

PROSPERITY- AN EXPANSION OF AWARENESS

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One snowy night some years ago in my hometown of St. Louis, Missouri, members of the St. Louis Lodge departed the temple after convocation to find a blizzard raging outside. It was too dangerous to drive home so we decided to hold a discussion while we waited for the storm to let up. Our conversation soon focused on the many benefits we had received from the Order and that we wanted to give something back.

A small group formed that evening to create a series of presentations based on the Rosicrucian principles of prosperity.

Our goal was to share this information with other members around the area and eventually to the general public in gratitude for what these principles had done for our lives.

As we began reviewing the principles outlined in our teachings, amazing things started happening to those of us who had volunteered to put the program together. One of us received a job offer she was really hoping for. Another person got a substantial pay raise. A third person received an unexpected large bequest just two weeks after this process began in the middle of an unexpected snowstorm. By



merely reviewing the principles and in our intent to give something back to the Order, we set prosperity into motion.

At our first meeting with the rest of the members of the lodge, we brainstormed on what prosperity meant to us – how we defined prosperity. During the middle of this discussion one long-time member stated, “Prosperity is an expansion of awareness.” The discussion continued, however, this one statement in particular has stayed with me.

Prosperity is a state of mind; it is a matter of awareness and focus; it is in asking the right questions. Just as in quantum physics our attention transforms waves into particles of matter, so do our thoughts create the realities with which we live.

The most helpful resource for me during this research was an audio recording by Frater Erwin Watermeyer entitled, *Two Practical Principles* (printed in this issue of the *Rosicrucian Digest*). My Rosicrucian mentor had given me this recording soon after I joined the Order. I must have listened to it one hundred times by then.

In it, Frater Watermeyer explains two important points:

1. The only events of which we may become objectively aware are impressions received in terms of the five objective senses. Consequently, before any psychic or non-material impression may be objectively realized, it must first transform itself into an objective sense impression.
2. Our subconscious speaks and understands only the language of symbols. Consequently, when one desires to impress anything upon the subconscious, it must first be translated or transposed into a symbol or image.

He further stressed the importance of keeping the message to our subconscious

clear. If we visualize health for ten minutes a day, but don't take care of ourselves the other twenty-three hours and fifty minutes, what message will our subconscious receive? Also, once we have set the principles into motion, we must forget about our request, rather than telling the Cosmic how we want things done or checking on our request.

I have been applying these principles for years now. When I moved to San Jose to serve as the Director of the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum we applied these principles in creating the museum that we desired. World-renowned lecturers and Egyptologists started contacting us! We envisioned spreading the Light to great crowds of people learning about the Order through their visits to the museum. A few days after the initial visualization, there was a line of guests streaming out the front door, all the way out to the sidewalk!

We continue to use the principles of our teachings to visualize, desire, imagine, and feel the powerful vitality of the English Grand Lodge, as it continues to serve our members and all humanity. I invite you to include this vision with your petition below.

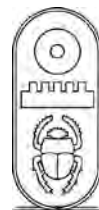
Here are the Four Steps of the Prosperity Process as described in the teachings:

I know that the Cosmic is the infinite and unfailing source of all abundance.

I ask the Cosmic that _____ (insert your petition) and I ask the Cosmic that perfection manifest now in all aspects of the functioning of our beloved Rosicrucian Order.

I give thanks that my request has already been fulfilled. I open my arms, my heart, and my mind, and I willingly accept Cosmic Abundance.

I now have a covenant in which it is agreed that the Cosmic is supplying me



with an abundance of all things necessary to live a successful and happy life. In return, I dedicate myself to being of maximum service to the Divine and to those around me, to living my life in a fashion that sets the highest example for others to follow, and to remaining open and responsive to the guidance of the Master Within.

If it is the will of the Cosmic, So Mote It Be!

In thinking back over all the great gifts I have received as a member of the Order, three things stand out. First, the most amazing gifts come at the most unexpected times: during a snowstorm following convocation; in a quiet conversation with a fellow member; during a ritual I have seen many times before.

I have also learned the value of getting out of the way of the Cosmic. The gifts

I have received are much greater than I could have imagined! I have stopped telling the Cosmic how to manifest what I want. Visualize what you want and let the Cosmic take it from there.

Finally, I have found that I cannot keep up with the blessings of the Cosmic. The more I give to the Order, the more I receive. The benefits I have received through being a member of the Rosicrucian Order are tremendous, on all levels – physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual. The more I give in time, money, and energy, the more blessings come flowing down upon me.

With a most humble and sincere heart, I am profoundly grateful for the blessings I have received as a soror of the Rose Cross.

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