

## #47 *The Donkey and the Magpie*



*A donkey was struggling  
valiantly to pull a tree stump  
from the ground. "Try as I might, this locust tree will not let go!  
It must have roots everywhere," he lamented to his friend, a  
magpie, who sat on the fence next to him. "Do not fret so my  
friend," chanted the magpie in a sing-song tone, "why, when my  
wife is gripped by a fear that won't let go, I just tell her to apply  
her INTENTION ... and voila! the fear gives way!" "Well, that is  
fine advice for a problem with ATTITUDE," said the donkey in a  
condescending manner, "but as you can see, my problem is a  
physical reality! IT'S A TREE STUMP, for God's sake!" The  
magpie donned the look of a sage, and quietly remarked, "Oh, I  
see. You still think intention only works with the non-physical."*

*PERHAPS INTENTION AFFECTS BOTH THE PHYSICAL  
AND NON-PHYSICAL WORLD*