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To whom it may concern!

When I read the first time books of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh I
just had finished high school and was studying on computers.
The main thing that fascinated me was His clear understanding
of the things of everyday life - like relationships, politics,
science and so on.
So in 1980 I decided to take a close look and travelled to
India to see Bhagwan. And this insight was overwhelming. The
people living together in what Bhagwan calls a 'Buddhafield'
with all their positivity was something for me like an old
dream of humanity comes to fulfill - living together in harmony,
peace and love.
After one month of growth-programs and meditation-courses
I became a disciple of this outstanding man. Sitting in front
of Him, listening to Him and being touched by Him was a feeling
of being in my centre, being home.

When I came to see Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh in America this year
at the Second Annual World Celebration outer things had
changed a lot but the feeling and the inner silence were the
same as 3 years ago. Sitting in His presence at Satsang - a
morning meditation - is an experience hard to describe, almost
impossible. For me it feels like I am full of joy and peace.
It feels like all the ordinary wants and needs disappear,
become irrelevant. It's finding my love again - by experiencing
His love.

Back in Europe my religious activities are simple but effective:
In the morning I start with a short prayer and in the evening
I end the day with the same thing. This is an old greeting from
Buddha's time and makes me aware that the only important thing
in life is to s^{ea}rch for truth whatever the costs are and a
living master helps a hundred per cent!
So all the activities I do in between during the day I always
do with Bhagwan in my mind - and work is no longer work, it
becomes worship.

There's no doubt: Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is a spiritual leader and America can be proud of Him.

With lots of love and much fun

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