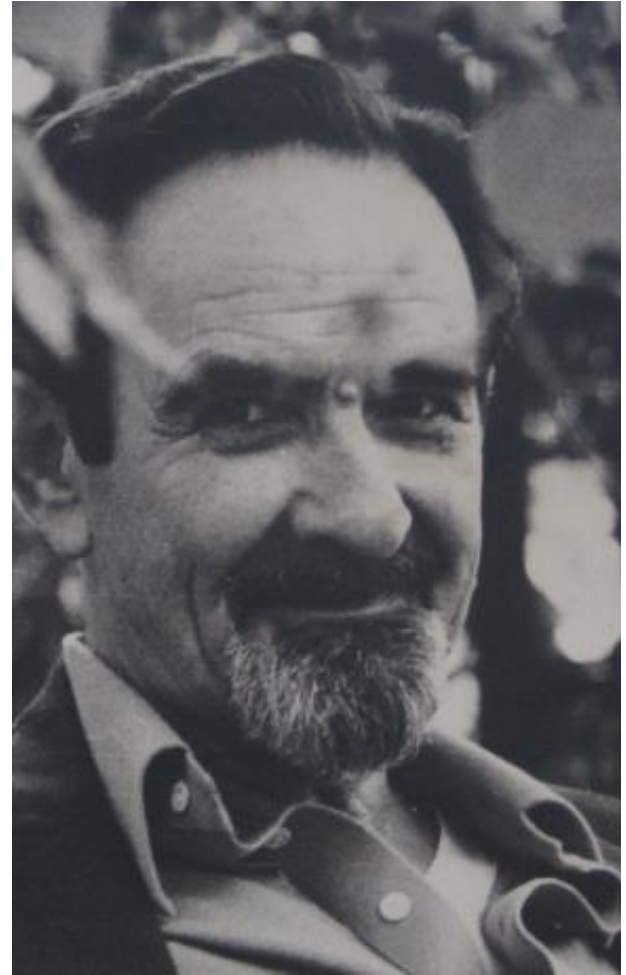


**EXTRAORDINARILY
BEAUTIFUL: The
visionary Philosophy
of Anthony Damiani**





The Way of Philosophy and the Philosopher

The philosopher is both: the double knower. The philosopher includes both recognizing your own essence to be pure consciousness and realizing that everything in manifestation of that essence still claims its validity as a manifestation. LW no Audio

Mysticism and Metaphysics

So the first thing we have to do is to try to understand, theoretically, something about mentalism. And that's difficult. Then the next thing is... if you have some understanding of mentalism, then... then... you want to be able to realize a little bit of it... If you can do these two things, then everything else will be taken care of.





Because once you got a glimpse, then you know there is no way out. You've got to go to the end. You won't turn back. And probably, most people don't know this, but you could think you're on the quest, but until you get an actual glimpse, you actually feel and know your soul intimately, whether for a minute or for an hour or for a month, it's all theory.

