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The Way Rix Worked as an Analyst

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Les Stein dedicated his book *Becoming Whole: Jung's Equation for Realizing God* to Rix Weaver "in recognition of her being able to hold the two worlds of psychology and spirituality together in her grasp". After reading Rix's paper *Ego and Self and Destiny* (on our website) and our discussion about it last month, we get that. It's what we were delighting in. We can see that this holding is a lived experience for Rix when Les writes;

In the ten years I spent learning from and being trained by Rix Weaver, I observed that she would periodically go into retreat, working in a way unknown to me with the teachings of Ibn Al-Arabi...She would never speak of her work with Rauf except to say that Ibn al-Arabi and Jung spoke the same language but with different words.

Rix's holding of both the psychological and spiritual was key in Les' eventual understanding of Jung's equation for realizing God. He says

The equation presents the journey that can be taken by an individual to develop what Jung called the "Self", which is the intimation we all have of wholeness or the awareness of some transcendent "other". ...It is both a psychological journey and a mystical path. Jung was adamant that he was not a mystic and his equation was an empirical finding but Ibn al-Arabi was a mystic and together both ends of the spectrum give the equation its power as the most profound explanation of the possibilities for a life's work.

The realization of the Self as a psychological path and a mystical path really seems to be the theme emerging out of this year and it is so fitting and so exciting that Les is speaking to us about the way Rix Weaver worked as an Analyst. Les was to come in person from Sydney but for now it is zoom. We hope you can join us.

Les Stein is a Jungian Analyst in private practice in Sydney and an Adjunct Professor at the University of Sydney. Professor Stein is a graduate of the C.G. Jung Institute of New York and a member of both the New York Association for Analytical Psychology and ANZSJA His books on mysticism and the Self include *Becoming Whole: Jung's Equation for Realizing God* (New York: Helios, 2012, 2018), *The Journey of Adam Kadmon: A Novel* (New York: Arcade, 2001, 2012), and *Working with Mystical Experiences in Psychoanalysis: Opening to the Numinous* (London: Routledge, 2018) based upon interviews with 29 mystics in India, Cambodia, and New York.

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