

Is The Relational Mind? Is No-Thing Mind? (Some Reflections)

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Is the relational mind? Is no-thing mind? Is to represent, project, feel, or notice mind? Is the present moment mind? Is this Mind-only?

Is dependent arising mind? Is non-discriminating mind mind? Is being-time mind, or somehow 'just-so-and-unfolding'? Is this mind?

"The realization of impermanence involves the unity of spatiality and temporality." – Masao Abe, "A Study Of Dogen".

Is the structure of bone mind? (Practical question!) Is a force mind? Is the mathematics that the force is, in real time, just this present moment, mind? Is 'combinatorial unfolding interconnected relational action-memes' (my term) mind? See Marvin Minsky "The Society Of Mind". No-thing with this? Is mathematics, and an axiom system, mind? Is the mind mind? Is emptiness mind, a matter of perception, no perception, or a matter of neither perception nor no perception; and is mind emptiness? "Whole being is Buddha-nature." – Dogen (see "A Study Of Dogen").

Is a molecule 'floating in space', functioning, representing, projecting, feeling, noticing? Some undefinable 'thing' that denies the very thingness of things? That denies any hard, reified, line of demarcated separable perceived objectified reality? Is the molecule part of one unfolding? In this 'floating in space'?

Is the human, or animal, or ant, or tree like this? The forest or the meadow or the lake or the ocean? On or in the earth, the planet? With these all, is it the interplay of the subjective and the objective?

Fun!

This sets forth some ways that I've worked with mvo-p*, and why I see such a potential for the psych unit.

My Zen deepens: the realization of Ultimate Reality, the absolute, inseparable from the ordinary, the relative. [Nice integration statement, from www.zenstudies.org]

It is such a delight! As boundless as this entire universe and space, I suspect! 'The infinite point' included.

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*Mental view and orientation

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philosophy or religion or spirituality

perception

perspective

projection

person

planet

universe

space

prajna

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The Moon

I'm looking out my window

the moon, it just floats, in space...

astonishing!

Still looking out my window

the moon disappeared behind the tree (the tree obscured it) then reappeared briefly

the clouds now alternately letting it through and not...

as we rotate beneath it.

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*And bow to Dogen: for his essay on the Heart Sutra in Shobogenzo (the essay Maka-Hannya-Haramitsu) and the various ways he looks at prajna, in that essay. Tractable, traceable-untraceable material. It is through the study and initial practice with Rinzai that I've been able to step to the stage of to appreciate, work with, and penetrate Dogen's Soto.

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