

# **IRONIES**

## **of History, Current Events, Life**

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**Ironies disappear when the Inner Character of Life is  
perceived that explains the Outer events, as Both are  
One, belonging to the same Reality.**

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## A NOTE FROM THE AUTHOR:

Contained within are 250+ ironies that I have observed in history, in current events, and in Life, based on what I might call a “Consciousness Approach to Existence.” The entries are quite different from what others have popularly written about as ironies. So in that sense the items are pretty much original.

The entries are based on my understanding of the infinitely profound teachings of Sri Aurobindo, the Mother, and Sri Karmayogi. As a result, some of the entries may not be comprehensible in terms of their deeper meaning, though I have tried to annotate several of the entries to give some clarity. I hope you find the ideas behind the entries thought-provoking, enjoyable, and, of course, ironic.

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## **The Nature and Utility of Irony**

What is irony?

-Irony is a seeming contradiction of truth about a matter or thing.

-Irony is the appearance that a matter or thing shouldn't be a certain way, though it is.

-Through irony, deeper or other truths are revealed.

What use is irony?

-When we understand that deeper truth, irony ceases, revealing principles, laws, etc. in their place.





## Group 1

**In Pride and Prejudice clear-minded, intelligent Elizabeth Bennet is bamboozled by the deception and treachery of Wickham.** [It is because she is physically smitten and charmed, blocking her objectivity.]

**Bankrupt England saved the world in WWII.** [Stretched beyond her means through Empire and such, she summoned an infinite courage.]

**Greek thought that now rules the Western world has not made Greece itself eminent.**

**The aims of socialism are being achieved through capitalism.**

**India that refused a UN seat in 1952 in favor of China was attacked by China in 1962.** [The result of India rejecting the Incoming Grace. -SM]

**Germany and Japan, the vanquished in the war, became the leading economies in the late 20th century.**

**Britain, the imperial power that won WWII, lost its Empire, and hence its eminence and prestige right after.**

**Egalitarian idealists decry inflation, which in large part is a measure and indicator of wage increase for the worker.**

**England did not know the significance of Shakespeare for 300 years. France reminded them of it.**

**The land of the French Revolution, where tyranny was bravely overcome, quietly capitulated to Hitler.**

**The champion of freedom, USA, institutionalized slavery.**

**Rome that gave Law to the world became the center of the lawless Mafia.**

**The Middle East that was the cradle of civilization is now the most backward region of the world.**

**Pacifist Einstein's scientific discoveries led to the atom bomb.**

**Punjab, which received all the ancient invaders, suffered the worst in 1947 after partition.**

**Bengal where Sri Aurobindo was born was the province of famine in 1943.**

**Brutal USSR dissolved on her own initiative in 1989 with not a single casualty!**

**Vulgarity's energy in Mrs. Bennet of Pride and Prejudice accomplished three weddings while she planned only one. [Those who aligned with the cosmic movement, benefited by it**

regardless of their individual shortcomings. Also it could be that the atmosphere was rich due to Divine's cosmic purpose in action. and as such it overcome all the negative factors. -SM]

**Theory of Creation by Sri Aurobindo unnoticed for 90 years, with far deeper insight, while the Origin of Species was sold out on the day of publication.** [The world was not receptive, not ready yet to receive the deeper knowledge from the Divine. The world readily accepts according to the dominant consciousness. For example, Harry Potter novels became immediate famous which portray the vital forces, their roles, interactions and so forth. -SM]

**The universe began in Ignorance, though originating from a Divine Source.** [The purpose of creation is to manifest individual forms and to experience Delight. It is possible only when the true purpose is forgotten i.e. ignorance. Not only the act of finding but the process itself is Delight. -SM]

**America armed and trained the Taliban Islamic extremists as a force to counter the Russian occupation of Afghanistan in the early 1980s. Then recently it was forced to liberate Afghanistan from the Taliban and fight the forces it armed, just as the Russians did 25 years ago.** [It is profound law of Life that help offered egoistically, and also when received without gratitude, not bring any good. The ego has acted from both sides to nullify the act. Only a consecrated act (i.e. offered to the spiritual Force) would avoid such things. -SM]

**The French Revolution, which abolished the monarchy and aristocracy in France, was succeeded by Napoleon who in the**

**name of democracy established a hereditary empire and new aristocracy.**

**The Russian Revolution, which abolished the tyrannical rule of the Czars, replaced it with the tyranny of Statism. (MSS)**

