

Okay everyone, sorry for being late. We will now begin the study session for August 2. First, we will pray for world peace without using the Unity CD.

After reciting the words of the prayer, we will take about one minute to close our eyes and have time for silent prayer. At the beginning, I will say “May Peace Prevail on Earth” twice, so please join me from the second time.

《Prayer for World Peace》

Thank you very much. Were you able to see today's first title? Here it is. Today, I will speak on the theme: “The Unity of the Divine Self is the beginning of God's life.”

Those of you who have read the blog may have already seen this, but I will share the screen so we can go through it together. Let's read this now.

The Unity of the Divine Self is the beginning of God's life

Are you ready?

This time, I'm going to talk about “what I want you to carve deep into your heart at this very moment.”

Just because you've reached the point where you can express your own divinity through your thoughts, words, and actions, it doesn't mean you can now simply stop.

That is nothing more than the starting point of “life as God.”

In other words, it's merely a passing milestone along the path toward becoming one with the Ultimate Source of Life.

Remember how I once told you, “In the context of the cosmic society, the average level of consciousness of present-day Earth humans is little more than that of animals with a bit of fur added”?

Because of that, there are beings from other stars, those only loosely connected with Earth, who watch from a detached distance. And even now, when discussing the theme of “the salvation and regeneration of Earth,” some of them say, “If they want to perish, then let them perish.”

Take a bird's-eye view of the fact that, even after having devastated the natural environment to this extent, there are still Earth humans who refuse to stop fighting.

Many Earth humans, not only in matters of war or conflict, but even in their private lives, continue to operate from the same old foundation of self-centeredness.

And yet, it's as obvious as fire itself that the end result of that fleeting mindset—“As long as I and those close to me are fine, nothing else matters”—can only be disastrous.

And in the midst of such an age, you have remembered that you are beings of divinity. You have

lived by practicing how to reveal the essence of that divine life within yourselves.

Now, the fruits of that practice have clearly surfaced, and many among you have come to the point of manifesting your own divinity.

But let me say this again: from here, the true beginning unfolds.

You are not standing at the goal.

If anything, as beginners who have now entered the divine realm, this is the true start of your training.

The further you go, the more you begin to see things that were once invisible.

For example, if you walk 100 meters down a path, you see the scenery that comes into view from there.

If you walk another kilometer forward, you encounter a new vista, one you could not have seen before.

In the same way, the deeper you advance in the evolution of consciousness—the more you “divinize” yourself—the wider your vision expands, and the next challenges naturally come into focus.

In that sense, you are truly blessed.

Whether Earth perishes or not, your world has no end. You are walking, forever and ever, along a path of light that shines without end.

These are the words that came to me as an intuition, a flash of inspiration, right after the previous study session ended.

It means that just because we have become one with the divine realm, it doesn't mean that everything is now perfectly accomplished. On the contrary, the true beginning starts from there.

After this, we will continue by reading Goi-sensei's poem “True Self,” so please close your eyes and listen.

True Self

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There is something that people must know to make the future of the Earth shine.

It is your substantial hearts or true selves that are covered with black wings called desire, fear, sorrow, and hatred related to physical life.

Furthermore, you need to know more deeply that your true selves or substantial hearts are great wisdom that moves the universe.

And it emanates from a source of absolute energy that is unparalleled.

Your true selves are always one with God.

Your substantial hearts are the light that emanates from God.

You were originally the true selves of God himself.

Desire, fear, sorrow, hatred... these karmic thoughts originated when you limited yourselves from the world of God's light to the world of physical form.

They naturally appear and disappear like bubbles in the ocean.

They can also be called a drama of a night, depicted in a dreamlike illusion.

Humanity is not in conflict.

Humans are not lost.

The conflicting thoughts, the lost thoughts, are only now passing in front of the true selves of humanity and are about to disappear.

You may be silent and think your true selves are uniting with God.

And keep your eyes fixed on the shining God and your true selves.

And keep closing your eyes and remembering and watch eagerly that your true heart is one with God's shining light.

In other words, calm your thoughts and see only the divine light within you.

As long as you do so, karma will not return to you again.

Beloved ones, do not stop karmic thoughts from vanishing.

Don't think back to the pain of dreamlike illusion.

If you stop doing it and don't recollect it, karma will not return to you.

You are now the true self itself.

You are totally one with the Divine Great Light.

You are originally the one who will draw the future of the Earth with only light.

