



The One and the Many

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The ideas presented here are ancient and universal. They are periodically lost and re-discovered but always survive because truth cannot be hidden forever.

These ideas are known beyond this planet, throughout this universe and others.

These ideas are known by many races and beings, but are presented here in a framework more accessible for humans.

All of these ideas are approximations only and can present only a rough framework for understanding the true nature of reality. Names and precise distinctions are unimportant, but we humans need classifications in order to better understand.

It appears that true understanding recedes forever out of reach into infinity and even the most evolved being imaginable will always be faced mystery.

The coming transition for humanity will be very challenging. Many belief structures will erode as the nature of consciousness is revealed.

I present this in the hopes that it will help in understanding the true nature of reality as we navigate the coming decades.

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I. The One

The One is the mysterious source of all that is.

It is beyond time, space and duality. It is infinite fullness, beyond being, changeless and eternal. The One can have no attributes, its absoluteness naturally making limitation or conditioning impossible.

"Ascending yet higher, we maintain that it is neither soul nor intellect; nor has it imagination, opinion reason or understanding; nor can it be expressed or conceived, since it is neither number nor order; nor greatness nor smallness; nor equality nor inequality; nor similarity nor dissimilarity; neither is it standing, nor moving, nor at rest; neither has it power nor is power, nor is light; neither does it live nor is it life; neither is it essence, nor eternity nor time; nor is it subject to intelligible contact; nor is it science nor truth, nor kingship nor wisdom; neither one nor oneness, nor godhead nor goodness; nor is it spirit according to our understanding, nor filiation, nor paternity; nor anything else known to us or to any other beings of the things that are or the things that are

not; neither does anything that is know it as it is; nor does it know existing things according to existing knowledge; neither can the reason attain to it, nor name it, nor know it; neither is it darkness nor light, nor the false nor the true; nor can any affirmation or negation be applied to it, for although we may affirm or deny the things below it, we can neither affirm nor deny it, inasmuch as the all-perfect and unique Cause of all things transcends all affirmation, and the simple pre-eminence of Its absolute nature is outside of every negation- free from every limitation and beyond them all."

-The Mystical Theology of St Denis

The One is beyond consciousness, because even consciousness is a form of limitation, immediately implying a subject and an object of consciousness: that which is conscious, and that which the consciousness is conscious of.

The One radiates. Its emanations are the lower levels of reality. These lower levels are the One in different forms, they are illusory but they are not illusory. They are real, but their reality is dependent upon

another.

The One is fully perfect. It has no need of creation. Creation is the inevitable result of its divine super-abundance.

The One remains unmoved. Within the One itself there can be no changes. It is infinity that contains all.

Within this All lies concealed the Divine Mind which eventually manifests the visible Universe.

The One is the Absolute after which duality intervenes as spirit and matter, subject and object, good and evil.

We can only contemplate the Divine Mind, the first emanation of the One. The One itself is impossible to contemplate, we perceive only the veil of manifestation it has thrown over itself.

"The substance of the soul, and therein of all things, and the substance of Deity are one and the same, since there is but one Substance.

The Divine Substance is in its original condition homogenous. Every monad of it, therefore, possesses the potentialities of the whole.

Of such a monad every individual soul consists."

- The Perfect Way

"But what is the basis of matter but energy, and underneath energy but consciousness, and consciousness created matter to exist as the multi-faceted experience of soul."

-The Zeta

II. The Divine Mind

When the One stirs, it awakens in itself the Divine Mind. This is the first emanation of the One.

The One is the unmanifest, the Divine Mind is the manifest. The Divine Mind is not different from the One, it is different only in the sense of being individualized and awakened. It is the active aspect of the One, the first perspective that the One has given itself.

"Seeking nothing, possessing nothing, lacking nothing, the One is perfect and, in our metaphor, has overflowed, and its exuberance has produced the new..." - Plotinus

All of reality is a divine outflowing of the One.

Upon awakening, the Divine Mind finds itself full of wonder. It desires to experience itself. To gain that experience, the Divine Mind explores all of the possibilities of existence, in physical dimensions and beyond.

The Divine Mind is pure Creativity. It explores the infinite expanses of the One

and manifests the unmanifest.

