

# Intent and Self Concept

## What is Intent besides just wanting something?

It has bothered me from the point of the first statement of the Principles of Ultimate Reality as presented to me from some external, unknown source, that as powerful a concept as Intent appeared to be did not show up more powerfully or with further and more complete explanation. Tom Campbell first explained about the nature and role of Intent in his trilogy of books, *My Big Toe*. The discussion of Intent arises in the explanation of the nature of Absolute Free Will where intent was described as the basis upon which behavior is judged as good or evil. In a virtual reality, the actual results do not always follow from our initial intent, our initial plan and expectation for the result when we initiate some action. In the famous words of the poet Robert Burns, the best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley. So at the level of Ultimate Reality, actions are not judged by result, but by the intent behind the action that produced the result. The distinction is being made by capitalization in this chapter between a concept of intent, local to some specific choice and time and a more comprehensive Intent that is fundamental to our beings. This is the Intent that I hope to clarify. The role of Intent in facilitating an action was only briefly discussed in my own explanation of Absolute Free Will. In the development of this book and of my understanding of Ultimate Reality, I have now finally reached the point where I can understand and describe the importance of Intent. The concept is both more complex and as fully as powerful as I thought it should be. Seeing it as otherwise was just a matter of failing to see it more completely, a lack of information and understanding.

As a quick review for a starting point to discuss Intent, Ultimate Reality ~ The One originated within and bootstrapped It's consciousness, It's being, from the Void. That is, from a field of initially random pseudo information. There was no information content because there were only random fields of interacting ripples and stray collections of perturbed cells in the reality cells that constituted the Void, now the existence field of Ultimate Reality, the Consciousness Field of The One. From this unpromising and meaningless origin, all of Ultimate Reality evolved. This is comparable to the evolutionary process considered to be the

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source of everything within this PMR virtual reality coming from the random but not entirely uniform field of 'basic particles' generated by the "Big Bang" concept of modern physics to explain the observed phenomena of what is considered to be physical reality. Or an equivalent comparison can be made with the process of evolution described by science as occurring in the primordial tide pools and shallow seas of early earth. How a chemical mix, by random mixing and interactions, created complex chemicals that could self replicate, eventually resulting in the DNA/RNA helical pair and leading to the complexity of life upon virtual reality earth. So in any of these situations, everything evolves from random, non-information, chance interactions in an evolutionary process, the first Primary Principle as I have stated it. This pattern of an evolutionary process acting on a field of random data and eventually producing an extensive and complex result is a frequent feature of virtual realities and are iterations of the Primary Process of Ultimate Reality as described by Tom Campbell.

Is it then surprising, based on this origination, that remaining within the being of any entity, any individuated consciousness within Indra's Net, there is a lot of random noise or non-information? Randomness on a macro or micro scale or within a non-physical information space constitutes a state of higher entropy and lower information content. Removing this random material by transforming it into real information, meaningful content, comprehensible content that can be exchanged between conscious beings to permit and expedite communication between these free will driven beings is our process of entropy reduction. Or for clarification of Intent, the basis for all of our interactions. The purpose is to provide greater potential for communication and thus of still higher levels of meaning and lower entropy. These interactions between conscious individuated beings operating based on Absolute Free Will choices is the purpose of the existence of all of the virtual realities that we experience. All as part of the entropy lowering, communication enhancing process, the second Primary Principle as I have stated it, the Organizing Principle as the second integral part of the Primary Process per Tom Campbell. As a corollary statement, virtual realities are learning laboratories, schools for the development of the minds of the inhabitants of Indra's Net. The purpose for the existence of virtual realities is these interac-

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tions, not the specifics of the rule set defining the experience nor how nice the scenery looks. The rule sets exist to limit the potential interactions within a virtual reality by simplifying and structuring the environment compared to the full, unlimited range of interchanges of information that could occur across Indra's Net on the RWW. Compare the difference between a football game with standard rules versus just turning two teams of men onto the field with no instructions besides force your way past each other to opposite ends of the field while transporting this peculiar ball with you. This purpose is certainly not the eventual generation of a rule set by PMR science, based on a PMR based understanding of reality. The resulting anomalies from the PMR based view of reality applied by modern science to understand and develop a TOE that really matches the observed reality were discussed in the previous chapter on The Virtual Reality Rendering Engine and elsewhere.

