

## KANZ NEWS – December 2020

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### On Love-And What You Call Love

Love is enjoyment, love is joy, not the puny thing that man has made of it.

San Diego 1970, Talk 3

I wonder if you have ever known what love is? We have divided life, as we have divided the earth. We talk of love as being either carnal, or spiritual, and have set a battle going between the sacred and the profane. We have divided what love is from what love should be, so we never know what love is.

On Living and Dying, Madras 1959

We talk a great deal about it – love of God, love of humanity, love of country, love of the family – yet, strangely, with that ‘love’ goes hatred. You love your God and hate another’s God; you love your nation, your family, but you are against another family, against another nation. And more and more, throughout the world, love is associated with sex. We are not condemning, we are not judging, we are not evaluating; we are merely observing what is actually taking place.

Beyond Violence, Ch. 3

In that love there is so much anger, jealousy, envy, possessiveness, domination, the conflict between you and me; in that there is so much pleasure, desire, sexual pleasure – is all that love?

Talk in Rome, 11 April 1969

So is love pleasure? Pleasure is the product of thought; having had pleasure of different kinds yesterday, you think about it, you have image upon image built, and that stimulates you, and that gives you pleasure, sexual or otherwise, and that you call love. And is it love? Because in pleasure there is frustration, there is pain, there is agony, there is dependency. Don’t you depend psychologically on another? And when you do, when you depend on your wife or your husband, and you say, ‘I love you’, is that love? And in that dependence, is there not fear?

San Diego 1970, Talk 3

Obviously love is not sentiment. Sentimentality, emotionalism, is merely a form of self-expansion. To be full of emotion is obviously not love, because a sentimental person can be cruel when his sentiments are not responded to, when his feelings have no outlet. An emotional person can be stirred to hatred, to war, to butchery. A man who is sentimental, full of tears for his religion, surely has no love.

The First and Last Freedom, Q.22

You may see a beggar in the street, you give him a coin and express a word of sympathy. Is that love? Is sympathy love?

The Collected Works, Vol. 5

So one has to find out what love is. If it has a cause – ‘I love you because...’ Good God – then it is a trade!

Talk in Brockwood, 28 August 1982

It is so obvious. If you have love, you don't ask anybody that you be loved. You see, we are making ourselves into beggars. That is what is happening. When we go to church, pray we are beggars. When we want someone to help us, we are beggars. Or when we depend on books we are beggars. It may be all right to be a beggar, but see the consequences of it: you are always depending on somebody else. And there are all those people who will help you fill your bowl with all their rubbish.

Saanen Q&A Meeting, 24 July 1983

Life is so rich, has so many treasures, but we go to it with empty hearts; we do not know how to fill our hearts with the abundance of life. We are poor inwardly, and when the riches are offered to us, we refuse. Love is a dangerous thing; it brings the only revolution that gives complete happiness. So few of us are capable of love, so few want love. We love on our own terms, making of love a marketable thing. We have the market mentality; and love is not marketable, a give and take affair. It is a state of being in which all man's problems are resolved. We go to the well with a thimble, and so life becomes a tawdry affair, puny and small.

Krishnamurti: A Biography by Pupul Jayakar

Love is not the opposite of anything. It is not the opposite of hate or of violence. Even if you do not depend on anybody and live a most virtuous life – do social work, demonstrate up and down the street – if you have no love, it has no value at all. If you love, then you can do what you will. For the man who loves there is no error – or if there is an error, he corrects it immediately. A man who loves has no jealousy, no remorse; for him there is no forgiveness because there is not a moment in which a thing that has to be forgiven arises. All this demands deep investigation, great care and attention.

Beyond Violence, Ch. 3

Love is not conflict; love does not know jealousy, hatred, anger, ambition, the desire for power and position, the demand for self-expression. And to come upon love there must be the freedom to look at that which is not love – to look at it, to observe it, to know the whole

psychological structure of it, to observe it actually.