**Western meddling and interference in the Russian Revolution led to Stalinism that threatened the West for fifty years.**



## Group 2

**The revolutionaries who freed France from tyranny en masse decapitated the vanquished.**

**The Russians revolutionaries who aimed for human values slaughtered the aristocracy.**

**Progressives around the world who saw the tyranny of fascism and brought high values to humanity were oblivious to Stalin's evil and the 20+ million shot.**

**Nixon who was paranoid, deceived, and bombarded Southeast Asia went on to open up China.**

**The Dalai Lama whose people were annihilated admitted that Buddhism is now much more progressive in its new locale.**

**The Mother who sought ultimate spiritual achievement was trailed by Dark Forces.**

**Lady Catherine in Pride and Prejudice who sought to stop Eliza from marrying Darcy was instrumental in their marriage. [Life can respond in the opposite direction of one's intention. -SM]**

[... especially if the intention is negative and the atmosphere is positive as was the case here.]

**FDR who exhibited ultimate strength in America was confined to a wheelchair.**

**Woodrow Wilson who sincerely tried to do good, but may have unleashed evil.**

**Hillary Clinton and Obama arrive on the stage at the same time in the campaign representing woman's and black power and ascendency to the presidency.**

**Gorbachev who tried to save the USSR ended up bringing it down.**

**Bush, from an oil family, rose to presidency at a time of conflicts in the Middle East of oil producing states, and huge rise in petroleum prices impacting the world.**

**The terrorist attack of 9/11, is the same numbers as emergency dialing in the US -- 911.**

**Steven Spielberg was forced to sell his movie business to Bollywood, the film industry Hollywood once mocked.**

**The British mocked the US during the Empire, who went on to replace them as the leading economic force in the world. [The profound law of life is when you criticize others out of one's power, authority, ego etc., the luck will go to the party you abused. -SM]**

**Christians tried to convert the English colonies, including India, and took back Eastern philosophy that spread throughout the West.** [There is no giving without receiving. And it need not be in material terms. These outcomes are the natural consequence of the result of the initiative. -SM]

**Sports teams suddenly rise to win championships parallel to catastrophe or good news that has hit the city.**

**England mocked the US during independence and later years was reduced to being its lackey.** [The profound law of life is when you criticize others from out of one's power, authority, ego etc., the luck will go to the party you abused. -SM]

**Buddha who saw the impermanence of life and championed non-attachment to an illusory physical plane is known throughout the world through physical statues of His person.** [People of that period were not ready for deeper knowledge. It is easy to pray, follow traditions, rituals etc., than to change one's consciousness. -SM]

**At the very time my book on Life Response was released, I discovered that someone had written on the very same topic -- Rhonda's Byrne's The Secret, which revolutionized the world view.** [Thoughts circulate, feelings circulate, and consciousness indeed circulates. -SM]

**Jesus who advocated peace was the instrument of the death of millions (through Crusades, murder of Jews, etc.).**

**Tens of thousands of idols of Buddha exist around the world, and yet He was against the worship of such things. [People of that period were not ready for a deeper knowledge. It is easy to pray, follow traditions, rituals etc., than to change one's consciousness. -SM]**

**Radical environmentalists never acknowledge their own past successes.**

**A Polish pope was in power at the time Poland is liberated from the Soviet bloc, and played an important role.**

**The first major wave of blacks in executive and judicial US government power are mostly conservative to reactionary.**

**Socialist values are being adopted by capitalism.**

**A complex and confusing language becomes the world standard -- English.**

**A progressive man Barack Hussein Obama rises to power as president in the US with a name that reminds people of treachery. I.e. Obama sounds like Osama (bin Laden), and Hussein (as in Saddam) is his middle name.**

**US supported the rise of Bin Ladden and Sadaam, and later are compelled to take them down. [The egoistic initiative against the Divine plan needs to be "UNDONE" by the initiator itself. - SM]**

**The free market of the world is large part being driven by central planning in China.**

**Kennedy was shot while riding a Lincoln automobile, who was shot in the Ford theater. [three US presidents]**

**Jefferson and Adams who worked together to found the USA, corresponded greatly in old age, and both died on the same day -- July 4th, independence day 1826, while corresponding to one another.**

**Nearly every time Lyndon Johnson rose up the ranks in power it was due to a tragedy or great difficulty, culminating in his rise to presidency with the assassination of Kennedy.**

