## DIF!

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DIE! he roared

i had for a period, too long to recall, sat at the feet of sages and failed to understand

from one enlightened being i went to another unsatisfied, always seeking, however, the last and first sage at whose feet i grovelled beseeching, looked disdainfully at this pleading thing, me and slapped me so hard i almost lost consciousness, 'you worthless idiot, how many times must you confront truth and deny it?'

'you have failed yourself so many times it is a wonder you have remained sane but here you are grovelling like a slave at my feet, begging for enlightenment, Truth'

'ask yourself while you are still able, how is it possible for truth to hide, it can no more hide than the midday blazing sun?'

'you were born in and of the truth, all existence is truth irrefutable what is this seeking for something you already possess?'

He belted me hard again, 'Die you fool, just DIE'

with that shock i died to seeking and desire, to the rational and irrational, to all binary oppositions and false cultural values and lost what was left of my mind

to this day i feel the sting of that retort and slap on my face yet I live in open, enduring glory

my sincere thanks to the first and last sage, which i finally Realised was me

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