"Out of the Ocean of infinite possibilities present in the ineffable, undifferenced intelligence of the One, there pours forth a radiant display of glorious revelations - the Divine Mind and its Ideas." -
Astronoesis

This infinite exploration is the eternally-becoming body of the Divine. It is the One becoming the Many.

"Thus the Divine Mind, in the act of knowing the Transcendent, is a manifold." -Plotinus

The Divine Mind becomes Living Substance as it twists and turns itself into the myriad forms of existence. Each fragment of itself however retains the image of the Whole. "As above, so below". Everything is contained within everything else. The Living Soul of the Divine Mind pervades all reality.

III. The All-Soul

Soul is the living aspect of the Divine Mind and the One. All three together present three different views on the same phenomenon. It is only because of the limitations of our own minds that we must conceive of the different aspects of the One as different entities.

Soul is everywhere, but this does not fragment its identity. Its fundamental nature is to be both divisible and indivisible at the same time. The All-Soul is that aspect of the One which enlivens numberless individuated forms and provides new perspectives for the One.

The All-Soul fragments itself into infinite pieces. Everything has mind and consciousness of some sort. The All-Soul enlivens everything that exists.

There are more varied forms of consciousness than there are species of plant and animals on our planet. The forms of consciousness are infinite. The All-Soul experiences the drama of being in countless forms in infinite dimensions of existence.

"Within frequency exists many versions

of matter, many versions of consciousness. But outside of the known universe is only pure consciousness."

"Without matter consciousness has no reflection and so all consciousness exists from one source entity, but exists in matter as multiple races"

"Consciousness will maintain all forms of all races, for all entities until consciousness no longer requires experience" -The Zeta

Since Soul is an emanation of the One, when the All-Soul extends pieces of itself, the fragments always remain attached to their Creator. The individualized Soul always lives within the All-Soul.

These newly individualized fragments of Soul are the true Soul of any individual. Each is a magnificent entity known as the Oversoul or Higher Self.

The Higher Self takes on many personalities. It is the being that incarnates repeatedly in our physical dimension and in other dimensions. The Higher Self seeks self-understanding and wisdom, and in its journey it gathers experience.

The Higher Self goes out from the All-Soul, living through many lives, many dimensions, many realities. It goes out and through comparison of its vast and varied array of hard-won experience, it achieves new perspectives with which to view the infinite possibilities of existence.

All of this experience is eventually absorbed back into the All-Soul and from there to the One itself. In this way the One experiences itself.

"The higher self incarnates for experience, and to use the local consciousness as the filtering process. It removes itself from the process, so it can fully experience the capacity of being in a human container." -The Zeta

Since the Soul is One, it is homogenous and every fragment of it therefore has the same nature and potential as the whole. Every individual is thus a fragment of the All-Soul and every fragment of the All-Soul contains the entire All-Soul.

Every unit of the cosmos thus contains the entire cosmos.

Each of us experiences a form of individuality during our physical lives, but

our Higher Self is made up of many individuals such as ourselves. The Higher Self absorbs the experience it desires from each of its many incarnations as it forms its unique individuated consciousness.

Incredible as the individuality of the Higher Self is, the All-Soul has an individuality even higher still. The All-Soul receives from each smaller Soul the total intensity of that Soul's countless experiences. The All-Soul absorbs those experiences forming the even larger Divine Mind.

The All-Soul is radiating like a brilliant sun, casting out rays of Divine Light that vibrate along a series of incarnations and gather experience for the All-Soul itself.

"The source mind has infinite facets of existence for experiential purposes, not just this planet. Infinite shards of consciousness experiencing their own reality. " -The Zeta

"Understanding that all things come from all, that consciousness, only for the benefit of experience, externalizes itself into separation. You are well down the hierarchical tree or structure of experience. The further you are away from the original point, the more experience can be gained, because the perception is that you are not who you think you are."

"Now remember that without matter, consciousness has no reflection, and so all consciousness exists from one source entity, but exists in matter as multiple races."

"Matter is an intermediary process. It is a development of consciousness."

"We have seen from a distance, this mind, this mind of consciousness. None are able to enter, none are able to understand, because to exist is to be in matter. If you were no longer to exist as an individual, you would become one, and in doing so, you would no longer exist."

"Matter determines capacity of consciousness to produce intelligence. A

construct, a physical construct determines what consciousness will manifest within matter".

