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I meet myself at play in the fields of all of life. Always participating; be it with unconscious resistance, or conscious expectancy... not knowing what will be next... an adventure or a tragedy.

An *Anonymous* quote sent in by [Johan...](#) thanks.

From the Editor

Hello,

Keeping it simple, keeping it honest, it could be claimed is the theme of this publication.

Having a point from which to allow reflection, allow contemplation and go within to see how far we have come may be a useful exercise. The article offers such a focus and asks us to consider what has been our commitment to ourselves?

In humour we have an opportunity to laugh at ourselves – are we operating through the adult who think he/she knows it all, or are we more or less in tune with the child within who just knows what they want in that moment?

Deidre's poem, *The River Runs*, contemplates the flow of life and draws upon the analogy of a running river, which she explores in her own unique way.

In Patrick's commentary, he reminds us with demonstration and story, that money is an illusion. He also comments on current world politics and earth changes.

Patrick also is advertising two upcoming courses – read carefully and listen with your heart to your response – is recommended.

Above all, enjoy and take care.

The Editor

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A snapshot in motion!...

by Janet Corbett

"3000 years ago a Medicine Man had a dream - he saw that everything is made of light and that the space-in-between is not empty. He knew that everything that exists is one living being - a manifestation of the one living being we call God. He concluded that human perception is merely light perceiving light. Matter is a mirror - everything is a mirror that reflects light and creates images of that light.

He saw himself in everything. He tried to tell others. He told them that, "*I am God, but you are also God. Everyone is a mirror.*" but they could not understand. He realized everyone was dreaming, but without awareness, without knowing what they really are - pure love, pure light. They could not see him as themselves because there was a wall of fog or smoke (illusion) between the mirrors - that fog was made by the interpretation of images of light - the **dream** of humans."

This is how one of our readers, Nell Whiteside introduced her response to Miguel Ruiz's book, **The Four Agreements**, a few years ago. It could have been a Book Review in 2006 but now it has become a springboard for discovering "*What have I become as a result of what I have been exposed to in this and other similar books and teachings?*" I was inspired to say something when I re-read her review and so it is in the context of Nell's perceptions outlined here in this article, that this question is addressed.

Firstly, let's situate the role reading a book or having a teacher has in the lives of those who purposefully read esoteric books and who consciously chose to be involved in esoteric teaching. What is going on? Some have tended to gain confidence through paraphrasing what has been written and quoting respected esoteric teachers... perhaps there is a 'known' element at play, but only if ownership is claimed. At times in one's process, knowledge appears to be outside of self only, but this can be questioned when consideration is given to the concept of 'many truths'. What I hear in any moment is purposeful for me but it may not be what you hear.

The purpose or the role, it seems to me, just is and always will be to live the life we aspire to more consciously and more accountably than if we hadn't connected with 'that book' or 'that esoteric teacher'. It seems to me, I/you/we, have chosen to form a relationship between the child within, the adult with experience and our maker and we do this with much assistance. Many could speak with more clarity than I on how it is that some books are timeless in their message and others are time specific, that is, some reveal all there is and others pay attention to the detail of the journey. All have something to offer at some time, but not necessarily everyone needs to hear.

Perhaps then when we chose to have an esoteric teacher, we chose this option because it makes the journey more fun, more personal and more relative to now time and the moment. It is in this environment that offers from beyond are made.

"Man is much more than a 'rational being' and lives more by sympathies and impressions than by conclusions. It darkens his eyes and dries up the wells of his humanity to be forever in search of doctrine. We need wholesome, experiencing natures, I dare affirm, much more than we need sound reasoning."

Woodrow Wilson,
On Being Human

Given the Medicine Man story then of 3,000 years ago, right now, we can safely say without doubt that we do understand, even if we don't accept it, that I Am I, I am God, Goddess, All That Is. Without the reading, without the teachers, without the study the fog may not have lifted so quickly in one short lifetime, even though it has taken a while.

The Four Agreements was written possibly, to identify the 'fog' as certain beliefs and judgements of self and others that would require a great deal of courage to be challenged, as it was the 'fog', the beliefs, that were keeping us from the truth that everything is within us.

As Nell said of the 'fog', *"we cannot see that we are free. We don't fit our image of perfection – are afraid to express what we really are in order to be accepted."* Ruiz explained more about personality and heaven and hell, but what has been addressed here is sufficient to reflect upon what one has become as a result of being exposed to the teachings.

His Four Agreements; *Be Impeccable with your Word; Don't Take anything Personally; Don't make Assumptions;* and, *Always Do your Best*, were designed to help break the old agreements. For an esoteric student, these perhaps are or were steps worked on consciously in concert with other training.

Reflect then if you want, for yourself, on the Medicine Man some 3,000 years ago who had a dream and dreamt that everything is made of light and the space in-between is not empty and who realized he was God and so was everyone else... but no-one understood.