In a previous study session, I believe I mentioned this: "Please write out or recite this poem, *True Self*, many times until you've memorized it so well that it comes naturally to you anytime, anywhere."

The reason I recommend memorizing this poem is that when Goi-sensei wrote it, his consciousness had become completely one with the very vibration of the Source of Life itself, and from that state, these words were woven.

Therefore, simply by reciting this poem, Goi-sensei's consciousness is installed within us, and we too are able to make the consciousness of the Source of Life our own. That is why I encourage you to memorize this poem.

Also, during the "Video Prayer Gathering" on Saturday, July 26, there was a reading from Goi-sensei's book *Great Determination*, titled "The Clear Heart and the Honest Heart."

This piece is truly wonderful. If you could genuinely embody in your thoughts, words, and actions the content written in that passage, you would live with the heart of God itself.

Every single word in "The Clear Heart and the Honest Heart" has the power to lead us to the state of unity with our Divine Self.

That's why I recommend reading "The Clear Heart and the Honest Heart" over and over again—dozens of times if possible. And if no one is around, I encourage you to read it aloud.

In the previous "Video Prayer Gathering," Masami-sensei also spoke about this: that the deeper, unseen resonance behind words carries an incredible power—an energy that reflects the very vibration of the Universal God and brings forth reality into this world.

In that gathering, Masami-sensei said, "Even if you don't pray for world peace aloud, the vibration of the World Peace Prayer that is already resonating in your hearts is spreading throughout the world, and it is igniting hope within the hearts of humanity."

And in one of our study sessions—perhaps the last one or the one before it—I also spoke about this when we discussed AWAI.

I said, "Within the unseen resonance lies the true essence that gives life to everything. That is what AWAI is." AWAI is not something you can hold in your hand or see with your eyes. It is the primordial resonance that brings everything into existence.

To use an analogy from the ocean: "The power that gives life to fish, octopuses, shrimp, shellfish, and all other marine creatures is none other than the seawater itself—the ocean itself."

Likewise, as long as we live in this world and see this physical body, we are the ones being sustained. But when our consciousness stands on the side of AWAI, we become the ones who give life and set everything into motion.

Those who have become advanced may even be able to do this with their eyes open, but for now, please close your eyes.

If you try to extend your awareness too far, it becomes vague, so for this practice, limit it to your own neighborhood.

For example, if it were me, I would limit it to my neighborhood of Takanawa 2-chome and imagine, with my eyes closed, "I am the very ground and space of this entire area of Takanawa 2-chome."

When you do this, the people living in the same neighborhood become like the cells within your own body—they are not something separate or apart from you.

This is, of course, just an exercise in imagery. But there is a teaching related to this. Let me share my screen now.

This is a message for those who may be thinking, “Even if you say that, I just can’t do it. It’s impossible for me.”

“When you scoop up water, the moon is reflected in your hands.

When you touch a flower, its fragrance fills your robes.”

These are words from the world of Zen. We will go into more detail about this after the break.

What time is it now? 1:38 PM. Alright, let’s perform the Divine Spark IN once and then take a break.

《One Divine Spark IN》

Thank you very much. We’ll take a break until 1:51 PM. I’ll share my screen now. Yes, I think it’s fine to leave it like this, so please take your own break, and we’ll resume after 1:51.

《10-minute break》

Okay, it’s now 1:51 PM, so let’s continue. I’ll share the previous image on the screen again.

“When you scoop up water, the moon is reflected in your hands.

When you touch a flower, its fragrance fills your robes.”

These words are said to be a verse from “Spring Mountain, Night Moon,” a poem by the Tang Dynasty poet Yu Liangshi.

This teaching was included among Zen sayings because “it also conveys a truth that aligns with the world of Zen.”

It says that if you scoop up water and hold it toward the moon, the moon will be in the palm of your hand.

Now, I don’t believe there’s anyone here who is in despair, thinking, “I wonder when this Divine Reawakening will ever happen,” but if there are those who feel close to giving up on manifesting divinity, I think this is a phrase that can be used to tell them, “Divinity is not something far away.”

If we think of the physical body as a mirror that reflects the divinity—the light of life—then when we turn our hearts straight toward divinity, divinity is reflected in our hearts and begins to manifest.

And if you touch a flower, its fragrance will transfer to your robes. This phrase tells us that if we keep coming into contact with what is good, we are influenced by it and we ourselves become good.

