

## KNOWLEDGE of HEAVENLY REALMS re ABORTIONS & INFANT DEATHS

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Recently, a client of only a few sessions told me her story of having an abortion some fifty years ago and how she has prayed every day for the soul of that child and has carried the daily guilt of that choice throughout her life even though at that time of her life, it was the only choice that was available to her.

Near Death Experiences (NDEs) have given us much knowledge from the heavenly realms. Some of this knowledge could be used to aid people with their daily guilt since most of these people do not know that children who were aborted and who died in infancy or otherwise continue to live on and grow in the spirit realm.

A recent example of this is the movie *Heaven is for Real* (2014) where four year-old Colton Burpo asks his mother about his "other" sister. "The one I met when I went to heaven. She doesn't have a name because you and Daddy didn't name her but she couldn't stop hugging me when she saw me." In the movie and in the Burpo story reported by his father, Colton's mother then realizes that her son actually did visit the heavenly realm since she and her husband had never told either of their children on earth about the baby she miscarried before they were born. This daughter, according to Colton, was living and growing in this realm.

I remember another story from a client who had an abortion because she and her husband felt they could not afford another child. About fifteen years later on a massage table, the massage therapist who was also psychic, told her there was an adolescent boy in the room who said he was her son. He told the therapist to tell his "Mom" that he completely understood why she had aborted him. He wanted to know what she would have named him if he could have been born. She told the massage therapist the name and from the therapist's report he apparently was delighted.

He wanted her to know that he was growing on the "other side" and he was hoping she would think of him more often being happy and healthy where he was and not block out his memory because of her guilt. Like many mothers, however, she had not known until then that her baby had been a boy because the abortion had been performed early in her pregnancy.

Maxine Meilleur in her book, *Great Moments of Modern Mediumship*, Vol. I, (2014), reports of a story when Leonora Piper first gave a reading for William James, the American psychologist. He and his wife had lost a son who had been below the age of five years at the time of his death. Mrs. Piper reported that their young son "has a playfellow here in our world, a boy named Robert..." (p. 158). It was later found that a boy named Robert with whom their son had played had also died.

In this same book, a story is told on p. 87 about a premature child who had died and who had been fathered by a Mr. W. Molson. Mr. Molson stated that of the many visits he had experienced from the spirit world that were memorable, this one was the most memorable.

"The trumpet slowly rose, in a nervous halting fashion, and someone came towards me. I encouraged the unseen one endeavoring to communicate by bidding whoever it might be a welcome to our gathering...After a few moments of such encouragement, a child's voice spoke quite clearly to the medium saying: 'I want my daddy.' This perplexed her for a moment for there were only two males present, but the trumpet turned slowly to me and said, 'Daddy, Grandma Molson has brought me.'"

"I had been previously married. The child then went on to explain that she was the child of the first marriage and she asked to be given a name...I thought quickly and suggested that she might like the name Alice, which was the second name of my mother. This appeared to please her, and she seemed satisfied."

"Following that brief conversation with the child, my mother spoke firmly to me, saying that if only I could see the child standing there I should feel none of the bitterness in my heart which I had allowed to gain hold when my marriage was broken, not through death, but through circumstances beyond my control."

"That was the first visit of the child, speaking with all the tenderness which a child of but a few years of age displays when speaking to her father or mother. I have been able to speak to her on several occasions through the mediumship of Mrs. Northage during succeeding years, and have witnessed her development and growth to the stage where she is now a young person, showing many of the characteristics which one attributes to one in adolescence."

"The knowledge that young children, or children who have known no earth life, continue their lives after passing and grow in age and understanding, but maintain close connections with their parents and grandparents, who have often joined them, should be a source of comfort to many (p. 88)." This story was reported in 1959 and is from a book *A Path Prepared: The Story of Isa Northage*.

Many people who have experienced NDEs have discovered relatives on the other side that they didn't know they had whether due to guilt and shame from abortion or grief from an infant death that the parents or other relatives do not wish to discuss.

