

Eternity Game:Eternity



The Eternity Game



The Great Meditations

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ETERNITY

Eternity seems to be the opposite of time, and both seem to exclude each other. But in reality each contains the other in itself as God and man. The emphasis on the one or on the other depends on different levels of awareness, which also seem mutually exclusive, but which in reality complement each other. Each one without the other would be a desert: being would be without development if there was no time, and becoming would have no meaning without eternity. They justify each other and this

justification

which eternity brings us ad which is its way justifies even the apparent evils in time.

Time shows us the sorrows, the growing pains, the cruelty, the slowness of the becoming process with its recurrent heart-rending separations from all we love. But all, even that in man which is late or untimely or low or brutal or out of place, stands justified *sub specie aeternitatis*. No hate, no ugliness, no weakness can travel through endless time without in the

end being transformed into an even greater love or beauty or strength. All the force and beauty and goodness which you may discover in eternity or in time around you have been forged and hammered and formed by time.

Eternity establishes us in the house of

immortality

not somewhere at the end of time (there is no end to time) but right in our time there is an immortality of our past, an immortality of now, and an immortality of the future.

As eternity is not only an endless time, a time without end, but also a timeless now, an instant that contains all of time, it presents us with the

simultaneity

of all events, past, present and future. Simultaneity – coincidence of all opposites in space and in the now – a golden web of reality which connects not only causes and effects, as time perspective does, but everything with everything else. The fiat of eternity binds into a single instant the first appearance of the first atom and the last sigh of the last galaxy, incalculable megalight years of electromagnetic power and beauty singing to themselves, in an ever-present ecstasy of joy, a single Te Deum. Thus all takes place right now. Everything is not only situated in time but also in eternity, in the now and the forever, and what is here is also there, *per saecula saeculorum*.

“What is God after all? An eternal child playing an eternal game in an eternal garden.”^[1]

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1. *Essays in Philosophy and Yoga*, p.202, “Thoughts and Glimpses”

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