Poems From A Parallel World (7)

A personal experience of meditation and Zen

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At the same time

Nor good

nor bad but entirely beyond completely one. No walls. No separation. All large things remain themselves and all small things remain themselves. ... A landscape so open and so beautiful that it is as if you are everywhere and always at the same time entirely beyond.

Here and now

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Simplicity as what doesn't stand in the way for a very deeply being present. As little as possible can be much but always as little as possible. ... No need for more. No need for less. No need for anything else. What happens always happens spontaneously in simplicity. Nothing. Everything. Always spontaneously here and now.

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Nowhere anymore

Hatred

is not good because it tears away soul from people. Cupidity is not good because it tears away soul from people. The illusion of I-ness is not good because it tears away soul from people. ... If people lose their soul they lose themselves each other the world the universe. The sun still rises each day but its light doesn't shine through anymore.



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Cold

Cold and even colder than cold. Warmless. I lay my little rug in front of me and sit down. This is the end. It is done. The stones are the same. Little lights are shining in Buddha's robe everywhere around. No joy and also no sorrow. Love. ... Everywhere are cities. People are dancing. Children are playing. Life and death.

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Provide State

Not y Smill and

Pain

The cause of Suffering is Separation. . Not being the world the universe your soul. Entirely being abandoned. No more hope. No belief and even no love. As only background the immense Pain of being-Alone. ... Nailed. Waiting for the end. Waiting for the end and even the end has passed already long ago.



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Beyond

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In daily living no titbits nor thisbits nor thatbits nor dust nor dishes nor shop nor work but beyond good and bad beyond high and low beyond God and world me and you mountains and sea. ... Beyond you meet everything again but from the other side the inner side the living the real side.

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soul. ... Soul and body. ... Body is soul. ... Soul is body. ... Dying is a transition an initiation and only an 'end' in a body that is no soul

and therefore even

no body.

Body, soul

Body

and

Transparency

Transparency. Everything stays the same and becomes entirely different. Absolutely not easy! A person is a crystal by nature and remains a crystal by nature. And nevertheless.

Look at walls through walls. Look at people through people. Everything is transparent. And nevertheless. People stuff walls full of 'meaning' and then they bang their heads 1 time 1000 times.

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Real

It's not the opposites that prevent that they touch each other but what lies between them behind underneath. Look to the left. Look to the right. See that it's you yourself. Be transparent for opposites and immediately you see real colours real forms real feelings and ideas. You exceed nothing. You break through nothing. You look. You are quiet.

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Shadow

A shadow of yourself within yourself but that you do not see within yourself lives within yourself but often very darkly: lack being-ill disintegration seeing your shadow your very dark shadow in others aggression war. ... A world of happiness becomes a world of suffering and perdition.

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Both

Two

comes first

because without two there is no first. One is everywhere because without one there is no everywhere. A person lives of both but if you look well then you see in both also the other even entirely. ... Don't lock yourself up. You are what you see and you see what you are. You are a flower also if that flower is only itself.

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Entirely

Not 'an' other side but the other side. You can run away from yourself or run away from Yourself. In both cases you are gone even though the one who runs away generally sees it only at the other side. ... You can go towards yourself or towards Yourself. In both cases

In both cases the challenge is formidable but worth it. Ho! In both cases you find in the one side the other.

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Lifelong

Highest freedom lies in not being able but being Yourself. No matter what you do or don't do. No matter what you think or don't think. No matter what you feel or don't feel. ... Highest movement is without movement. Meditation. Deepest silence is without silence. Meditation. Lifelong.

Detached

Being-detached doesn't mean being-away. On the contrary. You are present more than ever. Only by being present more than ever you can really be-detached. ... Otherwise you have only lost a piece of yourself. You are then not 'detached' but broken. Torn. A shade. A shadow and even the sun is shining no more.



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As a friend

Zen is a house- garden- and kitchenphilosophy. House garden and kitchen and also a very beautiful temple of course therefore everywhere where your soul is is zen. ... Buddha-nature needs no 'Buddha'. Absolutely. If you nevertheless meet him then greet him as a friend and invite him to look together.

To live

Meditation is not necessary to live but to Live as a third dimension in a world of two. Trees become trees. Flowers become flowers. People become people. It is astonishing if you look back. ... A droplet is flying through space in search of a source of immense heat and it finds that source but not as droplet. It cannot be

and there is no need.

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and not-being ill. Actually you have never felt so good. In the depth an immense ocean. And knowing. Knowing. Not going out of the way. Not standing on a ladder to go to the moon. Not downstream but towards the source and through the source towards the sea. ... Being ill and not-being ill like an oasis in a desert. Your are the oasis and your are the desert.

