

For Madeleine, and all interested, Water and Waving and Divine Identification.

First a story about HHDL—true but not exact words.

Interviewer asked: “you are a Buddhist, so do you believe in God?”

HHDL answered: “If I say no, you will think I am an atheist, and that would not be correct. If I say yes, you will think of the kind of God you have in mind, and that would not be correct. So I can’t answer your question.”

So: we have to say what we mean by “God.”

Jesus himself seems to express the paradox:

At one place Jesus says: “I and the father are one” John 10:30, but in another “The father is greater than I.” John 14:28. Paradox, meaning “beyond logical thought” is the only way to even begin to un-understand this.

Someone asks Nisargadatta: in love there must be two to love.

Nisargadatta answers: in Love there is not even one, how can there be two!

Martin Buber essay “I and Thou” explores the relation of two that are not “things”...

Consciousness to Consciousness, I Am to I Am...or I Am to just ISNESS. Moonlight to Sunlight. These are profound.

I think the image helps. We can say we are all drops of water, we are water, but we are not the whole vast ocean. If we try to “fathom” the ocean, we only succeed in dissolving into it. Each wave is a waving of the ocean, not separate from the ocean, in essence made of the water of the ocean. It is not the ocean. But it IS water (substance, consciousness, intelligence). And it is also divine activity (waving). If we are a drop of Reality, do we not also have both dimensions? Or do we only have, have access to, Reality as Immanent?

If we are all the waving of Ocean, all the waving of God--are some things or people or dimensions of our being more “God-like” than others, more rooted in Reality? Is the vast ocean more water than a drop? Than a wave? Good Question. Yes and No.

In the tree analogy, seems like the leaf, branches, flowers, are all the Tree unfolding from seed. But the seed itself is not separate from earth, sky, wind, sun...

And there is the famous Golden Lion analogy, very similar to the Wave and Ocean. A vastly complex fractal holographic lion form, all made of gold (God!). When we take the complex lion form without gold (God) backing, it is unreal, it is appearance only. When we take Gold alone, we are in the Void. But to see them as together, as one Reality, with *its* Appearances, is to be non-dual. Anthony uses this to help explain how “the Real is continuous with its appearance.”