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 - 2. Implies an artificial break in tracing back causal series.
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II. The Occult view.

- A. The Universe a projection from Consciousness.
 - 1. Psychological basis of this view.
 - a. Consciousness is the primary basis of all problems.
 - (1) There is no problem in an unconscious world.
 - b. Thus the objective world exists in relationship to perceptive of apperceptive consciousness in some sense.
 - (2) To consider the objective with disregard of this dependence is to be caught in an illusion.
 - c. Actual constructions in the world of human affairs proceed from the idea to the external fact.
 - (1) In no case do we experience a purely mechanical causal series as each such series stands in relationship to the perceptive Consciousness.
 - 2. Macrocosmical statement.
 - a. The first differentiation from That is the unmanifested or First Logos.
 - (1) This is pure Spirit or Subjectivity or Consciousness per se.
 - (2) The firstness implies that the Objective world hangs upon this Cause
 - b. The second differentiation is the combination of Spirit and Matter.
 - (1) Interdependence as Consciousness gains Existence through matter, and Matter ceases to be an abstraction
 - c. Third differentiation is the Force which unites Spirit and Matter (Fohat)
 - (1) This appears from the standpoint of Matter as Cosmic Ideation emanating from the First Logos.
 - (2) To Spirit appears as Cosmic Substance.
 - d. Through Cosmic Ideation the Universe is impressed upon Cosmic Substance.
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C. Look to Ideas, not vibrations.

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Quotation from K.H re God. (M.D.52)

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