

The Three Vows of The Fisher King

Only in the absence of otherness does God prevail.

#1: I'll henceforth treat everyone as I'd have them treat me, for otherness is an illusion, and all are versions of The One. There's no separation between The Source and Its multiplicity, and, therefore, everyone is a mortal version of The Immortal One. Therefore, I shall treat everyone as a form of my Self, a one of The One.

#2: I henceforth refuse to harm anyone, either by my action or my inaction, regardless of whatever harm that I perceive that they've done to me, for to cause harm to another is to cause harm to The One of which everyone is. Any harm which I cause to another I cause to myself through The Formless One of which everyone is a form. I feel this truth in my heart, the everlasting gateway to The One. I henceforth refuse to cause evil in response to evil, and shall always do good in response to any perceived evil done to me.

#3: I henceforth refuse to allow others to suffer when I have the means to alleviate or end that suffering, for it's never an 'other' that suffers, but a one of The One. Any good which I grant to another I grant to myself through The One of which everyone and everything is. I feel this truth in my heart, the everlasting gateway to The One. I shall henceforth consider the suffering of 'others' to be my own suffering, and shall respond to the need of any 'other' by giving them what they need.

Written while overcome by the film *The Fisher King*.