In the discussion of the Virtual Reality Rendering Engine (VRRE) and other previous discussions, it was clear that events could be and are often changed from the expected or projected results. This occurs either inadvertently or deliberately on the part of the participants, including our guides, but the method for achieving change under the rule set of a virtual reality was not clear. Obviously if a sequence of events will result directly from a simple free will choice, then a simple change of choice from the initial choice or other disruption of the chain of events is all that is necessary to produce a change in the result. Many sequences of events occur that do not fit the reality of the rule set of PMR as we understand how things work in modern popular culture or as presumed to be determined by a fixed set of physical laws as being discovered and explained by Science. In other and older societies, where shamanism and similar practices were common, they actually understood the mutability of our PMR experiences much better than we do today. They did not have knowledge of the physical laws as now explicated by science and considered to be the fixed basis of cause and effect. So they invented many practices to placate or manipulate the spirits, gods, ancestors, etc. that they believed to be in control of events. We do not consider these approaches to understanding as realistic in the today of modern science. How-

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ever, they did what they did on the expectation of being able to produce changes based on past experience and they did produce results.

The real situation becomes clearer when we realize that today we still simply do not understand the actual rule set that establishes the characteristics of PMR to the extent that we believe that we do. We have gone too far in concluding that everything is determined strictly by the physical laws of modern science. We do not allow for the fact that the purpose of The One, of the Universal Consciousness constituting Ultimate Reality, in developing the multiple virtual realities within which conscious individuated beings experience themselves as existing, was to provide a constrained environment for those experiences. Locked into a concept, a belief, that the rule set governing this virtual physical reality is fixed, we have lost track of the fact that change is possible by non physical means. We do not exist because we evolved within this (or these) virtual realities, we exist in our basic nature as minds in Indra's Net where we experience these virtual realities as our interpretation of incoming data streams. These data streams are specifically generated to produce our virtual reality experience and thus to give us the opportunity to evolve our consciousness, also known as reducing our entropy. Evolving our consciousness can also be stated as clarifying the information that constitutes our selves, our base reality being. Change the input data stream by some means and you change our perceived reality. The question here is how do we make those changes occur.

There are anomalies in our experiences and the most frequently noted anomalies are the survival of accidents or diseases that should have been fatal as these are the most noticeable to the participants. A building falls or a car crash occurs and yet some of the participant(s) just happen to end up in a protected cavity within the crushed steel or crumbled concrete that just contains their physical body in a relatively intact and still living state. Recover from a cancer for reasons unknown to medical science and you have a different kind of anomaly. Tom Campbell has discussed the Psi Uncertainty Principle and you should refer to *My Big Toe* for a full explanation. This is a function of the virtual reality rule set that prevents the widespread dissemination of the comprehension that something

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has occurred that is not consistent with the way that things normally work or are presumed to work. That this kind of rule exists is a direct clue in itself to the fact that the rule set is not all about an unchanging and governing set of physical laws, directly explainable by the current paradigm of Science. If the rule set were absolutely fixed by physical law, there would be no need for the Psi Uncertainty Principle as such anomalous events would simply not occur. People simply do not see what they are not supposed to take notice of under the Psi Uncertainty Principle. People clearly do not see the same things even when they are sharing the same situation and presumably should see the same things. Otherwise, why should eyewitnesses be so notably poor at observing the same occurrence and then consistently reporting the same thing? Therefore, if you try to cure your own cancer by visualization, it works better if you keep your mouth shut and do not tell your doctors about your plans for self-healing. Their expectations will interfere. Continue with their treatments and just let them wonder when it happens and the Psi uncertainty principle will gloss over unexpected results rather than prevent them.

