

CULT MESSIAH:

A Cautionary Satire Concerning Spiritual Sects

Now follow me closely -

listen to what I say

if you want to get enlightened

you must learn to obey.

Your ego is basically an obstacle

that must be erased.

Interested in liberation?

The path is simple:

Give me all your time & possessions

& I'll give you a joy which stays.

Are you serious about awakening?

Then surrender completely unto me -

I'll turn you into a fitting tool

for my world liberation scheme.

- T Newfields

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An-Yi: (raising her eyebrows) One thing I can't understand . . .

Daiki: Huh? What's that?

An-Yi: Why is this message is so seductive to so many?

Daiki: Hey. lot's of folks want some sort of "higher power" to take over their lives.

An-Yi: (pausing) Maybe so. Yet if you look closely, aren't these so-called "higher powers" actually clay-footed?

Chariya: Usually. Yet I do believe a few real saints exist. . .

Bhāraté: Hmm. Please forgive me for being skeptical.

An-Yi: Same here. I'm suspicious of anyone asking me to surrender my intellect.