

Text SD 38: Karma as the Law of Sowing and Reaping

Karma is not meant to depress or discourage us, but to give us a chance to develop spiritually. The early Christians spoke in this context of the law of sowing and reaping. Every action - good or bad - falls back on us.

"Is all suffering the result of bad karma coming from this life or from a past life? ... Not necessarily. It sometimes happens that our soul wants to have an experience of suffering even though we have done nothing wrong. Our soul wants to penetrate the depths of suffering just to know what suffering is" (Chinmoy 1977:104).

However, "relatively few people have the activity law of karma to realize on this earth" (Weidner 1982a:19). Although "many people believe that their illness is karmically caused, because they have committed transgressions against the laws of nature and here therefore the karmic law has intervened with them! However, this is the case only in the fewest exceptions ... Everything else is not irresolvable, but is directional. The small strokes of fate, hints and rebukes make you attentive that you do not lose the right way in the day consciousness. This has nothing to do with karma and evil afterthoughts of serious misdeeds! It is probably recorded in the plans, but can be eliminated with good attitude in the day consciousness without further ado! " (Weidner 1982a:19/20).

Often people, who are affected by a suffering or a blow of fate, accuse God: "Why just me? Why do I, of all people, have to go through this?" (Weidner 1982a:49). The answer is: "Because you have sown it into the fertile soil of your higher I-consciousness! Because you have not reasoned and imagined what it will bring for you in the future! And so it is a very wise revelation, which I was allowed to bring to you! That you step out of the consciousness shadow of the small I and enter into the light of the higher consciousness - in interaction! Because only through this the spirit being matures, which is now man! Not the mind is the panacea, but the higher I-consciousness! And through this also a similarity to your dear guardian spirit arises. And this similarity is mutually tuned just the same, because as I said: Your dear guardian spirit knows the plans in the higher I-consciousness, and he only wants to promote you for your God-willed development! He only wants to be there to bring the Higher I-Consciousness, these plans, into your consciousness - to thereby get closer to God!" (Weidner 1982a:49/50).

In the case of so-called transgressions or disharmonies - e.g. in the form of diseases - often comes the question: "Is this karma?" "In most cases it is not karma, you can calmly ask for help and pray!" (Weidner 1982a:60).

"God, the loving Father, gave you the possibility to make good here what in the past of darkness, of offense, could not be made good. Now you have the opportunity, as long as you are still in this earthly body, to ask the loving Father for forgiveness and to repent of your offenses in all humility. You are to forgive all who have transgressed against you, and you are first to make amends for everything in thought: 'If I have once set a cause, Father, and I no longer know it, then show me how I can make amends'" (Weidner 2003b:135).

"All that you now have in disharmonies, in infirmities, in physical discomfort, as a result of your previous lives, you now have to bear. God is just, after all. For this reason, be grateful

when you can recognize: Yes, this disharmony, this affliction, and so on, I have brought upon myself. Do not think in the wrong direction: God has punished me. No, God did not punish you, but God gave you this earthly life to realize that it is a fact: Dear child, I gave you this life so that you would realize that I am a kind Father who loves you. Bear everything in patience, bear it in humility. Because if you do and take it upon yourself, then you have triumphed over yourself. For every disharmony, every illness that you overcome, leaves a stamp in you: I have overcome this disharmony forever..." (Weidner 2012:149/150).

"I am moved ... by the fact that people often do not grasp the cause of their unhappiness, not even when they are up to their necks in it. They do not recognize the cause or do not want to recognize it because they themselves have laid the cause to their unhappiness. They blame everything possible - most of all those who cannot do anything about it; only themselves, their own face, they do not want to look at in the mirror" (Weidner 1990a:95).

Again and again, people feel they have inherited - especially negative - traits from parents, grandparents, etc. But this is a mistake: "You have incarnated to them only because you have similar transgressions, and God planned in his wisdom that your father, the mother, the sister etc. could have discarded this, and you could have made experiences by their good example! This is how the law of karma works! **You have inherited only your personal heritage from your personal past!** Everything else is assistance from your parents, grandparents, etc." (Weidner 1993:64).

"Law of karma and law of reincarnation - both are 'laws of nature'. ... They are 'finite laws.' Why ... are they finite laws? Because they were not yet in effect at the time of spiritual creation. Only after the apostasy of a great multitude of spiritual beings did God include them in the law of cause and effect" (Weidner 1993:13). "So the laws of cause and effect, that is the law of karma and reincarnation, were in effect and activity long before even the earth was created. They were in effect in all spheres of life of the apostate children of God" (Weidner 1993:14).

