

## ***The Universe is always listening***

Most people aren't aware of all that they're asking for through their thoughts and actions. The best way to find out what you've been asking for is to look at everything around you — all the circumstances of your life. If you don't like what you see around you, it means one or more of the following:

- You're asking for the wrong things.
- You're asking for too many conflicting things.
- You're asking in the wrong way.
- You're asking without enough spiritual power to back up your goals.

Don't forget that there's more going on than in life you can possibly comprehend, so sometimes you may just have to surrender to some circumstances you don't like, trusting that the "universe knows best."

### **Be Careful**

Certain possible pitfalls may arise when you get good at using affirmations.

- One problem with gaining more control over having your desires fulfilled is that many of your desires are certainly — if not for the wrong things — coming from a limited perspective (see Chapter 16).
- Another possible obstacle comes when you have a specific idea of how you want your goal to come about. You may not realize that a reshuffling of other elements in your life would be necessary to make your wish or desire come true. For example, you may repeat affirmations for a specific change in your career, without realizing that this goal will bring shifts and changes in other areas of your life, such as your relationships or living conditions.

### **Don't Forget**

Affirmations don't have to be for specific worldly acquirements! You can affirm your connection with the divine, your commitment to remembering your own greatness, or your beautiful creative spirit. Affirmations plus surrender to God's will are an excellent combination for creating more great experiences in your life.