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Dear Dr Brenton. Shay I sars how grateful I am for the wealth of knowledge I have received from your books, the first of which I came across about two years ago. 'I) his was a 'Search in Secret Egypt' which gave me mains new lines of thought. and brought back memories of my visit to the Great. Yisand.

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## Dear Paul,

Since I haven ${ }^{1} t$ heard from you in response to my past two letters, I feel distinctly odd in writing to you now. However, since you are a motivating factor in this Dutton \& Co. experience, I feel that you shouldinow what has happened to date and advise me further, if possiओe.

Mr. Baker was taking a long time to respond to the material sent to him, which he was supposed to read and proceed to recommend suggestions as to organization, etc. Moreover, I fully expected he would suggest re-writing as you had imtimated they had people available to do, since I was fully aware that I an not a. "writer" -- as you have years of successful experience in being. You were so busy with your own work at the time that it didn't occur to me to disturb you with it, or reading it, until after I had possibly followed Mr. Baker's suggestions.... which I did not receive.
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At last Mr. Baker did write to say that he had actually been using my material for his personal problems and found it helpful, that he was leaving Dutton's and was sending the material on to the Board with his favorable recommendations.

Mr. Shaw, whom you doubtless know, wrote that he had read the material, found it of great merit, and helpful to himself personally, but that it needs drastic revision for reading (since it is a substitute for talking in its peesent form and therefore wordy and repetitious) and that they are short-staffed and have no one available to give the great amount of organization and revising help it would require. He Writes that actually there is enough material for several books, when properly pin-pointed and gathered together. Obviously, he believes the latter requires professional assistance, which of course I know nothing about getting -- or to scrap the material and start afresh, or to find another editot.

I am not surprised, of course. I am merely wondering.... if I merely take the material and attempt to rewrite it myself, will I be wasting time? The content, I really believe to be valuable and feel a strong push to get it in circulation. I'm sure the motivation is good.. there is no personal element or vanity or prestige desire attached to it... just as there is none in the fact that in a moment $I^{\prime} m$ going to give time to visit with a friend of Marge's who is from out-of-tow.

How does one go about any other approach? I give time and effort....
which is my very own... but money is of course not mine, but Herman's... and introduces another element.

Are you still interested? Have you suggestions? Mr. Shaw writes that he will be delighted to see me if I come to New Yorkbut that he has really written all there is to say on the matter, as far as he can suggest. He is holding the manuscript (it is really only an aggregate of chapters as originally typed in my letters to individuals) until he hears from me.

Cant see what would be gained by a trip to New York therefore...or do you?

This is an alien field to Herman and myself, therefore we ${ }^{1}$ re receptive to your advise...which started us off on the first place.

Must hurry to my appointment with Mrs. Folsom from Florida, and doubtless she is one of your readers and you know her.

Hope you've been well, finished your book, and can enjoy the summer. My best to Eva..... and to Ken, if you ever see him.





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I find it rather difficult to convey to you what I have learned befflathbest regarding healing, but I shall do my best with the small space I have at present?

From my earliest catechism days I have believed that God is good, that He is everywhere, in everything. Consequently, I learned at a very early age to bestow Divinity upon everything in the universe. This took me safely through many trying times and gradually my thoughts along this line were strengthened.

Then came the knowledge that the space-time conception of man, a being living only in the sense world, was not ine Sexat? . . that is we must rise above this erroneous idea thof what we see, feel, touch, hear, and smell, -it is only a portion of the picture. How can man in all fairness declare it to be the truth, the all of life, if he is seeing but part of it.

Every time man pulls another invention out of his mind, or makes any kind of discovery, he has but given proof to the fact that they were always in the Universal Mind for man's use and benefit. Of course we have been very slow to see this. All I am trying to say at this point is that Everything already Is. We could have produced the airplane centuries ago if we had but realized that its perfect design was already in Universal Mind.

Now, when I can take this important fact, that Everything already Is, I must know that I, too, already Am. That is, I am already oreated perfect and good in a sphere, a level of consciousness, where there are no opposites. Opposites appear in the three-dimensional world of space-time, but man, to be whole, must go above this, to a higher level of being.

When man finally learns this for himself, he finds himself in another world, the same world physically, but an entirely different one mentally. My Father ('consoiousness) and I (Marianne Green) are one. This is the starting point.





























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Chapter 1, Verse 5, The Gospel according to Saint John:
And the light (Divine Consciousness) shineth in darkness (three-dimensional man); and the darkness comprehended it not.

And man will always walk in darkness until hes lifte himself up to the level of Divine Consciousness in which all things are created good. There is no evil in this plane of consciousness, and it seems to me that man is aware of this in his Higher Self, The Overself, and he expresses it consciously in the belief that somewhere there is a heaven, perhaps after he dies.

The Kingdom of Heaven is within you, in a certain level of consciousness, that is. And it is when we declare everything good that we are at one with the creator, it is then we begin to express in our outer world thet which is in our Divine consciousness, for the inner world and the outer are one... they are not two worlds. $8 \times x \times x$.

Divine Consciousness knows no lack, impoverishment, ill-health, unhappiness. It is health, prosperity, peace, joy, harmony, life, goodness, wisdom, in other words anything we can conceive as good.

When we begin to treat ourselves, the others in our experience, the population of the globe, and the other worlds of expression, from Divine Consciousness do we begin to change inwardly and then outwardly we manifest the state of our consciousness. No man can hide his state of consciousness.

Man's next step, I believe, is to learn that he is of the Divine, not apart from It. When he once does this he may slowly, but surely, enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

So it is with healing from this point of view. We know we are of the Divine in which there is no illness, that we have Divine Mind's all-encompassing knowledge to heal us; it must be able to heal us for it made us, didn't It?

Of course this knowledge may come slowly to some for we are too wllling to blame someone else for our failures; then, secondly, even if we do realize the Kingdom of Heaven is attained by our own effort, it is difficult to throw off the darkness of our previous erroneous thinking.























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But I do know what persistence along this line of thought, living in this particular level of consciousness, can do for a person. It makes living a wonderful experience, -there are no more fears, doubts, dislikes, or anything of a negative nature. When something negative crops up I have the power to eliminate it in my consciousness, and the Law can but follow the dictates of it. It gives great meaning to Life.

When I pass out of this physical shell I know not where I go, but I do have a strong belief that my level of consciousness will determine it.

Incidentally, I believe I spoke to you of a vision which pertained to the British Museum and which took place about five years ago. I have had this verified






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This little verse explains quite well why I could not accept astrology --
"You are not higher than your lowest thought, or lower than the peak of your desire. And all existence has no wonder wrought To which ambition may not yet aspire. 0 Man! There is no planet, sun or star Could hold you, if you but knew what you are."

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him of your gratitude. $\dot{R}$. and I are carrying on a debate on astrelogy. He has an afflicted Saturn which gets blamed for the unpleasant circumstances in which he finds himself. I like Saturn and don't like to see it take unnecessary blame for anything! And so we go -- not that either of us is attempting to convince the other, but our "arguments" each have their good points.

Perhaps the Nadi Grantha system will prove to be interesting. Robert DeLuce, an authority on Hindu astrology, claims that the astrology of the western world is lacking information that only the astrology of the Hindus can supply. I feel that astrology, as we know it here, contains many errors-of course, this is only my opinion, but i notice it is entirely too literal. There is no room for man to grow. He is his aspects and nothing else in the eyes of most astrologers. And I can't swallow this!

For instance, my friend Robert writes me, Experience has taught me the value of astrology, that people are usually their horoscope, being conditioned unavoidably by the horoscopical limitations. This does not mean it hasto be-one has to learn, to rise above, to control, to develop the factors that make success or personal expression stronger in lives to come, etc."

But I notice that it is most of the astrologers who do not rise above, control, or develop the factors etc. They are lost in their astrology, happily so in most cases, and do not realize there is yet further development.

Since I last say you there have been some very definite changes in me. I have concluded some ideas about karma and reincarnation that I have never read anywhere (unless I have forgotten), and I hope to get them on paper within the next month and $s$ end them on to you for your thought and comment.



