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in these three series of talks, discusses many vital issues which confront mankind and every thinking individual today. One of the principle issues is the fragmentation of man's life and mind, with all the resulting conflict, fear and violence. Krishnamurti asks, "Whether it is possible to act so completely, so wholly, that there is no fragmentation whatsoever". This involves "an inward revolution at the psychological level, which is the only solution for man". That is his central theme.

Some familiarity with his use of words is obviously necessary, but there is nothing in these talks which cannot be understood fairly easily by anyone who is interested. Questions and answers help to clarify his position and elucidate his meaning. Krishnamurti's starting point is always what can be readily observed and understood by the rational mind but his challenge to human beings goes far beyond what thought can grasp. It is, as he expresses it here, to come upon "that immeasurable something that man has everlastingly sought", that realization without which life is meaningless.

The onus is on each individual if he accepts the challenge. Krishnamurti warns that a guru is only the one who points the way . . . "like a post by the roadside, he points out the direction". "Do not", he says, "accept what the speaker (himself) is saying, but use him as a mirror in which you see yourself as you are". For self-knowledge is necessary and seeing the truth, especially about oneself, needs honesty and a passionate involvement with life. One must "deny totally the acceptance that there is heaven through another, or by following another. Nobody in the world or in heaven can give you that life. One has to work for it — endlessly".

The fourth Amsterdam talk reported here (on meditation) has been issued as a long-playing record, entitled "This light in oneself".

This is the third of a new series of books, edited from tape-recordings of Krishnamurti's talks throughout the world.