

(4) A "Scientologist": He has a "spirit" that has lived for 74 trillion years & has 2 trillion to go (on the "average" - what average?). During this time he "plays games" & after that he gracefully flops into Infinite Mind. (unless it sidesteps with a shudder). His "theta" or spirit or "self" can detach itself from the body & live without it (or at least that is his "ideal" - he has not quite reached it yet). Nor can he get read books in distant libraries (not enough ESP?). He is self-determined, completely so. In fact he is invulnerable & inaccessible - unless life teaches him a sad lesson. I have known Scientologists however who were more accessible (one wrote: "now I see myself, silly, fatuous . . .") but it is rare.

All these things are modes of ego.

MOMENT OF DECISION! Now as regards yourself & your letter.

You want a process that "enhances". What does that mean - gives you joy & pleasure. This will NOT! What do you want to know about me before you start "work"? How can you know? There is no "aim" & no "system".

From my side however I am undertaking a long & difficult job which will add to my gray hairs. I am taking a bright child almost, still green behind the ears, and trying to show something of deep - what shall I say of the highest feelings? - "culture" maybe, but all words are wrong of course. Anyhow the current cynicism & world weariness is no use here. You must someday pitch yourself pretty high before this comes to you. You may deceive or cajole me, but not God.

I shall expect you to answer promptly & to do as you are told, also to cut out other similar work entirely & not to read any books on this general subject (unless I happen to suggest one). Also send me a stamped addressed envelope.

It will be unpleasant, frustrating, disagreeable, annoying . . . (So is growing up anyway). Afterwards you will be a human being & understand many things.

The alternative is something (an average life) which will seem normal to you no doubt, but which from my present point of view is unthinkable. Nevertheless we can part in the most friendly manner & nothing has been lost. Al.