



## "Never say never"

### From the Editor

Greetings!

This final issue for 2007 is full of interesting articles, stories and helpful information. Nell takes a look at what teachers of metaphysics are saying about 'consciousness' and levels of 'consciousness', after revealing to us David Hawkin's mathematical approach last month.

Carita's article more or less demonstrates awareness of consciousness from the dream-state to everyday life.

A bit of another theme emerges too in the provocative 'pass it on if you dare' mentality – both in the joke about heaven and hell on earth and in the article Patrick included in his commentary that confronts racism with 'racism'.

And without meaning to sound like a salesman, there is much, much more – an issue to take you to the next, which will be in February.

Thankyou to all who have participated in offerings of articles, poems, thoughts and reviews throughout 2007. It is a delight to watch themes emerge without any planning to make it happen!

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year...

The Editor

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## CONSCIOUSNESS and LEVELS OF...

by Nell Whiteside

*In last month's issue Nell spoke of David Hawkins' assignment of numerical values to different levels of consciousness in her article Force and Power Mathematically Speaking. What do other teachers say about consciousness?*

Consciousness is a nebulous term. Any attempt to define it means we enter the realm of semantics. To quote from an article in Wikipedia <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Consciousness...>

*Consciousness is a quality of the mind generally regarded to comprise qualities such as subjectivity, self-awareness, sentience, sapience, and the ability to perceive the relationship between oneself and one's environment. It is a subject of much research in philosophy of mind, psychology, neuroscience, and cognitive science.*

In common parlance, consciousness denotes being awake and responsive to one's environment; this contrasts with being asleep or being in a coma. The term 'level of consciousness' denotes how consciousness seems to vary during anaesthesia and during various states of mind, such as day dreaming, lucid dreaming, imagining, etc. Non-consciousness exists when consciousness is not present. There is speculation, mostly among religious groups, that consciousness may exist after death or before birth.

**In the context of the WDHR Newsletter then, what is the perspective of some of the teachers of contemporary 'spirituality' on 'consciousness'?**

- Deepak Chopra, (a neuroendocrinologist, amongst his other attributes) in *The Book of Secrets* says, "*The simplest definition of consciousness is awareness; the two are synonymous.... Consciousness is the potential for all creation.... Consciousness is the maker (chooser) of reality.*" In *Life After Death*, he claims that, in the context of science, the assumption is made "*that mind arises from matter*" i.e. "*consciousness is a materialistic phenomenon*" whereas the opposite perspective holds in the context of Eastern philosophy i.e. consciousness gives rise to matter.
- Eckhart Tolle uses the word consciousness synonymously with God, the NOW, Being, Presence. In *A New Earth*, he writes "*And who are you? Consciousness. And what is consciousness? This question cannot be answered. ... Consciousness, the traditional word for which is **spirit**, cannot be known in the normal sense of the word, and seeking it is futile. ... "*

The universe is like a safe to which there is a combination. But the combination is locked up in the safe.  
Peter De Vries

## LEVELS OF ...

Many religious/'spiritual systems' entail an ascent up an allegorical ladder of consciousness.

- Contemporary teachers, e.g. Carolyn Myss in *Why People Don't Heal and How They Can*, says "The symbolism of the chakras, the Tree of Life of the Jewish Kabbalah and the seven Christian sacraments represent an internal road map, a spiritual maturation process that can lead us from the unconscious to the conscious mind, then on to the superconscious." In *Anatomy of Spirit* she focuses on "correspondences between the 7 Hindu Chakras, 10 Kabbalistic Sephiroth on 7 levels and the 7 Christian Sacraments".
- Deepak Chopra in *How to Know God* regards the brain as a quantum machine in which there are 7 basic responses i.e. 7 definite events that take place inside the brain. These responses are more basic than beliefs, but they give rise to beliefs. Each response represents a different level of consciousness and involves a different view of reality i.e. there is different reality for each stage of growth, each with a matching God. You have to climb the spiritual ladder from one rung to the next and each stage must ripen. For many people, only the first few responses have been activated - part of the brain remains dormant. In *Synchrodestiny* Chopra says that, according to Vedanta, there are seven states of consciousness, but many of them have not been investigated or are not even recognized by mainstream science. Each of the seven states of consciousness represents an increase in our experience of synchronicity, and each progressive state moves us closer to the ideal of enlightenment (Unity Consciousness, Level 7). Everyone commonly experiences the first three (deep sleep, dreaming, ordinary waking). Unfortunately, most people never move beyond these three basic states.
- Eckhart Tolle in *The Power of Now* says that, "most people only shift between ordinary unconsciousness and deep unconsciousness." Ordinary unconsciousness i.e. most people's normal state, "means being identified with thought processes and emotions"... "you are run by the egoic mind" .... "habitual resistance to or denial of what is creates the unease and discontent that most people accept as normal living." "Deep unconsciousness often means that the pain body has been triggered and that you have become identified with it." "We can be free of these afflictions by making them conscious." Tolle also maintains that the degree of presence determines the level of consciousness and therefore one's reality.