**The middle class has distain for the hippies who brought them environmentalism, the personal computer, the Internet, and the smartphone.**

**Gorbachev who saved the USSR from further treachery and ruin, and opened the doors to its prosperity is loathed in his own country.**

**Hamlet who practiced self-restraint from retribution ushered in many deaths.**

**Reagan who mistrusted the USSR completely, signed a pact with them ending the Cold War.**

**Jesus who railed against the Jewish church ushered in the biggest Church in history -- and an often corrupt and treacherous one.**

**Adlai Stevenson who was considered a wimp by his political enemies exercised great strength as US ambassador to the UN during the Cuban Missile Crisis, helping save the world from possible nuclear war.**

**The US who tried to assassinate Castro had their own president (Kennedy), who was against the venture, assassinated.**

**Teenage technology geeks are gaining more power and more money more rapidly than any period in history than the elders who are expected to do so. [The result of Supramental force, which is speeding up the evolution -SM]**

**The socially awkward have become millionaire and even billionaires through technologies rise.**

**The US, a nation of immigrants is anti-illegal immigrant in many parts.**

**Philosophy of Non-violence (Ahimsa) of Gandhi in India led to millions dying after independence. [May be due to the result of earlier incoming Grace was rejected (Cripps Mission). -SM] [Ahimsa, non-violence was/is a fad according to Sri Aurobindo that delayed independence, leading to partition.]**

**Khrushchev who brought a degree of liberalism to Russia is mainly known as the dangerous man who railed and banged his shoe at the UN, not one who forged closer US-Soviet relations and revealed the evil of Stalin.**

**Reagan who endangered the world through military threat is foolishly known as the person who directly brought about the end of the Cold War. It ended not because of him, but despite him.**

**Arnold Schwarzenegger rose to power in California by taking advantage of an unjust purge of governor Gray Davis, and left office in vast scandal and the near financial ruin of the state.**

**Decent governor Gray Davis of California was forced out of office after being blamed for all its problems, which had little to do with him, and was replaced by Schwarzenegger who was forced to follow Davis' same policies to survive.**

**Hillary Clinton, seeking a political name for herself apart from her president husband settled in New York, just where and when 9/11 happened soon after.**

**Churchill a Tory was forced to fight the Tories to compel them to engage the Germans at the onset of WWII.**

**The tragedy of Pearl Harbor enabled FDR to get exactly what he had been after; a reason to enter the war.**

**The benefactor is abused by the beneficiary. [A subtle profound law of Life where the help given was egoistic and received without gratitude! -SM]**

**The recipient of charity resents the donor. [Due to subconscious humiliation. -SM]**

**The scientist who aspires to discover Truth through the scientific method only embraces the material.**

**God who is all Good allows for Evil.** [Good and Evil both serve a purpose in Evolution. -SM]

**It is said that the reactionary Nixon spearheaded more opportunities for blacks than anyone US president in history.**

**Bush 41 had close association with the bin Laden family.** Osama bin Laden led the attack against US on 9/11 during Bush 43's (the son's) term.

**Al Gore loses presidency against Bush in contentious, closest race in US history, but then wins Nobel Peace Prize in new career as environmental advocate, greatly influencing leaders and the peoples of the world.**

**The religions who claim to value spirit are contemptuous of many spiritual groups and their followers.** [Due to ignorance, failure to see other man's point of view. -SM]

**Teddy Roosevelt who shot animals freely for sport established the National Parks system in America and became an environmentalist.**

**Kennedy is revered despite having many affairs. Clinton is reviled for having one.** [It's the difference between how a Washington insider vs. an outsider can operate.]

**People's anger goes out to their politicians: never to the electorate who elected them.**

**Picasso who mastered nearly every art form is known for his acute abstractions.**

**Julie Andrews who starred in My Fair Lady (based on Shaw's Pygmalion) on Broadway and was shocked when she didn't receive the film part, won the Oscar in 1964 for Mary Poppins, the same year MFL was released. [Audrey Hepburn who won the part of MFL was not nominated.]**





### Group 3

**Jesus humanized Europe, and Christians now decry humanism.**

**The Hippies who rose so prominently throughout the world, and wanted to permanently change society, quickly died out.**

**The world progresses through evil.** [Probably it is the quickest way from the Divine's perspective whether it is for an Individual or for the society.] [That's what happened to Edmond Dantes in Count of Monte Cristo, The MAI Team in Garry Jacobs' novel The Book; and finally it became the quickest path to progress and evolve. -SM]

