

## The Involution and Evolution of Life.

- I. Fundamental tenet of the Wisdom Religion is governed<sup>ment</sup> by inviolable Law.
  - A. Law of Compensation of Emerson.
  - B. Equality of action and reaction of Newton.
  - C. Principle of non-contradiction in logic.
  - D. This Law acts upon all planes of Being, physical, psychological and Spiritual.
- II. Concept of evolution found in western biology.
  - A. Involves idea of the development of consciousness out of matter.
  - B. Builds by instrument of natural selection based upon fortuitous variation.
    1. A blind process resting on chance.
  - C. Illustrate by instance of an ~~automobile~~ interpreted as product of blind evolution. *airplane*
- III. In contrast the Wisdom Religion places Consciousness or Life as primary.
  - A. All development is from the plan to the structure.
    1. This is what we actually experience in creating anything ourselves.
    2. It is far sounder to explain the order in the macrocosm in terms corresponding to what we know of the microcosm.
  - B. Starting with consciousness as source the evolution of consciousness in form is intelligible as comparable with ubiquitous Law.
- IV. Primary principle that at foundation of universe lies Reality.
  - A. Reality is that which is self-existent.
  - B. All that is derivative is unreal in strict sense of word or in other words possesses only relative reality.
  - C. First cause of all relative reality is consciousness.
    1. There is no existence or appearance without Being or consciousness from which it is derived.
  - D. Consciousness thru entanglement in its own other or objectivity attains ultimately distinction between consciousness and unconsciousness.
    1. Hence ultimately is born self-consciousness.
  - E. Evolutionary development is consequently first involution into matter.
  - F. Secondly evolution thru matter or embodiment until potential Wisdom becomes actual or manifest Wisdom
- V. Consciousness as the Monad passes thru all kingdoms in descent and rise thru matter.
  - A. Monad stands not as actor but witness of processes which are in Nature.
    1. It is state of association with Matter without ~~incarnat~~ *incarnation*.
  - B. Parelleling this is development of form in all kingdoms of matter.
  - C. At human kingdom there is incarnation of Sons of Mind.
    1. Here reincarnating ego or man begins.
      - a. Man thus not a product of evolution from animal

*the Monad passed thru consciousness of all kingdoms*