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Dear Mr Brenton.
I have appreciated your books for some years now. Your Indian and Egyptian adventure interested me, because I had friends who had visited $A$. Goose and Maharishi.
I also heard of you from Jourde who has a big domain in the Morbihan where I stayed last year. He knew all the Maharajahs and 1 think still keeps in touch with some.
To me this is a thing of the past. It is the apocalyptic future which interests me, and much of the spiritual India may have to be sacrificed while it acquires science and Techniques.
of course it can never be lost.
of Irish descent, I have been here all my life in Paris and acted as Art critic for the Daily Mail, here, for ten years. I am still active in this line with American and English art periodicals. When young I wrote for A. E. Who directed the


I have written a certain amount of poetry which I know to be wholly inspired and since much of it confirms what you yourself say or experienced 1 would like to hear from you.
yours sincerely
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Dear Paul Bxunton,
I wonder whether you have heard of our new venture, 'The Mountain Path'? I am enclosing an announcement of it and sending copies of the first two issues by separate book post, surface mail. I hope you also will write for it from time to time. I don't like seeing your name absent when so many others are present. Would you, for instance, write an article of up to 4,000 words on 'Invisible Sadhana' in the sense of following Bhagavan's teaching in the life of the world with no outward signs.

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Sincerely yours,


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You will be interested to hear that from January 1964, we are starting publication of a quarterly journal, as described below. We hope that you will support us in this venture and send us your annual/life subscription. We count on you also to recommend it to any friends who may be interested.

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Dear Mr. Brenton,
Thank you for your letter of the 8th. in reply to which I have reserved Tuesday October 23rd. for the visit $\Rightarrow$ to Sir Paul and Lady Dukes, being ready for his car to pick me up at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

With regard to your own kind invitation to visit to Miss Chase and myself, we would be happy to come on Tuesday October 30 th at 7 p.m. In this, Miss Chase will drive us in her car, or if it is your wish then some other means of transport can be arranged.

With cordial greetings and looking forward to seeing you again soon,

Very sincerely yours,


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29th March, 1962

Dear Paul Brunton,
Thank you for your note speaking so kindly of my small book on Yoga and giving me the address of Vincent Stewart Itd. I am writing to them very shortly concerning possibilities of publication.

Whilst we are both busy people and necessarily preoccupied with our various activities, may I express the hope that we may me et again before you leave this country? Miss Chase would always be happy to invite us, should you ever find time, opportunity and interest in meeting again. Please do not regard this in the slightest degree as pressure of any sort.

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Dear Mr. Brunton,
Thank you for your letter of the 15 th and my apologies for the delay in answering it. This has not in the least been due to a lack of interest in a possible meeting, but rather to pressure of engagements and demands upon my time.

I should be happy to meet you and Sir Paul Dukes, but prefer this meeting to take place at Miss Chase's house, at 67 Margot Street, Epsom. She has kindly invited us to make use of her house, she herself being out during our time together should you accept.

Thursday, August 30th. at 7.30 p.m. would be the most suitable free time for me, and if agreeable to yo I will reserve that day and time.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,
Veaffrey Hudson.


17a Belvedere St., Epsom SE3, AUCKLAND.
25th October, 1962

Dear Mr. Brunton,
Thank you for your letter of October lith.
I noted that the Dukes were unable to arrange the meeting for last Tuesday but that you will call for me here next Tuesday, 30th October, at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

I will be all ready for you and probably waiting outside the house.

Looking forward with great pleasure to our time together and with cordial greetings,

Very sincerely yours,
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Audrey H. Martin.
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Mr. Paul Brunton
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Dear Mr. Brunton,
Thank you for your letter from Athens of May 11. It is disappointing to learn that there was an error in attributing to you a very interesting comment made in Jung's London Lectures of 1935. Of course, we shall remove your name. I wonder if there was another "Paul Brunton," perhaps a doctor? I had actually heard of your attending as a guest of Dr. Dicks, but evidently it was someone else.

I should be interested in your notes of a conversation with Jung in 1937, for an archive of material on him. I expect to be in Zurich later in the summer. I wonder if you could drop me a line telling me your address there? I might also be reached through the C.G. Jung Institute, Gemeindestrasse 27, tel. 34-37-80, attention Dr. James Hillman who undecommentary on Copor Knohna's Kundalinultogabook

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March 28, 1975
Dear P.B.
the house is quiet and I have a little time before getting ready for work. This is a good opportunity to wish you a happy easter and the renewal of life that accompanies the new birthpf the season.
This has been a busy three months with all kinds of new challenges for me as an individual and as a professional person. I wrote a 2000 word article on the use of occult methods in Jungian psychology only to have it returned as not what they were looking for and with alt day extension for rewrite. I'm sure that must be a very common experience for writers but it is new for me. I seem to be confronted with a lot of such experiences these days. I see them as making me conscious of the ego and facing the question of whether the ego will relenquish it's hold and flow with the demand of the higher self. I some times wonder if I'm playing games with myself. That is one way of having to discriminate between the various factors ane forces at work. April 24, 1975

In the intervening time I rewrote the article, had the party $\qquad$ 4 days with Gilda at Palm Springs for oud 25 th anniversary, and here I am again to finish this letter.
I have to face the fact that I have not really done too much to change the little comer of the world that I live in. The prospects that I will in the remaining time left to mepre very slim. Assuming that I haven't missed the boat too badly, I have to recognize that my life has had a very limited purpose. I can accept that, but I will have to also accept that my main efforts now, as they have been for some time, will be directed toward my own self developement. That is not a worthless endeavor and to the degree that it has some success I can be very, happy.
When I think back to the already approaching middle age man that $I$ was when I first met you, I have to admit how little I really knew. By the same token, there is even more than that still to know. I cannot accomplish that in this life time without a little help from the Higher Self. I can long for that. I suppose I can even pray for that. Yet in the last analysis I have to relinquish even that. All this creates quite abit of uncertainty for me. I can see that I will not Finish this letter before I go back to work at this rate.
I think of you oftenand of your quiet, alone and perhaps lonely life. you seem to take it all so calmly. Even your contact with the higher Self must at times leave you wanting more real companionship. Yet how am I to know what your life is really like. I hope all is well with you. I can only give you my love and my appreciation for your presence in my life.

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SANTA BARBARA, Calif., July 9 (AP).-Mme. Ganna Walska's sixth husband, Theos Bernard, 36, is a "white lama, Yogi and a lawyer," she says, and as such he won't get any support from her if she can help it.

The ex-operatic soprano, answering Bernard's suit for separate maintenance, charged him with choking her in "demoniacal frenzy" and with threatening her with the "power of Kundalini."
T is "power," her cross-complaint says, is a force which ne told her caused the Santa Barbara earthquare in 1940.
SEEKS HIS OUSTER.
The 53 -year-old Polish-born diva, one of whose former husbands was the late Harold F. McCormick, harvester millionaire, said Bernard, claiming to be the spiritual and physical reincarnation of Guru Rimpoche of India, influenced her to establish a "Tibetland" in California.

She said she bought a 38 -acre estate in Montecito on Bernard's promise to bring priests from Tibet. When the priests failed to arrive, he explained the altitude is too low." So, she said, she purchased a mountain lodge nearby, naming it "The Penthouse of the Cods."

Still the priests did not come. Bernard explained that Guru Rimpoche had suggested "nothing material be done for the next 54 years."

However, the complaint states, Bernard used the estate for "materialistic enjoyment and pleasures." Mme. Walska seeks to oust her husband and his father, G. A. Bernard.

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Dear Dr.Brunton,
Thank you for your kind letter
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- aysh virofa oaerif When you heard for the last time from me, we Were in Jamnagar, spending the hot season in a sea-resort cal-- VLerled Balachadis Where the Jam Saheb has a bungalow. We left India a couple of months later, and had all sorts of adventures for the following year. Life is full of surprises: When I was mobilised in France, at the beginning of this war, I thought $I$ would be tied up for several years, and, at the contrary, never have I wavelled as much as I did since then around the world. Between the beginning of June and August 1944, We sailed from Bombay to San-Francisco through Caylan, the Dutch East Indies, then perfectly peaceful, Singepore, and the Strait of Torres, having alse the chance to take a glimpse to the Mreat Barrier Reaf" and the South Sea Islands. Later on, We crossed by car the U.S., visiting on our Way most of the National Parks, and sailed to Brasil. After five months there, We had a long trip to Chili, reaching almost the extreme ond of the world, throug the Strait of Magellan, Which gave us the opportunity to compare the grand scenery of the chilian canals to the Norwegian fjords. From Santiago, we came at last to Argentina, Where we have been for now over a year and a half living a peaceful but interesting life. My wife, who had always been painting, was here very successful, and had several exhitbitions, mostly with decorative pannels about Natural History -plants, flowers and birds-. For me, I lectured about India, and have published some books in French, now translated in Spanish; this keeps me busy, avoiding all risks, in these depressing times, of becoming completely neurotac!

