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"THE FIRST STEP TOWARD A TRUER
FAITH IS THE RECOGNITION THAT
I, AT ANY RATE, AM NOT GOD

I think what caught my interest
FIRST STEP - LAST STEP
at any rate - never be through having to take
first step.

if having trouble -

GOD language that doesn't work.
mean anything - meaning wrong things -

TRANSCENDENCE -

GOD STUFF - get to be real again
Recognition that I, at any rate, am not God
esp - good news.

1. I am not The Universe -
beginning - identify
creation
2. I didn't create myself - creature
formation self -
DRIVES - LIMITS
yes + NO
Rest of world - includes other people
in my life
I pick my way through - self.
3. The Universe wasn't made to dance around me
creation of human beings - letting others
be as important as I am.

4. Victimization - enslavement

I am not my own Liberator.

5 Meanings + Worth

create my own meaning
"justify my existence,
prove I count: -"

6. Gift: - NOT MY OWN judge

Provide reward for good
self forgiveness - principles -

7. Spirit - govern my own spirit

Embrace reality
↓
instead of Fantasy
" of Flight

can't help
hang in - nothing approach you can do
Unfulfilled - { First Fruits -
- { Down Payment -

the slow watches of the night
will less to God Belong.

→ First Step

8. LAST STEP - if there is say 6 or 6
last step.

- Know anything about salvation -
Taste early harvest
up to loving anyone or anything

Reality - dark watches of the night and all
 having + not having
 pain + growing -
 turn to gold } I am in to
 gainers with gratitude } LOVING

More Glorious Last Step

Become a LOVER

I can't imagine a state where I would not have to take again
the First step toward a true faith by recognizing
that in that matter ~~Matter~~ also

- Becoming a ~~lover~~

I, anyway, am not God.



TIME WITH CHILDREN

I got started on the sermon
for the grown ups
Because a man said something
about FIRST STEP -

- BETTER BELIEF IN GOD
BEGIN TO KNOW SOMETHING
ABOUT GOD.

· Begun to feel - That I at last,
AM NOT GOD.

WORLD STARTED ME OUT.
KEPT ME GOING -

- HUNGER
- COLD
- WET

} FED ME
WARMED
DRIED

- HUGGED ME -

- WHAT'S ME - WHAT ISN'T,

- WORLD WON'T ALWAYS DO
WHAT I WANT.

NO - GOOD + BAD REASONS

GOD

NO

good

NOBODIES. I. IMPORTANT

OTHER PEOPLE

- IMPORTANT TOO