

Sages point: Even to hear it awakens Faith

Plotinus 1.3.1 :

What art is there, what method, what discipline to bring us there where we must go?

The Term at which we must arrive we may take as agreed: we have established elsewhere, by many considerations, that our journey is to the Good, to the Primal-Principle; and, indeed, **the very reasoning which discovered the Term was itself something like an initiation.**

He is happy even though he has no blessed consciousness of the Overself, no transcendental knowledge of it, but only secondhand news about it. Why, then, is he happy? Because he knows that he has found the way to both consciousness and knowledge. He is content to wait, working nevertheless as he waits; for if he remains faithful to the quest, what other result can there be than attainment? Even if he has to wait fifty years or fifty lifetimes, he will and must gain it. *24.1.93*

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But who is? How do you know? It takes one to know one! Does the heart response, says *YES* it is so. That is all you can go by. If you can trust the heart-felt “yes,” you already have within you the seed of enlightenment. Faith and sincerity are key.

Chuang Tsu: *Where is the person who has gone beyond words?
That is the one I would like to talk with.*

Can be alive, or writing...

We need to build up an intimate inner relationship with a being whose compassion is wide enough to understand us and whose power is developed enough to help us. It does not matter that they are dead. 1.6.78

For example: meeting PB in the PB notes even after PB passed away!

It may be asked why I insist on using the word "philosophy" as a self-sufficient name without prefixing it by some descriptive term or person's name when it has held different meanings in different centuries, or been associated with different points of view ranging from the most materialistic to the most spiritualist. The question is well asked, although the answer may not be quite satisfactory. I do so because I want to restore this word to its ancient dignity. I want it used for the highest kind of insight into the Truth of things, which means into the Truth of the unique Reality. I want the philosopher to be equated with the sage, the person who not only knows this Truth, has this insight, and experiences this Reality in meditation, but also, although in a modified form, in action amid the world's turmoil. 20.1.127