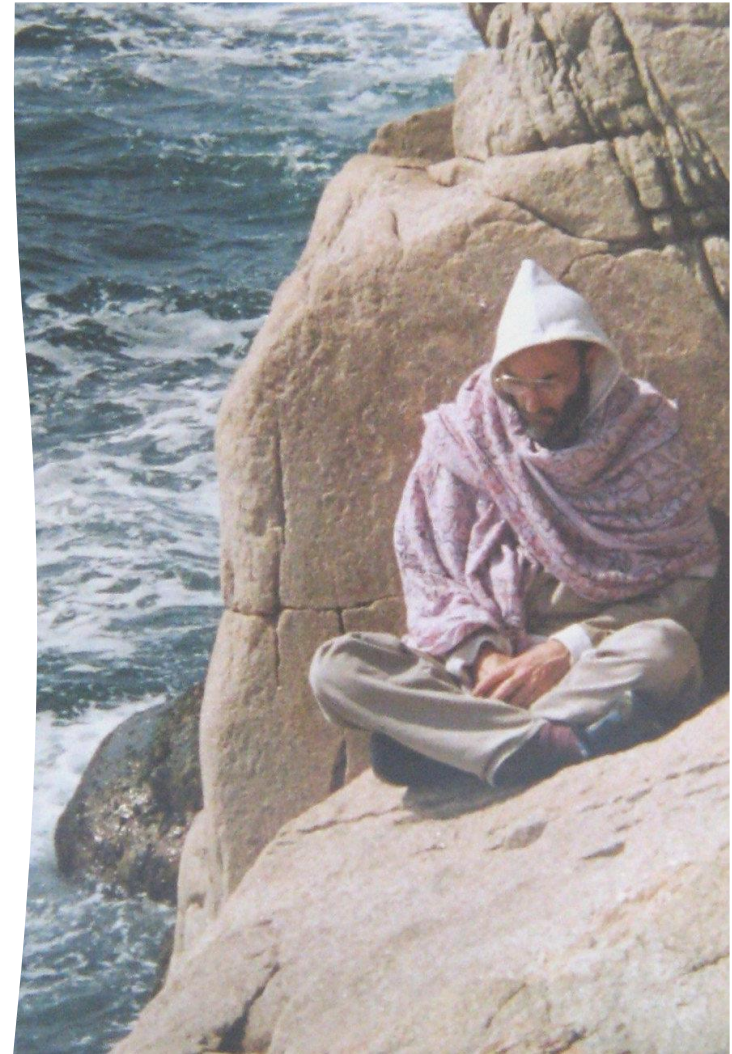
on MEDITATION

Never mind the thoughts: who sees the thoughts. ...

Don't let the contents usurp your attention....

Go back to who sees it and stay with that. ... Because that seer is consciousness. ...

... The important point here is to try to understand by being that awareness. That's the only way that it could be understood, by being that awareness... LIM



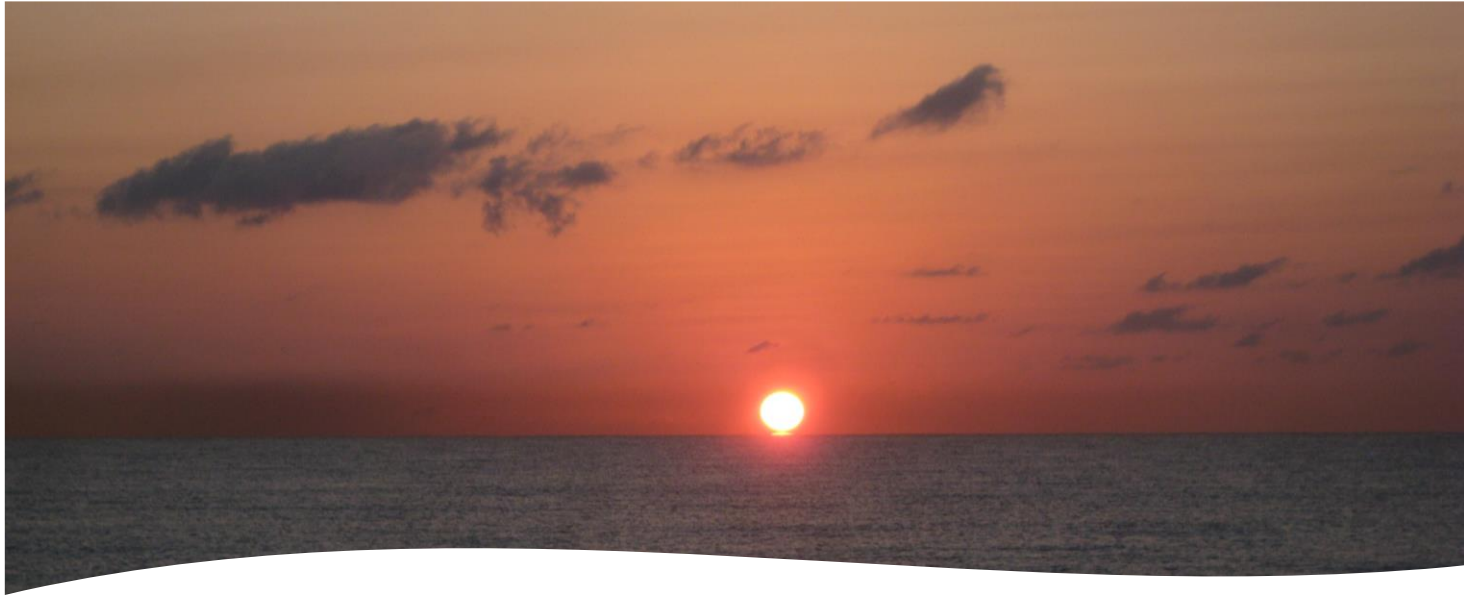
06 Consciousness can deepen

AD: if you wanted to investigate the nature of consciousness, could you do it by reading books about it? Yes, to some extent, a little bit. But if you really want to investigate the nature of consciousness, what would you have to do?

