

THE NEWS FOR JANUARY 20, 1999

IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING UNDER SOME CONTROL, HIS INVOLUNTARY PROCLIVITY TO CRITICIZE OTHER MEN OVER AN APPARENTLY ENDLESS RANGE OF SUBJECTS, ONE MAN DECIDED TO PICTURE THE WORLD AS BEING DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS: HIMSELF AND EVERYBODY ELSE, AND TO THINK OF EVERYBODY ELSE AS BEING CREATURES OF A TOTALLY DIFFERENT SPECIES THAN HIMSELF.

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ONE MAN ASKS: "HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED THAT IN THE DAY AFTER RECOUPERTAING FROM AN ILLNESS HOW, FOR A WHILE YOU DON'T JUST AGAIN FEEL 'NORMAL', AND 'GOOD', BUT RATHER FOR A WHILE FEEL IN FACT BETTER THAN JUST NORMAL AND GOOD?! IT'S LIKE YOUR FREEDOM FROM THE ILLNESS BRINGS ON A TEMPORARY STATE VERGING ON EUPHORIA.", AFTER A BRIEF PAUSE THE MAN CONTINUED: "WHAT STRIKES ME ABOUT THIS AFFAIR IS A QUESTION OF HOW IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO MY UNDERSTANDING OF THE DIFFERENCE I FEEL BETWEEN MY NORMAL, UNCONTROLLED MENTAL CONDITION AND THAT TOTALLY DIFFERENT ONE I EXPERIENCE WHENEVER I REMEMBER TO -- 'BRING-MYSELF-OUT' THEREOF, AND THEN IN HINDSIGHT, MOMENTARILY FEEL SO MUCH BETTER THAN I BELIEVE I DO, NORMALLY.", HE THEN STROKED HIS CHIN REFLECTIVELY FOR A BIT, THEN ADDED: "DOES THERE LURK BEHIND OUR MENTAL & VERBAL 'COMPARISONS-OF-THINGS' AN UNNOTED REALITY THAT BEARS DIRECTLY ON THE POTENTIAL TO COMPREHEND THE VERY NATURE, ESSENCE AND WORKINGS-OF-THE-MIND NECESSARY FOR A PERMANENTESHIFT IN ONE'S CONSCIOUSNESS OF LIFE & OF BEING ALIVE."

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ONCE YOU THROUGHLY UNDERSTAND THAT NO INDIVIDUAL, OR GROUPS OF MEN MAKE DECISIONS AS TO HOW LIFE SHOULD PROCEED, BUT RATHER THAT LIFE ITSELF MAKES SUCH DECISIONS AND USES MEN TO IMPLEMENT SAME, YOU NO LONGER HAVE A REASONABLE BASIS FOR ANY CRITICISM OF MAN.

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ONE MAN SO PONDERED:
 "IT HAS OFTEN BEEN SAID THAT FOR THOSE SEEKING TO AWAKEN...
 ADVERSITIES, SUCH AS PHYSICAL ILLNESS,
 CAN BE PROFITABLY USED AS A REMINDER TO THEMSELVES OF THEIR,
 'DIFFICULT-TO-REMEMBER' GOAL,
 BUT I HAVE ALSO HEARD IT SAID THAT TAKING NOTICE OF ANY MALADIES IS
 'USELESSLY-DISTRACTING',
 AND THAT A MAN WITH THAT CERTAIN AIM
 SHOULD BE CAPABLE OF LIVING A LIFE INWHICH EVERYTHING SEEMS 'WELL'.
 HOW CAN BOTH OF THESE BE?!", HE ASKED HIMSELF, "WHAT IS IT THAT I DO NOT SEE?!",
 WHAT IS MISSING FROM HIS COMPREHENSION OF THESE TWO VIEWS IS THIS:
 TO GAIN A "FREEDOM", AND
 GO-BEYOND-SUCH-CONDITIONS,
 YOU SHOULD BE ENTERTAINING NO THOUGHTS OF EITHER: SICKNESS, OR HEALTH.
 OTHER THAN FOR OBVIOUS PHYSICAL ONES,
 MAN EXPERIENCES NO ILLS THAT ARE NOT SIMPLY, "THOUGHTS-IN-DISGUISE".
 A MAN IN WHOM -- INNER SILENCE PREVAILS -- FACES NO AFFLICTIONS.

THUS IT BE,
 IF YOU CAN SEE --
 THE LESS THOUGHT ABOUT YOUR EXISTANCE, THE BETTER.

THE "FREEDOM" OF THE ENLIGHTENED IS NOT A FREEDOM FROM PARTICULAR "THINGS",
 BUT IS RATHER, LIBERATION FROM HAVING ANY COMMENT ABOUT ANY PARTICULAR "THING"

A MAN IN WHOM -- INNER SILENCE PREVAILS -- EXPERIENCES NO CAPTIVITY.

