

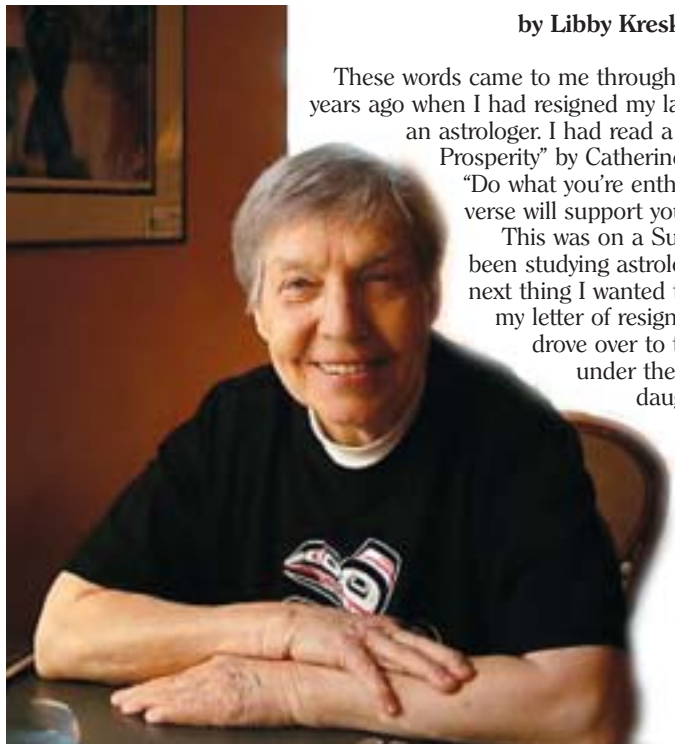
Experience the Richness Within and It Will Manifest Outwardly

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These words came to me through automatic writing over 30 years ago when I had resigned my last contracted job to become an astrologer. I had read a book, "Dynamic Laws of Prosperity" by Catherine Ponder, in which she wrote, "Do what you're enthusiastic about and the universe will support you."

This was on a Sunday afternoon. Since I had been studying astrology and knew that was the next thing I wanted to do, I immediately wrote my letter of resignation to the school district, drove over to their building and put it under the door. Since I still had a daughter to support, I wasn't sure I'd have the courage on Monday.

Well, one month went by, then two, then three. It turned out the universe didn't send checks. I got three months behind in my mortgage (\$296 a month), behind in real-estate taxes, and my car was limping along. So, needing to understand what this was all



about, I turned to automatic writing, which I had been doing for some years. I said, "Guys, it's not working." And this was the response:

Libby, you know you always have what you need when you need it. Now get to what's important, experience the richness within and it will manifest outwardly.

That was the confirmation I needed, plus the newly acquired knowledge that the great benefic Jupiter was in my natal 2nd house of money. A few weeks later, an envelope was dropped off in my mailbox with an unsigned note: "For Libby and her guides to take off on whatever flights of fancy they wish." Enclosed were ten 100-dollar bills, enough to pay off my three months' mortgage and go out to dinner.

I also used a few affirmations:

"Give us this day, our daily bread."

"One day at a time."

And one morning I woke up, looked out the window and said to myself, "Oh, I've been sent to earth today. Now, let's see what my props are: I've got clothes to wear,

some food in the refrigerator and a little gas in the car. I wonder where I'll be sent tomorrow."

I also drew on the knowledge that my maternal grandparents had raised six children with no monetary income. I remember my mother telling me how her mother had said, "Henry, there just is not enough." He replied, "The Lord will provide." My grandfather was a Methodist minister in Kansas at a time when ministers were not paid a salary, but rather were given donations of food and used clothing in what were called aid barrels. With these provisions and the faith that the Lord would provide, they raised six children: two doctors, a professor of religion, an opera singer, a social climber, and my mother.

This wasn't the first time I had "leapt empty-handed into the void." When I was 21, I was working as the secretary of the Far Eastern Dept. at the U of W while I was trying to decide what I wanted to do next after receiving my BA. While there I heard a Russian woman, who taught conversation in the department, sing some Russian gypsy songs. I thought, "I'm home, I'm home." She taught me the songs syllable by syllable and note by note. It was as if a magnet was pulling me in that direction. The \$300 I had saved paid my way from Seattle to Cornell and it didn't cross my mind that maybe that might not take me through graduate school. I was excited because I knew what I wanted to study.

When I got to Cornell I was hired as secretary of the Slavic Department. I worked four hours a day and studied the rest of the time. At the end of the year Columbia University bought out the Cornell Slavic department and students and teachers moved to NYC. The wife of the department head came to me and said, "I have a wealthy friend who needs a tax write-off. He'd like to pay your way through Columbia. But he doesn't want you to know who he is." I assured her that wouldn't be a problem.

After getting my MA at Columbia, I was offered one of the exchange scholarships being offered to Charles University in Prague, where I eventually received my Ph.D. in Slavic Studies.

The point of these stories is that if we follow what we're enthusiastic about, doors of opportunity do open for us. If we have a passion for something, it's easier to follow that path. It's more challenging when we don't know what we really want but we're dissatisfied with what we're doing.

I had taught Russian for four years at Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio, and five years at Ohio State. On one of my trips

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back from leading a student tour to Russia, I realized I didn't want to continue teaching at the university. I was repeating myself, not growing. I knew I wanted to move back home to the Northwest but it took two years before I actually pulled up stakes and left. I knew I was leaving something I no longer wanted to do, but I had no idea what I wanted to do next. I used my \$7,000 pension to support myself and two children for nine months on Vashon Island. Then the money was gone.

I had moved to Bainbridge Island in June 1971 and another door opened. I was asked to direct the first alternative school on the island. While there I met an astrologer and pursued that interest.

Many years have passed and doors keep opening. A few weeks ago "out of the blue" I received a check for \$2,456 from the Smithsonian for a record I had made with Folkways over 50 years ago. They had years ago acquired all the Folkways' recordings but had only recently learned that I had recorded under the name Elizabeth Knight.

The other day I pulled a chart out of my filing cabinet of a woman I had done a reading with some months back. I hadn't remembered her and have no idea why I pulled out her file. When I opened it there were \$500 in bills and a check for \$100 plus a deposit slip. This nicely took care of some bills that had just come in.

Another client wrote me a check for \$250 after our reading that a friend of hers had already paid for. She said she felt she owed me something from the past and \$250 came to mind.

I still feel rich inside as I approach my 85th birthday. I attribute this to my following through on what I've felt enthusiastic about and leaving situations that had become stifling.

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