**A negative is a positive in disguise.**

**Bhism in Mahabharata agreed with the Pandavas, perceiving their Goodness, yet worked through the Darkness of the other side.** [Bhism could not overcome his mental view of the need to serve his own country, and thus ultimately stood on the side of evil. -SM]

**Instead of gratitude in Asian development and products, the US perceives fear.**

**In a land of physical plenty -- the US -- there is a dearth of deeper knowledge.**

**Homogeneity -- i.e. a certain commonality and harmony of being -- can be a great limit in a society, as in Japan.**

**Hate is Love inverted.**

**Time I subjective, and depends on the viewpoint of the viewer.**

**Socrates looked forward to the Hemlock.**

**Society takes all the credit for the work of the Pioneer, ignoring his role completely.**

**The Divine, the supreme consciousness, wished to forget itself in the process of Creation.** [And He did so in the Involution process -- where life emerged as dumb, unconscious, ignorant matter -- in order to experience the Delight of finding Himself; the higher consciousness -SM]

**Science that claims objectivity is superstitious.** [It focuses only on the material, and thus only the part, pushing away all other truths. It is the superstition of falsehood.] [Science can explain the material reasons, but could not explain Why -SM]

**Ayn Rand who said not to follow the herd and be a true individual was a political reactionary.**

**Love is the consummation, but Knowledge must come first.** [Otherwise Love will be abused, get distorted, turn negative.]

Knowledge enables us to understand the situation rightly, so when Love flows it will do so in the best of conditions.]

**That apparently fixed, permanent-like thing we call the Soul is actually evolving.**

**The Jews evolved and became intellectually stable by wandering.**

**Humans have ten fingers and toes that match our system of math.**

**Mind divides, and lives in contradiction, and there are 2 parts to the brain.**

**Deep unconsciousness in sleep restores our energies.**

**The best knowledge comes through non-thinking.** [Through Non-thinking, the mind is stilled and one can reach Subliminal knowledge deep within, discovering, revealing the Truth. -SM]





## Group 4

**Sri Aurobindo experienced pain as pleasure.** [from the sting of a scorpion]

**Education is revered, yet super successful Bill Gates and Steve Jobs dropped out of college.** [Education alone does not bring one the Knowledge one needs – SM]

**Money increases by paying out.** [When it moves, circulates, receives attention, it gets energized, and thus increases. -SM]

**Pain grows by giving it more attention.**

**Fear motivates.** (US football great Joe Montana said he was so successful because of his fear of failure.)

**The more we give, the more we receive.** [There is No giving without receiving, thought it does not look obvious. -SM]

**Sex that creates life debilitates; drains one's energies.**

**"Child is father to the man."**

**The biggest fool -- Mrs. Bennet in Pride and Prejudice -- is the biggest winner.** [She subconsciously aligned with cosmic purpose by her aspiration, and did everything to spoil it through her surface initiatives. Yet, the atmosphere was rich to manifest the Divine's will, and the Divine accomplished it through other key persons. – SM]

**Van Gogh worked for world peace, but of another (future) time.** [The selling of his works as tapestries in the 1980s helped fund an initiative – International Commission on Peace and Food by MSS -- that helped bring about the end of the Cold War.]

**Not intending so, Joseph led the Jews into slavery.**

**Death occurs in order to create new life.**

**Fools are the instrument of progress.** [eg Dogberry in Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing,' revealing the dark event as a hoax.]

**The physical, material body which appears not to be conscious of things always knows.**

**The body heals itself when it wants to.**



## Group 5

**Al Gore gets the most US votes in history and loses the presidential election.**

**Hillary Clinton gets the most primary votes in US history and loses the Democratic nomination for president.**

**Barak Obama is a black president, of Muslim faith with a Muslim name, seven years after Muslims fanatics instigated 9/11.**

**Hillary Clinton becomes first woman to vie for president after her husband was "impeached" for having an affair.**

**Stalin who killed millions is revered in Russia, while Gorbachev who saved the country and the world is reviled.**

**China is vilified by other nations though it has made more economic and social progress in a shorter time than nation in world history.**

**Though hundreds of millions have come out of poverty in India and China, the West hardly acknowledges the fact.**

**Hillary Clinton raised the issue of health care in 1992 and was vilified; now everyone worries about the issue in their own lives. Same with her husband who advocated that we develop the jobs for the 21st century.**

