

that our evasion is a faked voice. I'm not - he says - I - I
forget himself (which means - become spontaneous) & the
experience is delightful, unaccustomed & turns out often to be
most unwise. It occurs often when young & when judgment
would be desirable (for a change!), especially if the girl is
not so spontaneous! If they both are it is wonderful, but again
the claims of the everyday come in, & the magic fades away.

Everything in Japan used to be a "way". There was a "way" of
sword-play, of wrestling, of flower arrangement, of drinking tea,
of commerce even, of drawing & painting - and the characteristic
of each was spontaneity. Even archery (incredible results
even in semi-darkness, splitting one arrow with another) - &
such spontaneity daunts us. We are system-minded. Zen may
seem to be a "system" of mass-production, but the essence of the
work is individual. I have no "system" whatever for the same
reason - no two people are alike. Certainly egocentricity is always
the devil to be conquered, but from that central point he (ego or self)
diverges in innumerable ways & uses every imaginable device,
some very snide, others really subtle. He may know it too - and
still throw up a smoke-screen! He resists the means to release -
to the point of murder even (fortunately, since he is free to withdraw
at any time, he usually withdraws under a confusion of self-
justification. But if he were trapped - as I was - oh boy!!!

In the Reichian technique for example the room is often a shambles)
So we DO "protect" something. And how! What? Ego? Oh no -
while we live we are of course "we" & always that remains - but
the "boss conception", the "ultimate decider", the "second line of defense",
there he INSISTS on at all costs. So Jung & others know the truth
but sit in the audience (behind their desk for example) and
are never part of the play. It is ludicrous to think I could
help Jung - he is heavily armed. I could get ONE letter from
almost everybody by promising "a new technique" but to get involved
in it. Oh dear no! Most certainly not! Utterly fantastic! - who
knows what -- - Thus Jesus was correct. It is the treasure of the
humble & for this goodly pearl a merchant sold all he had -
and bought it. I can persuade almost anybody to say "O.K.
So ahead! What have I to lose?" It is a Pyrrhic victory, it
is unreal. In that way one sells toothpaste. They must come to me
and really want it. Since they can easily push God away
how can I succeed where God does not? This is not a mystery I
can solve. But the truly accessible, as Jesus said, are FEW.
Up to you - - And so many words!

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