The Collected Works, Vol. 17

Love, surely, is a total feeling that is not sentimental and in which there is no sense of separation. It is a complete purity of feeling without the separative, fragmenting quality of intellect. To love, 'one' must die.

On Living and Dying, Madras 1959

The abandonment of the self is love, compassion: passion for all things – for the starving, the suffering, the homeless, and for the materialist, and the believer.

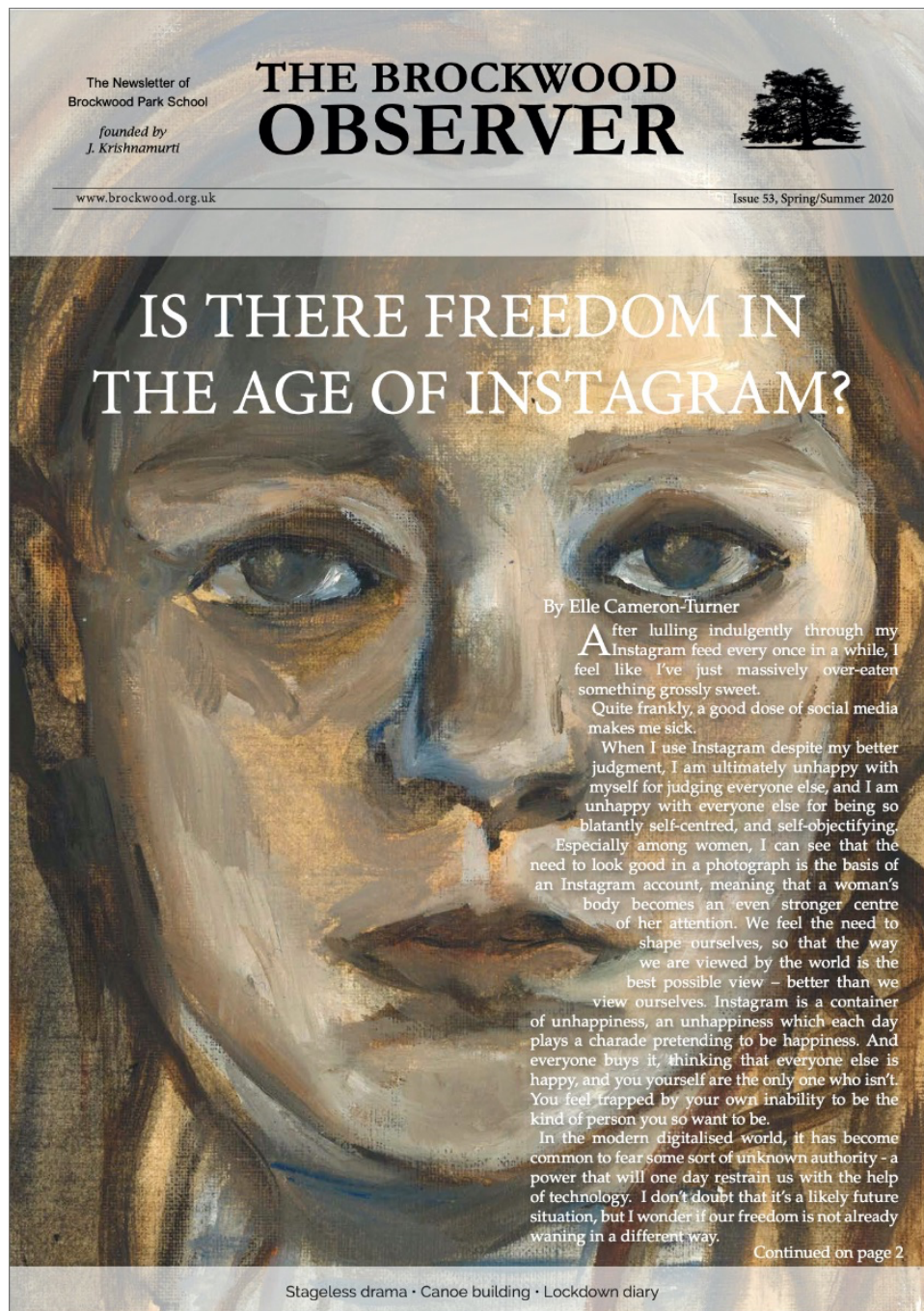
Krishnamurti's Journal, 29 October 1973

That reality is not to be bought, to be sold, to be repeated; it cannot be caught in books. It has to be found from moment to moment, in the smile, in the tear, under the dead leaf, in the vagrant thoughts, in the fullness of life. For love is not different from truth. And where love is, there is transformation. Where there is love, there is revolution.

On Self-Knowledge, Benares 1949

*The image and quotations above are sourced from an exhibition, entitled, "A World in Crisis", which has been put together by the Krishnamurti Foundation India in order to share with others Krishnamurti's insights into the nature of the crisis. Over the coming months each KANZ newsletter will present one of the panels from this exhibition.*

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## The Brockwood Observer – Spring/Summer Edition

Founded by educator philosopher, Jiddu Krishnamurti, in 1969, Brockwood Park School is an international boarding school for 14–19 year olds, in the heart of the Hampshire countryside. It provides an holistic education for around 75 students and is the only school of its kind in Europe.

Download the latest newsletter from Brockwood Park School [here](#).

## Can the Mind be Quiet

### Krishnamurti Foundation of America Annual Gathering



The KFA Annual May Gathering was held online this year due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown.

The theme of the online Gathering was, "Can the Mind Be Quiet?"

The focus of this Gathering was to have speakers and presentations that aim to explore this theme in a wide context.

The fifth and final session is "What Prevents a Silent Mind?" with Professor Krishna.

[View here.](#)

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## Krishnamurti Podcasts



## Conversation with Huston Smith

Huston Smith is widely regarded as one of the world's most influential figures in religious studies. He was professor of philosophy at MIT and later professor of religious studies at Berkeley, where he met with Krishnamurti in 1968. Smith's works include: *The World's Religions*, which has sold more than three million copies, *Tales of Wonder*, and the PBS television series *The Wisdom of Faith*.

