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Oren: Thank you for being with us in “New Life” educational series with Dr. Michael Laitman. Hello Dr. Laitman, hello everyone, hello Nutza Mazoz. Hello. We want, along with you, learn from Dr. Laitman the secret to new life. New life means a better life. A life where we have a better connection between us in all realms of relationships in our lives: at home, at work, in society in general. We are improving our relations; we are improving our life. That is the single formula, the secret of life. You are welcome to join us to verify things about the family unit. Be with us. There will be a lot of insight to apply to all realms of our life. Nitza get us started in the discussion.

Nitzah: So, in the previous talk, we started talking about the relations between brothers, and you gave us a model where we help kids build the correct relations between them. We talked about a stage of negative interactions and arguments in which the parents decide to do an act called disconnection. This significance of the disconnection is that the parents don’t treat the children as their children as long as between them, they do not build a brotherly relationship. If you are not brothers, you just get the basic things that you need from us, if you are like that. So I thought about it. I was thinking about it and saying to myself, I know the attitude like that, the approach like that; if brothers are arguing, don’t interfere, don’t be like the police or a judge. Just let them fight it out. Is it similar to the approach?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Yes.

Nitzah: Is that the idea?

Dr. Michael Laitman: OK, we need to see more or less; we need to supervise from behind the scene, because fights can reach a state…

Nitzah: But if I say, I am not interfering, I’m standing on the side, and you solve it between you. I am not solving anything.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Yes. In a direct manner you can say. I just wanted emphasize that it is not just between brothers, it is all humans. That would be correct. The upper divinity from nature will only come on the condition and in the same form as what is between us. Now we are getting close to the situation. We are getting into all kinds of crisis and problems in how nature relates to us. That is called ecology for us. This attitude will be the exact same as between us.

Nitzah: I am thinking about what you said now. Even for an adult, it is difficult to understand.

Dr. Michael Laitman: This is called, toward the revelation of the divinity.

Nitzah: This is the fear that I have, that the children will get a feeling that I don’t care. Just go and break your heads by yourselves.

Dr. Michael Laitman: No, no, no, no.

Nitzah: Just solve it by yourselves, it is your problem, and I am not interested. How do we show them precisely; I want to get a very strong and clear message across, not a two sided message?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Look, first of all, we are talking about the family where the parents are familiar with our methods, and they are studying with us, both between them and in general in the group. In the workshop, they are going through practice in the integral education, in integral connection between them, and they understand these things more and more. It is not that we are giving them a bit of advice and sending them off. They truly have to understand the situation, the system, the relations that they are about to build at home.

Nitzah: I still wanted to talk about this situation. It is very important for me to understand how I act in this situation of disconnection to get the most out of it, and so kids truly understand what I mean. Because in the previous show, you said we disconnect, and we don’t have discussions at this stage. We don’t talk about it.

Dr. Michael Laitman: We tried to do that before with all kinds of things. We showed them that they need to be connected, and the moment the evil inclination truly pops up above any reasonable level, through the evil inclination, they will understand it through suffering.

Nitzah: So, if I understand correctly, it worked out like this in my head; the good way is through discussions, family talks. Let’s say, we have family talks and everything, and it does not happen. We see that talking is not helping, and I actually switch to this stage of the disconnection? Yes?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is not disconnection, it is simply that they deserve to get an attitude that I am maintaining them at the level that I would maintain an animal. Meaning, I am looking after their lives, but the attitude that they deserve to receive from mommy and daddy, they don’t receive. Here it has to be very much emphasized.

Nitzah: So actually, the picture that a child gets is not something that is disconnected, but …that mommy and daddy are having discussions, talking and putting attention and this process that you described now. It doesn’t come suddenly but as part of this shift, and they feel that there is a great very difference. Until today, if there is a problem or a conflict, they were used to sitting around the table to have a discussion. Now mommy and daddy are suddenly doing something else. They are playing a new game that I don’t know. Until now they didn’t play this game.

Dr. Michael Laitman: There is no warmth or treating you like a mother and father. That’s it. Strangers.

Oren: You emphasized in the previous talk that we have to be very gentle in doing that. Because if we do something incorrect, we are doing something broken that will remain in them as humans for the rest of their lives. What is the correct way to get into this process of cooling off without crossing the border?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Beforehand we wanted to make nice steps in the hope that we would receive a suitable reaction from them.

