

TALK FOR ASSOCIATES

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Well, good evening.

I notice there are some people here who are not regular attendants at lectures and so forth on this subject, and perhaps I ought to say a word or two about this College Associate.

I want to bid you welcome here. The office that I maintain downtown in Phoenix actually is autonomous; it operates as itself. It has, now, about twelve College Associates scattered over the country. Each one of them is under its own helm, you might say, and each one of them carries on professional courses. They use lecture tapes in order to do this, and each one of them is run by HDAs who are very expert on the subject. And they give supplementary talks and professional lectures. They give professional processing. Furthermore, they do information service in the area where they are and they sell books and they furnish bookstores with books.

This type of organization was born out of two and one-half years of experience—some of it very bad—on the subject of organization in the field of Dianetics.

Originally, I was very much burdened down with mail, management and so on. And in May of 1950, I permitted myself to be talked into a central organization for Dianetics, which was to be governed by some gentlemen as trustees, and I wasn't to be bothered with management. This was very, very palatable to me at the time; I was quite busy and have been during the two and a half years ensuing.

Five Foundations were established and then, finally, the fuss, flurry, and so on was such that these Foundations couldn't keep their feet in the flood. There has just been too much interest in the subject, and as a result, these Foundations—by poor management, bluntly, and by having too much business, bluntly, and by having too few people who knew the subject, bluntly—collapsed. The wreckage was picked up and went to a place probably none of you have ever heard of, in a place called, I think the name of the state—(audience laughter) I think the name of the state is Nebraska or something. And there was a fellow there who was going to give Dianetics the business management which it needed. This did not take place, because the intention there was apparently to give the fellow Dianetics, not to give Dianetics the business management. And so this organization, again, blew up.

In each case, since the first Foundation was founded, I have had just one interest, and that has been the development of Dianetics and its dissemination. The dissemination, as far as I'm concerned, is writing and lectures. The development is in terms of very intense investigation, testing on preclears and an effort to keep the investigation in the field as codified as possible, and to keep the public furnished with information concerning the reliability of techniques.

I have tested, during this time, a great many techniques which have come in. Practically every technique which is now afloat in the field is either found in my early work or has been thoroughly tested by myself or someone working with me and has been thrown in the wastebasket—for a good reason: is these techniques were never tested in their development. Be something like somebody coming in and putting stuff on the drugstore counter and saying, "Now, I tested this on twenty preclears," when, as a matter of fact, he'd given a spoonful of it to the cat.

Now, this state of affairs has continued for a long time for this particular reason: Anyone who has worked in a subject of this character for twenty-two years has an enormous data bank, an enormous data bank; he can't help but have it. That data on the subject of the human mind is immediately backed up before those twenty-two years by an education in nuclear physics—

energy. And before that, with association with my very good friend Commander Thompson, who studied with Sigmund Freud himself in Vienna. And Commander Thompson brought psychoanalysis into America for the United States Navy.

The result has been an accumulation—an enormous accumulation—of data. And many, many techniques which have been developed are developed out of no knowledge of what has been developed and tested, and a very faint knowledge of the subject.

For two and a half years, now, that Dianetics has been in the public mind, however, people have been studying it. There are many, many able minds in the field of Dianetics—people have been studying it. And I have been waiting for people working in the field to get clear enough, to get experienced enough and to become informed enough to start feeding into the subject, generally, the data necessary to keep it rolling. I have acted as a policeman, one might say, as far as this is concerned, as well as putting out this new data as fast as I developed it.

Now, the time has come already when enough well-instructed and informed people in the field of Dianetics—now generally called Scientology—where developments, independent developments are (1) not as vitally necessary as they were before, since the techniques themselves work, and (2) where these techniques are seen to be reliable by the developer before he releases them. In this wise, we have graduated; we've come upstairs. We're at a point now where there's an enormous amount of original thought just beginning to go on.

There are many clown techniques that are very bad—they're very bad.

I want to say why those techniques are bad: because a person who is low on the Tone Scale conceives that to control others he must throw at other human beings mechanisms which throw those human beings out of control, so that thereafter those human beings will be obedient to his will.

An individual does this to himself, his own body. He throws at his own body data and pain to put it into a state of apathy to make it obedient to his will when he is so low on the Tone Scale that he has lost all thought or belief in his ability to control without this.

So you get low-scale techniques and they're actually put out with a tremendous fanfare, and they're designed to do just one thing, and that's throw the preclear out of control so the auditor can then get into control.

Fortunately, people are coming up across the field that are way above this tone band now—way above it. The Associates through the field are actually developing, here and there, very, very vital data. They're accumulating vital data. They're on their own as far as experience is concerned. And this is a very happy state of affairs to me, because this has been a very, very difficult period—these last two and a half years—trying to find out what techniques were necessary in the hands of an auditor to produce results; to find out how much did we have to know to get the results we had to have.

Well, we have techniques today which obtain those results. The fight, the contest, now, is how fast—how fast. It is down below a hundred hours now. In the hands of some auditors, it probably is up to two hundred hours, but it is very easy to get there now.

Now, anyone who believes this subject is just a dream-up, ballyhoo, something of the sort, don't let him express those things to an HDA, because this is insidious. The primary mechanism of throwing people out of control so they can be controlled is almost a spontaneous reaction on the part of an HDA who feels he is protecting something for the good of the world and the good of man; he'll give you a somatic.

