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## Season 5 Episode 18 - Listener Questions

### Catalysts for Mediumship, Hard-to-Read Sitters & Spirit's Purpose

Hello and welcome to Mediumship Matters with me, Hannah Macintyre! This is the second-to-last episode of Season 5 before I wrap things up and focus on new projects. I know I promised a mediumship demonstration, and that's still coming! It will be added as a bonus episode once recorded.

For today, we're diving into listener questions on some really fascinating topics—how life events act as catalysts for mediumship, why some people are harder to read, and the big, unanswerable question: why does spirit allow mediumship at all? Let's get into it!

### Listener Question: Are Major Life Events a Catalyst for Mediumship?

Gemma from Melbourne, Australia sent in a voice note sharing her experience. She resonated deeply with the idea that life events can push us into mediumship development.

- She's always had spiritual awareness but felt a real "switch" after having her last child.
- She noticed that when people are close to death, the energetic bond between them and their loved ones intensifies.
- She believes there's a veil-thinning effect when someone close to us transitions, making spiritual experiences more accessible.

"When someone really close to you is passing or is very sick, something happens to you as a person—it ignites something in you." – Gemma

I absolutely agree, Gemma! It's fascinating to think about how not just the departing soul is affected, but those left behind. Often, major life events—births, deaths, traumas—crack us open and shift our awareness. It's almost as if spirit uses these moments to say, "Hey, now that you're paying attention, let's really open you up!"

### Listener Question: Why Am I So Hard to Read?

Sue from Cornwall sent in an email after experiencing frustration in development circles and private readings. Despite being open, engaged, and knowledgeable, multiple mediums have struggled to connect with her.

- Her circle leader confirmed she's "hard to read," which she found upsetting.
- A private reading with a well-known medium also fell flat, with only 20% of the evidence making sense.
- She's wondering: Is she blocking the connection? Trying too hard? Or is something else going on?
- Is It Really the Sitter's Fault?

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Sue, I don't believe you're the problem here.

- Yes, some sitters are harder to read than others—but I've met you, and I know you have a lovely, open energy.
- Sometimes, the issue is with the medium, not the sitter.
- I think what's happening is that you've reached a level in your understanding where you won't just take any old message.

In development circles, many people take generic evidence because they're excited—but as you grow, you become more discerning.

"I think after a while, we just stop saying yes to everything. We start to expect specifics—and that's a good thing."

I also believe some mediums rely too much on the sitter's reactions. A strong medium should be able to hold the link without needing constant validation.

### Why Well-Known Mediums Aren't Always the Best in Private Readings

You mentioned that a top medium's demonstration was fantastic, yet your private reading was disappointing. This is a common experience!

- Some mediums are incredible showmen—engaging, funny, charismatic.
- But entertainment and evidence are not the same thing.
- A medium might be fantastic on stage but struggle one-on-one where the focus is purely on the quality of the link.

I once attended a demonstration by a very famous medium.

- He was hilarious, warm, and completely captivating.
- But when I analyzed the evidence... there wasn't any.
- The audience filled in the gaps and adjusted the evidence to make it fit.

I'm not saying this is what happened to you, but it's worth remembering that big names don't always mean better evidence.

Bottom line, Sue: you are not difficult to read. You just require a higher standard of mediumship, and that's a good thing. Keep saying no when it doesn't resonate!

### Listener Question: Why Does Spirit Allow Mediumship at All?

Cheryl sent in a big, deep question: If we're here to have a fully human experience, why does spirit even allow us access to them? Why not just let us live our lives without this connection?

### The Great Spiritual Mystery

I love this question because... I don't have a clear answer!

- If mediumship exists to help people, why isn't it more widely accessible?
- If spirit can do physical mediumship, why don't they just prove their existence outright?
- Is it about soul contracts—some people are meant to believe, others aren't?

I honestly don't know. But here's what I think:

- Spirit clearly wants to communicate. They show up. They give us evidence. They engage with us.
- Yet, they don't make it easy. Mediumship requires dedication, trust, and development.
- Maybe part of the human experience is learning to trust the unseen.

If spirit wanted everyone to believe in them, they could make it happen in an instant. But they don't.

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“Spirit obviously doesn’t want universal belief—otherwise, they’d just appear to everyone at once and wave!”

So maybe part of the lesson is that some of us are meant to find our way to spirit, while others aren’t. Maybe it’s about balance—some skepticism, some belief, a mix of perspectives.

I’d love to hear what other listeners think on this one!

## Final Thoughts: Mediumship Evolves as We Do

This episode covered some deep and thought-provoking questions:

- Life events can act as catalysts for spiritual awakening.
- Not all sitters are “hard to read”—some just won’t accept vague or generic messages.
- Big-name mediums aren’t always the best evidential mediums.
- We still don’t fully understand why spirit allows mediumship in the first place.

One thing I do know? Spirit works with those who are willing to work with them. If you stay open, stay curious, and keep asking the big questions, the answers will come in their own time.

Thank you so much for listening! Trust spirit, trust yourself, and keep evolving.

Love,

Hannah x

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