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IN HIS PURSUIT OF THAT EXTRAORDINARY INNER JOURNEY FROM, "HERE TO THERE",
 ONE MAN BECAME AWARE THAT HIS -- VIEW OF SAME,
 CAME FROM THE -- FRONT OF THE TRAIN,
 SO HE, (WITH PROFIT) -- MOVED HIMSELF AFT.

ONE FATHER WOULD OFTEN SO CAUTION HIS SON: "DON'T STAND TOO CLOSE TO THAT THING."

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ONE DAY WHILEST CAUSALLY RUMINATING ON THE NATURE OF WORDS,
ONE MAN WAS SO STRUCK:

"WITHOUT MAN COULD SPEAK -- GOD COULD NOT EXIST.",

HE SHORTLY THEREAFTER, ADDITIONALLY SAW:

"THE GREATER THE GRANDIOSITY OF THE SUBJECT OF THE WORDS
THE LESS REALITY THERE BE TO THE SUBJECT."

...THE MAN HAS A CORRECTNESS TO HIS MUSING, AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE IT
BEYOND HIS EXAMPLES, AND CONSIDER WHAT APPLICABILITY THIS COULD HAVE REGARDING
HOW YOU THINK & INTERNALLY "SPEAK-TO-YOURSELF" ABOUT
WHAT BE THE ACTUAL NATURE OF "BEING ASLEEP" OR "BEING AWAKE".

ASK YOURSELF: WOULD THE PRIVATE -- "JOURNEY-OF-CONSCIOUSNESS" --
OF INTERNALLY TRAVELING FROM, "HERE TO THERE" --
EXIST --

-- WERE NOT MEN ABLE TO SPEAK SUCH WORDS?!

THE GREATER THE GRANDIOSITY OF THE SUBJECT OF THE WORDS
THE LESS REALITY THERE BE TO THE SUBJECT.

...ARE YOU FINALLY BEGINNING TO "MAKE OUT" THE IMAGE" OF THE DESTINATION
OF THIS CURIOUS JOURNEY?! --

AS YOU LOOK "UP AHEAD",
IS IT BECOMING OBVIOUS THAT THE LESS YOU SAY TO YOURSELF ABOUT THE JOURNEY,
AND ABOUT BEING EITHER: "HERE", OR, "THERE",
ABOUT BEING EITHER: "SICK", OR, "WELL",
THE LESS, (BY 'IMMINEY), THAT YOU "TALK-TO-YOURSELF" ABOUT ANYTHING
THAT YOU CAN THINK OF TO -- TALK-TO-YOURSELF-ABOUT --
THE FURTHER AHEAD YOU ARE IN THIS SOJOURN.

JUST AS YOU CAN CORRECTLY DETERMINE THE DEGREE OF UNDERSTANDING A MAN POSSESSES
REGARDING WHAT AWAKENING ACTUALLY "IS",
BASED ON HOW MUCH HE TALKS ABOUT IT,
SO TOO CAN YOU LOOK INTO YOURSELF AND ACCURATELY MEASURE, (AT ANY GIVEN MOMENT),
YOUR PROXIMITY TO THE "THERE" DESTINATION OF PERSONAL AWAKENING
BY THE DENSITY OF MENTAL VERBALIZATION THEREABOUT, BEING ENTERTAINED.

THE MAN IN WHOM -- INNER SILENCE PREVAILS -- "HAS NO DOUBTS" -- FOR:
HE IS NEITHER: "HERE", NOR, "THERE"

AT THE END OF EACH DAY,
 TO HIMSELF, ONE MAN WOULD SAY:
 "TODAY I, ONCE AGAIN -- 'OVER DID' -- EVERYTHING.....
EXCEPT MY EFFORTS TO STAY CONSCIOUS."

EXPANDED NOTICE TAKEN REGARDING THAT SPECIAL, PRIVATE, INTERNAL EFFORT TO
 GO FROM: "HERE" TO "THERE":

UNTIL YOU HAVE A THROUGH, PERSONAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE ESSENCE OF
 WHAT "HERE" TRULY IS,
 AND HAVE THUS EXHAUSTED ALL OF ITS APPARENT POSSIBILITIES,
 THAT ELUSIVE DESTINATION OF, "THERE"
 HAS A MOST DIFFICULT TIME MAKING ITSELF VISIBLE AND KNOWN.

A DESCRIPTION ACTUALLY SUPERIOR TO THOSE OF: "BECOMING AWAKE", OR,
 "ACHIEVING ENLIGHTENMENT", ETC.,
 WOULD BE TO THINK OF THAT DIFFERENT MENTAL CONDITION EXPERIENCED BY THE FEW
 AS SIMPLY: "COMING OUT OF IT",
 (WITH OF COURSE, THE FULL COMPREHENSION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES -- "IT".

IN THE LIVES OF THE FEW,
 THE DAY COMES WHEN -- "SOMETHING CLICKS" --
 AND EVERYTHING SUDDENLY -- "MAKES SENSE."

OH WHAT A DAY.