**Jimmy Carter's presidency is mocked in retrospect though he raised the most popular issue of our time: conservation of resources and the health of the physical environment.**

**People think of India in terms of worshiping many Gods, when She actually knows the ONE Reality.**

**People think of the One God of the Old Testament in the West, when it was actually one particular God.**

**Gandhi is revered in the West as one of the great spiritual teachers, when that was not his real forte.**

**The British who instigated it, voted down slavery peacefully. The US had to fight brother against brother in the Civil War to overcome it.**

**The US overcame the worst of the Great Depression not through economic policy per se, but through War.**

**The Great Depression ruined the democratic Weimer Republic through the excesses of capitalists, who themselves didn't want to fight the Nazis, while sending them weapons.**

**Wickham who deceived Eliza became her brother in law.**

**Seabiscuit was the small horse who overcame the large fleet one, giving succor at the very time the people were overcoming the great obstacle of the Great Depression.**

**Gold was found in California, creating money out of nothing; like the vast, cash-producing technology companies that would arise in that same place 150 years later. [Acts repeat! – SM]**

**Something arises out of Nothing.**

**Something (e.g. 1) divided by Nothing (0) equals Infinity.**

**Minus plus Minus equal Minus; but Minus Times Minus equal Plus.**

**The world sees Evolution, but not Involution; the real cause and source of the universe.**

**In the animal kingdom the males are the bright colored; for humans it is the opposite.**

**The world perceives the evolution of animals, culminating in man, but rarely speaks of evolution for Man himself, especially his recent great mental developments.**





## Group 6

**Only when a man's Ignorance reaches a certain threshold does Truth emerge.**

**American conservatism, which is backward and reactionary, must run its course in order to be seen for what it is.**

**The Russians would like to use the case of ethnic cleansing in Kosovo as a case to justify its retaliation against the attack of Georgian forces against its breakaway districts, but she opposed that view during the Serbian war.**

**The Nazis rampaged across Europe with arms supplied by the nations of the victims.**

**The Iranians who railed against the falsehood and evil of Saddam were told by their leaders to go into battle by the millions armed only with the Koran.**

**Unlike others, Egypt fought the Israelis strait up and then became its closest Arab ally.**

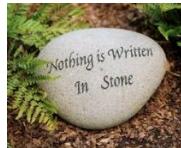
**Gunpowder invented by the Chinese spread throughout the Western world as violent weapons, but not in China.**

**Solzhenitsyn railed against the evil of Stalinist Russia, but was ignored when he spoke of the materialism, treachery, and hypocrisy of the West.**

**Often when democratic elections are held in the Middle East, fundamentalists sometimes come to power.**

**The great inventor, painter, writer, theorist Da Vinci wrote his words backwards so no one would understand them.**

**Eisenhower created a sense of security during his administration by playing golf.**



## Group 7

**Sri Aurobindo who was explaining the new spiritual path for the individual in Synthesis of Yoga stopped working on it because he was tired of using his mind.**

**Reagan who railed against the Communists, settled with them. Nixon did the same in China.**

**Khrushchev and Kennedy, who together seemed to be the best chance for accommodation, were quickly and nearly simultaneously deposed.**

**The native Indian peoples of Latin America have little or no idea they are Asian in origin.**

**The UN that advocates democracy allows for the veto and therefore conciliation of any bill by a single member nation vote.**

**Nixon and the leading female anti-war protestor of the time, Joan Baez, were both Quakers.**

**Opposites attract, not likes.**

**When you forget about a thing you can't think of, you remember it.**

**Non-thinking brings mental clarity.** [Mind alone cannot fully understand, apprehend the entire Reality. -SM]

**Searching for India, Europeans instead discovered America. They then called the native peoples "Indians."**

**Trying to merely trade, the British Empire unleashed a thousand wrongs.**

**The common man president Truman dropped the first atomic bomb.**

**Einstein left Germany and was then betrayed by the good side (who broke their promise not to drop the bomb if Germany did not produce one.).**

**The treatment for rabies and other diseases is to give the individual doses of it before one is infected with it.**

**Some of the most serene and majestic music has been composed by some of the most irritable characters.**

**Vast numbers of young girls take to professional dance, but the men are most renown.**

**Mr. Collins in Pride and Prejudice who sought the choice of the Bennet litter, ended up with a physical plane jane.**

**Heated liquid smokes, but so does ice.**

**Geishas are compliant, yet are also honored and revered.**

**Country folk are neighborly and sweet, yet through their ignorance or uninvolvement help fan the flames of war and death.**