Oren: This is not what I am talking about. You gave two principals, and they look opposite in my eyes. One principal is that in general as parents, when we come to arrange this mini society that we have in the home between brothers, we have to come from a very gentle place so not violate, not to twist this ….not to do something to this little person that will stay with him for his whole life. That is the first principal. The second principal is that in an extreme case like we reached, let’s say very negative stage in the relationship between them, we need to change phases and get into all this cold phase. There is no warmth, and I treat you like you are a guest in the hotel. How, when you go to this phase of cooling off relations where you don’t warm up things between you, things continue to be cold between us, how do you make sure you don’t pass the limit, you don’t do something that would harm them for life?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It depends on the level of gentleness of the parents. How can I break it down to…

Oren: May be even without breaking it down, but in the principal manner…

Dr. Michael Laitman: No they don’t conflict, it is just I gradually disconnect my connection to them as a father and mother, leave our natural connection to them in exchange for a machine that is looking after them and giving them only what is vital for life.

Oren: More than basic necessities, they will not get, and you said before, it will make them shock.

Dr. Michael Laitman: So, do it slowly. Learn from the nature, learn from life. We were in our capitalistic development, we struggled, we did what we did, and we succeeded and we didn’t pay attention to nature at all. Suddenly we starting to feel that nature is beginning to relate to us in a very bad way, and from year to year it is worse. From the point of view of the disasters, and climate, and health problems being revealed, problems in the family and education and everything, we see that we are starting to live in a more and more difficult way. At the end of the day, this needs to bring us the understanding that our relations is what cause all of this, and to the extend we improve the relations between us, because we have no choice, because we want to be safe, so we become more like those two puppies that connect with one another to warm up. Then if we reach the situations that are very hard, we know that in tuff situations such as disasters and war, people suddenly help one another. Now we are seeing in all kinds of places, that if there are disasters, people are running and helping

Oren: They have a common danger, common enemy to face.

Dr. Michael Laitman: So we are saying that because it’s out of options, the upper forces are treating us this way. It is not just one morning, we are starting; otherwise, they will really be in shock. So how can we do it? We start by showing them the other lines. First of all, apart from the gentle line, the sympathetic line, we are going to get judiciary line. The first, they are treated well no matter what. That is how everyday life is when you are developing. We did not give them education, but we treated them like …. And until finally she understands that she needs to do something with her kids, otherwise what she will have? She understands that she is putting second line, which is judiciary, that one is dependent on the other. With these two reigns, I manage them. They need to understand that in accordance with that, they need to react to me; they have an evil inclination and to the extent that it is managed by a good inclination, we will connect, and if not, we will not connect.

Nitzah: The judiciary, creates a feeling in a child that it causes him to do counting…

Dr. Michael Laitman: I am neutralizing his ability, if I am only treating them with love. I am building in them someone terrible and cruel. They will not know how to relate to others, how to connect with others, and he will not be guilty, because this is how I educated them.

Oren: What does it have to do with my love to them?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Because I always gave an example that no matter what he did I love him. They get the English education, all these princes, and they get very strong education, very tough education until even they receive blows. From morning till night, they get into very difficult lectures, sports, all kinds of things.

Nitzah: You touched the point here that is very significant. What you said “kav hesed” means you should not perform. Anything that is without limits, is the problem, right. What happens with the kid? Child receives a message. So didn’t I do an accounting with myself to check what is not OK?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is made up of two lines, not by himself. It is made of Judiciary and sympathy.

Nitzah: So we went outside, and we say now you have to get along between you. I allow them to do some type of accounting. What wasn’t OK, why did I behave like this? Something like that? And I am not managing their process. They have to do the work themselves. Another interesting thing that you said before was the issue of support. Because when they are with us, they receive our support. Then they apparently don’t need any support between them. They are nurtured from the support they get from mommy and daddy, but the minute I disconnect, they are looking.

Oren: I want to stop there. Until now, your grandfather – we are looking as if we are in laboratory and there are mice in the laboratory - we are doing this, and we are doing that, but let’s do some role playing. Let’s leave our wiseness as adults and let’s feel the children. Let’s say we’re three children, we truly had bad relations and my parents are studying in your course, your parent’s course on the cannel. They learn us and they really started to do it. Now it is night time, and I am going to sleep after we started this process. What do I feel after this process of coldness? What do I feel? Am I crying before I go to sleep?

