

The Wise Old Tree

Book One

by:

William S. Peters Sr.



© 2008 William S. Peters, Sr.

All materials contained herein except where noted are the intellectual property of the Author(s) and / or Artist.. They may not be reproduced for distribution except by permission in writing from the Publisher.

All Written Expressions are Copyright Protect by:

William S. Peters, Sr.

ISBN#

Library of Congress Catalog #

Published by :

Inner Child Press Post Office Box 420 Waterford Works, New Jersey 08089

www.innerchildeenterprises.com

I dedicate this book of expressions

to

the

"Zero Point"



I as many of us are afforded the opportunity to at times sit and examine and reflect upon our Life and the Path that we have traveled or the path that we are on. Many times we attempt to be retrospective or introspective in our analogies and how our lives and it's experiences have altered our perspectives. I like we all have found our selves spiritually as well as mentally at the Cross Roads where we ask our selves that "Age Old" question which has existed from the dawn of time . . . "WHY".

In my personal reflections i choose to apply some sort of easy to grasp and remember pithy insight to help me justify my position and attitudes about certain aspect of my existence. In this Collection, what is reflected is my communion with Nature . . . specifically the Trees. I do believe that Trees have must to teach, for they are here! They have generally witness many Sunrises, Change, Growth and Demise within the Human Experience. As a Tree stretches forth it's limbs in reaching for the Heavens . . .

So may I ...

So here you are, this is my Humble Offering, my "Reaching Out"! In reading this, perhaps you too will find maybe just "1" that becomes reflective for you and thus enhances your Journey back to the Great Creation of Divinity that you are.

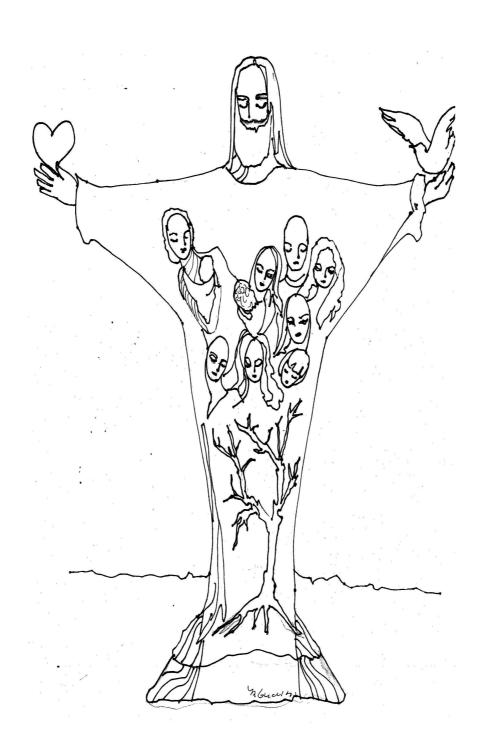
Acknowledgements

I first must give all Gratitude to The "One"...
... from where ALL things Come and thus Return.

Besides my beautiful and Colorful Landscape of Friends, Family Humanity, i wish to take this time to acknowledge that which sustains us all... The Mother Spirit of Life... Earth.

The Mother of all Life provides us with the Water, the Food, The Air . . . all the essential Manifestations and Character of Her Existence. She is the Life Force for the Body and the Spirit of who we are. She herself resides in the Spirit of the "One" . . the Creator. It matters not by which name we call our God(s), but more importantly that we learn to adopt the reverence for Life and the significance of the Beauty of Balance and the Rules by which we are allowed to coexist here.

My Journey has taken me through many Delusions, Illusions and Collusions, but yet i still stay on this path seeking Truth and the "WHY". So at this time i wish to acknowledge all those wonderful forces of life found in all forms of life that have assisted me in "Seeing" and "Feeling" the Song that Life sings!



...a Wise Old Tree

i spoke to a Wise Old Tree and this is what he had to say that even a Wise Old Tree does not always get his way

he said sometimes there's storms that strips all my leaves and sometimes we dance to the soft ticklish breeze

and each and every day the Sun again does rise and i follow it's light warmth across the painted skies

sometimes i am a home for the homeless birds and within my embrace they chirp to me God's words

> but i plant my roots firmly in the soil and i hold on to life as each day i toil

but that's not important as we cling to this life for one endures and lives through all of one's strife

for life breeds character through it's ups and downs imparting smiles of wisdom where there once was frowns

so don't ever succumb nor ever give in sow seeds of new life and love and live again and again

© 2008: William S. Peters, Sr.

... so may i

i am beautifully endowed for i have cloaked myself with the raiment of the word of life . . .

Love

as the Trees without fail spread their limbs to embrace the nurturing Light of Thy love ... so may i

as their root reaches down in the dark Mother Earth with constancy to drink of Thy Spiritual Water of Life so may i

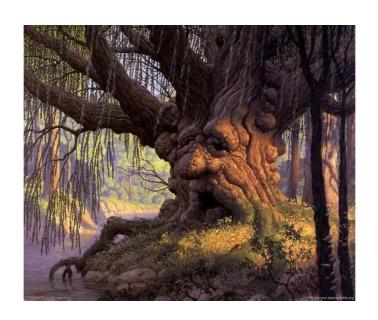
as they bring forth and bud and Blossom that they may yield their Fruit to all that hunger ... so may i

as they flow with the Winds and yield to the Storms while groaning and clapping and whispering to the Song of Life ... so may i

may i faithfully as a Tree reach out to the Heavens to embrace Life, your Love without fail

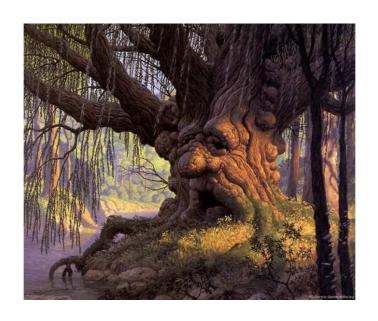
... so may i

© 2008: William S. Peters, Sr.



