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For several weeks every Summer J. Krishnamurti speaks at Saanen in the Bernese Oberland, Switzerland. The talks are followed by discussions held daily. In the present series of publications, of which this is volume 2, we are giving reports of these talks and discussions; the greatest care has been taken to make them accurate and they have been edited only enough for clear and intelligible reading.

One of the main themes of these talks is the question of thought and understanding. What are the uses and limitations of thought and what is that intelligence which transcends thought? For Krishnamurti 'total seeing' is far more important than thinking. 'One sees things in fragments and thinks in fragments . . . so one must enquire into what it means to see totally', he says.

The discussions probe deeper into the themes of the talks by means of questions and answers. They are called Dialogues in the sense of talking together, not a debate or argument in which people take sides; for the goal is truth, or seeing 'actually what is'. 'There is truth in finding out how thought operates, what desire is, what pleasure is, what fear is.'

Krishnamurti insists on certain fundamental issues which we tend to skate over all too easily. He is prepared to force his questioners back again and again on a central issue, for until it is faced wholly and honestly, understanding is not possible. 'What is' has to be seen for truth to be.

In the fifth Dialogue he speaks about love and the processes of thought. There lies the problem. 'I have watched thought (says Krishnamurti) building this house brick by brick; thought has built this house and is caught in it'. How is one to escape? 'If I want to find out that quality of what may be called love, then I have to shatter the whole house which I have built'.

Anyone who is searching for something beyond the confines of an existence limited by the exigencies of one's own conditioning would do well to take the journey to Saanen - or spend some time with the talks and discussions in this volume.