

EINSTEIN'S SPIRITUALITY AND INTUITION

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Everyone has the highest respect for Einstein - probably the greatest scientist the world has ever known, but I somehow wrongly thought he did not believe in a creator/God. We naturally wish to turn to those amongst us who exhibit genius, particularly scientists - to better explain the world around us. So, fired up with watching the recent TV series on Einstein, I decided to do a little research on his spirituality, or lack therein. In no time at all, I found quotes of his that quickly settled the question; Einstein was a person who deeply believed in a God/creator i.e., was a highly spiritual person albeit not religious in the conventional sense of supporting any particular faith.

With my passion for science, my two favourite Einstein quotes which together exhibit his spirituality and his awe of God, are:

"Everyone who is seriously involved in the pursuit of science becomes convinced that a spirit is manifest in the laws of the Universe - a spirit vastly superior to that of man, and one in the face of which we with our modest powers must feel humble."

"The scientist's religious feeling takes the form of a rapturous amazement at the harmony of natural law, which reveals an intelligence of such superiority that, compared with it, all the systematic thinking and acting of human beings is an utterly insignificant reflection." (Ref 1, below)

What settled it for me is that I recently came across a letter written by Einstein to an old student friend Ilse Rosenthal-Schneider, where he discussed with her, cosmological universal constants. He said, "The real [true fundamental constants] are genuine numbers which God had to choose arbitrarily, as it were, when He deigned to create this world." [2]

I also came across a treasure – four interviews with Einstein, by Dr. Hermanns (Ref. 2), who was initially Einstein's fellow Berliner and then his fellow exile. Hermanns is a sociologist and poet who has strong mystical leanings and little understanding of physics. The following are

extracts taken from the book "Einstein and the Poet: In Search of the Cosmic Man", by William Hermanns. (Extracts by: Biologist Lois Isenman)

Hermanns says, that *"he constantly pushed Einstein to acknowledge his inherent mysticism. He succeeds in getting Einstein to say something that probably few scientists today would say - that there is a vital force or energy in creation. Einstein is willing to associate energy with what are generally seen as spiritual concepts."*

(Einstein) *"I believe that energy is the basic force in creation. My friend Bergson calls it élan vital, the Hindus call it prana." "The whole of nature is life, and life, as I observe it, rejects a God resembling man. I like to experience the universe as one harmonious whole. Every cell has life."*

"Matter, too, has life: it is energy solidified. Our bodies are like prisons, and I look forward to be free, but I don't speculate on what will happen to me."

"The truly religious man has no fear of life and no fear of death - and certainly no blind faith: his faith must be in his conscience. Then he will have the intuition to observe and judge what happens around him. Then, he can acknowledge that everything unfolds true to strict natural law, sometimes with tremendous speed."

"Indeed, it is not intellect, [which means book knowledge and empiricism for him], but intuition which advances humanity. Intuition tells man his real purpose in this life... I do not need any promise of eternity to be happy... my eternity is now. I have only one interest: to fill my purpose here where I am. This purpose is not given to me by my parents or my surroundings. It is induced by some unknown factors. These factors make me part of eternity. In this sense I am a mystic..."

Hermanns described a key moment in his interview: Einstein leaned forward, "...

"Isn't truth inherent in man?" I interjected. "You once told me that progress is made only by intuition, and not by the accumulation of knowledge."

*"It's not as simple as that," replied Einstein. "Knowledge is necessary, too. An intuitive child couldn't accomplish anything without some knowledge. There will come a point in everyone's life, however **where only intuition can make the leap ahead, without ever knowing precisely how. One can never know why but one must accept intuition as a fact.**"*

Einstein, is by no means the only scientist down the ages to express both the importance of intuition in achieving important science breakthroughs and not knowing how this happens. Many others have said this, and some have gone even further - to the extent of saying that they were not responsible i.e., it came to them in a flash, or by inspiration. Among those who denied responsibility, are some of the greatest scientists on earth. The following are but a few. Others are detailed in my book. (My book also explains the likely methodology unwittingly used by scientists, to successfully gain inspiration.) (Ref. 3)

- Newton after an apple fell on his head,
- Francis Crick discovered DNA (together with James Watson), Crick while moving molecular templates around,
- Demitri Mendileev, who discovered the Periodic table of the Elements,

- and Heisenberg, who formulated the basic principles of quantum physics.

If one finds this surprising, it is even more surprising to find that there is evidence within esoteric literature teachings that the cause of such inspiration is from scientists and guides who have passed over. The following teaching extract is one, it is taken from the book, "Life in the World Unseen" by Anthony Borgia, (Ref.4) a clairaudient medium.

According to Borgia, the medium, Monsignor Benson, (the discarnate, formerly a Catholic Priest), says *"that some scientists that have passed, seek to transmit (telepathically) to earth the discoveries that they have made that will help it. [Also, he, Benson] claims that the earth world has the spirit world to thank for all the major scientific discoveries that have been made throughout the centuries. In fact, the spirit world is far ahead of earth, so far that certain discoveries are withheld until a time when they would not be misused by unscrupulous people."*

Summing up, I must say that I am shocked, and delighted to find perhaps Einstein, the greatest scientist ever on earth, seems unique as a distinguished scientist, to have linked intuition so directly to his spiritual beliefs. Others like Einstein have recognised the importance of intuition. Steve Jobs is quoted to have said likewise that, "Intuition is more important in intellect". If it is of such immense importance to mankind - even perhaps, by early man to use this facility to develop hunting strategies, American Indians to develop bows and arrows, and so on down the ages until now - one would surely think that at least someone would have spent more time in trying to come up with some explanation as to how it works and why? However, this does not seem to be the case. It is obviously non-physical and rather like thought, except rather than us doing the thinking; inspirational thoughts and intuitive ideas, seem to go the other way, as such thoughts seem to arrive from outside the brain. There are cases where seeking information, a book opens at just the page where the desired information is found. This is so common, it is called "the library angel." Few though seem to be aware of this, or existence of the organisation called, "The Centre for Applied Intuition", whose aim is to use volunteers who have a special aptitude to gain inspiration to help mankind. Efforts of gifted members have already attained worthwhile medical breakthroughs, and more are expected as outlined on their website.

See: <http://appliedintuition.net/center-for-applied-intuition/> In other words, evidence strongly supports the fact that intuition is really just another form of *mediumship*, except, in this case, it is channelling *information/knowledge* directly and should rightly be added to the most commonest mediumship form, namely contact with those in the afterlife for verification of survival. Also, remote viewing, clairvoyance, even ITC and dowsing are variations on this and could be regarded as extended mediumistic capabilities well suited to investigation, resources and training to optimise capability for the benefit of all mankind.

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