

Personal Closings

Within time, i shall fade away
closing eyes merging so

Within time, i shall fly away
closing eyes to softly go

Within time, i shall be free
closing myself; tasting fiery darkness

Within time, everything clears
closing eyes slowly opening

Within time: beginning to ending
opening senses enfold completeness

Within time, i shall be newly born
opening myself, revealing me

Within myself, becoming eternal
{ merging softly to darkness}
opening completely
revealing me

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This is an intensely personal poem of self reflection¹. For me, the poem corresponds to events in my life: fading with depression, watching damselflies, catching fireflies, discovering personal awareness, flowing with personal acceptance, awakening in renewal and a final surrendering to my nature. The poem combines with the following story:

As a child I would close my eyes
Discovering a place of no thought, no action, no feeling
Into the empty place of completeness and nothingness
... Revealing the Tao ...
As an adult I close my eyes
Having the sun enwrap me in a breeze of peace
Touching
Life across time: of all moments, which touch upon me.
Touching upon a larger eternal nature
Discovering freedom to be what I am.

I can merge this into a vocalization of feelings:

... Acceptance mixing with wonder ...

Of understanding *my* Personal Tao ...

To be alive touches upon the creation of my own swirling path.

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1) This page is a personal ending purely for me ☺, coming to closure with my Personal Tao.

Endings

Writing the book's first ending, *Closings*, was a major, life-changing moment: I had finally managed to grasp a Personal Tao. After finishing it, I had others review the work. One friend cried upon reading it, while another read the last section and crossed it out. The range of response surprised me but illustrates how personal the Tao is for each of us.

This book has been a guide; opening paths of discovery into the empty space of living. I have gone as far as I can, literally to the edge of my own pattern. A Personal Tao continues within the journals of your life; as a time of exploration, action and freedom. Beyond this is a realm of revelations: the uncovering of secrets to fill your empty space. This becomes a work we all contribute towards. Each person testing the world, jotting down notes to consider, taking the time to be alive: discovering a Personal Tao...

Over time I will post *Closings* from others upon the [Personal Tao](http://www.personaltao.com) web site.

I sincerely hope this book is of some assistance to you, as it has been for me.

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/ A gentle bow \

Peace on your journey.

Namaste