The Trueness and the True Person

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What do we mean when we say something is true? Is it round, angular, or flat and wide? How can we define it? What is the basis for a definition of the word? This is the question. We say "true person" but what kind of person is a true person? A true person also has eyes, a nose, a mouth and a body.

Then, is trueness limited to some location or does it transcend location? It transcends. Why does it have to go over such limits? What does this mean? We can know that this must be something that can represent and measure everything.

Mathematics talks about formulas and geometry talks about axioms and definitions, but what are they? Is a formula something small?

The units of a formula are simple, but a formula should have an essential character against which everything can be evaluated. Only then will the standard of the formula or unit of measurement be established. You should know this. If something is off, it will not fit with this vast universe.

With measurement there are systems like the decimal system and the duodecimal system. Their units are small, but their forms fit everything. Otherwise, they would not work. The whole thing won't work. If they were to fit only some areas and not all, they would not work. All existence could not be perpetuated.

You should know this.

It is the same in the human world. Who is the true person? In life, there should be something like a scale or yardstick and one should give it power to expand to the world. It will expand so that everything can be balanced. We are led to say that human life, a person's course of life, needs such a public path. (133-9, 1984.7.1)

There are billions of people alive in the world today. How many ancestors who lived and died here on earth do these people alive today have? Have you ever thought about this? At least several hundred or several thousand times as many people as those currently living must have lived and died. Among them, how many true people would there have been of the sort humankind longs to see? That which is true is always true whether a thousand years ago or now.

When we say pure gold, we mean twenty-four karat gold. It does not change according to space or time. It does not change depending on its position. It does not change in any rapidly changing environment whether in the hands of a king or in the hands of a scoundrel. Thus, we call the color of gold a true color. People like the color of gold. What does light resemble? It resembles the color of gold. Bright light is close to the color of gold. Sunlight is also gold. Evening glow is even more so.

In a similar vein, the question is whether or not there is a true man among us who has a color that will not change for hundreds of millions of years. Is there such a true woman? What do you think?

The religious world sees human beings as fallen. Of course, there are religions with different backgrounds, but they are all looking for a new person of value through whom to receive salvation. What does this mean? It means that since they have not attained true original personhood, the true original human image, they are always seeking it. This is the same whether it is a thousand years ago, hundreds of thousands of years ago, or in the present day. Even in the future, people are bound to seek it in any environment or age where humanity exists.

You, also, are looking for that true person. You are looking for a true man and a true woman. All men and women who have lived in history are bound to stake their lives on this and think about it. This is why, when you live in a certain village, you want to be the best true person in that village. (177-99, 1988.5.17)