Penney Peirce's 2020 Oracle Letter

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I said in my 2019 letter that the word for the year would be TRANSPARENCY. It certainly was a constant punctuation mark in conversations across various media all year! There was an emphasis on the power of transparency to build credibility and attract clients, and on the *lack* of transparency in politics, business, and advertising. No one wanted to be seen as "opaque" (read: dishonest, shifty, hypocritical, disguised, controlling, or just absorbed in historical thinking) and yet becoming clear was still seen by many as a dangerous thing.

Those who were transparent about themselves were respected by many, yet were also subjected to various forms of negative spin by opaque people who wished to maintain the old, familiar ways. Attributing their own unacknowledged vulnerabilities and flaws to the transparent person, or calling them ugly names, seemed a surefire way to demean those with fewer defenses.

We watched the steady rise of narcissism and dictatorial leaders who hold themselves "above the law" and practice *telling* people what reality is (ie., what they themselves want reality to be)—even when facts say otherwise. We watched those with wealth, celebrity, and position make others believe what they say through the force of their own charisma, magnetism, and ability to gaslight or blackmail. It's tempting to want to change them, yet we still must change ourselves in order to do that.

As has been the trend, 2020 will continue the inner work of clearing our blind spots, contractions, antiquated belief systems, and limiting habits. This has been going on for years, of course, building in momentum. This year we will focus on becoming more and more transparent. The difference is that in 2020, efforts to resist transparency won't work nearly as well. In fact, many people will be catalyzed into experiences that *force* a letting go of control and limited identity—whether that's a tendency toward being a dominator or a victim.

True Personal Power

In 2020, we carry on the work of "stepping into our power." We start to understand what true personal power is. It's not "power over," but "power to"—power to collaborate, power to bring visions into accurate form, power to use compassion over force, power to feel into deeper wisdom and the eventual repercussions of unconscious behavior, power to face fear, shame, or loss and see through it to the real reality that functions by compassionate universal principles.

Women, non-macho men, minorities, the underprivileged, children, animals, plants, and the earth herself—all undervalued beings—will *demand* respect this year, and more than that, will exert their self-expression and authentic creative essence to make important impacts toward a positive, healthy world.

We'll see that personal power is not about being recognized by plastering selfies across the internet and racking up the most "likes," or by being angry and outraged (and proud of it!), or by making billions of dollars—it will be more evident that these are just some of the first steps to regaining a sense of self-esteem and open-heartedness. With the true sense of self—self-as-soul—comes natural ability to create and influence through love, respect, and mutual joyfulness. This is how we step into true personal power. This is how we change the world for the better, before it's too late.

Many individuals who haven't yet, will break away from boring, routine, sacrificial jobs to seek something more in alignment with who they really are. There will be much searching of (and for) the soul, much need for heightened intuition and trust in the flow of life's unfolding. We won't be after the *one thing* that is *the answer*, but a way of accurately translating our soul loves and motives into our personality's actions and experiences.

Those who have stepped into and calmly accepted their personal power to create, contribute, and have a positive impact will be propelled effortlessly into expanded productivity.

Polarization Heightens

Concurrently with this empowerment of self-as-soul, there will be increasing opposition and resistance to growth and change. Many people will feel endangered by anything or anyone who is "different"—not like me, not like what I'm used to. They will often mistake higher truth for criticism.

We know, at least in the United States, approximately 40% of the people are dug in when it comes to change that *seems to* threaten security, survival, and status quo (read: money, beliefs, habits). These people identify themselves mainly with body, personality, physical possessions, achievements, or even ego. While they may not see the bigger picture (yet), most are good, kind people.

Some, however, have experienced terrible early traumas, and as a way to avoid remembering and re-experiencing the shock, tend to convert the pain into present-day apathy, rage, rebellion, hatred, or violence. It's a version of personal power—but it's really a means of self-protection. When presented with something too different, something that *seems to* challenge their defined identity—they are likely to attack or try to eliminate those representing the threatening idea.

Anywhere people of different cultures, nationalities, religions, skin colors, educational backgrounds, sexual preferences, political persuasions, or financial status are brought together by circumstance, this year will bring heightened tension and potential for violence. At the same time, those who embrace self-as-soul will value the experience of diversity and dissimilarity as a way to find greater unity and compassion in themselves—and to witness the power of self-as-other and self-as-group in bringing about miraculous results.

So we're going to see people expressing both positive and negative forms of personal power as a result of heightened polarization. Closed-heartedness, hate crimes, revolt, and terrorism will be on the rise—just as much as increased growth, learning, innovation, and evolution.

