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“A million people will eagerly follow a glib leader who raises contentious clamour and leads them to ultimate destruction, when only a few people will follow an inspired spiritual leader who leads them to true blessedness. This shows the faulty sense of values which prevails among people who are entirely ignorant of the fact that if their inner attitude toward life is wrong, their outer personal, political and economic affairs will go wrong. It shows that the reason why the mass of mankind cannot make a success of their civilization is because they cannot make a success of themselves. Not having enough faith in, or leading by, higher forces, they put their faith in destructive ones.”

—from *The Spiritual Crisis of Man*

Dear Friends of PBPF,

Though these words from *The Spiritual Crisis of Man* were written seventy years ago, they are very applicable to the situations we face today: how can we create a society where healing wisdom has a voice and creates an environment of goodwill? PB’s teachings encourage us to discover the source of wisdom, love, and compassion in ourselves so that we may positively contribute to the world around us; this is the Philosophic Path emphasized throughout his writings.

There is great need to make this wisdom freely available. The PBPF has added the full book to our website for you to read or recommend to others: paulbrunton.org/spiritual-crisis-of-man.php.

Encounters with PB

“Then PB walks out of the restaurant and there was bright sunlight on his face and he just stood there—I had been feeling so agitated—for about one or two minutes, he didn’t move. He didn’t look at us and he just stood there and this incredible—I just start to cry when I think about this—incredible peace and joy descended on me, descended on me like a glimpse, and I was just kind of blown away and I was so grateful because I had felt so agitated but my ego was disarmed. I had this wonderful moment of opening and connection. For the rest of the day I felt very lit up and very peaceful. Something powerful had really happened to me.”

Encounters with PB is a *newly expanded* inspiring collection of reports by people who spent time with PB. They are one of the best testaments to his wise and loving presence—and of his generous offering of help to seekers. They are here for you to read: paulbrunton.org/encounters-with-pb.php.



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Karma: Individual and Collective and What is the Nature of Evil?

“There are evil forces outside man as well as inside him. These super-physical agents operate in the invisible world and, under certain abnormal conditions, intermingle with living human personalities to influence their thoughts and actions or to oppose their spiritual progress. The spiritual aspirant inevitably encounters opposition from these adverse elements, and the evil forces move against him in a cunning way. However well-meaning his intentions in the beginning and however noble his ideals, he may yet be unwillingly and subtly influenced by their malignant power.” —PB

Two fascinating, in-depth PB teachings on the ever-pertinent topics of evil and karma: paulbrunton.org/misc-pb-writings.php.

West Coast Study Group

There is now a West Coast PB Dialogue that meets every other Sunday via phone or Skype. Contact harold.walker.2016@gmail.com.

Suggestions for Us???

This semi-annual newsletter is one way we reach out to you with PB's teachings. If you have suggestions or comments, we'd love to know your thoughts. If you haven't subscribed to our mostly monthly eTeachings (paulbrunton.org/eteachings.php) or are not seeing our daily posts on Facebook (Paul Brunton Philosophic Foundation), we invite you to do so.

Your interest in the Foundation's work is deeply appreciated.

Cleta J. Rudolph,
Board Chair and President

Can you help us with our many projects?

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- ➔ The Archive Project
- ➔ The Prison Project
- ➔ The publication of new books
- ➔ Keeping *The Notebooks of Paul Brunton* in print
- ➔ The Gift Book Project

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