

The Art of Frugal Hedonism

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[Quote from Cassius](#)

As to "perennial philosophy" - a term new to me - Yikes!!!

It's a new term to me too, but I used to be an advocate for the "different paths up the same mountain" thing. There are obviously *experiences* that may be common by virtue of being humans and animals and part of the natural world. But the *interpretation* of those experiences - those are probably different mountains altogether.

Oh, and they are NOT supernatural experiences! They may feel that way, but they're NOT evidence of mystical, supernatural states or dimensions. Just had to add that in.

Oddly enough, it was the Dalai Lama himself that turned me to exploring Western philosophy:

Quote from Dalai Lama

I always tell my Western friends that it is best to keep your own tradition. Changing religion is not easy and sometimes causes confusion. You must value your tradition and honor your own religion.

I've seen that "your own religion" part expanded to mean Western traditions and philosophy. So, even he isn't a proponent of the perennial philosophy it seems.