

DR. ALEX TANOUS SPEAKS!

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Q. Can you tell us exactly what is E.S.P.? B.M.

A. E.S.P. stands for extra-sensory perception. Today we call it Parapsychology. It is a science dedicated to the research of how and why people have certain knowledge before it happens, can heal people, read minds, transfer thoughts, dream dreams that come true, etc. There are many facets of this study. E.S.P. is not fortune telling, reading cards or tea leaves. Some people do use this as an extension to bring about their E.S.P. but there is nothing in cards, tea leaves, etc. from which one can obtain future information. Drugs will not induce the E.S.P. If this were true, we would have a generation of well developed minds; drugs have worked the opposite, it has killed the mind.

E.S.P. I feel is natural to man by his creation and at the same time is a gift from God, or as the Bible expresses it - it is charismatic.

Q. Do Most people have E.S.P.? T.H.

A. Yes, all people have E.S.P. to some degree in one form or another. Few people are willing to use or develop it. Many studies are being done on it. Some of the places are Duke University, American Society for Psychical Research, St. Joseph College in Philadelphia, Rosary Hill College in New York, City College and City University of New York, University of California, University of Virginia, and many others.

Many people, unaware of it, use this gift in their work. We have found that business men, artists, actors, inventors, writers, etc., all have mentioned E.S.P. influences in their work. Long before it was known as such, Freud, Jung, James, etc. all spoke about this.

It is also true, because of the fear, many people have placed E.S.P. far back in their subconscious that now it is so low that it fails to function. But no one loses the ability.

Here are some of the general experiences you might have had. You might have said, "I have been here before", and you know everything about it, yet you know you have not been. You think of someone you haven't seen for a long time and you get a letter or call from them. You had a dream. It came true. You had a feeling something was wrong and something was going to happen. It did. These are E.S.P. experiences.

Q. Is it true that people who are sensitives (ESP) are better adjusted than others? T.T.

A. Studies show that people who are sensitives are well adjusted, emotionally stable, self confident, and socially outgoing. They are positive thinkers free from nervousness, negativism and hostility. They are carefree but hold great responsibility.

Q. Is it true that ESP and good memory are characteristics of a sensitive or psychic? G.M.

A. The Research Institute of Parapsychology in Durham, N.H. have shown "A significantly positive relationship between the scores made by a person on ESP tests and the scores made on memory tests".

Q. You said on WBZ - Larry Glick Show, that you were charismatic. Would you please explain more of this?

A. I have always admitted that my gifts are from God. They are the gifts which we read about in the Bible. They are given to each one of us by the Holy Spirit. They erupted strongly, in my case, at a Pentocostal Prayer Meeting in Washington, D.C. We now hear of the same movement in the Catholic Church. It is known as the Catholic Pentocostal Prayer or the Charismatic Prayer group which started at Notre Dame, Ind. We have entered as I have written into the AGE OF THE SPIRIT. It is the last of the cycles before the Second Coming of Christ.

Q. Will you please clarify for me what you said about Sen. McGovern running in 1972? Y.H.

A. I am assuming that you are asking about the prediction I made on Maine-Line on Nov. 2nd. I said that I saw Sen. McGovern being backed by the Kennedy's and George Meany. This I felt would give him a lead in the primary election. The next day a story came out that Sen. McGovern was the Kennedy choice. I also said last year that I did not feel that the Kennedy's would back Mr. Muskie because they do not want another man from New England running for president as Ted has his eye for it in '76.

(All of this will certainly change the political image in the months to come.)

Q. Can a prediction you made be changed? I.K.

A. Yes, my predictions can be changed.

Q. I have heard you say that you did not believe in re-incarnation.

Would you kindly explain? I.S.

A. I see man in a tri-union - life, spirit and body. The life and body of a man cannot be born again. This is what makes a man a man which is different from another man. This gives us the personality of a person. This personality cannot exist again. But man also has a spirit. This spirit can be good or evil. It cannot exist in another person, it can influence the other person. This spirit can change from good to bad or from bad to good. This has been called conversion. We can be filled with a spirit, but this does not mean we are that spirit. Again Christ spoke that He had to leave to send the spirit. Again, we must be filled with the spirit. All of this does not mean that the spirit becomes us and we lose our identity. It means our own spirit is influenced by the spirit that we become like the spirit, but not the spirit itself. Two spirits cannot exist in the same place as you cannot have two people standing in the same exact place.