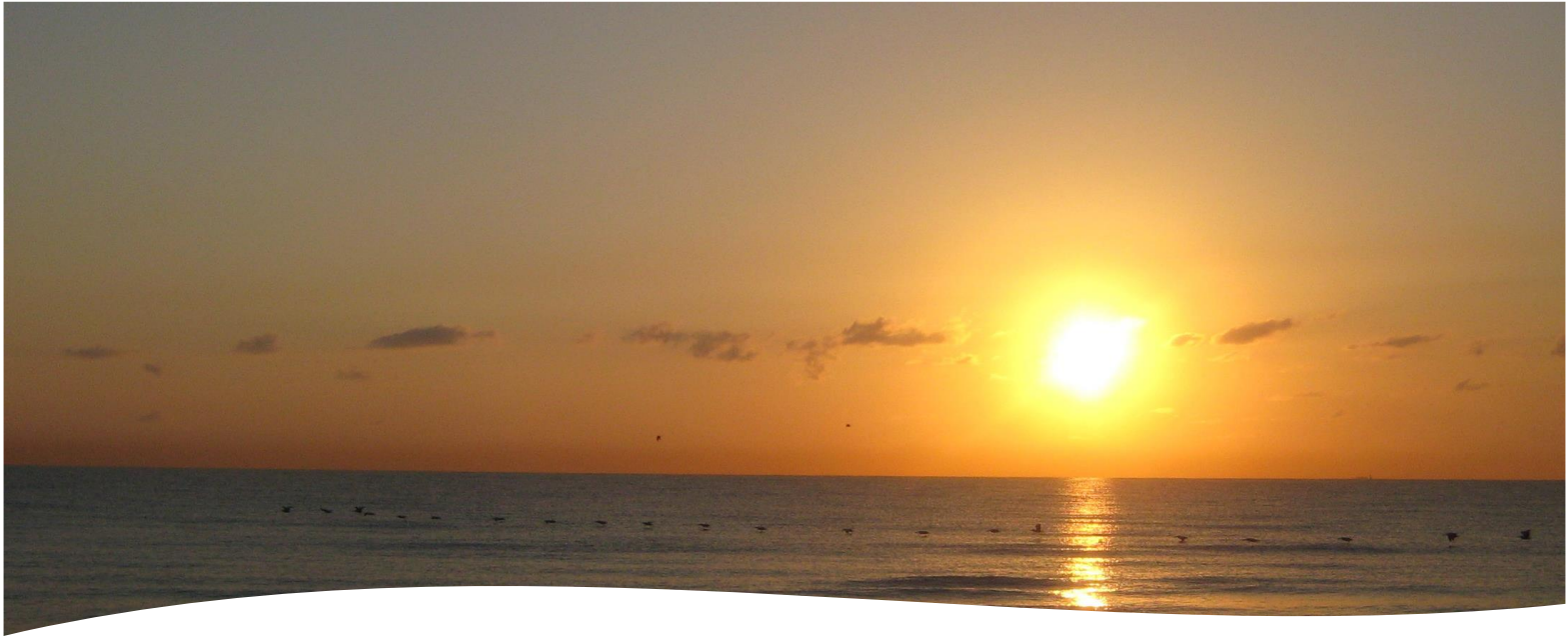
S: Be it.

*AD: Be it, right? And then investigate deeper into it...
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And you have to remember that meditation also has a value, which if ever you should pursue it to the end, would make a galaxy a terrestrial incidence in your consciousness. You understand? The whole of the galaxy would be like a terrestrial incidence in your consciousness. LIM



Opens
you up:

And the very reality that we are--remember that reality I was speaking about, that pure awareness, like when you are looking in the dark, I tell you, who is looking? That's the reality, what is looking is the reality, not what you see. And then you begin to realize that, then you open up inside and once a person is opened up inside, it is like his heart becomes sensitive. He could feel and could be aware when the soul sends in promptings, intuition.

MENTALISM; inside-out

Let me put it this way: the most immediate experience you have is that of your own mind.

If you got that, you've got it. Because that is our immediate environment. We live in the mind. We are the mind. We experience ourselves functioning. But we lose sight of that, and we're preoccupied with what it did, rather than what it is.



