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THE FOCUS OF TONIGHT'S NEWS CENTERES AROUND THE ALL IMPORTANT QUESTION:  
"DO CELLS HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR?" -- BUT FIRST:

HOW FAMILIAR ARE YOU WITH THE FACT THAT WHILE YOU ARE PHYSICALLY ENGAGED  
IN SOME PERFECTLY NORMAL, MORAL, RATIONAL & SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE ACTIVITY  
AT THE VERY SAME TIME YOUR THOUGHTS CAN BE OF AN ABNORMAL, IMMORAL,  
IRRATIONAL & ANTISOCIAL NATURE?!...AND THE SAME WITH OTHER PEOPLE.

YOU CAN NOD YOUR AWARENESS OF THIS HERE, AS IT IS BEING ARTICULATED,  
BUT THE NEXT TIME YOU ARE INVOLVED IN SOME MATTER WITH ANOTHER PERSON  
WHAT IS THE LIKLIHOOD OF YOU REMEMBERING THAT THE THOUGHTS  
PRESENTLY PASSING THRU THEIR BRAIN MAY BEAR NO RELATIONSHIP TO  
WHAT THEY MAY BE SAYING OR DOING, AND IN FACT CAN BE  
DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED THERETO?!

AND YET...AND YET,  
LIFE PROCEEDS JUST AS IT ALWAYS HAS AND DOES IN SPITE OF THIS LITERAL,  
AND GLARING ANOMOLY:

THE PERSON STANDING RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU,  
LOOKING YOU SQUARELY IN THE EYE,  
CAN BE SAYING WORDS TO YOU, AND PHYSICALLY BEHAVING IN A MANNER THAT  
CAN BE TOTALLY UNRELATED-TO,  
AND EVEN THE OPPOSITE-OF  
THE THOUGHTS THAT ARE IN THEIR CONSCIOUSNESS AT THAT VERY MOMENT.

ON WHAT SENSIBLE BASIS DO MEN HAVE ANY TRUST IN THE IDEAS THAT  
ROUTINELY FILL THEIR CONSCIOUSNESS UNDER MOST CONDITIONS?!

SOME TIMES THE THOUGHTS HAVE SOME CONNECTION TO THEIR INSTANT ACTIONS --  
-- AND SOME TIMES THEY DO NOT.

...DO CELLS HAVE A SENSE OF "THE FUNNY" OR NOT?!,  
AND HOW CAN A MAN BELIEVE THAT HE SEEKS NON-ROUTINE KNOWLEDGE & AWARENESS  
WITHOUT BEING CONSISTANTLY SMITTEN BY THE ENORMOUS & USEFUL IMPLICATIONS  
OF WHAT I HAVE JUST NOTED?!

AND HERE IS ONE WAY YOU COULD LOOK AT A CERTAIN MATTER:  
LIFE ITSELF IS ALIVE -- BIG TIME!,  
WHILE WE ARE INDIVIDUALLY -- SMALL TIME.

MORE: "SMART-ASS, UNFUNNY: DEFINITIONS":

A PHILOSOPHER: A MYSTIC WHO DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING.

A MYSTIC: A PHILOSOPHER, TOTALLY OUT OF CONTROL.

...ALSO NOTE: EVERYTHING SAID OR WRITTEN CONCERNING THE "MYSTICAL ACHIEVEMENT  
OF ANOTHER STATE OF CONSCIOUSNESS"

IS ACTUALLY PHILOSOPHY-IN-DISGUISE.

BUT FURTHER NOTE: EVERYTHING SAID OR WRITTEN ABOUT ANYTHING

IS ACUTALLY COMMENTARY ABOUT ONE THING -- DISGUISED AS  
COMMENTARY ABOUT ANOTHER.

