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“You Are the Blessings.”
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John Morton | MSIA’s Spiritual Director

John Morton inspires and educates people around the world in the teachings of the spiritual heart and in recognizing the blessings in all situations. He serves as Spiritual Director of MSIA, anchors the Mystical Traveler Consciousness and guides those on the path of Soul Transcendence, the path of becoming consciously aware of oneself as a Soul and as one with God. John is an accomplished author, masterful facilitator, and loving friend to all.

John Morton | Early Years

John was born on October 27, 1951 in Las Vegas, Nevada, the youngest of three children. His family traveled extensively throughout John’s childhood to support his father’s service in the United States Air Force Strategic Air Command. John excelled both at academics and sports, loving baseball, football, and track and field. He also discovered a great love and appreciation for nature and chose to earn a degree in Renewable Natural Resources in 1972 from the University of California at Davis, leading him to a serve as a Park Ranger in Northern California.

He grew up in what we might call “Ordinary Americana” and working part-time jobs to help put himself through college and graduate school taught him to be self-reliant, responsible, compassionate and service-oriented, qualities that helped prepare him for what he is doing today.

John later earned a Master of Science Degree in Counseling from California State University in Sacramento in 1978, holding several counseling positions along the way with high schools, juvenile centers and government employment programs and set up a career counseling library for a local high school and another for the federal government.

John realizes that with his background and training he could have sought the life of a pro-athlete, made his life in the coast guard or as a navy pilot, in law enforcement or as a counselor. But it seemed that God had other plans. At every turn, his way was blocked...until his exploration of meditation and spirituality led him to participating in Insight Seminars in 1978 and meeting John-Roger.



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John Morton in MSIA & Beyond

Soon after participating in a heart-opening seminar with Insight Seminars, John showed up on John-Roger's doorstep, ready to serve in whatever way he could be used for the highest good. John spent many years assisting and traveling with John-Roger, facilitating Insight Seminars, developing and leading spiritual workshops, seminars, and retreats for MSIA, and doing good works for organizations devoted to spirit, peace, and the awakening heart. Ten years after being ordained a Minister in the Church of MSIA, in 1988, John Morton received the "keys" to the Mystical Traveler Consciousness from John-Roger.

John is the author of two books: *The Blessings Already Are* and *You Are The Blessings*, both which offer practical and inspirational passages on finding the blessings in everyday life. He has two children and still enjoys sports, most especially golf.

John received his Doctoral degree in Spiritual Science (D.S.S.) from Peace Theological Seminary & College of Philosophy, the educational body of MSIA. In addition to serving as Spiritual Director for MSIA, John currently serves as Spiritual Director in several other organizations, many of them founded by John-Roger, including: Peace Theological Seminary & College of Philosophy, HeartFelt Foundation, Institute for Individual and World Peace, Insight Seminars and the EduCare Foundation. He serves on the Boards of Insight

University and the University of Santa Monica where he also serves as Chancellor.

Since 1979, John Morton has been committed to the work of John-Roger and Soul Transcendence, the path of becoming consciously aware of oneself as a Soul and as one with God. Since John-Roger's passing in 2014, John's ministry has expanded to keep John-Roger's legacy alive and serve those who were already studying with John-Roger, and also to serve others who are searching to discover the Spirit within themselves, awaken to their own divinity, experience greater peace, love and joy in their lives and truly know their oneness with God.

John travels extensively throughout the world with his wife and fellow minister Leigh Taylor-Young Morton, leading workshops and retreats, and giving seminars, lectures, counseling and doing media interviews, and when not traveling they reside in Pacific Palisades, California.

His tireless devotion to this work of the Spirit is an inspiration to those touched by his example and a true gift and blessing to all who experience his loving and generous heart.