Subject: Rumi Mysticism Quotes Posted by Aircraftkiller on Thu, 13 Jan 2005 11:30:19 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Can you figure out the meaning behind these? Stirring up a bit of religious debate.

Seeing nothing but turbulent water, crocodiles, and fish, he says: "Where are the pearls? Perhaps there are no pearls." How is one to obtain a pearl merely by looking at the sea? Even if one measures out the sea cup by cup a hundred times over, the pearls will not be found. One must be a diver in order to discover the pearls; and not every diver will find them, only a fortunate, skillful one. The sciences and crafts are like measuring the sea in cupfuls, the way to finding pearls is something else. -Rumi

Every time you imagine something, you think you lift the curtain and find the truth. Your imagination is really your curtain. -Rumi