Dr. Michael Laitman: You feel lack of warmth from mommy and daddy. How does it influence you? It influences you in a way that you start to think what to do. You feel a little poor. Not spoiled like before. You don’t know what to do. On the other hand, we are sharing our attitude in small units. We are releasing this cold wave gradually in the way that you can grasp it and understand why this attitude is being directed toward you. We are not capable of treating you other than how you are. We can also speak to you and even with your brother. We can make a discussion, a talk and start explain these things.

Oren: About what?

Dr. Michael Laitman: That you are big now, that we can’t relate to you as we did before, and we just love you, and that’s it. We can’t. We have to… We are not capable, because the fact that you are relating to one another in this manner. Maybe you also are not listening to us. You are not doing what we ask you to do, etc. What do you want us to do? You want us to treat you differently? How is that possible?

If someone treated you like this when you were ten years old, if someone treated you like this, how would you respond? You are also hitting and stuff. We are also like this.

17:47 (Continue Dr. Laitman…)

What are you demanding of us? That we will be good in any case? We are not capable. You yourselves are ruining our love toward you. You are stopping us from loving you. It is as if we reached a situation where, in your attitude to life, the studies, and your brother, and everything, this is how you define how we will treat you. To such an extent that we will limit you even in the most vital things. When I took a trip to England, they showed me how they discipline the elite there, the children of the elite. They pay tens of thousands of pounds a year. Not everyone can get in; they don’t accept anyone, even the people who have money. They sit on benches that are two hundred years old, five hundred years old. They eat off disgusting plates, ceramic plates from three hundred years ago with cracks. It is disgusting. In the morning they have a cold shower, a cold shower; there is no hot water, like in the army, but there it is freezing. All kinds of things like that. Children from homes that are not missing anything at all, this is the education they get.

Nitzah: What is the point of this education?

Dr. Michael Laitman: To build a strong person, to know that his entire life is dependent on him and he does not deserve to receive from his mother and father just because he is their son.

Nitzah: So what is the difference between building a strong child and a strong connection?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is one in the same. They give him the basic necessities, and this is what you have in life, and anything beyond that, you need to earn yourself. You need to be ready for everything, to just have vital necessities if necessary, and everything else, you will get according to what you deserve.

Nitzah: Now I am curious, because you said a “strong connection.” Now I am saying to myself, “How does this child truly appreciate his mother and father?”

Dr. Michael Laitman: Otherwise he does not appreciate them, if he does not have the ability. They don’t give him the ability to build relations in accordance with his behavior. How you behave is how we will treat you, and that’s it. No matter how you behave, sorry that is not allowed. Unconditional love, like Baal HaSuliam says, it becomes to hatred.

Nitzah: This is one on one, like a parent and a child, but now I am bringing us back to the discussion of brothers. It is not me against him, but me against the connection as a parent.

Dr. Michael Laitman: This is one of the conditions; it can be a connection with him, or his marks in something, or behavior, success, in whatever he is capable, of course.

Oren: It is very important to me. Can you explain to me what this child feels at night when he goes to sleep?

Dr. Michael Laitman: The child feels that he became big.

Oren: Is he sad?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Hi might be said, because the time for being small is over, and now it is time to be a big person.

Oren: Can we talk to him about it?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Yes.

Oren: I am saying, if you want to feel his heart, what is happening to him at the beginning of this process? It looks like you are bringing insight from the end. We need to explain.

Dr. Michael Laitman: We spoke about it before.

Oren: When we speak to him, when we as parents speak to him…

Dr. Michael Laitman: When we are talking about educating little ones, the little one is next to me, and I am talking about what I am seeing in the world. Remember how we spoke regarding educating little ones? I explain my whole viewpoint on everything. I convey it to him, because he is small. He used to get everything from his mother, and now that he is outside, he needs to get everything just like he did in the stomach, but now from external impressions. I am not hiding it from him. When we begin this education, maybe we did not speak about it enough, but we are talking about a mother and father that are going through our education. Not that they were in for one second and next we put him into shock. We are talking about it, but in any case, for them it is still a cold shower.