I have tried many times to find your books in Argentina; unfortunately, I am afraid they have never been published in Spanish, and the only two available here are: "A her mit in the Hymalayas" and "The hidden teaching beyond yoga", both in English.

The booksellers dont seem to believe they fiave a chance to get soon your other works. But there $1 \mathrm{~s}^{3} \mathrm{at}$ Iedist one personin this town, so far as I know, who owns all of theminis name is Cuttat, and he is the Swiss Charge d'Affaires. He is extremely interested about oriental philosophy, and has, at this point-of-view, a wonderful library, which is particularly rare in acountry all impregnated with Latinsculture, but where the East is almost un-

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Mey 25th 1935
My dear Mr. Brunton,
I do not lnow your address and hence am sending this letter to you care of your British publighers wi th the hope they will send it on to you wherever you are. Sir Prancis Younghusband, who has just left America, told me that you are traveling in Begrpt and from there you will go to India. It is because I am not sure this letter will ever reach you that I am sending you such an impersonal, typewritten letter.

In a most unusual way, I ran across your first book A SEARCH IN SIFCRIT ITMIA (it was through one of the Masters of the White Lodge). The whole winter I have been eagerly awaiting some further. The last chart in A SRARCH IN SECRIST INDIA was so impressive that it was with infinite joy that I finally read THE SECRIX PATH. There, even in the first chapter, I found the answers to the many questions I'd been waiting to have solved.

If ever you do receive this letter, in some far-away country, I do hope you will get in touch with me, as I need and would appreciate it. My permanent address will be, from the fifteenth of June, 1935


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Château de Galluis
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Dear Sir,

As lately many letters went astray - Madame Walska thinks that you did not receive hers, dated January 31, as otherwise you would have surely answered.

Therefore I am enclosing copy of Madame Walska's last letter.
Yours sincerely,

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Dear Friend,
I was happy to receive your congratulations and surprised at the same time as I thought you were not in London.

While in england the only person I wanted to see was you; the only person to whom I telephoned was you; I telephoned but in vain Thursday night, the whole Friday, the whole Saturday, at eight in the morning when I thought you die not go out jet, at seven in the evening when I thought you might be back - and always no answer, no answer. I was calling Hampstead 1986 as written in your letter.

Please explain me this mystery. I was so sorry, especially as I da not know when I shall be in London againmay be in March. In February I am going for a week to $s t$. Moritz, otherwise $I$ an always at Galluis.


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> Hillandale Farm Polly Drummond Road Newark, Delaware 19717 U.S.A. July 4, 1975

Dear Dr. Brunton,
I am a 29-year old man who has studied and practiced various yogas and meditational systems for the past 6 years. Originally begun as a discipline to lose weight and attain better grades in college, hathe yoga quickly secured enhanced health and concentration, plus presented possibilities for further inner growth beyond my expectations. Thereupon I began to meditate on a daily basis, using books like your's as guides. Neither have the profit seeking prophets and gurus who have come to America, nor the innumerable esoteric cults, ashrams, gronps, sects or Aguarian Age organizations lured me from this search which I'm sure can never be pursued enmasse.

I have never written or consulted with a guru or spiritual teacher concerning my study, or obstacles encountered "along the path." But. since I have learned much from your writings and have alwoys respected your individualized perspective--entirely modern, practical and stripped of whatever has been outworn by time--I felt compelled to correspond concerning a problem I cannot seem to resolve.

In your books you discuss the force of imagination and its effects, especially in the lives of artists and creative thinkers. You hint that art has been a legitimate yoga for western man, and that the more an artist can immerse himself in his flow of mental images, the greater the degree of abstraction and inner directed energy.

You also mention numerous times a problem which you faced and which is related to the force of imagination, meditation and thein effects on one's life. The problem is balance, and it seems to be one of the greatest problems that besets anyone who seeks to spiritualize himself. You claim to have found it most difficult to return to a dajly active life in the west after spending much time in contemplation; even to the point of having to force yourself to come to grips with your affairs in the world after leaving India. For this reason you have criticized meditation systems for their often highly speculative nature which frequently evokes disdain, aloofness and a dreamy other-worldliness in their practitioners. The only exception, you add, is zen Buddhism which aims directly at establishing a very centered and stable belance between inner/outer for the richest possible life.

From the effects of meditation, whether correct or incorrect, I have found a creeping lethargy and overall Iassitude affect my body and mind. I often prefer to be alone, avoid company, and instead of feeling a growing love for people, I instead frequently experience the opposite. I rail at social involvements, for I can always sense the phoniness, pretense and hypocrisy involved.

At the same time I have been blessed (or cursed), with a very keen imagination. I slip into this abstract reverie you refer to at the drop of a dime, anywhere, anytime, and resent intrusions. Perhaps this is a glorious escape or attachment which only breeds more inertia in my life.

I am drawn to writing because of the strength of my mental images. I write anything and have no "literary tastes" in the traditional sense, and only a limited vocabularly. I also enjoy reading, not only your books but also the Dharmapada, the poetry of Walt lWitman, Zen literature,

Chuang Tru and Teoist literature, novels by Hermann Hesse and other writings I find inspiring. Out of this inspiration I pen short stories, fables, chiliren's tales, poetry and just nhot of notes to myself more than anything.

I have often wished you hed written an entire book on art, imagination and their relation to joga since I've frequently wondered if the evolution of the western mind takes a different line than its eastern counterpart. Eor not only are we in the west more active by nature, as so meny authorities have attested and prescribed karma yoga, but also, I think, more individualistic, for lack of a better term. The innovator who burns through traditions with his creative fire shines as the western yogi, while the path of devoted following is revered in the east. When I think of spiritual gionts in the west I think of those individuals, creative artists of tremendous imagination, who followed no one, but created out of themselves-DaVinci, kichelangelo, Blake, Dostoevesky and Whitman to name a few, since there are only a few to name. Others, like Van Gogh and Nietzsche were shattered by a society which doesn't sanction or patronize soul-searching as it does in the east. Perhaps that's the reason why only a few "western yogis" can be named, and even these giants seem dwarfed by the sagacity of Ramakrishna, Ramana Naharshi and other prophets from the east.

But one of the questions I'm asking is whether the "path of following" is a legitimste one for western man, even though his greatest minds have not soared to the same heights as his oriental brothers. It seems as if you yourself had to renounce much of what was traditionslly accepted in the hame of yoga and go it alone in order to find truth, always retaining that humility and openness of mind to change your own views and willingly contradict yourself.

And if this is so, that is, if western yoga relies more heavily upon highly individualized creative expression, then what part does imagination play in its development? lore specifically and personally, what part does imagination play in meditation, if any?

Krishnamurti and Zen masters have denounced or dismissed imagination as a stumbling block, an impedimant to awareness. They stress the necessity of emptying the mind of all images before awakening ean occur, while you imply that reverie and absorption in the flow of one's mental inages is, in fact, a yoga.

I am confused, for if they are right what becomes of the expression, "as you think so shallyou be," or Buddha's maxim that you are the outcome of your thoughts? or again to give a personal example: when I think of love, feeling love, radiating love to 211 beings, etc., am I wasting my time and disillusioning myself with my imagination so that the enhanced feeling I'm left with after such meditation only blinds me instead of lifting the veil?

Because of this confusion I often find muself in a conflict as What to do. When driving ry car for instance (an activity a large part of which can be unconsciously accomplished). I either force myself to be mindful of just driving, nothing else, consciously attuning my mind to what I am doing, only to soon become bored; or else invite the seemingly rich flow of ideas and images which inspire my writing, only to wonder if I'm being unmindful, unaware and unconscious of what's happening in the here-and-now of my life.

I'm sure this dilenme saps my life force and adds to my lethargy and love for solitude, which you have stated, based upon your own personal experience, cann lead to an unhealthy outlook and desire to escape from this world instead of escape into it. In this respect I indeed wonder if mind-voiding methods of meditation have made me dull, Iifeless and uncaring simply because I'm approaching them in the wrong manner, or am slipping up somewhere. Surely the scales often tip so far in one direction I find it hard to come out of myself. What of belance?


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Dr. Paul Brunton
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Dear Mr. Brunton:
I selected at random your book The Hidden Teaching Beyond Yoga, while on my way to a camping excursion in the Pacfic Northwest.

