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Letter Review of Falling into Freedom

Michael,

I am sitting in Jerusalem and just finished reading your book.

I am so impressed with what you took on and accomplished in the breadth and depth of your message and the challenges expressing such abstract and highly idealized concepts. I am also so impressed with your personal journey and all of the places, internally and externally, it took (and takes) you. As I would read a particular date in your journey, I would think of where I was at the same moment, and it made me feel that my journey has been so relatively "smooth" (although I wouldn't have thought so at the time). We all are on unique journeys, but yours has been filled with all the clichés of "ups and downs" that seem to require so much more. Your written journey appears to end in 1998 as you head out on a world tour which left me wondering what happened next...perhaps that is for a later conversation...

Your vignette of your father's death literally moved me to tears, both for you and I guess for me. For me, this is "the moment" in your book, and those couple pages summed up all the learnings from your meditations, seminars, readings, life experiences. It had such power of clarity for the reader to "get" what you worked so hard (for a good reason) to express. Your simple, elegant presentation of this moment in your life gave an existential example and summed up all the teachings you want/hope the reader will understand. There is no need to summarize how it is the exemplar of how one can hopefully be in this life. It was and is the "truth" of human existence, and I will carry that moment with me for the rest of my life.

thank you.

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