

**WISDOM'S GOLDENROD, ALAN BERKOWITZ CLASS NOTES**  
**(TYPED)**  
**OCTOBER 31, 1979**  
**PB BOOKS; WISDOM OF THE OVERSELF; "THE SECRET OF THE I"**

TOPIC: PB Books

SUBJECT: Wisdom of the Overself

SUBSUBJECTS: "The Secret of the I," Witness-I, Soul, Mentalism, Epistemology

BOOKS READ FROM OR REFERENCED:

- Paul Brunton, *The Wisdom of the Overself*

DIAGRAM embedded in these notes:

- FIGURE 1979 1031-1-AB. World-Mind's Thinking, Overself, and World-Image.

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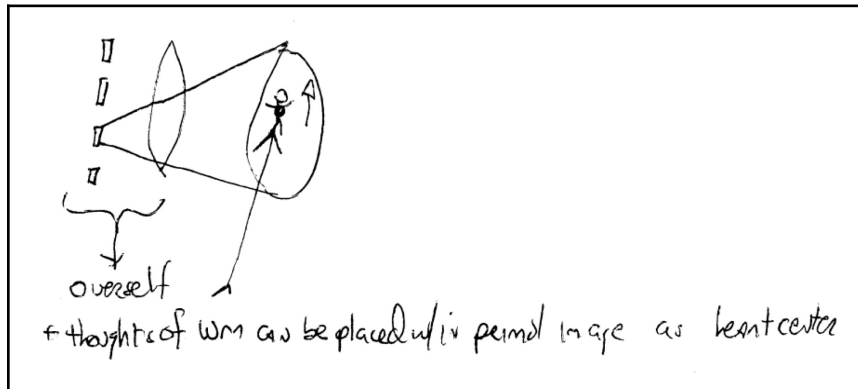
NOTES:

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## 1979 10/31 at Wisdom's Goldenrod PB Books; Wisdom of the Overself; "The Secret of the I"

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10/31/79 "Secret of the I" [Note: Paul Brunton, *The Wisdom of the Overself*.]



[FIGURE 1979 1031-1-AB. World-Mind's Thinking, Overself, and World-Image. Bottom reads: Overself and thoughts of World-Mind can be placed within primal image as heart center. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Paragraph 8 -- consciousness is used as an ultimate term, but presupposes mind which thinks into existence the qualities of which we are aware.

If the dream (or world) is inside your mind, it is also inside your (psychical) sense-organs.

Types of mentality or stages in the development of the human mind: archaic, mythological, magical, mental

At the instant the mind goes out and envelops the subtle body (given by the cosmic soul) the world appears for you through the physical consciousness (which results from the mind's projection through the subtle body's five senses).

The term 'awareness' is used consistently (= Overself).

The term 'consciousness' is used variably on different levels according to the context.

Thinking is prior to imagination, which is the plastic medium which the mind informs.

Paragraphs 10 and 11 -- the mind to which consciousness is a property is *Nous*, not individual mind (which is *jada*). The characteristic of *Nous* is consciousness.

The first thought is "I".

The association of consciousness with the individual mind → the I-thought.

Pure I-ness is from Overself.

As covered by thought = I-thought or physical consciousness.

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