The excursion was a complete success. After the noise and pollution in Los Angeles, Ifound myself in the true cathedral of God. The Rocky Mountains, with their shorn glacier heights and crystal clear streams were dappeled with autumn color. What a perfect setting for meditation!

I was traveling in a wonderfully equipped bus, which had all modern conveniences including an electric light. My evening entertainment while watching this breathtaking envinment unfold was my first introduction to one Paul Brunton.

When it was time to return, I left my own "sanctuaries" and persian carpets" behind with sadness and returned to the business of my everyday life in Los Angetes. I now, after nearly two years, look back on the experience as one of the kighlights of myllife and travels. From that time, to this day,your books have been a constant companion.

I have hgesitated to write you out of timidity and respect for your privacy. I Feel, however, that now is the time for me to break with my reserve and attempt to get in touch with you.

My primary purpose in writing you is to communicate my profound respect and admiration for you, you life and your work. To be counted amidst the many who have been touched and guided by your lifess work is, indeed, a privilege. Flattering words are in adequate, so I shall depend upon your intition to realise my admiration, respect, and affection.

Your movements and whereabouts must I realise be a mystery. You must receive requests from all over the world asking for infringements on your time and attention. Once again I am counted amongst many, and once again I rely upon your judgement and intuition as to whether you shall respond to my humble letter.

I have no definite plan as the moment, but I may be traveling to Europe this spring or summer. It is my hope that I may meet you and deliver my admiration in person.

Peace be with you.


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Dear Dr. Brunton,
I am reach ring a tentative foot onto 'the secret path' I cannot understand why 9 should wite to you only that 9 must. Perhaps just to establish a contact, that is all. If you have any time at all, send me a thought to help me on my way.

Thank you for writing yourbooks sepecially a Hermit in the thimalayas.

Yours Gratefully.
Elizabeth A. Hughes.

12 Farm Road Wayne, Pa. 19087<br>March 1, 1975

Dear Dr. Brunton,
This letter is written out of a sense of profound gratitude to you for writing the books conceming mentalism and Overself. They have been, are and will continue to be for me (and I am sure for many others) beacons of light and sources of pure joy.

I am a mature woman of 59, but feel I have been truly living only since about eight years ago when I had an experience of a mystical nature. It was totally unexpected and it completely changed my inner world and my perceptions of the outer world. Though leading an everyday kind of life on the outside since then, most of my spare time has been spent in investigative study conceming the meaning of this experience, not only for me personally, but using it as a center point from which to grasp life's ultimate meaning and purpose. My reading took me into anthropology, psychology, parapsychology, theology (more help from Eastern than Western), mysticism and philosophy (again more help from Easterm than Western). Out of all this came many answers and insights but always of a partial nature.

One exciting part of all this was the way in which I was drawn or led to material that started at a level for which I was ready, proceeding forward in a sort of spiral continuum to levels that successively opened up new understanding.

Your books (my latest "finds") have placed me on a plateau where the air is so clear and the ideas so well integrated, at the same time making such beautiful sense that they seem a perfect "crowning" of all that has gone before. The pieces of the puzzle are gently falling into place, and it is your Overself concept with all its ramifications that has made this possible.

Equally as important as the content of these books are the qualities you bring to the task of communicating with the reader. Wisdom, compassion, patience, honesty, clarity and precision all shine forth from the pages. I started out marking passages I hoped to retain, then began marking whole pages, and in the end I knew I would be rereading these books in their entirety.

Thank you, Dr. Brunton:

## Very sincerely, Aelen. Arepaus <br> (Mrs. Henry T. Bryans)

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## Dear Dre Brunton:

In reading your books"The Secret Path", The Quest of the Overself" and the "Hidden Teaching beyond Yoga", I am impressed by many of the same feelings and ideas that I have experienced over the past number of years that you express in these writings. I am a physician practicing in the field of ophthalmology. I have been concerned about the influences exerted by the development of technology in our world today. I have been impressed and saddened by the lack of creativity in man today.

I realize only too well that "A physician who knows nothing about Cosmology will know little about disease. He should know what exists in heaven and upon the earth, what lives in the four elements and how they act upon man; in short, he should know what man is, his origin and his constitution; he should know the whole man not merely his external form. If man were in possession of a perfect knowledge of self, he would not need to be sick at all" (from Paracelsus)

Paracelsus also said that the physician must be :

1. A philosopher who is acquainted with the laws of external nature
2. An astonomer, He should know the heaven(the mental sphere)wherein man lives, with all its stars(ideas) and constellations.
3. An alchemist.He ought to be regenerated in the spirit of Jesus Christ and know his own divine powers.

Dr. Paul Brunton
Also quoting from the Bhagavad-Gita "The uncontrolled mind does not guess that the Atman is present: How can it meditate? Without meditation, where is peace? Without peace, where is happiness? The Wind turns a ship from its course upon the waters: The wandering winds of the senses cast mands mind adrift and turn his better judgement from its course. When a man can still the senses I call him illumined. The recollected mind is awake in the knowledge of the Atman which is dark night to the ignorant: The ignorant are awake in their sense life which they think is daylight: To the seer it is darkness".

We(educators, physicians, philosophers, business men and students) have organized the Athena Center for Creative Living to help man from becoming "de-humanized". The Center will help man to balance the "input" of the mass media from television, radio, the cinema and newspaper propaganda.

Man today is speaking a "metalanguage and does not think creatively. If this continues he is doomed.

Athena Center needs people like you who realize that man is a sense object today and must find his inner self and must relate to other people in the world.

I am enclosing some information about the Athena Center for Creative Living.

Athena Center will hold seminars, lectures and discussion groups in the spring of 1970 on the beautiful grounds of the Instituto Allende in San Miguel de Allende in Mexico.

Would you like to join Athena Dr. Brunton?
Looking forward to your comments and reply?

I am reading your book, in a French translation, called: "La Réalité Intériaure ". In the first pages I read that the Light is God. I stopped reading to tell you a curious vision I had spontaneously, after reflexions about my sad life and the pains of Humanity, followed by the decision of growing always better to become happier and to help others of being better and happier too. It was twelve years before reading your other books: "Secret Egypt" and "Secret India ", and even any book else of that kind.

I was 19 years old and was lying in my bed, in a dark Night and quite still. I had thought with a deep concentration and I felt joy and exaltation at the idea I was going to do an useful and unknown thing, which would be an occult example for the rest of Humanity. I knew that when an idea rises, even silent, it is took by others telepathically, for I had noticed it round me.

At the end of that decision I noticed I was becoming gradually like paralyzed and colder, but quite awake and lucid and feeling all right. I observed my transformation without fear, with curiosity. When all the warmth of my body had reached the head, my soul escaped from the height of my head with a feeble sound of wind and I saw distinctly my body quite still under me, like a corpse, for a feeble light came from my soul. I recalled the little Egyptian bird with a man's head, which typified the soul and I had the exact revelation of its meaning. Then, I flew in spirale, as if I were sucked up, until I reached a legion of White and glorious Light, that blinded me not at all, and full of melondious vibrations. I became myself light, vibrations and melody, while I was fulfilled with supernatural joy. I thought: "I am in front of God, who is Light, vibrations of Love and melody; I am inside Him, I am cod myself ". When I got that certitude, my joy reached its culminant point. But afterwards a miserable human doubt penetrated inside me: "How can I be as proud as to think I am God?" As soon I had this doubt, I fell brutally like if a punishment, and I reintegrated my body with a sensation of pain. Then I warmed slowly. I long time afterwards I could raise an arm with difficulty to lit up my lamp, but this light seemed so feeble after the over beautiful one that I put it out. My heart beat quickly and stronly, for I was in great emaltation and joy.

I kept this vision secret for long years to protect my joy, which helped me much for my improvement, that did great progresses in two years. During a few years I felt happy, though my familiar difficulties were continuing. And the War came and my joy went away and came back never more, excepted for short moments and always less in proportion as my misfortunes and those of others increased. A slow change came inside me. I fell very $i l l$ and never more recovered complete health.

I came, with my family, to Portugal (my mother's land), where 1 am living and working, like in France, as a social welfare. Through several dangerous illnesses (Heart-diseases, nerves-diseases, bronchopneumonia and pneumonia) I discovered gradually that Life must be lived fully and not despised as I did before, for it is an injury to God despising the gifts He offers us. I understood that nothing is ugly in Life, but only the ugly interpretations we do about it. Only a soiled mind can soils life, people and things, and having discovered how


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priests and false christians soiled every intention, I eased giving importance to them and began living my own life with my own conscience, always with the wish of Beauty and Truth, according to the laws of Nature, which are also the laws of God.