- The Zeta

"You are learning responsibility, the responsibility of any individualized consciousness.

You are learning to handle the energy that is yourself, for creative purposes.

You will be bound to those you love and those you hate, though you will learn to release and lose and dissipate the hatred. You will learn to use even hatred creatively and to turn it to higher ends, to transform it finally into love."

"You are not fated to dissolve into All That Is. The aspects of your personality as you presently understand them will be retained. All That Is is the creator of individuality, not the means of its destruction."

- Seth

IV. Matter and the Nature of the Divine

Matter is the shadow of Spirit and the limitation of Spirit. Matter is an emanation of Soul and forms one of the means through which Soul can understand itself.

"Matter is the vehicle for the manifestation of soul on this plane of existence and soul is the vehicle on a higher plane for spirit" -The Secret Doctrine

This is the cause of the evil we see in our physical world. Evil is the result of the limitation of Matter, which is precisely why Matter is useful to Soul. Matter provides the necessary learning environment which Soul needs in order to grow in understanding and experience.

Such limitation is essential to creation. Limitation is the essence of creativity. Creativity itself is inherently limitation, the Infinite One being already perfect and complete and having no need of creativity.

Limitation then is a natural aspect of manifestation and a critical tool for the Soul to ascend back to the Divine Mind.

"Understanding that all matter is

space, and between space is consciousness, that without the consciousness, matter holds no form."

-The Zeta

Consciousness and free will are the two most important facts about reality. Consciousness is the primary element and basis of existence. Everything is made of consciousness.

Consciousness is the original, mysterious source of all that is manifest. Consciousness is free, it inherently has free will, although it chooses to limit its free will in order to make experience possible. The limitations of Matter make possible infinite experience by providing the illusion of separation and therefore comparison.

The relationship between the One, the Divine Mind and Soul is made clear when one considers a geometric circle. The One is a point out which emanate the infinite radii of the Divine Mind, all connecting to the outer diameter of Soul.

This originating point of the One is, however, in all places, dimensions and realities simultaneously. This is the origin of the One's Unity. This Unity is the All-

Soul and is the source of Love. It is the Soul's desire to understand and reunite with the larger All-Soul that is the very act of Love itself.

But Love also explores the infinite. Love is also desire. Desire is the source of the Divine Mind's creativity. The Divine Mind is consumed with an overwhelming desire to understand all facets of existence and thereby understand itself.

Thus Love is the source of creativity and experience. Love is the manifestation of the primordial Unity of the Unmanifest.

Creativity and Love form the fundamental polarity of separation and unification. This is the essential polarity which consciousness has chosen in order to observe itself from different perspectives.

Separation is what allows for individuation and the creation of new perspectives.

Unification is what allows for all experience to return to Source Consciousness.

We experience this binary in all things: light / dark, matter / non-matter, service to self / service to others, evil / good.

Creation is the separative force. To create is inherently to separate and establish new forms and hence to create new perspectives and possibilities for experience.

Love is the unifying force and since the initial act of creation is separation, reunification through Love is the ultimate goal of all beings.

Love is the movement back up the hierarchy of consciousness, to higher and higher states of being and ultimately reunification with the Source.

Creativity is the formation of infinite perspectives and infinite experience, it is what makes the journey of reunification through Love worthwhile.

*"Such limitation is essential to creation.
For without a projection of Divine
Substance into conditions and
limitations - of Being, which is absolute,
into Existence, which is relative - God
would remain inoperative, solitary,
unmanifest and consequently unknown,
unhonored and unloved, with all God's
power and goodness merely potential
and unexercised."*

*"For aught else to exist than God, there
must be that which is, by limitation,
inferior to God."*

- The Perfect Way

*"Consciousness seeks oneness.
Consciousness seeks itself.
Consciousness seeks to understand
itself."*

*"You cannot see consciousness.
Consciousness can only understand
itself in separation."*

- The Zeta

V. Free Will and Consciousness

Free will and consciousness are the two most precious gifts we share with the Divine.

It is because of the freedom we have been given that we must undergo this course of learning, the myriad incarnations in numberless dimensions, so that we can learn how to hold our own stability and individuality in the face of the awesome power and freedom we possess.

The ability to explore the infinite carries with it the risk of forgetting oneself.