Oren: So, the first night…

Dr. Michael Laitman: No, we need to do it gradually. Not that you are suddenly disconnecting him, and he doesn’t understand, even a ten year old. For him it is a great trauma. Do it gradually, like I gave you an example a few minutes ago, and even in this show. How nature behaves to us, we gradually get into this crisis, this new relation of the upper force to us. Gradually… Everything was great, we had American Dream, and everything was fine. We were spoiled; the whole world is for us… We will all spread out to the moon; we will go crazy over everything, etc. Then we started to be not so successful; we divorce, we go to drugs, we start to be unhappy in life. Mommy and daddy are not relating to us so nicely. Today we don’t know what to do, and we don’t know how to behave between us. We are already in danger that we may not have what we need to eat, and there will be a heat and cold crisis. It is all behavior of the parents toward us. Mother is nature, so learn from what you have.

Oren: In nature, there are killer animals. I wanted to tell you a story connected to what we are talking about. I grew up in the family with three kids. I am in the middle; I have an older sister, brother above me, and another sister and brother beneath her. We had two older ones that were born first. Then there is a break of four years, me and my brother beneath me, and then my sister after five years. So, most of our life, we were in two pairs, the bigger ones and the smaller ones. We had all kinds of things between us. Now I remembered killer animals. We had lots of arguments between us. I lived in the house that is like the size of Petah-Tikva. We had a huge balcony with the walls of the room towards it, and we had to go through the glass door. It is like half of a glass door. When we got heated up, sometimes, from all the energy, would fly through the glass either through the door or through this high window. It usually happened in the evening at the end of the day: after football, school, and everything. If we still had bit of energy, we would take it out on each other. Someone goes through the glass, and I remember few times in life, we slept at night with a nylon. There was no wall. My father had this nylon that he would cover it with until glass guy came to fix it the next day. Why do I remember? Because the arguments between us were on our schedule. It was part of life. In the morning there was school, in the afternoon there was football. Our house was at the other end of the settlement; we had to walk a quarter of an hour to get back home. We used to carry each other home. Then we used to get home and according with the daily schedule, we have to fight for like an hour, an hour and half. Because the house is huge, parents don’t always see what is going on downstairs; it is three or four floors. That was part of our lives. If I am imagining that now…

Dr. Michael Laitman: What is bad about it? I don’t understand?

Oren: First of all it was the most natural thing. We all even knew that I was bigger than the smaller ones. They knew, because I was the bigger one, I was even stronger. So that technique that was used was scratching. I always had scratches all over my face. Based on the nails we had at the time, everyone knew that the scratches on his face were because Opher was scratching him. This is how we were. Today we are the best friends in the world; we are very close. My connection with him is more… very close; I feel him closest to me. To me, it looks like natural thing.

Dr. Michael Laitman: That does not mean that you are fighting. Because it is not from wanting to harm one another, wanting to control one another. It is just a break out of… just getting some energy out. It is like wrestling.

Nitzah: How does the parent manage to differentiate between these two things?

Dr. Michael Laitman: You go to sleep? If they go to sleep calmly….

Nitzah: They also don’t fight next to us, let’s say.

Dr. Michael Laitman: They don’t have any complaints. He doesn’t go to his father and say he scratched or anything.

Nitzah: So, the differentiation is, if they end things between them, everything is fine.

Dr. Michael Laitman: No, no, no. If they end things, that is not OK. Meaning that it was all just a …they had to let out energy. It is ok to both of them.

Nitzah: It is not like one of them was really suffering.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Just like he said, it is just according to their daily schedule. Between seven and eight o’clock at night, it was the time to let off the steam.

Oren: Now, why was that remembered?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It’s like the football field or anything else. It doesn’t matter.

Oren: It was usually after the football. Now why did I remember this? It was because fights between brothers…I wanted to be not just from the side of the parents regarding what we are talking about, with the parents watching the kids like from the moon. Now I am a father of four kids, but I feel that in order to understand what to do with them, I have to identify with the child, with what child feels. Let’s say another picture I will give from our childhood. Because we had a pair at the top and pair at the bottom, there was always argument between them. The older ones used to control us. I even remember a time when no one was at home, and we were just three boys: a big brother and we were the two little ones. When no one was at home, he was the big brother; he is four years older than us. We took advantage of it. We tied him inside a sheet, we wrapped him up, we tied hims and we put him on the couch in the living room, until they came and released him. What do I want to say? Within the family, we had a whole world of interactions between us. I don’t know, now I am confused.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Where is good and where is bad?