**People express their individuality more in the mass populations of the city.**

**The Hippies expressed individuality through a certain unique conformity.**

**Ancient Chinese doctors refused payment when their clients fell ill.**

**Emperor Claudius, who was good, was content to see evil rise around him, as he saw its Purpose.**

**Snakes which are symbols of danger and evil in the West are indicators of energy and evolution in the East.**

**For the relatively minor offense of Clinton's affair, America ushered in the treachery and folly of Bush 43.**

**US corporations, who rail against the US debt, do everything to avoid taxes; thus supporting debt's growth.**

**What we rail against, we help create in the first place; though we do not see it.**

**Citizens want benefits, but don't want to pay for them.**

**Conservative Western interests who hate Communism, helped create it through their low business and social values in the 19th century.**

**Blacks are mostly shades of brown.**

**American "Indians" are not so.**

**Slavery of blacks enslaved blacks to the dole, enraging whites who enslaved them.**



## Group 8

**According to Sri Aurobindo, Maya (illusion) is real.**

**The invisible is real.**

**The material is illusionary in the sense that it is mostly empty space.**

**It is difficult to define irony, which is ironic.**

**Treachery ushers in goodness.**

**Tyrants serve the cause of progress.**

**Good comes out of Evil; and evil out of Good.**

**Clowns can be sad. Comedians often make fine actors.**

**A thing and its opposite are true.**

**"Too much of a good thing is not good for you."**

**Steve Jobs who helped give birth to the culture of individual freedom in business has been controlling and possessive.**

**The US, a nation of freedom, often seeks to dominate and control.**

**The two richest Americans who reached extraordinary heights, Bill Gates and Warren Buffet, are in many ways ordinary characters.**

**Conservatives in the US cannot conceive that US past actions, especially theirs, have antagonized the Arab world.**

**The Middle East, the birthplace of civilization is the last one to be civilized.**

**The latest major war of modern times occurs in Iraq where civilization began.**

**The US mocks the French, who saved them at America's birth. The French mock the US, who saved them during WWII.**

**As soon as England bravely won WWII for the world, the British empire collapsed. [It was time for the Divine to move and execute His next cosmic purpose, i.e. to free up Asian nations. -SM]**

**Indian independence day happened on Sri Aurobindo's birthday. So did the end of WWII in the Pacific. [It is a symbolic event of the Divine; indicating His yogic effort which helped free India. -SM]**

**China and Russia finally emerge in power at the exact same moment: China at the Beijing Olympics, Russia through the Georgian aggression.**

**Karma, which seems inevitable, can be overcome. So can destiny. (Both through evocation of Spirit.)**

**Empirical science now indicates that the truth of scientific phenomena depends on the perspective and consciousness of the viewer.**

**Reality depends not merely on reality, but the perception and consciousness of the perceiver.**

**Infinite, Eternal, Perfect Divine/God evolved a material body, the known universe, with all its flaws.**

**The Mother says the most powerful and memorable music has few, but just the Right notes. [Less is More]**

**The Mother and others have had out of the body experiences. But several times She indicated that Life had gone outside Her.**

**Though we are in the universe, the entire universe is contained within us. [Reaching the Subliminal, the Psychic Being within, we perceive the whole world is contained there, the whole cosmic exists there, which we can become conscious of. -SM]**

**The inner and the outer are not so. (There is only one contiguous stream of existence.)**

**We perceive that outer action enables outer results. But from within, the Inner, without any action, we can also attract outer results.**

**Both Action and Non-Action Attract.** [By changing our Consciousness inside - which is not normally what we mean by “action” - we attract.]



