

Commentary on the Gospel for Sat, May 12th 2012

There must be some dividend in hate; otherwise why would so many people invest so much time and energy in such a destructive passion. There is some secret satisfaction in hatred. When you love, you lose yourself in some sense; you forget yourself, you take leave of the ego. But hatred strengthens the ego by strengthening the sense of separation. In a word, you feel you really exist when you hate; and perhaps this is the secret dividend. If you hate an individual, you appear to be that individual's equal. If you hate a whole class of people, you are almost an archetype! Love needs to understand hatred if it is to escape its contagion! Much of its work consists in dismantling structures of hatred. That means dismantling the ego, and that is dangerous work!

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