In a virtual reality where the purpose is the interactions between and experiences of the participants rather than the development of events based entirely on a set of absolute physical laws, strange things are bound to happen. Certainly strange if your point of view is based entirely on local PMR logic and concepts of causality and a presumed set of local, absolute physical laws. I have discussed, or at least mentioned, many such classes of events. To repeat mention of a few: people experience visions of the future or pre-experience part of the future, fore warnings and premonitions of events, memories of previous PMR lives, experiencing present reality from a point of view outside of their virtual physical bodies, ghosts, and many more manifestations. Shamans from pre-literate cultures to the present deliberately experience non-ordinary aspects of reality: visions, for healing or information and insight, spirit contact or spirit journeys. In addition, they can enable others to experience these same phenomena. They commonly produce effects and “cures” that are not consistent with medical or scientific understanding. Spirit guidance, prayer, meditation, visualization and the intercession of “saints”, “spirits” or “ancestors” generate healing and other effects

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not consistent with ordinary reality. Ecstatic states can produce contact with spirits, possession or other experiences not considered normal to PMR reality. If we accept the teachings of religions, they include many notable non-ordinary occurrences including arising from “death” as reported for Jesus or the ascent into “heaven” in a bodily state by Muhammad as reported by his followers.

I have experienced personally or observed enough of these types of manifestations of so-called non-ordinary reality, including the direct and deliberate operation of Intent, to be satisfied that these results exist. Specifically and repeatedly, I have observed that if I say something based on an understanding beyond that and not proper to that of the person to whom I am speaking, they simply will not hear what I say or something will distract them. What is heard or experienced instead is consistent with the proper story line of their PMR life plan. The play based upon its proper script goes on without a glitch. In addition, I know others who have experienced similar occurrences dissonant with normal PMR experience. I have also observed the deliberate choice by a person experiencing a life for it to end naturally and quickly rather than experience the full course of a disease process. This has been reported as being experienced in a sense by Zen masters who predicted or chose the time of their deaths. Thus I am prepared to say that what so many have described for all of recorded history and before that, must be so, even if not consistently observable by or available to everyone. They are most certainly not all fantasies or fabrications.

The key to all of these manifestations, where intentional, is Intent. Many participants do not ask for these experiences, they just happen, apparently as either a glitch or part of their life plan where their Intent was expressed in the virtual reality where their present PMR experience was planned. But for those who do seek such experiences or an intercession in some form, Intent is the key. Whether you approach Ultimate Reality as a shaman, a mystic, a religious believer, a petitioner in some form, a healer or a scientist, it is Intent that will achieve the desired result for you if anything will. Perhaps not your conscious intent, although that does contribute (or interfere), but your Intent as it exists at your base level of existence. This has been discussed very briefly in the pages re-

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lating to the Secondary Principle of the Primacy of Intent over Action. If there is a clear and conscious intent within the mind of an individuated conscious being, this provides a powerful catalyst and initiator for action and the facilitation and even production of the intended result. This means that the conflicts and confusion of thought and intent common to participants in PMR virtual reality lives must be minimized or eliminated. You are actually only one being, experiencing multiple realities: your base reality in Indra's Net, a virtual reality of the NPMR type and periodically, as you are now, a virtual reality, of the PMR type. Yet you are all one being so the intent, and especially your Intent, need not even be conscious to you here in your PMR experience and consciousness. But your Intent and intent must not be conflicted between virtual reality and base existence as such contradictions interfere with its potential power. These conflicts are manifestations of higher entropy. The more you understand the reality of your true existence and are aware of your true Intent, the more successful you are in operating from the basis of your true Intent.

This means that here in PMR, a clear understanding of what you want to accomplish or achieve and your motivation, a strong commitment to that goal and a consistent pursuit of that end is necessary for maximum success. Your conscious intent here in PMR cannot be in conflict with your Intent without creating an impediment. I can look back now and see that such an Intent was the basis for my reaching the present point of achieving this understanding of the Nature of Ultimate Reality ~ The One that is represented by the writing of this book. I can see the development of and continual conscious clarification of this Intent, as I have access to it, over the course of the years and of the developing understanding as represented by the development in thinking described herein. In addition, I can see the continued clarification of my motivations here in PMR and the effect that this has on producing results. However, the Intent existed long before the beginning of this PMR lifetime. I can now project ahead to a continual development and clarification of this Intent. As you develop your Intent regarding some specific purpose or goal, the various clarifications and improvement in understanding interact in a mutually reinforcing manner. When your understanding of the situation improves, your self-understanding also improves and your