## Group 9

**The unofficial US death tolls of 9/11, Katrina, and the 2nd War in Iraq are nearly the same, at ~3000 each. (They all happened under Bush 43's watch.)**

**Georgia prided itself in being a breakaway republic from Russia, and now has its own breakaways.**

**The Mother experienced 20 minutes as if were 1; and 1 as of it were 20.**

**Christianity which admires its savior's Love, ignores it in Buddha's compassion.**

**Western materialism and spiritual Christianity have travelled a long way together.**

**The Roman Empire of 1000 years – an astonishing feat- is more renown for how it failed than how it succeeded.**

**Dickens who felt compassion for the poor, reveled in their eccentricities.**

**Jane Austin who endlessly wrote of courting and marriage never married.**

**People believe in electricity, oxygen, thoughts, feelings, bytes, etc. which are invisible, but not Spirit.**

**By "philosophy," Westerners mean Western philosophy.**

**America who overcame the power of the Spanish in their territory are being inundated by the Hispanics from the South.**

**His followers long to meet Him in heaven, though Buddha denied its existence and value.**

**Jesus who advocated Love for a peaceful life is mostly revered for unpeaceful suffering.** [He came to the world at a very earlier stage, probably the earth was not ready in complete to embrace the spiritual value of Love. Yet, he was admired for the noble sacrifice of his Life, which touched the emotions of the people.  
-SM]

**We love our heroes. We also love to tear them down.**

**Those who advocate Truth with a certain vehemence are often the instruments of great falsehood.**



## **Group 10 (Latest)**

**When the Drama of circumstance is taking place, everyone is excited and in an uproar; but when the resolution occurs, there is hardly a whisper; as if nothing had ever taken place.**

**The French made the obscure Englishman Shakespeare and his writings truly known to the world.**

**The Jews and followers of Islam, who are at odds across nuclear-infested borders and rail against each other's culture and faith, worship the same God.**

**The Muslim fanatics are mimicking the Christian Crusade extreme zealots of ages long ago.**

**-40 Fahrenheit is equal to -40 Celsius.**

**Treachery accelerates progress by motivating the society toward the opposite.**

**Westerners say the East believes in many gods, instead of one God, yet the East believes in the one Reality (both spirit and matter and their integration) which is far more of a One than the Western One.**

**Very heavy ice floats; while little pebbles sink.**

**Bin Laden's family were friends of the Bushes. Bin Laden was the mastermind behind the 9/11 attack that took place under Bush Jr. 43's presidency.**

**Andrew Jackson, whose visage is on the US 20-dollar bill, almost ruined the country financially.**

**Often performers sing songs that touch on their own death just before they unexpectedly, prematurely die.**

**Steve Jobs felt betrayed again – Microsoft before -- when the Chairman of Google revealed they were entering the smartphone market. In both cases he was outraged. The first time he was ousted from Apple, a kind of death; the second time he succumbed to liver cancer right after.**

**Liberals, wanting to be of help, do not understand that charity and foreign aid creates resentment from the beneficiary.**

**“Laissez-faire” is unfair.**

**We worship God “out there,” but do not worship the Divine within ourselves.**

**Krishna engaged in deceit to enable the Truth to abound.**

**Jesus spoke of the kingdom within, i.e. in the soul in this life, yet Christians look forward to the heavenly kingdom after death.**

**Mars, the God of war, is the name for a relatively peaceful, inactive planet. Venus, the Goddess of Beauty, et al is the name for a poisonous, violent planet.**

**During the very week I finished a seven-year effort and release my book 'The Miraculous Phenomenon of Life Response,' the book and film 'The Secret' was released.** [In one sense, it can be thought of negatively (as attention shifted elsewhere) or as a positive life response to my effort, spreading the idea of sudden good fortune to the world -- which is Ironic for sure!] [Consciousness circulates! It may be perceived as negative, only in the surface view. The forms may vary and reaches the society according to the need and the state of consciousness. Probably It is the time for society to learn the deeper principles of Life Response by various forms! -SM]

**The Civil War in the US came about as a negative life response to the persecution and annihilation of Native Americans by Americans during those times.**

**Rise of Donald Trump is a negative life response to the USA's inability to work collaboratively to solve its economic and social problems.**

**Oppressive British Empire colonialized the weak and the poor, yet through that power enabled English to become the universal language for the world.**

**It is ironic that at a time when so many are clamoring for good jobs in the world revealing a great deficit in employment, more good jobs were created in the last 10 years in China and India and environs - perhaps as many as 1 billion - in the history of the world.**

**The culture of our times blinds us to the Great Issues and Dimensions of life, yet it is only through our times that those Qualities are realized.**

**Martin Luther King Jr who led the African-American Civil Rights Movement was influenced by Lincoln and Gandhi. All the 3 were murdered after their goal of National interest was accomplished. (SM)**

**The founder of the periodic table of elements Dmitri Mendeleev could not figure it out when awake, but envisioned it one night when asleep.**

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