



very few humans know about it. On this day, I had a strange feeling within me. It was as if somehow I sensed that a lot of questions that I had been carrying deep inside me

for a very long time were about to be answered!

As I walked along the edge of the waterline, barefooted, wearing my most comfortable old slouch-around

clothes, I noticed how evenly the waves of the surf moved in to the beach! This seemed to tell me that God had planned the world so carefully.

A CERTAIN WAY

Of course, I had learned that in church so that thought was not new. Then I noticed that when the sunlight hit the waves in a certain way, I could look right into the center of them!

To my surprise I discovered a wave that had a whole school of little fish inside it! Somehow they had been caught in the current and were being carried in to shore. I could see that some of them had given up and let the water carry them to a certain death on the shore. But others I noticed were struggling bravely, fighting the current to get back to the sea! It was almost as if they had made up their minds about a goal for themselves and were pushing for it!

That was what made me realize that God doesn't necessarily have a specific purpose for each individual person like my Sunday school lessons had taught me. God gave order and purpose to the world, but to people he gave freedom!

Freedom to choose what they want to do with their lives and how they choose is what determines how their lives will turn out in the end.

FREEDOM'S CHOICE

For example, I've chosen to be an entertainer. I could have decided to become a doctor, and I believe that if I had, I would have put just as much work into that profession as I have into acting.

I had the freedom to make that choice, and now that I did choose, the rest of my life and my future will be influenced by that decision!

That's why I don't believe in astrology. I don't believe that there's any "influence" on our lives but what we do ourselves. Man makes his own destiny. Sure, other people and places influence us some, but only if we accept their thoughts and follow their ideas.

I think sometimes astrology is just an excuse for people who don't want to make their own way. They'd rather just sit back and say: "Oh, all that happened today because of the stars." Well, I don't agree with that!

THAT'S THE END

The stars may have had something to do with the forces of nature that brought the Earth into being, but that's the end of it as far as I'm concerned. Of course, I also think that

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