Q. Did Houdidi, the great magician ever send a message through to Arthur Ford, the medium? Is it true he was a psychic also? M.V.

A. According to the writer Howard Curtis, who wrote on Houdini, claims that he did send a message to Arthur Ford. Curtis also claims that Houdini was a medium himself and that is the reason he was so successful as a magician. Other writers claim that Houdini did not send any message and there was no contact between Ford and Houdini.

Q. Were the witches of Salem really witches? U.N.

A. No, they were not. They were psychic people. Because the people feared them they accused them of being possessed of the devil. Some people today still believe that our work is the work of the devil.

Q. Do you believe that Christ was a psychic?

A. I said it many times and I'll say it again - Christ was the most perfect psychic we have ever known. But He too said we are all psychic for in his words "These things I have done; but greater things you shall do".

Q. How many E.S.P. tests have been done on you? Y.H.

A. There are many tests being done on me. In two which have been tabulated shows that I have less than one percent error. Percentage wise it runs 99.9 plus. This does not mean I have no error. I have made them. These are lab tests to see what I can do.

Q. I have been frames, so to speak, because a girl I know told lies about me to the girl I am now engaged to be married. My girl believes this. What is the outcome? C.C.

A. You don't need a psychic - only good advice. If you have explained it to her and she still distrusts you, then forget her. It will be worse after you marry. There is nothing like a distrustful wife. It is worse than one who is jealous. Both of these faults are hell to be married to. If this is the case find yourself a girl who will trust and believe you.

Q. Can you tell me what is meant by an Aura? K.K.

A. It is a distinctive atmosphere surrounding a person. It is a light or mist. Many people can see it. You might be able to see your own in the dark. I have.

Q. Do psychic powers eventually leave a person? U.L.

A. No! They never leave a person. They can become rusty if you do not put them to use. To some if they overwork the power it can diminish; but with rest it can be restored to its normal ability.

Q. If I have a premonition that something is going to happen, is there a place where I can have it registered? W.E.

A. Yes, there is. You can send your predictions to the Central Premonitions Registry, Box 482, Time Square Station, New York, N.Y. 10036. There is no cost. They keep the records so that it can be verified. They have kept my predictions.

Q. Is it true that your parents were psychic? C.C.

A. Both of my parents were psychics. They trained me to a degree as a child to recognize this ability.

Q. Is my wife in love with someone else? I.D.

A. Sorry, I do not answer questions where it reveals the private life of others.

Q. Is it true that you have a five point star in your hand? M.M.

A. Yes it is true. I have a five point star in my left hand. It was pointed out to me by an astrologer. According to them this is a sign of fame and being very gifted. I was also born with a veil, which I am told refers to the same thing.

Q. My daughter has been ill. Will she recover? D.S.

A. She will outgrow the illness.

Q. Do you believe in Faith Healing? U.B.

A. Yes I do believe in Faith Healing.

Q. Does my husband still love me? I.L.

A. If you do not know, I am sure whatever I tell you will not make any change in your attitude.

Q. I feel that I am very sensitive and I have received messages. What should I do about them? U.P.

A. You should evaluate your psychic communications and messages. You would be surprised what you would come up with. These messages can be in symbols or as they are to happen. The best way to know if you are having messages, etc. is to write them down when they happen to see what your results are.

Q. I am planning on buying a house which I love very much, do you feel I get my money from the bank? Y.L.

A. Yes, the bank will make you the loan. It is a good buy.

BOOKS OF INTEREST TO READ:

1. THE EDGE OF THE UNKNOWN
by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
2. PSYCHIC-DISCOVERIES BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN
by Ostrander and Schroeder
3. MY LIFE WITH EDGAR CAYCE
by David Kahn
4. NEW WORLD OF THE MIND
by J.B. Rhine

Q. Do psychic people have any physical exhaustion after their work? T.T.

A. Some do, and others do not. Rarely do I get exhausted. I have gone as far as seven hours without stopping. I now go five hours.

Q. What do you believe psychic ability is? Y.P.

A. There has never been any doubt in my mind that there is an evolution of the mind and that we today recognize it as psychic ability. Few people are willing to admit it or be tested to agree to see to what degree they possess this ability. It is the responsibility of the psychic to present himself or herself to be tested. It is the only way we can sift the frauds and the charlatans from those who are dedicated to this work and believe in the advancement of the mind. I have been very fortunate to be working with Dr. Karlis Osis, Director of the American Society for Psychical Research, who is devoting time and energy to see to what capacity my mind has developed. The task which has been undertaken in the study of my abilities is overwhelming. It has been confirmed beyond the shadow of any doubt that I possess psychic abilities in a very high degree. On the other hand as a psychic I am still doing deep soul searching for I realize that a great responsibility has been placed upon me.

