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To the Reader

Congratulations on being part of the team that is winning, the team that is currently expanding by thousands weekly all over the world! This is Scientology!

It is appropriate that we should this month feature Buddhism. Buddhism is Scientology's ancestor. Besides that, it bears other resemblances: it was begun and taught by one brilliant man, it had many thousands of adherents, and it experienced tremendous popularity and expansion.

As L. Ron Hubbard said on 28 February 1974:

"No great new movement in the world ever made headway in normal or prosperous times. They expanded only in times of civil unrest and declines."

You have a duty in these times of great success and expansion to make Scientology known and well thought of, and to get yourself up the Bridge to Clear and OT. Set your goal to go Clear and OT in 1974. Ensure your own personal expansion and success!!

We would like to express our apologies to readers and to L. Ron Hubbard for an error in Advance! 22. It was stated in that issue on page 1 that the cover photograph was by L. Ron Hubbard. The cover photo as published was a poor reproduction from an altered copy of a beautiful photo by Ron.

The Editor

IMPORTANT NOTE

In reading this magazine be certain you never go past a word or phrase you do not fully understand.

The only reason a person gives up a study or becomes confused or unable to learn is because he or she has gone past a word or phrase that was not understood.

If the material becomes confusing or you can't seem to grasp it, there will be a word *just earlier* that you have not understood. Don't go any further, but go back to *before* you got into trouble, find the misunderstood word and get it defined.

Any Scientology words which are not defined immediately in the text or in footnotes will be found in the "Definitions" on page 19.

Letters to the Editor

Letters from Advance! Mag readers are welcomed and as many as possible will be published in each issue. You can express your views on the articles and any other features of the Mag as well as on other subjects of interest to Advance! readers.

I just finished reading my latest issue of Advance! and, as usual, I read the "Letters to the Editor" last to hear others' views on the previous issues. It is a good feeling to know that you and your staff are being so highly validated (and rightly so!).

You have my validation and postulates for a continuous, successful, and "oh-so-enjoyable-to-read" mag.

Shelley King
Vancouver, B.C.
Canada

P.S. I'm here in Calgary, also starting an org, and as PES it has helped me re-establish my purpose. Thanks!

I read from cover to cover Edition 17 of your magazine. Needless to say . . . tremendous!

Will be seeing you folks for my Clearing Course soon.

W.H.R. Prigge
Johannesburg

I want to congratulate you for an exceptionally fine publication. I think that the professional artwork and writing will serve as an inspiration everywhere to improve Scientology promo to meet the standard set by Advance!

No sooner do I finish reading one issue than I await the next.

Bill Good
Freedom Associate Editor
US Guardian Office

Thank you for Advance!

Each issue is a study in excellence and manages, somehow, to surpass its immediate predecessor.

It is, for me, the most cogent and relevant (in terms of our attaining universal sanity) magazine on the planet. Your incisive articles on Zoroaster, the Vedic Hymns, etc. show us where we've been and your selections from the writings of Ron and OT experiences of various Scientologists indicate where we're going – Home!

Thank you again.

Toby Sacher
Editor
Celebrity Magazine

Thanks much for sending me Advance! The organised truth content of this publication is outstanding. Information in the articles really explains a lot of "things" people have problems with and helps them to see the Bridge more clearly.

Last year my son, Steven, complained of a ghost named Georgie that bugged him by scaring frequently. I recalled the procedure OTs use to handle disembodied beings indicated in Advance! 15. Through a via (I won't be OT until 1975) I contacted him and got some questions answered. At the end of the meeting I gave him some reality and this new "Scientologist" was born again on 9 April 1973.

W. M. Graham
California

Narconon New York is expanding at an incredible rate. We are, of course, in need of competent staff, preferably trained, and preferably OT – if not by cert, at least by production.

Narconon is a pioneer area on a power trend. For someone who likes large challenges, overwhelming odds and big games, it is ideal. Working at Narconon NY is somewhat like being on a ship: we're expanding so fast there is no room for mistakes, few second chances available.

Via the comm lines of Michael Partridge, Exec Dir, we are expanding into the very heart of this city. At present we have a program on Rikers Island in the prison, and a Narconon Club set up at Queens Community College, with another Club going to be started at Queensborough College. We will shortly be talking to Columbia University about putting in some sort of course in their regular curriculum and Queens College is also interested in that.

There's more, but those are the most definite things at present: the other plans and directions we seem to be traveling in are too incredible to mention until they actually happen.

Obviously to handle all this we need staff – people who can take responsibility for an area and make it go right come hell or high water. So if you could run excerpts of this letter in the next issue of Advance! it would certainly be appreciated.

Eric Reiner
Narconon, New York

It's a pleasure to print your letter, Eric. Interested readers please reply to Eric Reiner, c/o Office of Advance Mag, AOLA – The Ed.

Thank you so much for all your work you do to get this fantastic magazine produced.

Each time I get a new issue and read it I feel I am doing a little theta journey. Especially out here in the wog world I notice the same effect of the "theta-milestones" that the Advance! mags are.

This stuff is really worth reading. I am looking forward to being able to read more of it.

Ingrid Kopke
Scientology Center
Hamburg

I would like to validate your creations in Advance! Every issue seems to be better. After reading it it is easier to keep the flow going to my advance account at AOLA.

I really liked the editorial on the created crisis, also the Ingo Swann interview.

Here are two suggestions:

1. Re created crises and other crises: Can't the OT VIIs get together and use their combined intentions?

2. For Advance! mag: How about a center fold – a series of posters on Scientology personalities, pictures of places and things, i.e. AO, Fifield Manor, St. Hill, Sea Org ships etc. would be very popular. Best of all, however, would be a series of posters portraying "the bridge" section by section. How about it? Would others like a center fold for Advance!

Lloyd Grudeijohn
Washington

Advance! magazine is so exemplary of the Scientology community that it will one day be valuable as a collector's item of Scientology memorabilia.

Right now it is an OT comm line that makes more real to Scientologists their kinship to the marvelous nativeness of an OT. Also the fascinating articles by Ron and others gives me a clearer perspective of Scientology; past and present.

It makes me prouder to be a Scientologist when I see such excellence as Advance! Excelsior!

Frank Notaro
Los Angeles, Calif.

I wish to thank you and validate you and your staff for the great job you are doing with Advance!

It truly keeps the communication line in to AOLA. When I feel down I read it over and bounce up again.

Thank you.

Vi Imburgia
Dallas, Texas

Advance! is the most! Every time I read Advance! my goals of Clear and OT become more real.

All data offered in Advance! is refreshing and originally informative. Thanks for a job very well done.



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Greg Calder
Grosse Pointe, Michigan

I've just read Advance! 21 and enjoyed it very much. I feel you are providing a real education in philosophical background and creating a very beneficial familiarity among Scientologists with subjects that make us more conversant with interests of those in the academic maelstrom of the society around us. This really helps handle dissemination cycles – our newly interested people like Advance! mag very much and it shows them our direction and humanitarian objective in a very uplifting way.

Your efforts are gradually popularizing knowledge over materialism and this is practical in more than one way. By showing the value of knowledge, you are really helping the exchange of Scientology with the society.

I want you to know that Advance! mag is considerable aid to perception, and I look forward to every new issue. I read it and re-read it, and hand it around!

Bob Harvey
Church of Scientology
Las Vegas

Congratulations!

At last – para-Scientology and the years of waiting are fulfilled. It just had to come this, no, THE magazine. I would be delighted to pay a subscription and pay for all those missed ones, if you reprint Nos. 1 to 15 inclusive, because the burning question is "what did I miss, oh what?" and only one thing will satisfy and that is to read them and own them.

Four years ago I was asked "What is it like to exteriorize?" and I answered with the first two lines of the following:

