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Adi Da Samraj

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The life and teachings of Avatar Adi Da Samraj are of profound and decisive spiritual significance at this critical moment in history.

—Bryan Deschamp, senior adviser at the United Nations High Commission for Refugees

"The Supreme Secret of Spiritual Life"

Excerpted from *The Ancient Walk-About Way*
by the Divine Avataric Great Sage, Adi Da Samraj

What is Supremely Attractive in the conditional universe and in the human world is the God-Man. All beings, male and female, must become Distracted by That One. Divine Distraction is the Supreme Yoga. For this reason, the Divine Appears in conditional Form, in the likeness of those who are to be Drawn out of bondage—but only in their likeness. It is the Divine That Appears in that likeness, and it is the Divine That is made Visible through that likeness.

Those who become capable of heart-recognizing Me As That Supremely Attractive One also (thereby) become capable of heart-responding to Me (the Divine Avataric Self-Revelation of the Divine Being, Truth, and Reality)—and, by becoming My formal devotees, they become participants in the Walk-About Way of Adidam, Which I Offer to all beings. The Way of Adidam truly is the Way of Divine Grace, because It requires no effort at all. It requires nothing but My Divine Avataric Grace and the heart-response to My Divine Avataric Grace. Responding to Grace is not effortful—except for those who refuse to do it. To respond to Grace is easy—because it is easy to respond to That Which is Supremely Attractive.

The only-by-Me Revealed and Given Way of Adidam is as I have always Described it. The only-by-Me Revealed and Given Way of Adidam is the devotional and, in due course, Spiritual relationship to Me, the Divine Heart-Master. That relationship takes the form of a life of practice, a life of disciplines (including the discipline of meditation, or, as the case may be, "Perfect Contemplation")—all of which disciplines are true and useful, and all of which disciplines are necessary to Real religious and Spiritual life. But the Essence of all such disciplines is Divine Distraction.

Those who are Distracted by Me are Distracted by My Avatarically-Born bodily (human) Divine Form, My Avatarically Self-Transmitted Divine Spiritual Presence, and My Avatarically Self-Revealed Divine and Perfect State. Through the Real Process of devotional recognition-response to Me, they enter into heart-Communion with Me, the Avatarically Incarnate Divine Person. Worldly people want nothing to do with that Process—and, likewise, worldly religionists, scholars, pundits, and ego-possessed "guru"-figures want nothing to do with It. Nevertheless, the Supreme Secret of religious and Spiritual life is Distraction by the God-Man.

However, even though this Secret has been Communicated in many times and places, It has been understood and truly Realized by very few. Both men and women must be Distracted by the God-Man (or the Avataric Incarnation of the Divine Person). They must turn to That Which is Supremely Attractive, and they must love That One. By virtue of their surrender to the Divine Avataric Incarnation, people can truly love one another and others and this world. If they cannot or will not be Distracted by the God-Man, then they cannot get out of the purgatory that is this conditional realm. At best, they will practice the disciplines that are associated with the Way of Truth in a willful (or egoic) manner. At worst, they will simply become dissociated, and convince themselves that there is no Great Distraction, no Real (Acausal) God, no Truth, and then commit themselves to self-indulgence and to the conventional destiny.

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Be My devotee—that is all.

If you are My devotee, I will Reveal Myself to you Most Perfectly.

Live by My Instruction—and presume nothing.

Treat anything and everything that arises as conditional “experience” as if it were garbage—not contemptuously, but with the understanding that conditional “experience” is never the egoless (and “point-of-view”-less) State That Is Reality Itself.

—Adi Da Samraj
from “The Way of Zero
Bargaining”

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When you try to break through the ego’s dilemmas yourself, to discover the Truth yourself, you find that you cannot do any such thing—not to the degree of Most Perfect Divine Self-Realization. That discovery breaks the heart and makes it possible for you to be Distracted by What Is Beyond your egoic self, and to make right and true use of your relationship to Me, such that your relationship to Me becomes ecstatic.

