# Fun with Plato

the same things always matter.

I find echoes of my particular obsessions

ringing down the rubbled corridors of history.

antiquity smokes me

knocks me to my knees

have I been here before?

Forms, said Plato

Plato was a good guy

he sort of said this:

beauty exists

even in the vacuum of confusion

I have dead Plato on hold right now

we have set up a conference call

now listen up:

dead Plato,

you can write a beautiful lie

but you cannot fake beauty

is beauty truth, then?

no

truth is not beauty

beauty is hardwired in the head

beauty is the memory of fun

to which we must return

what about love, dead Plato?

love is fun

beauty is fun

is love beauty?

no

we may love the ugly

there may be beauty in ugly

there may be truth in ugly

love is beautiful

the memory of beauty

but love is not beauty

a man, hurt

a woman, in pain

may hate beauty

then tell me, dead Plato

if there is truth in what is ugly

and that makes the ugly beautiful

why is not truth ugly?

because

if beauty is not truth, then ugly is not truth

beauty and ugly are sensible

reflections of pure nature

truth is the honest reflection of pure nature

truth is fun

beauty is fun

fun is fun

but truth is not beauty

evil may be beautiful

but evil always lies

is evil fun, dead Plato?

finally an interesting question

evil can be fun for a while

but at the core, evil is boring

boring is not fun

fun is not boring

can beauty be boring, dead Plato?

yes

beauty can be boring

but at the core, if it is boring

we cease to observe it

it does not match the beauty

hardwired in the head

a boring beauty ceases to be beautiful

when beauty is not fun

it ceases to be beautiful

what else is fun, dead Plato?

all things are fun

that reflect the Forms

the Forms are by definition fun

these Forms include

justice and beauty

truth and harmony

valor and chivalry

dogs and blueberries

and I forget the rest

so all these things are fun, dead Plato?

of course

they are fun, because they reflect the true Forms.

in the Forms lie the True Nature of Reality

or TNR for short

this is not your official position, dead Plato

have you revised your thinking since your gurgling death?

I’ve had a long time to think

thinking is fun

what is fun, dead Plato?

Fun is the first Form

all the forms are reflections of Fun

the True Nature of Reality

is Fun.

So the true nature of the universe

is fun?

Fun, brilliant idiot.

Thank you, dead Plato

do you have anything you would like to add?

Hi mom.