As It Is

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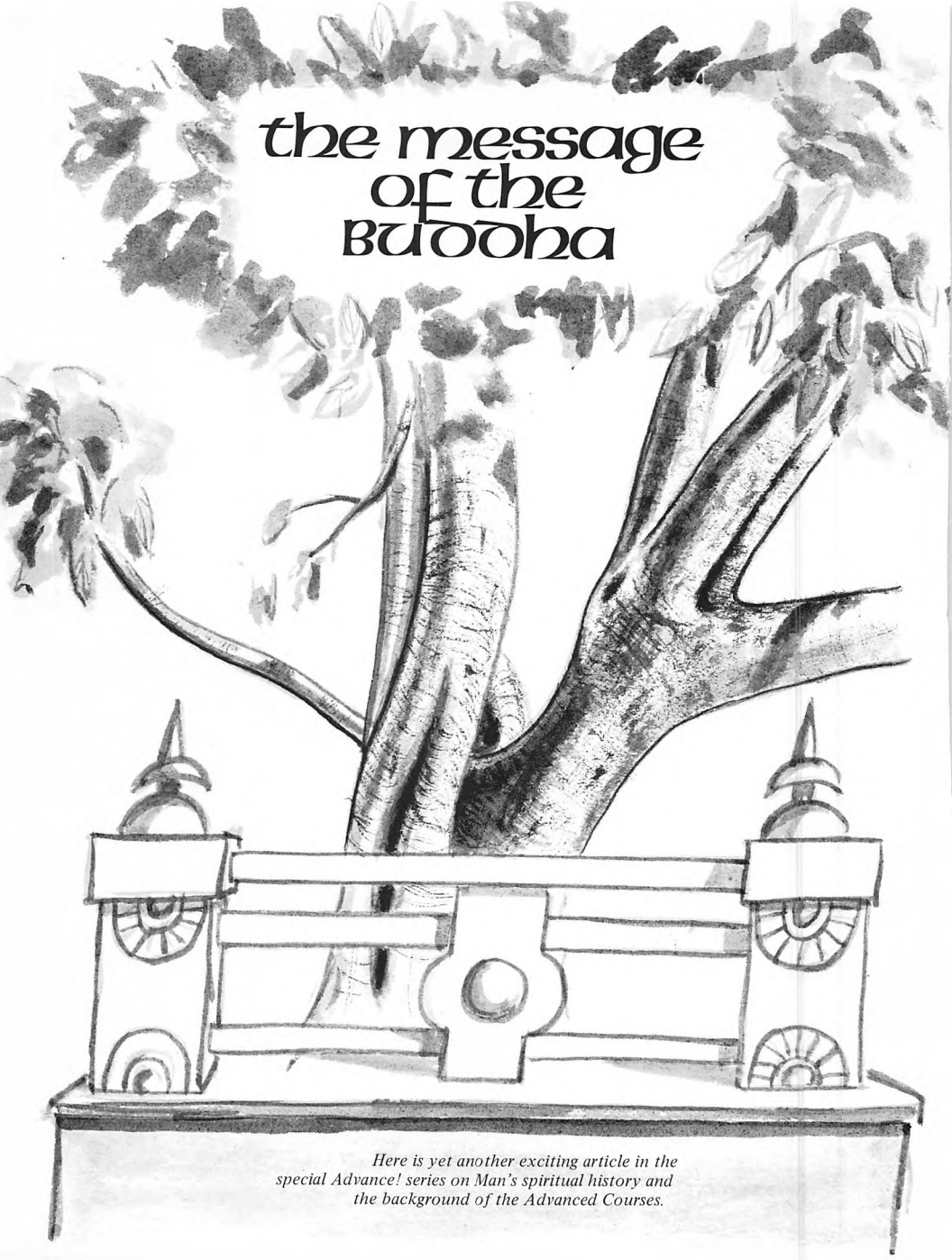
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the message of the Buddha



Here is yet another exciting article in the special Advance! series on Man's spiritual history and the background of the Advanced Courses.

Two and a half thousand years ago in Northeast India one of the great events in man's history occurred. An Indian nobleman named Siddhartha Gautama (or variant Siddhattha Gotama) of the Sakyas clan turned his back on his riches and possessions to seek the truth of man's condition.

The story of his life and the religion he founded marks one of the brightest chapters in man's spiritual history.

The founder of the world's first international religion, the only world religion which has never been disseminated by force, the work of Siddhartha Gautama subsequently civilized three-quarters of Asia and set the precedent for the later Christian message of love and even the western scientific tradition. Called the Light of Asia, he was also the light of the world.

Who was Siddhartha Gautama?

He is perhaps better known to you as Buddha or the Buddha.

During the Buddha's career he was once asked – "Are you a man, a god or a heavenly being?" To all these possibilities he answered negatively. "I am awakened" was the reply. He was Buddha. For the root *budh* denotes both to wake up and to know. Buddha then means the "Enlightened One", or the "Awakened One."

The word Buddhism of course means the religion or practice of the Buddha. He himself did not call his work by another name than *dharma*, the truth, or teaching or religion.

But what was the Buddha's full message? Has it survived intact after 2,500 years? How was it transmitted?

And in asking these questions we've just bought ourselves tickets to one of the major polemical[1] points in man's intellectual history. Literally hundreds of sects have arisen with *their* answer to the question, "What was the Buddha's *real* message?" Why, even only a hundred years after his death eighteen sects had appeared! So what was the real work of Gotama about?

We propose to answer this question in this article from a new vantage point. The real message of Tathagata (the Thus-Come, another term for Buddha) will live again in these pages and the culmination of his work will be revealed.

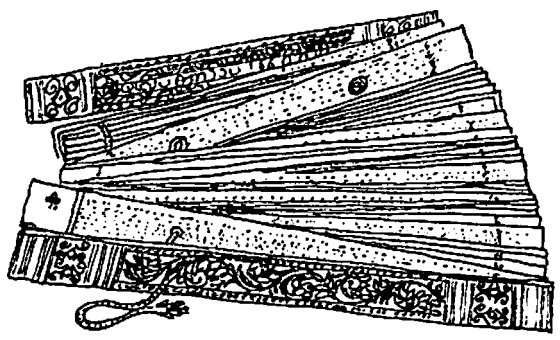
But first of all let us set the stage. Let us return to the year 483 B.C. when the Buddha left this earthly body and move forward.

First of all the dates of Buddha's life are conjectured. According to religious tradition he was born in 624 B.C. and died in 544 B.C., but the preferred date in Buddha-ology is 563 - 483 B.C.

So the year is plus or minus 483 B.C. His last words to his immediate disciples are said to be: "Decay is inherent in all compound things! Work out your salvation with diligence."

The First Council of his disciples is held immediately after the passing of the Buddha. The scriptures are agreed upon and recited by all present. Ananda the Buddha's chief disciple recited the doctrine, i.e. the words of the master, and Upali recited the Rules of the Order.

A hundred years later a Second Council is held where an unsuccessful



(left) The Bo Tree under which the Buddha attained enlightenment. An offspring of the original tree still stands in Buddhagaya, India. (above) Buddha's teachings were written down centuries after his death in the Pali Canons. This is one small part of the Canons, written on palm-leaf.

attempt is made to settle certain doctrinal and interpretational differences. Only a minority uphold the original teachings and rules. The majority secede and hold a rival council. This schism resulted in eighteen sects divergent in greater or lesser degree.

A Third Council is held during the reign of the famous Buddhist King Asoka at about 250 B.C. Tradition tells us this council has been held to "purify" the teaching and exclude certain fanciful theories that had been introduced by adherents improperly versed in the original tenets. A thousand monks can be seen and heard reciting the entire canon which takes about nine months.

About 250 years later *one* of the Buddhist sects holds its own council, the Fourth Council, to write down their version of the recited works in order to preserve them in face of increasing divergences. These were called the *Pali Canons* as the Pali language was their medium. The transcribing sect is called the *Theravada* (Way of the Elders). Later linguistic analysis will reveal the *Pali Canons* themselves were probably translations as Magadhi not Pali appears to have been the master's tongue, the tongue in which the oral scriptures were probably originally recited. (Both Pali and Magadhi derive from Sanskrit in a pre-classical form called Vedic.)

In due course a few other schools have developed their own records of what the Buddha said. But these have only been preserved in fragments and in Chinese and Tibetan translations. For unfortunately the catastrophe that helped end Buddhism in India also wiped out a large part of the written track of Buddhism. Only the Theravadans survived as their center was in Ceylon and other Southeast Asian countries.

What was the catastrophe? The Moslem invasion of India. From 700 to 1100 A.D. tens of thousands of Buddhist monks were slaughtered and the great Buddhist libraries and repositories of learning were burned. One huge library at the Buddhist University at Nalanda alone took nine months to burn!

So that shows you where the record stands of Buddha's original work. In a word, close disciples recited his disclosures and compiled them into oral scriptures. These were then passed through the filters of various editings and finally written down in final form some 400-500 years later in another language. In other words, the gap between Buddha's actual statement and the final rendition is about the length of time between 1974 and Shakespeare's time.

Balanced against this length of time and man's tendency to alter is the phenomenal mnemonic[2] skills of Indian pundits. (For example, two Sanskrit scholars once accurately recited before western observers the entire 24,000 stanzas of the Ramayana, the great Sanskrit epic poem, in 25 days!)

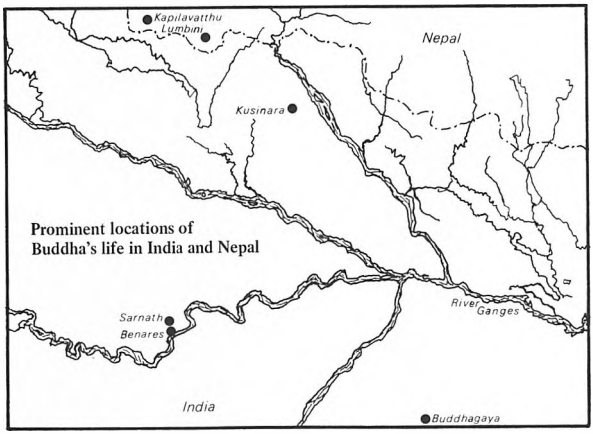
Buddha himself, although he left no known written record, was not unaware of the problem of succession and the preservation of the purity of his work.

