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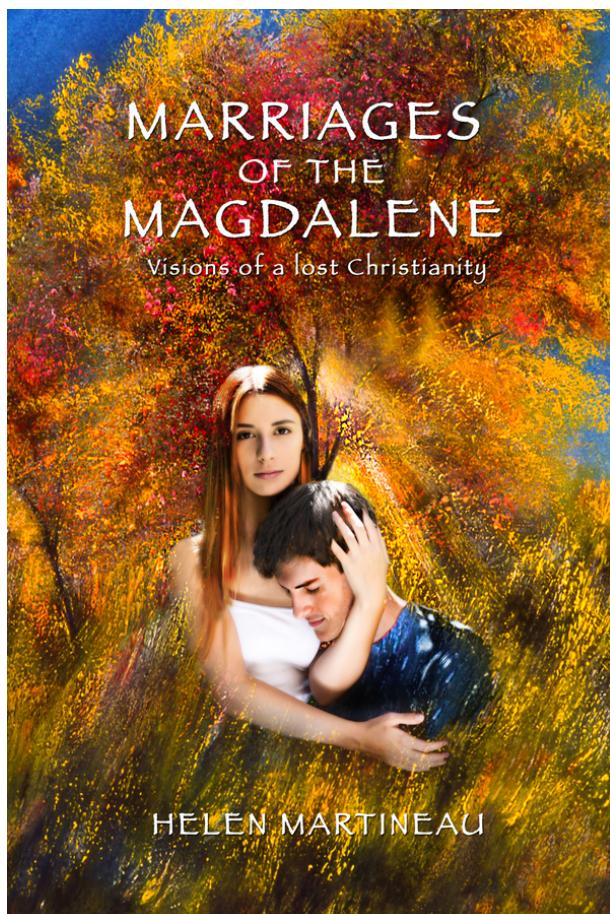
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Her Soul speaks out

In the first portal at the very beginning of our journey with Mary Magdalene I wrote:

There are rare individuals, high initiates who when they incarnate come to earth with a particular purpose that assists evolution, soul evolution. You could say these are leading souls advanced enough to fast track their own development. And at a certain point the greater destiny opens up. Mary Magdalene is a soul like this.

Mary Magdalene's destiny shines forth in connection with Christ Jesus. And still today women and men undertaking a journey into their own deepest self can find her presence available as inspiration. I have spent many years with the Magdalene, ever since she found a place at the heart of *Marriages of the Magdalene*.



Cover artwork for the novel

It began unexpectedly, as often happens with an inner impulse, when I felt the need to enrich and personalize my knowledge of the Christ mystery as depicted

in John's gospel of the I AM. With a love of creative writing I undertook a 'biography' of the mysterious author, the beloved disciple. But soon another voice began to speak through my researches, like a whisper at first but becoming stronger. It was Mary Magdalene. To bring her into focus as a female counterpart to the beloved disciple felt inevitable and right. I needed her story to unfold the mystery of the Way in which there is neither male nor female but rather the undivided self.

The Magdalene is widely inspirational. Thousands of people come to her through private meditation, pilgrimages, or shared encounters in a like-minded community. She is one of a cohort of powerful souls who have walked the challenging road before us. Importantly she connects us with the feminine Wisdom aspect of the divine at a time of great need in the world. This is what a soul like Mary's can do, whether she is in the flesh or working from spirit. I certainly find continuing riches through her wisdom.

If she is in incarnation

Is she in incarnation now? How would we tell? Is she male or female? What will this soul be doing? What profession? Where on earth? There are so many areas and places of dire need, so many causes that a caring, compassionate person can support and work for. This soul would be among the countless people who offer personal gifts and perform deeds of great courage and enormous value. Blessed are they all, for the world needs such people.

I have pondered about her, but I know I do not have the right to suggest a living person. It would need to come from that soul, although it probably wouldn't. Indeed, anyone who claims to be a current incarnation of a major spiritual figure is almost certainly not.

But the Magdalene's spiritual qualities are known and valued. We can explore the kind of person we would encounter. Incarnated, the Magdalene soul would not need to be religious or participate in a spiritually based organisation or belong to any group. Mary Magdalene walked her own path to the mystical marriage with the inner Christ as her I AM. She is one to whom the words of John's gospel apply, 'You shall know the truth and the truth will set you free.'

Initiated fully through the Christ, Mary Magdalene entered as far as is humanly possible into the incarnating elohim's suffering. Her soul was and still is strong and true. The Magdalene soul has always encountered opposition and has drawn on her resources of courage to go forward.

