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One cannot begin to alter the condition of the world without understanding oneself

A total, and enriching revolution cannot take place unless you and I understand ourselves as a total process. You and I are not isolated individuals but are the result of the whole human struggle with its illusions, fancies, pursuits, ignorance, strife, conflict, and misery. One cannot begin to alter the condition of the world without understanding oneself. If you see that, there is immediately within you a complete revolution, is there not? Because you are discovering yourself in relationship with another from moment to moment, relationship has a completely different meaning. Relationship then is revelation, a constant process of the discovery of oneself, and from this selfdiscovery, action takes place. So, self-knowledge can come only

through relationship, not through isolation. Relationship is action, and self-knowledge is the result of awareness in action.

(Source: What are you doing with your life?)

Do we know what we mean by the self? By that, I mean ideas, the memories, the conclusions, the experiences, the various forms of intentions, the conscious endeavour to be or not to be, the accumulated memories of the racial, the group, the individual, the clan, and the whole of it all; the striving after all this is the self. In it is included the competition, the desire to be. The whole process of that is the self; and we know actually when we are faced with it that is an evil thing. I am using the word "evil" intentionally, because the self is dividing; the self is self-enclosing; its activities, however noble, are separative and isolating. We know all this. We also know those extraordinary moments when the self is not there, in which there is no sense of endeavour, of effort.

(Source: What are you doing with your life?)

The image and quotes above are taken from a series of exhibition panels created by Vikram Parchure. The title of the exhibition is "To the Young".

Vikram is a designer exploring design as an instrument of social change and value education.

Krishnamurti's deep concern for the young led him to exhort youth to insightfully understand that the old ways of problem-solving will prove too inadequate to deal with the complexity of present-day world dilemmas. He said that only a mind that is fresh, youthful, perceptive and ever-willing to face the challenges of uncertainty can deal with this challenge successfully. What makes for such a youthful quality of mind, regardless of the body's physical age? This is the vitally important question that is explored in these panels.

Each KANZ newsletter is presenting one of the panels developed by Vikram for the reader's interest and reflection on the key themes of this exhibition.

Does God Exist?



Krishnamurti Video: Q&A Does God Exist?

"This is a lovely question, isn't it? Man throughout history from the ancient Greeks, from the ancient Sumerians, has had this idea of God. I am not at all sure whether in the Upanishads they mention God at all. Or is it a later invention? What is God? We are investigating, I am not attacking god. I am not denying God, but we are investigating whether there is such a thing as God. Who invented God? Did God invent us, did God create us?"

View video here.

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"Beauty can exist only when the self is not. When the mind, the brain is not chattering, caught in a net of words, when it is utterly quiet, when there is total absence of the 'me', the self, the ego, the persona, then you really see the extraordinary sense of beauty of the world."

– J. Krishnamurti in Ojai, California. 1984.

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Think On These Things - Asking Questions About Oneself

"Think On These Things" is a study programme developed by the Krishnamurti Foundation of America and covers thirteen topics.

- 1. Authority
- 2. Education
- 3. Listening
- 4. Meaning
- 5. **Identity**
- 6. Violence
- 7. Comparison
- 8. Success
- 9. **Fear**
- 10. Truth
- 11. Loneliness
- 12. Happiness
- 13. Freedom

The aim of the programme is to engage people in asking fundamental questions of themselves and to bring about the space necessary for a deeper self-inquiry and self-understanding.

The questions asked are meant to challenge the deeply held assumptions we have about ourselves and about our life.

The issues explored within the programme are widely relevant, regardless of age, background or education. They can be focused on by someone on their own, or discussed within a group.

The Krishnamurti Foundation of America has developed and published a syllabus for this programme for high school and college students which can be obtained from the KFA Bookstore here.

Over the past few months KANZ has presented each of these topics

monthly in this newsletter. Now that the full programme has been covered KANZ has collected all the topics and associated video and text links into one document which can be downloaded here.

Christchurch Dialogue Meeting

Theme: Why do we seek?

As I said, seeking and finding is a waste of energy. When the mind itself is unclear, confused, frightened, miserable, anxious, what is the good of its seeking.

Out of this chaos what can you find except more chaos?

Iiddu Krishnamurti

Sunday, 29 January, 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Christchurch City South Library Learning Centre

66 Colombo Street, Sydenham Room

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