

## Article 14: Is It Personal-Turtles "All The Way Down"?

If the personal-truths you are living today, and which form the basis of your self and life, are based upon opposing dualities or causes in any form, **you are living personal-turtles, not personal-truths.** (See Article XIII).

The following oft-repeated personal-truths are actually turtles; ...do you see any of your own personal-truth/turtles here ...in any form? Read carefully. Do you believe that an unconditionally loving God judges you? ...restricts your free will to good and evil? ...plans your life without your consent or agreement? ...or resents any enriching fulfillment, happiness, wellbeing, or creative success on your part which might possibly encroach upon his/her prerogatives? You say "no", yet you live this belief. Do you believe that the head of a household is its king? ...that a father's power and authority over his family is vital and unlimited, ...and is to be unchallenged? Is it your belief that evil spirits are everywhere seeking to entice you? ...that only angels or a higher self can possibly protect you? Do infectious diseases often result from irrational impulses and desires which are held in? ...from unbalanced energy forces? ...or from disharmonious attitudes and ways? Does illness within your consciousness and emotions spread disease to your body? Do your most difficult problems, greatest burdens, and worst sins begin when you do as you desire? Do you believe that the universe does not exist to fulfill your desires and offer enjoyment, ...but that you exist at the pleasure of the universe ...and to satisfy its whims? Do you believe that judgments help you determine what is "right", so you can live the *good life* of fulfilling enrichment, happiness, and wellbeing you desire?

If you believe that any of the previous "truths" are correct and appropriate, in any form, you are living personal-turtles, not personal-truths, ...is that the self and life you want to continue? Remember, like the lady in Article XIII, if your self and life are founded on even one personal-turtle, ...it will be turtles all the way down.

No matter how careful or skilled you are in life, how well and correctly you follow your life-plan and purpose, or how many other fine materials you use to construct your self and life, if you are not aware of each personal-truth, then, like the mason building with poor and improper bricks, when he completes his fine-looking house, it will quickly deteriorate and break up ...and be dangerous as each brick weakens, until the beautiful house decays, wastes away, and falls apart. In what ways are your self and life like this mason's house? Are matters weakening and breaking up? ...deteriorating? No amount of patching and covering will resolve the

underlying weakness of a self and life built brick-by-brick with inferior, inappropriate, or undesirable personal-truths, ...or upon personal-turtles.

Consider every personal-truth as to its ability to embody the self and life you genuinely desire; ...if it does not serve your dreams, reject it. Maintain an active cycle of giving and receiving personal-truths ...so they will constantly serve you as circumstances change. Nighttime dreams help you prepare a special personal-truth each day. Are you willing to behold the finest in your own or another's truths and live new personal-truths ...or renew, revise, and strengthen old ones? Are you beginning to see and understand the divine form of your life and self? ...and the pattern of your personal-truths?

By awakening each moment to the inspiring promise and opportunities inherent in every personal-truth, you will end you personal-turtles and steadily transform and renew your personal-truths ...and your self and life. Your struggles with and against your personal-truths—the building bricks of your self and life—reveal exactly what is appropriate for you ...and what is not. You can reach and live greater personal-truths than you ever imagined. Are you willing to be resurrected and transformed through new personal-truths ...so you can embody a greater and finer self and life? Master your personal-truths, ...don't let them limit or control you ...or construct a self and life you do not desire. Are your personal-truths habitually negative, critical, or restrictive? Personal truths are powerful life-shaping and embodying matters. Associations with others who live similar personal-truths will strengthen and support you in times of need. Are you willing to take time to renew and fully develop your personal-truths? When times are difficult and events are trying, hold to your desirable personal-truths ...and enrich them and yourself with creative ideas and actions. Be steady in building your self and life upon a foundation of strong personal-truths and

**...avoid the personal-turtles.**