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เรามีชีวิตอยู่ ด้วยสิ่งที่คนอื่นบอกเรา...

We have lived on what we have been told...

ตลอดหลายศตวรรษมาแล้วที่เราถูกป้อนข้อมูล
โดยครูของเรา โดยผู้มีอิทธิพลเหนือเรา โดยตำรับตำรา
และนักบุญ ซึ่งนั่นหมายถึงเรามีชีวิตอยู่ด้วยถ้อยคำ
เราพอใจอยู่กับคำอธิบายของพวกเขา ชีวิตเราจึงตื้นเขิน
และว่างเปล่า เรามีชีวิตอยู่ด้วยสิ่งที่คนอื่นบอกเรา
เราเป็นพลของอิทธิพลทุกชนิด ในตัวเราจึงไม่มีอะไรใหม่
ไม่มีสิ่งใดที่เราค้นพบด้วยตนเอง ไม่มีสิ่งเดิมแก้ที่บริสุทธิ์
และกระจ่างแจ้ง

For centuries we have been spoon-fed by our teachers, by our authorities, by our books, our saints; and we are satisfied with their descriptions, which means that we live on words and our life is shallow and empty. We have lived on what we have been told. We are the result of all kinds of influences, and there is nothing new in us, nothing that we have discovered for ourselves, nothing original, pristine, clear.

J Krishinamura Freedom from the Known, Ch. 1





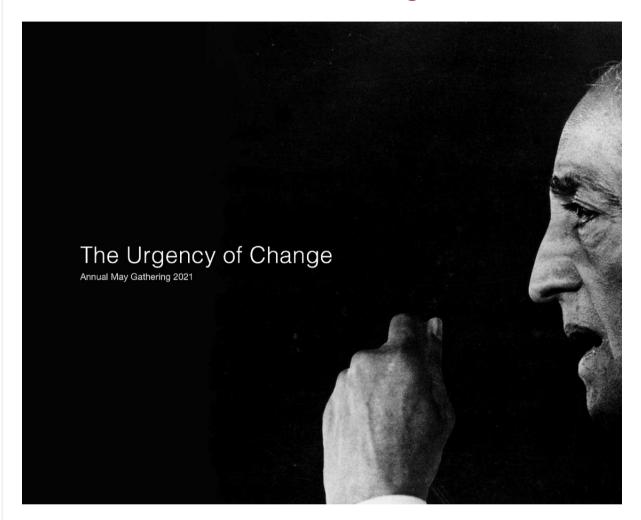
Previously these newsletters have published the content of two public exhibitions focused on the teachings of J. Krishnamurti. "To The Young" and "World In Crisis".

These two exhibitions were developed by Vikram Parchure a designer exploring design as an instrument of social change and value education. He had his formal training at the National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad, and has explored design in the context of diverse fields. He has been involved with curriculum design in mainstream and progressive education, the design of learners' aids in adult literacy and non-formal education programmes, the design of conscience raising programmes for the socially oppressed, and the teaching of value education through theatre. He innovated a pilot heritage education programme near Chennai to address issues of cultural alienation in contemporary society.

Vikram has developed a third exhibition entitled "The Only Revolution". It has been unable to be exhibited publicly due to restrictions caused by the pandemic. However, a panel from the exhibition will be published in this news letter over the coming months.

Our thanks to Vikram Parchure and The Anveekshana Foundation, Thailand for permission to show these panels.

KFA Annual Gathering 2021

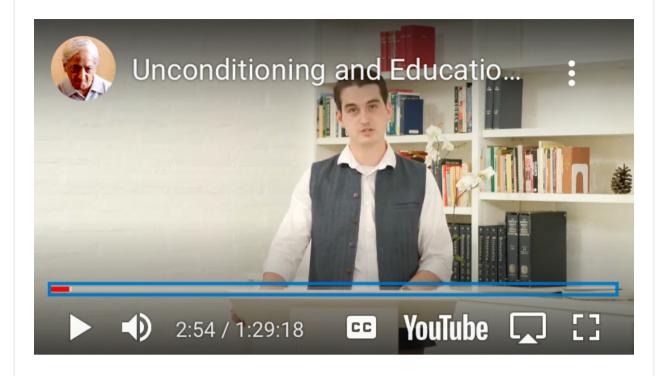


The Krishnamurti Foundation of America held its Annual Gathering in Ojai, California in May. Over the next few months the newsletter will publish individual sessions from the Gathering.