"Your consciousness could be consumed by the vastness of the source mind." -The Zeta

A consciousness must mature in order to not be overwhelmed. This is why the Oversoul takes on simple, limited and conditioned existences. These lives are crucial in gathering the critical experience necessary to understand the true nature of the One.

Progress is about spiritual and emotional purification, it has nothing to do with time. We appear to reincarnate into various lives

sequentially, but this perspective of linear time is only valid from within our physical universe. In the larger reality, everything happens simultaneously. The Divine Mind is in an eternal state of becoming. Linear time is true only in our dimension.

"There are no limitations to your own entity: therefore, how can your entity or soul have boundaries, for boundaries would enclose it and deny it freedom. " - Seth

Our freedom has meaning only because of our awareness of our own existence. Soul is able to gaze upon itself. Our entire universe is a reflection of the Absolute in the eternal waters of Divine Substance.

The danger is for Soul, like Narcissus, to stay trapped gazing at its own reflection. We are free to do this for as long as we please, until eventually we finally awaken from our long and forgetful slumber and move beyond our incarnations to new states of being.

"But since you have capacity, since you have knowledge, since you have developed the ability to move from consciousness without your personality back to your physical form where you are

once again integrated into your cellular structure of matter, then of course you have gained one of the most important abilities, one where you can exist and not be defined by whether your body exists in matter or not." -The Zeta

"The incarnation... as an organized psychosomatic entity is the vehicle through which the soul lives and learns, or when its learning is completed, from which it liberates itself by transcending it."

-Astronoesis

"If you were to incarnate with full understanding of higher self, it would be pointless to incarnate"

-The Zeta

VI. The One Becomes the Many

The emanations of the One create manifestation, manifestation being inherently limited it is many. Unity is reserved for the One; only the infinite is One. All else must be many.

Thus, by being less than the One, the individual always retains his individuality. Instead of all being finally merged in the One, the One becomes the Many.

As long as we are individuals, the true nature of the One must be a mystery.

The All-Soul shatters itself into countless pieces and sets off to explore the infinite. We are these individualized Souls. A soul is not something that you have, it is what you are.

The Soul is never a finished, static 'thing'. It is always in a state of becoming. The Soul is always changing. Consciousness cannot stand still, it cannot be stationary. Experience requires comparison, comparison demands change. To experience *is* to change.

"Those consciousness, now think of this, all energy transmutes. All consciousness

continually moves through states of change. The source mind has infinite facets of existence for experiential purposes, not just this planet. Infinite shards of consciousness experiencing their own reality." -The Zeta

"The inability to grasp the Infinite One in its totality even by the Divine Mind and its repeated attempts to do so, accounts for the innumerable successive impressions of that One as universe after universe is unfolded and the planned evolution or Idea of manifestation progresses." -Astronoesis

The Soul is the living aspect of the One, it is the emanation of the One that is filled with energy and curiosity.

"In many ways the soul is an incipient god." -Seth

The cycle of creation, birth and rebirth is the process whereby the All-Soul creates companions for itself. The original Individual creates other individuals through which it understands itself and experiences the meaning of existence. And it is with these other individuals that it can eventually converse.

"How many of you would want to limit your reality, your entire reality, to the experience you now know?"

- Seth

"Your higher self has always existed. Why do you make an assumption that this one lifespan dictates who you are, when it is not who you are. It is but a reflection of a desire to understand one aspect of yourself."

-The Zeta

"The illusion of consciousness is that there is separation. You provide individuality via the process of believing that all is individual. That is the game of consciousness."

"When you believe you are in separation as consciousness, then that is the educational process you provide yourself. When you understand that you are consciousness seeking to redefine yourself in a different way, and then of course you have access back to who you were previously."

"We are one, we are all. You are consciousness in separation, believing the self to be of a different nature. The way that you have taught yourselves to understand the technology, that is, the recycled process for your incarnation, is to believe that you are of a separation nature. But there is no separation of consciousness."

- The Zeta

The Three Truths of the Idyll of the White Lotus

1. The soul of man is immortal and its future is the future of a thing whose growth and splendor has no limit
2. The principle which gives life dwells in us, and without us, is undying and eternally beneficent, is not heard or seen or smelt, but is perceived by the man who desires perception
3. Each man is his own absolute lawgiver, the dispenser of glory or gloom to himself, the decreer of his life, his reward, his punishment

VII. Hierarchies

Soul takes on many varied forms. The possible forms of consciousness and existence are infinite. The emanation of the One naturally creates a hierarchy of Being, and therefore hierarchies of beings across infinite universes and planes of existence.