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motivations become clearer. I observe this within myself as things have developed over the years prior to and accelerated since I first read the trilogy *My Big Toe* and integrated my viewpoint into that larger view. As I have previously stated, the experience of reading these books had a catalyzing effect upon myself. It was very clear as I read and realized the way in which my past experiences and understanding fitted into the pattern revealed in *My Big Toe* that I was having a significant experience with what amounted to a reverberation as expanding understanding resulted in clarification and then further understanding. Essentially this has continued to date with my understanding of Intent developing and clarifying as I further understand the Nature of Ultimate Reality ~ The One and clarify my intent and my Intent to understand and transmit this knowledge to others here in PMR.

## The Basic Nature of Intent

On the way to further understanding of the nature of Intent, remember that all meanings within Ultimate Reality have developed from the Void. That is from nothing, from the randomness of the initial Void state. I apologize for so much repetition, but there is always something to be gained by looking from a slightly different point of view when dealing with subtle information. The consideration of multiple perspectives of a single idea encourage your present viewpoint to develop a wider scope rather than remain focused within its limited initial understanding. So many aspects of Ultimate Reality are interconnected as we are obtaining very complex results from a minimum number of facts and operating principles. Forget an aspect of the total situation and loose sight of and miss something else. Iteration, applying a simple process repeatedly, resulting in complex results or a fractal pattern is also characteristic of Ultimate Reality. Watching for these things frequently permits understanding of one situation based on extrapolation from another.

Ultimate Reality is to our knowledge a closed system with no input. Either “outside” does not exist or is completely disconnected from The One or perhaps just disconnected from our consciousness as individuals. Therefore, there are no absolutes, nothing given. Nothing exists outside of The One’s internal in-

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terrelationships that have developed between all of the individuated beings of Ultimate Reality, all of the meanings created over time and all of the other 'parts' of The One. This amounts to Kurt Gödel's Incompleteness Theory in its ultimate expression and there will be no absolutes. So Intent, just as everything else, is merely a symbol and whatever I say about it can only be a partial explanation because we are really attaching this symbol to a complex set of concepts rather than describing something with a fixed set of meanings, defined by rigid and clear relationships and bounded by a clearly delimited 'box'. If there are any of these just mentioned concepts attached to Intent, it is not accessible to us at our level of being. Intent is not a delimited place within our being comparable to the regions described by science and medicine as specifically related to some function such as memory within our virtual reality brains or within our bodies as an organ such as our heart. It is more like the concept of the "triple warmer" from traditional Chinese medicine, acupuncture being one of the fields that use this idea, which does not relate to a single organ but to a function related to multiple organs. Nor is the content of our Intent a fixed set of concepts in fact. Our Intent is rather something that evolves over time as part of the development of our being, part of the goal and function of entropy reduction within The One. Concepts are added to our Intent and other contents are removed as we mature and develop our Intent. This changing is inherent to the purpose of our Intent. Intent is not related to memories of our past nor does it function like our memory does. And the symbol "Intent" is simply the chosen pointer to this functional part within our beings as it exists, however it exists. And as just stated, being part of the process of entropy reduction, clearly Intent changes with our development, becoming a more clearly understandable block of information as entropy is reduced. Less scattered within our beings and/or better internally linked and clearly associated within itself; more coherent, as we get our act together. But as stated, Intent is even more complex than this. This is the 'outward pointing vector' of Intent. There is an 'inward pointing vector' as well.

Conscious awareness of self, self understanding, self image, developed along with meanings, encoded in symbols, all included in a pattern or hierarchy of symbols are also part of Intent. Consciousness makes use of pattern matching to

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navigate the hierarchy of symbols and meanings, to generate understanding. Intent as a word is merely another one of those symbols. It is linked to and strongly associated with, and is in effect an aspect of Absolute Free Will. It is that aspect of the concept of free will that links and relates our individual Absolute Free Will to the rest of Ultimate Reality. Thus the reference to the outward pointing vector of Intent. It is the “why” of action based upon the “will” of Free Will. It is what Invokes actions, what represents the real reason for and our expectation from an action and guides our free will choices internally. To a great and real extent, it is our selves, our base, as we interact with Ultimate Reality. It also, of logical necessity, is associated with our self concept. Our identity, who we are and who and what we believe ourselves to be. Intent includes our understanding of the reality of our being, not just here in PMR, or even in NPMR, but at our base existence level as we exist within Indra’s Net.

