

Tao Te Ching

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Abstract

Personal notes while reading Tao Te Ching.

1 Part 1

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A Tao is a path. Any path that people walk will change over time. Attempts to control the flow of time will be futile, not due to determinism, but due to circumstance. "Always without desire we must be found...if desire always within us be, its outer fringe is all we shall see." "Where the Mystery is the deepest is the gate of all that is subtle and wonderful." This proverb really drives the concept that getting out of your comfort zone and allowing for things to happen naturally is where beauty in life lies. I've been trying to force a specific outcome by *working hard*, however this is simply causing me pain whenever the outcome doesn't go according to plan. If instead I do my best and tolerate circumstance to cause a change of plans I'll be far more satisfied and