Messages from Michael by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro

It's Not "The Way"...

For more than 20 years, Chelsea Quinn Yarbro and her group of friends have faithfully recorded the messages of the spiritual essence known as Michael. In this book, Michael offers comforting insights on such issues as reincarnation and how it perpetuates the endless lessons the soul can learn in each new life.

Personal Review: Messages from Michael by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro

It has been said that the book Seth Speaks by Jane Roberts started the New Age movement. Jane Roberts channeled a spirit named Seth. You can see and hear her doing it on You Tube. A century or more ago, spirit mediumship was popular with what you might call the intelligentsia. It wasn't seen as New Age. Perhaps it was more respected then.

When Jane Roberts channeled Seth, her voice changed drastically. Her accent was unrecognizable. Seth sometimes had interesting things to say and sometimes droned on like a boring and obscure college professor.

Contrast Seth-Jane's delivery to that of Esther Hicks, who claims to be channeling a spirit named Abraham. Esther Hicks sounds exactly like your everyday motivational speaker, in both style and content. That is what she is, meaning she's not a channel, she's an outright fraud. She doesn't even pretend to be channeling, except for a few seconds at the start when she nods her head a few times and waits a moment before beginning. Other than that, and her stupid greeting, she can't bring herself to continue the charade, and just launches into a high energy motivational speech.

Along comes Chelsea Quinn Yarbro, professional fiction writer, giving us the channeled remarks of the Michael spirits. We are told that there are 1,050 spirits who work sort of as a team, they are known collectively as the Michael spirits, and some of them communicate with people. Thus, Messages From Michael.

Michael is very similar to Seth, and absolutely nothing like the mercenary snake oil salesman Abraham. Michael will often bore you, sometimes confuse you, and sometimes give you a lot to think about. Michael will never tell you to think positive thoughts and grow rich, which is Abraham's idiotic, trite, and unspiritual message.
There have been many books and internet articles about Michael since this Yarbro book came out. A few things have changed. Some insulting words have been made palatable. For example, in this book some people are called Slaves but later authors call them Servants. Personally I prefer Slaves.

What is this whole Slave/Servant thing about? Michael tells us that there are 7 roles we can play. These roles are Slave, Artisan, Warrior, Scholar, Sage, Priest and King. Each role is described in detail in this and all other Michael books. You are one of the 7, and will continue in that role throughout your life and beyond.

An example of a Slave is my wife. She runs herself ragged for everyone. She's constantly doing favors and running errands for her kids. Of course she isn't appreciated. She's a Slave. She is driven to serve the common good and she allows herself to be used. I wouldn't. I can say No.

I was channeled to be a Priest. It doesn't mean I'm religious. It means I look to my higher ideals all the time. I hold the world to high ethical standards. Some will find me inspirational. When I was informed that the Michael spirits looked me up in the Akashic Records and determined that I am a Priest and that my wife is a Slave, I was impressed. How did they know us so well? They were right about both of us. It made me think there is something to this Akashic Records business and these Michael spirits. What more can you ask than that they give you accurate information without knowing you at all.

I'm not 100% thrilled by everything I've read concerning Michael. Some of it seems like baloney to me. I don't remember anything offhand that I had a problem with in this book though.

I consider this an important book. I'm not absolutely convinced that it is true, but I have to conclude that unlikely as it seems, a lot of the material in this book might be true.

See you on the Astral Plane.