



StillPoint Retreats

Bi-Weekly Symposium

What Is the Purpose of Life?

A physicist in a laboratory, a botanist in the garden, a monk in a cloister and a yogi in an ashram will all answer this primordial question the exact same way.

“All things that exist have the same purpose in common – to grow to their full potential.” It is hardwired into our very being as humans and we see that same instinct in plants and all of creation.

“At the heart¹ of every atom

There dwells the

Divine impulse –

The impulse to

Transform selfhood

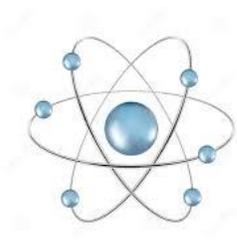
Into

Infinite

Spirit”²

¹ The Christ principle.

² Stanza Sixty Seven of the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyan.



The CHRIST at the Center of Our Being

There is a point of Nothingness³ inside
around which
Our existence and Growth take shape.

There is a LIGHT of Creative Intelligence
bringing us to the ONE.

And that, the Christ, has called us
to Him
by name
from before time began.

And is the “call” a big astral event with lights and angels and powerful voices from the clouds?

No!

Most commonly the Call is a deep inner dissatisfaction. Primarily with our outer life.

Why?

Balance is off – our Inner Life is lacking sufficient Silence and Pure Knowledge!

³ This “Nothingness” is not literally a big “no thing.” In mystical philosophy this “Nothingness” is a pregnant absolute fullness which has not manifested but is the source of all manifestation. It is analogous to the silent Ocean before the waves of creation occur. So, in an ironic way, Buddhism is very, very misunderstood. It is not about “nothing” but about “everything!” It is said that about 70% of the Buddhist teachings today are corrupted by misunderstanding.