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

be whatcha wanna be wanna be whatcha be let it be whatcha be and be free.



By way of the Winds of Time

Clouds do move on . . .

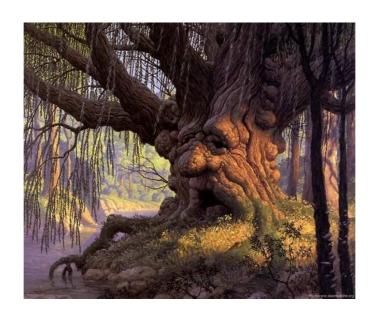
to re reveal the True splendor of the bright Promise of the Clear Sky!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

instead of stressing
what you can't change
be the change
and be the blessing!

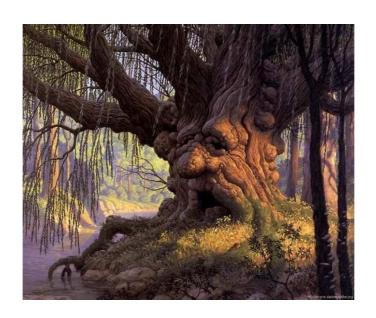
~ wsb ~



Am I not myself inspired by inspiring others?

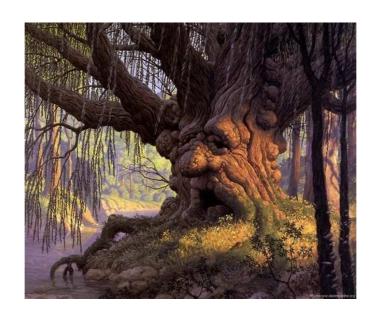
How can you give that which you have not?

So, I say practice inspiration of others, and thus you shall find that you have been helping your self find your own inspiration!



all people have the same attributes, abilities, potential and components . . .

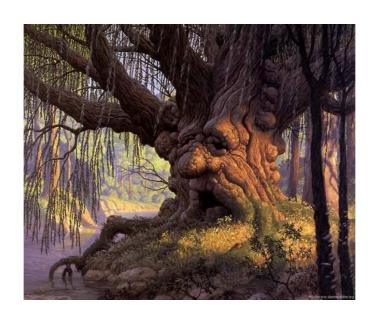
the only thing that distinguishes one from another is not what you have within . . . but how we look at what is . . . and what you do with it!



a strong man cries a weak man lies

... to himself ...

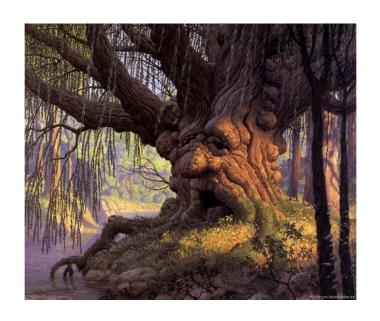
His best friend!



though a bud gives hope and promise . . .

a closed flower gives not . . .

the beauty of it's scent!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

a seed is worth nothing . . .

unless it is planted in good soil!

~ wsb ~

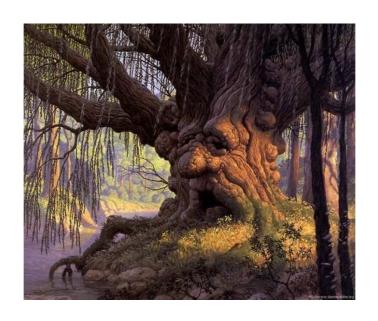


To speak the right words for the right situation . . . is a talent that many possess . . .

the value of a kind word is priceless . . . and many are known for their kindness in word !

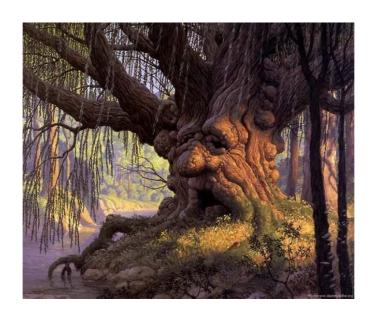
but ultimately . . .

it is by deed that you will be remembered!



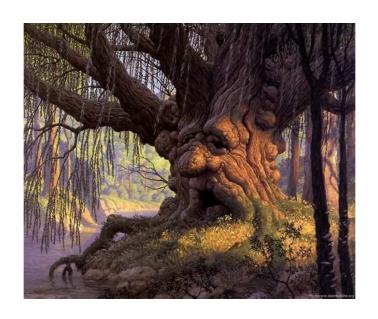
Because the Sky is cloudy . . .

does not mean the Sun does not exist!



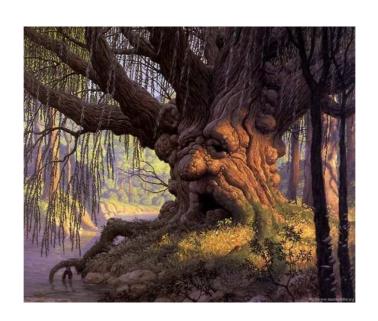
a Mother's love is the closest to that of God . . .

for it has no beginning and it has no end!



the easiest thing in Life . . . is to not try to Live Life . . .

... but to "BE" Life!



Humans . . .

You are always attempting to define Love . . .

That is like me trying to define a Tree . . .

IJUST AM!

... so "BE"!



yet . . .

through tear laden eyes

one can only see the blur,

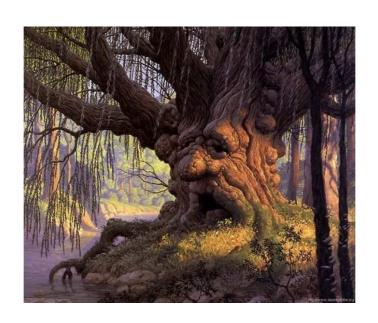
but not the shape of things

so . . .

cry 'til you laugh

and laugh 'til you cry

and in between you shall see life's truth . . .