"Not everything that can be counted counts...and not everything that counts can be counted."  
Albert Einstein

## Special Feature...

### READING THROUGH PROCESSES...

by Carita D'Souza



**I had a dream** inspired by a thought of giving gifts. A spontaneous vision appeared in my mind, where I gave Patrick a golden conch. I was delighted by such a magnificent gift. Then as I had just

spoken to Ciril, I thought I would give him one too.

*I wondered... why a golden conch? I knew it was something amazing and magical and beneficially powerful.*

*Gold is the alchemists symbol for impurities that have been cleansed, i.e. lead transformed into gold, and when you put a conch shell to your ear you can hear the sound of the ocean. The ocean is symbolical of the "ocean of consciousness", the pure essence of spirit. These were my initial insights.*

*I was then led to explore the symbology of the conch and it was amazing what I discovered. The rest of the story unfolded from there. I have chosen those meanings that hold for me a clear, pure focus and intent.*

*In India, the conch is associated with the sacred syllable AUM, the first sound of creation. Conches that spiral clockwise are said to symbolise the expansion of infinite space; and Triton (Ancient Greece) is said to have blown the conch to control the magnitude of the waves.*

The dream/vision continued...

I saw Patrick with two golden conches held to his ears, and then I noticed Ciril also holding the golden conches to his ears. Finally I saw myself, also with two golden conches held up to my ears. I revelled in the moment of connecting with the sound of pure consciousness.

The next morning, the dream continued to present itself through my inner eyes and I saw both Patrick and Ciril holding the golden conches up to their mouths and blowing the sound of AUM. I could also see myself with the two golden conches held up to my ears, listening to the magic of creation. It was in the now... now I am holding a golden conch to my lips and blowing the sound of creation...

**If you paint in your mind a picture of bright and happy expectations, you put yourself into a condition conducive to your goal.**

**Norman Vincent Peale**

The following story of a vision of a new earth was inspired by my reading about Patrick's 'Why Not!' and Louis' 'What If', as well as other valued HU-minds, as well I believe, the dream/vision unfolding as explained above.

I normally do not speak of my inner visions, yet somehow this feels totally appropriate and quite relevant. In what way I am not sure, but it has been a very deep process of questioning, which I trust will bear fruit when the time is ripe, and in sharing my process perhaps in some way others' will honour their own inner journey, their own processes – as uniquely perfect and right.

*The first spark of the idea was fuelled by outrage - outrage at seeing my town and community turning into a monstrosity. The gift? I had this flash of outrageous inspiration: "If they, (don't ask me who they are I wouldn't be able to tell you) can turn oases into deserts, I can turn deserts into oases."*

And so the journey was born...

*I conspired to go on a journey into the remotest areas I could with vehicle and resources at my disposal. I ventured with a Soul-buddy of long-standing who is a lover of the earth and all natural creatures, life forms and forces. She lives it, breathes it, is it. So it seemed perfect to immerse myself in her art and skills of appreciating nature just as it is. I also decided that as I was travelling I was going to envision thick, lush forests or wild free scapes prolific with birds and other creatures in abundance.*

At the same time inspiration struck...