In the book of the *Pali Canons* called "The Book of the Great Decease"

1. Polemical: of controversy or disagreements; of dispute.

2. Mnemonic: of or having to do with the memory.







(top) Lumbini, the birthplace of the Buddha. A map of the prominent locations of Buddha's life. (left) A rendering of a statue of the Buddha. The figures beneath the statue are of the five ascetics and a woman and child, believed to be Buddha's former wife and son.

which describes the last days of Buddha's life, he says:

"Therefore, O brethren, you to whom the truths I have perceived have been made known by me – having thoroughly made yourselves masters of them, practise them, meditate upon them, and spread them abroad; in order that pure religion may last long and be perpetuated . . ."

Further on in this same book the "Exalted One" as he is customarily referred to in the Canons states:

"It may be, Ananda, that in some of you the thought may arise, 'The word of the master is ended, we have no teacher more!' But it is not thus, Ananda, that you should regard it. The Truths and the Rules of the Order, which I have set forth and laid down for you all, let them after I am gone, be the Teacher to you."

So what *was* the message of the Buddha? Let's approach this from another angle.

Buddha had a fantastic grasp of scientific methodology[1]. For example he had:

1. A highly developed concept of cause and effect relationships and empirical laws;

2. A finely tuned use of inductive logic whereby phenomena are analyzed to isolate basic laws;

3. Emphasis upon personal investigation and integrity;

4. The discard of ideas or theories which did not fit observed facts.

In striking contrast to the all-star cast of western philosophers (Descartes, Spinoza, Hegel, Kant, etc.) Buddha operated on the doctrine that an idea was only as valuable as it worked, could be tested by others, found true and used to further the goal of human well being and emancipation. Buddha: "Do not go by what is handed down nor on the authority of your traditional teachings. When you know of yourselves: 'These teachings when followed out and put in practice lead to loss and suffering' – then reject them."

The Western world perhaps owes Buddha a previously unsuspected debt. When Marco Polo and other travelers, and later the Portuguese explorers opened up the trade routes and communication lines with the East, these

1. Methodology: the system of methods or procedures used in any field: the branch of logic concerned with the application of the principles of reasoning to scientific and philosophical inquiry.

Buddhist ideas undoubtedly filtered through and helped to shatter the dogmatism of the Middle Ages and assist the birth of Science in the West.

Thus, the first principle of Buddha's philosophy was that truth was only as valuable as it helped man. "I teach but one thing: suffering and the termination of suffering."

The second characteristic principle of Buddha's philosophy was the revolutionary doctrine that truth was open for anyone. "I have preached the truth without making any distinction between exoteric[2] and esoteric[3] doctrine; for in respect of the truths, Ananda, the Tathagata has no such thing as the closed fist of a teacher who keeps some things back."

Before Buddha, religion in India had been the monopoly of the Brahmin[4] class. Himself a member of the warrior or ruling class but finding himself in fact a Brahmin, he broke caste and opened up his religion to persons of any caste or creed. He accepted untouchables as well as nobles. He founded the first international, all-embracive religion.

So we are getting closer to Buddha's message. Let's look again.

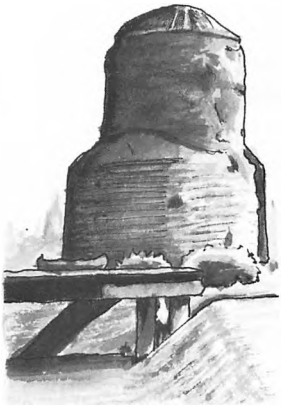
At the age of 29 amid the luxurious environment of an Indian nobleman's estate, the *Pali Canons* relate Buddha had a sudden realization which he described to his monks as follows:

"I, too, . . . have formerly, . . . myself subject to birth, searched for that which is subject to birth, subject to old age, illness, death, sorrow, defilement, looked exactly for that which is subject (to all that). Then . . . I realized: Why do I . . . who am subject (to all this), seek exactly that which is subject to (this)? Should I not, after recognizing misery in birth (etc.), search for the unborn, ageless, non-ill, deathless, griefless, undefiled, unexcelled, burden-free extinction? Soon thereafter, young (as I was), having shorn off my hair and beard (and) donned the yellow robes, against the wish of my weeping . . . parents, I went from home into homelessness."

After leaving home he first became a disciple of leading Brahmin teachers of his day but soon realized their teaching would not lead to liberation.

2. Exoteric: that can be understood by the general public; not belonging or restricted to an inner circle of disciples, scholars, etc.
3. Esoteric: Understood only by a select few; intended for an inner circle of disciples, scholars, etc.
4. Brahmin: member of the priestly caste in India.



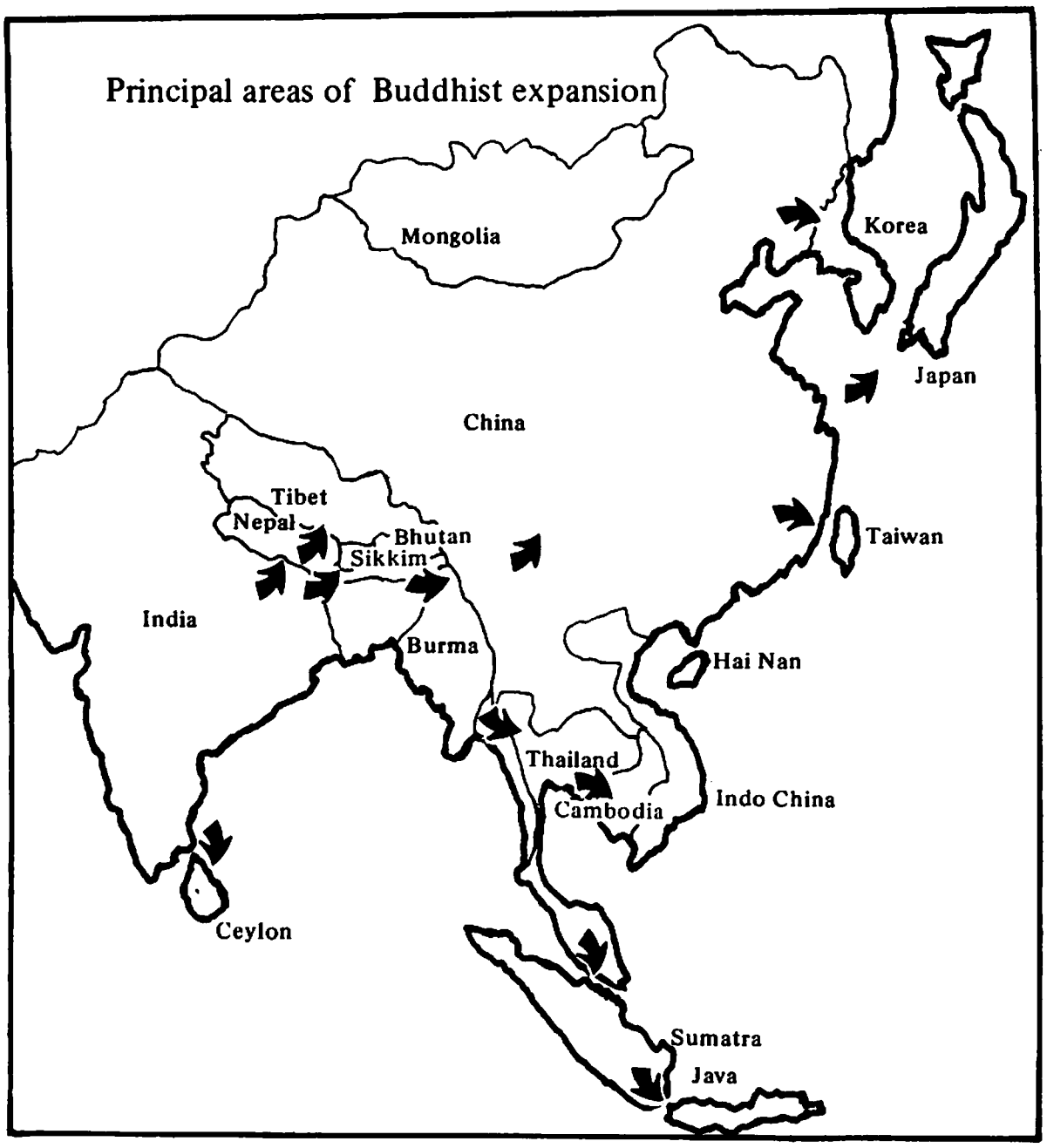


(above) The earliest Buddhist images were made near the end of the 1st century, hundreds of years after Buddha's death. Up until about the 1st century A.D., images of Buddha were not made; Buddhists believed physical objects could not capture the essence of the Buddha, who had passed beyond physical realm existence. (right) Asrnath near Benares, the place of the first sermon of the Buddha to the five ascetics.





(above) Buddha preaching. A wall painting from the 5th century AD. (right) Buddha's life in Epitome. Bengal, 10th century AD.



