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## NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN

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May I ask you to forgive me for beginning with such an obvious cliche! However, even cliches have one of their many feet rooted in truth, and surely it is a fact that there is nothing new under the sun. Does the outer world of today show us any new thing? Are not all new artifacts and projects simply adaptations and extensions of that which was previously existing?

Electronic storage units of the Computer Age faithfully store information, later to act upon it without deviation, over and over again. Wonderful, and how ingenious of man to mechanize a situ-

ation which DNA of the protein molecule had been taught to do when life organized itself from amongst the Creators "building blocks"!

Likewise the Astronauts, or the work team behind them, who have discovered that they can shift from one orbit to another, through understanding and applying certain laws. How many 'excited electrons' in how many suns throughout the galaxies have gone through this maneuver, I wonder? I do not need to cite examples of a similar nature, because we can all recognize them.

The analogies may seem far-fetched, or a little too sweeping? Well, that does not matter either, for I am not writing a thesis on physics or chemistry--I am only recognizing the fact that when man discovers and abides by the laws inherent in his (outer) environment, he finds himself able to achieve with varying degrees of difficulty, that which other sections of manifest creation have always achieved with perfect ease. So much for the outer world; now to the inner world - and as we might expect, the situation is exactly the same!

There are laws governing man's inner world, and he either discovers them, abides by them, and achieves that which is termed 'bliss' - or he does not abide by them and achieves very little of lasting value. This brings me back to the cliche - for what can anybody say that is "new" about the path-back-home? Everything that man needs to know about the laws of that journey, has been told to him, not once, but thousands of

times in every age and in every language. There is no new way especially invented for the twentieth century and the New Age that many of us talk about. It is not new, - it is not even a new approach. It is the one, - the old one, and the only way.

Everything conspires to draw our wandering attention back to the fact that these very simple spiritual laws, which have been explained and reexplained for so pathetically long a time, must eventually be 'individually' discovered and individually applied.

I sat with a blank sheet of paper in front of me wondering 'what can I say' - what is there to say about this? — or about any other matter? It would seem to me that there should be no need for any of us to continue saying these things, because at heart we all know what is required of us already. So the interesting question is, what is this process which we all find ourselves caught up within? — where everybody says or writes the same truth, only in slightly different words maybe, and the listeners say "Yes, yes we agree with you."

Perhaps I have an odd sort of mind, but somehow I think it is amusing! Almost as though the needle got stuck in the same groove! How about all of us giving 'a cosmic heave' -(individually and in unison), for I would rather like to get on to the next bit of this world's orchestral concert! Wouldn't you?"

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