

now that there's a time to stop. That night, I thought I'd never have another session, and that I'd have to get everything I could at once."

It was Craig who asked how Michael saw himself.

This entity perceives itself as a part of the greater whole that is the oneness. This entity also perceives all of its fragments making up the whole, much as you perceive the individual parts of the anatomic structure. We would have to, at this point in our own evolution, agree that there is a pervasive cosmic awareness that is certainly present at the Tao. It is extremely doubtful, however, that those lofty entities on the Buddhic plane really long for the personalities they left behind aeons ago. What is lost is not the perception of self—what is lost is the personality's perception of the apartness, the separateness which is an illusion of the Physical plane.

This entity does not perceive the apartness that you feel when you are communicating with others. You perceive it because you are caught in the artificial limitations of the solid, rigid, space-time continuation of the Physical plane.

Jessica herself was the one who asked about that. "You make it sound as if reality isn't very dependable."

The realities, of course, depend upon the perceiver. This session itself is a good example. Some in this room perceive us as real. Others do not. The same could be said of unidentified flying objects and other unexplained phenomena. Another concept of reality begins with the widespread agreement that a certain object is "real." We think that Bishop Berkeley had a few words on this subject. There is, of course, an ultimate reality that is absolute. This can only be glimpsed when the Logos is brought to bear. Physical things are very real on the Physical plane, and should be respected as such in order to avoid possible serious collisions with doors that are really and truly there. On the Astral plane, things are truly real on the Astral plane. In another frame of reference the same admonition holds true. We on this plane also perceive certain Causal phenomena as real, and there is agreement. We believe that holds true for the high planes. This same subject has been occupying philosophers happily now for many thousands of years. There is, oddly enough, always an opposing opinion that goes something like "accept that nothing is real." Does this suggest anything to you?

"But we're reasoning beings," Walter protested. "We need a rational world. If any of this is valid, what does that do to reason?"

Reason. Man has always endeavored through the creation of chaos, or of a chaotic system (they're one and the same), to create the illusion of complexity which exists on the Physical plane. This illusion of complexity, that which we choose to call false order, by its very chaotic nature creates order of a sort easily incorporated into the belief systems of those who are