## **But Who then Possesses or Owns our Intent**

I am introducing a new concept that I see as connected by logical necessity with Intent. As Intent looks outward, defining our desired relationship and quality of interaction with that which is not us, Self Concept (my choice for an appropriate term) looks inward, defining what we understand ourselves to be. It has in essence a mirror like conceptual relationship with Intent that I will try to explain. This is not something given by Tom Campbell in *My Big TOE*, but rather something that I am adding to my own modeling of Ultimate Reality by virtue of my own belief that it is logically necessary. We cannot develop an advanced Intent, our relationship to what is other, without also developing a corresponding concept of ourselves as a being. I am not aware that it has an external utility corresponding to the use of Intent as a measurement of our entropy level as a measure of the quality of our being. However, I cannot see how we can develop an Intent, the outward pointing vector, without also developing a corresponding conception of who and what we are, the inward pointing vector. These two ‘things’ are effectively mirror relationships. Not an exact correspondence as a mirror in PMR reflects our virtual reality bodies. But there must be an understanding of your self as one being among a vast number of ‘like’ beings of similar natures, in-

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teracting and coexisting within Indra's Net in order for you to comprehend the possibility of the potentials for interaction and development and to cherish the whole of which you are thus a part.

This is not just a logical play on words such as saying that if good exists, evil must also exist as a logical or semantic opposite in a duality. If you see yourself as the center of all there is as so many do in PMR, then how could you ever have a good intent or Intent toward NPMR and to base aspects of yourself and others as you exist in Indra's Net? You would not even recognize the existence of such beings. If you fully understand your existence, both in PMR and in NPMR virtual realities, as an individuated intelligence, a collection of data possessing self consciousness by virtue of being a part of the greater consciousness of The One, then how could you perceive yourself as rightfully preying upon your fellow virtual beings within your present virtual reality existence beyond the necessities of the rule set as requiring food? If you fully understand your Absolute Free Will, then how could you permit the attack on the free will of a fellow being unable to defend itself while knowing the rights of free association to combine to protect those unable to defend themselves in a given virtual reality situation? I am looking for a way to describe, to define, that part of us, that part of our total being, that specifically represents for us who and what we are. Who am "I". The "I am" between the bent bow and the flying arrow. There must be such a self concept, such an understanding of who and what we really are, in order for us to develop our Intent as we coincidentally develop a true sense of ego, who I am, as opposed to an inflated, fantasy ego or egotism. This represents our understanding of our selves, our existence as a being and having, possessing or owning our Intent.

There are no absolute meanings; all words are made up symbols and their meanings exist solely in their relationships to each other and a consensus. I am looking at this like two mirrors that face each other, but not a mirror as we think of as something to look at that reflects a view of our physical self, but still something that reflects. The Intent would be a reflection of our concept of our selves. For us to have an Intent towards everything that is not us, there must be

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a self concept, ego, self identity, or something that we need a name for that generates, that possesses, that experiences our Intent. I see it as a necessity that these two things exist as a matching pair although the bounding concept is Intent because it is externally active with its function within Ultimate Reality as the place where our entropy is measured. This is the aspect that is immediately of interest from the outside. In effect, do we know how to share our toys and not to run with scissors? Neither exists as a 'thing' but as an abstraction of concepts, a subset of the total, that exist within our total being as it exists within Indra's Net. If there is such a thing as a soul (i. e., you wish to define such a thing), another abstraction, it must be all of our being within Indra's Net and thus I have referred to it as our Soul and it includes things like memory and the real 'computer code' that constitutes our being, everything uniquely us. But our Soul is not this thing which I am trying to clarify. That would have to be all of our being in Indra's Net. I am looking for that part of us, our being, that part of our Soul if you would prefer, that specifically tells us who and what we are and how we relate to everything else.

