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"What would be the text's 'Golden Rule'—a guiding principle to navigate the existential dread and nihilistic tendencies it describes?

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Answer:

The Experience of Despair

Despair is a state in which a person feels a sense of hopelessness and loss of self. It can lead to a disconnection from reality and a struggle to find meaning in life. Those in despair may try to imitate others and engage in worldly pursuits, but they still feel a deep sense of emptiness. They may even contemplate death as a way to escape their despair.

Living in Despair

Despite being in a state of despair, individuals can still continue to live their lives in the temporal world. They may be praised, honored, and successful in their pursuits. These individuals are often referred to as worldly, as they pawn themselves to the world and use their talents to accumulate wealth and achieve their goals. However, their worldly success does not alleviate their inner despair.

The Voice of Religion

In times of despair, when everything seems lost and hope has vanished, individuals may hear the voice of religion. This voice provides solace and guidance, offering a sense of purpose and meaning in life. It is a voice that has been heard throughout history and is often associated with the concept of religion.

The Bucket of Life

The metaphor of the bucket of life illustrates the struggle

individuals face in trying to hold onto life. Some people have buckets with few holes and can navigate through life relatively unscathed. Others have buckets with more holes and find it challenging to hold onto life's experiences. There are also those with Swiss cheese buckets, who have lost all meaning and find no solace in life's distractions. Ultimately, all the water from the buckets will be lost, symbolizing the transient nature of life.

The Desire for Death

In the depths of despair, some individuals may find themselves desiring death. This desire arises when death becomes a preferable alternative to the unbearable suffering and hopelessness they experience. It is a disconsolate feeling, as they long for release from their pain but also feel remorse for wanting to abandon themselves to nothingness.

The Struggle to Live and Die

There are those who neither want to live nor know how to die.

These individuals are caught in a state of limbo, unable to find meaning in life and unable to find a way to escape their suffering through death. It is a state of despair and confusion, where they are trapped between the desire for life and the longing for death.

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Rites and Practices for a Religious Pilgrimage into the Depths of Nihilism

- *Embracing the Confrontation:* The guidebook would recommend fully embracing the experience of Nihilism, confronting the Nothingness head-on, and acknowledging the meaninglessness of human activity.
- *Meditation and Contemplation:* The guidebook would suggest engaging in practices of meditation and contemplation to delve deeper into the Nihilistic experience and explore the depths of one's consciousness.
- *Embracing Pain and Suffering:* It would encourage individuals to accept pain and suffering as a means to transcend the limitations of the material world and experience the "gymnastic of eternity."
- *Emptying Oneself:* The guidebook would emphasize the importance of emptying oneself of all finite concerns and surrendering to the ultimate concern, transcending the

divisions of existence through practices like meditation and contemplation.

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Inadequacy of Philosophy and Religion

The text criticizes both philosophy and religion as inadequate languages to express the experience of nihilism. Philosophy, as defined, lacks authoritative prescriptions and is concerned with logical consequences rather than ontology. Religion, on the other hand, is based on the experience of ordinary people and lacks conviction. Both fail to provide a complete and satisfactory language for nihilistic experience.

The Need for a New Language

Given the inadequacy of philosophy and religion, the text suggests the need to invent a new language to express the experience of nihilism. This language should be grounded in direct human experience and not be based on myth, tradition, or empirical facts. It should be symbolic, self-critical, and open to re-interpretation. The text proposes the term "Nihiltheism" to describe this new genre of human experience.

Characteristics of the New Language

The new language should be able to navigate the complexities of nihilism in both its forms - the nothingness of the world and its transcendence. It can draw inspiration from Heidegger's comprehensive language about the human condition, which includes concepts such as anxiety, everydayness, authenticity, and resoluteness. However, it should not be considered complete or literal, but rather a symbolic language that captures key insights into the human condition.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the text suggests that a new language needs to be invented to express the experience of nihilism. This language should go beyond the limitations of philosophy and religion and be grounded in direct human experience. It should be symbolic, self-critical, and open to re-interpretation, allowing for a better understanding of the ineffable nature of nihilism.