As Soul perceives the Ideas that abide in the Divine Mind, it slowly begins to grasp the full magnitude of the inexhaustible expanses of the Divine Mind. It begins to pursue all paths all at once.

Soul is the explorer traversing the infinite landscapes of the Divine Mind.

And so Soul fractures itself and each of its fragment fractures itself even more, creating a cascade of individuality and an endless spawning of monads.

We are the threads issuing forth from the All-Soul into the Infinite.

From our perspective as an incarnated being in a physical universe, we must remember that our Higher Self has such a vast field of exploration that it could never fully express itself through one incarnation

only.

We form a link in the chain. Like pearls on a necklace, many individuals are strung along the twisted threads of the Higher Self.

The hierarchy reaches all the way to the All-Soul itself. Nothing is lost. All experience has value.

"Understand that when we say that an entity comes from the spirit realm process, that of course no entity exists in isolation. Of course the higher self are linked back to the oversoul process. Those oversouls compared to the higher self are the formal threads... the higher self being the informal thread to the formal thread, understanding that all threads lead back to source consciousness. That is where no race exists. That is where there is no delineating factor that would define an entity."

- The Zeta

"The soul is a traveler...but it is also the creator of all experience, and of all destinations...It creates worlds as it goes."

"No objective reality exists but that which is created by consciousness."

"The ability to change form is an inherent characteristic of any consciousness."

- Seth

VIII. Multidimensionality

The distinction between physical and non-physical is not real, it depends on the frequency or state of consciousness you observe from.

Reality is made of many dimensions. When incarnated on our planet we observe reality from one specific perspective, and so we perceive matter to be quite solid.

But matter does not have an absolute existence, it has a relative existence that depends on your point of observation.

What seems solid to us will not seem solid at all to a being in a different frequency.

"Nothing exists, matter is an illusion, held together by consciousness vibrating at a specific frequency." -The Zeta

"There are realms within realms, dimensions within dimension, and inter-dimensions within dimensions, all is inside everything else."

"If you were to leave your body and come on a journey with me, I could take you to many dimensions, many races, many realities, many places, because there are no boundaries, and consciousness is playing a game of illusion with itself."

- The Zeta

"By the very nature of consciousness, it seeks to materialize itself in as many dimensions as possible - to create from itself new levels of awareness, new offshoots. In doing so it creates reality. Reality, therefore, is always in a state of becoming.

Your consciousness then takes many forms... the soul or entity has complete freedom of expression."

- Seth

"There is consciousness outside that is interwoven into all things; that is, source

consciousness has within it definitive barriers and boundaries for what may exist. There is nothing that can be created that is outside of it, all forms, all shapes, all existence is determined by this process. All matter would disintegrate without this. There would be no planets, there would be no universe, it is held together by consciousness. The very existence of your consciousness is determined by another."

- The Zeta

"Your real environment is innocent of space and time as you know them. In your real environment you have no need for words, for communication is instantaneous. In your real environment you form the physical world that you know."

- Seth

"Other beings live outside of this universe. They observe the universe, they experience via this universe, as the universe for them is a universe of matter, one of comparison and experience."

"When you view a grain of sand on one

of your beaches, the grain of sand may view the observation as a multidimensional aspect of consciousness, seeking to guide it. Consider yourself as the grain of sand, as the light from your star shines upon the beach as it warms the sand, that is also considered to be guidance from a multidimensional entity."

- The Zeta

IX. Reincarnation

"The higher self is the thread, the oversoul is the collective consciousness of the multiple lives of entities. They are also singular in nature and existing infinitely as oversouls...When you transition...what you have learned in matter may fade away.

You will be overtaken by the oversoul consciousness process, by the formal field. But your individuality as a thread will always exist as long as you choose it to, and when it no longer serves your purpose then you will transition."