A beginning being in Indra's Net typically has a limited to no Self Concept, concept of their identity, knowledge of who and what they are. A typical result of this is fear and perhaps aggression in this being's virtual reality experiences. When you don't really understand who you are, you have no basis for comprehending every thing else. Which way is up? What is true? What should I be aware of, be afraid of, believe in? How should I behave? The result is a reaction much as in our PMR virtual reality; a dog barks to say I'm here, I'm important, don't trespass on my territory. A beginning being acting from a primitive level with little sense of their identity, Self Concept, may well act from fear, uncertainty and egotism for lack of knowledge of other and better options. Another direction from which I am coming to see and understand this aspect of Intent related to our sense of being comes from Alzheimer's Disease. Much as for a new being in Indra's Net with a limited sense of self, those participants in PMR with Alzheimer's Disease or similar dementia frequently develop an effect called agitation as the disease progresses and their true mind's ability to communicate

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with the PMR virtual reality and access to memory starts to fail. The glass through which they see reality becomes very dark indeed.

My experience caring for or having contact with Alzheimer's disease and other dementia patients shows me that the previous statement regarding failing communication ability between their base being in Indra's Net and the PMR level mind as the source of the effects of the disease is true. I have several times observed this to be lifted for a brief period and the normal personality and memories of the person with the disease to reappear briefly. If the destructive effects of the disease on their virtual brains, typically observed by medical scans in PMR, were the real problem, it could not be reversed in order for them to have a few moments with those whom they love. I have observed this several times and no matter to what severity the dementia had reached or for how long in years it had existed. If your PMR virtual brain governs your actions, holds your memories and is the source of your mind, then a disease that physically destroys its component structure and the interconnected neurons cannot be restored and provide a few minutes of communication with your loved ones and exhibit previous memories and personality. If a brain scan shows much of your brain no longer being there, how can your mind return, no matter how briefly. But their true being in Indra's Net is suffering no such real damage. Only, in my opinion, a reduction in communication, understanding of their input data stream creating their PMR virtual reality experience. They are suffering such damage and loss to their normal sense of who they are, or once knew themselves to be, and what everything else is, that they may become aggressively defensive, paranoid and self centered, effectively regressing to an earlier stage of development. The question of love in a real sense cannot even arise when you neither know who or what you are nor who or what anyone else is. Alzheimer's Disease patients experiencing agitation are fully ready to attack and injure those whom they most loved previously and who may in fact now be their primary or only caregivers.

Without love, although we must clarify this term/symbol, whether as a new and inexperienced being or as a dementia sufferer, you can only have desires. When you know and understand so little, you may feel you only have yourself so you

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whistle in the dark and put up an aggressive front. Self Concept is developed along with Intent with experience and maturation. Thus our true ego/identity is largely a function of, another aspect of and developed along with our Intent as an integrated whole. Intent is the root and source of love, fear, hatred, compassion, and egotism as and if they exist within our beings. But only as we develop a stronger sense of true ego, real self knowledge, Self Concept and strength of being, can we develop love, compassion and other positive feelings and avoid fear, hatred, egotism and other negative feelings and behaviors which seem to naturally result from a weak sense of Self Concept as a defense mechanism. But Intent is the symbol necessarily attached to this aspect of our beings as there is such a firm link between Absolute Free Will and Intent. And Intent is the main aspect as it refers to the function that is used in the greater scope of The One for evaluation of entropy levels. A mature and strong sense of identity, Self Concept, is very much a direct result and corollary to the developments that result in a lower entropy measurable within our Intent.