*I would commence a digital camera and image manipulation course to assist my envisioning. I did and in undertaking this work I created an image for Patrick...*



This is how creation works. It doesn't work merely through the Laws of Physics. It works through the alchemy of the heart. The world is not created of matter. Matter is an illusion. Matter is a prop for gratitude.  
Pir Zia Inayat Khan

*The innocence and flow of this creation felt very powerful... then I forgot about it. Other life matters got in the way and I forgot about this ongoing process until recently when another situation came to my attention that once again outraged me. As a result another outrageous inspiration was sparked and I was once again connected to the original idea...*

I kept having flashes of a gianormous forest and would find myself going WOW! Where is this? Then I saw myself with Patrick in this space, and I thought/felt (no words) "look at this". Next moment Ciril popped into the picture and I remember wondering where Nina was. Suddenly she popped in and there we were - myself, Patrick, Ciril and Nina in this gianormous forest. Once again I forgot about it however, when it appeared again there was Patrick and Ciril together, alone in this forest. I emailed Patrick saying, "I don't know what you two were doing in there." Perhaps I should have asked...

*This image recurred unexpectedly. I saw myself in the forest again, this time by myself. I lay down in the shape of the Da Vinci drawing Patrick sometimes uses on his brochures, and I sank into the earth, as if buried. It felt good.*

Later another story unfolded...

*I found this earth where the trees are not hundreds but thousands of years old and the forests spread across the globe. Birds and animals in vast numbers and diversity thrive, as do the oceans, the air and the sunlight. It is filled with the most marvellous creatures of every conceivable kind.*

*Our friends the animals, trees, insects, oceans, air etc work in harmony with us and we with them. There is no fear between us. Even the most dangerous animals are not there to harm us rather they thrive in harmony with all that is. We play and learn from each other. They willingly come forth to be stroked, loved and cherished. Everything about this earth scintillates, sparkling with HU.*

One story in the Bible wo/man is created before other creatures and it claims them to be in dominion. I personally question this story. Who wrote it really? And how is it being interpreted? Is it possible that this story is biased in favour of wo/man's superiority on this planet? Could it be that it is not necessarily the story of HU and the real story of HU is that of the shamans who said, "man is the dream of the dolphin".

*What would a dolphin dream? What if? There is an earth where wo/man simply don't exist and yet nature thrives? And what if? The only way wo/man could incarnate onto this planet is if they were willing to be HU-mind co-existing with HU-mind (all sentient life on the planet) in harmony, love and appreciation. What if to live on that earth with our fellow priceless creatures we did not require money to live, breathe or BE and yet our lives were still the most glorious, wondrous and extraordinary lives we could dream in our wildest imaginations?*

What would the world look like?

*p.s. For those who do not know Ciril was Patrick's teacher, and Louis is a teacher in South Africa, a student of Patrick's who recently met Ciril at a course.*

**"Not much happens without a dream. And for something great to happen, there must be a great dream. Much more than a dreamer is required to bring it to reality; but the dream must be there first."  
Robert Greenleaf**

## A bit of Humour...

*This Came Via Email From A Couple Of Wonderful People Who Did Forward It On. In The Email It Said That It Estimated 93% Would Not Forward it...*

*How is it that we may share our spoon with another?*

A holy man was having a conversation with the Lord one day and said, "Lord, I would like to know what Heaven and Hell are like." The Lord led the holy man to two doors. He opened one of the doors and the holy man looked in.

In the middle of the room was a large round table. In the middle of the table was a large pot of stew, which smelled delicious and made the holy man's mouth water. The people sitting around the table were thin and sickly. They appeared to be famished. They were holding spoons with very long handles that were strapped to their arms and each found it possible to reach into the pot of stew and take a spoonful. However, because the handle was longer than their arms, they could not get the spoons back into their mouths. The holy man shuddered at the sight of their misery and suffering. The Lord said, "You have seen Hell."

They went to the next room and opened the door. It was exactly the same as the first one. There was the large round table with the large pot of stew that made the holy man's mouth water.

The people were equipped with the same long-handled spoons, but here the people were well nourished and plump, laughing and talking. The holy man said, "I don't understand?" "It is simple", said the Lord. "It requires but one skill. You see they have learned to feed each other, while the greedy think only of themselves".