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LEGEND TELLS OF A MAN WHO ONCE SHURNK HIMSELF DOWN TO CELLULAR SIZE,  
AND VISITED THAT MINISCULE WORLD, AND WHO'S MOST STARTLING DISCOVERY WAS  
THAT AT THE CELLULAR LEVEL

EVERYTHING IS -- HUMORLESS!

...ALL IS DEADLY SERIOUS BUSINESS!

BUT, JEEZE!, I THOUGHT EVERYONE ALREADY REALIZED THIS ?!?.....

..."OKAY, MR. WISE-GUY", SEZ ME TO MYSELF, "THEN ANSWER ME THIS:

SINCE EVERYTHING THAT GOES ON IN OUR THINKING IS PRODUCED BY OUR CELLS,  
AND IF AT THE CELLULAR LEVEL THERE IS NO HUMOR,

THEN HOW DO MEN COME UP WITH HUMOR?!...ANSWER ME THAT!", SNARLS I TO ME,  
BUT, HEY -- WHAT CAN I SAY?!,

I CAN'T TAKE A JOKE AS WELL AS THE NEXT TWO MEN WHO WALK BY,

BUT YOU CAN CONSIDER THIS RELATED NOTE:

A MAN WITH "MANY QUESTIONS" IS A MAN OF -- DEEP HUMOR!,

(ASSUMING HE UNDERSTANDS THE ACTUAL NATURE OF QUESTIONS),

AND YEP, IF HE DOESN'T,

THEN THE WHOLE MATTER OF HAVING QUESTIONS IS JUST AS FUNNY AS  
YOUR FLOOR BEING ROOFED, OR YOU BEING MISTAKENLY SENTENCED TO DEATH.

THERE IS ALSO A SECRET MEDICAL LEGEND THAT SAYS SOME SUB-CORTICAL CELLS  
IN ONE PORR MAN ONCE MIGRATED FROM THEIR LOWER POSITION AND TOOK UP RESIDENCE  
IN HIS CEREBRAL CORTEX, (WHERE THEY OBVIOUSLY DID NOT BELONG), FUNNY THING  
WAS THOUGH, IT WAS MANY YEARS BEFORE HE, THE DOCTOR, OR ANYONE ELSE  
BECAME AWARE OF WHAT HAD OCCURED.

....OKAY, TRUTH IS: NO ONE EVER DID BECOME CONGNIZANT OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED.  
BUT MAY I ASK: IF SUCH A THING OCCURED IN YOU, ARE YOU SURE YOU COULD TELL?!

AND ONE NEO-PHILOSOPHICAL SORT SAYS:

"HAVING THOUGHTS IN MY BRAIN CREATES A 'ME' IN ME -- BUT:  
 MOST OF THE THOUGHTS THAT APPEAR THERE DO NOT, TO ME  
 ACCURATELY REPRESENT THE 'ME' THAT I FEEL ME TO BE.",  
 ...AND ONCE AGAIN WE HAVE BEFORE US A DESCRIBED SITUATION  
 WHICH I CANNOT FATHOM A MORE ALERT MAN NOT TAKING UNDER INVESTIGATION.

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A SO-CALLED, "MYSTICAL COMMENTAOR" WITH A SMART-ASS ATTITUDE,  
 AND A BITING-EDGE TO HIS COMMENTS

CAN GET MORE ACCOMPLISHED THAN ONE WITH A SUBDUED, NON-ABRASIVE APPROACH.

.."MAY-BEE!", SAYS MY OWN BITING-EDGE TO ME, "BUT WHERE'D BE THE FUN IN THAT?!"

...AM I REALLY EXPECTED TO RESPOND TO THAT?!,

INASMUCH AS IT WAS SOME SMART-ASS CORTICAL CELLS WHO MADE MY SAY THAT TO ME?!

