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"The Grail as a transforming influence"

- 1) steps beyond — "conversion of the world"
— "social action"
— "answer to the needs of environment suchy"

all led to perceive:

→ "limitdness of Grail presence"
+
scope of Grail existence

why?

2) Perception of the world today:

a) a one-problem world - where are we going? is the future possible?

b) complexity of the world

f.g. vote "abs" about struggle for lib.

or "apartheid" - crime against humanity")

c) the domination of systems over the individual + groups;



7) ~~the greatest depth is the mystery of redemption (Evlyn)~~

- 8) - the risk of "conformism" or one-single pattern (Saginaw not to be repeated!), or of idealizing the cause, becoming a ghetto
- the risk of being content with some kind of involvement, getting settled down in one partial aspect → get moving
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- the risk of taking apparently the "wrong side"; no cause is pure!



Given:

- a) a corporate reality, the human person within the communal reality — interrelated levels of solidarity
- to encourage persons to get involved in a community
- b) the spirit is always embodied
- we can only perceive the spirit through the sensorial capacities we have; likewise of any living corporate group;
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(doing things together)
- c) the contradictions of forces alive in the world
= history read in totally \neq ways (Middle East, Soviet absorbed countries)



5) To counter-act the systems
as a group

and, because the individual
emerges from the group also as
an individual;

< either by something totally new
or by a new way of focussing
activities + talents (e.g. situation
"of women")

∴ anticipating something of the world
in its best form

6) Because of the depth in each
involved, a "home ~~for~~ of values"
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- how to express anew those
values

- how to have a language
which conveys in a universal
+ yet intimate way such
values

- being a primary group, "values"
pass on in story-telling, in
what constitutes a living oral
tradition;

(7) The greatest force - the mystery of
redemption



3) The challenges as I perceive them now:

- ~~brotherhood~~

- to go deeper into the mystery of God (allies learn the world come and yet the "pulse" of the Grait

- to be a real int/ual group, in terms of a we which embraces many ≠ realities;

- communality

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3) To create something alive, "from within", where brotherhood is motivation + goal
where renewal happens through one's own awakening of consciousness;

- 4) To determine a sizable situation:
- appeal to individual + group humility
 - to plunge into the roots of that situation + finding the all-encompassing essence in depth, not in extension; → link with Grait at the root
 - need for "in-depth micro-level" study to determine the real world social reality + the way to cope with it;



- satisfaction is depth rather than its extension
- the most effective are the things that are most affecting us
- to manageable ^{like} ~~not~~ as a defense ~~not~~
- isolation is a more solidary world

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