I heard the other day—one of our group in Phoenix, the other day, heard a psychiatrist protest. He said, "Well, I'd like to see this girl run one of these prenatal . . ."

And this HDA said, “Well, Doc, lie down on the couch! I’ll show you a prenatal.”

The psychiatrist says, “No-no-no-no, no, no! No.” It ends all arguments.

But the value of this subject is for each individual in his own turn to establish. The work has been carefully done. It is now equipped with people throughout the field who are longtime students at it.

Most of the people who are well up there with this subject right now have been studying it hard and practicing it for two and a half years. Now, that’s a long time. In any month of that, they were handling and knowing more about the human mind than anyone on earth had done before. And as a consequence, we now are ready—we are now ready to perform some of the goals and missions which people believe this science is capable of establishing, and that’s the rehabilitation of the self-determinism of people; the interruption of the dwindling spiral which causes societies to decay, go into the barbarism of fascism, the complete cheat of communism and so disappear.

And here we are faced today with an international threat of war. It will be a very interesting war—be a very interesting war: Boom! Boom! And who is there to sign the peace? It’s very fascinating.

Well, I think that we have enough people: Egypt, Greece, South Africa, England—this subject is taught at the Sorbonne in France as an official subject—Switzerland, Canada. Someone was just in to see me the other day about establishing a College Associate such as this one in Mexico City. We have groups in Australia—all over the world, and every one of them has very close to the latest information available.

No cataclysm can wipe this subject out. And if one occurs on a police-state variety, a police-state cataclysm can only be interrupted by interrupting the control of the police state over people. And the way you control people is to throw them out of control and then give them another control.

Scientology and Dianetics do this insidious thing, the horrible thing—the horrible thing—of making it very difficult to make slaves out of people. And therefore people who have an obsession with making slaves don’t like this subject.

You’ll note carefully that I did not mention at this point psychiatrists giving electric shocks to insane people. I didn’t mention surgeons cutting out appendixes because somebody has a stomachache. I didn’t mention somebody cutting out five or six ribs because somebody has an ulcer. I didn’t even mention college education. I didn’t say any one of those things, because I don’t want this little talk I am giving you to have any entheta in it. And so I just told you that all slavery operations can be interrupted and amputated quickly by this subject.

Now, the keynote of this subject is self-determinism. And sure enough, in the organization of Phoenix and the Associates throughout the country and steadily growing throughout the world, that has been the keynote. That person on the ground has control of that section— self-determinism. And as this self-determinism has come-up the line, so has this subject gone forward organizationally.

Now, any one of these Associates—this one, too—is here to serve you and to keep the hall rolling in the direction that Scientology has headed it: toward a greater freedom and a greater liberty and a much higher civilization for man than he has known before.

The backbone of this subject is very, very solid. It is a very solid backbone.

Enough has been developed here and enough is now known, and just recently enough new data is beginning to pour in—good data— from the field, that we have bridged, perhaps,

several hundred years of research almost in the breath of man. And it is one of these things which is going not just by the square, but by geometric progression. It's on the rise, it's going very fast. My office is having a great deal of difficulty, now, keeping up with its mail—heavy mail, and heavier and heavier. We're getting the kind of mail now, on these new techniques and so on, that we used to get when the first book first appeared. All right.

You think that man does not instinctively know what man is composed of. Well, man knows what he's composed of. Against all objections, I have released into the field data that man is pretty immortal. He doesn't live just once. Furthermore, that the beingness of man, the spirit of man, the soul of man, is the personality of man and that he really knows who he is, where he is—that this isn't even inside the body.

This is incredible material, isn't it? Well, it has started an acceptance of this subject so much wider than you would expect that it has made the least likely book a bestseller and that book is a best seller today. That book—What to Audit. And that book might as well be called "A Brief Summary of the Sojourn of Beings in a Highly Dangerous Universe," or "A History of the Human Race as Nobody Ever Looked at It Before." And all it is, of course, is a book telling you what to audit out of a preclear. And this book, from England, gets, "We have just tested out what is in What to Audit, and we find every hit of it is true." Great enthusiasm—enthusiasm all over the place. And everybody said, "You can't possibly tell anybody about this because they will never believe it." Anybody is ready to believe what is apparently the truth.

But I don't know what we will be processing tomorrow. We're processing you and your spirit and your beingness today, and we're bringing you way up the line. We can even process out college education's. We can process out anything.

For two years we've been able to take out a complete ten-year psychoanalysis—I mean, an average-length-time psychoanalysis—in ten minutes. I mean, we can repair any damage, in other words.

And today, with these techniques, there is no paralysis in a being who is in communication in any degree with an auditor that cannot be resolved, unless it's the paralysis of somebody with his joints nailed rigid or with all of his muscles and tendons cut.

There is no psychosomatic illness which will stand up before this processing. Nobody asks you to believe it. It's not a matter of belief. The only thing that is asked of you is—take a glance at it. That will be fatal enough. I want to thank you for coming over, and I want to ask you to remember that this Associate here is very ready to serve you and give you additional information, training, and that this subject isn't his and it isn't mine: it's yours. Thank you very much.