

The Knowing Beyond All Knowns

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Sam: Daniel, although I've not connected with you for some time, you've remained in my ongoing awareness as a tool of inquiry as I'm witnessing this apparent programmed robot that continues to babble and speak these fictional stories that have nothing to do with anything all the while this Sam identity speaks his stories, beliefs that he is apparently attached to yet having a knowing that this "I" is just a hardwired machine... anything or anything "he" does, says or believes could never affect who this "I" is. It's just a Sam story... yet there is no real Sam.

If you've time and if any of this makes any sense, would you comment on this "knowing" which apparently is beyond all knowing?

Thank you.

Daniel: You are this knowing presence which remains beyond all that it knows. You are this unchanging awareness that knows/witnesses the coming and going of all apparent objects.

Sam and his story is just another object appearing in/to you, the knower of life.

What you know can never affect you. You are always free from what you know. You are the knower of everything you're not.

You are the knower of Sam and his limited story. Sam and his story is an object appearing in/to you, the unchanging awareness to which all other stories (objects) appear in/to.

Though Sam and all other objects change, you, awareness, never change. You are timeless and remain free from birth and death. You can't change, because you are non-dual, not made of parts.

Fearlessly taking a stand in this knowing/awareness as this knowing/awareness is what's required, Sam. Even if it feels phoney or awkward, bring your attention to this very simple awareness – to the knower of all objects – and identify it as who you really are. Allow the mind to rest in its true identity as the unchanging and ever-free awareness that you already are.

Much love, dear Self.

Sam: Thanks, Daniel.

This monkey mind is still so active. I hear nonsense, fiction and futurizing stories come out of this mouth. I hear this proud ego and yet I know this isn't the truest "me." It appears that living in the world requires me to play a game with this apparent façade or costume that has an accompanying narrative, yet when "I" stop long enough to recognize this is just the pretense that I am attached to... and no matter what I say or do it has virtually no effect on to who "I" really am, which is inconceivable and imperceivable... there is some realization about this, knowledge that is arriving into this awareness. However, the voltage appears low.

When I language myself like this I often judge myself as just being crazy.

I give all the meaning to the nothing and attach to whatever random meaning I give it.

It all dissolves into nothingness... could this be truer than the embedded false narratives?

Thanks for hanging out with me, Daniel. You really helped me out for some months when I was diagnosed with stage-four cancer.

Your response and reflections are clear to me.

Thanks again.

Daniel: Be gentle with yourself, Sam.

Allow the monkey mind to play and the nonsensical thoughts to arrive. Objectively watch the ego boast and the body perform its dance. The *jiva* is nothing but a vibrating bundle of ups and downs. This fickle activity is just the nature of the *jiva*, and applies to all *jivas* from womb to tomb.

But this does not apply to you, awareness. And this is the point.

You are always free from the *jiva* and the qualities (i.e *gunas*) that condition it. You are *triguna-atita*, beyond all qualities.

Allow Sam to play his apparent role (*svadharama*) without attaching yourself to it. In other words, objectively watch action occur whilst identifying yourself as the actionless knower of Sam and his action-packed story.

Instead of taking Sam as your primary identity, shift it to its rightful place – to a “secondary position.” This is your right and is the greatest gift you can offer yourself.

Freedom (*moksa*) comes from the clear and firm identification to your true nature – limitless awareness. Claiming your primary identity as unchanging awareness is the job that you can assign to your mind as of now.

Granted – taking a stand in awareness as awareness does require vigilant practice because the truth is counterintuitive and ignorance (identification with the *jiva*) is hardwired. But what else is there left to do? There’s nothing more valuable than owning your true nature.

Enjoy your inquiry. Make it light. Be patient and loving with your *jiva*.

When the voltage seems low, simply accept it and discriminate it as just another object (*tamoguna*) appearing in/to you, awareness.

And if the mind is too agitated to identify with awareness as awareness, then just offload whatever you don’t feel like carrying to *Isvara*! At the end of the day, it’s not Sam who’s choosing his *karma* but rather the impersonal field.

Do your best and take it easy.

Sam: Daniel, thank you!

I heard this...

This is such an enormous knowing and it's nothing at all, and has nothing to do with me... never did (I was merely mistaken) and never will... what a trip to still be here as the witness of what arises.

Thanks for allowing me into your apparent bright orbit.

More to come, if you don't mind.

Daniel: You're most welcome, Sam.

~ All my love, Daniel