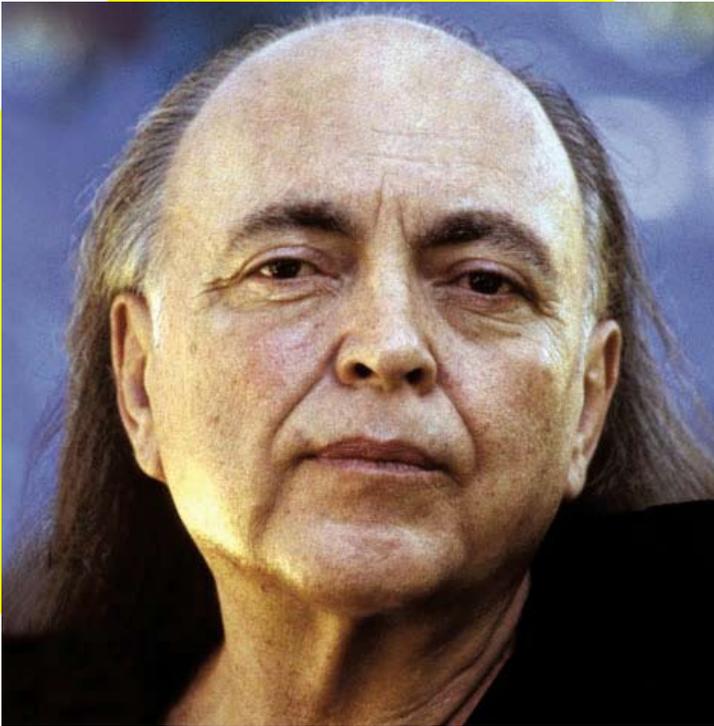


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## *The Everybody Force*



It is only when unity (or indivisibility) is the principle of life, of living, of action, that unity results. If division (or opposition) is presumed to be the case, more division will result. This is an absolute law. Once this is understood, it clarifies everything about right action and right life.

- The World-Friend Adi Da, *Prior Unity*

**What is at the end is the same as whatever is at the beginning.  
If you begin with separateness, the end is dark.  
If you begin with prior unity, all that emerges is light.**

When the world becomes a place of separate “tribes”, each associated with its own fixed system of identity-and-difference, then conflict and stress are inevitably produced. The world-situation at the present time is a chaos being created by this confrontation between separate “tribalized” systems, or ego-based systems of identity-and-difference.

However, there is an immediate way to remove the stress from the situation—and that is to have everyone function in a disposition of cooperation and tolerance. Therefore, functioning on the basis of cooperation and tolerance is a fundamental principle that must be established globally—between all individuals, between all nation-states, and between all “tribalized” systems-of-mind of all kinds.

**Separate-“anythings”-seeking-unity is the principle of falseness.  
Separateness cannot achieve unity.  
Unity is a prior condition that must enforce itself.  
If this is clearly understood, then it will become obvious  
what must be done, and what must not be done (or allowed to  
continue), in any particular circumstance.**

As a human being, recognizing the prior unity of the world, you must have concern for Earth itself, and all the species within it, all life within it, all structures and forms and processes that are part of the world, including all the non-humans.

This does not mean one should view non-humans as if they were humans. Rather, this means one should view humans as part of a larger whole. The same Conscious Light is the Reality for all and the State of all. That is the basis for considering issues that have to do with non-humans as well as humans.

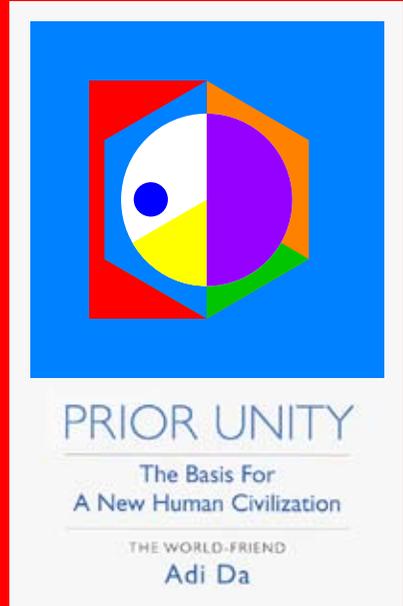
Human beings have the ability to conceive and voice issues that relate to the Earth and to the non-human species. On that basis, human beings must address issues that relate to the Earth and non-human species, and human beings must do so rationally and compassionately.

- All quotes by Adi Da Samraj from *Prior Unity*

From the Foreword to *Prior Unity*:

Throughout the ages, mystics and sages have shared the awareness that we are all one. In the twentieth century, physicists discovered that the physical universe is not a solid mass, but an ever-changing, unbroken flow of energy. However, as Adi Da conveys, the force of our outdated assumptions has until now rendered civilization incapable of incorporating these insights into the daily round of human affairs.

We need not go on living in a prison of our own making. People around the world are beginning to step beyond the tired, separative worldview that has generated so much havoc. *Prior Unity: The Basis For A New Human Civilization* offers invaluable wisdom for the transition that is already upon us. It calls for powerful results—all intentionally enacted without any sense of division or opposition. This is not about utopia. It is about the creative, challenging, and long-haul work that requires impactful action, systems shifts, institutional change, and personal transformation.



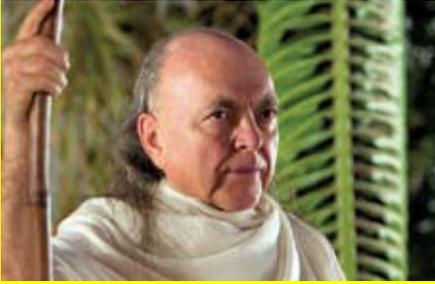
*By Leo Burke, Director, Global Commons Initiative, Mendoza College of Business, University of Notre Dame*

For more information visit: [www.priorunity.org](http://www.priorunity.org)

About the cover:

The image on the cover of this book is from the suite *Oculus One: The Reduction of The Beloved* created by Adi Da in 2006. It was chosen because of its resonance with the book's theme, and in particular because it suggests the sphere of the planet Earth as a prior unity, and the inclusion of the complete rainbow of colours suggests the underlying unity of all apparent differences.

## Who Is Avatar Adi Da Samraj?



Avatar Adi Da's entire human lifetime was a unique demonstration of His Eternal Form — the State He calls the "Bright", the Conscious Light that is Reality Itself.

From His birth on 3 November 1939 on Long Island in New York, to His passing from the body on 27 November 2008 on the Island of Naitauga, Fiji, His Life is the story of the Intervention of the "Bright" in human time.

The fruits of Avatar Adi Da's Lifetime are the establishment of a new and unique possibility for the transformation of all beings and the world itself.

His Eternal Revelation is of the Divine Reality, which is always Shining — like the sun — as the Prior Condition of every one and every thing.

The fundamental urge of humankind-as-a-whole is to participate—not to be shut down, not to be thrown back on themselves, not to be treated merely as consumers who want this, that, and the other thing.

People want the opportunity of participation.

All over the world, the energy of participation is what should be tapped.

Instead of addressing everybody in terms of their problems, their "self"-interest, their consumer mentality, their egoity, address them as people who are patterns of energy wanting to participate.

The human world is an energy of participation.

Therefore, it needs a pattern by which people can participate.

The pattern must be provided.

- Adi Da Samraj, *Prior Unity*

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