...AND I'VE GOT ANOTHER AREA TO INVESTIGATE FOR YOU:

FOR WHAT PURPOSE DO CELLS IN OUR OWN BRAINS THAT MANUFACTURE "THOUGHTS & WORDS"  
 MOTIVATE US TO DIRECT SUCH THOUGHTS TOWARD OURSELVES?!,

...AFTER ALL, WE ARE, FOR THIS LIFE TIME, THEIR OWN CONGENIAL HOSTS, ARE WE NOT?!

WHICH RAISES AN INTERESTING NOTION: WHAT IF THE REAL DISTINCTION IS THAT  
 ORDINARY PEOPLE ARE QUITE CONTENT TO BE CONVIVAL HOSTS TO THIS  
 CELLULAR ACTIVITY IN THEIR BRAIN, AND PEOPLE LIKE US ARE ANYTHING BUT?!

HOW WOULD THIS DIFFER FROM A MAN WHO BELIEVES HE IS ILL,

AND IS TRYING TO EFFECT A CURE FOR THE ILL

WHEN IN FACT "THE ILL" IS MERELY HIS ATTEMPT TO CURE IT -- IN DISGUISE!

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ONE MAN PRIVATELY REVISED THE PROVERB: "LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP", TO:

"LAUGH BEFORE YOU LEAP,

OR TAKE ANY ACTION."

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\* THE WAY TO TELL THAT YOU ARE DETERIORATING AT THE NORMAL SPEED IS BY THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE A MENTAL SINCEREITY AND EARNESTNESS ABOUT LIFE. I REMIND YOU: THE TERM, "BEING SERIOUS ABOUT LIFE" DOES NOT COVEY WHAT I MEAN, BUT NEITHER DOES ANY OTHER WORDS OR PHRASES: LET ME PRESENT A NEGATIVE PICTURE OF WHAT I INTEND: TO NOT BE, "SERIOUS ABOUT LIFE" IN THIS CERTAIN WAY WOULD BE IF YOU DO NOT SEE & ACCEPT LIFE TO BE AS THE THOUGHTS IN YOU & EVERYONE ELSE SAYS THAT IT IS.

\* SOMEONE ASKED A MAN WHO WAS WELL KNOWN FOR HIS VOLUMINOUS WRITINGS REGARDING THE COMPLEX SUBJECT OF TRYING TO CHANGE ONE'S CONDITION OF CONSCIOUSNESS HOW HE MANAGED TO COME UP WITH SUCH AN ENDLESS STREAM OF IDEAS IN SUCH A DIFFICULT AREA, AND THE AUTHOR REPLIED:

"ONCE I REALIZED THAT I NEVER KNEW WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY NEXT, WRITING BECAME CHILD'S PLAY:

I JUST TURN ON MY TYPEWRITER: PUT IN SOME PAPER, AND - START A'WRITIN'!

MY ONLY PROBLEM IS IN STOPPIN'."

AND UPON HEARING THIS, THE QUESTIONER'S FACE LIT UP,

AND HE LET OUT A WHEEZY WHISTLE, SIGNIFYING HOW IMPRESSED HE WAS.

THE AUTHOR STARED AT HIM FOR A MOMENT, THEN SAID:

"IT SEEMS THAT YOU ARE QUITE FAVORABLY STRUCK BY WHAT I DESCRIBED..."

(AND THE MAN NODDED THAT HE WAS, BUT THE WRITER CONTINUED),

BUT I SAY TO YOU THAT THE NEAR-AUTOMATIC WRITING PROCESS I DETAILED DOES NOT DESERVE SUCH RECOGNITION:

ONLY LOWLY LITTLE, INSIGNIFICANT CELLS ARE IMPRESSED BY

THAT WHICH IS MECHANICAL:

A MAN -- A REAL MAN -- SHOULD DO BETTER THAN THAT. WOULDNT YOU AGREE?!"

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\* ONLY PEOPLE WHO ARE "SERIOUS" ARE DANGEROUS, BUT: QUEERY: HOW CAN THIS BE SINCE AT THE CELLULAR LEVEL, (WHICH IS THE SUSTENANCE OF OUR EXISTANCE) -- EVERYTHING IS SERIOUS?!

