

Poison Apple

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navigating reality
is an acquired skill
fraught with all manner
of tangles and illusions.

i walk the city streets
and forests of my mind
simultaneously
choosing which creation/'reality'
to re-cognise as i sojourn
navigating my way through
every contorted tree and
gnarled pedestrian face
that impedes my progress.

some denizens attempt a smile
as i cruise,
their tortured faces cracking
with rarely used expressions
revealing morbidity in the city streets
and forests of their delusions.

no one is able to understand another
or transmit/receive a clear,
un-corrupted message --
the fog of desire
and mist of anticipation
distort and colour everything
before it reaches its destination --
laying a foundation for future
disappointment, frustration and regret;
but we all keep trying nevertheless.

humans are easily the most desperate
and stubborn species
this planet has ever known,
what other species pursues futility
with such fervour and single-minded
dedication?

most people compromise in the end
in order to desperately

obtain what little joy
is on offer - a tragedy unfolding.

yet there is a complete and perfect
fulfilment
not found in culture's woven
illusions -- religion, hedonism, drugs,
and K-Mart orgasms (whenever they're on special!)

no more unsatisfactory,
thrills (for me) -
perhaps it is why
this man-made hell
is so easily abandoned
in favour of true BE-ing,
that flourishes just a breath
and choice away!

yes,
selfless
Love
embraced,
a state/dimension that no poison could taint
or torture despoil
beyond all limits and notions of identity
where culture finds no home.

selfishness on the other hand is easy prey
to the monster that destroys everything
and lays waste to all our dreams and hopes.

the towering figures, the good teachers
that went before did not Lie,
they offered from the East and West
timeless, simple TRUTHS:
we ARE our brothers keeper
and LOVE - not division, fear and hate,
offers perfect Liberation
and a solution to ALL our woes.

examine carefully what is on offer
and choose wisely
who or what to believe.