Reflect then on just how far you/we have come in a seemingly short space in time by understanding that each time we revisit and find more clarity in something we thought we knew completely, we are not the same person we were just previous. What then would we say we have become? And if we were writing a book just how many acknowledgements, beside ourselves, would we name? Just who has been conjured up by the author of each 'unwritten' reality to assist and to teach accordingly, without guarantee of any particular conclusion? When I think of this question of what have I become, I sense a breathtaking silence within and it is good.

Food for thought...

With thanks from 

Greening the desert...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sohl6vnWZmk>

Jesus gets lost in the conversation

And Jesus said unto them, *"And whom do you say that I am?"*

They replied, *"You are the eschatological manifestation of the ground of our being, the ontological foundation of the context of our very selfhood revealed."*

And Jesus replied, *"What?"*

A bit of humour...

The first 'bit of humour' was sent in to the Editor by **Nina Desplace**, and the second one by **Katherine Ugody**... Thanks.

Little Girl on a Plane...

A stranger was seated next to a little girl on the airplane when the stranger turned to her and said, "Let's talk. I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with your fellow passenger."

The little girl, who had just opened her book, closed it slowly and said to the stranger, "What would you like to talk about?"

"Oh, I don't know," said the stranger. "How about nuclear power?" and he smiles.

"OK," she said. "That could be an interesting topic. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat the same stuff - grass. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps of dried grass. Why do you suppose that is?"

The stranger, visibly surprised by the little girl's intelligence, thinks about it and says, "Hmmm, I have no idea."

To which the little girl replies, "Do you really feel qualified to discuss nuclear power when you don't know shit?"

**"A great many people will think they're thinking when they are merely rearranging their prejudices."
William James**

A bear, a lion and a pig meet in the forest...

The bear said, "If I roar in the forests of North America, the entire forest is shivering with fear."

The Lion said, "If I roar on the great plains of Africa, the entire savannah is shivering with fear."

The pig said, "Big deal. I only have to cough, and the entire planet sh#ts itself."

Poet's Corner...

The River Runs...

by Deidre Le Patourel



'Beyond each spoken word and each movement on earth
Lies a flow of life, like a river, always giving new birth
With fears we can pause, creating stillness on river bed sands
With love we can let the water wash over us, taking us with it, to beautiful
islands, to God's hands
In every letter and every symbol there lies a key
If missed, it may return, in a different manner, in order for us to see...
Life's lessons indeed, truly, do they lie within the egoic mind?
Or do they originate from deep within, where there is no good nor bad, no evil
or kind...
Maybe, until we touch the depth of this internal river, riding its whirlwinds and
spitting out the grains which don't belong
Maybe we may be bound to 'a thing', which is not the self, and so running
chaotically through the waters, avoiding our song.
And yet, the river runs...maybe slowly, fast, or with ripples so slight we cannot
see them but can only feel
The river runs, at times without us, but wanting us...wanting us to be real
Thinking may cause us illness...listen to the river...to its stillness...
To its caressing waves, sometimes harshly covering us to wake us to again
breathe...
Thinking may freeze our world, our flow; we may be so powerful that we indeed
let our thinking deceive.
I am not sure if it was imagined, nor if I should be doing it at all,
But the other day, I stopped the rain, myself and the once grey clouds became
clear
And we stood tall
There is so much real time within this clock dominated plane
And yet, there is only precious time, if we are to use it, for us to love again.
We are worthy of the river running through every vein, pulse and vibrating
within our heart
It is exciting to love the river, though unknown, loving it may be a way to start
The river runs through...
We can watch it, welcome it, for it sees me, it sees you
The river is always there, but its whispers may seem faint
Or maybe it is a loud undercurrent rumble to be fully grasped by the strength of
spirit,
Not by the quaint.
And yet it is here and now for us all, in every moment in all time
The river runs through; it is yours; it is mine
The river runs through people like me who still hold value to separation
The river runs through to warm and waken me, to the unity, non egoic, to the
oneness,
To the nation.
And always, forever, now, always present
The river runs...'

To realize this truth
(that time is an
illusion), you need to
live it. When every
cell of your body is
so present that it
feels vibrant with
life, and when you
can feel that life
every moment as
the joy of Being,
then it can be said
that you are free of
time.

Eckhart Tolle
The Power of Now

Current Events

by Patrick Desplace

Hello there,

We in OZ are entering the new financial year – our economy appears to be booming. Our sales, for example, for the last 3 months on new cars alone, were a record high. The world economy, including us here in Oz is extremely volatile. All the old patterns do not apply anymore. Recently my stockbroker offered me a particular spread – it sounded right based on past trends & patterns. I could risk \$850 with the likelihood of making a profit of \$3,000! If I had gone ahead with the trade I would have lost my investment. I based my decision to decline on Intuition rather than reason! Remember that the real crunch is not due until September 2009 – Then... Perhaps!