I am 47 years old and still expecting the " Réalité Intérieure". I could never more have visions like the one I told you. However I think I had, during a long time, a Master, somewhere in the space, for during about twenty years I was comforted, in dreams, by marvellous teachings, which gave me joy for long days. Then, lots of misfortunes and much activities obliged me to become more attentive to materials preoccupations and my invisible Master ceased to teach me. So that I am living materially by necessity, but not by pleasure, while I am needed by my old parents, who are $i l l$ too, and now 111 until their death. I fear I will always be needed by somebody. I have no courage to refuse my help to the ones I love. I don't know if I am wrong in being like this. Everyone tells me to live my own life and not as much the others?. What must I do ? Can you tell me a good advice, you, who have reached the wisdom ? But perhaps you will say that everyone must find, by his own powers, what he is searching........

I am like Orphée alter he had lost his Eurydice.....
If I had not a secret love, since 3 months, I would be very unhappy. But a secret love cannot be quite happy like a known one. $\mathbb{4}$ known love makes my 111 father unhappy, for he fears loosing me. I have to be patient and wait a future quietness to search inside me the Light I have lost.

Please excuse me for my bad English, that is not my own language. I am French.

I am yours truly

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9th June, 1971.

## Dear Dr. Brunton,

I took the liberty of enquiring from your publishers as to where I might address a letter to you, and it was they who gave me the address to which I am writing.

I have been wanting to write to you for many months past, but in a way found myself not being able to do so, until now. I am certain that you will understand, when I say that even now, I do not know how I can put into words all I might wish to say.

Firstly, I would like to tell you that your books have helped me beyond words. They have helped me in that, on so many occasions, when I have had the deepest longing to know the answer to something, THERE were your words, telling me with infinite Grace what I had already thought might be so, but hardly dared believe. Your writing has a splendour, and the most beautiful clarity, which carries with it, for me, the deepest assurance of truth. I feel that nothing is being witheld or mystified for the sake of witholding and mystification, as has so aften happened in the past when I have tried to find the answer to things. The only witholding is if one is not quite ready to perceive deep ly your meaning.

I am sending you something I wrote several months agotogether with a list of the books I have studied, in what appears to be so short a space of time, so that you may see the background to whatever I write. Also there is another reason why I have not written to you before. It is because recently I have felt intensely that one perhaps must not speak of one's experiences- the infinitely graceful things, and indications which are sent to one. Also I read in the Rhada Soami books and the Sun of Tabriz, for instance that if every you speak of these things they are taken awaywhich one couldnt bear. But I did not truly understand this. However- I think I know why now. Firstly that you might make others feel lost and shut out if they had not had the same kind of experience and also- most important of all- I have come to know that if you long in the deepest way and trust your treasured Overself, It always indicates, interprets, at the right moment. Am I right in this?

To-day I am writing to tell you something, which is to me amazing in its beauty and Grace, because I thought that if I were to tell you it might help someone else, in he way your words helped me, and might also convey to you the touching worthwhileness of all your efforts to interpret the truth for others, and that you are indeed, to use your own words, "a tutor to the tutor-less".

What I am going to say concerns the words in the last paragraph on page 220 of the chapter-"Initiation into Mystical Experience" in your book- The Wisdome of the Overself. There is someone for whom I have the deepest love and respect. Someone whom I hardly ever see, because in his wisdom he would not let it be so, as he is not free, and also for my sake. Although we are far divided in distance, on the occasions we have met, our paths have crossed like meteors in the night, and his presence is with me always. I have also been gently led to believe, to realise, that unknown, or shall I say unrealised by me, before, he had walked a very long way along the path of discovery, which I am now finding my way along. At the time I did not understand completely the implications of certain subtle, gentle, sometimes cruel, ways this had to be indicated to me by him. Last Friday on my way home to my lovely, peaceful little country cottage, where I live by myself, I felt the most intense, poingnant to the point of tears, feeling.
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I wrote in my journal when I reached home these words. "It is a golden autumn afternoon of great beauty and peace. As I drive home I realise that I am completely alone. But in my heart I find no loneliness but rather, a marvellous kind of happiness that I am going back to my enchanted little house and garden for two days of the peace I long for, when I shall be aware of being accompanied by my treasured Otherness and your beloved presence. Take my hand and show me the way. I shall pray that we may ever be further revealed to each other- ever more aware that we are not separated."

That day I had just received five of your books, which I had been waiting for, and which I had brought home with me. Just after writing those lovely words in my Journal I picked up one out of those five books, and opened it, exactly at the words I mentioned. It was the first place I looked. All the time I had a most intense feeling that something true and poingnant was being revealed to me. There before my eyes were your exquisite words confimming, the most treasured of all my experiences. An experience which I did not at the time fully comprehend- it happened three months ago. I would like to tell you about it- if I may? It occurred in that borderland between sleep and waking, when all my experiences have tome to me. "I "hear" the most heartbreaking, exquisite soft music, in that borderland. I recognise it immediately, and in that instant, am drawn upwards to It, with the most vivid longing that he whom I love should hear it too. Then quite clearly, inwardly, I "hear" the words - "He can hear it too". Then I see my single star, which has always appeared as a kind of infinitely graceful signature, as it were, to all the things I have seen, to tell me they are true." This was all heard, in your words, "inwardly" although I "looked" upwards in a wondering way to where it came fromslightly above me.

To me this incident has the most amazing, sweet unimaginable Grace, and the most tender concern for ones happiness.

May I now ask you some questions which have been concerning me-

1. What is the significance of that borderland between sleep and waking? Why is that you alone have written of it? I have searched in booksbut it seems not to have been mentioned- and when I asked no one knew. I do not do any special meditative exercises before I go to sleep, or when I wake, and nono of my very many experiences has ever come to me at any time other than that borderland. Here- I must mention that the question of meditating at set times each day, for an exactly set time- is something I have not been able to realise. This is not to say that I do not concentrate intentionally sometimes, and I have noticed that as I come out of that borderland I have the impression that I have been concentrating, within my head, between my eyes, so perhaps that is another Graceful thing which is teaching me to meditateI dont know. Here also I mention how deeply helpful it was to meto read last night- your words about meditation, and that it hasas I felt- other forms. In particular your description of allowing yourself to be aware continually, whatever your doing, of your OverselfThis is always so for me- wherever I am- I feel I have a kind of cloak around me- wherever I am, in my very varied, interesting life. Is this right. I mean may I leave it there, as it were. Almost every night I "see" three little stars, forming singly against my closed eyes- in that borderland. I am trying to ask you - does nge one have to make more effort, is it trying to tell me to make more effort, or is it right to leave it there and be ready and aware when these little things come.?
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me until later. To illustrate this point in the most amazing way. When I first saw these inward things, in that borderland, I happened to read a book called "Eye \& Brain" by Professor Gregory, who is head of the Brain and Perception Laboratory at Bristol University, and he referred to similar experiences as being hypnogic imagery, hallucinations. As I did not know very much at that stage, I thought sadly that perhaps that is all they were. However, I decided to write to him, which I did. Due to his having moved he did not receive my letter, neither did I receive a reply for a long time. However- in that intervening time- Something infinitely graceful had put my mind at rest. One morning in that borderland I "saw" passing before my eyes a kind of meaningless, higgeldy-piggeldy set of what looked like pieces of a jig-saw puzzle. As I saw this I "knew" quite clearly that I was being told that this was hallucinationthis was the kind of hypnogic imagery Gregory referred to. It could not have been more different from my exquisite, meaningful, experiences. This incident is to me truly amazing in its sophistication. (Would you here, perhaps, be interested for yourself to hear what Professor Gregory said? ""The whole question of mystical experience, status its scientific status I mean - is surely very much a matter of individual belief. Personally, I must confess to being an empiricist in the sense that I try to limit my thinking to the results of "objective" experiements, but I must admit that the basis facts of normal experience are totally mysterious in scientific terms. Some writers on the subject have been so impressed by its vividness that they have felt it to be a perception of some other reality.") I have not had an opportunity to reply to him as yet, but when I do I thought I would tell him of my experience about the hypnogic imagery and also tell him of your book- "The Wisdom of the Overself."
4. Almost all my experiences have been linked in some way with he whom I love. Are they sent to me by that perfect Overself - or by him? For instance one night I "saw" a motor care, with clearly revolving wheels, and a cloak of stars. This last little thing was something that I used to say in my thoughts, when thinking of his return. Four days after this experience he arrived back in Rhodesia, and two days after- with no prior arrangement, our paths just crossed, in the most amazing way, when we had not met or corresponded for 10 months,