When we were children, many of us were told by adults, “Choose your friends wisely,” or “Play with good friends.”

It’s the same principle: if we continue to associate with “people who have a good influence,” it’s like attaching clips or nails to a magnet—eventually, even those that originally had no magnetism gain magnetic power. Similarly, we, too, become something greater.

In the same way, if we wish to make divinity our own, we must continuously and intentionally express divine words, thoughts, and actions.

When we do that, the same thing described in the second line—“When you touch a flower, its fragrance fills your robes”—begins to happen within our hearts.

Of course, it’s also effective to continue interacting with those who have a positive influence on us. But if we live by embodying the mindset expressed in these two lines as a whole, our sense of self-limitation will

gradually weaken.

Still, even if you think, “I no longer limit myself,” there will be moments when you’re confronted with the depths of your subconscious and realize, “I can’t believe there was still more!” That’s how deeply rooted our self-imposed limitations truly are.

And yet, we must keep practicing—constantly, constantly, constantly—putting into our words, thoughts, and actions the truth that “I am originally a divine being.”

Even if you think, “I am not yet fully God,” you simply set that thought aside and keep practicing manifesting divinity. Before you know it, anyone who continues this practice will find themselves restored to their divine nature.

When we taste the reality that “we originally emerged from the primal source of energy that created the universe itself, each of us now appearing as individual beings,” we realize, as I said before, that our journey is not about becoming one with God for the first time. Rather, it is about remembering that our original life is already divine—and that remembering is what allows us to manifest divinity through our thoughts, words, and actions.

This path toward Divine Reawakening is not an easy one.

Just when you feel good and think, “Maybe I’ve already achieved Divine Reawakening,” the next challenge will suddenly be placed before you.

Our Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities will not allow us to become complacent. That is why we must live without losing humility, but at the same time, without losing confidence.

Walking this path—“humble but not self-deprecating, confident but not arrogant”—while keeping this balance of heart, is precisely the journey through which each of us deepens our unity with our Divine Self.

Recently, there was an experience that made me suddenly realize: “Ah, life is truly a series of choices, moment by moment. Each and every instant is a crossroads, a branching path.”

Every single moment, we are choosing the future as we live. Do we go right or left? Do we choose red or blue?

In our daily lives, within the usual repetitions of routine, those kinds of choices, decisions, and actions may not seem all that difficult.

But when something completely unexpected appears before us, or happens to us personally, the most important thing is what we think in that very first instant—our reflexive thought in that split second.

What matters most is what we think and what we choose at that very first moment.

For example, I’ve shared before that “I used to be full of complaints and dissatisfaction.”

My karmic thought patterns weren’t the kind that stayed bottled up inside; rather, they were the type that erupted outward.

Because of that, the way my karmic thoughts manifested and disappeared was often through visible, external injuries. I had many serious injuries.

When I was younger, I didn’t really understand this very well, but even into my thirties and forties, that was still my reality. Yes, up until my forties, I lived a life in which injuries were a constant companion.

Looking back on those years, I remember one particular time in my forties when I accidentally cut the area between my index finger and thumb so badly that my thumb was practically dangling—it was nearly the same

length as my index finger.

In that moment, I thought for a split second, “Oh no, I’ve done it now.” But this was around 2007... Ah, yes, I remember—it was the day before a Fuji Sanctuary event.

When I injured myself the day before that event, the thought flashed through my mind: “What am I going to do? Can I still go to Fuji Sanctuary tomorrow?” But almost immediately, I felt, “It’ll be fine.” I didn’t have any basis for it, but I believed it would be fine.

I went to the doctor, had it stitched up, and I think I even went to Fuji Sanctuary with it bandaged. If I hadn’t been able to think “It’s going to be fine” in that first moment, my recovery probably would have been slower, and I certainly wouldn’t have even thought about going to Fuji Sanctuary the next day.

But because I was able to believe “It’s okay” right from the start, my injury healed quickly.

Also, I never once felt like I was forcing myself to go to Fuji Sanctuary despite my injury.

The reason I can say I wasn’t forcing myself is because I genuinely believed I was fine.

I didn’t grit my teeth or push myself; I simply went to the doctor, had it stitched up so the wound wouldn’t reopen, bandaged it, and from my perspective, there was no problem at all.

Now, what I’m about to share is something I absolutely don’t recommend anyone imitate—but after the first two visits to the hospital for stitches, I stopped going.