What will be clear is the purpose. For Mary Magdalene's continuing mission is always undertaken in words that the age must hear, words that are founded in the spirit of love that bridges heaven and earth and speaks to the forward evolution of consciousness.

That's why I believe this soul will again be in a female body, if not now then soon enough, speaking as the female apostle did two thousand years ago, but more urgently for the inner sacred marriage and the return of 'feminine' or more inclusively, yin values in the world. These values are about union, bringing together, to balance the kind of individualism that separates and has more to do with ego than genuine individuality.

From the spiritual will

Today she would be an individual who has evolved to fully embrace the consciousness soul in which the spiritual will is fully active. The expression of the spiritual will needs action that takes place through the physical. But it is not just about physical activity, all the doing from playing to working. It's about the expression of the inner being. In an initiate like Mary every deed becomes an outpouring of spirit through the will, emerging from a place of inner stillness. This place is not static. Potentiality shimmers within it.

Her impetus will be like throwing a net into a pond that will catch the fish swimming there – a spiritual net in which the 'fish' are the many who do not succumb to fear of the unknown, or rumour or blame, but whose heartfelt visions involve healing the sorrow, redressing the misuse of power, wealth and notions of ownership, transforming attitudes to the environment, community, relationships and to life itself on Mother Earth. How soon the world sees the reality of this 'catch', that it stems from a longing for the love known as *agape*, depends on everyone.

Nevertheless, the impetus offered will be able to shift consciousnesses because above all the Magdalene soul will speak truth. And truth will be heard and can be acted upon from a place of poised centredness, receptivity, awareness, openness, ease and surety that the Word is alive.

Such beingness opens the opportunity for appropriate, healing speech, gesture and action. It may be something as simple as a gentle touch of compassion, for the body also can speak.

Conscious speaking

I have referred to Mary Magdalene's speaking in *A Voyage, a Cave and Words of Life* in portal three. I would like to look now at how two key aspects of speech, expression and communication are greatly enriched through the consciousness soul. The Magdalene soul will express the living I AM consciously and engage with the world in words that are direct, purposeful, compassion filled and without self-seeking intent. This is a consciousness that seeks to build up the divine in others. We can be inspired by the message and by the voice itself.

To speak the language of truth and to stand by truth does require the courage to be open and vulnerable. Much of our speech is aimed at self-protection. You can hear it epitomised in the evasive answers politicians give to journalists. Or in our

opinions and the efforts we make to persuade and convince others to think as we do, characteristics of the age past where identity came through our beliefs. At times too we know we should speak and don't, again through fear of exposure.

Yet the mighty Christ spirit that opens the way forward is urging all of us to speak truth and to act upon it. Spirit, soul and body interweave in the momentum this new impulse brings. The Magdalene soul is its messenger.

Awakening of memory



'Mnemosyne' in the Chateau de Compiegne, France

Then we have the other side of speech, silence. And we all need to embrace silence. The Magdalene soul was willing to embrace silence. Through silence she could hear, as she did when she sat at the feet of Jesus. Yet silence is too often seen as a threat to us, a dark empty pit. Silence is smothered by activity and noise. But in silence is rejuvenation, the living breath. Today the Magdalene soul will rarely speak amidst the babble. This is her wisdom.

In the silence spiritual beings whisper to us and direct us to the source of their words. In the stillness we may hear the voice that gives birth to images within the soul. This is remembering. In Greek myth Memory, *Mnemosyne*, was the child of Gaia (earth) and Ouranos (heaven) and mother of the nine muses who inspired all creative deeds.

Memory wakes when heaven meets the earth. And here is the crux of Mary Magdalene. Her soul's experiences with the Christ, the ones Mnemosyne brings to us from the past, unite with her soul now, today. Whether she is in the flesh or in spirit, the fullness of Mary Magdalene listens and speaks to us. But only if we ask her to. And this must be our own choice uninfluenced by anything but our heart's wish. Unencumbered decision making is another characteristic that leads us towards the consciousness soul and the spiritual self, a truly free individuality, able to lovingly embrace all.

And so we come to 'The Gospel According to Mary Magdalene' and the story of the initiation she passed through, the Christ initiation – she was one of the first. A soul who is initiated thus will of course continue to nurture that spirit within so that it grows strong and free. They will 'move with the times' and be in the world, but not caught in the world.

In the first century this was a new world impulse, which came because of a world need, yet it is for all time and for all people. The words of Paul still apply, 'For freedom, Christ set us free.' The essence of this freedom begins with the fertilizing of the seed that is I AM, not by any external authority, or dictates of the world, but through inner work aligned with divine Wisdom that will open the soul to the light of the spiritual Sun.

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