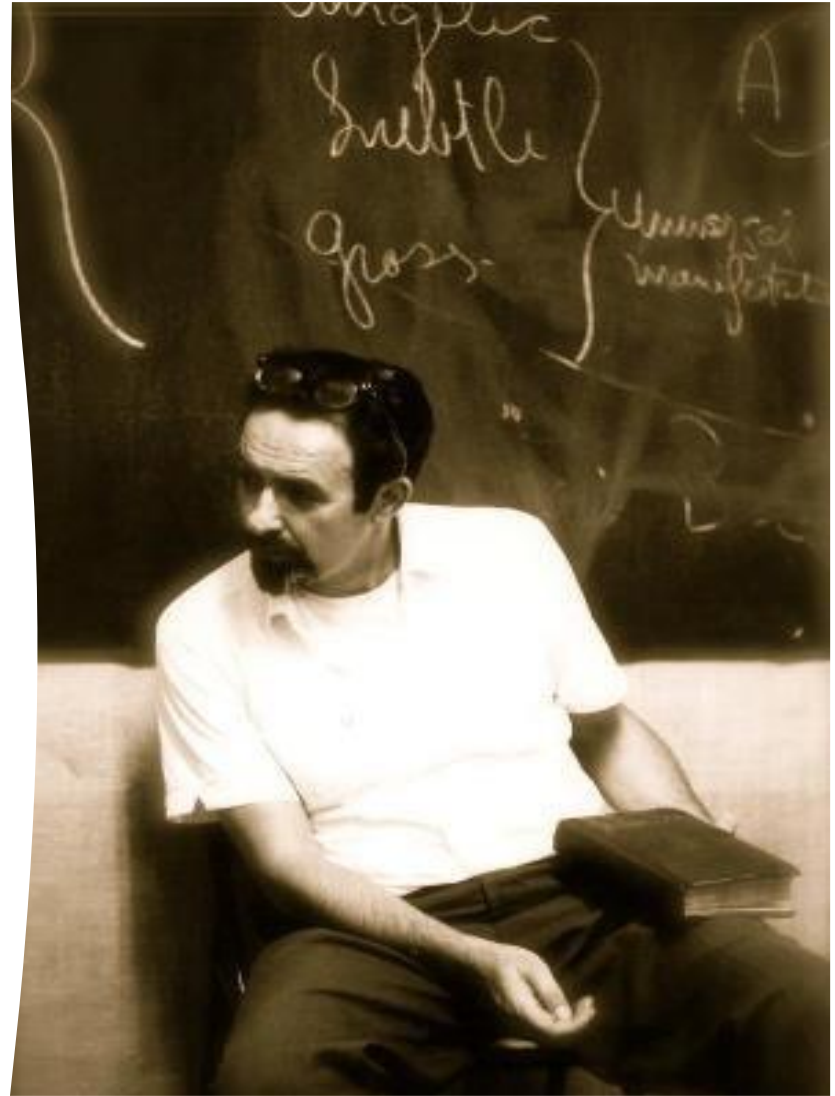
How do you Know?

Just think of it: how do you know anything? No matter what it is that you know, you now through this intangible undimensioned unfeatured principle, intelligence. It has no qualities, it has no way of being recognized, you can't say of it "it is" you can't say of it "it isn't." You cannot say it is both or neither. And yet it makes possible for a universe to appear and disappear. So which one is more real? Think about it... [Columbus 1970]



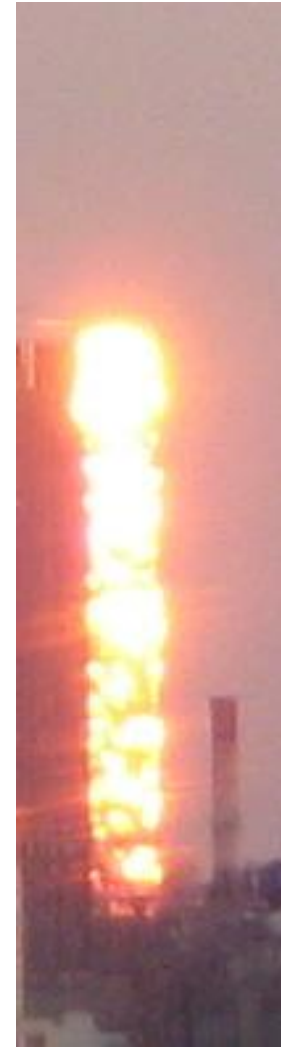
THINKING to go beyond thinking

But thinking, real thinking is contemplation. What most people call thinking is not thinking, it's a regurgitation of everything that you've already experienced so it's in the realm of the known. How could you call it thinking? Thinking for me is always fresh, novel, new. Whereas if I pull out something from the past that's memory, that's not thinking...



