

20151106 **Secret Dualities**

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There are secret dualities. I somehow disbelieve the idea that China's new two-child policy symbolizes acceptance of both Mandarin and Cantonese, China's second-most powerful topolect. Cantonese has a more conservative phonology than Mandarin, as it preserves older sounds. Mandarin phonology evolved quicker and further.

The two-child policy reminds one of Singapore, where authorities support Mandarin over other Chinese varieties.

There are secret dualities. The ancient Gnostics believed the Creator God as malevolent, whilst the Saviour God as benevolent. Some Jehovah's Witness people know the duality of Jehovah and the Word. (The Word could be a language, I opine.) Jehovah's Witness people opine the Trinity as not biblical. They say if the Trinity were really a focus, the Bible would have been more explicit.

There are Northern and Southern forms of Buddhism. Both of these types I've become familiar. Buddhism is difficult for Westerners to understand. Buddhists believe in other sentient beings who are divine, the *devas*. Like other living things, they are part of a wider ecology. They may inhabit different worlds than this Earth.

Shintō and Dào are Animistic traditions. They too are difficult for Westerners to understand. The environment and people are full of multiple spirits or energies.