

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PhdDa9UWRJA&feature=player_embedded

Decide whether the following statements are True or false.

Blake during his life was outraged with the injustices in the world.

For him the whole point of life was to open up to the infinite, the divine, the spirit.

Newton in his painting was obsessed by his own imagination.

He saw himself as a prophet.

His illuminated printings are at The British Museum.

He believed that poor people in England were free, not in chains. He portrayed only rich people.

During his life he was ignored and neglected but very much appreciated by the generation of the 60s because he was a man ahead of his time.

He handprinted his books because everything was sacred, a sort of revelation.

to rail against/at: complain angrily about something, especially something that you think is very unfair

shackles: metal rings joined by a chain that are used for fastening together a prisoner's hands or feet, so that they cannot move easily or escape

to cleanse: to make something completely clean; to remove everything that is bad or immoral from a person's character, an organization, or a place

tendrils: a thin leafless curling stem by which a climbing plant fastens itself to a support

ember: a piece of wood or coal that stays red and very hot after a fire has stopped burning

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Blake's message according to the documentary was: EMBRACE A WORLD OF CREATIVITY. Watch the following video commissioned by the Tate Gallery for their 1977 Blake Exhibition. Set to the Carmina Burana it follows The Poet's journey from Heaven to Hell and back...showing that "Energy is Eternal delight and whether we create or destroy - it's the same energy."

How did you like that animation for such a complex poet as William Blake? Does it suit his work?

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dkt2asdpUeE&NR=1>

hubris: too much pride

Gnostic: relating to, or possessing intellectual or spiritual knowledge. Relating to knowledge, from the Greek *gnosis* (knowledge or investigation), which is also the root for 'cognitive' and 'cognition'. Gnosticism in general is a variety of religious belief, assuming privileged knowledge of the spiritual world — knowledge considered superior to the science of the day — and bringing with it the promise of salvation.

Which is the true divinity within man?

How did he view the universe?

What is the only true revolution?

The Tyger

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgCVumXD2q8&feature=related>

menagerie: a group of wild animals kept privately or for the public to see