

# FROM INFORMATION TO WISDOM • THE EVOLUTION OF KNOWLEDGE (BTW014)

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Information – just bits of scattered data.  
Knowledge – we recognize them as a coherent whole. Insight – we realize what it means in practice. Wisdom – we witness its patterns and cycles. With wisdom, we adapt and synchronize with existence.

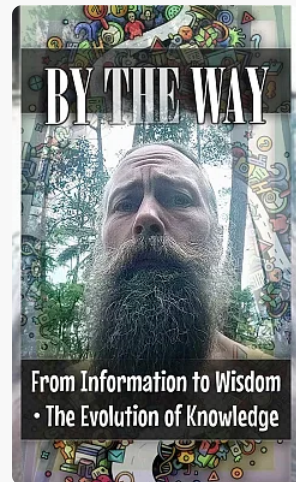
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**By the way. What is wisdom?** Now there's a question. Let's take a couple of reflections and definitions. Scout the lay of the land. Starting from information. Then there is knowledge, then insight, and then wisdom. What is all of this?

Now, **information**, that's just data out there. There may or may not be a knower to that information. We're hoping that the data is "in formation" – due reflection of what is.

Then for **knowledge** to be, there has to be a knower. Someone who takes in all of that information and processes it into a coherent whole. A database is just information. When you query it on particular vectors, you end up with connected bits that become the basis for your knowledge.

This knowledge, the coherent ordering of information, may then lead to **insights**. Aha, that's what it actually means. Knowledge may well be idle and dead, whether in books, journals, or in your head. But insight enters the living relevance and consequentiality of this knowledge.

Then **wisdom** is found in the well-rounded consideration and embrace, integration of a pool of insights into your practical life and awareness. In wisdom, there is the realization that these insights do not exist in solitude. They are patterns that recur in cycles over and over again.

With wisdom, you realize why and how it was in the past. With wisdom, you reckon how and why it shall be in the future again. This living wisdom, the final distill from information, transforms the way you think, you speak, and you behave. With that, naturally, wisdom transforms the way you experience life and existence itself.


This pathway, from scattered information to coherent knowledge, to living insight and convergent wisdom, exists in any number of concern domains. Some of them more concrete and narrow in their scope, some broader, more universal.

For your conscious evolution, direct this lens and apply these tools from inquiry into distillation toward yourself itself, for well-rounded self-awareness. When the scattered and isolated bits of self-information ripen and

aggregate into a field of convergent self-wisdom, life will never be quite the same again.

When perception and recognition of the subject has been transformed, clearer and deeper, our experience of the world of objects out there is significantly transformed. No longer the confusing flux of puzzle pieces we are trying to fit together, all of it relates to all parts of our own being.

By the way – it's a fun thing to do, that embodiment of converging wisdom. You should try it sometime.

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