

individual does not bring to the group, or quickly have given to him, some commitment to that group, he can sit on the periphery and gain very little. The facilitator has to be aware of this, and offer to help him gain that commitment, and the reason he is a facilitator is that he must only make the offer to help. He must not insist on the person participating, that could be no more than a reinforcement of the passivity by taking away the choice to join or not to join in, which may be the first step in activity. It may be that some other activity is required, and the options there are various. The facilitator must be aware that

he, and the group with which he works, are only one possible route.

This then would seem to be the root of the solution to the problem of "Personal Passivity", to help the individual generate his own resolution of his own problems. The generic need is to generate "Personal Activity", and out of that activity will grow the Creativity and Love that lie dormant in each of us. To place all that energy in an environment in which the germinated seed cannot flourish seems likely to reinforce the passivity.

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SONNET ON DISSOLVING BARRIERS

The soul that once has won to its true state,
Achieved by Love the Goal and reached the Friend,
Dissolved the walls and veils and brought an end
To all the barriers that separate;

That soul has found its verity, the straight
Pathway to that to which all pathways tend,
Which reason, heart, and intellect defend,
And no adjournments can invalidate.

The sense of separation is the source
Of all that clips our flight and saps our force
And dims the hopeful lights and makes us weak.

In its removal is our happiness
And love's unique signification: This
It is we must deliberately seek.

Ann Keith
