

which I could have more of what I have. I have met quite a number of "truly awakened" ones, but never so advanced as my own teacher who lives near me & is as unknown as any of us here. The Buddha, Santama missed much of the physical side for example & even Zen does not stress it (although the Zen Masters I have met had splendidly flexible bodies & quick reflexes). Any evidence of "pride" or "superiority" of course damns the person at once - the Master's "authority" is lent to him by the student FOR A PURPOSE, it is delegated, it is not welcome to the Master who earnestly hopes for the day the monk will dig him in the ribs & they will converse arm in arm about other things. It is a surgeon's job, but more thankless.

Now as to this case. Mention of particularly "occult" societies is a warning signal. I have not met a person "awakened" by some of these, although numbers of people DO get a sort of mental awakening wherein they see the "oneness" of things. It is good - but it is the cake without the icing, they do not know the One as you & I could know one another.

Nothing less will do!! Note my exact words. There are those of De Genna in 1540 & of Jesus in AD 30+ or indeed of any "truly awakened" person. Some correspondents say they are spending their lives in a search for "St. Germain"!!!!

OK. They will sooner find ... (but invent your own simile.)  
Others say they are ~~are~~ Adepts of the Fifth Ray & Masters of the Spheres. (And so compensate for a depressing life!)

So I ask him who his teacher was, but have little hope here.

(2) A maiden lady believing everything can be done through deliberate ESP. Says she knows cases where people do it ~~for~~ in business for a good living. Says mystical glimpses give people no right to be authorities. Etc.-etc.

The word "authority" is based on the idea of learning things as in astronomy, engineering, etc. etc. -- & the "mystical glimpse" is a tricky way of referring to satori which is SOMETHING QUITE OTHERWISE. The "glimpse" is feeling, satori is knowledge & more ... ESP is a "do-it-yourself" technique & in any case is ego's way of bloating himself as big as an ox to try & be something. No hope of "getting there" by heightened perceptions or ESP - it must be by awareness OF awareness, not awareness of thoughts & things. It is characteristic evasion & under pressure she will try every trick in the book & a flood of dialectics. She wants a boy friend!