He then tried asceticism, and for six years outdid all other ascetics in physical mortification and deprivation. Eventually, however, he realized such masochism was not leading to liberation but rather it was an *enervating* exhibition. He then took nourishment much to the consternation of his five ascetic followers who felt he was selling out.

The Buddha-to-be then sat down under a fig tree and resolved to remain there until he had pierced the veil of truth and obtained enlightenment.

As the ancient scriptures say:

"Sitting under a poplar-fig tree, he began to meditate methodically, and with his spiritual eye pierced layer after layer of the nature of existence. He remembered his previous existences, saw through the law of rebirth as a consequence of deeds and realized: This is suffering, this is its origin, this is its termination and this is the way to its termination. He gained the insight: Unshakable is my liberation (from suffering); this is the last birth, there is (for me) no more re-existence."

At that moment the then 35 year old Siddhartha Gautama attained enlightenment (bodhi) and became a Buddha.

He then went to Benares to publicize the news of the way to liberation so others could benefit. In a Deer Park of Sarnath outside Benares he encountered the five ascetics and expounded to them the truth he had found.

He summarized his findings in the doctrines of the *Middle Way* and the *Four Noble Truths.*

To wit, neither asceticism nor overindulgence is salutary. The body is an instrument and as such should be maintained. Asceticism is a hindrance rather than an aid to spiritual enlightenment as it clouds the mind and causes preoccupation with the body. Sensuality or overindulgence shares the same faults. The correct way is the *Middle Path.*

He then went on to expound the *Four Noble Truths,* the stable data of any form of Buddhism. The *First Noble Truth* is as follows:

"This, monks, is the Noble Truth of Suffering: Birth is suffering, old age is suffering, illness is suffering, death is suffering; grief, lamentation, pain, affliction and despair are suffering; to be united with what is unloved, to be separated from what is loved is suffering; not to obtain what is longed for is suffering . . ."

Thus, life is suffering because it involves an endless chain of rebirths and the grasping of transitory phenomena.

The Buddha pulled no punches in describing the real condition of man.

"Out of the beginningless, monks, comes the wandering (of beings in the cycle of rebirths). No first point can be seen from which the beings, caught in ignorance, bound by craving, wander. What, monks, do you think is more: the water in the Four Great Oceans or the tears, which you have shed when wandering, lamenting and weeping while on this long way, because you received what you hated and did not receive what you loved?"

The *Second Noble Truth* declares why the being has gotten involved with the treadmill of rebirth and the kaleidoscope of the physical universe – which in this universe have been painful.

"This, monks, is the Noble Truth of the Origin of Suffering: it is craving that leads to rebirth, is pleasurable, connected with passion (and) takes delight here and there, namely: craving for lust, craving for becoming, craving for destruction."

On closer analysis we find that Buddha isolates the being's contact or involvement with the physical universe as the actual genesis of suffering.

More precisely stated in Scientology by L. Ron Hubbard we find: "The freedom of an individual depends upon that individual's freedom to alter his considerations of space, energy, time, and forms of life and his roles in it. If he cannot change his mind about these, he is then fixed and enslaved amidst barriers such as those of the physical universe, and barriers of his own creation."

The *Third Noble Truth* is the termination of suffering.

"This, monks, is the Noble Truth of the termination of suffering; the complete extinction, destruction, abandonment, rejection, leaving and casting off of this very craving."

The question of how this was to be done is answered in the *Fourth Noble Truth.* The end result was variously called freedom, liberation, deliverance, emancipation or enlightenment.

"This, monks, is the Noble Truth of the way to the termination of Suffering, namely:

(1) Right View
(2) Right Resolve
(3) Right Speech
(4) Right Conduct
(5) Right Livelihood
(6) Right Effort
(7) Right Awareness
(8) Right Meditation"

We will examine this list more closely.

Right View or knowledge is the knowledge of the Four Noble Truths.

Right Resolve or aspiration is aspiration toward liberation, benevolence and kindness. In Scientology we would say liberation was the First Dynamic[1] goal which was balanced by the Third Dynamic[2] outflow of love. In the *Pali Canons* Buddha says: "If with a well-disposed mind somebody shows loving-kindness towards one single being, he obtains happiness. He who with compassionate mind (shows loving-kindness) towards *all* beings, this noble person creates (for himself) abundant merit."

Right Speech – abstaining from lying, slander, abuse and idle talk.

Right Conduct – refraining from taking of life, from taking things not given and from debaucheries.

Right Livelihood – livelihoods which assist the welfare of man are good. Those such as trading in weapons, poisons and slaves are not conducive to liberation and should be avoided. (The point should be made here that Buddha regarded all moral precepts as a practical matter. Following them promoted one's progress to liberation; violating them deterred the matter. That criteria was the sole basis of Buddhist morality.)

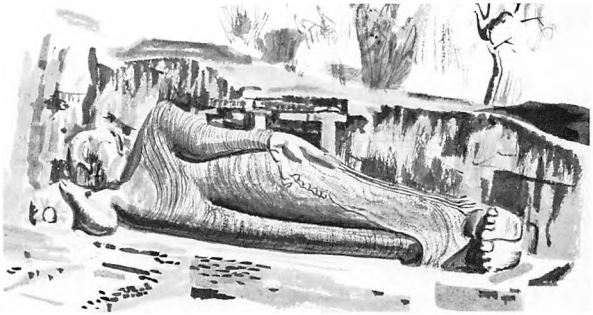
Right Effort – Buddha summarized this point as follows:

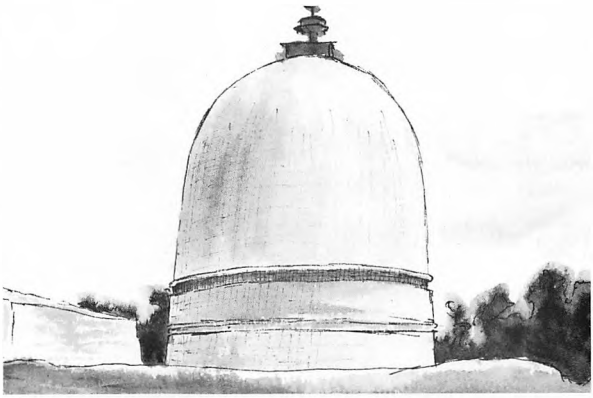
1. The struggle to prevent evil arising.
2. The struggle to put away evil states which have arisen.
3. The struggle to produce goodness not previously existing.
4. The struggle to increase goodness when it does arise.

Right Awareness – basically Buddha described this as becoming more aware of the condition, nature and origin of one's body, feelings, thoughts and ideas. He developed a series of drills to achieve this.

1. First Dynamic: the urge toward survival of self.
2. Third Dynamic: the urge toward survival through a group of individuals or as a group.

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(top) A great statue of the departed Buddha, Ceylon, 12th century AD.
(middle) Kusinara, the spot where, at the age of 80, the Buddha died. The dome-shaped building is called a stupa. Stupas are found in several locations in the area Buddha preached and traveled, and they were built to house the relics of Buddha.
(right) Image of Buddha from the 3rd century AD.

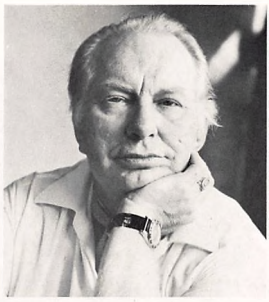


The Abyss

by L. Ron Hubbard

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The mystics spoke of the Abyss.
said that in trying to cross it, many fell into the darkness.
Without knowing it, they spoke of the
Goals Problem Mass.

The Buddhists spoke of Nirvana.
Without knowing it, they spoke of vanishing forever
into the GPM (Nirvana).
They had become completely overwhelmed, lacking
meters and a map.

We are Scientologists.
We won't fall into the abyss. And we won't join Nirvana.
We have meters and a map. We know the rules and the way.

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The way is strewn with the skeletons and skulls of those who
have tried over the past trillenia. The bottom of the abyss
is glutted with failures. Nirvana is choked with
the overwhelmed.

To say it is not a dangerous way would be false.

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or apathy to Nirvana.

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Success Beyond Man's Wildest Dreams

Since doing OT levels I have had some very interesting experiences of being able to read other people's pictures and increase in future knowingness of events.

One evening my husband Jack and I and another couple went to the movies. Jack was driving and just as he was about to park outside the movie house I told him not to park there as there would be a crash in that exact place, so we took the car around the corner and parked. As we strolled back to the movie house I was mentioning to my friends that it was funny how certain I was that there would be a crash there. At that moment a lorry roared up and crashed into a car which had taken the empty place. No-one was hurt but the cab of the lorry was smashed right into the front of the car and the damage to the car was considerable. That precognition or pre-knowledge certainly saved us a lot of money.

Then another time we went to a play on a Saturday afternoon. As we parked I saw a man walking along the pavement towards us. He was apparently just strolling along innocently. I saw quite clearly that he intended to break into one of the cars so told Jack to make sure he locked up and that we left nothing of value in the car, and told him why.