If you've been giving yourself a hard time, or getting frustrated at your apparent lack of progress, measured by what's right in front of you, try asking yourself this:

*What is the general direction I want to be going?*

*Can I let myself take a few steps back so I can see the bigger picture?*

*Would I be willing to give myself credit for what I AM getting instead of giving myself grief for what I'm NOT getting?*

*Can I enjoy just a little bit of the positive things instead of looking only at evidence of the negative?*

*What would be the worst that could happen if I just RELAX and trust that all is working out just fine?*

*Extract from Science of Being Well Network*

**"Prosperity is a way of living and thinking, and not just money or things. Poverty is a way of living and thinking, and not just a lack of money or things."**

**Eric Butterworth**

## Through a Rapist's Eyes - for females of any age...

*Although American in its research and perhaps not apparently so relevant in another patch of the world, it is unfortunately amazing how often western countries follow the US trend...Editor*

**Rapists and date rapists in prison were interviewed on what they look for in a potential victim. Here are some interesting facts...**

1. The first thing men look for in a potential victim is hairstyle. They are most likely to go after a woman with a ponytail, bun, braid or other hairstyle that can easily be grabbed. Women with short hair are not common targets.
2. The second thing men look for is clothing, that is clothing that is easy to remove quickly. Many carry scissors to cut clothing.
3. They also look for women distracted, i.e. on cell/mobile phone, or any other distractive activity while walking because they are easily overpowered.
4. Men are most likely to attack and rape in the early morning, between 5:00 and 8:30a.m.
5. The number **one** place women are abducted from or attacked is grocery store parking lots. Number **two** is parking garages. Number **three** is public restrooms.
6. The thing about these men is that they are looking to grab a woman and quickly move her to another location where they don't have to worry about getting caught.
7. Only 2% said they carried weapons because rape carries a 3-5 year sentence but rape with a weapon is 15-20 years.
8. If you put up any kind of a fight at all, they get discouraged because it only takes a minute or two for them to realize that going after you isn't worth it because it will be time-consuming.
9. These men said they would not pick on women who have umbrellas, or other similar objects that can be used from a distance. Keys are not a deterrent because you have to get really close to the attacker to use them as a weapon.
10. Several **defence mechanisms** are:
  - If someone is following behind you (on street, in a garage, elevator or stairwell), look him in the face and ask a question, or make small talk, i.e. *"I can't believe it is so cold out here", "we're in for a bad winter"*. Seeing their face means they could be identified in a line up. You lose appeal as a target.
  - If someone is coming toward you, hold out your hands in front and yell STOP or STAY BACK! They want an EASY target.
  - If someone grabs you from behind, pinch him either *under the arm (between the elbow and armpit)* OR in the upper *inner* thigh VERY HARD. It can break through the skin and tear out muscle strands.

But men may  
construe things  
after their fashion  
Clean from the  
purpose of the  
things themselves.  
William Shakespeare

- After the initial hit, always GO for the GROIN.
- If he puts his hands up to you, grab his first two fingers and bend them back as far as possible.
- The elbow is the strongest point on your body. Use it if close enough.

### Strategies...

- If asked for your wallet, toss it away from you. Chances are the wallet is of more interest than you. If so, when it is pursued, RUN IN THE OTHER DIRECTION!

- If ever thrown into the trunk of a car, kick out the back taillights and stick your arm out the hole and wave like crazy. The driver won't see you, but everybody else will.

- When getting into your car, make it a habit to lock the doors and leave straight away.

- If someone surprises you in your car and puts a gun to your head DO NOT DRIVE OFF as requested. Instead accelerate and aim to crash the vehicle. An air bag will save you but not an assailant if they are in the back seat. Then bail out and run.

### Getting into your car in a parking lot...

Be aware of your surroundings – vans next door, person sitting in car, as well as in and around own car. Most serial killers attack their victims by pulling them into their vans while the woman is attempting to get into their car. If you ever feel uncomfortable about your surroundings go back to building and get security to walk you to your car. IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY and better paranoid than dead.

### The 2% who have weapons...

If there is a gun involved and you are not under his control, RUN! A running target is only hit 4 in 100 times, and then most likely it WILL NOT be a vital organ. RUN in a zigzag pattern!

Do not be sympathetic. This may be a ploy. Ted Bundy, a serial killer, was a good-looking, well-educated man, who ALWAYS played on the sympathies of unsuspecting women. He walked with a cane, or a limp, and often asked for help into his vehicle.