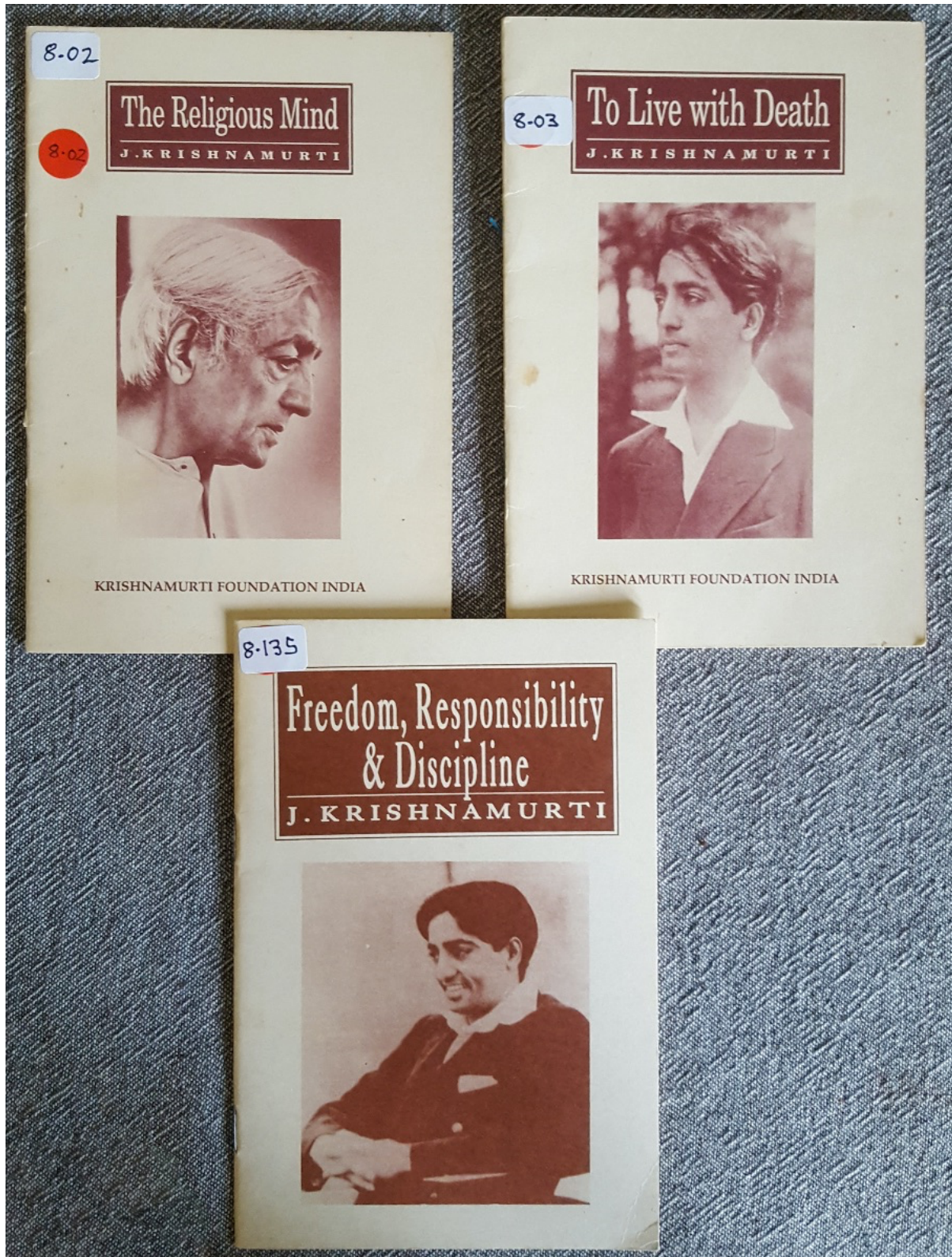
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## Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library – Small Booklets Section



Last month's review, covered some of the small booklets the library holds. This review continues by looking at another series published by the Krishnamurti Foundation of India in 1999, (which are not readily available):

- ***The Religious Mind***
- ***Freedom, Responsibility and Discipline***
- ***To Live with Death***

These, and other books, can be found in the Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library:

Considering the last title, Krishnamurti often talked of the importance of “dying all the time”. He was referring to 'psychological dying', the ongoing death of the self, the ego.

Krishnamurti starts the book with a description from nature:

*“There is a creeper – I think, it is called “the Morning Glory” – which has that extraordinary pale blue colour that only flowers have, or a deep purple with a touch of the mauve, or a peculiar white. Only living flowers have those colours. They come, they bloom in the morning, – the trumpet shaped flowers – and then within a few hours they die. You must have seen those flowers. In their death they are almost as beautiful as when they are alive. They bloom for a few hours and cease to be; and in their death they do not lose the quality of a flower. And we live for thirty, forty, sixty, eighty years in great conflict, in misery, in passing pleasures, and we die rather miserably without delight in our heart; and in death we are as ugly as in life.”*

This may seem rather a dismal picture to paint of human existence, but K was nothing but factual, and his teachings are meaningful only if one can face oneself as one is. Much of this talk, (5th talk in Bombay 1965, is about the necessity of living with facts, and not with ideas; coming directly in contact with our fears, our suffering, our conflict. And with death.

*“We never come into contact with that extraordinary thing called Death. Death is: to die to everything of the past, to die to your pleasure”.*

*“The religious man is one who dies every day and is reborn every day. That is, his mind is young, innocent, fresh. To die to your sorrow, die to your pleasure, die to the things that you hold secretly in your heart – do it; thus you will see you will not waste your life; then you will find something that is incredible, that no man has ever perceived”.*

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