Later when we came out from the play the car ahead of ours had been broken into with a brick, the radio had been ripped out and other things in the car had been stolen. I waited with the owners for the police to arrive and was able to give them a description of the man.

When my 80-year old father was seriously ill in hospital I awoke suddenly out of a deep sleep and knew I must phone the hospital – I felt he was just about to leave his body. When I phoned the nurse stalled me and said that the doctors were with him and she would get one of them to come and speak to me. The doctor came to tell me that he had just died.

And these sort of experiences continue and they certainly make life interesting and a lot more predictable.

Alison Parkhouse
OT

I recall a time when I was about 5 years old. It was spring, the snow had melted and I was playing in a meadow. The ground was damp and spongey beneath my feet, the smell of plants growing was thick in the air. For an hour I watched a grasshopper going about his business. I recall the fascination I felt for the world around me.

With the completion of OT V, I again have that fascination. It's beautiful.

Lynn Martin
OT

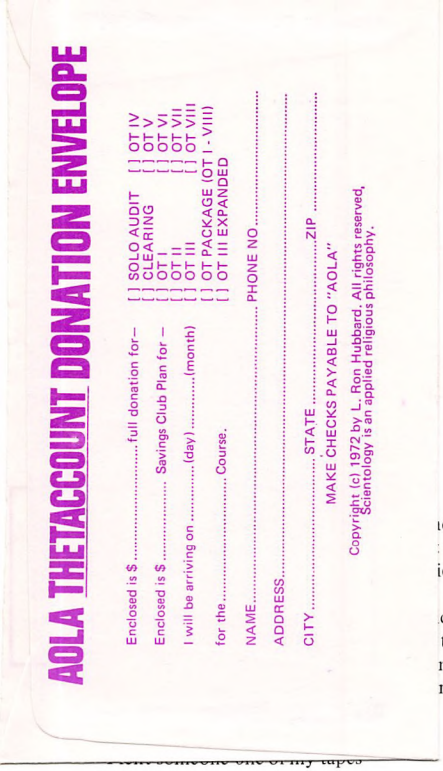
I called a taxi from the other side of the street without lifting a hand. He just looked over and shouted OK!

Tommy Mitchell
OT

Since my wife and I have completed OT IIIX, we play a game with each other called "tag." We place our bodies in a safe environment and then one of us will pick some place on the planet to hide. It's the other's job to find out where the hiding place is.

Last night I hid in a mummy in a buried pyramid in Egypt. It's no trick to find each other. Wanda's and my affinity level is high enough so we can spot each other quickly, regardless of mock-up. But the game is for Wanda to figure out where I am hiding.

Using her exterior perceptics she pieces together clues from



and he misplaced it. As soon as he told me about it I got the picture of the senior of the guy. I asked the senior and sure enough, he, the senior, found the tape on the floor in his car.

Practical to be a Θ^{n}!!!

Martin Eric Huber
OT

I "picked up" from a person I knew, who was located many miles away, that things weren't going right. So I wrote a letter laying a few things on the line. I didn't post the letter, as a day after writing it I got a phone call from the person. In the conversation all the points in the letter were mentioned, and apparently from that morning things started going right!

Hmmmmm!

Chris Burton
OT

ıen I was down the Grade
and used to look at the
ies of OT VI, I used to think
strange and that I'd feel
cal when I attained them.
that I'm there I can't imag-
nything more normal. The
rse is my playground.

Lynn Spurlock
OT

Since doing OT III I have had many wins in increasing my production, income, serenity at home etc., but OT phenomena was limited to telepathy-type of comm, knowingness to be at the right place at the right time etc.

After reading "Responsibility" in *Advanced Procedure and Axioms* the part about being responsible for anything done to anyone by anyone, anywhere, really amazed me. After reading that I began to notice what that would mean being responsible for! Especially all the comm lags and delays and stops all over the place.

After that I was driving on the freeway being stopped and delayed by the usual slow-flow, out-of-present-time drivers who make the left lane their permanent residence. I usually put out a shot of intention or get into their space and help them decide to get out of the way. Sometimes this works, sometimes it doesn't.

This time I followed Ron's advice in AP & A and took responsibility for the whole thing. Not only the drivers, but the whole line of cars, the game of having fast and slow people, and the whole agreement to have this kind of randomity, plus *and* minus, in the game.

Within seconds cars were moving out of my way like they couldn't do it fast enough. There was such a totally exterior control and cause point possible, I filled the entire space around.

I realized the important thing is the difference between self-determined intention and *pan*-determinism. The first is a push – with effort from a fixed point. The latter is effortless and wins *every* time.

Thanks to Ron for great tech and ready access at all times to the priceless data in his book.

Tom Pinch
OT

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Advanced Courses Information and Tips

In this issue you will learn about the way L. Ron Hubbard's Advanced Courses are run so that you can have more reality on them and be oriented – so that your journey to OT on Advanced Courses can be a faster and simpler one.

The Advanced Courses, Clear through OT VII are in two parts: theory study of the course, and practical application – the auditing itself.

The theory study part of the course is in checksheet form and goes into the basic session handling, ethics, etc. of the level, covering in depth the theory of the level. It includes starrates and clay demonstrations of the data for that level.

Your study on the Clearing Course includes the famous Clearing Course films which Ron gave in 1965 to a group on the special Clearing Course he gave in Southern Africa. In the films Ron covers the very important basic data about the Reactive Mind, all the data you need to know in order to handle it on the Clearing Course. At one point of the film Ron gives a demonstration of solo auditing on the Clearing Course. He took these films of himself solo auditing – a miraculous feat!

One must complete the theory checksheet to the satisfaction of the supervisor and pass requirements in the Qual Division before going on to the practical, auditing section of the level.

The auditing section of the levels are, many of them, in Ron's own handwriting!

You route onto the auditing section, receive your auditing materials and go to your quarters to solo audit.

On each level one is under the care of the top-trained Solo Case Supervisor. You report daily on your auditing hours and results of your sessions.

You get regular C/Sing, or C/Sing any time you feel you need case supervision.

The Solo Director of Processing oversees your daily progress, sees you turn in your report of hours daily, and is available to you for consultation.

When you complete your level of auditing you get C/S approval to attest, and attest to completion!

Some levels have as part of them auditing by another auditor. These include OT IV and OT VII. But these levels also have their solo audited sections.

If at any time one has a lot of difficulty with a level as a solo auditor, correction will be done to bring you back up to make you, once again, a standard solo auditor. This may be a short cramming cycle or it may in some cases include a Solo Brush-Up Course.

On Advanced Courses every action is taken only with the end in mind of a winning solo auditor, attaining the wins and states available from that level!

It has been said by many many students on Advanced Courses that the service is the best they've ever had anywhere, and the staff the most efficient!

You'll find Advanced Courses are a journey unique in their administration and phenomenal in their results!

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Book Review

Zen Flesh, Zen Bones
A Collection of Zen and
Pre-Zen Writings
Compiled by Paul Reps
Anchor Books, Doubleday & Co. Inc.
176 pp. Paperback.

Of the many books in print on Eastern religions, Mr. Reps' book is unique.

It doesn't tell you the author's view of Zen Buddhism. It doesn't proclaim to interpret Zen Buddhism. It lays out some very simple writings of Zen Buddhism. Thus it can be read and enjoyed as it is, leaving the reader to reach his own understanding of the subject.

I first encountered Mr. Reps' book some years ago while training at the Jodo Buddhist Mission in Honolulu (part of a long search which ended only when I discovered Scientology and the works of L. Ron Hubbard.)

At that time, my attention went at once to the pictures of the ten steps leading to enlightenment. Again, Mr. Reps doesn't waste words or add to the simplicity of the pictures, a specially enjoyable feature of this section of *Zen Flesh, Zen Bones.*

The first part of the book, 101 Zen Stories, contains humorous incidents in the lives of various Chinese and Japanese teachers, bound to tickle the humor of Advance! readers – like this one:

Calling Card

Keichu, the great Zen teacher of the Jeiji era, was the head of Tofuku, a cathedral in Kyoto. One day the governor of Kyoto called upon him for the first time.

His attendant presented the card of the governor, which read: Kitagaki, Governor of Kyoto.

"I have no business with such a fellow," said Keichu to his attendant. "Tell him to get out of here."

The attendant carried the card back with apologies. "That was my error," said the governor, and with a pencil he scratched out the words Governor of Kyoto. "Ask your teacher again."

"Oh, is that Kitagaki?" exclaimed the teacher when he saw the card. "I want to see that fellow."

The second part, "The Gateless Gate," is a collection of Koans, or problems given a student by the master which the student ponders until he attains enlightenment. Though a somewhat slow route to enlightenment, Advance! readers will enjoy these statements of universal dilemma!

The third section, "10 Bulls" (representing the 10 steps of enlightenment mentioned earlier) is a highlight of the book. The verse written beside the last picture, entitled "In the World" perhaps sums up this book:

Barefooted and naked of breast,
I mingle with the people of the world.
My clothes are ragged and dust-laden
and I am ever blissful.

