerment is much more extensive. They must find a way to overcome the challenges at the doorway of empowerment, so they may claim the anointing bestowed upon them by the Divine and achieve requisite Mastery to carry out their Divinely ordained mission.



End Notes

- 1. The major Divisions of the Great Continuum of Consciousness where the ensouling entity dwells make up the Superconscious band of the mind. This includes the Subtle, Planetary, and Transplanetary Realms, and the Cosmic, Supracosmic and Transcendental Spheres.
- 2. Liberation of the Supracosmic Soul ensues by transcending the level of its Path's Guru or Teacher, the origin of its Path's lineage, its Supracosmic Plane Lord, the Supreme Guru, the Lokas of Existence, and the Abode of the Lords of Karma before it can ultimately merge again in the Light of Liberation.
- 3. In the other three Transcendental Paths, the Bridge Path, T6 and T7, the spirit's origin is either beyond the origin of the ensouling entity (Bridge Path) or at the same level (T6 and T7). For this reason, these three paths do not have the problem of falling short of ultimate liberation.
- 4. The teacher in the Mudrashram® tradition fully purifies the Form of the Disciple and is empowered to teach the Mudrashram® Master Course in Meditation. The advanced teacher stage is attained when the disciple's Soul of the Bridge Path ascends to the Mahatma stage—this enables them to teach the Mudrashram® Advanced Course in Meditation. In the lineage holder, the disciple's Soul of the Bridge Path ascends to the edge of Adi Sat Guru Desh, where it is empowered to be a human representative of the lineage. The lineage holder is empowered to teach the Mudrashram® Teacher Training Course. The final stage of Mastery, Adi Sat Guru, first emerges when the Soul of the Bridge Path ascends to Hansa Desh or above in the higher realms of Adi Sat Guru Desh. The Adi Sat Guru gains the ability to liberate the ensouling entity, spirit, and the vehicles of consciousness of others in multiple domains, plus can work with the Lords of Karma to set up Bodhisattva Projects.



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