

## **Up to 5,000 Red-Winged Blackbirds fall from the Sky to the Earth on 12/31/2010 at 11pm in Arkansas, USA.**

### **Is There A Message from Above? By Renee Randall**

When I heard the report that a large number of red-winged blackbirds fell from the sky in Arkansas, USA, I found it shocking and scary and wondered what could have caused this and why did it happen.

Throughout my life I have had some, what I felt were strange close encounters with animals, many times birds. As I grew spiritually, I have looked for answers to what these animals and encounters might be trying telling me. The answers I found along the way led me to train in the field of Energy where I became a certified Energy Medicine and Feng Shui Practitioner and start my own business Universal LifeLite.  
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One significant event happened on the morning of the day, unbeknownst to me at the time, my Dad would start his journey of passing back into the spirit world. I woke up and made my way to the bathroom as usual, but then I heard something that sounded like a stampede on the roof of my house. I went out to the deck in the back of the house to check it out and I found my yard and roof covered with crows. I found this very odd and a little scary!

One source I use often is the book Animal-Speak by Ted Andrews in which he gives us guidance on the spiritual and magical powers of animals. He also includes a 'keynote' for each that represents his observation of the energy of that animal. His keynote for the crow is "The Secret Magic of Creation is Calling". So were the crows telling me that 'that which creates was calling my Father home'? Ted Andrews also notes the deep black color of the crow and goes on to tell us that "black is the maternal color and thus the black night gives birth to a new day". So as my Dad was ending his current life journey, will there be a new one to follow? I believe this to be true. Ted Andrews goes on to tell us "that the crow is a symbol of creation and spiritual strength and they are messengers calling to us about the creation and magic that is alive within our world everyday and available to us". So were the crows there to bring me spiritual strength and to open my eyes to the magic of creation as I was entering into a time of grieving?

Another source I use often when seeking answers to these encounters is Spirit Walk Ministry – Spirit Animal Guides and Totem Animals ([www.spiritwalkministry.com](http://www.spiritwalkministry.com)). Here we are told that the "crow is an omen of change and the spirit which represents the transcendence that will reveal the true path to life's mission". They go on to say that "Crow merges light and dark, inner and outer and when in the darkness of emotional pain and turmoil, the crow is the 'Carrier of Lost Souls into the Light'. At a time of the death

of a loved one, this is definitely the type of guidance that is needed, so is that why they came to me? This was also around the time I started questioning my own path in life, so the crows stayed around from this time, while I trained in the Energy Medicine field up until the time when I started my business. This day was a pivotal point in my life and the crow was there as a messenger and a guide.

So in my search to find some kind of meaning to the disturbing event that occurred in Arkansas on New Years Eve, I looked at these and other references and here is what I found.

Ted Andrew's keynote for the blackbird is "Understanding of the Energies of Mother Nature" which translates to energies of Mother Earth or Earth. He goes on to tell us that the colors on the red-winged blackbird are associated with the Archangel Auriel/Uriel/Oriel. Auriel translated means 'Light of God' or 'Fire of God' and Auriel is said to be the tallest of Archangels with eyes that can see across eternity. In the book Spirit Guides Angel Guardians, Richard Webster points out that Uriel is associated with the element Earth and it is believed this Archangel was sent by God to warn Noah of the impending flood and that in the Jewish tradition, he is believed to have given the Kabbalah (Wikipedia: a set of esoteric teachings meant to explain the relationship between an eternal and mysterious Creator and the mortal and finite universe (His creation)) to the Jews. So have the blackbirds been sent to warn us of something as it was said that Uriel warned Noah of the flood?

Ted Andrews goes on to describe the red-winged blackbird with a red pathway and a touch of yellow on its wings. He also points out that on the Kabalistic Tree of Life (tree used to depict the map of creation with each Sephirot representing a divine creative life force), black is the color for the Sephirot Binah, the level of 'understanding', red is Gevurah, the level of 'restraint', 'strength', 'power' and 'judgment', and yellow or amber is the path that connects the two. So do we need to gain a better understanding of our use of our strength and power? Are we using poor judgment and not showing enough restraint where the use of the earth is concerned?

The Tree of Life symbolizes that all life is related. The website [www.thenazareneway.com](http://www.thenazareneway.com), references the 'The Teachings of the Essenes, From Enoch to the Dead Sea Scrolls'. It states that "The Essene Tree of Life represented fourteen positive forces, seven heavenly or cosmic forces (the seven branches reaching toward the Sky), and seven earthly or terrestrial forces (seven roots reaching deep into the Earth), symbolizing man's relationship to both earth and heaven". It points out that the number seven is related to the seven days of the week and seven archangels ("Four Angels of the Presence" + 3 others) each representing a different life force. Do we need to pay more attention to our connection to both heaven and earth?

I found another interesting tidbit of information when looking at 'The 7 Planetary Chakras' on the website [www.wholisticworldvision.org](http://www.wholisticworldvision.org), the USA is the sight of the 1<sup>st</sup> Chakra (Sacral, Base of Spine). In Eastern Body Western Mind by Anodea Judith, it tells us that the 1<sup>st</sup> Chakra is related to survival, self-preservation, our right to be here and to have, and is also related to the element Earth. Are we respectful of our right to be here?

Is there a message for us from spirit in this bizarre event? Is the message that the earth is a gift to us and we need to respect it? Are we being prepared for some future event or time of transition? Do we need to understand our lack of restraint in world? Have we disturbed the balance of the Tree of Life?

You decide!

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