Seeing through the Smokescreens of Spin

Part of developing true personal power, and transparency, is the ability to see through the surface of things into core truth, to distinguish fact from fantasy, clear visions from delusions, common sense from lies and distracting behaviors, and soul from ego. This year we'll see more people fed up with being brainwashed, who absolutely *do* see what's going on behind the scenes, who are willing to speak up and take action. It's like Albert Finney said back in 1976 in the movie *Network*, "I'm mad as hell and I'm not going to take this anymore!"

More people, of all ages, will simply stop participating in experiences characterized by ego, control, bias, negativity, lies, incompetence, and lack of ethics. They will create their own alliances, organizations, projects, and close colleagues—what many casually call their "tribe" or "soul group"—to create new realities based on soul principles.

Back to Nature and Love for Earth

The danger to the environment and the harmony of the earth itself becomes more glaring. As we see opaque leaders reversing environmental protections for the sake of corporate greed and laziness, and as we see increasing evidence of global warming and climate change, more and more people will be drawn to contribute to solutions—perhaps as their life work. This in part relates to the increase of polarization I mentioned above, as it brings about a clash between corporations and the people themselves.

There will be a strong attraction to the earth and communion with nature for many people—through renewed interest in hobby farming, homesteading, gardening, planting trees, camping, outdoor activities, international travel, visionquests, spiritual traditions like shamanism, and older earth-centered practices that pertain to paganism, animism, the Goddess, and the seasons. We learn to be in our body fully and how that connects us to the planet and all other forms of life.

The Word for 2020: BIFURCATION!

We are in a Bridge Time between realities, moving from the Information Age to the Intuition Age, from a slow-frequency world to a high-frequency world. We're learning to use both sides of our brain equally and integrate them with the wisdom of the body and the unified field of energy—which is also conscious—that exists everywhere around and in us. If we adopt the new expanded way of perceiving and creating reality, we flow harmoniously with the accelerating frequency of our planet, grow in personal power and talent, and contribute our enlightened creations to the world as a kind of healing. If we resist and clamp down, refusing to change, the energy itself will do us in.

What we see now as a rise in polarization is a sign of a *bifurcation of realities*—a separation of worldviews based on vastly different frequencies of consciousness. This separation acts like oil and water—the two views increasingly become different worlds. This year, 2020, I sense is the beginning of this split—it's a catalytic time. As the gap between reality-frequencies widens, we won't be able to exist in both, and it forces us to choose which reality we want, even if the choice is mainly unconscious. As the bifurcation continues over time, due to the increasing

frequency of the planet, eventually we will live in actual separate worlds. My visions have shown me that at some point there will be two earths of different frequencies existing in parallel realities.

2020 feels incredibly intense to me, with much negative drama *and* much growth and innovation. There will be many opportunities for wakeup calls and forks in the road. Lots of chances for the nearly instantaneous integration of revelations. Lots of moments for choice.

These very opportunities may also serve as a kind of overwhelm for people who can't quite understand how to keep up or what's happening to them. They may fall into pessimism, and consciously or unconsciously think the world is falling apart and life is hopeless—and they may succumb to physical or mental illness, suicide, accident, drug addiction, or violence. They need a roadmap of how to navigate the energy and changing consciousness of this Bridge Time.

When I asked for an image for the year, I saw a stream of motion that looked like a washboard, with great wrinkles made of highs and lows, the ripples or sine waves squashed up together to indicate many polarizing energy-events occurring in rapid succession. Above that and entirely separate was a peaceful, smooth-flowing river of aquamarine blue, moving quietly without distortion. I felt into each of these experiences and the first was unbelievably disruptive, while the second was ecstatic and joyful. The two motions were parallel and independent.

It came to me then that the bifurcation has begun. The group of people in the washboard reality cannot see the people in the free-flowing stream reality. The people in the stream reality know the other is there, but they're not participating. They are open for anyone to come join the stream, but they're not diving back into the ripples. Instead they're focused on being welcoming.

A last thought for 2020: Far from being hopeless, this year offers so many opportunities to become transparent—which is really the experience of telling the ego to release its grip on being the boss and allowing the soul to shine through. It's the experience of joining the smooth aquamarine river in my vision. We are in a process of shifting the balance of power from false (ego power) to true (soul power). With the help of the energy inherent in 2020, we can contribute to achieving the tipping point in the transformation of consciousness.

I encourage you to share authentically with others and ask for help and perspective when you need it. Contribute what you are and know to healing, wise innovation, whole-brain education, care and respect for the earth, and conscious attention-placing. And please notice how when you clear your fear and ignorance, the world around you clears, too. We're all so connected and we can absolutely shift the consciousness on our planet. Do it in yourself and talk about it, too.

Many blessings for the year,

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