Just Think!

Objects and Attributes

- This world is full of objects. We see objects all around us. Even blind people can sense objects through touch, smell etc. Even if all the external sense organs are dysfunctional, we can at least sense ourselves. We are always aware of ourselves. Every one of us can perceive objects - both physical and mental. We can perceive many objects directly, we do not even need any instruments or apparatus. We need not go by what some experts or great men say. Objects are everyday experience of every human being. Therefore objects are real. No further proof is required.
- It is also common, direct experience of all of us that objects have attributes. We know, describe and distinguish objects in terms of their attributes. Size, shape, colour, location, age, etc. are all attributes. Even the name of an object is an attribute.
- Attributes are the properties, the characteristics, of an object. When we perceive some change in an object, it is actually one or more of the attributes of the object that have changed. To be more precise, when we say an attribute changes, it is the value of the attribute that changes, not the attribute per se. When a green shirt fades in colour, the value of the 'colour' attribute of the object has undergone a change. In fact all change, all movement in this world is nothing but change in the

value of one or more attributes of an object. There is no way an object can change except in terms of the values of its attributes.

- Attributes are always imposed on some object, they have no independent existence of their own. There can be a cat without a grin but there cannot be a grin without a cat! Therefore, objects and attributes are not to be confused for one another. Any one attribute of an object, or any combination of its attributes, or even the bundle of all of its attributes, does not equal the object per se. For, without the object, the attributes have no meaning at all.
- In our everyday life and even in science, we describe objects only in terms of the attributes. We trace the origin, growth, change, decay and death of objects only in terms of the attributes of the objects. However, if one has to get a clear picture of the true nature of this Universe, or any object in this Universe, or even about oneself, one has to understand the object per se, not its attributes. For, the attributes are ever changing and we can never get to understand the true nature of an object purely in terms of its attributes.
- Since attributes are always imposed on objects and we see objects in this world in terms of the attributes, we are sure that objects themselves must be real. For, if there are no objects, there can be no attributes and nothing would exist in this Universe, not even this statement or the person reading it! Objects are real.
- Objects are real but different from any or all of its attributes. In fact an object is what remains after all the attributes are removed. The object per se, therefore,

has no attributes at all innate and inherent in it, and therefore completely indescribable. It has no name. It has no description, It is beyond all logic. It is beyond language. But objects are real.

- Truely speaking, attributes are not real. A square object looks square only when viewed at a particular resolution. Look at it through a microscope and you will find that the edges are not quite straight and the corners are not quite sharp. Go down to the molecular or atomic or sub-atomic level and ask the same question. Can there be a molecule or atom or an electron that is straight or sharp? Squareness is relative, conditional, to the observer and the observation. It is not absolute. It is not an innate, inherent, inalienable property of any object. By similar arguments, you can convince yourself that every attribute is in fact imposed on the object by the observer and hence not innate to the object per se. Attributes are not real.
- Having come so far, we can now easily understand that there can be but just one object in this Universe. For, if there are two (or more), they must be different in some way or it makes no sense to talk of two different objects. But all differences are at the level of attributes. Time and space are also attributes. Attributes themselves are not innate to objects. Hence there just cannot be two or more different objects in this Universe. There just cannot be different objects because objects cannot be different. This Universe is a single, continuous, homogeneous, size-less, shapeless, infinite, changeless, birth-less, deathless, eternal object.
- Therefore, it is not logically possible that God created this world. There can not be any God different from

the Universe. God is the Universe and has always been. Further, you are not different from me, or him, or her. In fact all of us are indeed one and the same. Nor are you different from God. You ARE God. So am I. So is everybody. We are all divine creatures, not sinners! The goal of life is to know, understand and manifest the inherent divinity in us.

- All this may come as a big shock but this is true. This is the only truth. Everything else in the world is false. Irrespective of what any great scientist or religious leader may say. If anybody thinks otherwise, let it be proved. Logically. Scientifically. With convincing logic and compelling evidence. You have only two options: Accept this, understand this, internalize this, practice this, live this. Or Reject this by giving logical evidence to the contrary. If you choose neither, you are illogical and unscientific.
- Fine. But why should you accept this, practice this, live this? What is the use? Once you identify yourself with all other human beings, with all other creatures and even with the inanimate material world, how will it ever be possible for you to cheat others, tell lies, harm others, compete and outsmart others, get jealous or angry or greedy? There are no others, everything is YOU. Do you ever harm yourself? Do you ever feel jealous of your own achievements? You can only do those things that are good for the entire Universe. All human suffering will end. Everybody can live in perfect peace and harmony. This is the one and the only solutions to all human problems. It is simple, direct and sure. Accept this. And be happy.