I use no magic to extend my life.
Now, before me, the dead trees
become alive.
(Kakuan, 12th century author
of "10 Bulls")

Zen Bones, Zen Flesh gives an enjoyable view of Zen Buddhism, one of Man's many attempts to discover the truth of his existence. It is all the more enjoyable to Scientologists and Advance! readers in the knowledge that the truth *is* known and clearly laid out for all in the works of L. Ron Hubbard.

Contributed by J. Ron Loving

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Raleigh's Song

Ocean's transparent green bellows
Breathing, dynamos of planets –
He rides the blazing green thunder.
It rises, booming, rising, roars.

And now it is a rearing beast
Bursting the stables of planets
Flinging a ten-mile mane of spume.
He hurtles starward on the boom.

When his green craft careened and hung
Atop the cresting wave, the gulf
Below a green grave looming,
How then he arched against the curl –

And sprang into the mocking stars
And thrust upon his shining brow
The diadem of Orion
And nearly grasped the Pleiades.

Michael Baybak

A Rundown of Clear & OT

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Clear

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OT I

OT I is a new look at the physical universe and people — a look as a Clear! The magnitude of what you have achieved becomes real. You step into the world as a baby OT — a now-free individual "learning to walk" as an OT!

OT II

There are three classes of universes. There is the physical universe, the other fellow's universe and one's own universe. At OT II the universes of others are opened up, preparing one for the big step — OT III.

OT III

Seventy-five million years ago a great catastrophe occurred in this sector of the universe. Since that catastrophe this area has been a desert. Civilization has never recovered.

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OT III means the return of full self-determinism and freedom from overwhelm.

OT VII

At OT VII you will move into the realm of OT communication. You will develop your powers to project intention across a distance. OT VII gets you prepared to fully complete the last "Wall of Fire" on OT III Expanded!

OT III-X

You are now ready to take the steps to move fully and finally through the Wall of Fire. You will emerge a clean, free being ready to move onto the upper OT levels.

OT IV

OT IV has two sections. The first section is the OT IV Rundown done by a highly trained Class VIII auditor or above. The OT IV Rundown is auditing which polishes up all lower levels and sets you up for the higher OT levels.

The second section is a solo audited section which frees you forever from the influences of those things which originally caused you to be less than Clear and free and clean. On completion you have certainty of self and are an exterior being, ready to move into operation.

OT V

On OT V one views the physical universe while outside the body to become refamiliarized as a free being with the MEST universe.

OT VI

At this level one learns to exteriorize at will and operate freely outside one's body. One learns to influence the universe of others independently of one's body.

Full OT VII

At full OT VII the ability to project intention at a higher level is rehabilitated.

Above OT VI and VII lie yet unreleased levels. On July 30th 1973 Ron said, "There are perhaps 15 levels above OT VII fully developed but existing only in unissued note form, pending more people's full attainment of OT VI and VII."

The search is over. The answers are known in full. They are at your fingertips, as close as the AO and the Advanced Courses.

There is nothing more valuable than regaining your basic native abilities and going truly free.

Move up the levels of Release to Clear and step into the stars and beyond on the OT levels!

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1. Advance Schedule for Clear and OT by sending your postulated date for starting course to the Letter Registrar AOLA.

2. When you Advance Schedule, send in your donation for your Clearing and OT Courses. If you can't make full donation right now – which you should do to receive the 5% advance payment discount, then put a large donation down. Advance donation ensures you a place on the Advanced Courses and assists in the present expansion of AO facilities for your use.

3. Keep moving steadily up your levels of Release and through your courses. Steady progress means you will get to Clear and OT fastest.

There is no question that you want to go Clear and OT. Get there fastest by following these steps, starting right NOW.

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I'm Clear! I'm *me!* I'm free! I can be anything. It feels breezy – nothing there but me. My observations are really my own now. It's seeing the universe for the first time in present time. It really is a fresh and exciting world.

Kate Klettner

Shortly after beginning the theory portion of OT III I had two realizations.

First, it would be utterly unthinkable to never do OT III. As is the case with the upper levels, and especially III, one would never know what one was up against, let alone handling, until resolving this area. In other words, one would be constantly trapped without resolving OT III.

Secondly, I consider it an overt not to do III. Completing this level benefits many others and the environment in a very important way.

DO IT!

Bob Earle

OT IV means being anywhere I want to be is no longer any effort. No stops – no problems.

Cecil Ming

OT III is all about intention. I now have certainty that I can place an intention and watch it work. The feeling is of being very powerful, and indeed I am!

Donna Seyle

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The Message of Buddhism

(continued from page 9)

Right Meditation or rapture – the culminating step which led to delivrance. It was assisted by various mental concentration exercises developed by the Buddha.

As Buddha said "Here is the path to the end of suffering. Tread it." Those who did so with diligence and earnestness could expect to reach *bodhi* in one lifetime. In fact, Buddha stated it could be achieved anywhere from 7 days to 7 years.

Buddha had much else to say. His interests were catholic. He subjected every problem he encountered or brought to him to analysis and reduced it to simplicities.

Even on his own death bed we find him, according to the *Pali Canons*, dictating to Ananda the establishment of the future shrines of Buddhism and his own funeral arrangements.

But what *was* the Buddha's basic message? Is it true as claimed by most later Buddhist interpretations that he denied the soul or spiritual nature of man?

Of the nineteen major Buddhist sects in India before Year One, eighteen claimed Buddha said man had no soul, that life was a sort of stream of consciousness that passed itself on from one generation to the next, like a flame passing from one brand to another. The dissenting school, the "Person" School, upheld the doctrine of an individual spirit. In support of this they quoted various scriptural passages including the following where Buddha describes a part of his enlightenment experience:

"I remembered many previous existences, namely one birth, two . . ., three . . ., four . . ., five . . ., ten . . ., twenty . . ., fifty . . ., hundred births, etc. . . . There I was, had that name, belonged to that family, that was my caste, that my livelihood, I have experienced such happiness and sorrow, that was my end; deceased I came again into existence there: there I was, had that name . . ."

Somewhere along the line evidently the idea that you are a thetan[1] was edited out of Buddhism by cats who didn't appreciate the idea of spiritual freedom. If there is nothing there really to be free in the first place, it sort of unmocks the liberation game, doesn't it?

The Theradavan school of Southeast Asia holds that the phenomenal universe is real but finds no self or soul in it. This later went a step further, with the assertion that beingness and MEST are of the same order of reality: illusion. Here are some illustrative quotes from central works of Mahayana Buddhism which developed in the first millenium of our era:

"Like an illusion . . . are all beings . . . like a dream."

Buddhaghosa, the eminent 5th century (A.D.) commentator wrote:

"There is suffering but no sufferer, there is the deed, but no doer is there, extinction is, but none who is extinct, there is no walker, but the Way."

A further example of this thinkingness is the following quote from a major early Buddhist Mahayana text:

"As many beings . . . as there are . . . all these should be led by me to perfect extinction. And yet, although countless beings have thus been led to perfect extinction, no *being* whatsoever was led to extinction. And why? If . . . a Bodhisattva[2] holds the notion of 'being,' he cannot be called a Bhodisattva. And why? He is not to be called a Bodhisattva who holds the notion of 'Self' or the notion 'being' or the notion 'Soul' or the notion 'person'."

So if there is this much controversy and heavy rhetoric on such an important point and if the weight of Buddhist *interpretation* is away from the primacy of theta[3] it's time to get down to brass tacks and find out what the Buddha really said!

The dust of 2,500 years of interpretation, alteration and opinion needs to be brushed away. There's gold there!

For the answer to our repeated question–what *was* the aim of Siddhartha Gautama–we turn to the words of the world famous philosopher, the Founder of Scientology, L. Ron Hubbard:

"Actually, Siddhartha Gautama in 523 BC was exteriorizing[4] people and he was banging them out of their heads left and right and he was making a state called Bodhi from which you get the word Buddha.

In Scientology we can make a Buddha in 30 seconds. Anybody who exteriorizes is a Buddha.

Our technology on this is better, which is quite startling in itself.

The trouble he had with his work was how to stably exteriorize, or continue somebody in an exterior condition. He did not know how to do this.

He in actual fact went to Tibet and worked in Tibet and developed what is called Llamaism, a further extension of Buddhism, in an effort to produce a methodology to reach the basis of the mind and permit an individual to be spiritually free. Now that work too was relatively unsuccessful. We were more successful in that in 1952 in Scientology. We could more easily and swiftly exteriorize an individual and show him that he was a human spirit than had been done.

When a person doesn't make it and can't get out of his head, he talks about benign conduct. He isn't able in actual fact to attain Bodhi which is exteriorization, so he re-defines the word Bodhi as something or somebody who is calm and benign and serene.

I'm not now talking out of a knowledge of the current text of Buddhism. I'm telling you the hot dope.

Now, Buddha was interested in curing the death-birth cycle. Why did you keep having to come back and pick up a body? What was this all about? He was trying to knock that out. Some other people added the idea of Nirvana – you became nothing and so forth, afterwards.

