

## Defining Armageddon

One of the issues I continue to grapple with and have for years, is whether the "shift" as we call it, will be a paradigm shift or a full-fledged revolution. As such, I have been inclined to tread the higher road, in hopes that our values will define our shifting consciousness. Sometimes the battles get so bad that I feel like I need to be on the front lines but don't quite know how to proceed without going for the jugular and then I don't really know if I have it in me to strike full force. The problem is that when you are put on the defense, as this entire planet has been, sometimes it appears that the only remedy is to fight back.

I feel like we're up against that now with our corrupted government, our compromised values, and our deteriorating planet. As a priestess and visionary, I feel that I'm supposed to be paving the way for new sustaining and peaceful methodologies, somehow ignoring all the dark stuff that's transpiring in the mundane world. On the other hand, as the warrior, I feel totally outraged and find it close to impossible not to keep tabs on what's happening while trying to remedy the situations through action because they could threaten the new and emerging methodologies. In the past, we could usually count on our legal and judicial systems to uphold the rule of law but that doesn't appear to be the case anymore. Because politics are driving legal decisions, our legal system may not hold up much longer with all the ripping and tearing at its foundation.

Some of us feel guilty because we harbor nasty thoughts about our opposition and believe that doing so is an indication that we are stooping to their level. This is understandable and I call it righteous outrage. I became totally outraged after the Gordon Libby commutation, and my rage hit the tipping point. Sometimes outrage is good: it keeps one from being depressed over all the injustice and it can act as a driver. If you can find a vehicle to channel that rage, you can sometimes break through it. However, sometimes I personally feel like I'm running into a wall and that's how I feel now with the "anything goes" wild-west attitude of our politicians and lawyers.

Lawyers once stood for integrity; now they will defend even the lowliest common denominator of society, full well knowing that they are guilty and they even function as accomplices in many cases, such as in the takeover of our government from the people by the Executive branch. I'd like to break down this wall of corruption and I know it's going to come to a head soon, but I'm not sure by what method.

I've all but resigned myself to believing that when put on the defense, you can't be apathetic or a pacifist. We all have to fight. The challenges now are the worst we've ever faced. As I've seen with our legal system and with many other institutions that have functioned in the past, they are all breaking down. That's both good and bad. The bad is that our constitution is breaking down and any legal method of upholding it is falling close behind. Laws are being made by those who have the most money and power; to the detriment and disenfranchisement of others. Their mode of operation is to wear everyone down with constant legal battles or bankruptcy.

The good is that the institutions that have harbored this corruption, such as banks, churches, greedy corporations, etc., are also cracking at the seams. I would like to think that if we continue to support integrity, from the legal end at least, everything will eventually come out in the wash. The dark side will fight us tooth and nail and go out kicking and screaming. They will take down every functioning institution as they go to make sure that everyone goes. That may actually not be a bad thing although it will be a major readjustment. However, as it all falls down, there will be lots of fallout, physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually unless you prepare yourself for the fallout.

Currently, I know no other method than the legal system to try to remedy any of these issues without spilling blood. For many, however, I believe it will become a bloodbath. I have a horrible sense that we are in for a major revolution before or during the next presidential election (if there is one). As our financial system begins to crumble, the dark side will take to the streets to get its hands on anything it thinks it owns -- whether belonging to them or not. I certainly won't be on the streets firing away, but if martial law is proclaimed and I have to defend myself and my property, I will do so.

If our planetary guides can't give us clear indicators regarding how the new value system is going to make headway against the old, we have to draw a line in the sand, tap into our higher selves, and fight back. To me it's similar to having someone threaten a young child; your first impulse would be to act first to protect the child and any other innocent living entity. So, in essence, I think that upon threat, we need to act to protect the planet, whatever it takes.

And if a legal system breakdown takes us back to a wild-west mentality, then I think it is appropriate to think "revolution" if democracy and the planet are so threatened that there's no longer legal recourse. I hope it never comes to that and I will keep thinking positively about the outcome, envisioning a peaceful future for those who want nothing more than working in sync with others and the natural rhythms of the planet. But for right now, my suggestion is to keep your eyes and ears wide open. The time may come when we all have to defend our beliefs and our vision. Not doing so may be personally detrimental during the final phase of the shift.