Nitzah: I will tell you like a girl. When you try…When you were telling me this, I tried to feel it like a girl would feel it. If there is no problem…I felt that, if as a child, I feel true problems, if the interaction causes a real problem like he is abusing me…

Dr. Michael Laitman: No. They were precisely doing it on purpose and bug the big ones because they want them to deal with them.

Nitzah: You mean as long as it ends in good, it is like a good argument? It is not what I felt when you were describing it.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Have you seen puppies arguing like that? Yes it is the same thing.

Oren: I don’t know. How do I differentiate when there is something natural happening?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Mommy and daddy have to feel it as pain; it is very simple. Kids that aren’t getting along, the fact that they are always like robots going from corner to corner and arranging everything is not normal. Everything has to be…Everything has to end in good relations. We throw pillows, fine. Even if he is scratches you, at the end of the day it is a mutual game, it is a game. It is fine. Look at animals. It is as if they are biting each other, grabbing each other, choking each other, but they are not really. How does a lion or dog look? It is natural… to puppies.

Nitzah: What do we need to complete the picture, to feel like… I want to feel like a ten year old girl who is going through the process like this. It is not the first thing that they did to me. Suddenly they activated on me some type of sanction, let’s say. I think that when I went to sleep at night, I went to sleep with feeling that I disappointed them (mommy and daddy). That was my feeling as a child. I wanted to make them pleased with me; I wanted to be a good girl again. On the other hand, there can be a son that’s revolting; mommy and daddy are treating me like this, no problem, I am going to take my bag; they will not see me anymore. I am taking off.

Oren: What do you do if this is his reaction? You started being cold?

Dr. Michael Laitman: I understand you. We talked about the whole family going through the integral education, and this is the continuation of it. In accordance with that, we are starting to take examples from nature, what nature does to us, and we are continuing this in the family as well. To the same extent, to the same way, but we are continuing it in the family. Just the opposite, we learning from nature how to do the same thing with us.

Oren: So you mean, we won’t reach a situation when we…

Dr. Michael Laitman: If we get the right treatment in the integral education, if we understand what we need to do…

Oren: …and how would you deal with packing a bag and saying, “Look, I don’t like this atmosphere in the house, so I am going to find a new house”? Let’s say he is twelve, thirteen, fourteen. This Hotel doesn’t suit me. I will look for other parents.

Dr. Michael Laitman: He does not feel “the hotel” suddenly; he is already under this integral treatment. He is already in workshops and all kinds of things. It is pressure… stressful to do it all of the sudden.

Oren: That is why I am trying to see what kids are doing. If someone did it to you, what would you do?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It depends how you do it. If you explain to him why you are doing this, he will be able to understand. There are other families, there are other mothers and fathers…

Oren: Is it worth it? Let’s say there is opening discussion to switch phases.

Dr. Michael Laitman: You see how nature is gradually destroying us. That is what you need to do; there are no phases from today to tomorrow.

Oren: But is there some discussion that will stop the negative behavior, like opening new page?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is not one discussion. You need to teach them to learn about themselves. Look how you are having a hard time, learn how…Think how many workshops and discussions you need to do and explanations. Making adjustments to everything that will happen.

Nitzah: I want to switch to another subject. Compromise between brothers. One of the things that is happening between brothers is that there is an expectation that the older one will give in to the younger one. You are the older one…

Dr. Michael Laitman: It depends on what ages. If the smaller one is the smaller one that does not understand, let’s say three or four years old comes, and he wants to get something that the ten year old has. He doesn’t even know what he is asking for. He just sees what he is doing something, and he also wants to have it in his hands. That’s another story. He doesn’t understand, but if he understands then why should he give it up? Each should have their own. He doesn’t deserve it. It is subject for educating him.

