

Realization

The Field of Formless Potential

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ABSTRACT

Body and mind are just vehicles, just Forms that the formless Self uses to apprehend other Forms of Itself that arise like swirls within the formless Ocean of its ever formless Self. And so it is that, That which tries to apprehend what seems to be there is eventually found to be not different from or other than what actually is there, once what seems to be there as physical and mental form has been completely untangled into the Formless Potentiality that is actually there.

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Science is like a magician
who has pulled a rabbit out of a hat,
but whose audience then wants to know
what the magician can pull out of the rabbit.

So science reaches into the rabbit
and pulls out some cells.

But then, still not satisfied with the show,
the audience wants to know
what science can pull out of the cells,
and so science reaches into the cells
and pulls out some molecules,
followed by some atoms
and then some electrons.

Of course the audience then wants to know
what science can pull out of the electrons,
and so science reaches into the electrons,
and to the surprise of both
the magician and the audience
there is nothing there,
no physical object there,
where the electrons appear to be,
only mind-like forms that have the potential
to become the physical objects
we refer to as electrons.

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The magician knows not what he has found,
but if he were to see what was actually happening
what he would see is that
he has reached so far into the hat
that he went completely through it,
and without knowing it
has come back around
and is now trying to grasp
what he does not recognize
as his own mind.

And at a deeper level
it could also be said
that what we are trying to grasp
where mental form dissolves
into formless potentiality
is our own formless Consciousness
that we do not recognize
as our Self.

As we dig down from the level of physical forms,
from the physical stratum,
into the next level of reality,
we enter the mind stratum,
where we encounter non-physical forms,
mental forms, thoughts and ideas,
that have the potential
to become physical forms.

And as we dig still deeper,
from the level of mental forms,
from the mental stratum,
into the next level of reality,
we encounter That which,
although it has no form Itself,
does have the potential,
through Self-relation,
to become a mental form,
to become an idea,
which idea is then apprehended
by the still formless Self.

The physical forms are apprehended by
the still formless Self
that thinks it is a body,
and the mental forms are apprehended by

the still formless Self
that thinks it is a mind.

But neither body nor mind
is what the Self ultimately is.

Body and mind are just vehicles,
just forms of the Self the formless Self uses
to apprehend other forms of Itself
that arise like swirls
within the formless Ocean
of its ever formless Self.

And so it is that,
That which tries to apprehend
what seems to be there
is eventually found to be
not different from or other than
what actually is there,
once what seems to be there
as physical and mental form
has been completely untangled
into the Formless Potentiality
that is actually there.

We are like a Thread that looks
outward into space and inward into mind
and sees many objects, many forms,
that appear to be different and other than
what we are.

And we want to know
what these forms are made of,
and so we begin to break them apart,
to unravel them.

And as we break them apart,
as we unravel them,
we eventually find that all they are
is a single Thread
that has become tangled
upon Itself.

And so what was once seen as other
is now seen as Self,
because the single Thread

that appears when the forms are untangled
cannot be separated from
the Thread that looks outward and inward
and sees many forms that no longer appear
to be different or other
than what It Is.

A single Thread,
a single Being,
a single Presence,
tangled upon Itself in so many ways,
and so appearing as this and that,
and so appearing as many forms,
and so appearing as other.

This Thread goes by many names,
none of which are It directly,
because the names are always forms
whereas the Thread Itself is always formless.

One name It goes by is Consciousness,
another is Presence,
and still another name
we could use to point toward It
is the field of Formless Potential.

And so That which sees the objects,
That which knows the forms,
That which apprehends the forms,
is not different from or other than
what we find when the objects and forms
are untangled to the point
where they cease to be objects,
cease to be forms,
and become only the potential
to appear as an object,
to appear as a form.

And so That which knows the objects,
That which apprehends the forms,
is not different from or other than
the field of Formless Potential
out of which all objects and forms arise.

And so ultimately,
the field of Formless Potential

is not different from or other than
the field of Consciousness
that knows, sees, and apprehends
the objects and forms that arise within Itself,
and are ultimately composed of Itself,
as It has become entangled within Itself
as a result of Flowing in relation to Itself.

The One appearing as many,
the One apprehending Itself as many
but remaining always
a single formless Thread,
whole and unbroken,
indivisible from Itself.