

Posit 4 — Formula 6

LONG INTRODUCTION — BOOK TEXT THE UNCHANGING NATURE OF BEING

There is a movement in the revealing of Radiance where the dynamism of form, thought, emotion, and perception loses its authority. Not because movement ceases, nor because form stabilises, nor because experience becomes uniform. Rather, it becomes clear that Radiance does not alter as expression shifts. Presence remains unchanged while the contours of life unfold with their natural variation. This is the movement in which Radiance is recognised not as atmosphere, embodiment, or field, but as the unchanging nature of Being itself.

In this state, the field does not need to expand to reveal openness. Contours do not need to settle for clarity to be known. Experience does not need to soften for presence to appear. Radiance stands without dependence. Experience shifts without affecting it. The unchanging nature of Being is not expressed through stillness or calm; it is expressed through the recognition that presence is not influenced by the patterns that arise within it. Stillness does not strengthen presence. Movement does not weaken it. Presence does not deepen with quiet nor diminish with activity. It remains what it is.

Sensation reveals this first. Sensation continually shifts: pressure, texture, temperature, rhythm. None of these changes affect the nature of Being. Sensation appears and disappears, yet presence does not move. The unchanging nature of Being is revealed in the recognition that sensation is transient while presence is constant. The body's shifts in comfort, weight, or movement do not touch the ground in which they appear. Presence allows sensation to arise yet is not shaped by it. In this way, the body becomes a continual demonstration of Radiance's constancy.

Thought shows the same truth. Thought arises in complex patterns—rapid or slow, detailed or diffuse. Concepts form and dissolve. Ideas shift direction. Yet thinking does not modify presence. Presence is not clearer when thought is quiet nor obscured when thought is active. The unchanging nature of Being is seen in the fact that presence does not participate in thought's movement. It does not align with its direction. It does not follow its content. Thought arises in presence and dissolves without imprint. The clarity of Being remains the same in all conceptual conditions.

Emotion reveals another dimension of this constancy. Emotional tone varies: intensities rise and fall, textures shift, and the atmosphere of experience changes. Yet presence does not change with emotion. The unchanging nature of Being is expressed when emotion no longer appears as an internal weather that stirs presence. Emotion becomes one of the many contours arising within openness. Presence neither retreats from nor leans into emotional movement. The field does not ripple. Emotion arises and subsides, and presence remains unmodified.

Identity, too, reveals its relationship to this constancy. The sense of "I" shifts through roles, memories, preferences, and perspectives. Identity refines itself, responds to experience, and articulates personal contours. Yet the unchanging nature of Being is not touched by these movements. Presence does not hold identity nor shape it. Identity arises as a personal expression of the field, yet the field remains unchanged. The self does not stabilise presence;

presence stabilises the self. Identity becomes transparent to the continuity that underlies all expression.

The world displays this constancy in extended form. Environmental conditions shift—light, sound, texture, movement, relational patterns. Yet none of these variations alter presence. The unchanging nature of Being is revealed in the recognition that the world arises as contour within openness and does not modify the openness from which it appears. Presence is not strengthened by beauty nor diminished by turbulence. It does not gain from quiet nor lose from activity. The world reveals its forms, and presence remains the same.

Stillness demonstrates the constancy of Being by showing that presence does not increase when motion ceases. Stillness is not more aligned with presence than movement. It simply lacks motion. Presence is no more “present” in stillness than in action. The unchanging nature of Being becomes clear when stillness is no longer mistaken for presence. Stillness is one form within presence; it does not enhance or reveal presence more than any other form. Stillness does not bring one closer to Radiance. Radiance is unchanging in both stillness and movement.

Movement expresses this same truth from another angle. Movement shifts expression—limbs extend, surfaces contact, breath flows, sounds are produced. Yet presence does not follow movement. The unchanging nature of Being is seen when movement is recognised not as departure from presence but as variation within it. Movement does not disrupt presence nor scatter it. Presence remains unbroken as motion unfolds. The field does not fluctuate. The contour does.

Time reveals this constancy subtly yet unmistakably. Events arise in sequence. Moments transition. Experience unfolds through apparent progression. Yet presence does not move with time. It does not accumulate the past nor anticipate the future. The unchanging nature of Being becomes clear when time is seen as movement within presence rather than movement of presence. Presence remains the same whether moments are remembered, anticipated, or currently perceived. Time passes, but presence does not.

Multiple densities of experience also reveal this unchanging nature. The physical, emotional, mental, and subtle layers of being oscillate, contract, expand, and shift. The field does not. Presence does not reside more strongly in one layer than another. It does not favour stillness over activity or quiet over expression. Presence remains constant while the layers articulate themselves differently. The unchanging nature of Being becomes evident when no layer is taken to be more aligned with presence than another.

Identity often believes that stability arises from continuity of experience. In the recognition of the unchanging nature of Being, this belief dissolves. Stability is not found in what persists within experience but in what does not move regardless of experience. The self becomes less entangled with the patterns that arise and more transparent to the presence in which they appear. Identity does not become constant. It becomes less central, making room for the recognition that presence has always been constant.

The world participates in this recognition by displaying its shifting contours while presence remains unchanged. Weather shifts. Encounters occur. Circumstances rearrange. Yet none of this alters Being. The unchanging nature of presence is seen in the fact that the world does

not need to align for Radiance to be visible. Radiance does not depend on environmental calm or favourable conditions. It stands without condition.

The unchanging nature of Being is not a state. It is not calmness, steadiness, or neutrality. It is not a cultivated condition. It is the recognition that presence does not shift with experience. It is untouched by form, unaffected by thought, and unmoved by emotion. It does not gain clarity nor lose it. It does not unfold, expand, contract, or refine. It remains itself regardless of what arises.

In this Formula, Radiance is seen not in any particular experience but in the fact that presence is the same in all experiences. Radiance does not appear more vividly in quiet than in complexity. It does not intensify in awareness nor recede in distraction. It remains constant. This constancy reveals that Being does not participate in the fluctuations of life but allows them to appear without altering its nature.

The unchanging nature of Being is the quiet understanding that
nothing can affect presence,
nothing can disturb it,
nothing can enhance it,
nothing can diminish it.

Presence does not shift with the world.
The world shifts within presence.

Radiance, in this movement, is recognised
as the unchanging ground
beneath the changing expressions of form.