The aim and goal of Buddhism was just to knock off the thing about having to pick up another body, and another identity all the time and mess it up.

It didn't have the aim and goal that a fellow ought to be able to operate. To that degree we have enormously exceeded any limits ever put in this direction before.

The work of Gautama Siddhartha, although looked upon as ethereal, produced a sufficiency of wisdom on this planet to bring civilization to three-quarters of Asia. Buddhism is the oldest and most numerous religion on this planet at this moment. It is very numerous and it predates Christianity by 500 years. Probably the shreds of Buddhism, coming into the Middle East with the silk and spice merchants who after the

1. Thetan: the person himself – not his body, mind or any thing else; that which is aware of being aware; the identity that IS the individual.

2. Bodhisattva: in Mahayana Buddhism 'one whose essence (sattva) is perfected wisdom (bodhi),' a being who, having brought himself to the brink of Nirvana, voluntarily renounces his prize that he may return to the world to make it accessible to others.

3. Theta: energy peculiar to life or a thetan which acts upon material in the physical universe and animates it, mobilizes it and changes it.

4. Exteriorize: to leave the body or come to leave the body.

contact of Alexander in about 333 BC found out there was a Europe. These spice merchants and silk merchants of India and China followed on back on the trail of his retreating conquest and made a trade contact with Europe. And from there on supplied Europe with spices and silks and so on on an overland route.

Well along with them undoubtedly came Buddhism. It sparked a religious revival and a considerable amount of messianic activity in the Middle East. Now regardless of any truths or prophesies or prophets or anything like that that happened as independent endeavors, this nevertheless was sparked off by Buddhism.

It has very many peculiar facets. Buddha never pretended to be other than just a man. Anyone, of any race, color or creed could be a member of the Buddhist Church. It was not limited to one caste or class or race or nationality. It was the first international religious movement. And it has carried forward but it has moved actually in its technology not one inch further than it was pushed in Tibet.

Now human beings do not stay exterior. You can get it straight to them that they are a spiritual being and that in essence is the essence of religion. Man *is* a spiritual being. Where he came from and so forth are questions developed in religion.

But the spirituality of man is the basis of religion and is the one thing that all religions have in common. They have different creators, different gods, different altars of worship, but in one thing they hold a common truth and that is that man is a spiritual being. Only in Buddhism was this ever proven.

What is interesting about this is that any such forward push runs into the fellows who are sufficiently suppressive to not want anybody free. They are men who are essentially afraid. They are afraid if you got better you'd be able to knock them off."

Now let's look at the *Pali Canons* from this fresh viewpoint of the real aim and goal of Buddha's work.

Many people don't realize that in the *Pali Canons* the word *deliverance* is often used by Buddha to describe the end product of his path. He talks about the *extinction* (nirvana means extinction) of *suffering* and *craving*. He viewed "deliverance" or "bodhi" as a four or eight tiered phenomena which involved positive mental or spiritual abilities, not extinction.

This deliverance experience has the following characteristics:

1. bliss or rapture,
2. detachment
3. separation from the mind and the physical universe.

Now according to the careful codification of exteriorization phenomena in the very excellent book *Out-of-the-Body Experiences* by Celia Green, these characteristics are indeed attributes of such experiences.

Also we find the assumption in the oldest Buddhist literature that enlightenment was a sudden thing. This is also a characteristic of the out-of-the-body (ecsomatic) experiences. As Celia Green states: "the absence of a transitional stage is characteristic of the termination of the . . . ecsomatic state as well as of its initiation. The subject usually says either that there was 'no transition' or else that the transition was 'very rapid' or 'like the flick of a switch.' "

Perhaps the most convincing evidence that Buddha was indeed concerned with exteriorization is the method by which liberation was to be achieved. It is often stated in Buddhist literature early or late that concentration, blankness of mind and relaxation are conducive to the higher experiences sought. In fact the exercises in the last step of Buddha's eight-fold path *are* concentration exercises.

Compare this to Celia Green's findings. "Subjects who induce ecsomatic experiences voluntarily typically practise physical relaxation and mental concentration . . . Several subjects who have had a number of ecsomatic experiences stress the importance of an unconflicted emotional state or a 'blank mind' as a prerequisite of their occurence."

The goal and aim of Buddha was the emancipation of the spirit from base matter and the compulsive cycle of rebirth!

THE FUTURE

Twenty-five hundred years ago, Buddhism was a vital and monumental leap forward in man's spiritual evolution on this planet.

Siddhartha Gautama not only originated a movement that civilized three-quarters of Asia but he also set a precedent for the hitherto greatest achievement of the West: scientific methodology and results.

Now today, some 2,500 years later, the hope for enlightenment and liberation that the Buddha first envisioned has been fully realized.

From the ashes of a dying world, from a world sinking into the death trap of materialism, L. Ron Hubbard has arisen to again confirm the goals of Buddha and develop as well a technology to lead Man toward even higher states.

As the Source and Founder of Scientology says:

"For thousands of years men have sought the state of complete spiritual freedom from the endless cycle of birth and death and have sought personal immortality containing full awareness, memory and ability as a spirit, independent of the flesh.

The dream of this in Buddha's time was called "Bodhi."

But due to the unknown presence of the reactive mind and its effect upon the spirit as well as the body, such periods of freedom were difficult to attain and were, as we have found, temporary.

Further, few could attain even this temporary state and those who did acquired it at the cost of decades of self-denial and personal discipline.

In Scientology this state has been attained. It has been achieved not on a temporary basis, subject to relapse, but on a stable plane of full awareness and ability, unqualified by accident or deterioration. And not limited to a few.

By eradicating the reactive mind we not only achieve in the state of Clear an erasure of the seeming evil in Man, who is basically good, we have overcome the barriers which made it so difficult to attain total spiritual independence and serenity.

We call this state "Operating Thetan." To *operate* something is to be able to handle it. *Thetan* is from the Greek letter "theta" the traditional philosopher's symbol (from the letter in the Greek alphabet "theta" Θ) of thought, spirit or life. Thus it means a being who as a spirit alone can handle things.

The definition of the state of Operating Thetan is "knowing and willing cause over Life, Thought, Matter, Energy, Space and Time."

As Man is basically good, despite his evil reactions to his reactive mind, a being who is Clear becomes willing to trust himself with such abilities. And in any case none can have more power than they can control.

In Scientology a Clear can walk his way to Operating Thetan, not in the decades demanded even by a temporary state in past ages, but within months

or at most a year or so. And when he attains the state he is no longer subject to sudden and inexplicable collapses as occurred 2,500 years ago. One is able to attain and retain the desirable condition.

Not the least of the qualities of OT is personal and knowing immortality and freedom from the cycle of birth and death.

The concept is rather vast for immediate grasp but chiefly because one has hoped and had his hope for this turned to despair and his despair turned to a total apathy concerning it too often down the ages to do more than extend a tremulous wonder.

But the way is true and plainly marked and all one needs to do is to place his feet upon the first rung of the ladder of Dianetics, ascend by Scientology to Clear and then walk upward to and far beyond the stars.

It is quite impossible to overstate the importance of such news. 2,500 years ago a statement similar to this and almost impossible to attain brought civilization to three-quarters of Asia.

Yet day by day, Clears enrolled on the "OT Course" are walking that ladder and have already begun to reach the stars.

It is quite true. And quite attainable on the well-marked road of modern Scientology."[1]

Siddhartha Gautama would not find the development of Scientology strange. He *predicted* that 2,500 years later in the West the job he started would be completed. The legend elaborates that a golden-haired Westerner would appear to rejuvenate Buddha's work and lead all beings to emancipation. In Buddhist literature he was called Metteyya (from The Pali word "metta," love).

In 1966 L. Ron Hubbard announced in a Saint Hill Special Briefing Course lecture that this is the *Age of Love.*

Guns may still rattle, violence may still convulse streets, the dying Age of Hate may still twitch balefully on battlefronts, *but we are going up while the world is going down.*

The prophecy of Metteyya is too true to be turned aside. L. Ron Hubbard has fulfilled it. And with every year of earth time millions more beings on this planet hear his message and turn upwards with us to total Freedom and Power.

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Have Any Difficulties?
They can be handled

With the upper levels of Scientology you are handling "that what makes a thetan tick!" At times a few pre-OTs may have difficulties on course or later after course. This is due to the nature of the materials being handled and is one of the reasons it's so important to keep moving up the line rapidly.

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I had done quite a bit of auditing on OT III and everything was going very well. Then things seemed to start bogging down a little. The C/S ordered the Expanded Drug Rundown. That really seemed correct. After the Expanded Drug Rundown my sessions were like a hot knife going through soft butter. It was just shortly then that I experienced a neat phenomena. The session was very fast and I had laid my pen down to operate the meter. Immediately I needed the pen to write, and damn if it didn't jump off the table right into my hand.

