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“And still, after all this time, the sun never says to the earth,
“You owe Me.”
Look what happens with a love like that, It lights the Whole Sky.”

— Hafez



Thoughts on Love

by Tonya Stoddard (Graduate AAP-CA)

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Dear Friends,

Please enjoy the following conversations in our winter newsletter for AAP members:

- **Thoughts on Love** by Tonya Stoddard (AAP-CA) [link above]
- **Speaking your truth in relationships:** How to experience the less naïve path of “positive work” as found in the new AAP seminar series in Minnesota and Pennsylvania

How might our conversations be different if we knew where and how to learn this “positive work?” In the AAP experience, we learn how and when to speak our truth in relationships:

“There are still many Anthroposophists who think that something may be reached by direct discussion with the opponent. Nothing can do us more harm than success in setting forth our truths in the form of discussion; for people do not hate us because we say something that is not true, but because we say the truth. And the more we succeed in proving that we say the truth, the more they will hate us.

*Of course this cannot prevent us from stating the truth. But it can prevent us from being so naïve as to think that it is possible to progress by discussion. **Only positive work** enables us to progress; truth should be represented as strongly as possible, so as to attract as many predestined souls as possible, for these are far more numerous in the present time than is generally assumed. These souls will find the spiritual nourishment needed for the time when not destructive, but constructive work will have to be done, if human development is to follow an ascending, not a descending curve. Translated by Sabine H. Seiler*

Source: Rudolf Steiner – GA 221 – [Knowledge Pervaded with the Experience of Love](#) – Dornach, February 18, 1923

- The exciting **IFAPA & AAMTA** announcements ... we’ve made it Friends! Click here to access announcements <https://anthroposophicpsychology.org/>
- **Upcoming Events** click here to access the AAP website [https://anthroposophicpsychology.org/page-18091#Lectures and Workshops](https://anthroposophicpsychology.org/page-18091#Lectures_and_Workshops)
- **Social Media activities** – Every week, the next line of the Desiderata Poem is unpacked through the comments of Faculty, Associates, and friends. To access the Facebook conversation on the Desiderata poem, as coordinated by Emily Thunberg (AAP-CA), click here to access the AAP Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/newsophiapysch/>

Thank you!

Blessings on our Service to the World,
Kathleen Thompson

Featured Conversations:

- **From Biography to Destiny** by Asharaine Machala (AAP-CA)
[\[Click to access article here\]](#)
- **Healing Professionals Protect your Hands: The Impact of Technology on Hands** by Emily Thunberg (AAP-CA)
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AAP Seminar Registration Updates

The three-year AAP programs in April 2018 are places to deepen our “positive work.” Please check out program and registration details and share with Friends: [\[link here\]](#)

<https://anthroposophicpsychology.org/3YearCertificateProgram2018-2020>

Attention AAP Graduates planning to attend / audit the upcoming 3 Year Certificate Programs in Pennsylvania and/or Minnesota, please email: Admin@AnthroposophicPsychology.org to register.

Featured AAP Faculty – James A. Dyson, M.D., M.A.

James Dyson, MD, was a co-founder of one of the few English speaking anthroposophical medical clinics, Park Attwood in the UK where he worked from 1979 to 2003. He has practiced as a doctor in Steiner Waldorf Schools and in centers for social therapy. His areas of special interest are developmental psychology and adult mental health, and he is a regular contributor to anthroposophic therapeutic trainings in the UK, USA, and Australia. Dr. Dyson has added Psychosynthesis to his training and is a prolific lecturer of Rudolf Steiner's body of work in the healing fields.

<https://anthroposophicpsychology.org/Who-we-are>