Intent embodies our generalized and most basic attitude to the rest of Ultimate Reality, our desires for relationship with the rest of Ultimate Reality. Intent embodies our desire to share information reciprocally, to give information (by which dissemination process we lose nothing, only share) or to take in information without return or reciprocity. Intent is where our desire to control the will and choices, what information they send to us, of other individuated beings resides, to whatever extent that it exists. Intent is the basis of our manipulation of others, if we do so. Intent is where we cherish the rest of Ultimate Reality, if we do, desiring the optimum development of this vast and intricate system of which we are one very small part. Intent is where love of the rest of Ultimate Reality exists if it does exist within us. But the English word love is too simple a concept compared to other potential words to be used without requiring some clarifications. Love as Eros is too much associated with the English word love and is a PMR virtual reality concept and as such, is not often part of Intent in that simple form. This will also be true of the word equivalent to love in most languages. Love as agapé or spiritual love is more applicable and I have just previously used the word cherish, including the scope of nurturing, protecting, aid-

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ing, fostering, promoting as the most suitable simple term I can think of. Our Intent is where we hold the understanding, if we possess it, of the potential results of an Absolute Free Will based, reciprocal, interactive relationship with another being by which we share information in a mutually nurturing society. This can be a society of two in “soul mate” form in a virtual reality as this results from Intent, but this concept of society as it exists in Intent is number independent, generic and genderless. Our Intent is where we hold our feeling of responsibility toward the maintenance of Absolute Free Will if we possess it. That is, all aspects of Absolute Free Will, both protecting the rights of those with Evil intent to have those intents and the rights of those with Good intent to attempt to exist without being damaged by the evil intent of others, defending oneself and others as necessary. It is also where we hold the understanding of our true relationship to Ultimate Reality ~ The One, if we possess it, as opposed to identifying with our NPMR or PMR virtual reality selves completely while experiencing them.

Our Intent is also the part of our being where we reach the conclusion, observing our RWW communication from whatever virtual reality we are presently experiencing, that this is a ripe victim for our plundering, if we do have this feeling. It is the source of our feeling that this is a good source of desirable input, whether it represents something that can be interpreted as sexual stimulation, feedback from control or feeling of power and aggrandizement. In any case, we recognize something that we can mold to a desirable form by our manipulations and control. Or on the contrary, our Intent can enable us to develop an interaction with another individuated being operating entirely on a free will basis with whom we can interact, share information, learn from and each develop the quality of our being. This is so whatever the specifics of the virtual reality situation might be. Intent is both a generalized repository of our relationship to what we perceive as out there over the RWW and a major component of our intent regarding specific interactions with the perceived environment or other beings. If the specific intent conflicts with the general Intent, this is a serious obstacle in achieving success by our action. Our Intent is where goals specific to us, our individual proclivities, whether mastery of music or mastery of some technical field or mastery of life skills such as parenting are based. Once we achieve an

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awareness of and degree of access to our own Intent and our Self Concept, we have in effect a mirror in which we can see our true selves. Whether we are at base, good or evil, freely interacting or controlling. Whether we are sharing and nurturing or manipulative and grasping. Whether or not we recognize our responsibility as members of the Union of The One. It shows the true nature of the being that we have become as a result of our interactions over the RWW. Our Intent shows the results of our entropy reduction process. We are then in a position to perceive any conflicts within ourselves and move toward their elimination. It is where our basic nature is clear or conflicted and our entropy level can be measured.

## **Intent as the Key to Interaction with our Virtual Realities**

While we can never become 'in control' of what we experience as 'out there' in our virtual realities, we can reach a point of achieving what we might experience as a degree of control. Or perhaps more of a matter of alignment of our desires and interactions within our virtual reality lives with our Intent. We cannot change the course of general social development and physical occurrences in PMR or NPMR on a scope including society and the virtual reality rule set in general. We are still subject to the course of the general flow, the probabilities, of these realities. As has been repeatedly pointed out, we are not at the center of all that is and it is not all about us. However, our individually learning about the true nature of reality and aligning ourselves with its principles is very much part of what everything is about. I am concluding that Intent (with some assistance from our Self Concept as integral with our Intent) is the key to our interaction with the rest of Ultimate Reality. In a large sense it is who we are, not in PMR or NPMR but in total as we reside as a mind within Indra's Net as it is so integral to our interactions with everything that is not us. Not as our memories or experiences, but as our attitude toward everything that is not us. Our basic Intent and associated Self Concept not only defines our relationships and interactions with everything else that is out there but also defines our selves as we perceive ourselves to be. Intent is the point at which our personal development process focuses and our state of being is most clearly observable. The very thing

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that is both the result of that process as better understanding and lower entropy and the source of information for self analysis to guide that process, with the aid of guides and instructors.