Nitzah: I want to open up this place of compromise between brothers. In other shows, you talked about giving up. Each gives up to the other and they have this connection, there is collaboration between them. What happens to brothers? This surrender, is it…

Dr. Michael Laitman: They will learn between them that of course there has to first of all be surrender. Just like we need to surrender between each other in all of humanity and that without it, we don’t have a right to exist.

Nitzah: So, how do I as a parent teach the child? On the one hand, I want teach the child to compromise, and on the other hand, I want to teach him that in certain situations, he needs to stand on his own; he needs to stick to his opinion. One does not connect to the other though, so I’ll make this clearer. On the one hand, I want to educate the child to say his opinion, stand up for his own by himself, and on the other hand, when he has to surrender, when he has to compromise…

Dr. Michael Laitman: There are relations called the education system where I explain my relation as a parent, as educator, as a bigger one to a smaller one, and we get into such…It is like a teacher in the class knows how to do it. Then we talk about building the relationship that kids are either friends or strangers. Depending on mutuality between them, either one is teaching or they are equal. It doesn’t matter. It’s the same principle at the end of the day. It can be an example. It can be as an exercise, like we are talking about theater, workshops, and life. As a result of all of these exercises and all the experience that we have from studying.

Oren: So again, the question is how, do you combine these two things? You said there is no connection here; on the one hand to compromise and on the other hand to have his own opinion when he needs to. You said there is no connection between these two things

Dr. Michael Laitman: Compromising is first of all.

Oren: The ability to sacrifice…

Dr. Michael Laitman: I am sacrificing to him on the condition that he is sacrificing to me.

Oren: Let’s go back a step. You want your child to have the ability to surrender?

Dr. Michael Laitman: The law that we want to have is the law of equality. From the law of equality, we are saying that the more that I am stronger, bigger, more understanding or in age or in general in my brain or my heart toward the other, I need to take into account how much I am more than the other, and to that extent, I deserve more. You need to take into account how developed he is. He doesn’t understand. Maybe he is smaller in years, or maybe he is smaller in his feelings. So he already gets a discount; he deserves it.

Oren: Why?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Because he is not developed, either in his age or in general he is not developed. So he deserves it. Where did he get an education, what did he have, what childhood? They ask everything when something happens.

Oren: But why is it my problem? Let’s say I am the big person.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Otherwise you will not reach equality.

Oren: Why do I need to reach equality?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Because it is a law of nature. It is also when you get into judicial system where everything has to be equal. They have to compare you. It is the same thing between brothers. What do you say? He is smaller; you have to give in to him. Why?

Oren: That’s what I am asking.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Because he doesn’t understand like you. If you were the same, then you wouldn’t have to give in to him. But if he gives in to you just a little, but you are bigger, you have to show him and give in a lot.

Nitzah: So it creates many times frustration, because a child doesn’t understand.

Dr. Michael Laitman: You need to explain. Of course, if he is five and he is three, they both don’t understand.

Nitzah: That is something else….

Dr. Michael Laitman: Lady, I don’t understand. Don’t give me all this cases where we need big explanation before. We just need to give examples and examples and wait a few years, so there is a reaction before the Bar-Mitzvah and afterward.

Oren: So, that is a discussion about surrendering. On the other hand, we want him to have the ability to stand up for his own opinion. You want to develop this in him, right?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Not just compromising, compromising after he said his opinion. He still needs to know that in those kinds of cases, he needs to give in. I don’t get it. My opinion and desire is that everyone will jump five meters. So, should we give in or not? Some, I will not compromise on and on others, I will. A little one comes, so I tell him to jump half a meter. An old guy comes, and I say just do above this. Some strong, athletic guy comes, I say jump. Each one according his capability. After I say my opinion, who do I stand on my opinion with? I have to take into account the person’s ability, and if he can even absorb what I am saying to him. So, what is my opinion? As a stubborn person….

Oren: This is exactly the question; it is actually two opposites, to be stubborn or to compromise.

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is not even called being standing on your own. It is a lack of a correct attitude. Why? Because, how can I have the right attitude toward everyone equally, if we are all different? If we are all different by nature, how can I?

Oren: So, what do I need to do?

Dr. Michael Laitman: After I determine for sure that this is the best thing, now I need to see how the best thing dresses on each one according to his abilities and attributes.

Oren: Then the compromise starts?

Dr. Michael Laitman: It is not compromising; it is matching.