My Function as the Divine Heart-Master is to Manifest My Divine Avataric Self-Revelation in present-time, in relationship to living beings. As the Divine Heart-Master, I Am Indefinable—not a “thing”, not a defined “subject”, not a ritual and cultic “object”. I Am Utterly Incomprehensible, beyond any possible definition. Thus, when you enter ecstatically into the heart-relationship to Me, you move completely beyond whatever limitations you (as ego-“I”) may tend to assume about Me (as an apparent human being). My Avatarically-Born bodily (human) Divine Form Is the by-Me-Avatarically-Self-Manifested Divine Means for your Distraction in Me—and the entire devotional and Spiritual Process in My Divine Avataric Company is just such Distraction.

Real Spiritual life is founded in Love-Communion with the Divine, and absolute dependence on Divine Grace. Love-Communion with Me is dependence on My Divine Avataric Grace. Love-Communion with Me is the Beholding of My Avatarically Self-Revealed Divinity in living terms—not just in “subjective”, mystical terms (as if you were sitting somewhere, removed from life), but in all the circumstances of your life. The Way of Divine Communion is the Way of the devotional and Spiritual relationship to Me (in and As My Avatarically-Born bodily human Divine Form and Person), not an endless excursion of wandering in your psyche.

To be My devotee is to surrender to Me, to live your dependence on Me, your love of Me, your Distraction by Me. If you are My devotee, Love-Communion with Me (in and As My Avatarically-Born Bodily Human Divine Form and Person) must always be established now and moment to moment. Only in that case can your practice in My Divine Avataric Company be true.

The entire purpose of everything that occurs between Me and My devotee is the establishment of this “in-Love” relationship. Without that relationship, there is no Spiritual practice. All My devotees must enjoy such Distraction, whether or not they ever come into My Divine Avataric physical human Company. All the conditions of your life and every moment of your life must be a form of service to Me, a form of heart-Communion with Me, a form of connection with Me—in and As My Avatarically-Born bodily (human) Divine Form and Person.

My true devotee becomes more and more Enchanted by My Divine Avataric Company. Whose Company are you in? You are in My Company. I am Personally in your company As That Which is Boundlessly Attractive. I Am all beings, all body-minds. I am not merely speaking a metaphor. What I am Describing is literally the Case—absolutely, literally, the Case. That Force of Being Which is Manifested as everything is That Which is Absolutely Attractive.

All My devotees are Drawn to Me by Means of My Divine Attractiveness. They become transformed by just That. In the only-by-Me Revealed and Given Way of Adidam, the Essence of your practice is your Attractedness to Me.

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Upcoming Courses from the Adidam Academy

The Ancient Walk-About Way Course #514

This course begins Tuesday, March 11 at 5:30 pm PST and meets for four consecutive weeks via interactive teleconferencing with online media support. Included are videos of Adi Da speaking and slides of Him granting His Silent Blessing. Cost is \$100.

A multi-media introduction to Adi Da Samraj and His Reality-Way of Adidam, The Ancient Walk-About Way course examines fundamentals of Adi Da's Teaching-Revelation and Offering to humankind:

- The simple sighting of the Realized Master that has always been the basis for a heart-responsive life of spiritual practice
- The devotional relationship to the Realizer
- The Reality-Way of Adidam—a life of devotion to Adi Da Samraj, based on His Revelation of Truth

The course also looks at:

- Adi Da's Criticism of "egoity" (or "point-of-view")
- The illusory life of seeking that is based on egoity
- The myth of "God" as Creator and its basis in the childish disposition of humankind
- The secular myths that deny the Divine Reality and their basis in the adolescent disposition of humankind

No prior familiarity with Adi Da's Life or Teaching is required.

Instructor for the course is Anthony Costabile, a formal devotee of Adi Da Samraj since 1975 who has personally received many hours of instruction from Adi Da on spiritual life and realization. Anthony now travels internationally, speaking about Adi Da and introducing Adi Da's Wisdom-Teaching to public audiences around the world. Anthony's recent writings include two booklets: *God-Myths, Secular Myths, and the Divine Reality*, and *The Call to Be Love*, both based on Adi Da's Teaching-Revelation.

Anthony comments: "My personal passion is to convey the unparalleled depth, breadth, and uniqueness of Adi Da's Teaching-Revelation in as clear and accessible a manner as possible."

