# MEN AS LOVERS: EXPLORING THE NEW FRONTIER OF LIVING & LEADING FROM HEART INTELLIGENCE

My deepest passion in living a conscious life is to keep realizing the potential of profound intimacy — to love Love to the roots of my being with one partner as well as with every other person and with life itself. It is that I wish to help men become deeply committed to and passionate about.

I believe this urge is evolutionary, that we are called to it in the DNA of our souls. And it is desperately needed all the more now as our world is increasingly overtaken by the obsession with what can be measured, planned, executed, and then rewarded usually in financial terms. All of us, especially men, are drowning in a world of rationality, educated beyond our relational intelligence, where even the false and non-existent can become a truth to argue, fight and too often die for. We behave individualistically in our relationships — not as true individuals — and in this unconsciously imposed separateness we are literally starving for spiritual depth, love, and the of joy of rich intimacy. And our partners are starving as well.

It is said that there are 4 fundamental male archetypes: The King, Warrior, Magician, and Lover. Most men have some degree of mastery in the first two. We work, build our careers and businesses, face many fears and fierce challenges to care for and defend our families and our communities and thus provide a guiding energy for our personal kingdoms.

A smaller proportion of men also integrate aspects of the Magician, pursuing meditative dimensions, tantric skills, or journeying with plant medicines to gain access to the subtle dimensions of spirit. But many men get lost in these potent waters without fully grounding in the world by maturing as King and Warrior. For many men the Magician is a kind of spiritual bypass, a way to pseudo power and specialness without really becoming proficient in the demands of daily life and certainly without truly accepting the profound sacrifice and surrender that embodying love asks of each of us.

The Lover archetype in my observation is the least embodied male archetype in the world today and because of its relative absence the most crucial to be opened to and integrated. It is a potential evercalling to us and asking above all: Who are we as men in our relationships and where is love in our lives? As lovers we are called to know and grow beyond culturally inherited male entitlements. As lovers, we want to become disciples of a deep masculinity that is also in profound rapport with the divine feminine. We want to learn from our women's ways of knowing so that we can support their empowerment as bringers of the divine feminine. And in so doing we want to let the embodiment of love supplant the impulse to power and the basic drive of fear that makes us kings, warriors, and even magicians unconsciously in service to the pursuit of security. For the lover the only security is in loving Love itself and demonstrating that in our most intimate relationships is the lover's truest test.

This is the path, and these are the forces we will explore in this men's group. Our consecration will be to learn what being a lover means to each of us in the actualities of our individual lives and very specifically in the relationships we wish to see grow to their fullest potential, beyond what we may even yet imagine.

If this journey speaks to something in your heart, something you already know and feel the urge to live, join me in my gathering with men who want to know and embody the Lover.

I look forward to hearing from you, Richard

#### LOCATION

Moon Lake, North Carolina, USA

It is located near Sandy Ridge, North Carolina. It is 2hrs from Charlotte, NC, airport and 40 minutes from Greensboro airport. So, it is easy to get to from Europe or anywhere in North America.

## **SCHEDULE**

• **First physical** gathering in Moon Lake: 09-10-11-12-13 October 2019

## **Video Conferences:**

- 1. Thursday 14 November 2019
- 2. Thursday 12 December
- 3. Thursday 16 January 2020
- 4. Thursday 20 February
- 5. Thursday 19 March
- 6. Thursday 09 April
- 7. Thursday 14 May
- 8. Thursday 11 June
- 9. Thursday 23 July
- 10. Thursday 27 August
- **Second physical** gathering in Moon Lake: 07-08-09-10-11 October 2020

#### SEMINAR COST

**Tuition** 

\$2,300 (paid by wire transfer) \$850 deposit due upon registration \$1,450 by 15 June 2019

Board and Lodging in Moon Lake for each residential gathering \$620

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