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

We Humans choose our own prisons . . .

and they are all within self!

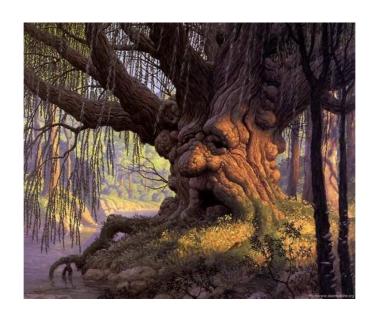


Some People look at Challenges they see Tribulations and they say I CAN'T!

Some People look at Challenges they see Possibilities and they say I'll TRY!

Some People look at Challenges they see Triumph and they say I Will!

All People look at Challenges All People see something All People enjoy the Fruits of their Labor!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

One can not grow a Garden of Love in the dark!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

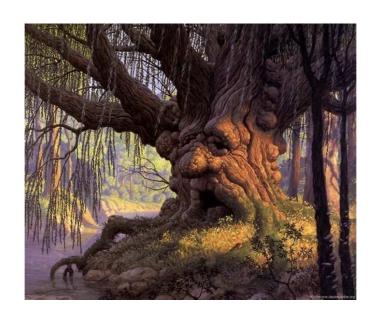
The dividends of Love are greater then the investment.



DD (double D) is not only a Bra Size . . .

It also stands for . . .

Dream and Do



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

that we humans often
ask for answers to questions
for which we have already
predetermined our Truths!



"we humans spend our lives defining love . . .

...instead of ...

allowing Love to define us"!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

the most important person in "YOUR" Life is "YOU" $for \ "YOU" \ R$

~ wsb ~



trials, tribulations, troubles, problems, vexations, are but friends with gifts

gifts of knowledge and wisdom

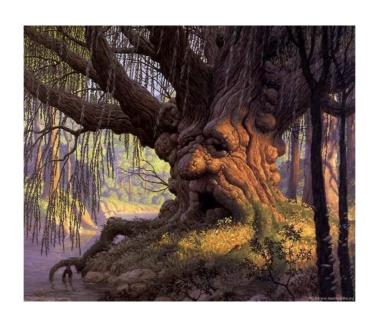
... understanding and patience!



no expectations . . .

no disappointments!

~ wsb ~



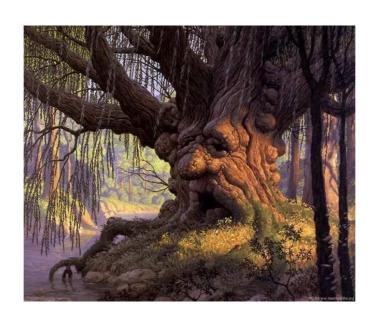
Touch, taste, hear, see or smell . . . It matters not! . . . for it fills all my senses!

> in the gardens of love there are no fences!



If God chooses to wake you . . .

the least i can choose to do is live . . .



Gossip is . . .

repeating something you heard about someone else . . .

There is ONE certain Truth in all gossip . . .

That by listening or speaking . . . you have kept it alive . . . and given it New Life!



Goals are Slave Masters . . .

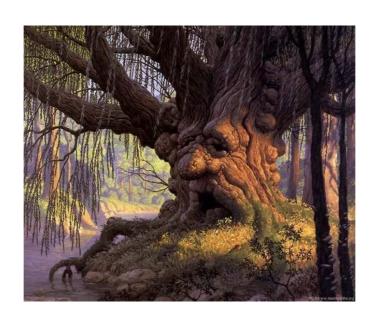
Wants and Desires are their 1st Cousins!

~ wsb ~



If you wish your Dreams to come true . . . to manifest themselves into reality . . .

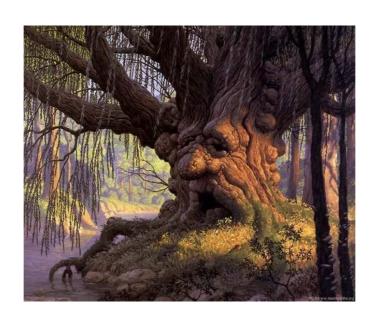
You first must believe without a doubt . . . without reservation!



when feeling sad and lonely . . .

One should focus on making others smile, laugh and know of Joy . . .

... for goodness is reciprocally contagious!



there is a garden . . .

where the fruit is always ripe . . .

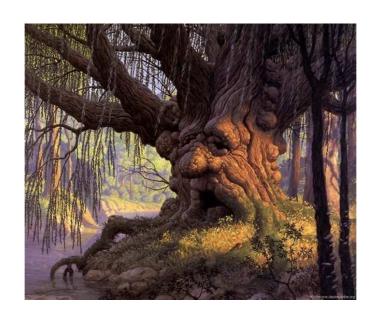
and that Garden is called Love!



embrace everyone . . . love all diversity in each other . . .

as it takes all types of Trees and Plants to make a Forrest . . .

> it takes all types of colors to make a Rainbow!



a full cup gets no wine!

a fisted hand receives no gift!

a shut eye has no vision!

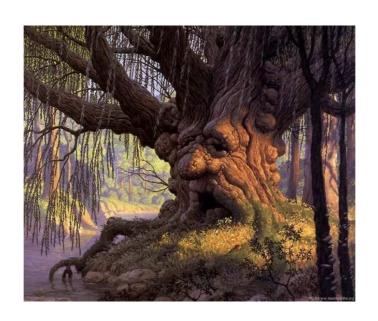
a dark mind sees no light!

a closed heart knows not love!



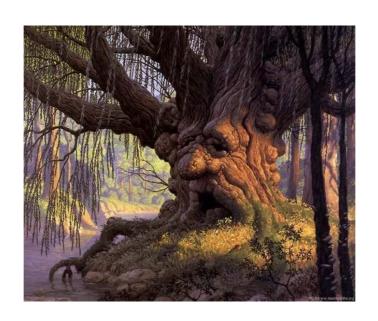
Faith is not giving up on God . . .

when you think God has given up on you!

