Dear dam Fisher.

Thank you very much for your letter of September 11 which was awaiting my recent return from a Mainland trip. I am glad that my words in "The Mind of Clover" were helpful for you. One must go through each crisis somehow, and it is helpful if there is a little illumination. I am glad that inadvertently and in another context I was able to provide this light.

I know nothing of the newest eclat. I am not particularly interested in knowing the gory details, but if something is published. I would be grateful for a copy.

I think it would be very important, as you say, for people going through the trauma of a "death" to gather weekly a for sharing as well as for zazen. The format at such a sharing meeting and the skill of the facilitator would be quite important, I should think. The National Training Laboratories model of sharing in a circle without talking across, and then sharing when recognized in turn by the facilitator, is an excellent one. I suggest that the facilitator be someone you trust who is not particularly involved in the uproar.

Finalty, thank you for your cogent words of caution about pies in the pasture. Well taken.

Gassho

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