

# The Torture Skybook

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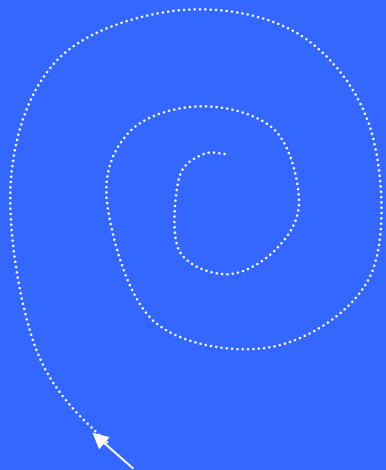
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Time is the sign of the knife. The destroyer, and the  
enhancer.

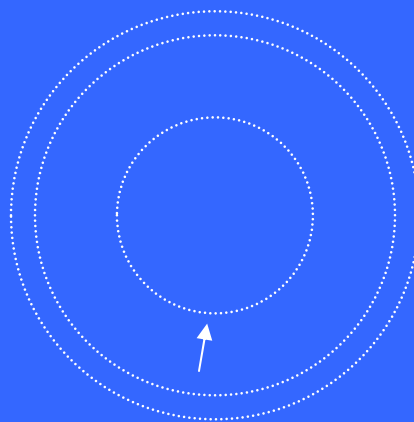
—The Third Book of Joshua

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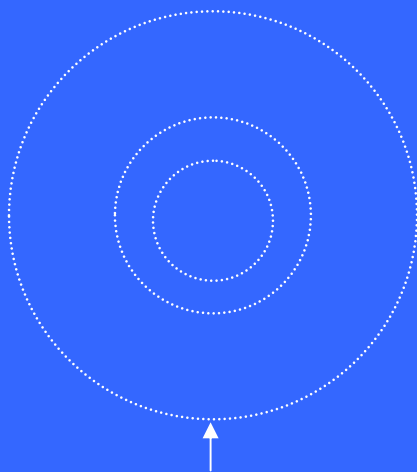
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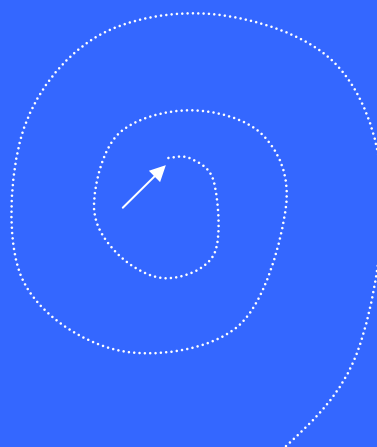
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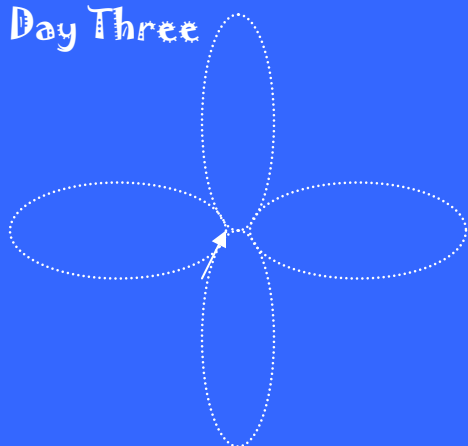
Day Two



Day Five



Day Three



## Day One

1. Life is dream if, one day,  
we awaken.
2. We ride the world,  
growing young.
3. Tomorrow decides today.
4. Ecstasies displace  
confidences.
5. Objects are riddles.
6. Meaning is generality.
7. Generality images  
futuraity.
8. Time's logic, not passage,  
heals.

## Day Two

9. Pasts are material.

10. Futurity is spiritual.

11. Death presumes  
futures.

12. Hell is presumption.

13. God is a skeptic,  
yielding time.

14. Art signifies ontology.

15. The effort of art  
is worlds.

16. Properties reverse,  
as sunspots.

17. Salvation is reversal.

## Day Three

18. Possibility has 0 probability.

19. Philosophy prescribes reality.

20. Selflessness:  
Not out of need.

21. Sunlight in shadow settles need.

22. Science simplifies.

23. Simplicity is predictive.

24. Experiments oversimplify.

25. Philosophy is certainty.

26. Certainty is eternity.



## Day Four

27. Salvation rigors truth.

28. Rigor breaks the machine.

29. We live through  
crystal balls.

30. Reality is to come.

31. Philosophy:  
Breathe again.

32. Incontestable realities  
end.

33. We justify worlds  
not our own.

34. Thought's limit redeems.

35. So we pose  
the call of the rose.

## Day Five

36. If we exist,  
we exist forever.

37. Judgments  
approximate needs.

38. Reality is expectational  
logic.

39. Monotonic worlds are  
silent.

40. Singularity is  
transcendent.

41. Singular souls unravel  
worlds.

42.  $2 \neq 1 = 0$ .

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