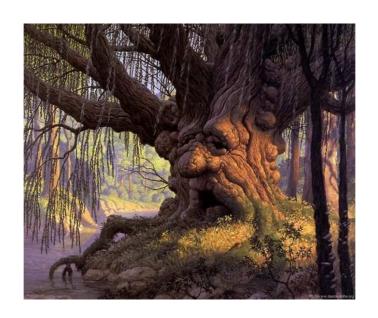


In giving your Life to others . . .

You yourself shall find Life!



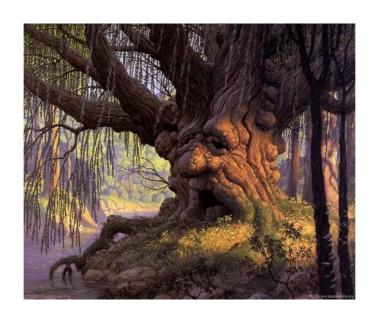
Hate . . . is but an illusion . . . a word given to describe something that the Heart understands not!



If you knock on the Door . . .

and no one answers . . .

try turning the knob!



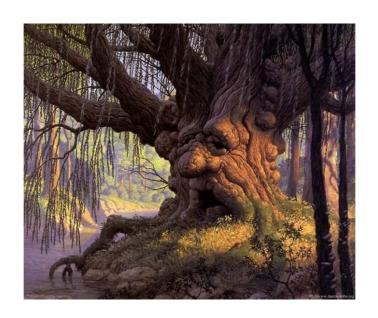
a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

It is upon our convictions
of Heart and of Mind
that we elect Life or Death.



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

in absence of knowledge we create truth. . .



it is the pathways of Darkness that confirms the pathways of Light . . .

 \dots for it is Light from whence thou has come !



With your hands you have all power . . . to do anything you wish . . .

for the Great Mind will assist you . . .

... if you put your heart into it!

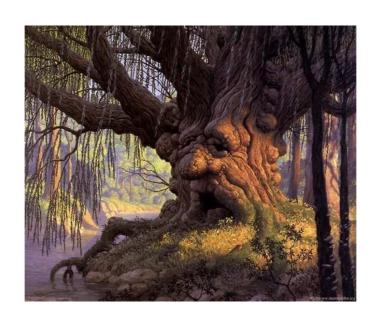


It is the Whole Duty of Man . . .

to become Whole . . .

in doing so . . .

can we truly become whole if our Brothers or Sister are not?



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

if you want more . . .

... be more!

~ wsb ~



i am but what i am . . . i can not become any more than that . . . for all that "IS" is already with in me!

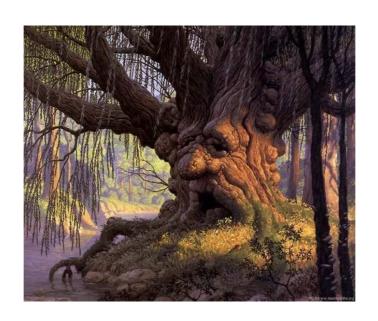
... the same Cosmic Laws applies to you Humans!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

let the flower of your heart blossom \dots

that it may be nurtured by the sunshine of other hearts.



I created a diversion to distract myself from thinking about my delusions . . .

...and i called it life!



We may not always be aware,

nor do we always honor in our actions,

but we have always been connected to that of the Creator,

for it is His breath that we breath!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

if you want Hope . . . GIVE IT!

if you want Love . . . LIVE IT!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

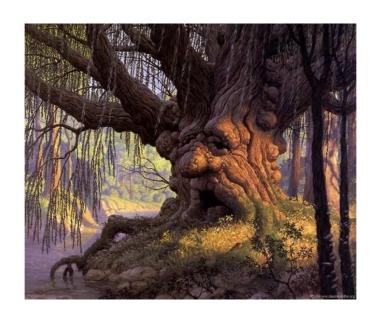
every time you attempt to "hedge" a bet against God . . . you will lose!

...but...

you will be blessed . .

. . . with . . .

the Wisdom of knowing you can never win that bet!



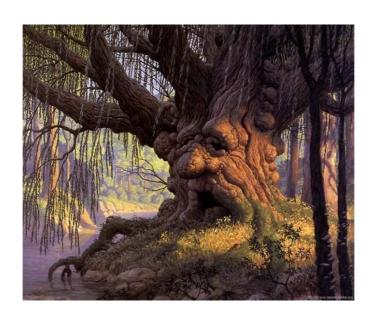
Knowledge and Wisdom resides in the Light

Journey and Discovery resides in the Darkness

The Congruity of Solitude and All...

"BE" – ing, "Here" and "Now" . . . resides in them both . . .

...in ONE NEST!

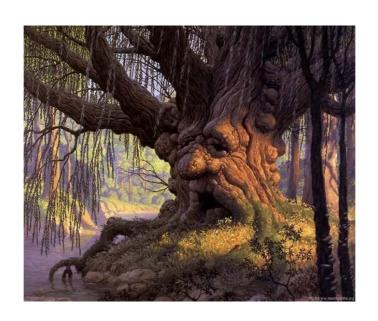


From my birth i knew my destiny would be to reach for the Sun and the Stars . . .

In my all my years i have drawn closer to my dream . . . to my purpose!

Sure it has been a slow process . . . but look how far i have come!

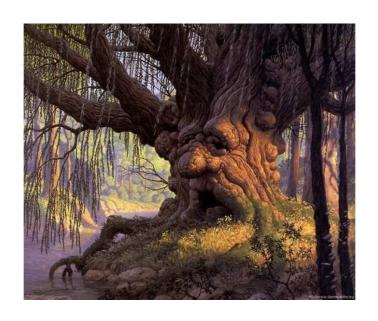
I shall never give up!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

if you look for beauty . . .

you shall find it!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

if love grew on a Tree in the Gardens of your Heart . . .

