

ONE OR TWO

Apparent measurements don't really matter much,
if *all is one* . . . if living forms we think we see
or lifeless elements beneath imagined touch
are all the same—not ever what they seem to be.

“Monistic oneness of all things,” some gurus say,
*“bestows a unity without distinctions real,
where thought still labors under stark illusion’s sway
and travels duped by trust in what our senses feel.”*

Such thinking cancels science, numbs the heart and mind. . . .
But, if reality is two and not just one—
with Uncreated Life plus what His Will designed—
then we, as creatures, were by Timeless Mind begun.

What sanity and hope this dual logic brings!
Our own creative work is not pretense or sham
but indicates that we, of all created things,
we're meant to image that eternal Great I AM.

— *David L. Hatton, 5/11/2023*