### Safety First...

Predators also prey on emotions. A woman heard a crying baby on her porch one night. She called the police who told her not to open the door and wait for the patrol car. They suspected a serial killer had a baby's cry recorded to coax women out of their homes.

Remember, in sharing this a candle is not dimmed by lighting another candle.

*Thanks to Nina for passing this on to be shared by all.*

*If I can recall some Personal Magnetism training involved being aware of our surroundings at all times, being totally present and walking tall or walking magnetically. This too is a deterrent to any would-be attacker.*  
The Editor

'Enlightenment is to see reality as it already is'.  
Bhagavan in Kiara Windrider's 'Fire from Heaven'

## Book Review...

by Mette Hansen

Elisabeth Haich, *Initiation*

- Elisabeth Haich was born in Budapest, Hungary, in 1897 and died in Switzerland in 1994. She lived for 93 years.
- She was a yoga teacher and a mystic who wrote several books, the best known being *Initiation*.

*Initiation* describes her childhood, which early on shows signs of having special talents. During these years she has a strong feeling that her parents are not her real parents, and that people cannot 'see' the real person that she is, and that she did not belong.

She studies and reads and slowly evolves to a point where she one day remembers a time when she was a young woman preparing for an initiation in Egypt. She describes the various steps of training that she undergoes and her role as 'wife' (instead of her mother who has died) next to her father, the Pharaoh. After the initiation she is assigned work as a priestess in the Temple where she is tempted and 'falls from grace'. In this last lifetime she regains her lost state and - on request from her students in yoga - writes the book *Initiation*.

## Movie Review...

by Jan Melanie

*The Bourne Ultimatum...*

A brilliant movie about a focussed mind and what such a mind makes possible. Bourne had a purpose, a purpose of finding his true identity. What is my true identity? Isn't that a question we all ask ourselves?

It used to be that movies told a story about good guy versus bad guy and the good guy would always 'win'. Life isn't like that. *Bourne Identity* offers up a study in being present at all times, in being attentive to detail and in the power available to reach one's destiny in being humble. For Bourne there was no choice but to be humble. He had no memory of who he was to verbally defend himself. Most of all though is showed the freedom available in not making judgements that we can so easily turn into 'facts'. Isn't there a line that suggests it is in losing ourselves that we can truly find our true self? Perhaps this is so but we could also put the pieces back almost the way they were if it were not for that other quality called humility. Bourne had humility –by not knowing his identity he had no choice but to rely upon this vulnerable state and allow it to be his strength.

This movie inspired me to remember my choices and to have the courage to live my life, without judgement, NO MATTER WHAT.... now to put into action!

A mystic is a person  
who is puzzled  
before the obvious  
but who understands  
the non-existent.  
Elbert Hubbard

'The biggest  
obstacle to  
enlightenment is to  
pretend that you  
already are if you  
are not.'  
Bhagavan

## Current Events...

by Patrick Desplace

Well, I did not send a commentary last month - I never suspected the courses I was offering in South Africa would "tax" me as much as they did! Then I did challenge consensus in a rather provocative manner...

For those of you who have not done so yet, I recommend you watch the DVD: **The Mayan Calendar - The transformation of Consciousness**. You will have a better understanding of "The End of Time". Please pay attention to the following:

1. In your early teens, you knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that you were smarter and more resourceful than your parents and educators - and you were right to think so... Yes, sadly, you have lost it now...
2. Do you remember the time when your parents placed items high up so you would not be able to access them? At the time you wanted to grow older and taller so you could reach and access them...
3. Now it is all in reverse - if you want the precious resources and smartness you had once upon a time, you must learn to grow, not taller or older, but younger, more resourceful and smarter...

Yes you can do this - this is what the new Generation of the Teaching I offer is all about. Hope you will join and enjoy my "*End of Time*" program, starting 2008 - perhaps January in Adelaide!