THINKING to go beyond thinking

If you DO cancel out expectation, anticipation, the past and the future, then you become a receptacle. There will spontaneously come to you thoughts which aren't yours, which are bright, happy intuitions, and they actually do tell you something new.



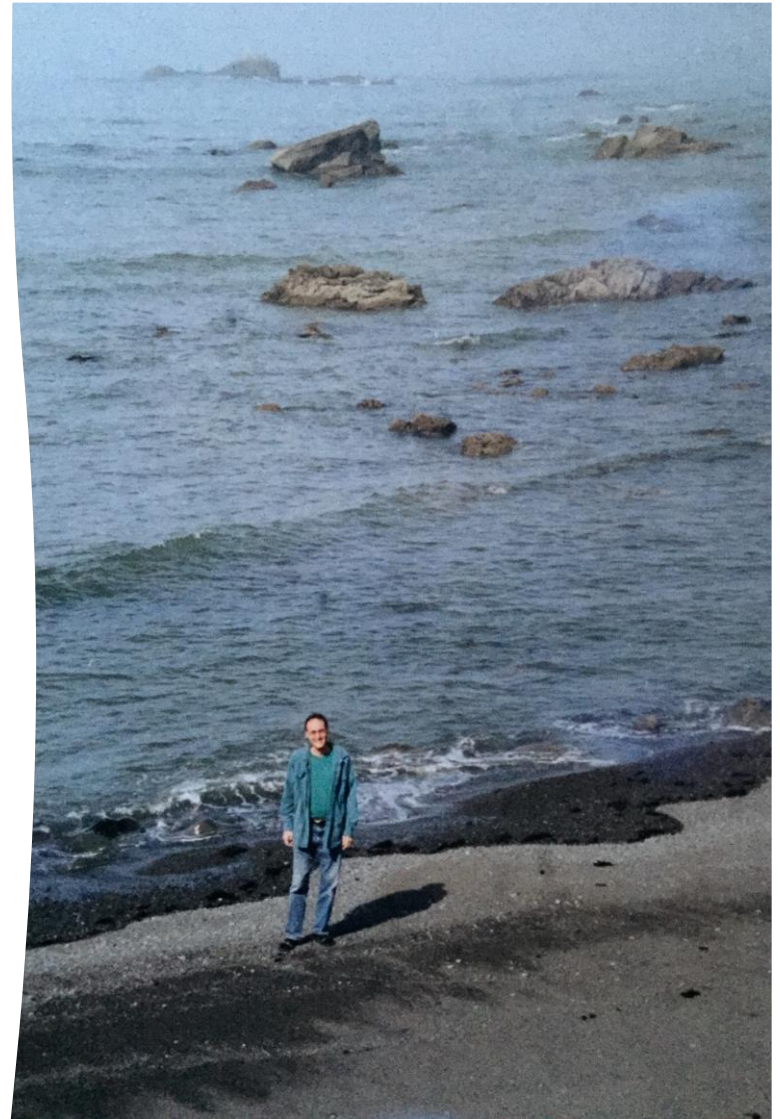
EGO and What am I?

** Listen to that... Long or short path or combination, it doesn't matter. You've got to know what it is you're dealing with--so this knowledge is absolutely vital. Anybody who talks about the nonexistence of the ego, or glorifies it, or says it's illusory, all that is besides the point. Standing in Your Own Way*



on EGO

As we read and discuss these quotes, you'll get a comprehensive picture of what the ego is in terms of its lowest and its highest, the range that it encompasses. On one hand, it's a projection or a manifestation of the Overself. But on the other hand, you can misidentify yourself with the ego and get lost in the net or the web of illusion that it spins out for you