In *Proof of Heaven* (2012), when a neurosurgeon named Dr. Eben Alexander found himself in a coma, he experienced a NDE in which he previously, due to his medical training, had not believed was possible. He states "The universe as I experienced it in my coma is...the same one that both Einstein and Jesus were speaking of in their very different ways."

During this NDE he was met by a young woman with high cheekbones and deep blue eyes. She had golden brown hair and when he first saw her they were riding along together on an intricately patterned surface which after a moment he recognized as the wing of a butterfly. This young woman told him, "You are loved and cherished, dearly, forever. You have nothing to fear. There is nothing you can do wrong."

He stated that he felt like he was being handed the rules to a game he had been playing all of his life without ever fully understanding it. This in itself is a lovely part of his story. But there is more.

Eben had been put up for adoption by a young couple who had become pregnant while attending high school. He had made several attempts to receive information about his birth mother and/or father to no avail. Until one day, he was told by the social worker he had been calling for years that his parents had gotten married once they had finished college and he had siblings.

Through a series of events after his NDE, he finally met his birth parents and his siblings. They made mention of a daughter who had died. However, Eben was not shown a photograph of her during their initial meeting. It wasn't until a couple of months later that a photograph came to him through the mail. When he looked at it, he saw the lovely young woman with whom he had flown on the butterfly wing. He had been guided through his NDE by his own sister of whom he had no previous knowledge!

Recently a colleague told me of her abortion of many years ago. She was in a waiting room of a clinic and there was another young woman there who was struggling with going through with the abortion due to her concerns about the soul of her child.

My colleague stated that she told the young woman about her NDE and that during the NDE she had learned that at any given time, there are many souls looking around for the right mother at the right time so they can fulfill a specific life purpose. If the mother is chosen and that time isn't right, then this infant soul can enter through a later pregnancy with that same mother. The choice is always mutual between spirits.

This same colleague who is very knowledgeable in the world of spirit stated that she believes children do grow up on the other side and learn lessons there but in an entirely different way than on earth. She believes that we chose our parents and situation to give us what we need in this lifetime. (Your author also believes this).

She went on to state that if a fetus is aborted, it simply is not an avenue at that time for that particular soul to do its work in the physical world. She also suspects that even though the Bible says that the soul enters the body at the first breath, she also suspects that the soul can visit the mother's physical body in utero. And, that perhaps several souls can "try out" that body in utero and get a feel for the energy of the mother and decide if it's a "good fit." (The author also believes this and has read it in other sources.)

In Michael Newton's book *Journey of Souls, Case Studies of Life between Lives*, (1994), one of his clients tells of his "soul shower" that was taken in between lives. He stated that his spirit body containing his soul underwent this shower in order to relieve the soul of the many traumatic moments he had just experienced in his earthly life.

I wish I had such a "soul shower" somewhere in my office so that clients could undergo this wonderful washing away of traumatic moments that they hold onto for too long. However, in its place, I try to give them beliefs such as my colleague stated above to know what Eben Alexander's sister has told him is true for all. "You are loved and cherished, dearly, forever. You have nothing to fear. There is nothing you can do wrong."

We need to have faith that this is true. Some women use abortion as a form of birth control. I am speaking for the women whose intent it was not to bring a child into the world to suffer due to reasons such as no family to accept the child, no money to raise it, etc. As long as our intent is positive, we need to remember that we all made sacred contracts "on the other side" before we came to earth to play out our own particular part in our family. Another rule is that we come back over and over again with the same people. We just play different roles in each lifetime. (Reincarnation is a belief held by people of most countries outside of the United States (U.S.). Usually only 20 to 30% of people in the U.S. believe in this concept.

I encourage all readers who are carrying around guilt and shame for years regarding events they cannot change to know that they did the best job they knew how to do with the knowledge they had at the time. Just repeat this statement to yourself every day in front of a mirror and perhaps it will work its magic and be one of the "soul showers" that wash over you and take away some of your negative feelings and thoughts. It's also good to find an understanding person to whom you can tell your secrets that have never been uttered to another human being. Talking to someone who will understand is another type of a "soul shower."