What is the significance of a soft-beautiful pink radiance? On one occasion it had a kind of shimmering, like the reflection of water, I have "seen" this on several occasions in that borderland, and always have a feeling of being drawn up to it-calling his name, as it seems to BE him. When I say drawn- it is difficult to know whether it is an intense yearning to reach it or whether one is being drawn towards it. I am certain you will understand- when I tell you that I find it infinitely difficult to write this- because it is so exquisite a thing- but as I am separated from him I dannot ask him, and I fell that in your wisdom you will know. It is a little difficult sometimes isnt it- to know when to ask the maning, when to wait for the meaning to be Shown one? Is the deepest, most complete kind of love between two people linked with our Over-selves? Here I would like to tell you some lovely words that I wrote- out of the blue as it werelast year, although then I had never read or heard of the Overself. "The silver lure that links us has never been left so gently lying, half accross the world maybe. But as I look I perceive that it is no longer of silver, but is of eternal stars."
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6. What is the significance of a silver green luminosity. In your book "Hermit in the Himalayas" you write some words about the stars and your silvery green star. I ask this because the star I see, inwardly, is often silver green, and on two occasions in that borderland, I have
"seen" very far away, not near like my other meaningful scenes, stars, the planets, and once also the sun, all set in a kind of silver-green luminosity.

I would like to tell you that since I have become of this infinitely, graceful, Otherness, my life has assumed a shining quality. All I do has significance and sparkle- all the time I am aware of being protectedof being given others to help. My life is full of interest - in my marvellous job at the University- my artistic interests which blossom, my home surroundings, my love of the Universe, even to discovering about the stars. Which last came to me almost as if Someone had said "pay attention." I "saw" what appeared to be an exquisite swirling nebula (it was"still"as I saw it) Then when I went to the Library to find a book on astronomy- THERE- on the outside of the first book I looked at was a marvellous photograph of the exact things I had seen. The spiral nebula in Canis Venatici.

I feel that this is far too long a letter to have written to anyone who has so many involvements. Please forgive me. But one day when you have time will you write to me and tell me if the way I am walking is the right one, by which I mean is there anything I should be doing? I wonder if one day you would ever be able to come to Rhodesia. If ever that could be so- I am certain that many people would be helped and inspired.

Would you tell me about the "certain spiritual message" to which you refer in your book "The Wisdom of the Overself" when you were writing of the music?

Thank you for your most beautiful books, and, through them, for having helped me.

Yours sincerely,


Eileen Earle. (Mrs.)

During the short space of a little over a year I have walked dom a long road of discovery. Discovery of what might be called things of the Spirit, but also discovery of that marvellous world which is part of It and which lies around one on every side. The Worda of the Spirit which reveals its "otherness" by such diverse expressions as the brilliant, exquisite formation of a snow crystal, the subtle way in which one is allowed to become avare that one is not separated from those one loves in the deepest way; the brilliant beauty of the solar system and its orderliness; most especially the infinite Grace with which one is lead along the road of discovery to awareness of that otherness. All has an element of sweet surprise. So graceful that one looks up in recognition and sudden delight to see that - all the truth, all the wisdom, has always been there, always lain dreaming there; like seeds in the soft earth, until one's own Springtime comes and one can see them blossoming all around one, or like the stars which become visible one by one until - one is surrounded by the glory of all the stars, all the blossoms.

My road of discovery initially took the form of learning of the experiences, of the thoughts, of those whose discovery of the eternal verities shines across the history of the world, from the remotest times until to-day. My learning was through the reading indicated on the attached page. When I read the book I extracted all those passages which held for me the most vivid truths, which I knew for myself were intensaly true. So that I noew have a most beautiful, vital collection of writings in my possession, to turn to when I need them.

The most touching, truly amazing, thing about all this has been that I have never, during all this time asked anyone which book I should read, or what my next step should be, but each fitted in, in an infinitely graceful way, so that I knew without any shadow of doubt that it was true for me, the next step for me, in an intensely indicated way, so that THERE the answer was. Most vividly I have noticed that My experiences are similar to those I have read of, so that you look up and say -"It is true - it must be true." (Here I would like to remark on another isgnificant thing. My experiences have happened first, then I have read something perhaps, which confixms, with a certitude, what I bardly dared believe. It has not happened the other way round; if it had done it would not have had the same verity. I have now come into the touching realization that all the time I am enfolded, and shown the way to walk. All has a one pointed direction, inspired from a certain Source, and inyolving the Star, which has been indicated like a motif.

It is apparent that there is a graceful element of bestowal, which one can only look at with great humility and gentleness. Ones own efforts have only been a crystal sincerity, and putting these things quite first, and a deep desire to find the way, and perhaps much pain.

I have also become aware recently of having been given others to help, at every turn.

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Having written this to indicate my present feeling, my present awareness, I feel in some way that there is something else I should be doing. Is more being expected of me- after all the inspiration I have received? Is there some other effort I should be making-onwards? I feel I long to know more about the utilization of one's powers, in the way of reaching others with one's thoughts, helping others by perception. Would this be right?

I feel that whomever it is, who has so gracefully, marvellously guided me- is looking for some response from me, and I cannot see, I cannot see how to convey that response, which causes me intense sadness.


Rotary Club of Calcutta, founded on an idea imported from the West, was still pretty much a "white man's" Club. The office proved to be the first step on the ladder [see box on page 36] which Nitish, by dint of his ability, has climbed to the top.
What manner of man is Nitish Chandra Laharry? You see his portrait on the cover of this issue, and if you perceive a deep personality, a firm yet gentle and persuasive man, a person sensitive to life about him, you already have discovered a few of the qualities of this remarkable person who became the chief executive of our world-wide association on July 1.

First, a bit of his background: Born in Calcutta as
 one of three sons of a hardworking teacher and education administrator in India's populous Bengal State, Nitish studied hard in school, established a bright academic record. He attended St. Xavier's College and the Scottish Church College. At the University of Calcutta he won his bachelor of arts degree with honors in Eng-


In his office in Delhi, the leader of India's 400 millions, Prime Minister Nehru, gives Rotary's President Laharry an interview in March, 1962, and evinces interest in Rotary's value to his land and to the world.
lish, and later earned a master's degree in economics and political science. His interests led him to the study of law, a subject which he devoured with facility, earning the J. M. Tagore Medal for Law.
During those days he edited a small English-language literary magazine. One of its contributors was Rabindranath Tagore, India's Nobel Prize-winning poet and a towering intellect and spiritual influence in his land. Nitish ever since has been an avid reader and great admirer of Tagore, who stressed tolerance of all cultures and religions in achieving international understanding.

Nitish is a deeply religious man, a devout Hindu who is proud of the religious freedom which Hinduism gives. He is proud, too, of India's ancient civilization, and even prouder of its great technological and social strides in recent years. India's development from civilizations now buried beneath desert sands to its independent rôle today gives him confi-
dence in man's ability to surmount the strife and turmoil which threaten the annihilation of civilization as we know it.

When he was introduced at the International Assembly last year, he wove into his brief remarks some of his philosophy of Rotary, a philosophy drawn from long experience, extensive travel, and wide reading. "I conceive Rotary to be an endeavor to get to the basis of our life, to approach the ideal of oneness of humanity under one Father through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service," he said.

Rotary, to Nitish's way of thinking, is a way of life. He is attracted by Rotary's lofty ideal of service. To him, service to mankind is a form of worship to God. And Rotary's ideal is more than service. It is not fulfilled when a Rotarian attends to his clients or patients and sends them away satisfied. While rendering service, man should not think of himself. As preached by the Bhagavad Gita, writings which Hindus hold sacred, service must be performed for its own sake, regardless of the consequences and without hope of reward or fear of punishment.

Service, he believes, is a matter of the spirit, and it is as profound and fathomless as the spirit. When you serve others, you are performing your duty, not doing anyone a kindness.

There is a pretty story told of Ramakrishna, a saint of Bengal, the State in which Nitish lives. The followers of Ramakrishna were discussing the subject of kindness. Suddenly Ramakrishna went into meditation; some, indeed, thought he had gone into a trance. Presently he said, "No, there can be no question of showing kindness to human beings. You are only performing a duty toward them, for the same soul as pervades you, pervades them."

