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## ***Connecting to the Source-of-Creation***

Being connected to the Source-of-Creation is both the easiest and most difficult aspect of personal existence you will ever encounter. How you achieve, maintain, and expose that connection defines your life. If there is no yearning for that form of relationship a new home founded upon superficial desire and intellectual rationalization will generally replace it. Those forms of artificial connective attachments are causation for the majority of self-created mental pain and suffering; as they inspire endless transitory embellishments. The truth of that statement becomes obvious when witnessing one fleeting desire ceaselessly leading into another, as there will always be a newer or better form of superficially induced craving requiring immediate attention. It is a world of pretense, posturing, and disingenuous purposelessness with an endless array of meaningless winners and losers. If you are truly connected to the Source-of-Creation that vacuous way of living is witnessed as woefully wasteful, distressingly deceitful, and potentially environmentally destructive. And yet those living within it find it exciting and enticing.

A life without a connection to the Source-of-Existence will always struggle to find meaning for it. However, if that struggle does not even exist you will witness individuals that are totally self-centered, making them oblivious to another's existence. Those self-absorbed individuals have unknowingly locked themselves within a mentally constructed prison that constricts their vision only seeing the world from within a confining cell. There are many problems created by that form of self-imposed imprisonment and they generally all arise due to a plethora of self-created internally controlling patterns; preventing 'light' from entering into the resultant confining space. Within the ensuing internal darkness the only thing those restrictive patterns allow the prisoner to recognize as being of any value is his/hers desires being fulfilled. That occurs as those singly focused and self-deluded prisoners rarely appreciate their desires as being potentially harmful to others and self-destructive to themselves; as the danger is hidden or cloaked by the darkness those patterns-of-living internally establish. Consequently, anyone entering the mentally constructed confines of that prisoner's cell will be witnessing life through a veil of darkness, as all those self-created prisoners are able to see is a 'shadow' created by the 'light' within another. No matter how bright or dim that 'light' is it will be deemed offensive to that prisoner's self-created darkness. That assumed disrespect arises as the internal 'light' of another indirectly illuminates their restrictive patterns to reveal a hidden sense of insecurity and/or inferiority releasing anger or violence to cover that discovery. That form of darkness can never abide any form of 'light' and will always react with various forms of misdirected violence to hide from it. One individual living in abject darkness generally confines that 'shadow' world to within his or hers immediate environment, disregarding the effect its darkness has upon

the life of others. But if two or more of those self-absorbed prisoner's live within a common cell their combined darkness creates an inner blackness that can have devastating results as they can dim and/or potentially extinguish the 'light' of many. The danger arises as the ensuing myopic negatively orientated force, either singly or combined, can be innocently disguised within logically appearing economic rationalization. Or witnessed within the intolerant ravings espoused by various leaders, and media outlets to create inflammatory emotionalism, or as poisonously obvious as ethnic cleaning as they do not take into account the life of an individual. The moment you witness any of those actions you are observing the 'shadow' world in action. And that world, no matter how convincingly it is stated, will always be detrimental to the peaceful and positive evolution of civilization.

On the other hand if one is serious about achieving a personal connection the Source-of-Creation there are two obvious approaches: belief and/or experiential investigation. Both of those approaches have a positive and negative side. The positive aspect of adopting a belief system is that the effect is nearly instantaneous, creating an inner world that both children and adults can rely upon and use immediately. It provides individuals with an ideal to live up to, and a reason for how they live their life. This belief will, or should, provide moral standards that can convert into ethical actions, which is an immediate and direct benefit for everyone. Thus the intent of most religious belief systems is to establish a safe community, free of all forms of mental and physical abuse, providing the foundation for personal existence founded upon a future life beyond a physical one. If that belief is held in absolute simplicity it establishes a center that is both directionally supportive and internally peaceful; where one can withdraw into and mentally rejuvenate. In this circumstance 'simplicity' does not mean mindless obedience but living within, and using, an unconditional faith that is genuinely non-judgmental and borderless. That form of faith has no construct restrictions as it 'simply' allows the peaceful supportive dictates that naturally arise internally due to that faith's simplicity to guide one through daily life. The result is a non-judgmental life that supports everyone regardless of belief, ethnicity, religious or political persuasion. However, if that faith has any construct restrictions – "do this or that" and/or "do not do this or that" – founded upon fear the faith is being limited to within those constrictive borders. Those restrictions highlight a potential negative aspect of a belief system as they can eventually override the faith, with fear becoming the guiding force rather than the pure simplicity of the faith. For a faith to be unconditionally true it must be absolutely free of any restrictive force that is fear induced and 'simply' be settled within the Creative-Heart-of-Existence. Any action proceeding from that Center will always have a correct approach and an appropriate conclusion. Meaning, that faith is absolutely free of any form of fear induced borders and imposed theological imperatives. That freedom opens your eyes to an entirely new world within the one you now occupy. It also eliminates all worries and concerns about daily life as the open-ended faith replaces them, making for a peaceful internal life amidst some of the most trying of circumstances.