"Remembering that anything of matter is temporary, consciousness manipulating matter in forms of hominoid species to present experience to itself so that it may understand itself better. The races, the physical races, are but an endpoint for that experience, an incubation of mind and thought to be reproduced into consciousness when the physical body ceases to

exist. And so, when the race terminates, another race takes its place, so the consciousness process continues." -The Zeta

Reincarnation is the mechanism through which we learn. When we are out of our bodies, we can observe our true state of consciousness and compare it to the state of consciousness we wish to attain.

Incarnating back into matter provides the learning environment through which we can learn most quickly and increase our state of consciousness.

"A consciousness exists in a different state than what the perception of a cellular existence is. Matter continually transmutes, changes form and recreates itself within this illusory process.

Consciousness abides by the rules of that process, enabling itself to perceive itself to be incarnated into a form where it may experience a different aspect of itself." -The Zeta

"A function of the spirit realm entity is to exist in many facets. This is only required until you realize it's no longer required. It is a function of consciousness of the spirit, and so all frequencies exist within the same state of existence of the universe, and so once you choose, you can choose what frequency you exist in and what form that will take."

"For spirit realm consciousness, it is a rudimentary form. It is a basic level of consciousness that places itself across the spectrum of the frequency. It is the fastest way to bring oneself to experience."

- The Zeta

"Each Idea will reflect and duplicate the structure of the Divine Mind."

- Astronoesis

"Source understands infinite capacity, but seeks to experience as if it does

not understand. It seeks out infinitesimal information, it seeks out infinite experience of all levels of existence. It seeks to understand itself in ways that are via other perspectives as you would ask someone what they thought about you, although you know about yourself. Of the perspective of the observer requires that you listen to their opinion about you."

- The Zeta

"Whole consciousness adopts various forms. It need not always be within a form. All forms are not physical ones. Some personalities, therefore, have never been physical. They have evolved along different lines and their psychological structure would be alien to your own."

- Seth

X. Properties of Consciousness

Individuation

Consciousness inherently possesses the ability to fragment itself, split itself into facets and extend and separate itself into threads that remain connected to the originating consciousness form.

Consciousness can be encapsulated into forms, with boundaries, that define an individual and create a unique perspective on reality, a unique sensation of existing.

Frequency

Frequency is an analogy for different states of consciousness.

Consciousness can be ranked on a relative ordinal scale. One individuated form of consciousness can be 'higher' or 'lower' than another. This does not imply 'better than' or 'less than', but rather indicates the 'frequency' or 'state of consciousness' of the different individuated forms.

These differences allow for gathering infinitely varied types of experience for

Source Consciousness, from the highest being to the simplest particle of matter. This creates different perspectives for consciousness to view itself.

Hierarchies

Consciousness creates a cascading hierarchy of different beings, different races and different individuated forms which create their own sub-hierarchies which in turn create their own sub-hierarchies and so on, forever and ever.

Threads of consciousness branch out into smaller threads which then branch out into smaller threads, creating a vast web of interconnected forms.

Information flows up and down the hierarchy, enabling complex experiences as beings higher up the hierarchy learn from beings lower down. The further down the hierarchy a being is, the greater the separation it experiences and the greater the possibility for comparison and experience.

Blending

Nothing is truly separate.

Individuated forms of consciousness can blend with each other to form a new consciousness.

Blending is the other side of hierarchy. Blending creates multi-faceted experience as 'higher' consciousness is able to join with 'lower' consciousness and thereby gain a new and varied perspective.

Blending of consciousness allows direct communication, shared experience, observation, comparison and more depending on the ordinal distance between the conscious beings.

When the ordinal distance between two beings is great, a consciousness that is 'higher' in the hierarchy can observe and interact with a consciousness that is 'lower' in the hierarchy at its discretion; for example the Higher Self observes the local construct and decides how much of itself to reveal to the local consciousness, if anything at all.

"There is also the capacity to blend with other minds. You may learn much from each of your individual forms, you may experience much." -The Zeta

Free Will

Consciousness is inherently free within certain parameters, defined by it's ordinal ranking.

Lower consciousness has less freedom than higher consciousness. Free will is not absolute but rather a function of the ordinal rank of a particular consciousness and the environment it has embedded itself in.

Sub-atomic particles can choose paths of motion within certain possibilities for example, which is interpreted as randomness by human scientists (wave function) but in actuality is the action of choice within the natural boundaries of a lower consciousness.