Upon graduation from law school, Nitish, a young man of 23, became an advocate of the Calcutta High Court and practiced law for four years. Then the promise of India's budding motion-picture industry beckoned, and Nitish decided to have a go at the production of a full-length feature film. About the time U. S. fans were cheering for William S. Hart and laughing at the Keystone Cops, Nitish built a studio, hired some actors, and put together Bengal State's first motion picture.

It was a 90 -minute satire on Indians who visited England only to come back acting more British than the British themselves. Indians loved it, and things looked rosy. Three years later, however, there came a depression and the film company was dissolved.

Turning to the business of film distribution, first for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, then for Columbia Films, Nitish travelled parts of Asia setting up new film outlets. His wife became so used to his travelling that she used to tell him when he returned from a trip that she "had the other suitcase ready." The lack of Rotary Clubs in Asia in those days made make-ups difficult, and Nitish was forced to drop from Rotary membership for a few years, though he did take membership in the Rotary Club of Bombay for a year during an extended stay in that city.

The American Westerns, musical comedies, and dramas went well in Asia, especially films such as

## UP THE ‘ROTARY LADDER’

Nitish Chandra Laharry, of Calcutta, India, has served with distinction in Rotary offices on the Club, District, and international level. Here in chronological order are the high lights of his Rotary career:

| 1926 | Became member and Secretary of the Rot Club of Calcutta, India. |
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| 32 | Member, International Service Committee RI. |
| 35 | Joined Rotary |
| 1939 | Rejoined Rotary Club of Ca |
| 44 | President, Rotary Club |
| 945- | Governor, District 90. |
| 1947 | Member, Aims and Objects Committee |
| 1949-5 | Member, Extension Committee of RI. |
| 1953 | 2d Vice-President of RI; member of Nominating Committee for President of RI. |
| 1954-55 | Director of RI. |
| 19 | Rotary Information Counsellor. |
| 19 | Chairman, Asia Regional Conference. |
| 1959-61 | Member, RI Organization and Proced Committee. |
| 1961-62 | Director and President-Elect of RI; member of the Executive Committee and of the Terri- |
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It Happened One Night, starring Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert. Nitish served as managing director in India for Columbia Films for 25 years (most popular recent film he distributed was The Bridge on the River Kwai). Four times he has served his industry as president of the Kinematograph Society of India, Burma, Ceylon, and Pakistan. He has been chairman of the East India Film Advisory Board and a member of the Publicity Committee of India's Advisory Committee.
"After 34 years of living out of suitcases," he sighs, "I decided to retire. And look what happens. Out of 2 billion people in Asia they pick me as President of Rotary International."

Nitish's climb in Rotary is a tribute to his ability and to his dedication to its ideals. He has not deliberately sought advancement. All who have met him are impressed by his innate modesty and humility, two of his many fine qualities which endear him to his fellowmen. It is these same men who have pushed him from behind, as it were, from one office in Rotary to another.

His manner is firm, too. In the Spring of 1944, after he had been elected President of the Rotary Club of Calcutta, Nitish got on the telephone to line up the Chairmen of his Club Committees.
"No, no, K. P. [the nickname of one of your authors]," Nitish said patiently. "You don't need time. You just accept the office. In Rotary, one accepts without demur the assignment offered him, whether it be to give a talk to a Rotary Club or a call to an office in the Club. Such a request in Rotary has the force of a command."

Just back from a hard set of tennis, K. P. was hot and tired and not in a receptive frame of mind. But

Nitish's quiet insistence settled the issue; there was no denying him. K. P., as a Director of the Rotary Club of Calcutta, took charge of International Service.

Nitish is deeply moved by suffering wherever he sees it. In 1944, when he was President of the Calcutta Rotary Club, Bengal suffered one of the worst famines in human history. World War II and other causes had created a food shortage in this Easternmost State of India. Men and women died of starvation like flies. Living skeletons-and it is no exaggeration to describe them as skeletons, for they had almost no flesh on their bones-walked with arms outstretched for alms or for a handful of rice. It was a most ghastly sight.

Under Nitish's leadership Calcutta Rotarians set up three food canteens where thousands of famished people were fed for months. Rotarian doctors treated people free of charge. Rotary Clubs and Rotarians in India and in other nations sent the Club's relief fund 100 times over its goal. So thorough was the operation that when the Government of Bengal decided to distribute extra food and clothing on V-E and V-J days, Nitish was chosen to organize the disbursement centers in Calcutta. During World War II he served as Vice-Chairman of the United States Army Entertainment Organization. His organizing ability again was apparent in the success of the 1958 Asia Regional Conference in Delhi. Its total registration of 2,913 persons from 21 countries stands today as a record for this type of Rotary gathering.

Nitish's wife, Bindubala, has been ill for several years, so his daughters, Mira and Bira, accompanied him to the International Assembly and to the Convention. Graduates of the University of Calcutta, both are married and each has presented the Laharrys with a pair of grandchildren. Nitish often plays cricket with them until they wear him out. A keen sports enthusiast (he played soccer, football, tennis, and cricket in his younger days), he follows the radio broadcasts of the cricket matches throughout the Commonwealth. In Tokyo last year he was in the vanguard of hundreds of Rotarians who made a beeline for the afternoon papers to find out the scores of cricket test matches between Australia and England.

One of his sons-in-law, Krishna C. Maitra, is the head of a'steel-fabricating company with several plants in India, and is a Rotarian of Bombay. The other, Santosh K. Pathak, has risen to the post of works manager of a British steel firm in Calcutta.

This is his immediate family. The world is his larger family. He has "adopted" nephews and nieces all over the world, the latest being Angus, a grandson of "Doug" Stewart.

The By-Laws of our organization say that the President ". . . shall supervise the work and activities of Rotary International. . . ." Rotary is fortunate to have Nitish Laharry at the helm in 1962-63, and it can be taken for granted that all the mental and spiritual resources, all the efforts of his mind and body, will be devoted to meaningful effort in a year climaxing his long and successful service to the movement. In choosing Nitish Laharry as President, Rotary has chosen well.

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Dr. Paul Brunton
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13 St. James's Square
London, S.W.I

Dear Dr. Brunton,
It was a very agreeable surprise to receive your letter of July 24. I was, however, very sorry to learn of your illness. Please allow me to express my very best wishes for a complete recovery.

I am somewhat upset and considerably ashamed by the fact that my letter made you apologise tofne. Please believe me that this was not my purpose and that I never felt entitled to any apologies. I thought that I had made it clear in my letter that $I$ saw in the way in which you expressed certain thoughts, no more than the reflexion and repetition of a prejudice which has unfortunately been current among the Christian-religions for many centuries. I knew that you could not dislike an entire nation or religious community and I am happy to learn that you never heard of any such misinterpretation with regard to "Discover Yourself".

Being a Jew probably makes one too touchy and I feel that it is now my turn to apologize to you. I very sincerely hope that I did not offend you. However, something made me write to you and what I told you was not spoken for my personal benefit nor for any human being but on behalf of Spiritual Israel. What I pleaded for can be expressed in three words: JUSTICE FOR ISRAEL.

Dear Dr. Brunton, this will in all likelihood be our last communication in the present lives and before concluding this letter I wish once more to thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything I have learnt from your books. I hope that we shall meet in due time. Please accept my best wishes and thoughts. With fraternal regards I remain,


Dr. Paul Brunton,
Box 339, Time Square Station, New York 36, N.Y.

Maharaj, pronam.
After discontinuing my studies of the teachings of Paramhansa Yogananda I began studying the supreme wisdom unveiled in your scientific volumes. You have given so much. What can I give ?

It would be a wonderful thing if the sales of your books were increased, for during the next 18 months a war with Russia could wipe out $60,000,000$ people of this continent, and as many more outside it. Obviously the moment is imminent in which this world's status quo will be utterly discredited and your books would receive widest consideration IF they were as widely known, publicized, and discussed as they deserve.

Out of your published texts I assembled the composition attached hereto only for you and for your consideration as follows: I think that if you would compose an article of that type, for the purpose of publishing it either in the Readers' Digest, or the "Saturday Evening Post", or "The men's magazine TRUE", it would in all probability have an "explosive" effect resulting in postal bags full of "fan mail". Up to this point I can imagine that my idea appears tactless and indelicate, but here comes the silver lining:

Each of those "fan letters" could be answered as well, and as short as possible, ending up with the suggestion that to obtain a better grasp of the subject, and more satisfying answer to their questions, they may obtain your books as per list attached thereto showing name and price of each book and address of $P$. Dutton \& Co. where those can be ordered by mail with postal money order enclosed.