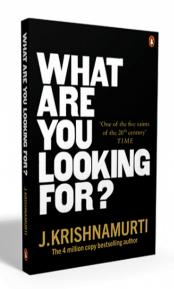
The fourth session in the series is "Unconditioning and Education", presented by Gianni Garubo.

Gianni was a student and is now a Teachers Aid at the Oak Grove School in Ojai California. His talk gives an insight into a school and education based on Krishnamurti's teachings.

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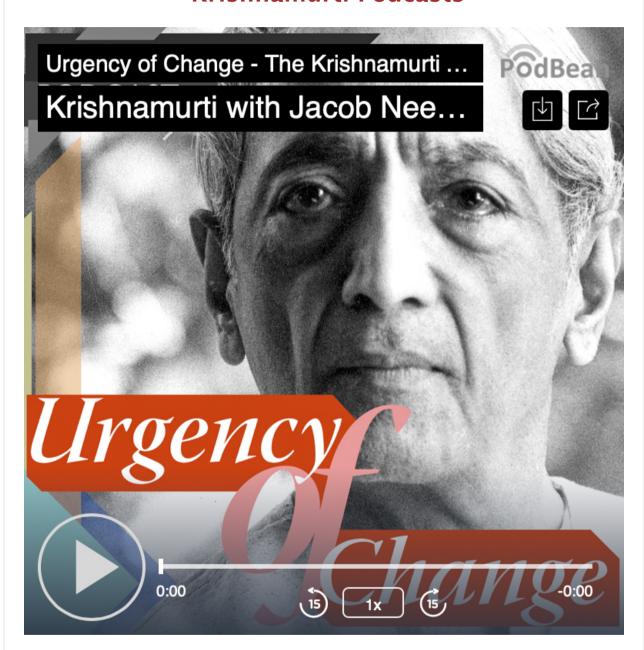
Published by Rider (Penguin Random House), this new edition offers meditations, reflections and lessons on relationships.

The book addresses our relationships with parents and partners, colleagues and friends, and answers questions such as 'What is love?', 'Who am I without my relationships?', and 'What is the relationship

between myself and society?', unveiling what love truly means.

Order the book here.

Krishnamurti Podcasts



Second Conversation with Jacob Needleman

Jacob Needleman is Professor of Philosophy at San Francisco State University and former Director of the Centre for the Study of New Religions at Berkeley. He is the author of many books, including The Wisdom of Love, Time and the Soul, Why Can't We Be Good?, and Necessary Wisdom. He popularised the term 'new religious movements'

and was honoured by the New York Open Centre in 2006.

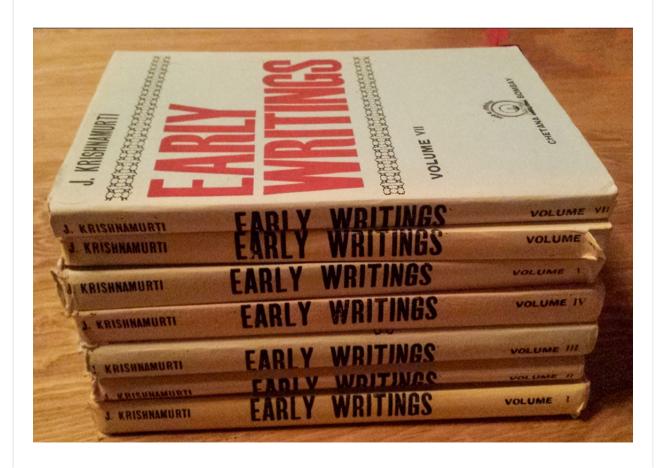
This second conversation between Jacob Needleman and Krishnamurti was recorded in Malibu, California in 1971, and is titled 'inner space'. Questions that come up in the conversation include: Is it possible to be free of the centre, so that the centre doesn't create space around itself and build a wall? Can the centre be still? Can consciousness empty itself of its content? Is love within the field of consciousness? Are there environments which are conducive to liberation?