Thus, belief systems have a public and veiled dual 'face' with the covert one containing the potential to do the opposite of what its public face core-substance is founded upon. The hidden aspect of that face arises with controllers of that belief establishing, and using, fear as a quick and easy solution to control and prod rather than adopting and using enlightened discussion to encourage and support. Using fear to create adherence to a belief establishes a false base that will not withstand all the various trials and tribulations of daily life; as that fear can be defeated by a greater real or perceived fear. Thus, a belief system that relies upon fear created constructs to maintain itself, as well as control its parishioners, is potentially or ultimately doomed to fail. And that failing also fails the belief as it does contain the potential to do precisely what is intended, but the use of fear undermines it, which is the negative side of a positive belief system. That negative side is difficult to contain, or intellectually alter, as it sets conditions for mental or physical actions that appear 'construct' righteous but can destroy in the guise of protecting. However, the positive side of a belief system that has no fear within its construction contains the potential to enlighten the minds of its followers. That vision of open-mindedness alongside an open-hearted direction will lighten their mental load within everyday living, as well as provide a safe passage into the essence of a non-material inner world that takes precedent over the present material one. And that demonstrable pathway not only feels good, but is good, and the resultant goodness is the food that nourishes a starving population.

The other approach of achieving a personal connection to the Source-of-Creation is through experiential investigation. The positive side of this form of investigation is everything you internally discover or uncover can never be taken from you. No one anywhere can ever dissuade you from that experience. It is eternally yours. Any detractors are simply attempting to understand your experience by judging it through their self-imposed limitations, which always utterly fails. Experiential connective knowing is absolutely unrestricted, and anyone holding limiting constrictive constructs will have a difficult, if not impossible time, trying to understand or accept that experientially unrestricted position, potentially creating those cynical attackers.

Or said differently, if a hazelnut was aware of its internal hardness it would have a difficult time understanding an orange attempting to explain its orangeness, as the nut would have no experiential knowledge of juiciness. If a human metaphorically took the attributes of a hazelnut, his/her outer seemingly belief inspired impenetrable shell would protect its hard construct interior, indirectly setting 'expansive' limits. Consequently, a 'human' hazelnut's vision of existence is self-containing preventing experiential comprehensive ability of anything beyond that internal hardness, and so unable to understand the existence of a pliable fruit with a malleable liquid interior. However, an orange does exist and a hazelnut may deny that form of existence is possible, but exist it does. If you have discovered your 'orangeness' be aware of various species of nuts that will never be able to accept that form of existence as they cannot understand it. Through trial and error you will eventually realize the only way

their hard shell can be penetrated is through what can best be described as spiritual osmosis. Meaning, you do not try at all but how you live your life gradually is seen, and accepted, as having an inner direction setting the condition for their core 'substance' to resonate with your core 'substance'. The hidden and silent connectivity of that acceptance can occur as the core of each is formed from an identical 'substance'. But how that 'substance' individually evolves is dictated by how the mind of each is formed. Meaning, at the subliminal core of everyone there exists a direct pathway to connect to, and interrelate with, without being caught up in one's individual 'orangeness' or 'nuttness'. Or, regardless of how that core is 'enclosed' it is, and will always remain, as internal non-material individual substantial nourishment. That nourishment similarity is the way an oranges 'orangeness' can gradually become acceptable to the inner hardness of a nut. That acceptance contains the potential to soften a nut's hard interior by gently being absorbed through its protective shell allowing their mutual internal nourishment to be recognized, which is spiritual osmosis. That gradual and subliminal process indirectly reveals the inherent danger of trying to crack the nut open to expose its nourishing core as the attempt can be constructed as an attack, and so rejected leading to various defending postures. Suggesting, restrictive belief constructs or intellectualized rationalization normally bounce off outer protective shells but unconditional compassionate actions seep through those shells, softening a hardened interior. It's a choice. And the choice is what determines how an individual, or a civilization, positively evolves, remains stagnant, or regresses.