Such a plan would in all probability reault in a satisfactory boost to the sales of your books, but what is more important, it would create polemics, discussions, comments etc. so that a wider strata of seekers would become aware of your teachings and find something enabling them to make true progress. Consider, it was only after 20 years of seeking everywhere that I accidentally came across the first of your books, and I was living in New York and later in Chicago.

If your goodself do not have the organization to handle all that turmoil, and Dutton \& Co. does not have a man sufficiently steeped in this field to handle the correspondence adroitly and without impairing its spiritual momentum, perhaps I could do the best. I can to cope with it.

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Assuming, Maharaj, you would write such an article that has never been published, and would send it to me, I would then mail it to a magazine, Readers' Digest first, if they refused, I would send it to the Saturday Evening Post, and so on. There is a possibility one of them would publish it for their Christmas edition, I hope.

Of all my correspondence I would of course mail a carbon copy to your Secretary. It may or may not take some time before one publisher does accept it, but once one has bought it, then Button \& Co. would have to print the small list of your books stating price and their address, to be in my possession when the "fan mail" starts coming in.

I have never published anything and will not touch the whole idea except if I receive your definite instructions which I would follow explicitly. I am at present living on unemployment compensation here in Gabs, and have therefore the time to do something.

I respectfully submit these ideas to you, and if in the greater Wisdom attained by your goodself, $2 l l$ this has been left far behind you and you do not approve doing anything as I suggested, then, in that case, please do not be concerned. I shall understand, I shall do nothing, and will fully abide by your decision, and there would be nothing further to anticipate.

Very grateful to you for sacrificing the many years to accomplish the monumental works unveiling the long sought for supreme Truth for all times, I remain very respectfully,

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ERNEST S. EBERLI.
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The paragraphs of astronomical data I copied some 20 years ago from a Rosicrucian magazine, therefore, before using it, as you know it would be necessary to first obtain the written approval from the Rosicrucian Order AMORC, San Jose California. I abandoned all rosicrucian stuff 15 years ago.

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## WHAT AM I?

The wisdom of gray antiquity is summed up by the aphorism "Know Thyself" indicating the invisible side of Nature is only to be studied within ourselves. To know one ${ }^{1}$ s Self, is a state of consciousness, and your states of consciousness determine what you are, whether healthy or sick, rich or poor, free or slave.

The brain quite clearly is to some extent a mechanism. Consciousness equally clearly is in no way a mechanism, and nobody can observe consciousness in the way anything else is observed. For all observing requires the presence of consciousness. The popular, modern "behaviourist" psychologist and the material scientist spending their time observing certain contents of consciousness only, and triumphantly exclaiming that they cannot find consciousness anywhere, and that therefore, as independent factor it is non-existent, are as foolish as the girl searching for a necklace which she is already wearing around her neck.

The consciousness that is common to all beings, is itself only a phase of an immaterial principlet The infinite, undimentioned, invisible, formless Universal Mind. It is the potential, the origin, and essence immanent in atomic and all other energy, as also in our individual minds and all forms and beings constituting a universe. It is the only element of sense and sanity in the whole world process. Therefore they begin at the wrong ond when they believe that Mind is a function of the brain; and one begins at the right end when discovering that It is the Light of the brain.

Analogically Mind is like light: Light makes everything visible while remaining itself completely invisible. What we take to be a beam of light, for instance, is only an illusion of the senses. It is really a beam of dust particles. Light reveals the presence of mountains but not its own presence. It enables us to see a roomful of different forms but not its own presence because it has no form at all. - So too, Universal Mind makes us conscious of everything else but not of Itself. We do not detect It beneath our changing experiences because It is Itself without change. Being the source of All It is not in want of anything. It requires no aid. It is not struggling against any antagonistic satanic forces. They are mere lower powers in process of disintegration.

We behold all things "in our mind" as in a mirror. But our mind being part of Universal Mind and beyond reach of our senses, we observe the images of all things but fail to observe "the mirror" (the mind) reflecting them. Thus we erroneously assign complete reality to all things, and assign unreality to the Universal Mind Itself. No one who has sufficient subtlety of intelligence to understand what Mind really is, how ideas are formed, and how we become aware of the external world, can possibly ever become a materialist, or remain an atheist.

To believe consciousness to be nothing apart from the bodily brain, merely because it is not within the limited range of sense-perception, and to make it the inhabitant of a little place in a little head, is to fail to perceive that by the very Law of Its Being It must be outside such range. Where can It be ? As conscious awareness of the sexless, eternal, pure Universal Mind It extends from your heartias Its centre throughout this planet, and from there to our solar system wherein the moon is 238,000 miles away and Neptune the farthest: $2,800,000,000$ miles distant. Then Its time-less presence fills the realm of

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shining stars, some of them so large that hundredsmof-thousanda of earthmplanets could be packed inside ech. Fromi there the cosmic Mind's intelligente awareness is present throughout the region of the milky way with a diameter of some 300,000 lightyears and almost a million planetary nebulae. Then beyond this bystem thati as a solid mass turns in direction of Oapricorn, speeding ati 400 miles per second, to the extra-galactic and spiral nebulae which constitute universes independent of our own and no less in size.

About $140,000,000$ light-years represent the distance of the farthest nebula we know of, in the intervening space some $2,000,000$ more nebulze have been discovered but still farther away at every point in space the all-intelligent, ultimate principle of Life and energy, the supreme Mind and all-ambracing awareness transcending all other orders of consciousness, remains limitless in undisturbed beatitude and profound peace, in the unexplored realm beyond reach of teleacopea, where universe inevitably follows universe, the endless multitude of stars exceeding all the grains of sand of all the seas on this earth.

The All-knowing, All-present, World Mind thinks the world into our individual minds, It projects and knows the external world through our individual minds, but remains universal, undisturbed, unsoiled by our turmoile. By Its universality It: connects your "I ar" with the "I am" of all other people on this eartir, so theti. in : reality all are one. Therefore, not personal but collective satiafaction is the true goal of life. Those who want the first without the second are only fore doomed to deep disappointment. Your "I" belongs to something beyond yourself. It belongs to the principle of your own life and everybody's elses life.

Mind is timemess, changeless, and whatever does not change does notidie, and whatever does not die is the only quantum that truly IS. It is the hidden, unconditioned, undifferentiated Life essence in you, and you are one with It: Your past free will is the source of your present fate, as your present one will be the source of your future fate. As a result the most powerful factor of the two is your own will. No man can escape his responsibility by laying the blame on something or someone else. Every Man should study his mistakes in action and ascertain their source in himself. Let him frankly admit his partial responsibility at least, and set out to make whatiamends he can. Are severe consequences: and sustained personal disappointments the more intelligenttalternative?

The only possible inherenttendency of the supremely intelligent, ultimate forco in the universe (Universsl Mind, God) is toward lifergivingness, increase, and boquty. Ite motive is to embody Itself in centres of intelligence which understand Its motive and manifest it, All opposition to this tendency is correspondingly subject to automatic cosmic laws of pumishments. For the purpose of attaining some measure of conscious unity with the ceaselessly creative, alloriginating, supreme Universal Power, contemplate It as heving Its ineffable luminous centre in your heart, which thereby receives increased lifongiving divine currents and the Will of the Universe with unfailing guidance, provision and protection. - Rabindranath Tagore aaid "Bie ready to launch forth, nay hearti! Let those linger who must. Fer your name has been called in the morning sky. Waittfor none ! " . Thus, in the measure that we deeply recognize in our heart our greater Being and keep it present in 2ll our thoughte and actions, the force of that recognition will naturally shed from us whatever would tend to diminish our vast, true Biaing for...... as man thinketh in his heart, so he is.





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Dear Di. Bixunton:
I hope you will not think me too forward in writing to you, but I feel strongly urged to let you know how much I have come to treasure the books you have written. I have been able to obtain all those books listed except "Indian Philosophy and Modern Culture" and "The Hidden Teaching Beyond Yoga".

The writings of each of your books have been and still are a source of great help and inspiration to me in the search. I am often weary and discouraged, as I suppose many others are, at the seeming distance and difficulty of the journey, but I press on.

I have studied and investigated in many different directions (within the confines of my home area) but I found no pathway that I felt I could truly trust until I came upon your writings.

What more can I say but thank you, Dr. Brenton.
Sincerely,

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