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The Varieties of Religious Experience. For example, theoretical physics states that all things in the universe are constructed from an elementary particle, called the Higgs boson, or what Wang would call a pattern.

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. In order to know and comprehend this harmony, Wang refined the concept of the mind. He said that the life of the mind involves not only cold, hard facts, but also deep human emotions, such as joy, sadness, and empathy.

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A year later he formulated the epoch-making theory that knowledge and action are one.

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In present-day China, the influence of the school has waned, although its stress on education as a way of bettering the self and society remains as a dominant mindset. Second, following Lu Hsiang-shan Lu Chiu-yüan , Wang equates principle with mind, of which principle is the order, and material force ch'i is the function.

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Eventually, forced to engage governmental forces, the Prince of Ning was defeated and captured. The Wang Yangming school was named after the philosopher Wang Yangming 1472—1529 , who began to critique the Confucian concept that material things alone are worthy of investigation.

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This is love, which, by extension, is the will to live, the process of unceasing production and reproduction; it is also filial piety, brotherly respect, and the like. During the late Ming period, Wang Yangming's thought became notably popular and influential in China. In 1517 and 1518, he was dispatched in response to petitions to suppress peasant revolts in , and.

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Any knowledge that had been gained then put into action was considered delusion or false. Wang believed that universal moral law is innate in man and discoverable through self-cultivation. In China the school early became known for making its central tenet the practice of meditation, rather than adherence.

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As governor of Jiangxi he also built schools, rehabilitated the rebels, and reconstructed what was lost by the enemy during the revolt. The object of education and of contemplation is to once again purify the mind and return it to its original state, free from all selfish entanglements, so that it might realize its essential role in, and its implicit bond with, the moral order of the self and of the universe.

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