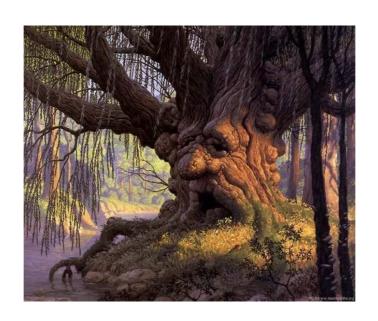
the fruit would always be ripe for the picking!



any child or fool can recite the Word . . .

but to live the Word takes conviction!

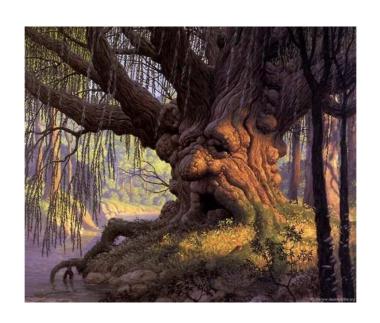
~ wsb ~



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

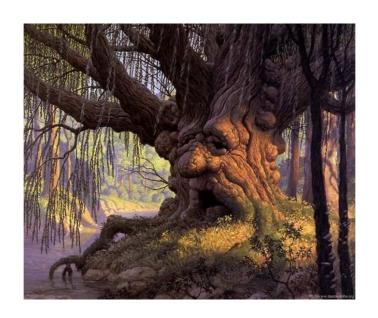
One who loves truly ...

no longer loves selectively!



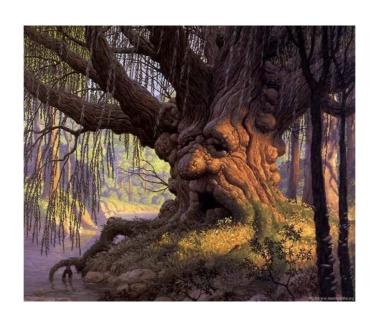
a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

May you dance forever . . . embraced by the magic of love . . .

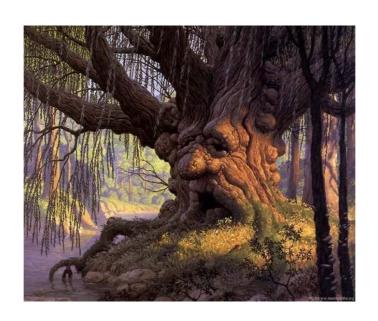


Love is all that matters in Life . . .

All else will fall into place if love is put first and practiced in all things and at all times!



may we forever swim in the Rivers of Life . . . that flows to the Ocean of all Love!



Like the Fruit Tree

or any other Plant that bears seed . . .

Life is perpetual . . .



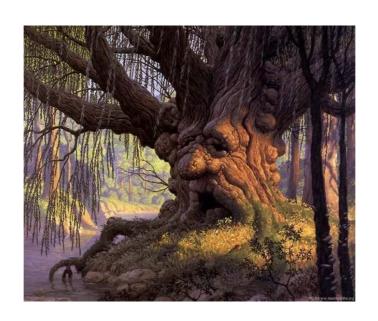
that because He, the Tree exists . . . we humans are given the breath of life . . .

... and ...

because we exist . . . He is given the same . . .

In Life,
it does not matter . .
who gives the most . . .
the best . . .
or first . . .

just that we give!



that Loving another costs us nothing . . .
but yields us plenty of bounty!
then He asked me
why do we hoard it?



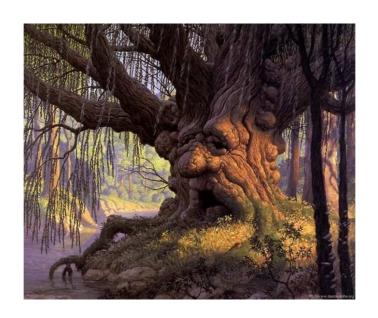
The only sin of life . . .

is to not share the gift you were given . . .

to pass on . . .

and never sing your song

or let your music be heard!



Life is a Gift . . .

this means it was given . . .

so say Thank You!



He who frowns much . . . knows little joy!

He who knows little joy . . . knows the pathway to great Joy !

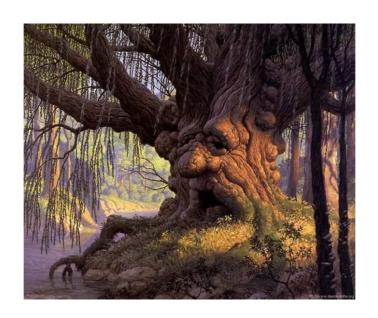


as much as you know love to "BE" . . .

it's beauty and it's power . . .

you have no idea . . .

how much more love can become!

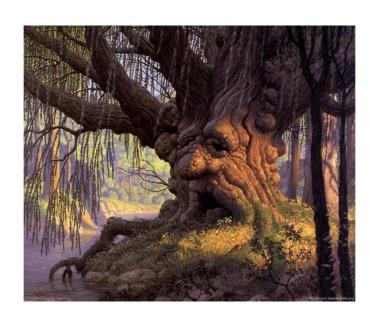


We were all Created by the One . . .

 \dots the Only Master \dots

therefore . . .

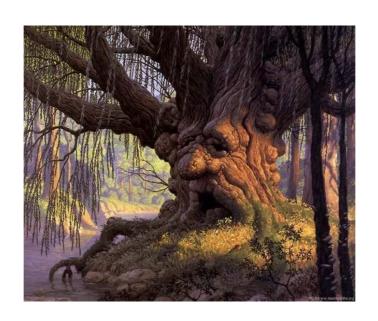
We are "Master Pieces"!



Love is the easiest thing you can do . . .

for you have all that you need

within you to be very good at it!



Life is laced with dualities . . .

weaved in the Fabric of our Realities .