**SOUL
DOUBLE
NATURE**

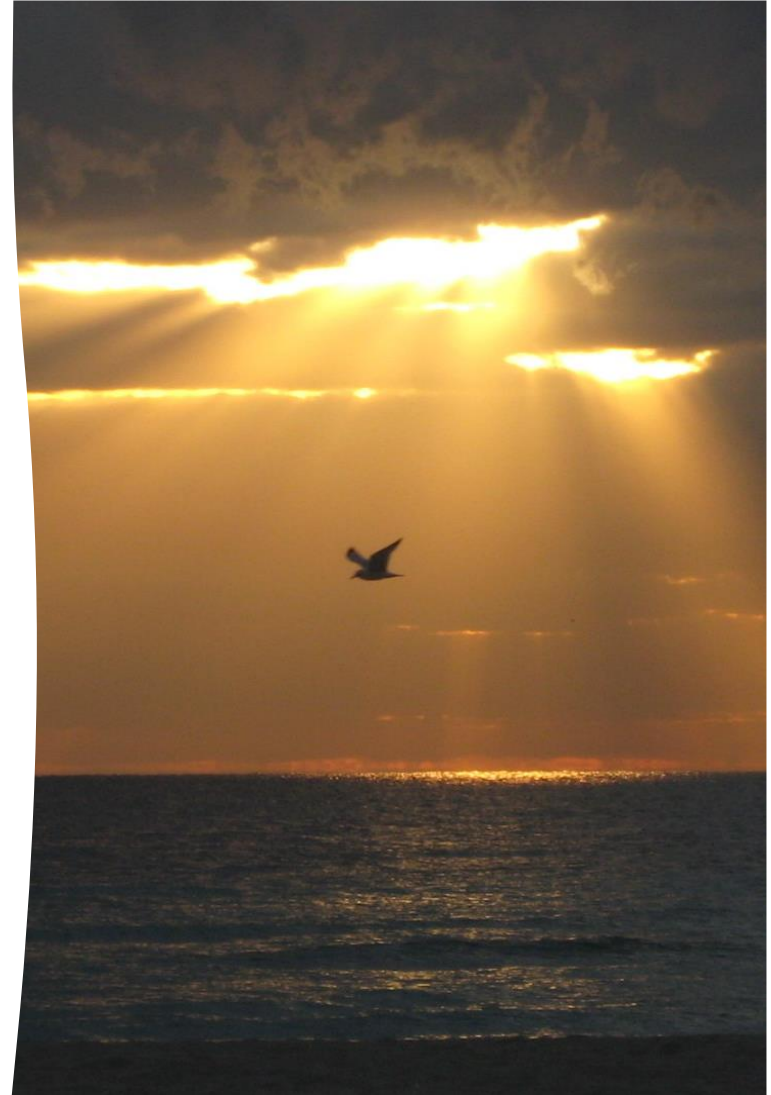
Each unit soul has an inviolable sanctity, in the sense that it is an image of God. But that it can be individuated and determined and fulfill a certain potential which is in the Mind of God, I think is a concept which is extraordinarily beautiful. . . .

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Unit of life: 7 themes

**You are becoming the
Wisdom of the World-Idea.**

...the individual mind is
the burning focus in which
the ideas get manifested
and reveal the world given
to it. Without that
individual mind that does
it, it just is not available