Being ill

Being ill

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Separation

Fleeing separation by even more separation. Addiction to separation and then superficiality and then dependence and no responsibility and much guilt and no love and much 1000 little rules and no freedom and much the deep idea of senselessness with a very thin layer to hide everything.

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only at an arm or a leg. There is no ill black spot. There is no knife. *If* you 'cut away' an ill spot with a knife then maybe you get 'forward' but it is only with a little piece of yourself. You think that you are flying but it's your wings

Away from you

One can cut away

a body-illness

but not

a soul-illness. A soul is never ill

but it's your wings that are flying away from you.

Somewhere

Somewhere in this universe a place where it's good a place where it's beautiful a place large enough for you and me. A very beautiful landscape. Mountains. Rivers. Seas. Each day the sun rises and warms your skin. ... A place where almost nothing

is already enough to enjoy everything and everyone and for the sake of everyone.



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Sick. Entirely sick. Entirely from inside sick. And nevertheless I don't want it to be different. Entirely sick is also entirely there here. Let understand who can and wants to. ... Sick. Entirely sick. Desire. Despair. Maybe even death. And nevertheless one goal. And for that goal: everything.



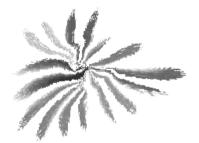
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Snowball

lt's not because you make from snow a snowball that you can say that snow is a snowball or even that as a result, you better understand snow. OKAY, it is this and that but snow is also cold without you and round is the snowball because you make it so. ... Go forward. Don't go forward.

Snow is snow and claiming something else is a fraud for little children.



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Take care

Take care for 'depth' as an iron spike that sticks into your soul. An iron spike is no cloud that fades through you and that you yourself are. ... Take care for 'depth' as a deep pond in which your soul gets drowned instead of being the pond itself. ... Take care for 'depth' that keeps you caught as in a bad poem far from everything and as a result, also far from you.

Emotion

Of course everything turns around and around. Almost nothing changes and nevertheless one emotion a small one a large one and I mean every emotion changes a lot. The world. Our world. Little planet - but so special! -Every emotion is unique like a boat on a tremendously vast ocean on it's way towards a new universe.

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Flower

Susceptibility to concrete things can make sensitive but can also make insensitive by throwing away what is not 'appropriate'. ... Simplicity is meagre if it's not entirely coming from inside. Look! A flower is eventually only a flower for he who finds her beautiful. ... Desire and joy make the world exist and not the understanding of it.

Wizard

Blind people sometimes do open their eyes - even without knowing look and then close their eyes as if there is nothing to be seen as if eyes were but a strange bulge of the brain and looking were a sickness. ... Well if you *really* look then of course you see more then only what is tangible but he who wants to cure of this either himself or others is a wizard black as tar.

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Circle

Not away from this world but towards this world even more than ever because from within. The whole circle round you come again at the same home but from the other side. Everything the same but entirely different. ... Chopping wood getting water doing the dishes and even paying taxes. You are there and you are

not there.

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OK

OK. The sun rises and lightens the world and it is another world. A world of a very long time ago. A world of very far in the future. A world of the other side of the sun. A world of here and now. ... A dream is dreamed and it's a beautiful dream. All things animals people deeply from within. Everything is OK.

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Forgiveness

Forgiveness

is granting its place to what-is-bad so that it can grow into what-is-good and granting its place to what-is-good so that it can grow into more what-is-good. ... Forgiveness is not a moving-away-from but a moving-towards. А moving-away-from is only the closing of your heart.

Living through

'Letting go' means that there is nobody who 'lets go' and also nobody to 'let go' and even no 'letting go'. 'Letting go' forgets itself. ... Nobody speaks outside of the speaking. Nobody listens outside of the listening. No judges. No guilt. Only people and a heartfelt living through.

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Compassion

Compassion

knows the world and all suffering and badness from inside within itself. It is no fluff in the air but a large dung hill that lies at the basis of many gardens with fragrant flowers. ... Compassion is the bottom of the pond where things aren't yet things but the basis of everything. Oneness. Openness. Friendliness.

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Three-oneness

One with this world with this bird in this garden these plants flowers clouds in more than one dimension. Oneness twoness and then an underlying threeness and within threeness oneness again that makes it all good.

So much more than for a little-me the experiences of a little-me. In threeness no experiences and nevertheless everything my soul can wish.

