A Fluid-Dynamical Worldview

A Fluid-Dynamical Worldview offers an alternative approach to interpreting and understanding the living space that we all share.

It is a reminder that we are all participants-without-the-option-of-not-participating in the ongoing fluid-dynamic of nature, a continually renewing dynamic that is ‘greater than ourselves’. Our ‘choice’ is limited to our manner of participating.

Meanwhile our Western Platonic idealism and the architecture of our abstract-symbol based language has encouraged us to think of ourselves and the world as a collection of local, independently-existing objects with locally originating behaviours.

When our thinking is in symbolic mode, we are like powerboaters that speed directly towards our desired destination believing that the power to move forward derives ‘from the centre of ourselves’. But when our thinking is in participating mode, we are like sailboaters that recognize that all power derives from the dynamics of the common living space we are participants within. The former approach to understanding, as Johannes Kepler observed, is the artefact of our scientific penchant for ‘choosing not that which is most true but that which is most easy’.

A Fluid-Dynamical Worldview reviews the fall and rise of our ‘sailboating psyche’ - the restoring to precedence, of ‘that which is most true over that which is most easy’.