"What is karma? These are guilt and fate burdens from the previous lives, which cannot be atoned for in the spiritual life. If we look at it even further, Jesus made another saying, and this saying again points to something specific: Everyone is bound to the wheel of regeneration - and now Jesus' saying - 'until he has attained the filiation of God!' Dear brothers and sisters, in other words: until he has become free from the wheel of rebirth and is free from all self-inflicted burdens!" (Weidner 1993:15). But: "Not everything what you do or drive in this life, [is] destiny, but the sum of many free will decisions and their consequences, reactions and concatenations - e.g. from unkindness, egoism, inertia or emotional crudeness. Predetermined from your past lives ... are only the past life burdens. And these lead to certain signposts in your life and to fate situations. And these signposts lead in the right direction 'closer to God', and these destiny stations are therefore tests for you, because God tests you!" (Weidner 1993:15/16).

"Your karma means unlearned lessons for you. My advice: In case of such unlearned lessons look with calm, not fearful consciousness at the root causes! Be glad that you have recognized them. If you have not yet recognized them, ask your Creator for knowledge and the possibility to learn your lessons from these circumstances, in order to dissolve your karma with His help.

Thus you reach step by step to new realizations and to the liberation from the fetters of your past" (Weidner 1994:85/86).

"But if events have inevitably entered your life, then your life forces, which you mobilize, should not be directed against fateful necessities. You should learn to distinguish between self-produced difficulties, such as contagious diseases, colds and so on, or fateful occurrences of inner disturbances and outwardly urgent effects. In such cases, people should finally grasp and cease to quarrel with their fate... There should be an understanding that such problem situations can be solved or improved only with divine help and grace" (Weidner 2008b:119/120).

"If it ... really genuinely and truly succeeds to say yes to your fate, then you overcome with it already a part of your fate fetters and consequently your bindings existing in it. ... Therefore our advice: Shape your earthly life in important recognized points independently, creatively in the will of God by external and internal interventions. This will give you more freedom from the bonds of fate. In this context, we clearly point out that every earth person, according to his or her personal manner, has certain turning points for the development of the spirit soul, for free unfoldment" (Weidner 2008b:126).

"What everyone sows in the earth life, he will also reap in the future! And each of us reaps just what he has earned in the earth life, plus the harvest from the previous life" (Weidner 2006b:35).

"The lived through law of fate - the wisdom of the Creator has arranged this way - gives you a certain life security and life satisfaction in case of positive erosion. This is felt by every earthling himself, if he has not stepped into bitterness against his fate or God" (Weidner 2007b:126). If such life security or life satisfaction can be experienced or felt, then the wise and just incorporation of such people into the cosmic order is possible" (Weidner 2007b:126).

"The Creator's wisdom lies in the fact that too much knowledge of negative deeds has a depressing effect on his creatures who have fallen away from him. Consequently, it follows that the tempters would constantly feed you this knowledge with a kind of drumfire and rob you of your peace of mind and body" (Weidner 2007b:127).

The dark forces - in contrast to the spiritual light beings - do not take into consideration the free will of mankind (cf. Weidner 2005a:114). "Mankind does not control what the unfavorable beings put before them mentally and emotionally in word and deed, they only consume and do not control who is the sender of these directed energies" (Weidner 2005a:115). "The concealment tactics of the unfavorable beings go in any case to the fact that they suck energies from humans and send them to compliant helpers purposefully, who are active in their sense on this earth" (Weidner 2005a:115).

"Karma means in your living earth language as much as: Deed, action and working. Another expression or explanation of karma is: the law of inner interweaving structure as the cause of past deeds, actions and effects in microcosmic and macrocosmic causality" (Weidner 1993:45). "If you have understood this correctly, the inner structure is meant, but also the outer structure. And 'causality' means the totality. In other words, everything you have thought, wanted and done in life, in any form of life - not only in this life as a human being,

which is very short and quite transient - but everything you have thought, wanted and done in your overall life, all this is causality and recorded in the form, as you say, in the karma law. This law is to be understood in the basic vibration in such a way: Without cause no effect! And: No effect without preceding cause!" (Weidner 1993:46).

Or as it is written in the Rev. 14,13: "Their works and deeds follow them" (quoted after Weidner 1993:106).

A special form of karma is the so-called group karma: "You are confronted with such beings and people who live and work on similar vibrational waves like you! These mechanisms, I would like to say, can join you together as happy or as sorry bonds" (Weidner 1993:1023). The law of similarity brings together similar with similar, either for your happiness or for sorrowful bonds. And these can, as I said, sooner or later become more and more solid or also dissolved, if they are negative bonds" (Weidner 1993:102). It is important: "The karma law and the effects live in you, whether you want to perceive it or not. Only spiritual love loosens the bonds of connections by forgiving and turning to God, to Christ and also to your dear guardian spirit, because he is ready to help you" (Weidner 1993:103).

