

FOREWORD



Some call me an NDE survivor, but I say “thrive-or.” After morgue personnel noted some slight motion, surreal events led to my rebirth and an eventual parent-son relationship with Ernest and Fenwick Holmes...Founders of the “Science of Mind” philosophy. Until Larry James Stevens came *rocketing* into my world with a zest for life I’ve rarely seen, I’d never shared the full details of my miraculous *resurrection*. Larry’s childlike enthusiasm and appreciation, especially for a *mystery*, was difficult to resist. At that time, I focused on the transpersonal-level study of human potential, entrusted to me by Ernest. But Larry reminded me of the inspirational power of a gallant story...especially when *written-off* ones rally against all odds (Chapter 16). Having already sampled his bountiful storytelling, I was sold.

After witnessing or verifying his many years of psychological and ministerial study, service to others, and an incredible resume of personal growth work...all combined with thirty years of “miracles” research, I not only ordained Larry as a New Thought minister in 1998, I immediately invited him to join our Science of Spirit research team. Today, he is one of the very few qualified to effectively represent all levels of our multi-sensory, avant-garde teaching and ongoing research at LACCRS. Blending science with spirituality, Rev. Larry focuses on facilitating the actualizing of human potential; more specifically, the relationship between human freewill (choice) and the transcendent or *collective unconscious* influences.

Larry’s fevered prodding immeasurably enhanced Holographic Psychology’s look into Spiritual DNA, reality levels, and LOCATION of Comprehension. Helping us see the significant shifts within shifts, “Acceptance by Degree”—a transcendent replacement for cause and effect—was largely developed through his probative insight; as was “ASR” (Advanced Second Reality, Ch. 3). On the entertaining side: Larry’s humorous *Will Rogers* manner of expressing not only titillates but inspires multiple ways of perceiving environmental data. Observing this facilitative dynamic led me to enhance our organization’s *giggle-power* model as a method to release stress, activate endorphins, and reestablish creative free-flow. While reading his more poignant stories, I found myself running the gamut of human thought and feeling. Enjoying great delight and harmony in his current pathway, Larry’s curiosity and enthusiasm *afterburner* (pilot jargon) remains fully lit. Should this Whirling Dervish come to *your* town, I advise you to either climb aboard or *duck & cover*.

BOOK: *Celestial Fire* is about the grandest vision of the greatest relationship of which you've ever conceived. And just when you think you're done, and can stretch no more, Larry supplies *another* booster rocket. As we're told in the Power Prologue (don't skip it), this IS a LOVE STORY of the highest order...one YOU can emulate by following this facilitator's laser-clear guidelines.

Instructed by book gurus to separate the memoir and flying stories from the empowerment teachings, Larry said "NO WAY!" I am therefore delighted to introduce an incredible chronicling of human Spirit. Authentically comprehensive, and psychologically sound, the first 10 chapters of this TWO-BOOK life-guide charmingly entertain while providing a practical explanation for how we, as humans, function—a virtual smorgasbord for Secular Humanists and other rational, cognitive, take-responsibility types. Great benefits inure to those looking to more effectively replace lack, limitation, and all forms of expressed unworthiness, with unlimited creativity and abundance.

The second portion of this *way-showing* extravaganza demonstrates Larry's intuitive, visceral, sacred connection, by whisking us away into delight, conjecture, and the magical realm of the paradoxical. Once there, Larry continues weaving his seductive web of imagination and possibilities. So much so that the so-called "paranormal" assumes a plethora of uniquely inspired forms, and the whimsical becomes a rationally minded, heart-centered person's *nectar of the gods*. While all his stories are riveting and thought provoking, Larry's flying experiences reign supreme—not just for their sensationalism, but for what they say about our synergism and divinity.

The summarizing portions masterfully synthesize the relationship between involution and evolution. Larry goes the extra quantum to bring expanded meaning and purpose to the bookends of agony and ecstasy. Balanced realism like this comes only from one who's walked both Dante's Inferno *and* the flowering field of dreams.

This *Soul Man's* inclusionary torah blasts through barriers that have enslaved humans for thousands of years. Not the timid person's sandbox, but if you'll stay ***Celestial Fire's*** victim-busting course, you will claim *Heaven on Earth*...and do so in style!

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