Easy Death Course #513

This course begins Thursday, March 13 at 5:30 pm PST with James Alwood as instructor or Monday, April 7 at 5:00 pm PST with Steve Benson as instructor. Each section runs five consecutive weeks. Several modes and schedules including a self-paced format are available. Cost is \$150.

The text for the Easy Death course, the third edition of *Easy Death*, is a collection of remarkable talks, essays, and stories by which Avatar Adi Da draws the reader through a truly transformative process beyond fear and bewilderment about death and dying. Adi Da offers both the wisdom and the practical means for serving others in the death process and for participating rightly, and in the spirit of ecstatic surrender, in our own inevitable death.

The Easy Death course is highly interactive and participatory. No prior familiarity with Adi Da's Life or Teaching is required.

For registration information and more details about the Adidam Academy, please see www.adidamacademy.org.

Check it out! The Adidam Revelation online Magazine

Find podcasts, DVD segments and articles on new texts by Adi Da Samraj.

<http://global.adidam.org>

New from The Dawn Horse Press

"Human History Is One Great Tradition"

In this new discourse on DVD, Adi Da Samraj discusses how the various manifestations of Buddhism fit within the Great Tradition of human "religion" and Spirituality. His Schema of the seven stages of life provides a tool for understanding all traditions. Adi Da also describes the qualities of real Spiritual Transmission and closes with a discussion of belief-based myths and how "religious provincialism" can be transcended.

To purchase this and other new titles, contact the Seattle Adidam Reading Room or visit www.dawnhorsepress.com.

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Events in February/ March/April 2008

For the most current listing of events and Adidam study groups, please visit our Web site at www.adidam.org/Northwest/

Introductory Events in Seattle, WA & Vancouver, BC

The Incarnation of “The Bright”

You are not the mind! You are not the body! Discover the “Radical” Truth and live in Freedom now—A powerful introduction to the Divine Revelation and “Radical” Teachings of Adi Da Samraj. The evening includes examples of Adi Da’s remarkable Image-Art and video footage of Adi Da sitting with devotees and answering devotee’s questions.

Wednesday evening, March 19

7:30 – 9:30 pm

Adidam Reading Room

5600 11th Avenue NE

Seattle, WA 98105

\$10 at the door or preregister, pay only \$7
and get a free CD!

Call 206.527.0738 or e-mail
seattle.adidam@gmail.com

Tuesday evening, April 8

7:00-9:00 pm

The Lodge Seminar Room
entrance on 3851 Willow St.

Vancouver, BC Canada

\$10 at the door or preregister, pay only \$7
and get a free CD!

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Adidam Study Groups

Join us to explore the profound Reality-Way offered by Adi Da Samraj. Adidam study groups meet monthly. Each meeting focuses on a new DVD presentation, including segments of Adi Da speaking, devotees telling stories of their experience in their Master’s company, recitation and Sightings of Adi Da sitting in silence with devotees. A devotee facilitates each gathering. The first visit is free. Groups convene regularly in various locations throughout the Pacific Northwest. See below for the spring schedule.

Bothell, WA (new!)

Contact Gail Coopee 425.286.6015

Next meetings—Wednesday evenings, March 12
& April 9

Please call for time and location.

Olympia, WA

Contact Tom Stiles 206.963.9248

Next meetings—Tuesday evenings, February 26
& March 25

7:00 pm—Please call for location.

Portland, OR

Contact Barbara Lane 503.975.1112

Sundays—Please call for dates, times and location.

Seattle, WA

Contact Robert Hirsch 206.778.2236

Next meetings—Wednesday evenings, February 27,
March 26 & April 23

7:30 pm—Adidam Reading Room
5600 11th Ave NE, Seattle 98105

Vancouver, BC

Contact Cage 604.595.2843

cage@sixdegreesofgiving.com

Next meetings: Tuesday evenings, March 4 & April 1
7:00 pm—The Lodge Seminar Room
enter on 3851 Willow St.

Victoria, BC

Contact Karen Allen 250.884.1361

Next meetings – Wednesday evenings, March 12
& April 9

7:30 pm—Please call for location.