

Place

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To Be...

To be in the place
 Is to relate to others
 In the external objectivity.
 To be in the place
 Is to embody the experience
 And to establish identity.
 If there is no relation to others
 Then no relation to self exists either
 For to be in the place
 Is to encounter the world.



We Are Places

The place in which we begin
 The place in which we question
 Is the Place in which we stand and discover ourselves.

In finding ourselves
 “in” the world
 We find ourselves
 “in” a place
 Already given over to
 and involved with “the other.”

Place does not gather
 But is gathering itself

So we don't merely belong to a place
 But we are places themselves.