I even removed the stitches myself. Now, on the palm side of my left hand, the scar has completely disappeared, but on the back of my hand, you can still see a scar. (shows scar on screen)

At the time, I don’t know why, but I thought, “I’ll just take the stitches out myself.” Of course, I think most people should absolutely go to the hospital and have the stitches removed properly.

While the wound was healing, there were various symptoms.

But each time, from within myself, I knew exactly how to handle it—“When this happens, this is what I should do”—and I took care of it accordingly.

But that’s probably because I’m a little unusual. For all of you, if you get injured, I definitely recommend going to the hospital.

Also, for some people, as they reach their mid-70s, it becomes easier to experience things like tripping while walking.

And sometimes, it’s not just a simple fall—there are cases where it leads to fractures in the legs or hips.

Of course, our Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities are watching over us, but even in just the past two or three years, I’ve heard of two or three people who participate in Zoom sessions who have suffered leg fractures.

Even Masami-sensei has broken bones twice in recent years.

In her case, when the doctor told her, “It will take three months to heal,” she set a goal and decided, “I’ll heal in a month and a half.” She focused her consciousness on healing, and it actually happened—the doctor was astonished at how quickly she recovered.

From my own experience, I can tell you that “Masami-sensei is not an exception.”

Why? Because the body responds to what we believe.

When we are injured or become ill, if our minds are filled with negative thoughts about the injury or illness, it will delay the healing process.

What I often tell those around me is this: “Life has far more power than you think it does.”

Life is incredible. Even if we only look at the life energy working within this physical body, it is astonishingly powerful.

Life functions with an exquisite balance.

We can't see what's happening inside our bodies, but every moment, cellular renewal is taking place.

They say that in about three to five years, every single cell in the human body is replaced.

The faster-replicating cells renew in just a few days, while the slower ones, like bones and teeth—those harder parts—take several years.

But even then, within just a few years, every cell is replaced.

If that's true, then the body we had 10 years ago no longer exists today. Even the body from 5 years ago is gone. Maybe some of the body from a year ago remains, but we are essentially living in a constantly renewed body.

The job of our cells is simply to carry out their renewal smoothly.

That's why it's important that our thoughts don't interfere with the natural work of those cells.

For example, in daily life, when we catch a cold—it happens because some kind of virus enters through our nose or mouth, reaches our throat or lungs, and causes inflammation.

If the type of virus changes, the symptoms can resemble something like COVID.

When you catch a cold, you may experience symptoms like a scratchy throat, a runny nose, coughing, or a fever. But last year or the year before, there was a movie that beautifully illustrated how our cells work.

It was originally an anime, and there was also a live-action version shown in theaters. It's called *Cells at Work!* (It was even broadcast on NHK.)

In this anime, every single cell inside the body is personified and depicted as working diligently within the body. In reality, our cells are all doing their utmost to fulfill their roles. For example, when a cold virus enters the body, the cells work together to expel it.

That's when symptoms like fever, coughing, nasal discharge, or even night sweats occur—these are all ways the body pushes the virus out.

When something foreign enters the body, our body works tirelessly to remove it.

If there are cells that are overwhelmed by the virus, other cells step in to support them.

This is how our cells keep striving to maintain a normal, healthy state.

That's why we need to set aside thoughts like “The doctor said this,” or “According to common sense, it should be like this,” and instead focus on imagining what we truly want.

Common sense isn't something created by others—it's something we create ourselves.

If we accept the so-called “common sense” created by others, then, because we accepted it, our bodies will try to function according to it.

For example, if a doctor says, “Your illness is incurable,” and you accept that by thinking, “I guess I won't get

better,” what impact do you think that belief will have on your cells?

Cells don’t need anyone to command them—they naturally strive to remain healthy, to renew themselves, and to stay fresh.

But if we, the masters of our own bodies, hold on to the fixed belief that “I won’t get better,” then we end up severely obstructing the body’s natural healing power.

In the current academic world, in the field of medicine, and in society’s so-called common sense, there is no concept of divinity.

Modern medicine is based on statistical data: “If this happens, then this will follow,” or “Under these conditions, this is the outcome.” That has become the “common sense” of doctors and society.

We must remove such conditioning from our consciousness.

We decide our own common sense.

When divinity begins to manifest on the surface, the consciousness of our Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities and our own consciousness come closer and closer until they begin to overlap.

At first, there is distance, but as the overlap increases, we gradually become one.