*"Only he is a prophet who has
acquired the knowledge of his own
Soul*

*And that which above all else the
Soul tells him, is that God is, first and
foremost, Love."*

- Seth

*"Do not be mistaken, your own
journey will be filled with darkness.*

*When you are in darkness as
humans say, you must reach out.*

There is no reaching out in light.

There is no comfort in darkness.

*There is no searching for self-
perception in the light. There is no
capacity to reflect in the light. You
wish to find yourself to understand
the dimension of your existence. You
will not find them in the light."*

- The Zeta

*"The vitality, force, life and creativity
behind your physical existence is
generated in this other dimension. In*

other words, you are in many ways a fleshy projection of your dreaming self."

- Seth

"The higher self incarnates for experience and to use the local consciousness as the filtering process. It removes itself from the process so it can fully experience the capacity of being in a human container."

-The Zeta

Clothed with the Sun

What then is the purpose of evolution and separation into many forms?

Life is the elaboration of soul through the varied transformations of matter.

*Spirit is essential and perfect in itself, having neither end nor beginning.
Spirit is abstract.*

Soul is secondary and perfected, being begotten of spirit. Soul is concrete.

And the whole object of creation or manifestation is the evolution of souls.

The essential principle of personality or consciousness - the higher personality - is spirit. And this personality is God. Wherefore the higher and interior personality of every monad is God.

But this primary principle, being naked essence, could not be

separated off into individuals unless contained and limited by a secondary principle. This principle, being derived and not essential, must be evolved.

Spirit therefore is projected into matter in order that soul may be begotten.

Soul is the medium by which spirit is individuated and in which it becomes concrete. So that by means of creation, God the One becomes God the Many.

But for creation, there would be one vast diffused and unindividuated consciousness, contained in one vast diffused substance.

And thus the soul is born in the womb of matter, and within her is conceived the personal element which, divided from God, is yet God and man. For God is not multiplied neither diminished; but God is separated into many.

If they ask thee the reason of

*creation, thou shalt answer - The
evolution and elaboration of the soul.*

The Perfect Way

For as the Mystic knows, there is but one substance alike of man and God... This substance is not Matter.

...by reason of its limitations [Matter] is the cause of evil, but is not in itself evil. On the contrary it comes forth from God and consists of that whereof God's Self consists, namely Spirit.

Matter is Spirit, by the force of Divine Will subjected to conditions and limitations and made exteriorly cognizable.

Matter is thus a manifestation of that which in its original condition is unmanifest, namely, Spirit.

And Spirit does not become evil by becoming manifest. Evil is the result of the limitation of Spirit by Matter. For Spirit is God, and God is good. Wherefore, in being the limitation of God, Matter is the limitation of good.

Such limitation is essential to creation. For without a projection of Divine Substance, that is, of God's Self, into conditions and limitations - of Being,

which is absolute, into Existence, which is relative - God would remain inoperative, solitary, unmanifest and consequently unknown, unhonored and unloved, with all God's power and goodness merely potential and unexercised.

For aught else to exist than God, there must be that which is, by limitation, inferior to God.

Creation, to be worthy of God, must involve the idea of a No-God...Between no lesser extremes can a Divine creation be contained. By no lesser contrast can God be fully manifest. The darkness of God's shadow must correspond in intensity with the brightness of God's light. He only can thoroughly appreciate good who has ample knowledge of evil.

Only they who have gone out from God, returning, know God.

At once consequence and cause of the going out from God, Matter is an indispensable minister to Creation, without which and its limitations Creation were not...

For Redemption is the full compensation of all that is undergone and suffered by

and through Creation. And it is brought about by the return from Matter of Spirit, to its original condition of purity, but individuated and enriched by the results of all that has been gained...

Matter is thus indispensable to the processes both of creation and perfection. For that through which we are made perfect is experience, or suffering; and we are only really alive and exist in so far as we have felt. Now, of this divine and indispensable ministry of experience, Matter is the agent.

"Behind all faces there is one face, yet this does not mean that each man's face is not his own."

- Seth

"Looking at the consciousness of a human is like looking at a faceted process, many faces, yes."

- The Zeta

"But though becoming pure Spirit, or God, the individual retains his individuality. So that, instead of all being finally merged in the One, the One becomes the Many. Thus does God become millions."

- The Perfect Way

