

EXPERIENCES OF LOSS, ORDEAL, AND RENEWAL

REALM	LOSS, INITIATORY SPACE	ORDEAL	INNER SHIFT	RENEWAL, RETURN	WRITTEN
Stanford	DROPPING OUT. Getting medical leave to seal long process	Living 1966-76 without a college degree. Voluntarily disempowered	Tired of being poor, within my power to do better	Academic return – 9 months writing the Antioch document.	Antioch Portfolio
Counterculture	Taking acid at Big Sur and the Acid Tests sealed the plunge	Floating in and out of bands, trying to live basically without income 1965-1972.	Really hitting bottom. Barely surviving in a land of plenty	Getting job as stagehand. Injuring foot coming in the gate	Gently Holding
Farm	Talking with Michael and leaving the first time. Being confronted by Stephen publicly the second time.	Hitching from the front gate to Florida. Sleeping at Jimmie Hale Rescue mission.	Still thought I wanted to go back	Coming home to LA, getting job as stagehand.	Gently Holding Progoff Journal
ZCLA (Entry game)	Warehouse accident. Ankle & sciatic injury. 1973	All the physical pain of all those years.	Finally realized I was torturing myself out of delusion	Figuring out that I could sit in a chair. Letting go of machismo. (1985?)	Not yet written down
Marriage	Loss of my independent, isolated, puer	Therapy group says let go of hostility & resistance. First 1-2	Allowing warmth into my heart	Development and healing of our relationship with	First Love

	aeternis "bachelorhood".	years of her pain and my anger		time. Getting better in year 35.	But nothing written after that
Business	Layoff from Avnet	7 year struggle for regular income (1991-1998).	Surrender to ordinariness of public education system	Getting job as LAUSD teacher	Becoming a teacher
Teacher (Plascencia)	First months in classroom without training.	The ordeal at Plascencia. Being cut.	Visualized Berta as ally	Getting job at West Vernon	Not really written down
Caring for parents	Dealing with terminal illness	Angelo, Georgia, Eddie	Experience of death deepens one	Emerging after each ordeal	Briefly touched on in 1 piece. Haven't written about ELL ordeal & bonding
Teacher (West Vernon)	Juan Diaz incident	LAUSD administrative hearings struggle. Then the police report and legal battle.	Scoured anger out deeply	Administrative hearing judge throwing out the case. Getting into LMT program	An Elementary Experience

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ZCLA (End game)	Failure to get certified as a teacher, institutional validation	Trying to get Dharma Transmission all those years. Roshi dies. The drama with Nyogen. The drama with Egyoku.	Letting go of attachment to position	Opening up to larger view, beyond dependence on institutional approval.	
DMHS UTLA	Taking on the Chapter Chair when Dan left	Hiring the principal. The drama to force me out		Resigning with dignity. Deepening friendship & respect.	
DMHS - Health	Losing my speech	The struggle		Retiring with dignity	