Among you, some may already be fully united with your Guardian Deities and Spirits, while others may still be partway there.

When this happens, intuitive insights directly connected to the Guardian Deities and Spirits become your guiding force: “This is what I should do,” “This is how I’ll handle this,” “This is how I want to live.”

When you live connected to the Guardian Deities and Spirits, even if a doctor says one thing, you develop your own sense of “I know what I want to do,” and that becomes *your* common sense.

Among those of you here today, there are indeed people who are already guiding themselves in this way. For us who aspire to Divine Reawakening, while we may respect the common sense of society and the field of medicine, we must not rely on them in our hearts.

For example, this applies even to the question of whether or not to take medication.

Masami-sensei used to say, “I don’t take medicine,” but she also added, “Please, don’t push yourselves.”

We too, if our consciousness reaches the point of feeling, “I don’t need medicine,” will naturally be able to live without it.

However, if we feel, “I’m not ready to go that far yet,” then I think it’s good to start by using the support of medicine while gradually training ourselves to free our minds from the self-imposed bondage of medical “common sense.”

This is true for anything—nothing can be done instantly just because we think of it.

In this physical world, there is always a time gap between when we think of something and when it manifests.

Let me go slightly off-topic here, but this is precisely why souls in the spiritual world long to be born into the physical world.

Why? Because here in this world, there is time to redo things.

The biggest difference between this world and the other world is that here, we have the chance to try again.

In the other world, there is no time for that. If you felt anger—“That guy!”—you would have already struck him.

You might even have stabbed him with a knife.

But here, even if we feel that way, we have the chance to refrain from showing it on our face or speaking it out loud, and in that pause, we are given time to purify that thought.

This is why I feel so grateful to live in this world.

Because in this world, we can always start over.

No matter what setbacks we've had in the past, no matter what failures, no matter what unpleasant things we've experienced, in this world—this space-time—we are given the time to transform everything into light.

So, while it is predicted that this August will be even hotter than usual, please, take good care of your bodies: avoid going outside in the middle of the day, do your shopping after sunset, and let's all make choices that are kind to our bodies.

Of course, if you must go out during the day for an unavoidable reason, then you must—but for the things you can control, it's better to act during the cooler hours of the day.

I, too, manage my time by doing things early in the morning rather than during the bright midday hours.

When we manifest our divinity, infinite power emerges.

However, this physical body still functions according to the laws of this physical world.

Until the laws of this world shift to those of the spiritual and divine realms, we need to be gentle with our bodies—never pushing them beyond their limits, sometimes even rewarding them. This is what it means to live in a way that is kind to ourselves.

Speaking of living kindly toward ourselves, I once had a conversation with someone about a related but slightly different topic.

Human beings—especially those considered “good people”—are often kind and agreeable toward others on the outside.

But behind that, there are many who look down on themselves, criticize themselves, trample themselves down, and, in the worst cases, even turn their anger inward as if assaulting themselves emotionally.

I used to be that way too. That's how I used to treat myself inwardly.

Among human beings, there are those who bottle everything up and endure it without lashing out at others, and there are those who explode and direct their frustration outward.

But in truth, in both cases, what's happening is the same: it's something we are doing to ourselves in our own hearts.

I often talk about “the victim and the perpetrator within the heart,” and unless these two—this inner disharmony of the “victim and perpetrator within the heart”—are reconciled and come to peace with each other, our own hearts cannot be in harmony, and our relationships with others will not go well either.

All causes are found within the heart.

But no one teaches us this.

The only ones who know everything are our Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities.

For example, imagine a child who has their parents do all their summer homework for them. If the adults around the child do everything that the child is supposed to do, that child will never develop their own abilities. In the same way, when it comes to academics, a student won't build their academic skills if they don't make their own effort.

The same applies to our destiny: the things we must overcome ourselves will not be solved for us, even by our Guardian Spirits or Guardian Deities.

During such times, the Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities watch from deep within as we struggle, experiment, fall into despair, or even become arrogant through misunderstanding.

And when we stray too far off course, the Guardian Deities may send forth a powerful light for a great purification.

In those moments, we humans may experience serious illness, major injuries, the collapse of the company we work for, or other difficult trials of destiny.

From the perspective of the Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities, these are not hardships at all—but from the human perspective, they are tremendous ordeals.

From here onward, the stage of our way of living will be to deepen our awareness that, while we used to see everything only from the standpoint of the physical body, we can now begin to see ourselves simultaneously from the perspective of our Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities.