~ wsb ~



there is One absolute . . . we all live within our Consciousness . . .

and we all are embraced by a Consciousness greater than we are . . .

the Collective!

Our Consciousness and Reality is as we view it.

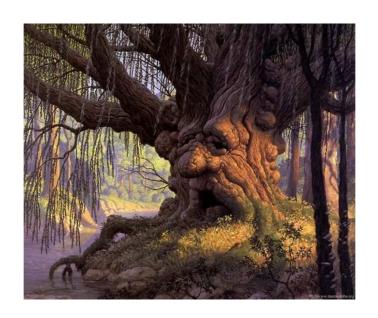
Some of us are Salmon spawning, and some of us are the offspring of that act . . .

But we all are swim in the Rivers of Life . . . Either with the Flow or against it!

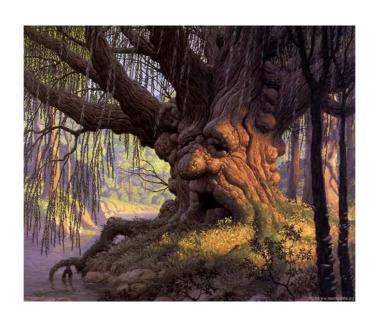


humans would be in a fix if they were told there would be no more tomorrows . . .

but the question still remains . . . how would you live today?



There is a pool of Love . . .
that holds all things that are in existence . . .
this pool's waters are so pure . . .
it washes away illusions . . .
of time and space . . .
. . . with this being said,
what is there to know ? . . .
for even knowledge bows ! . . .
. . . . to honor love . . .



No Dream is impossible to achieve . . .

Yet you wish it anyway ?



in Life, you can only Harvest that which you plant, . . . or was planted for you . . .

So, make sure that you plant the seeds of Sweet Fruits . . .

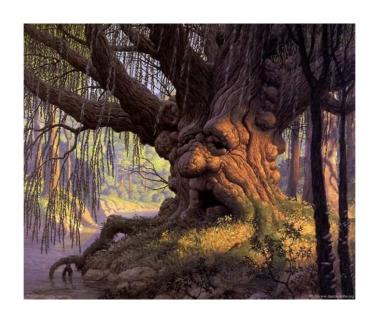
And you shall never be disappointed.



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

One goes forward by putting on foot in front of the other \dots

one step at a time!



The road to Love is not an easy one,

however . . .

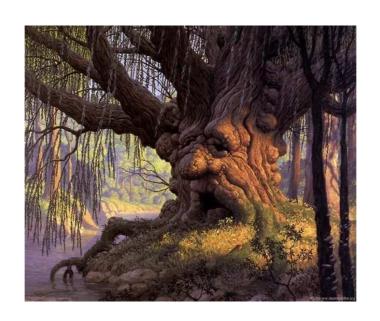
the journey is worth every step.



Prayers be with you in your journey . . .

Grace be with you in your thoughts . . .

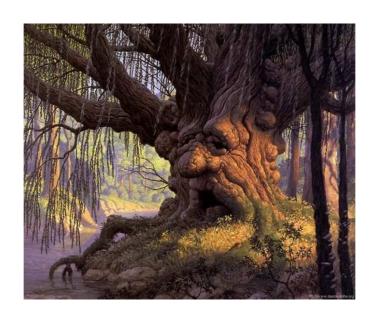
Love be with you in all you do . . .



it is only through quiet, careful and finite observation are we truly "Here" and "Now" . . .

it is the state of "Being" . . .

... otherwise you are somewhere else!



The ability to Speak Out is a gift from our Creator . . . it is not a right so regulated by man .

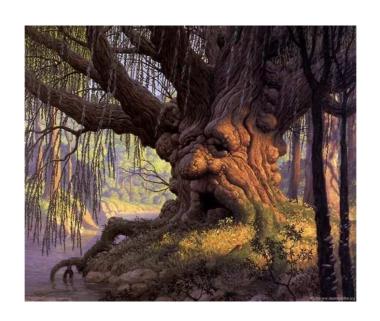
The council of men can not usurp this divine endowment . . .

... but the courage of self to face possible persecution does have a direct effect on One's voice!



the power of Self is limited by Self . . . and it's delusions!

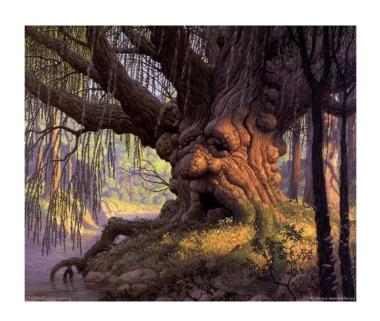
It is only when Self submits to Love does it realize it's fullest potential!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

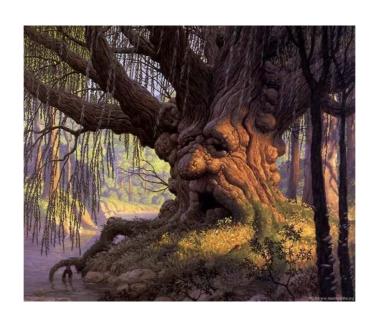
Self is a Melody

You and I are a Harmony!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

you can not ever come to know thyself until you acknowledge just who "Self" is!

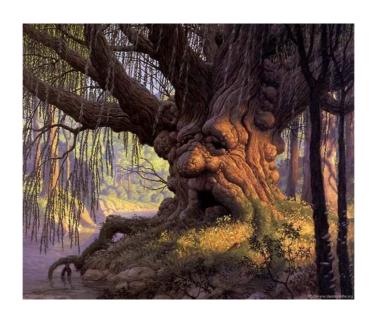


pray not for love . . .

pray not for peace . . .

just "BE" the effort . . .

