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GUARDIANS

In trying to delineate the order, the heart of the new religious mode is the word Those Who Care. In the midst of word fate consumes me. The polarity of freedom and fate. All are fated. In it is freedom. The symbolic order is freedom/fate. The movement is fate/freedom. The guardian is fate/freedom/freedom/fate. Some Guardians are more one than the other. This brings the equality. It is the way we were caught in it. You need to-be in the order, yet you need to be a part of the guardians.

Next time they come back, we will do the spiritual. We tear Jesus out of Christianity. He was not a Christian. A religious goes thru Christianity. Jesus was a Jew. He went through his Judaism.

The Jesus Prayer, is Lord, human profound manifest mystery, have mercy on me. The incomplete version is not right. The rest of it reads, "a miserable sinner". Christianity is the only religion that deals with sin. The reality that sin points to is not humanness. It doesn't have to be sin. When you deal with the spirit, it is a state of being. You are attempting to illicit states of being. This is why Ignatius deals with imaginal education. He is out to bring out states of being.

We need to read John 14, 15, 16. "Have I not been - and if you do the will of him--". Then every man gets up to say, "Have I not been--".

Then absolution is brought about in three ways: word (faith)

exemplary deed (love) strange presence (hope)

Whensoever you manifest in deed or care you manifest absolution throughout history. When someone wants to be someone it does not pronounce absolution. We do not control the deed of care that bring absolution.

We need to see that they use all their ability and power to focus and intensify their power every moment. The size of the Job is unimportant but the contradiction is crucial. You are making possible profound happiness when you do that. You teach them that. You take happiness to them.

The discipline of being is harder. Nothing we need to teach is harder. Certain things you point to that you said no to that could be vicious pride. The greatest temptation of the religious, that he finds pride in being a nobody. None of us is better than Charles Bush or Wanda Lee.

When we talk about the relation of the movement, and guardians to the mission, I ask, Who are they? Their weekend work on expertise and their money are bullshit. They sense that they are something else:

symbolic

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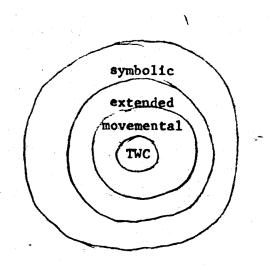
movement

Freedom/fate

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fate/Freedom

We get more clarity by looking at the indicative. They need the symbolic order and the symbolic order needs them relative to long range history. Have you noticed that the movement has disappeared? There is a new thing coming into being.



If 250 people in Maharashtra came forth we have created a movement of TWC. The new religious mode is coming. In the heart is creation itself. All of creation cares. The old maple tree in our back yard took care of me. "All of creation stands on tiptoe, waiting--". TWC are distinct from nature, yet not all -- there is a commonness.

They have to see they are religious, and Joe Mathews is secular. They are the profoundly religious ones. The symbolic order's function is to enable them to see that they are the religious. The rule is not a moralistic delineation but a liberating one.

- 1. They have to wear the blue, not for the sake of some rule, but for their own sake.
- 2. They have solved the <u>monk for a month</u>. There has to be intermittent times to say "I am a religious". This is for the sake of their paravocation which they unconsciously do all the time anyway.
- 3. Some kind of daily rite.
- 4. Phases. One year in each lifetime. One year in Maliwada, for instance.
- 5. In relation to the Religious Houses. This is not a formal way. What makes them is gathering here twice a year.

We have to maintain lines of communication. Send them a social demonstration document.

Send a bibliography of spiritual reading and socio-economic development

- 1. Small is beautiful
- 2. Ronin
- 3. Something on the church. Religious bodies of people.
- 4. Culture. This time "The Cultural Contradictions of Capitalism"

We need a quarterly relationship to them. Send something to them every quarter.

They need letters and reports of all the social demonstrations. They have been to all of the social demonstrations because they have just heard the reports of all of them, and continue to send them reports to all in the future.

NOTES ON THE RELIGIOUS:

The religious has gone through his religion; to one degree or another he has gone through it. He has been discovered by realities that created the religion in the first place. That is why we need to get to know Jesus.

What does one do when he meets another who has gone beyond his religion? It is more normal for the intellectually unsophisticated than for us.

What is the difference between the Methodists, and the Catholics, the unsophisticated, as well as the sophisticated, that gets frozen to Methodism, Catholicism, or Christianity?

What is the relationship between us and Bush or Moffett, or Stahr?

Ontologically, if everyone were like us the world would go to hell, yet if everyone were not like us the world would go to hell.

For a guardian for a year I would not be caught dead without the blue.

Buddha created a monastic order, not an ecclesia. The Romans saw they needed an aristocratic brotherhood.

The primal social form must embrace all those who were part of that.

Buddha did the monk for a month business; also every young man in the nation went to learn to be a monk.

They built pagodas that were altars in nature. Later they developed a prayer meeting.

Christianity invented the clergyman or priest around which the ecclesiola met

The layman's job in our lifetime was going to church and living a Christian life.

Baintan at Yale had a course on the history of social forms that included the family, government, etc. It was written and taught from inside the church.