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Below a few links that I recommend you explore. To experience "Quality" of life in the important and challenging years ahead, no one can afford being overweight, let alone obese. The programs below are proving to be rather effective. They are affordable - give it a go! Also below is a link where you can get Generic Pharmaceutical products such as Viagra, Cialis etc. at reasonable prices - I have negotiated a discount and the code is attached:

### 1. Idiot proof Diet

<http://pdspd11.4idiots.hop.clickbank.net/>

### 2. Loosing Weight for over 40's

<http://pdspd11.bevopub.hop.clickbank.net/>

### 3. Canadian Pharmacy:

[www.pharmacy25.com](http://www.pharmacy25.com)

Discount code: 465686

"The man who moved  
a mountain is the  
one who started  
taking away the  
small stones."  
Old Chinese Proverb

The question I want to ask myself today is simply: **Am I a racist?** If the answer is yes - and it will be for some of you - then "Oni Soit Qui Mal I Pense" I am unsure of the spelling.

*"...If someone calls you a racist, you must respond by calling them an idiot to call you a racist. Their reaction should be interesting. Someone finally said it:*

*How many are actually paying attention to this?*

*There are African Americans, Mexican Americans, Asian Americans, Arab Americans, Native Americans, etc.  
..And then there are just - Americans.*

*You pass me on the street and sneer in my direction.  
You Call me "White boy," "Cracker," "Honkey," "Whitey," "Caveman,"  
...And that's OK. But when I call you Nigger, Kike, Towel head, Sand-nigger, Camel Jockey, Beaner, Gook, or Chink,  
... You call me a racist.*

*You say that whites commit a lot of violence against you, so why are the ghettos the most dangerous places to live?*

*You have the United Negro College Fund.  
You have Hispanic History Month.  
You have Martin Luther King Day.  
You have Asian History Month.  
You have Black History Month.  
You have Cesar Chavez Day.  
You have Ma'uled Al-Nabi.  
You have Yom Hashoah.  
You have Kawanza.  
You have the NAA CP.  
And you have BET.  
If we had WET (White Entertainment Television)  
... We'd be racists.*

*If we had a White Pride Day  
... You would call us racists.*

*If we had White History Month  
... We'd be racists.*

*If we had any organization for only whites to "advance" OUR lives,  
... We'd be racists.*

*We have a Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, a Black Chamber of Commerce,  
and then we just have the plain Chamber of Commerce.  
Wonder who pays for that?*

*If we had a college fund that only gave white students scholarships  
... You know we'd be racists.*

*There are over 60 openly-proclaimed Black-only Colleges in the US, yet if there were "White-only Colleges"  
... THAT would be a racist college.*

**The truth dazzles  
gradually, or else  
the world would be  
blind.  
Emily Dickinson**

*In the Million-Man March, you believed that you were marching  
for your race and rights.  
If we marched for our race and rights,  
... You would call us racists.*

*You are proud to be black, brown, yellow and red, and you're  
not afraid to announce it.  
But when we announce our white pride  
... You call us racist. !!*

*You rob us, carjack us, and shoot at us.  
But, when a white police officer shoots a black gang member or  
beats up a black drug-dealer who is running from the LAW and  
posing a threat to ALL of society  
... You call him a racist.*

*I am proud.  
...But, you call me a racist.*

*Why is it that only whites can be racists?*

*There is nothing improper about this e-mail.*

*Let's see which of you are proud enough to send it on..."*

We have seen the riots in France in 2005 and now again in 2007 - worse this time. Cause: two Algerian kids unlicensed to ride a scooter, riding an unroadworthy, unregistered scooter and got rammed by a cop car. Was it deliberate? Perhaps, but I doubt it! They died...

We have heard of the "Teddy called Mohamed"... I suspect the Pope would be delighted to have a teddy named Jesus!!! Then what the fuck was this western woman doing in a country with a primitive fanatical ontology and religion? If this view is Racist: I am thrilled to be a racist!