The nut/orange analogy is just another way to expose experiential investigation as a personal internal journey. It was used to demonstrate the sharing of that journey cannot be achieved by traditional methods, as those methods generally involve cracking the nut open to expose its hard interior core. But the nut's outer shell provides strong protection and any attempt to crack it open is treated as a threat and normally any response is in kind. Direct attack rarely, if ever, works. Consequently, if you wish to actively participate in the positive evolution of human life upon this planet you must devise your own 'osmosis' method as your internal discoveries are personal and any method to reveal them must resonate with that 'personalness' and not someone else's, as another's method may be good for them but inappropriate for you. Therefore, part of that experiential process is learning how to present your 'orangeness' substance in a manner that will resonate with a 'nut's' substance.

The downside to experiential investigation can gradually develop if the chosen pathway does not take the investigator to where he or she wants that internal process to take them. This can end badly as the investigator generally has accumulated a mass of information from a variety of sources about the end result of that journey, and that end now appears unattainable. The problem is not in the end result but the mass of accumulated information, as its bulk can become the final barrier to what initially was sought. The investigator can become, possibly out of frustration, a 'dispenser' of learnt information about that journey without actually having 'tasted' the final result. To a beginner upon that pathway that 'dispenser' of learnt information can appear wise but

the wisdom is secondhand: possible good but still secondhand. For an individual taking the first tentative steps upon an internal investigative journey that form of secondhand information may be useful. However, it can also establish the beginning of a pattern that eventually leads an internal adventurer beginner to where that 'dispenser' of wisdom internally lives, which is a state of unfulfilled expectation. He or she can write with conviction and be eloquent in speech but there is an underlying honesty that is missing and that form of experiential honesty is what is necessary to get his or her through the gateless-gate and provide a safe pathway for others to follow.

The gateless-gate is Zen Buddhist terminology used to describe the passage of an aspirant from learnt wisdom to experiential wisdom. On the surface the difference between those two forms of wisdom may appear similar or inconsequential but when you have passed through the gateless-gate you will be aware of the vast distance between them. That distance is the difference between thinking you know and actually experiencing that knowing. That difference may appear insignificant but on the inside it is the difference of being frustratingly held on the threshold of the gateless-gate never being able to move beyond that stagnation and passing through the gateless-gate to experience a liberated state-of-being. Hence, the difference is monumental. On the other side of the gateless-gate a newly discovered internal clarity-freedom illuminates a direct pathway to discover, unveil, or reveal a personal connection to the Source-of-Creation. From that moment onwards there is a connective surety that can withstand all the storms of life without being bound by them. It is a freedom that must be experienced to be appreciated as slings-and-arrows simply have no place to stick, which is what 'turning the other cheek' in the Christian world means.

Standing upon, or being 'locked' upon, the threshold of the gateless-gate is also but a hair's breadth away from passing through it. That blocked passage occurs to many internal adventures as the final step to take one through the gateless-gate cannot be learnt. Nor can it be given. Nor can one be pushed or enticed over that threshold. The nearest word that would approximate that last required 'movement' would be resonance, which is not really a movement but a surrendering of all the information that got you to that threshold. With that last action you stand with open-hands and open-heart within an inner 'directional' patience that gradually unfolds a personal form of active intellectually guided unconditional compassion. With the passage of time the gateless-gate is forgotten and the acquired patience endurance has become natural, and a guiding aspect of your existence. Then one day a word, sound, or some mundane act will open the 'locked' threshold position and you will metaphorically walk through the gateless-gate and finally realize the gate does not exist, making it gateless. Meaning, the gate will open of its own accord when the internal conditions are resonantly aligned with the subliminal substance of your non-biological existence. Patience and unconditional compassion form the key to unlock that gate. Passing through the gateless-gate, no matter how that passage occurs or how long it takes, is always a moment of unsurpassed joyfulness as it feels as being freed from a long-serving prison sentence. When the moment passes a mirthful sense of humor is released as

