

## TWO LECTURES IN ESOTERIC SCIENCES

Two lectures were recently given by Joseph Majdalani, founder of the Esoteric Sciences Center in Lebanon, in Beirut and in Zghorta, a press release said.

At the Cultural Center of the Commonwealth of Independent States Majdalani delivered a lecture entitled 'Trust and doubt -- two aspects of the reality of thought'.

In this lecture he explained the two contradictory aspects of the mental dimension, trust and doubt keeping the human being in perplexity. Thinking, according to Majdalani, sometimes counterfeits realities through doubt and 'cunning', whereas feelings are more sincere in some aspects.

However, positive doubt can lead us to reality, contrary to negative doubt, which leaves us in a continuous vortex. This means that doubt is as important as trust, but self-confidence is more important, whatever the final decision may be, since a person who cannot trust himself can never trust his decision.

Finally, Majdalani explained that thinking something thoroughly is far better than submitting to feelings and passions, even if the decision is the wrong one. What is important is that we practice good thinking until we reach the truth, he said.

Majdalani's other lecture was delivered in the Cultural House at Zghorta, North Lebanon, in which he explained what the esoteric sciences are, speaking of the planets' effects on the human psyche, and the fact that people are able to control feelings and passions. He also talked about happiness -- everyone's aim in life, saying that happiness is not a thing we reach, but a feeling latent within us, activated when we are pursuing our march towards our aims.

Discussions with doctors, scientists, judges, journalists and members of the public followed the two lectures. The discussions touched on the main subjects of the lectures as well as on the 19 books so far written by Majdalani, the press release said.



Majdalani giving his address



A view of the audience