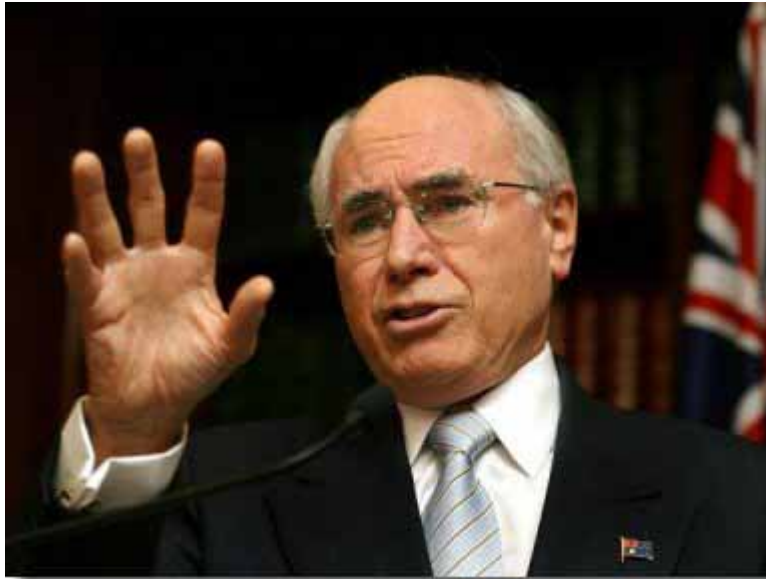
When the speech below was made in Australia, I was proud to be of this great nation - I hope that under Kevin Rudd (our new Prime Minister) we do not put up with the kind of bullshit the French appear to be prepared to tolerate... but you know, there is always a limit as to how much we westerners are prepared to put up with. Remember we are the most brutally aggressive race on this planet:

**THIS MUST BE RATED AS THE SPEECH OF THE YEAR...**

**"People are not accepting the terror tactics of extremists any longer! We should as believers be as adamant in prayer over our own nations and be unafraid to be revolutionary people who will change the status quo!**

**The free world needs a leader like this!!**

**Knowledge is not the  
basis of  
enlightenment,  
enlightenment is the  
basis of knowledge.  
Maharishi Mahesh Yogi**



Prime Minister John Howard – Australia

Muslims who want to live under Islamic Shari law were told on Wednesday to get out of Australia, as the government targeted radicals in a bid to head off potential terror attacks. A day after a group of mainstream Muslim leaders pledged loyalty to Australia and her Queen at a special meeting with Prime Minister John Howard, he and his Ministers made it clear that extremists would face a crackdown.

Treasurer Peter Costello, seen as heir apparent to Howard, hinted that some radical clerics could be asked to leave the country if they did not accept that Australia was a secular state, and its laws were made by parliament. *“If those are not your values, if you want a country which has Shari law or a theocratic state, then Australia is not for you”*, he said on National Television *“I’d be saying to clerics who are teaching that there are two laws governing people in Australia: one the Australian law and another Islamic law that is false. If you can’t agree with parliamentary law, independent courts, democracy, and would prefer Shari law and have the opportunity to go to another country, which practices it, perhaps, then, that’s a better option”*, Costello said.

Asked whether he meant radical clerics would be forced to leave, he said those with dual citizenship could possibly be asked to move to the other country. Education Minister Brendan Nelson later told reporters that Muslims who did not want to accept local values should clear off. *“Basically people who don’t want to be Australians, and who don’t want to live by Australian values and understand them, well then, they can basically clear off”*, he said.

Separately, Howard angered some Australian Muslims on Wednesday by saying he supported spy agencies monitoring the nation's mosques. Quote: *“IMMIGRANTS, NOT AUSTRALIANS, MUST ADAPT. Take It Or Leave It. I am tired of this nation worrying about whether we are offending some individual or their culture. Since the terrorist attacks on Bali, we have experienced a surge in patriotism by the majority of Australians.”*

**"The person who seeks all their applause from outside has their happiness in another's keeping."  
Claudius Claudianus**

*"However, the dust from the attacks had barely settled when the 'politically correct' crowd began complaining about the possibility that our patriotism was offending others. I am not against immigration, nor do I hold a grudge against anyone who is seeking a better life by coming to Australia. However, there are a few things that those who have recently come to our country, and apparently some born here, need to understand. This idea of Australia being a multi-cultural community has served only to dilute our sovereignty and our national identity. And as Australians, we have our own culture, our own society, our own language and our own lifestyle.*

*This culture has been developed over two centuries of struggles, trials and victories by millions of men and women who have sought freedom.*

(I LOVE THIS PART)

*We speak mainly ENGLISH, not Spanish, Lebanese, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, or any other language, therefore if you wish to become part of our society, learn the language!*

*Most Australians believe in God. This is not some Christian, right wing, political push, but a fact, because Christian men and women, on Christian principles, founded this nation, and this is clearly documented. It is certainly appropriate to display it on the walls of our schools. If God offends you, then I suggest you consider another part of the world as your new home, because God is part of our culture.*