Prices on food – especially meats and wines are going down if you shop intelligently. Less exportation as the rest of the world tightens their belts is flooding our local market. Excellent wines destined for Europe, the USA or China, are now available on the local market at 25% to 75% discount (if you know where to go) as the overseas orders are being cancelled. However, wines in bottle stores are going up in price – the wineries & wine merchants need to recoup their losses from the abundant and uninformed average Australians... wines are becoming extremely popular in Australia.

Why are we so fortunate in the Kingdom of Oz? Is it because God loves us best? Perhaps. However, our government has injected billions directly into the hands of individual Australians. Pensioners received \$1,400 as a one off gift payment in December 2008... with the admonition to "Spend – Spend – Spend." Spend the Australians did and many retail outlets were embarrassed to announce record sales over the end of 2008. Also to encourage sales, there were fabulous 'specials' on all commodities. More recently every 'Tax Payer' received a gift of \$900 each. Again spending went through the roof. With all the direct and indirect taxes, the money usually finds its way back into the Treasury's coffers.

A version of the story below is travelling the Internet. A financial commentator in a popular Australian Newspaper also recently published it:

So the story goes, a rich American tourist drove into a run-down town in South Australia's north; parked in front of the only hotel and strode up to the accommodation counter. Slapping \$200 on the hotel's counter, he said: "Show me the best room you've got."

While the publican's wife took the tourist upstairs to look at the rooms, the publican grabbed the \$200, ran down to the local butcher and said: "Here's \$200 I want to pay off my meat bill."

The butcher took the money and ran down to the meat supplier and said: "Here's \$200 I owe you for providing me with meat."

The meat producer went to the grain store and said: "Here's \$200 I owe you for supplying me with grain and chaff to fatten my livestock."

**"In times of
change...
Learners inherit the
earth,
While the learned
Find themselves
beautifully equipped
to deal with a world
that no longer
exists."
Erik Hoffer**

The grain store manager went to the fuel supplier and said: *"Here's the \$200 I owe you for fuel."*

The fuel supplier went to the tourist office and said: *"Here's \$200 for organising my holiday to Adelaide."*

And the tourist operator went to the publican, slapped \$200 on the counter and said: *"Here's the money I owe you for renting accommodation at your hotel for clients."*

Just then, the American tourist came downstairs and said the available rooms at the hotel were not up to standard, picked up the \$200, jumped in his car and drove off.

While he was in town, at least six separate accounts totalling \$1,200 were settled with the \$200 he put on the counter, yet he took the money when he left. No one earned anything. Yet most of the town is without debt.

Did the money really exist? Were the accounts really settled? Was anyone left out of pocket?

Indeed, money is an illusion – If you are a metaphysician you have heard the statement again and again. However, have you actually 'Heard The Statement?' Yes, I am aware that many of us are leading a fabulous and abundant life that cannot be explained or justified financially.

Our Prime Minister 'slapped' \$1,400 in the hands of pensioners and another \$900 in the hands of taxpayers: The outcome is that the money never actually existed as it is back in the coffers of treasury. On its travel through our economy it generated far more abundance than can ever be explained. What if we did not have a 'surplus' to distribute? Well we could have printed more \$ bills or had a larger deficit! So what!

Courses on offer

In this Newsletter I am offering two life-determining undertakings. Read the ads carefully. If you know how to, listen to your heart and follow what it says – even more so if it clashes with your mind. What I am offering is beyond logic and mostly beyond 'sanity'. Good Luck!

The Planet is 'happy' at the moment. She is also rather amused! Our arrogance amuses her... we say 'Our World'! Our claim amuses her!!! Please watch the movie *"The day the Earth Stood Still"*. The earth is our habitat and she is indifferent as to whether we survive or not – she is indifferent about the species going extinct; she is not out there at all!!! Read the book *"Zero Limits"*.

Earth Changes

- The volcanoes are rather mild at the moment and will continue to be so until late 2010. The earthquakes are more in clusters than ever before – intensity to increase early 2011.

Knowing is not
enough, you must
apply; willing is not
enough, you must
do.

Bruce Lee

- Climatic changes cannot be reversed – it is too late for that – then it does not really matter?

Remember: all you have got is now – yesterday is a memory without substance until you give it substance – are you sure you will live long enough to read this article to the end? I am not sure at all I will live long enough to finish writing this article – if you are reading it, both of us have lived for quite a while! Then have you lived or just survived?

I do not know about you, but whenever you read this article, if I am still on this plane, be assured that I am Living Life!!! The real tragedy is that most hardly ever 'live', they just survive...

