

Kabbalists toasting with white wine

Being a friend of the Kabbalist Leon on Face Book, as well as being his friend and disciple in real life, I decided to visit him at his country home, so that he could explain better the two cryptic notes that he had recently posted on his FB page .

The first note said:

"God through his Logos reveals the secrets of Creation to the Jewish prophets. This is the answer to question number three: how God communicates with the world? Perhaps the answer is: through the Tachyons, particles of His Substance traveling at infinite speed, and therefore they can not be seen, they don't cast shadows because they travel faster than light, have no mass, but they are (maybe) ultrasounds arriving to human ears only after God has spoken (sometimes too late). Of course no one has recently seen God to judge whether this is the correct interpretation of the Kabbalist. One should ask those, like the prophet Elijah, who said he came into contact with God in the Sinai. God told him: "Go out and stand still on the mountain in front of YHWH" at that time YHWH would go from there. Elijah said that a powerful hurricane split the mountains and the rocks crumbled in the face of YHWH, but YHWH was not in the hurricane. And after Hurricane an earthquake. But YHWH was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire. But YHWH was not in the fire. And after the fire a faint sweet sound. And that was YHWH. (Kings, 19: 9,12) "

The second note said:

"Bertrand Russell, who wrote the book Principia Mathematica once said:

"I like math because it is not human and has nothing to do specifically with this planet, with all the accidental universe because, as the God of Spinoza, it does not love us in return (of our faith)."

It would be nice if our God was the God of Spinoza, that is the Existence, which has its roots in a couple of geometric mathematical equations, and is without any constraint for us. "

The two notes, as usual were signed: (The Kabbalist).

I am a scholar farmer who delights to read books of philosophy of religion, and right now I'm reading the book of the American philosopher Daniel C. Dennett's: *Breaking the Spell*.

The book purports to analyze religion from a philosophical point of view, asking intelligent questions on the assumption that religion is a natural phenomenon. As I came to the farm I found that Leon was not sitting as usual on his stone bench, under the carob tree, but was sleeping on a deck chair, under the big centenary olive tree behind the houses. I had to shake him to wake him up, fearing that he was dead, but Leon was more alive than ever, and after a moment of bewilderment, he smiled.

As usual Leon suggested that I, according to an old tradition wellestablished for years, should go before everything in the house to fetch a bottle of *Moscato di Noto Acantus* of Francesco Valenti, with two glasses and a corkscrew. I ran to take another sun deck chair on the terrace and settled it under the olive tree next to Leon, then I went home and I completed the enterprise of the Acantus bottle, the glasses and the corkscrew, then went back to lie down next to Leon and , having brilliantly accomplished the task that I was given, I poured two glasses of white wine.

With a wet beak Leon told me laconically: "Speak!" And I, after drinking my wine I said: "This involves your last two posts on FB. I noticed a logical inconsistency in what you say ... "

Leon coughed and staring at me with apprehension in the eyes asked: "Inconsistency about physical or philosophical logic? "

"Philosophy, of course. I'm not quite versed in physics to be able to notice inconsistencies in what you say "

"All right, for a moment I was worried ... go ahead!"

"Well, it comes to this. In the first post you say: God through his Logos reveals the secrets of Creation to the Jewish prophets ... so it is a God who is interested in revealing himself to the prophets and therefore he is interested in us humans.

In the second post you say: It would be nice if our God was the God of Spinoza, that is the Existence, which has its roots in a couple of geometric mathematical equations, and with no strings attached for us ... so it would be a God who lives in a mathematical "supercelestial" place, who does not impose any constraint and doesn't care about us.

The inconsistency is clear: is He is interested in us or doesn't give a damn? One thing excludes the other ... "



Acantus white of Noto

Leon coughed again and had to pour a second glass of wine to clear his throat: "The problem with you philosophers is that you base your judgement on human logic, which often is mistaken, because it doesn't take into account the physical reality and the mathematics. You will rely on your human judgment, which very often is mistaken. You are like a table standing on one leg, logic. It takes at least three legs to provide stability to a table, the other two that are missing are physics and mathematics. "

Feeling attacked and accused, I had to pour a second glass of wine, drank it all in one breath and then said, "Explain yourself better with an example, because in this context I don't understand the problem ..."

"I'll give you just two irrefutable examples, one based on mathematics and one on physics. The sum of infinite zeros, according to your human logic, should be zero, however, contrary to what you think logical, the result is 1, as I have explained in my essay: The mathematics of God, published in Academia Edu. "

I had to admit that I had read the essay by Leon and that, to my surprise, I had accepted its conclusions, so I said:

"Of course, as you've shown, the sum of infinite zeros is 1. Go ahead!"

"In the same essay I have shown that contrary to human logic, gravity is not an attractive force, but an inertial pressure of space-time that is opposed to the displacement due to the presence of the mass of bodies. True? "And I had to admit that it was all true, if you accepted the theories of Leon. "Even if you don't accept my inertia theory, there are many recent discoveries of physics that are contrary to the philosophical logic, for example, the Time expansion due to the relativity, the existence in the vacuum of a ZPF, which fully occupies it, leaving no gaps and filling it with energy, the vacuum energy. Not to mention the Tachyons, not yet found, but that certainly (maybe) exist, because they are required by the equations of Einstein, and are the particles through which God communicates with the world. I added that *maybe*, to respect the quantum mechanics uncertainty principle of Heisenberg, although I'm sure that Einstein was never wrong. Do you agree?" Asked Leon pouring himself a third glass.

I followed his example to give myself courage, because I was under attack and said in a feeble voice: "Very true!"

Leon jumped up with joy and shouted out: "Here I wanted you. Your philosophy is incomplete if it is not based on physics and mathematics ... but let me explain that there is no inconsistency in what I have published.

The God of Spinoza is the substance, that is, the physical spacetime, which some call ZPF, the zero point field. But there is no need to change the Scriptures, because God is identified in the Torah as " the Creator of everything " i.e. "the Existence" and by the New Testament as "the Creator of all, who is over all, and all in all." I can only think of something that fits this description: the "continuum" represented by space-time. The continuum is the Substance of Spinoza. The infinite Mind which originates from the ZPF is everywhere, and enlightens the minds of men through the prophets ... Without particularly intending to, because it is the Existence. My religion is the evolution of Jewish thought, which through the moving human search for God, has evolved over the centuries to the present day. It will continue to evolve, as we dispel the veil of our ignorance. "By now the bottle was almost empty, but I managed to pour a fourth cup, making equal parts, in anticipation of his extraordinary conclusion.

Leon raised his full glass and drank, then said, "The Torah is the great book of nature that is before us and God after all who is He? "I remained silent and shut up, turning pale, but Leon said:

"God is the law, not the hand that causes or changes the future event."

I had tears in my eyes and asked: "God is the mathematical law? "

"Exactly!" Leon replied with a benevolent smile and I humbly apologized to him, for having dared to contradict him.