John Fisher

I find the Clearing Course checksheet drills excellent – a great improvement on 1968. I'm sure it puts people speedily on the way with great reality. I have finally completed the Clearing Course after a five year comm lag. This time I knew what I was doing and what happened. I ended up wiser and clearer and complete to my own satisfaction. Quite an eye-opener.

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THETA THETA – SEE YOU LATER
(Anonymous)

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I think I remember this moorland,
The tower on the tip of the tor.
I feel in the distance another existence;
I think I have been here before.

And I think you were sitting beside me
In a fold in the face of the fell.
For time in its work'll go round in a circle
And what is befalling befell.

"I have been here before," I asserted
In a nook near the neck of the Nile.
I once in a crisis was punished by Isis,
And you smiled – I remember your smile.

I had the same sense of persistence
On the site of the seat of the Sioux;
I heard from the teepee the sound of a sleepy
Pleistocene grunt – it was you.

Time made a promise before it
Began to begin to be gone.
This limited gamut brings *you* again, damn it!
How long has *this* got to go on?

Definitions

ADVANCED COURSES: The most advanced levels of Scientology processing, starting from Clear and moving up the OT Levels, on which one attains abilities which are god-like and god-given.
AUDITING: The application by a Scientology Minister or Dianetic pastoral counsellor of Scientology procedures to someone for that person's spiritual betterment.
AUDITOR: A listener or one who listens carefully to what people have to say. A Scientology Minister trained and qualified in applying Scientology processes to others for their betterment. An Ordained Minister of the Church of Scientology.
CERT: Abbreviation for certificate.
CASE SUPERVISOR (C/S): A highly trained Scientology specialist who supervises auditing in a Scientology Church.
CHECKSHEET: A form which sets out the exact sequence of items to be studied or done by a student, in order, item by item, on a course.
CLASS: Classification. An award earned by an auditor that entitles him to audit certain levels of processes, and that shows that he has attained the ability and skill to do so by actual test.
CLEAR: A being who can be cause, knowingly and at will, over mental matter, energy, space and time as regards the First Dynamic (survival for self).
COMM: Abbreviation for communication.
DIANETICS: From the Greek words DIA (through) and NOUS (soul). Pastoral counseling.
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LEVELS OF RELEASE: See Release.
MEST:The physical universe. A word coined from the initial letters of Matter, Energy, Space and Time.
MISSION: The act of setting out and accomplishing a specific task.
OPERATING THETAN (OT): A Clear who has been familiarized with his environment to a point of total cause over matter, energy, space, time, thought and life, and who is not in a body.
ORG: An abbreviation for Organization.
OVERT ACT (Overt): A harmful or contra-survival act.
PAN DETERMINISM: Broad determinism. The action of determining not only one's own actions, but the actions of others as well, especially to determine the activities of two or more sides of a game simultaneously.
PES: Abbreviation for Public Executive Secretary, the executive in a Scientology organization responsible for public dissemination.
POSTULATE: To conclude, decide or resolve a problem or set a pattern for the future or to nullify a pattern of the past.
R6EW: Routine 6 End Words; the process used in solo auditing to release oneself and thus become a Grade VI – Whole Track – Release.
REACTIVE MIND: That portion of a person's mind which works on a stimulus-response basis (given a certain stimulus, it gives a certain response) which is not under his volitional control and which exerts force and power of command over his awareness, purposes, thoughts, body and actions.
RELEASE: A person whose Reactive Mind is not influencing him. There are eight grades of release.
SEA ORG: A fraternal organization existing within the formalized structure of the Churches of Scientology. It consists of highly dedicated Scientologists.
SELF DETERMINISM: The ability to regulate and take responsibility for one's own considerations. Motivation by the thetan rather than by the environment.
SESSION: A period of time in which auditing is occurring between a pc or Pre-OT and auditor.
SCIENTOLOGY: An applied religious philosophy, dealing with the study of knowledge, which through the application of its technology, can bring about desirable changes in the conditions of life.
SOLO AUDITING: The auditing technique which one is trained to use, where one is both auditor and pc, in auditing Advanced Levels.
THETA: Energy peculiar to life or a thetan which acts upon material in the physical universe and animates it, mobilizes it and changes it.
THETAN: The person himself – not his body or name; the spirit which IS the individual (From Theta Θ, the Greek symbol for "thought" or perhaps "spirit.")
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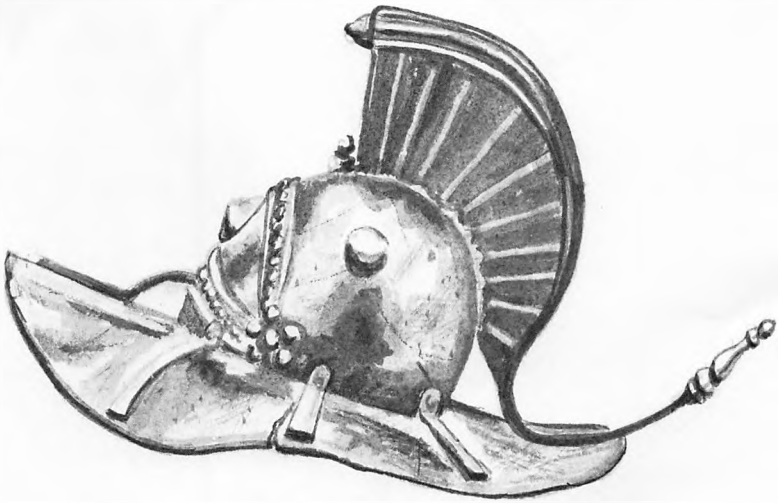
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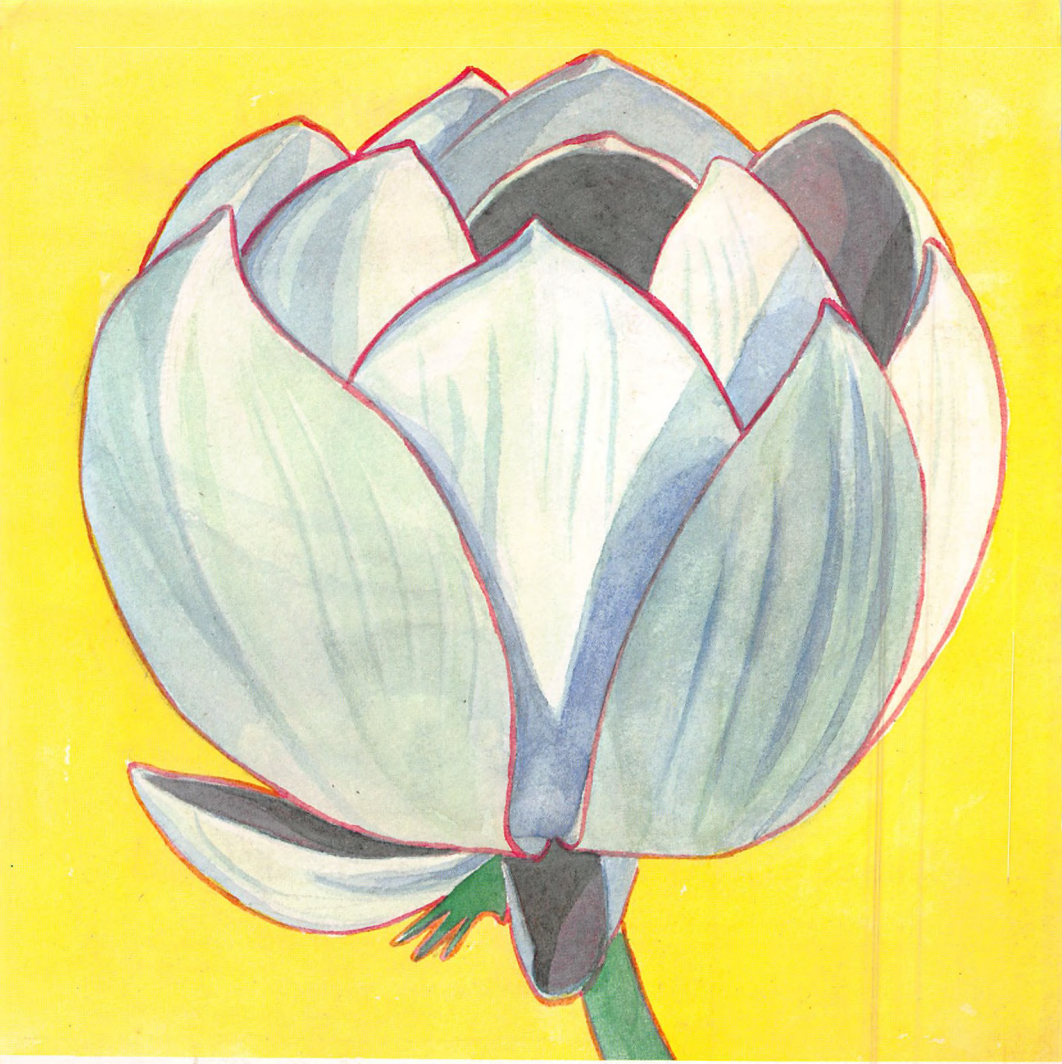
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