ANOTHER QUESTION: IS THE DESIRE TO "AWAKEN" A "SERIOUS" MATTER?!, DRIVEN LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE IN A MAN'S LIFE, BY CELLULAR ACTIVITY?!...

...OR SHOULD WE SAY: DRIVEN BY NORMAL CELLULAR ACTIVITY?!

IS ADDING THE WORD, "NORMAL" NECESSARY?!: DOES DOING SO CHANGE THE WHOLE CONTEXT OF THE QUESTION?, OR IS THE INSERTION OF THE CONCEPT OF,

"NORMAL CELLULAR ACTIVITY" JUST A TRANSPARENT PLOY?!...AND IF SO,

(JUST FOR MY RECORDS): WHAT MIGHT BE THE PURPOSE OF THIS PLOY?! .....

FACT: A QUESTION WITHOUT AN ANSWER IS ALMOST AS GOOD AS:  
 ONIONS WITHOUT HEARTBURN: DEBT WITHOUT PAYMENTS, OR  
 TERMITES WITHOUT ACCESS TO A VENTRILOQUIST'S DUMMY.  
 ..."SAY, CAN YOUR THOUGHTS ALSO BE MANIPULATED THRU THAT HOLE IN YOUR BACK?"

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THE WAY YOU CAN TELL AN ORDINARY, INTELLIGENT MAN FROM A MAN WHO  
 KNOWS ABOUT THIS KIND OF ACTIVITY IS THAT  
 NEITHER ONE TALKS ABOUT IT,  
 BUT FOR DIFFERENT REASONS.

IF THIS MAKES PERFECT SENSE TO YOU  
 THEN YOU ARE OF ONE OF THESE TWO CLASSES OF MEN.

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ONE FELLOW HAS A NEW THEORY: HE SAYS THAT  
 SOME OF OUR CELLS ARE SERIOUS, AND,  
 SOME ARE NOT,  
 AND THAT PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN ENLIGHTENMENT, AND WHO WANT TO ALTER THE  
 WORKINGS OF THEIR THINKING MECHANISM  
 HAVE SOME OF THESE TWO TYPES OF CELLS MISPLACED,  
 SO THAT SOME NON-SERIOUS CELLS ARE IN AREAS WHERE SERIOUS ONES SHOULD BE,  
 AND SOME SERIOUS CELLS IN AREAS WHERE THERE SHOULD BE ONLY NON-SERIOUS ONES.  
 HE INSISTS THAT THIS MODEL TOTALLY EXPLAINS THE APPEARANCE OF PEOPLE  
 LIKE US....AND....WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, BUT -- I LIKE IT,  
 I REALLY, REALLY LIKE,  
 I IN FACT ----- ADORE IT!  
 ...HOW ABOUT YOU?!  
 AND DON'T FORGET, ALWAYS --" LAUGH BEFORE YOU DO OR DECIDE ANYTHING."

AND PRIVATELY TO HIMSELF ONE MAN MUSED:  
"EVEN THOUGH I REALIZE THE FOLLY OF AN EYE ATTEMPTING TO SEE ITSELF,  
I NONETHELESS CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT A SIMILAR FEAT CONCERNING  
MY THOUGHTFUL ATTEMPT TO UNDERSTAND MY CONSCIOUSNESS.

HUMMM.....

PERHAPS WHAT IS DESIRABLE ABOUT BEING IN THE 'AWAKENED STATE' IS THAT  
AT LEAST FOR THE TIME YOU'RE THERE  
IT STOPS YOU FROM TRYING TO WAKE UP."

...AND ONE LAST REMINDER: ALWAYS -- LAUGH -- BEFORE DOING ANYTHING.  
(AND IN SOME CASES: LAUGH INSTEAD OF..

...OH YEAH: THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO SAY: "IN MANY CASES.")