

"THERE IS A LIGHT IN MY EYE YOU MIGHT NOT LIKE"

I didn't notice it. But you can always retire in a cloud of recriminations & say "these ~~few~~ fakes don't get very far with me". I have known this done before & it gives satisfaction no doubt to the person who does it (at least for a time).

As for me: "the hood gives & the hood takes away", one comes, one goes.

Or else you could "search" for ever, for searching's sake with (paradoxically!) no thought of "finding". Some fear to find.

I shall give you no testimonials however (those are confidential); nor paint glowing pictures of attainment or threats if you don't, nor promise marvels & magic (the beautiful thing in the world is the "order", not the "leeway" - which does however exist.)

Nor can I "beg" too much as this thing may not be debauched or debased and it would be undignified & twist our relations round. Usually the student seeks the guru & then does as he is told. How else can we tame ego?

SUMMARY

There is a remarkable disproportion between the low tone of our correspondence (bathrooms & plumbing are our top levels) and the drastic & final change in a person which should be our real theme.

This "awakening" is for the childlike, the simple at heart, but not necessarily for those either lacking in keen discrimination or in natural culture. "Wise as serpents, innocent as doves."

Nor is this work usually undertaken in a trivial, calculating way. It is the most important thing that can happen to any human being and appears to be the specific reason for existence of the universe. Lincoln discovered this on April 13, 1865.

Friend,

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