Spiritual Lessons

Here's a list of spiritual lessons that will assist you in your journey to spiritual growth and enlightenment

- 1. Never let anyone tell you what to do. Think for yourself and take responsibility for your actions.
- **2.** We are all connected. If you <u>help another being</u>, you are helping yourself. If you hurt another being, you are bound to hurt yourself.
- **3.** Don't be afraid of painful experiences. Pain is neither good nor bad in itself, but we can <u>deal with pain</u> in good and bad ways.
- **4.** When you drop all desires and expectations about how people should be, you will never feel deceived or emotionally hurt again.
- **5.** All fears ultimately come down to the fear of death. Unless you become familiar with the idea of death, you will not be able to live fully and care-free.
- **6.** You cannot know more about another person than you can know about yourself. And the more you understand yourself, the better you will understand others.
- 7. <u>True love</u> can never be hurt, because it gives without asking anything in return. So even if love is unseen or rejected by those at whom it is directed, it keeps on being what it is.
- 8. Pleasure and pain are two aspects of the same coin. You can never have one without the other.
- **9.** By treating the symptom, you won't cure the disease. Instead, try to get rid of the root-cause.
- **10.** There is no God higher than Truth.
- **11.** Don't focus your attention on what people say or do. Rather, seek to find out their motives behind their actions.
- **12.** Speak the truth, no matter what the consequences. Being honest is the only way to be at peace with yourself and others.
- 13. Possessions can possess you. Let go of your attachments to your belongings.
- **14.** We all come to this world alone and leave this world alone. Don't be afraid to <u>experience aloneness</u>, because only in this way will you be able to make friends with yourself.
- **15.** Never submit yourself to any relationship. <u>True friendship</u> can flower only under the sun of mutual respect.
- 16. Don't fear failure. Every time you fall, be sure to pick yourself up and try once again.
- **17.** When you lose a friend, don't hurry to replace him with another one. Instead, give yourself the time and space to examine your heartache.
- **18.** Don't mistake desire for love. Desire is a passionate fire, love is calm breeze.

- **19.** Sometimes your enemies can help you more than your friends. Enemies are always willing to point out the negative aspects of yourself.
- **20.** Gratification does not mean contentment. Gratification comes and goes, <u>contentment</u> stays with you always.
- **21.** Seek to change yourself before you seek to change the world. Unless you embody the change that you want to see in the world, the world will always remain the same in your eyes.
- **22.** Don't try to escape from unpleasant experiences with others. See them as an opportunity to better understand people, instead of projecting your own images on them.
- **23.** Love builds bridges between people's hearts, and only when there is love can a true heart-to-heart communication take place.
- **24.** Your beliefs shape your perception, just like sunglasses