

THEN WE  
ARE  
AT HOME

This is not "blame" of course. No ethics are involved here. If for some reason the ~~op~~ time is not ripe (& I do not know all the conditions that make one agog for "awakening") then there are satisfactions in life to be had, "unnumbered ways of dream" as the poet says.

HALF AN  
OUR A DAY?  
NOT THAT!

And after all how much in any day are most persons actually even "conscious"? Only when it becomes necessary to make a decision! Thus a person could be fully aware & awake from 8-8.03 a.m., 12-12.05 pm, 7-7.05 pm etc ... & could wear a sign "open for business" as follows: ---"

A TEST

Cusack says you could be walking down the street & could say to yourself, "I must remember myself". Then you would go on: "I know I see a taxi passing. I know a man & a woman are going by. I see the building across the street. I know ----" and all of a sudden it is three hours later & ~~suddenly~~ you are at home (perhaps writing three lines to me) & you say: "My goodness. I forgot to remember myself!"

We are prisoners of our day-dreaming. And so life goes by.....

NOTE  
HOWEVER →

[But you will realize this is NOT the "awakening" I refer to. That is not voluntary - even though one "works" toward it.]

BOOK

HE TRIES TO  
AVOID  
INTELLECTUALIZING  
AND THEN FLOPS  
RIGHT INTO IT!  
BUT GET IT.

I was merely sketching a way of life, the usual one. There is a Mentor book "The Teachings of the Mystic" by Walter T. Stace (MD 306, -50) and although he is only a philosopher, & mixes up "mystical experiences" with "awakening", nevertheless it might help to establish the mere existence of that of which I speak & which I claim to know myself & to have assisted others to.

BACK TO THE  
PROBLEM ...

ONE OCCASION  
ONLY!

I find it quite possible to write to "awakened" friends! It is perhaps necessary to be genuinely "open" & not sly or tricky, but to be just naturally friendly. There is no reason to avoid "reason" especially when it is keen "discrimination". As for "egotism" & "conceit" those are our birthrights - yours & mine, but ONCE, just ONCE and "really truly" they must be shed. After that you can resume - but it won't be quite the same! Friend, Al.