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Not little-I

not little-l and also not we as little-I and you. Not little-I not little-l and also not we but You and Me and I in You and You in Me. ... Т much wider than little-I much deeper larger and much more You from start on. You everywhere We.

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Door

The sea is a door. I open the door and am within myself and am lost and am extremely rich! ... The sea is a door and opens itself and is all possible shades. all possible life. The sea asks no admission or invitation. Ah! The sea has no door bell!

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Book

The 'men of the book' are often the men of themselves but then hidden in a book between the pages. The louder they shout the more they reecho with the emptiness of a bell that doesn't know itself. ... Hmm. They are sometimes large bells and they are heard from afar but not from nearby not from within. Within is only a clapper that smashes everything to pieces.

Truth

Truth is like a cloud. Then it's there and then it's gone. Truth is like the sun. Then it's there and then it's gone but no: it's the cloud! ... Truth is like rain. Everything wet and warm. Everything grows. Truth is like everything that lives and enjoys itself. Then it's there and then it's gone.



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Complete

I think

with feelings and I feel with thoughts and he who of himself claims something else I scold for not knowing and therefore not feeling. ... Everything is OKAY as long as total persons in a total way are themselves and reinforce each other. Colours differ. The contents are equal. The sun is shining. I think of today and of yesterday.

Transition

A transition of forms into subtler forms and back again is OKAY. Of course! ... You don't have to wait for a miracle in order to see a miracle in front of your nose. You don't have to wait for a mermaid nor for wavelets here and now at your feet nor for an experience. An experience comes when you are gone. An experience comes when nothing anymore stands between.

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Untouched

Inseparable till the end and after the end still inseparable. Sorrow without sorrow. The world stands still in a perfect way. Stars are glowing. A foreigner hastens beyond with his own message to a totally different place. ... Everything is OKAY and remains OKAY. My soul is untouched in a Knowing for Certain.



Without

If this or that then never whatever. There has to be given and there has to be received without this or that.

The Big Being-Certain is certain of nothing and doubts nothing and asks for itself nothing and nevertheless everything. What is has always been as art in an artist as the beginning in the end of everything now and always.

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Meaning

Upwards

and then undulating waving lines and what attracts and what enjoys this... To enjoy what is outside and to enjoy what is inside. A glance to behind and nevertheless to what takes place in front. ... Searching God in 'God' is like searching meaning in the paper and the ink of words.



No striving

To strive always comes from outside. Here wanting to be there. ... From inside there is no striving but being. Here being already there and the other way round. Simple wisdom exceeds all knowing all knowledge and words of people who are full of themselves in what they do, have and even are. Simple wisdom knows no striving upwards nor downwards.

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Eyes of soul

With eyes of soul you see the same things as with eyes of purely-body. You see the same things but in another world as if in all things everything always is as if all things are open to you and you in the core of the core of all separate things always see yourself. ... You go towards things and you see in the centre yourself coming towards you as if you have always been there.



Your side

Big words without warm feelings may possibly seem important but they are worth nothing. Little words without warm feelings may possibly seem unimportant and they also are. ... Important is what has to do with much and these are never words or even underlying meanings but what lies so far behind that it returns from the other side.

Your side.



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With

You can invite meditation by entirely giving yourself to it. Not easy! ... Chopping wood. Getting water... Don't be mistaken! Without invitation: nothing. With invitation: everything. The deepest truth lies in the most ordinary things therefore: give yourself with the most ordinary things and not beside them.



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Outside God?

Searching God only within yourself is madness and even personal hubris. Ha! As if God would let himself be caught in something like that? As if you could exist outside yourself? ... Searching God only outside yourself is madness and even personal hubris. Ha! As if God would let himself be caught in something like that? As if you could exist outside Yourself?

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Not-doing

There is

going forward with legs and there is also going forward without legs. There is hearing with ears and there is also hearing without ears. Seeing smelling feeling thinking entirely being. ... Not in what you do lies life but in the living itself: in what you do the not-doing.



Highest wisdom

Highest wisdom is an experience to which partakes a total person. and not an idea about how something is or is not. It is a painting and not the 'explanation' of it. An 'explanation' is less than nothing, a mountain of stones and dust. ... Highest wisdom is warm and is standing in the kitchen and preparing dinner for this evening with a mind that is wider than a lot of expensive books.

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Emptiness. Susceptibility. Conception. Contents. Meaning. Deeper and deeper meaning. Always fuller always more vague and always more important. Always closer to what? Always more beautiful and always more alive. Always more love. ... Morning Star!