First, let's get through this hot summer, and from there, we begin.

It's 2:39 now. So, let's perform the Divine Spark IN once more and then conclude.

《One Divine Spark IN》

Since there are some first-time participants here, I'd like to share once again something I've mentioned before. This is something that each of us must truly cherish and hold dear.

This is the story of what Masami-sensei shared with three of her daughters and three directors, right after the Divine Spark IN descended into this world on July 2, 2017.

As I've mentioned in previous study sessions, Masami-sensei said the following to Yuka-sensei, Maki-sensei, Rika-sensei, and the directors:

“From now on, through the Divine Spark IN, many people from all over the world will connect with Byakko. But you must not be satisfied with that.

You must lead them to the point where they can pray for world peace with ‘the awareness of fading away.’

Unless they can truly pray in the state of ‘fading away,’ people will never truly be saved.”

That is what she told them.

“Praying for World Peace in the State of Fading Away” is our fundamental way of living.

However, when we truly reflect and ask ourselves, “Am I really practicing it?” we inevitably come back to what Masami-sensei said at the very end of her teaching: “Unless one can truly pray in the state of fading away, people will never be saved.”

Each of us must take this not as someone else's story, but as a lesson for ourselves—an opportunity to examine our own hearts and carry out a deep cleansing of the heart.

By doing so, our sense of unity with the Divine Self deepens, and our state of spiritual awakening grows.

I've said this many times before, but unity with the Divine Self is not the exclusive domain of Goi-sensei or

Masami-sensei.

It is not limited to researchers, lecturers, or those with special titles.

Ordinary people can unite with their Divine Selves.

Whether someone is a member of Byakko or not, the era has come in which anyone can achieve unity with the Divine Self.

Those who turn away from this truth and indulge in an elitist mindset will end up basking in their sense of superiority.

Unknowingly, their “heart’s nose” will grow longer and longer, like Pinocchio’s, and they will drift away from the current of Divine Reawakening.

This is why I believe the concept of “ladder-ship” is the clearest example.

It means genuinely examining our own hearts and choosing to live in humility.

It is not about standing above and calling out “Come, come” while looking down on others.

Rather, we descend to where they are, making our own hearts and bodies into ladders that connect Heaven and Earth, and saying, “Here, please walk upon my back and ascend to Heaven.”

That is the way we are meant to live.

In this sense, the coming age will not require “special” people.

Each and every one of us will become independent in spirit and serve as a ladder in our own unique roles, within the connections we are given, sharing in the work of God in the place where we are most needed.

From now on, there will be neighbors, coworkers, relatives, and friends who will naturally begin to connect with the world of truth.

Even those who have hesitated, thinking, “I’m not sure if I should bring up spiritual topics,” will start feeling, “Alright, I’ll share the truth.”

Or even if they don’t initiate it themselves, people will come to them asking about the truth.

This will happen more and more.

Therefore, the words Masami-sensei has repeatedly told us—“You are the leaders of the leaders of the leaders of humanity”—will become something that each of us begins to truly recognize in our own daily lives.

To achieve this, we must open our hearts. Living with an open mind is essential.

I myself spent decades praying for world peace while living with a closed mind.

But because “I could not be of use as I was,” my Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities went and bowed to Nakazawa-san’s Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities, asking, “Please, train this one for us.”

And so, in the physical world, I began to work by assisting Nakazawa-san.

From that point on, I was placed in situations where I could no longer afford to remain closed-minded.

After that, I began interacting with hundreds—three digits’ worth—of people.

For someone like me, who had lived with a biased mindset of “I don’t need friends from Byakko, and attending gatherings is absolutely out of the question,” changing my way of life in this manner was, at first, painful at times.

However, I believe that in the world of the Guardian Spirits and Guardian Deities, everything had already been prepared, and without even realizing it, my heart was gradually and harmoniously adjusted to become open-minded.

Therefore, I hope that all of us can open our hearts and, with the spirit of “welcome those who come, and do not chase those who leave,” gently receive and walk alongside anyone who approaches, guiding them through the work of the ladder.

It's gotten late, hasn't it? I apologize. It's now 2:53. With that, we will conclude today's study session. Since mid-August is the Obon season, we will not hold a study session then. Our next study session will be on Saturday, September 6, at this same time.

Now, I will turn on everyone's microphones.

Thank you very much. This concludes today's study session.

The End.