Oren: Matching between what and what?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Between a person who can carry it out. So this person that jumps two meters, a child that jumps two meters, and you determine that he has to jump five meters. For him, the two meters is like five, because it is double of his ability.

Oren: So this matching, do we need to speak about it in the family?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Of course, to each and everyone. You will require from the small one as the big one, as a parent?

Oren: Of course I won’t.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Why?

Oren: Because I get it.

Dr. Michael Laitman: But they are demanding from you to understand it anyhow.

Oren: The question is, in the education of my children, do I have to teach them?

Dr. Michael Laitman: How will you not talk to them… You have to precisely teach this to them. Teach them what it means to be equal. When I am dealing with a big person, and I say to do this and this but to the small one, instead of saying do this and this, I give him a pacifier, a sweet. So the big one says, where is my sweet? He is fifteen years old, let’s say. Doesn’t he need to understand that the attitude has to be different?

Oren: So how do I bring him to that place?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Education.

Oren: Would it be good to do a workshop to suit the demands to capabilities, your rights, your obligations. What does it mean to match?

Dr. Michael Laitman: We cannot learn these; we cannot treat one another according to one truth, because we are different. The truth is that our natural inner preparations are hidden. Therefore, I don’t know your potential precisely, who you are and what you are compared to me; rather, we need to try to match each person to others by a certain precedent that all will be equal. If I take Schwarzenegger and you, can I give you the same mission? Of course not. So what do you want? But if you do work, if you carry this from here to there twenty kilos, it is like him carrying two hundred kilos, and in that you will be equal. You will be equal. Even though in meantime it is not like that

Oren: Is it important to you as a parent that they will be equal?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Yes, because it is a law of nature. It is the third or fourth time I am repeating that it is a law of nature. That is what is required. You emphasize to them that you are not demanding more than what is equal with everyone. No, you are treating him like this, let’s check. No, that is not correct. Only in according to how much he is a boy and you are a girl, he is big and you are small, et cetera, everyone. I am not even talking about that this is a neighbor, and this is a friend. Everyone. I need to put in this precedent to how I relate to them. To everyone I need to try to treat equally.

Oren: What is this precedent? What is it exactly?

Dr. Michael Laitman: If he is far from me, maybe I need to advance him, so I feel him closer. And if he is close, it is fine; I feel him close.

Oren: And with the abilities…

Dr. Michael Laitman: Then the whole world will be around. What does the integral system demand of us? I will treat each person in the world, even the furthest person as the closest. There is no distance, no distance, time place or anything. In that case, I need to put this coefficient in my relation to someone who is far away from me; I feel him as really close.

Oren: Far and close. What does it have to do with Schwarzenegger and I?

Dr. Michael Laitman: There are different definitions.

Oren: It is abilities…The twenty kilos, two hundred kilos… To achieve a system of equality, we have to have an equal…Let’s say, there is a daughter and son that were born to old parents. The parents are at the end of their age that they could have kids, and finally they have child. Let’s say when they are fifty. Now let’s help our discussion. We are talking about discussions between brothers. So let’s say there are a few older ones and suddenly there is this last one. What emphasis is there in relating to this situation? Not in every family like that, but what tips do you have for the family like that?

Dr. Michael Laitman: I don’t know. First of all, in the family like that, the kids are big and they look after like they are parents. It is a completely different way of looking at it.

Oren: That’s why I wanted to ask about it, because there are lots of families like this. What tip should we give for the family like that who is in connection between brothers?

Dr. Michael Laitman: First of all be sure not to spoil the little one..

Oren: That is precisely what happens usually. Why?

Dr. Michael Laitman: You are ruining the person. It will be hard for him to live afterward, because our world requires of a person two line: sympathy and judgment. This is how we treat him and this is how he needs to treat everyone else, through common sense. Even from the smallest age, we need to always relate to him along with love and everything, we need to demand still a reaction, consideration. According to his development. Otherwise you are not raising a person; you are raising a poodle. It is a very big danger with those types of families. It is really felt: spoiled, doesn’t understand anything, and doesn’t know anything, only himself. Doesn’t know how to calculate anything, doesn’t know how to get along in the world. In banks, he comes to a bank, my account is closed? Why? You have no money. So what if I have no money? He does not feel, he does not have borders, no limits. He didn’t receive those limits as a child that he needs to live with. He thinks he is allowed to jump on anyone because that is what they allowed him to do in the family. They even brought him down to that, they supported it and it is terrible. This attitude really ruins the person; he is really poor person afterward. The parents die before he reaches the age of twenty, the others have family, and he doesn’t know how to get along in life. His future is really grey, dangerous.