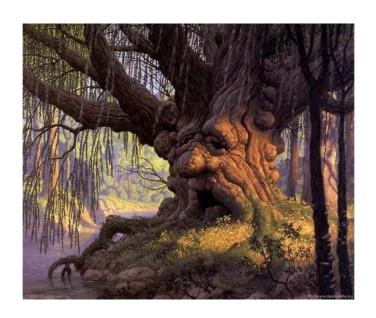
and never do you cease!



that in our world we have many "Rocket Scientists"

yet we can not figure out . . .

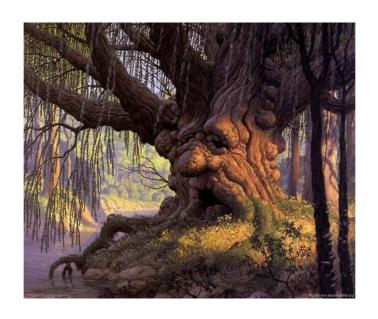
that when one suffers we all suffer . . . for we are part of a Whole!



he could not figure out why so many of us Humans

spend so much time rocking . . .

since we are all in the same Boat!



The purpose of Life is Death . . .

The purpose of Death is Life . . .

They are a part of an unending cycle!

They, Life and Death coexist within the realms of nothingness . . .

and One ness . . .



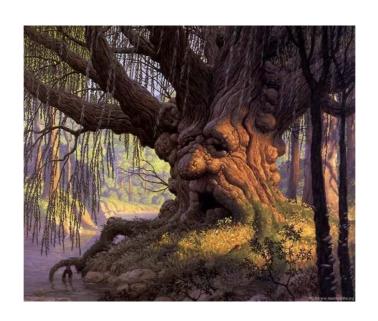
That which you cling to is made of darkness . . .

... even the Heart!

For your Heart was designed to be open and given . . .

Only then may it's Light escape to the World

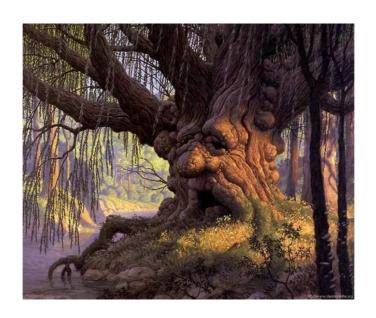
And allow the Light of Creation to enter!



The greatest strength is found . . .

in He who willingly surrenders!

~ wsb ~



There are many fruits to gather
by he who patiently awaits
the ripening and falling from the Tree!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

The Objective can only be achieved when the subjective becomes projected!

~ wsb ~

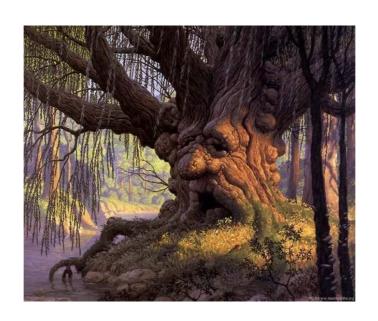


We humans struggle constantly against the natural flow of life.

Life is like a river . . .

If we but allow the Flow to "BE",

Then we will "BE"!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

fruit must be opened or consumed . . .

that it may yield it's seed!

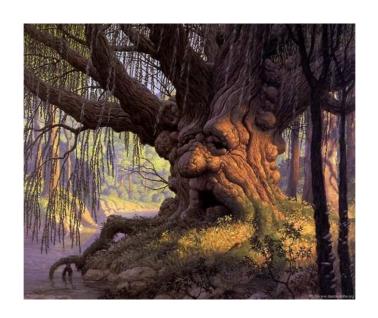


the understanding of life comes . . .

the journey thus far has yet to end . . .

so strive to embrace . . .

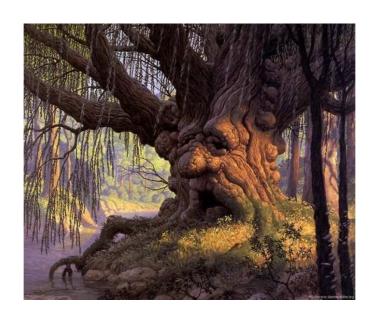
that which is yet to be learned . . .
. . . within . . .



the World says . . . You gotta see it to believe it

the Creator says . . . You gotta believe it to see it . . .

Who do you Believe in?



the toughest question i will ever have to answer is . . .

"Could I Have Done More?"

~ wsb ~



the pathways back to your Divine Home and the Father . . . is a rugged and testy one!

It is cluttered with Over and Under Growths . . .

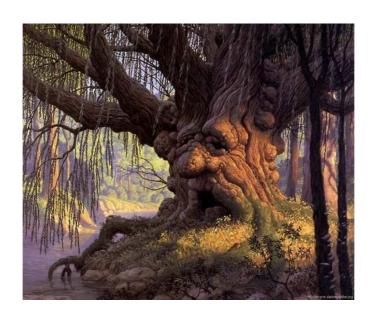
so make sure you have your gloves, boots and a good set of shears . . .

for . . .

there is much mud and much that needs to be pruned and cut out of your way!

or . . .

you could just put your Wings back on!



In seeking the light . . .

it matters not what Road you take . . .

for eventually they all converge in One place . . .

... the Horizon!

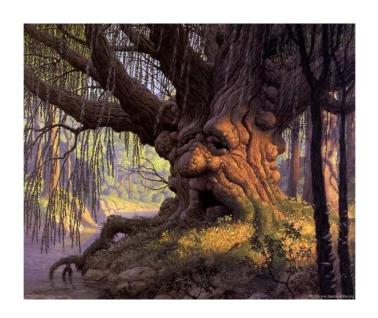
Is there more than ONE?



Wherever the Dark of Night abides . . .

know this . . .

the Dawn of a New Day and the Light of the Sun is on it's way!



in every moment of life . . .
you have an opportunity . . .
to discover and learn . . .
just how magnificent you really are . . .
and how much more you can be!

The potential is only as limited as your Thoughts and Dreams!



