

RECEIVE THE MIRACLE THE COLLAPSE OF JUSTICE

The double-pan balance, or equal-arm balance, is one of the oldest and most symbolic forms of scales since ancient times. It consists of a horizontal rod balanced in the centre (a fulcrum), with two pans suspended at its ends. Its use is simple and straightforward: an object is placed on one pan and standard weights on the other, until both sides are in balance.

Two equal arms, a central point of support, and the ability to weigh... in the language of the mind, each pan is occupied by a choice. A possibility. When we choose an object that is in harmony with the standard weights, the scale balances. Not because the two sides are opposites, but because there is no conflict between what is desired and what is perceived as reality – or with what is achieved. The choice is possible. There is correspondence. But when we place a choice on the plate that still seems impossible to us, the scales tip. It becomes unfair. Imbalance appears. We desire what we are not yet ready to allow. The choice becomes heavy, distant, frustrating.

The ego revels in this. Its goal is to tip the scales. It wants the mind to continue believing in its powerlessness. It wants to keep us convinced that fulfilment is not possible... that transformation is beyond us... and all of this, always, oblivious to the Will – its own and, above all, God's.

But we, as the holy Son of God, desire and achieve. This is our Grace... not our misfortune. The balance does not lie. It only reflects our state of mind. Less effort, less fear. Desire ceases to be an abyss, a gap, and becomes a mirror. The possible choice is the one that brings us closer to the Remembrance of God. It is not born of lack, but of balance. The goal is not sacrifice, but acceptance... the scales will not demand weights that are unreal to our perception as long as our choice is not to rest in the centre, in the fulcrum... in the point that never moves, that sustains everything without judgement, with acceptance. There, we are already what we sought to weigh.

Dreams are chaotic because they are governed by your conflicting desires and therefore have no concern for what is true. They are the best example you could have of how perception can be used to replace truth with illusions. You do not take them seriously when you wake up, because the fact that reality is so outrageously violated in them becomes evident. However, they are a way of looking at the world and changing it to please the ego more. They provide striking examples of both the ego's inability to tolerate reality and your willingness to change reality in its favour (T-18.II.2).

EXERCISE 30.II.25

Bring to mind a desire that has been occupying your heart lately. It can be something simple or something profound. It doesn't matter. Visualise this desire being placed on one pan of the balance. See it there. Observe it honestly, without judgement.

On the other pan, place what you already have. What resources, experiences, lessons learned, relationships, or insights do you already possess that dialogue with this desire?

And now, observe... does this desire arise from scarcity or from recognition? If it arises from scarcity, you may feel the scale weigh, shake, tilt. Anxiety, anguish, or some kind of tension may arise. Observe this and remember:

*Not every desire has a weight.
Some require no effort,
no promise of sacrifice.
They are born of Silence.*

*Instead of seeking, accept.
Instead of conquering, allow.
Instead of projecting,
listen to the Voice of the Holy Spirit.*



MIRACLE AT ONE MAGIC MIRROR ON THE WALL

Isn't recognising the other as a mirror that, instead of showing a mole, a pimple or a hair, reveals our state of mind, all that truly matters? When we see the Action of the Holy Spirit and trust in God's Plan, why not welcome the image we perceive with gratitude? It is here, in this Holy Instant, that the other becomes our brother, because we remember that we have one Creator, one Father, and the Miracle is received as a means of demonstrating that all appearances are deceiving, but can be reinterpreted in a happy way, completely free of fear.

And how, with each perception, can we pay attention to what truly matters? When we wish to see beyond appearances, beyond our own perceptions, recognising that there is a healed gaze that is not yet ours, we establish communication with the Holy Spirit. We immediately cut off the 'triangulation' that exists between who we believe ourselves to be, our frame of reference and the ego, shifting all attention to what truly matters... and what truly matters is the Self. Within each of us is Unity. There is the Whole Being, the One Who experiences the body-world without needs, without relating to the other from any difference, without gaps, without fragments.

There is no false appearance that the Holy Spirit does not dissolve into Light, if, instead, we accept the Miracle. There is no real reason to stop seeing Christ in every person, thing, or situation that mirrors us. And as we practise the Vision of the Holy Spirit, Forgiveness, we will recognise ourselves in all faces, freeing ourselves from any blemish, pimple, or hair imagined by fear.



A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK I WAS WRONG

If error brings us the certainty that there is a 'right' way for good and bad, mistake allows us to recognise that there is another way, independent of our judgement. Is it not a Blessing to be able to reinterpret, in Freedom, an unloving thought as a mistake? And when we recognise ourselves as free to surrender this mistake to the Holy Spirit's correction? And when we receive the healing that eternally reveals God's Certainty? The Certainty that there is nothing, nothing, that is not just Love? Is it not a Blessing?



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