

THE CONSTITUTION OF BDTH

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After the Search

P O S I T I O N

Every framework should ultimately render itself unnecessary.

BDTH proposes no permanent dependence upon its own vocabulary.

Its purpose is fulfilled when coherent living progressively becomes ordinary.

AFTER THE SEARCH

ARRIVAL

The conclusion of the search rarely resembles its beginning.

The individual frequently discovers not the acquisition of something new, but the increasing availability of what had remained present throughout.

The architecture has altered.

The ordinary condition has not.

CONTINUITY

Life continues.

Success continues.

Failure continues.

Relationship continues.

Loss continues.

Joy continues.

The framework promises exemption from none of them.

It proposes only that they may increasingly be encountered without unnecessary interference.

AFTER THE SEARCH

EXPRESSION

The value of the framework is not measured by agreement with its explanations.

It is measured by the degree to which coherent living becomes increasingly available.

Explanation serves expression.

Not the reverse.

INDEPENDENCE

The Papers may eventually be put aside.

The terminology may gradually become unnecessary.

The architecture either expresses itself in ordinary living or it does not.

Nothing further need be added.

AFTER THE SEARCH

L E G A C Y

No framework should seek disciples.

It should seek understanding.

No architecture should require continual defence.

It should demonstrate its value through the lives in which it is expressed.

W O R K I N G P O S I T I O N

BDTH proceeds from the working position that coherence is original.

Everything developed throughout these Papers has examined the consequences of that single proposition.

The value of the framework therefore depends entirely upon whether those consequences correspond with ordinary human experience.

CLOSING POSITION

These Papers end where they began.

Coherence is treated as the ordinary condition of the human system.

If the architecture developed throughout this series has illuminated that proposition, it has served its purpose.

If it has not, it should be set aside without hesitation.

The final judgement belongs not to the framework, but to observation.