Oren: That is from one side, to be careful not to spoil the child. Is there any other emphasis for a child?

Dr. Michael Laitman: If you go according with the principal that there is only equality then there is no problem. It all depends on this coefficient that makes everyone equal. One is plus ten, the other is minus twenty, et cetera. Then everyone is equal. Somehow, somehow at least. It is also not real. We can’t always measure a person’s attributes together, take them into account, and bring them to some single number. A person is integral like the whole world. Somehow, at least in that, we are learning how we need to be in the relations between us, reach relations where we will get the good attitude from our parents.

Nitzah: It looks like, the aspect of equality…I am trying to think about it. How much sensitivity it requires from the parents to really check. The parent always has to check up on where he has to challenge them up to the limits of their capabilities.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Not to allow love to break out without the other side, without judgment. If you read our sources, sympathy and judgment always go hand and hand.

Oren: It sound like you are very tough; English education, not to allow love to break out without…

Dr. Michael Laitman: I love my children very much.

Oren: I am not talking about you personally.

Dr. Michael Laitman: But in accordance with their characters, I need to activate my character.

Oren: I did not get it.

Dr. Michael Laitman: In other words, I am careful about how I relate to them. I am relating to them in a calculated way; how much time and energy I have, etc. Excuse me, my youngest daughter is thirty years old.

Oren: I am not talking about you personally, I am talking about… You talked about being tough, about the English education system.

Dr. Michael Laitman: I am talking about even the simple education system. When we are talking about the correct treatment, there is treatment where there is always balance; we try to have balance like in nature.

Oren: So, in accordance with that, parents usually plan when to have the first child and the second child. So, according to how you see these things, what kind of spaces should there be between the kids. Let’s say there are pairs. There needs to be a few years so that there won’t be a separation where there are big ones and the little ones. Do you have some something to emphasize here about allowing space between kids in the family? Do you have any tips for parents?

Dr. Michael Laitman: I am looking at all of these things …Whatever happens will happen. I never dealt with planning. Today people plan everything.

Oren: OK, another last question. What happens when there is a single child, single boy or a girl? They don’t have this whole world, this whole social world of relations that we spoke about between kids.

Dr. Michael Laitman: Parents have to make sure, in those families especially, they have to make sure that child has a social life. Education has to be towards him. They need to understand, it is special child, that later in his, he will be different than other who grew up with lots of kids.

Oren: So they can change that fact?

Dr. Michael Laitman: They can change that fact, but also in his profession, in all kinds of things, he will choose something to be more on his own. The first fifteen or twenty years, those first ten years is a foundation for the whole life.

Oren: That’s why I am asking. What tips would you give them?

Dr. Michael Laitman: Tip is to always have people around him as much as possible. But still, even if he has people around him, he will not really be very social person among everyone. Because he has his own corner and everything is his. His parents are his. They manage the connection toward him only; there is no dividing their love from above down, just him. Inside the family, inside everything, I will tell you precisely, these kids have the strongest families later as parents, because they are used to having a family, and they are in the family. This is how it should be, and there is no running around, there is no spreading around. The family for them is something very stable; the way they grew up is the way they want to be.

Oren: So, as usual it was fascinating, and as usual we’ve run out of time. Last sentence to conclude. The relations between brothers…

Dr. Michael Laitman: Between all of us, there has to be connection like this, like between brothers. With this final word, we are putting some significance. This is not just with brothers like we see fighting all the time, and where there is world war like we have in the whole world right now. The connection between brothers has to be and can be only on the condition that they recognize their connection to their parents. If they respect their parents, to the extend they respect their parents, there can be connection between them. Otherwise, they are foreign, they are neighbors, but brothers is only that they are dependent on their parents.

Oren: Thank you very much. Thank you Nitza. Thank you for being with us for, “The Connection Between Brothers,” New Life. All the best.