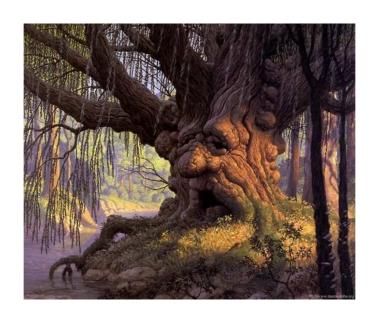
Intense Thought,
Meditation,
Introspection,
Retrospection
and
Contemplation
may lead to Clarity . . . perhaps . . .

In Discovery of Self we do come to see our Truths . . .

... and that my friend is simply this ...

that you are free to choose your Truths!

Is that the Ultimate Truth of us All?



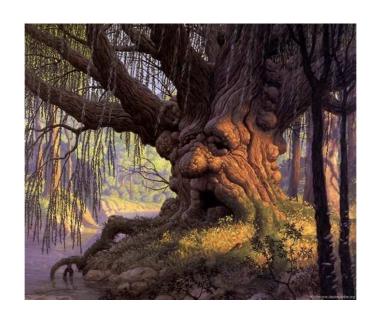
What purpose is life . . .

if you live life with no purpose?



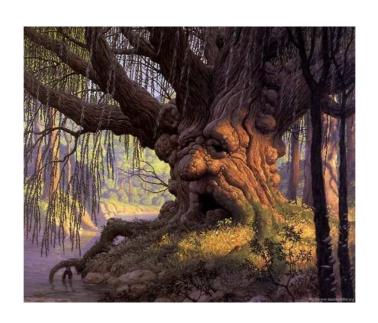
It is not i who defines me,

but the influences of all external things which i take in . . .



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

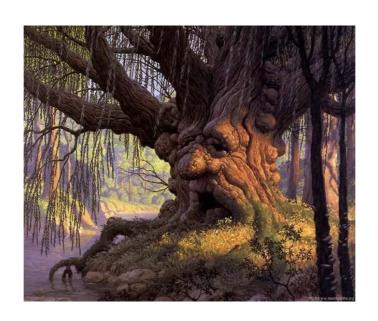
You are the author of the story of your life!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

you can not forsake . . .

that which you never did sake!



With Love

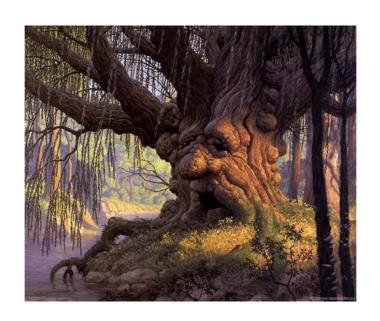
What is not possible . . .

With Love

What is impossible

With Love

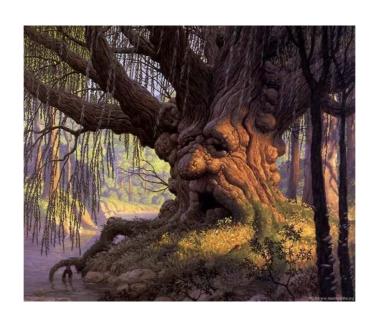
All things are possible



When faced with the coming Winter's of Life . . .

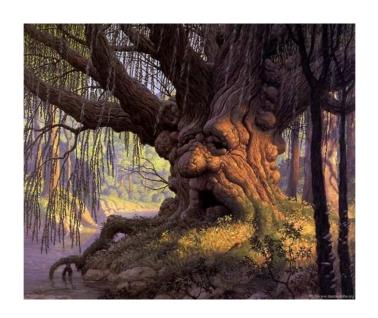
Birds fly South where life is Warm and Beautiful . . .

What do you do ?



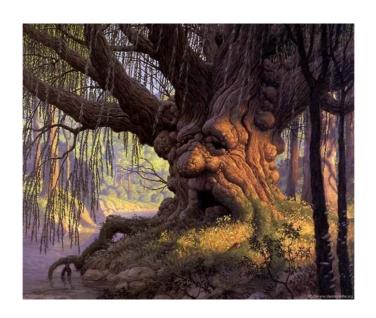
a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

Wealth is not only found in Finance!



a Wise Old Tree told me . . .

we must be that which we wish to see . . .



though you call your selves a Civilization . . .

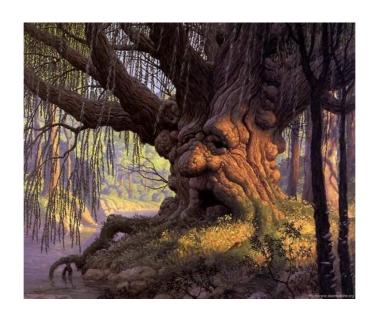
does not mean you are Civilized . . .

but you can always work on it!



The most intelligent people he has encountered Do not speak much nor do they claim to know anything . . .

For they are Wise beyond intelligence, they Observe!



the love of God and Nature . . .

is the Highest and Purest manifestation of

... Self Love!



Hello, This is Bill . . . again.

Most of you know me from previous Publications, BLOGS and Conversations... if not, please feel free to stop in for a visit at:

www.innerchildenterprises.com

This Collection is but an accumulation of my "insightful" thoughts as applied to matters of the Spirit, Heart and Mind. I will not take the time to attempt to justify this "offering", for it is just that . . . an "Offering". As i spoke in the Intro, if i can but assist, contribute or help just 1 Soul, Mind or Heart, then the effort is a true Blessing above and beyond my expectations . . . for the recording of these words has truly been a blessing to myself. There are a few that i embrace with regularity, such as "Master Pieces" and the Last One concerning the aspect of "Self Love". If you come to know me and my works, you will soon come to embrace that Love and Understanding is of Primary importance in my Life. I thank you so much for your kind Readership, and now without Further ado, i am off to "my inner garden" that i may Sow more Seeds of the Same . . . Love and Understanding . . .

Blessed Be

William S. Peters, Sr.