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Dear Dick,

Forget about me for the sake of argument for the moment.

Take a Zen Master.

ZEN

Sokatsu Shaku on his seventieth birthday (April 16, 1939) said that in his 40 years teaching 3000 men & women came to study Zen. In the 40 years only 13 completed the training & of these only 4 became teachers in turn.

These 4 were Zuzan Goto, Eisai Yatsuta, Chikudo Ghasama and Sokei-An (who "worked" in New York & founded "The First Zen Institute" which still exists - the Zen Master there now is Miura Rishi).

These 4 men were remarkable men. I know several persons who knew Sokei-An (See "Cat's Yawn", fairly easily obtainable - a reprint of issues of a magazine published by & written by Sokei-An)

As for Chikudo Ghasama (who studied also at Heidelberg) a friend of mine (an "awakened" man) "worked" in Berlin with Ghasama.

PROOF

NOW! What "proof" could any of these Zen Masters give you? What would you accept as "proof"?

If Jesus called on you one day what would you require as "proof"?

If two spies met in the old Nazi Germany (the "Third Reich" of Hitler) & each told the other they were working for the "allies" (US, England etc) what proof could they give one another? All documents would mean nothing

--- HOW could they get together?

→ What proof could anyone give of something that was a personal experience?

After Jesus was supposed to feed 5000 with 5 loaves of bread & 2 small fishes, the religious leaders asked him for a "sign". Wow! What did they want? More? Red, white & blue rays from every pore like Santama?"