

Wherever You Go, There You Are

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Nowhere our lives SEEM to take us goes anywhere at all, in actuality. Consider this idea with me, for a moment.

When we move about the planet, traversing here and there for our various purposes, attempting to reach our projected targets, striving for our long-awaited goals, do we not resemble yo-yo's more than beads on wires moving "through" space? We reach out from ourselves, but we never leave ourselves, returning nowhere but to ourselves, where we never left. As Donald Fagen and Walter Becker wrote in "Sign In Stranger", "Do you like to take a yo-yo for a ride? Zombie, I can see you're qualified..."

As we proceed through our lives, many of us never realize that what we seek is within the realm of the futile. Much of what we spend our lives pursuing falls within the ego's goals, the destination of the intellect, which is meaningless on that yo-yo string. What good is an intellectual pursuit, for example, when the string "arrives" back "home", back in the casing? What did it provide us that is eternal and of lasting, real value, seen as an "end" *in and of itself*?

We leave on that yo-yo ride in search of something, ANYTHING, "out there" which we are ever hopeful will bring us fulfillment and peace. However, as is most assuredly the case with all pursuits focused on the world beyond us, they will fail to satisfy us. Why? We are seeking to manipulate the world as we attempt to go into IT and have it behave a certain way for us, according to our judgments of what it should be. We cannot change the world. We must cease trying to change the world around us. However, we CAN most certainly change the way we SEE the world, and therein lies our peace.

As we change the way we see the world, it is then the world will indeed change. The world is nothing more than a projection of our thoughts. This is not as hard to accept as it may seem. Many of us have experienced occurrences of intuition or "psychic" phenomena, indicating a "hint" that minds are joined. Indeed they are – as the one Mind. We've just forgotten the truth of our connected one Mind, as we've seemingly walled ourselves off from one another. However, it is key to realize that ONLY mind exists. There cannot be mind AND body. The body is a projected idea of the mind, within the mind, as is the world. There is only mind. The eyes with which we think we see are merely a part of that image which is projected by the mind. As we project the body, so we project the world, from our thoughts. Change our thoughts about the world, and our state of mind changes, along with the world we think we see. As recent hit movies, countless spirituality books, and perhaps a few physics books now indicate, these ideas are really no "secret"....

Hearing that the world cannot be changed, as an entity outside oneself, can come not only as disheartening news to some, but also as a statement arousing significant disbelief. But, consider this. Ask yourself honestly what you really, truly know about your world, and what your assessments are based upon. Are they based upon "fact"? Or, are your world

beliefs based upon your own perceptions and judgments? Quite literally ALL of our information comes to us through our own “filtering” system of perception, which rules out any hard core fact right off. My “fact” will differ from your “fact” most assuredly. With all of these differing “facts” abounding, how can we possibly call anything of the world “true”? We cannot. So, precisely how is it we want to change the world? From our extremely limited vantage point, we must defer to our Creator who does indeed know, and, with gratitude, ask for Direction from the Source who can indeed direct. The world’s “change” cannot come from us. However, isn’t it very good news to hear that we can find immediate peace by merely changing how we see the world?

When we wake up to the realization that we are surrounded by nothing but a world of images, which are our thoughts projected, it becomes easier to understand that indeed we never really “go” anywhere apart from ourselves, and from each other, as we are all connected. Quite literally, the world is nothing but the sum total of our thoughts, our mind, as a shared dream. Wherever we dream, there we “see”! We are tucked so very safely in the very mind “space” which we share with our Creator, safe in the play pen, never able to “fall out” of God’s Mind at all! As extensions of God, we see with the same Light as God. Therefore, as we realize the beautiful news that we are indeed “looking” through the eyes of God’s Holy Light, the Zombie’s yo-yo ride is converted to an awakened spiritual passage of miracle and forgiveness, where everything we see is blessed and loved.

In “You’re My Home”, Billy Joel describes this idea so beautifully when he writes, “Home could be the Pennsylvania Turnpike, Indiana’s early morning dew, high up in the hills of California, home is just another word for you.” Indeed. Home is certainly not a place, as the Mind we are is without time or space. Home is a knowing, the realization that true safety is found when we let go of attempting to find safety. We must find our safety by seeking for our safety no longer. Wherever we seem to go, we are held in perfect safety and perfect love, for there is no “place” for us to be but in the Mind of our Creator, and anything which appears otherwise is merely illusion of the ego, to be released and forgiven as our true Self remembers Who we really are.