*We will accept your beliefs, and will not question why. All we ask is that you accept ours, and live in harmony and peaceful enjoyment with us.*

*If the Southern Cross offends you, or you don't like 'A Fair Go', then you should seriously consider a move to another part of this planet. We are happy with our culture and have no desire to change, and we really don't care how you did things where you came from. By all means, keep your culture, but do not force it on others.*

*This is OUR COUNTRY, OUR LAND, and OUR LIFESTYLE, and we will allow you every opportunity to enjoy all this. But once you are done complaining, whining, and griping about Our Flag, Our Pledge, Our Christian beliefs, or Our Way of Life, I highly encourage you take advantage of one other great Australian freedom, 'THE RIGHT TO LEAVE'.*

*If you aren't happy here then LEAVE. We didn't force you to come here. You asked to be here. So accept the country YOU chose."*

**Maybe if we circulate this amongst ourselves and send it to our leaders, the free world will find the backbone to start speaking and voicing the same truths.**

**If you agree, please SEND THIS ON."**

Consciousness is a being, the nature of which is to be conscious of the nothingness of its being.

Jean-Paul Sartre

My Love to you all... Nina joins me to wish you a wondrous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Patrick

## Contact Us

My general aim for the newsletter is that it is eclectic in its style. For the coming 2008 why not find your voice and be willing to send your original material to the Editor for possible inclusion in this publication!

- An article; a book review; a movie review; your poetry - all these things and more are of interest to us all.

As well please forward on quotes you may have come across - we are running a tad short on variety at the moment and would appreciate another collection from you.

Jokes too are required - particularly those not already sent to everyone in your address book! This may be difficult, so send them anyway.

Please send correspondence and submissions to me, Jan Melanie, at the following email address: [janmelanie@iinet.net.au](mailto:janmelanie@iinet.net.au) and/or [editor@worlddevelopment.com](mailto:editor@worlddevelopment.com)

Finally, the first newsletter for the year will be February. Many are on leave, particularly those in the southern hemisphere where it is our summer holiday period, and mailboxes tend to get filled up and more newsletters returned than usual.

Hope you enjoy the Festive Season.

Take care....

The Editor

"Peace is not a season... it is a way of life. When the spirit of Peace becomes a part of our lives, everyday will be Christmas and every night will hold the promise of dawn."  
An old Christmas card

# What If

## A Journey of Hope

Dear Companions

**You are invited to join me on a Journey.**

A Journey of Discovery, of Unveiling, of Imagining, of Creation, of Unexpected Possibilities and Unknown Probabilities, of Fun, of Magic, of Hope!

**A Journey in Cyberspace for the next (at least) nine months and then a World Adventure...**

**Where, How, When will Be revealed to those who dare!**

All of us are experiencing interesting if not the strangest times. Many are experiencing **The End of an Era** in many aspects of their lives, Be it their relationships, Be it their work situations, Be it their aspirations... Indeed *The End of Eras* are Being arranged by your Divinity performing an act of Divine Intervention On You to prompt You to - Give Birth to Your Self - To Know Thy Self!

Calling it a Journey of Hope is rather risky because it may appear nebulous and flippant. I am taking an even bigger risk because of the very nature of 'Hope':

**'Hope' as a force, operates on the Magical Edges of the Possibilities and Potentials of your Imagination. 'Hope' is a very gentle and subtle force that taps you into powerful cosmic fields. 'Hope' is one of the most potent forces that you could unleash onto your Life and into your World!**

As analogies go and all analogies break down: **Faith** is a straight road that has been constructed and paved for you by others and would inevitably lead you into a kind of spiritual damnation. **Hope** is a bridge across some kind of abyss and you cannot see what's on the other side. None who have crossed and returned have any inclination to reveal what IS THERE..., but will encourage You to undertake the Crossing!

**I Am Encouraging and Inviting You to demonstrate your Commitment to Give Birth to Thy Self - a Self uncontainable by the World Known, a Self beyond your wildest Imaginings - And to Give Birth to a World Unknown even to your Self...**

Simply send an email with the word **Hope** in the subject line to Jacqueline and myself - And let the Journey begin...

**All my Love to You  
Louis**

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