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Believing of knowing for sure

Foreword.

When my brother, who was a pilot, came back from America in 1949, I believed him when he said that America existed. Later, when I visited the country myself, I knew for sure that America existed.

Then I realised that I knew almost nothing for certain but that almost everything I thought I knew was based on faith.

Believing, rests on the authority of someone else; knowing, on one's own perception or insight.

Believing and knowing are apparently two different ways of seeing reality, and therefore cannot exist at the same time.

Hence the title of this booklet:
Believing or Knowing for sure

Especially now that I have been living and thinking for 90 years, my awareness of reality is becoming clearer, and I can penetrate what I see or think more deeply to dissect it to its bare core.

That is what this booklet is about.