you finally see what you were searching for was always with you. You created the gate with the 'load' you placed upon your back weighing you down preventing you from recognizing anything beyond that accumulation. When 'honestly' free of that accumulation the gate is open, as it always was, but you have to recognize that internal 'openness'. As simple as that may appear it is not that simple as the 'load' you carried has left a pattern so entrenched that it takes time before the last shreds of that pattern are removed. With that removal your eyes have lost their blinkers and you finally 'see', metaphorically in all directions simultaneously, opening the way through the gateless-gate threshold to the other side. And life takes on a new meaning that cannot be learnt: only resonated with.

That form of internal discovery forever remains non-materially yours and belief is no longer necessary as you experientially know. That does not imply it is necessary to discard the belief process, religiously founded or not, as experiential knowing is both directly and indirectly founded upon a belief. Rather than holding a belief, and doing nothing with it, experiential knowing processes can take the belief to its natural conclusion confirming its substance. Unfortunately that internal investigative process is what the controllers of a belief system generally do not teach, or tolerate, as they consider experiential methods, besides appearing to undermine the belief (which it does not) believe that form of knowing is not possible or necessary. But it is both. However, if a belief system promoted enlightened and open discussion upon all elements or aspects of their belief their fear of that form of knowing would eventually dissipate as the experiential knowing both directly and indirectly supports the belief. On the other hand, if that teaching process is not well-directed and maintained with constant support the fear those controllers of a belief have about experiential investigative processes is valid. Meaning, distressing situations can occur when seekers of experiential truth get trapped in various aspects of their investigation opening the door to various depressive states because of that stagnation. As well, others can fall into self-induced states of false ecstasy or rapture which is an emotional response due to not having sufficient understanding of how the various elements of both consciousness and mind interrelate and function. Or, if an individual is locked upon the threshold of the gateless-gate he or she can unwittingly misdirect others. That can occur as those individuals appear 'knowledge-wise' to initiates and so when asked for guidance, which is normally freely given, is 'directionally' deficient in experiential honesty as it lacks a true experiential foundation.

Thus, it is understandable that various religions do not, or are reluctant to, support internal experiential processes. Also their system is designed to give spiritual guidance to groups of people and so tend to pass over inquiring individual internal truth seekers. Consequently, religious systems are generally belief self-limiting and so not prone to provide direct support to the internal investigative endeavors of single parishioners. But, if they truly desired to give that form of support it would be possible by using proven specialized teachers for those requiring that form of connective religious experience. The qualifications for such a teacher would be experiential knowledge founded upon a framework of non-material logic and compassionate wisdom wrapped

within an unconditional faith that is non-judgmental. Then such a group would work.

The end result of both belief systems and internal investigative processes is an experiential connection to the Substance of the Source-of-Existence. This form of connection is possible as that Substance is 'reflected' as the *substance* of individual consciousness, making that *substance* impersonal and subliminal. Personalizing that *substance* is what gets you through the gateless-gate. However, that 'reflected' *substance* is directly knowable by any process, as anyone can discover it through many different routes, but all end up at the same destination.

If belief and experiential investigation are used together the result will have more depth than using one process without the other. Using both processes simultaneously will carve an individual pathway-of-living founded upon an unconditional faith that has no boundaries (free of constructs) and so can 'move' anywhere without 'touching' the conditionality of another's way of life or belief.

As stated above, beside the two processes cited in this essay there are others processes that do the same thing, but differently. Those processes all end at the same destination by accommodating the various mental 'temperament' of various aspiring individuals'. The process you choose may be right for you but wrong for others so it is important not to inflict your way upon another. Suggesting, it is important to learn how to demonstrate your pathway that in some manner resonates with the journey of another on a different pathway while avoiding process conflict, as that form of conflict always leads backwards and not forwards.

No matter what process you resonate with, the gateless-gate exists within it. Getting through it requires intellectual and directional 'honesty'. That 'honesty' is necessary as a connection to the Source-of-Existence exists within its application, expressed as unconditional compassion, and based upon intellectual wisdom. Thus, a connection to the Source-of-Existence is possible, and that possibility has infinite avenues of approach: choose an avenue and enjoy the challenging journey

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