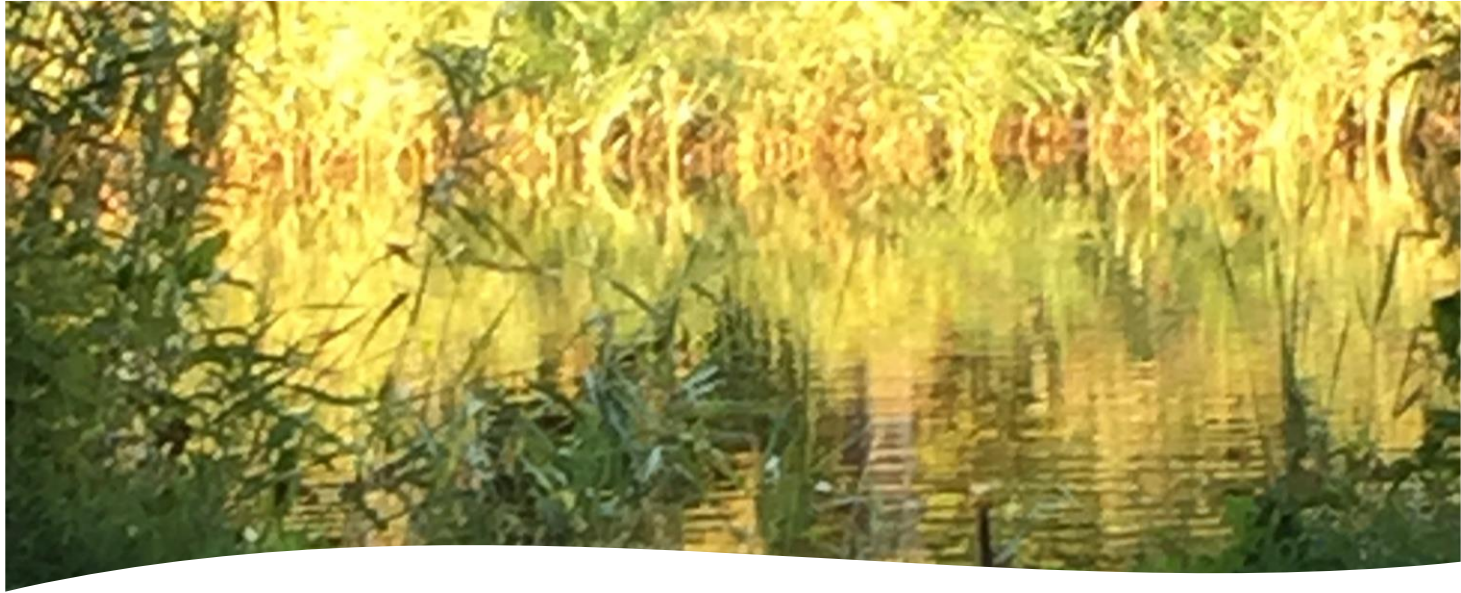




B. You are becoming wisdom

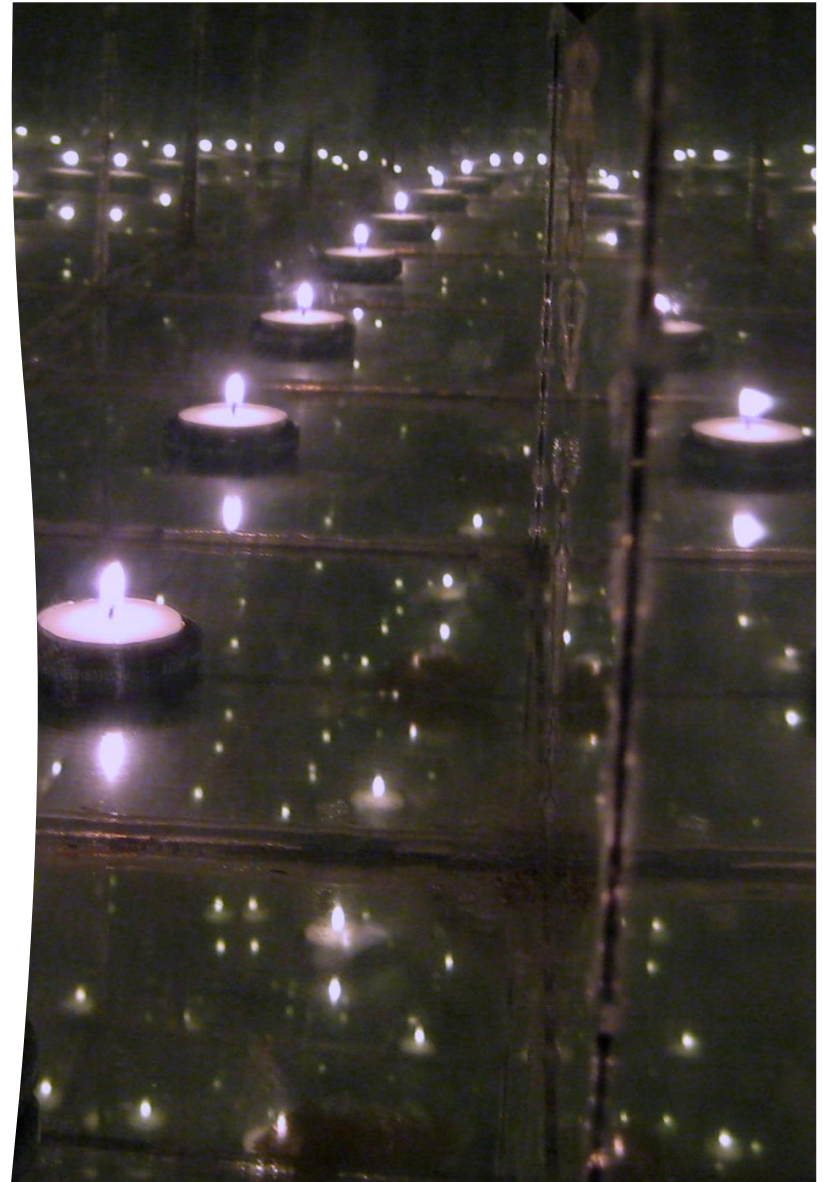
You can think of it this way: think of wisdom in the sense that the mind is destined to become the universe...in the process of mind becoming the world, it assimilates a certain wisdom that is inherent in the world.... Wisdom is the recognition and application of that: your mind becoming the universe. And as it's doing so, it's beginning to understand the various laws that govern manifestation.

