

Awakening

Awakening is the acceptance of reality. To awaken is the equivalent of "being saved" in the Christian religions. To awaken is to make a personal commitment to reality as it really is and to reject fictional beliefs. Awakening happens in stages and is just a point of beginning, a point on the path of knowledge. The opposite is to be asleep. The metaphor is that a person is asleep and dreaming a fictional world and then wakes up to the real world. It is to go from the imaginary to the world of reality.