However, there are also misconceptions about karma: "It is a denominational false doctrine that through Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection all - as you say - sin debts, unkindnesses, violations of God's commandments and laws were redeemed. Likewise, it is a denominational false doctrine that through Jesus' suffering and death reconciliation with God was achieved. ... There was no need for such reconciliation. Whoever teaches such a thing has not recognized that God is pure love and that this pure love represents a self-contained spirit personality" (Weidner 1993:67/68).

"What you are experiencing now ... is what you have taken from the past and brought with you. What you do in the present is what you will reap in the future" (Weidner 1993:46).

"Every soul burden resonates into the material body! And from it certain states result in the mental, e.g. depressions, mental disruptions etc. etc., and in the body illnesses, disharmonies etc." (Weidner 1993:28).

One should not speak of good and bad karma - the law of karma is a law of love. "Speak, please, not of good or bad karma! Why? After all, karma - or as you put it, the law of karma - is not arbitrariness, but the law of balance, or in other words, it is the divine will for harmony in the whole universe. ... Karma is an effect, a law, a divine will, which wants nothing else than to establish the harmony as it was at the beginning of creation. And do you know for sure whether the bad karma in your eyes, as you call it, is not better than calling it good karma? You would perhaps be able to learn much more from it" (Weidner 1983:84). If we speak, think or act negatively, we inhibit not only our personal development, but also that of other people - and then we are partly responsible in the sense of the law of karma (cf. Weidner 1993:85).

There are different forms of karma:

1. The karma which is now working itself out in all your successes and failures - this is what I call the active karma.
2. The karma which does not have an effect now, but which is already influencing your future destiny - this is what I call latent karma.

3. The karma, which one creates now by negative thinking, wanting, desiring or doing - that I call the developing karma" (Weidner 1993:117).

It is interesting that (according to Weidner 1993:107) the negative beings want to negate the karma law: "But the powers of darkness knew exactly: 'This karma law belongs to be eliminated! It belongs away from the consciousness of mankind, otherwise we have no success, no power over them!' And so it happened. Unfortunately, it has a very fatal effect on those who did not make a conscience and did not let themselves be guided by the guardian spirit and ... now, conditioned by their deeds, by their works, have to eke out their lives in the dark caves" (Weidner 1993:107). But also a purely mechanical, uncharitable understanding of cause and effect - in the sense of: yes, if they starve in India, that is just the consequence of their bad karma, it is their own fault! - is not wanted by God: We should all do everything we can to help other people cushion the negative effects of their past actions - in the form of suffering or experiences of misfortune, for example - through loving compassion, and to help them develop and establish new, positive causes through loving behavior. Love, prayer, positive thoughts, feelings and actions, as well as alignment with God, can dissolve karmic effects or turn them into positive ones - in oneself and in others. "Therefore ... don't say, 'It's like this, I can't change it.' That is a wrong attitude, and it is contrary" (Weidner 1993:109). Rather, we should let our guardian spirit guide us, develop positive thoughts and feelings, and work to return to the divine.

"Do not conceive of the concept of destiny as having an entirely rigid effect! For it would be wrong to think that it is contrary to destiny to be helpful to another person who is in serious misfortune. It is his own acquired destiny. Therefore we ask you, be helpful, supportive, merciful, as much as you can and want, because every help swings back on yourselves!" (Weidner 2006a:115).

People often feel, "One blow of fate after another, I can't bear it, I can't stand it! Dear brothers and sisters, you can stand it. At some point, whether in this life or in another life, everyone endures. Because everyone has carved in his soul what he should make good. Just please don't forget one thing, the Creator in His wisdom never sends too much. ... You have undertaken before the incarnation to do this and this and this, as a broad fanning from the past lives in this life" (Weidner 2007b:73/74). "Well, those were perhaps, let's say a number, 15 points, but in your present life on earth you have added 20 or 30 bad points, so you already have 35. ... You may have started from 15 points that you wanted to make good, but now you have 35, and now you can grasp and recognize, these 20 I have charged myself in addition to that in this life on earth. Of course, then comes one blow after the other, because this too is to be made good. And the opportunity is there, the guardian angel wants that you make it good" (Weidner 2007b:74).

However, it is also true that once achieved knowledge or behavior, that is, the personally achieved state of development usually remains - or rather: is no longer undercut, unless by a conscious decision against it.

Karma is not a fetter, but an opportunity and a signpost. The law of cause and effect helps us to take full responsibility for our actions - and to act ever more consciously.

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