Q. Do you believe that illness can be cured by the mind? D.D.

A. I am not a medical doctor, but I do hold that the mind causes illnesses and can cure them. Many mental illnesses do have physical effects. I recommend that if you are ill see a doctor. This is the first thing to do. After the doctor has done his work, let your mind do the rest. I firmly believe that in the future we will have mental exercises to cure people instead of pills. But that's a long ways yet to come.

Q. Do you know anything about a psychic lab in Glen Cove, Maine? T.G.

A. I recently was made aware that there is a psychic lab in Glen Cove, Maine where many experiments have taken place. The director and the man who founded the lab is a medical doctor. Andrija Puharich. He is an American of Yugoslav descent. He received his medical degree from Northwestern University in 1947. The lab is still active.

Dr. Puharich designed and built a special Faraday Cage - a copper-sheathed, double box which enables him to isolate a "sensitive" within an electrical field and determine that electricity was a significant aid in the study of ESP.

I agree that electricity is very significant aid to ESP. I have repeatedly said this over and over again. Man has both negative and positive electrical fields and uses them unaware of it.

Dr. Puharich has an excellent book out entitled "THE SACRED MUSHROOM" which is about an experiment he conducted with a sculpture named Harry Stone. Mr. Stone located in Maine the same kind of mushroom used in elaborate and mystical ceremony to foretell the future and project the mind into the metapsychical world. Through a trance state Mr. Stone located the same kind of mushroom in Maine which was used in Egypt 4600 years ago.

Q. Do dreams foretell the future? I have had dreams come true. J.J.

A. Beyond any doubt, I believe some dreams foretell the future. They must be psychic dreams; not all dreams are psychic. Each case must be studied. I hold with many others that color dreams are psychic dreams and they foretell the future event either as you dream it or symbolically. An example of a true case. A woman dreamt of hanging clothes. She knew that this meant she would hear someone was going to die and she would each time she dreamt it. Not all people who dream they are hanging clothes will find out someone died. Each person has his or her sign.

Q. What does one mean by a guide? H.G.

A. According to those who speak about guides, they say that it is someone or ones from the spirit world which influence, watch and guide each person. They say that we all have a guide even if we are unaware of it. It could be a friend, or not, who has passed away. There are good guides as well as evil ones which you have to watch. I see nothing different here from what Christianity teaches. They say we have a guardian angel or the saints will help and watch over us. We can call on the angels or saints for help. Those who believe that we all have guides claim the same thing. I would not know who these guides were or how you can find out anything about them. I see nothing wrong in believing that spirits around us are there to help us. Some of these spirits can be harmful. Christians call them devils. After all, I believe that heaven and earth are one and that those who have passed away are always around us. Death to me is a transformation from one dimension to another.

Dictionary of words which will help you when you read anything about psychic phenomena.

APPORT Motion or production of an object by spiritualistic medium, without apparent physical agency.

AURA A distinctive atmosphere surrounding a person. It's like a light.

PREVISION Foresight, or to be able to see the future.

ASTRO-PROJECTION It is when the spirit leaves the body and travels on its own without your body. You can see yourself with the eyes of your spirit when this happens.

E.S.P. This stands for extra-sensory perception.

Q. What is the future of psychic phenomena? V.L.

A. Psychic Phenomena is the up coming thing, if I may use the term. We are sifting many of the so-called hoax from those who are serious workers and we are doing more study in the field. It has ~~been~~ a long ways to go but I am optimistic that the future man is the psychic man - we are a people in transformation.

To W. You need more time before you get married. If you do not know why you want to marry forget it. Can you honestly say you will live the next 25 years with this girl?

To P.C. Keep an umbrella over your head. I see rain and plenty of it in the near future. I am not speaking about the weather here, but about your life.

To A.M. You have been taken for a ride. You will never see him again.

To A.V. I see a divorce. Cannot see how an 18 year old girl who had to get married and from the things you say, have a successful marriage.

To S.W. Watch out - you are too deep in it. Good luck if you can walk out without hurting anyone.