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New Zealand Krishnamurti Lending Library - Early Writings



The Library contains several books from Krishnamurti's early life, from the period when he was immersed in the Theosophy movement and was transitioning from his role as World Teacher and also head of "The Order of the Star" to then becoming "his own person". Unfortunately the Library has only three volumes of the series published by Chetana in 1970 known as "Early Writings" – volumes three, six, and seven. The various chapters were originally published in the "Star Bulletin"

Edited from the Foreword to Early Writings:

"Krishnamurti´s language in this early period was in flux and changed drastically from year to year. He introduced new modes of expressions – the Kingdom of Happiness, Liberation, Truth, Voice of Intuition, and Individuality – that were soon dropped and replaced in turn. Indeed, Krishnamurti is purported to have categorised his talks and writings before 1933 as "patchy" and wished that the early writings were ignored. However, a closer examination reveals that although his language was evolving, the essence of his teachings remained consistent from this period until his death. With remarkable rapidity and in direct response to misinterpretation and translation on the part of his audience, Krishnamurti began "cleansing" his words and so developed the lean, precise, and contemporary language style that he became renowned for.

The early works not only shed light on the origins of the central and underlying concepts of the teachings but also reveal why he felt it necessary later to adopt his trademark, stark, non-compromising stance. However, if examined with the benefit of having read the later works, the emotive nature of these early works need not cover over the fundamental insights that Krishnamurti's teachings embody. On the contrary, if we are wary of the inherent danger of misinterpretation, this material affords a rare glimpse into a mind that has only just discovered the "Kingdom of Happiness".

In these early stages Krishnamurti spontaneously describes what he is experiencing and attempts to communicate the kind of mind required to achieve this state of "true happiness". He uses words in a natural and innocent fashion as he is yet to discover the important role his choice of words will play. The value of these early works lies in this impassioned delivery.

Certain terms in the early works seem to be at first diametrically

opposed to the fundamentals of the teachings as we know them today. Specifically, Krishnamurti spoke then of the importance of having pure desire, absolute certainty, true memory – all the while emphasising that one's efforts"have to be based on understanding rather than on conviction, or agreement. All in all, the early writings provide a vital clue in solving one of the basic conundrums of the teachings – namely, how it is that, "out of total inaction, there is an action that is tremendously positive, but not in the sense of the positive and the negative."

Excerpt from the chapter "Experience and Conduct", Vol 1:

"In order to understand the meaning of individuality you must understand the purpose of individual existence. Life is creation, including the creator and the created, and Nature conceals life in itself. When that life in Nature develops and becomes focused in the individual, then Nature has fulfilled itself. The whole destiny and function of Nature is to create the individual who is self-conscious, who knows the pairs of opposites, who knows that he is an entity in himself, conscious and separate. So, life in Nature, through its development, becomes self-conscious in the awakened, concentrated individual. Nature's goal is man's individuality. The individual is a separate being who is self-conscious; who knows that he is different from another, in whom there is the separation of "you" and "I". But individuality is imperfection; it is not an end in itself."

"Early Writings" is just one of the many books available for free loan from the Krishnamurti Postal Lending Library. The full list can be found at https://www.kanz.org.nz/library

Christchurch Dialogue Meeting

We will read and discuss 'Habit' from Krishnamurti's book "The Book of Life." Download the text here.

We will also watch a video entitled "Habit makes the brain dull".

Tuesday, 12 October, 2:00pm - 4:30pm 4 Dalton Place, Burnside

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Showings of Krishnamurti videos and group dialogues:

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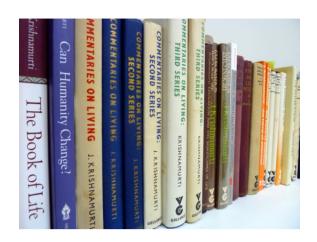
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