(--class and audio 1/4/84)



The richness, variety, and incomprehensibility of the World-Idea will satisfy individuals at every level. There's a deepening, an inwardization, a widening, a comprehension of the World-Idea. . . . 3/9/84

The World-Idea is constantly being evolved until it approaches the goal that the Idea's trying to achieve. And since the ego is an idea or part of the Idea, the Universal Idea, the World-Idea, it too has to go through that improvement and evolution. As the world, so to speak, evolves closer and closer to the paradigms that have been set for it, so the egos within that world have to evolve



DANCING with the COSMOS:

Cosmic Epistemology

Philosophic Astrology

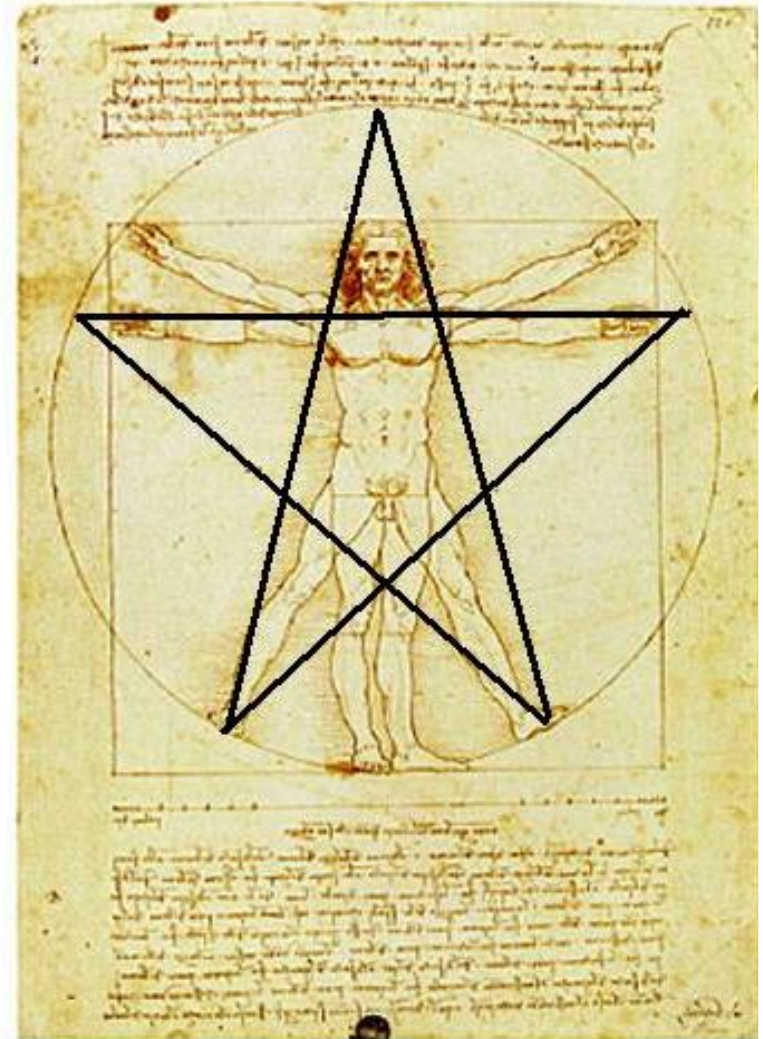
Great Horoscopes

*the stars are a
theophany of radiating
intelligences,
distributing their
presence and
informing the universe
through patterns of
intellectual energy.*



PHILOSOPHIC ASTROLOGY...

“the way I understand astrology is on this basis: that every individual in so far that he is an individual, in so far that he is part of the World Idea, there is a meaning in his life, a pattern of events, situations, circumstances. ... And that if he really penetrates into the meaning of the events and circumstances that are going on in his life, he is getting at the quintessence of the meaning of his life to him.”
L.I.M.



Vitruvian Man c.1492 Leonardo Da Vinci

The Enneads are formulations of Plotinus' intuitive realizations of ultimate truths to which only our inner being may respond. We must let the Logos in our Soul absorb the impact and assimilate the meaning of his intuitions prior to allowing our critical and egotistical intellect pounce upon them. In other words our mental activity must be stilled so that the Silence within can receive the passage in question without coloration... *Astronoesis prelude audio and text--*

