

Witness and Beyond... from *PB Notebooks*

To be the witness is the first stage; to be Witness of the witness is the next; but to BE is the final one. For consciousness lets go of the witness in the end. Consciousness alone is itself the real experience. 25.2.100

"Awareness" is not enough to describe full enlightenment. "Knowingness" includes it but goes farther and is hence a better term. 25.2.10

See also 23.6.88 click here: [88](#)

see also 25.2.55 click here: [55](#)

28.2.142 click here: [142](#)

21.5.130 long para, but excellent on the Mystery of Mind: click here: [130](#)

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At some point one's mind slips from its accustomed anchorage; an impersonal consciousness that is not one's own and knows nothing of oneself takes over, and all memories of experience in the world lapse as if they never were. One is isolated from everything and everyone. Only a knowingness remains. At first the loss of personality induces fear as one feels its onset but if one holds their ground and lies still, unresisting, quiet, trusting the beneficence of the process, the fear of it ebbs and vanishes. Then a calm, before unknown and now unutterable, replaces it. Such an experience will be remembered long after all others are forgotten. 23.8.37