

## *Parallel Learning Technology*

### **Whole and Intact**

Once upon a time there was a family with a little girl. Soon after this little girl's fourth birthday, her mother gave birth to a baby sister. When the parents brought the infant home, the little girl was delighted and expressed a great deal of curiosity over the little bundle.

She was fascinated with the infant and stayed close to her mother's side in order to observe all the infant care she could.

Then the questions began --" Mommy, can I be alone with my baby sister?"

The mother was naturally on the alert for sibling jealousy. She would try to change the question by saying, "You are with your sister, honey! You're Mommy's little helper". The four year old would respond, "No Mommy, I want to be all alone with my baby sister!"

The mother responded with "Mommy needs to be close to the baby." The mother knew that she could not let on that her daughter was not to be trusted with the infant.

The four-year-old's request continued with even greater urgency.

The mother and father realized that they could no longer ignore their daughter's request and so they got creative. They equipped the nursery with a video camera and a microphone to monitor the visit from the adjoining bedroom.

When they told their daughter that she could be alone with the baby, she squealed with delight and sighed with relief.

The awaited moment came. The little girl walked into the nursery and closed the door behind her. The parents scampered into the opposite bedroom to watch the encounter.

The little girl walked over to the crib, looked down at the infant, put her head as close to the baby's ear as she could and whispered, "Please tell me about GOD, I'm beginning to forget."

We come into this world whole, intact, and connected to a universe that is alive and flowing—always changing and always balancing. This is how it evolves, unfolds, and manifests itself and all things within it. It is our purpose to "join with" the universe so that we too may evolve, unfold, and manifest our self.

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