World politics

On the world political scene, most of the rioting and violence around the Globe involves Islam, more often killing each other! In China, the minority Muslim group may have a case (as the Buddhist in Tibet) however, whenever you form a closed community within a community; you will be persecuted! This is what happened in Nazi Germany with the Jews.

Usually emigrants leave their homeland because it is all fucked up by their ideologies... then they too often try to replicate the ideologies that fucked up their habitat in their host country. Amazing...

You probably read my commentary last year about Islam in Australia. The killing and rioting in the Philippines also involves Islam – then what is new... similar turmoil is brewing in France and other parts of Europe as well.

We are facing challenges at the end of days, however, we are living in exciting times!

My love to you always,
Patrick

"You can't stay in your corner of the forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes."

Winnie the Pooh

Contact Us

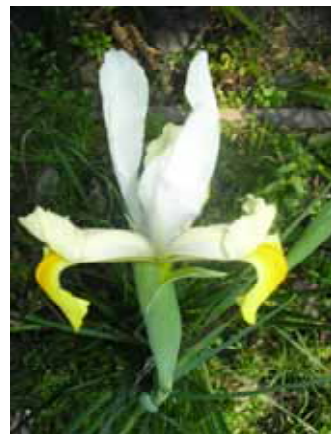
I would like to acknowledge many of our readers who have sent newspaper articles and research findings on religion, etc. in to the E ditor over the last few months. T his is much appreciated and all correspondence is kept 'on file'.

It would be good to also receive your views because obviously something in the article/research inspired you to send it in the first instance. Q uestions of why (this topic); what (is its relevance); how (does this affect you/us/humanity right now), may offer a starting point from which to gather your thoughts together. A nd once thoughts are gathered and words are written on paper, a final question could be... as a result of this reflective encounter, what have I become? A nd so an article is born!

Perhaps we could dialogue through email exchange or talk on skype, in pursuit of discovering if there is an article there for you to write.

For all communication regarding this publication, please email the E ditor: editor@worlddevelopment.com

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YOU - Me And The Space Between



You are invited to participate in the first “Module” of An
On-Going, Once a week
Wednesday evening encounter...

Once a week we shall create a “Teaching” in the
space between “You and Me” and then we shall
discover and explore what we have become by
creating and being exposed to the teaching!

We shall meet at 7.00 pm in Dernancourt – After the first stage of the encounter at about
7.45, we shall share a light but significant supper... Created by Nina & Me! Then we shall
endeavour to discover what we have become and introduce our New Self to each other.

This undertaking is conducted professionally and the fee of \$
50.00 covers the supper and the experience. A glass of wine
will be offered free of charge. We shall have a unique
experience at each encounter...

The first five sessions of the first “Module” are offered for
\$200.00 when paid in full on the first day: non-refundable or
transferable to another “Module”!

Dates: First “Module” Wednesdays in August – 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th.

Wednesday in September – 2nd.

To enrol: Call Nina on 0419 850 425 or 8336 5853. Patrick on 0411 663 696 or 8336 5408;
or e-mail ndspd11@gmail.com

"Perhaps..."

... An interesting word indeed – at its lowest resonance it conveys Indecision, fear of commitment, mockery etc.

At a higher resonance it indicates lack of self confidence, low self esteem, unwillingness to "Take Charge" and make clear informed choices to be followed up – passing on the buck: "...it was meant to be...".

At a higher resonance still it is an acknowledgement of the Quantum nature of the Universe (See What the bleep...), also it involves the Principle of Chaos (read The Agent of Chaos).

At its highest perceivable resonance (I have not taken you past this point - yet) it makes provision for the intervention of the "Waves or Fields of Change" that are sweeping our continuum more than ever before – it is a word that helps us *avoid* freezing reality into more of the same, acknowledging that nothing is what it appears to be and we must remain flexible to options in interpretation. It gives us permission to fine-tune and adjust our journey. However, we need to be alert for "Procrastination, Micro-Managing & Mental Wanking" – Remember that at "The End of Days" we do not get "Rain Cheques – Only very short shelf life on any Offer!"

The Now Age and the End of days are overlapping right now, as you read this document – This creates unique access to Waves, Fields and Currents that can be Surfed into alternate worlds. Worlds of infinite possibilities.

I propose that we gather on Mauritius Island shortly after Easter 2010... Will it still be possible to travel by then? Perhaps! As I guide you on the web, I am endeavouring to access a relevant Wave or Field and to enter (or at least visit) a reality where Mauritius Island is accessible to all those who care & dare to enrol.

I am planning for the first few weeks of May 2010 – More information will be made available upon you showing your interest in the undertaking – please listen to your heart and whichever direction you choose will be activated for you... You need to choose now, as we are ready to get ...

Please contact Nina: ndspd11@gmail.com or Patrick: pdspd11@gmail.com - In the Subject box simply write: "**COUNT ME IN!**" And include your first and last name.

My Love Always

Patrick