Intent is the base at our deepest level upon which we make our free will choices. It is where our entropy level is measurable. It is not some thing that controls us. It is instead the record of our self, and thus in a reality of symbols, the thing itself that we have created in our long history of personal development in NPMR and multiple PMR experiences. It is a result of our past choices and the basis upon which we make future free will choices and thus control our selves. It could have been called our Soul, but that term is already associated in my writings with our true being in total residing in Indra's Net. It is not our history or our memories, but it is where we keep the source of or basis on which to make decisions to meet and react to the experiences of our interactions with every being and circumstance that we will encounter in PMR, or NPMR or any other interaction that we experience. It is largely, along with tempering from memory, the interface that determines our reaction and interaction with such experiences.

I am also coming to believe that it is the source of our authority, the strength of being that we possess in dealing with the rest of Ultimate Reality in terms of making requests for assistance or access to services. It is the basis of our right to know, our access to information. Or not. If your Intent is good and exhibits low entropy, is fully aligned with the Principles of Ultimate Reality, then things are permitted for you that would not be permitted if your Intent were bad and exhibiting high entropy. Because with good Intent and low entropy, you will not be requesting things that are bad for others and Ultimate Reality in general. Intent is your character reference and access key and cannot be faked. Proper Intent, and low entropy, will mean that any request you make here within PMR will be aligned with the path of your PMR life time that you agreed to before undertaking it. It will mean that your request is not intended to violate the Absolute Free Will of another being. It will mean that you understand the intricate interactions between the course of your agreed upon virtual reality life path and

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the intertwined life paths of others. Get rich quick pleas do not work unless by rare coincidence your life path already had such a feature within it. I have previously discussed how specific occurrences can be avoided with effort, a change of the probabilities, but that they will continue to recur until the probability spike that they represent has been dissipated. Tom Campbell has discussed this in more technical detail in *My Big TOE*.

## Intent and the Concept of Enlightenment

When we experience a first contact, a new experience, our Intent determines whether we make it anticipating prey, in fear of danger, in innocence or in open-minded acceptance. Intent is that aspect of who we are that our reaction to whatever is external to us is based. Intent is the source of our fears and of our loves. It is the aspect of our being that may make us 'subject to no enchantment but our own' as Tom Bombadil was described by J. R. R. Tolkien in *The Lord of the Rings*. It does not give us the power to arbitrarily change our experiences and thus the general reality of PMR and its development based on probabilistic and free will factors. But it does permit us to interactively create a path of optimum experiences and optimum reactions to them and accept what might be undesirable experiences as part of the training of those with whom we interact as part of the learning opportunities they are experiencing in their own PMR lives. We can cease to experience our life path as including negative aspects intended for us and realize some if not all of the wider purposes behind it. We will no longer consider random events as aimed at us, a punishment for past actions or otherwise something that is due to us, our 'fault'. It is not all about us in either a positive or a negative sense. Knowledge of Intent permits us to experience these negative aspects of PMR reality without feeling negative consequences within our selves. Our Intent, along with our Self Concept, is the basis of our understanding that whatever we experience, it is only a virtual experience, even to death, and that there is purpose to any suffering involved that is justified by the purpose behind our general PMR experience. Intent is the site of enlightenment if it exists within our being and what ever it might be considered to be. Taking the concept of enlightenment back to Siddhartha Gautama, the

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Buddha, the Intent and associated Self Concept of an enlightened being should indeed show the freedom from greed, hatred and illusion that he associated with enlightenment. Our Intent, and associated Self Concept, is the basis, storage point and distillation of our understanding of our selves and of our relationship to all of Ultimate Reality ~ The One. True understanding of our nature as individuated beings existing within Indra's Net, the Existence Field, the One Consciousness of The One, AUM or whatever term you choose matched with a resulting understanding of our true Oneness and Unity should in truth amount to Enlightenment and Spiritual Love of all that exists.