

RELIGIONS, VALUES, AND PEAK-EXPERIENCES

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One of the foremost spokesmen for the Third Force movement in psychology, Abraham H. Maslow, here articulates one of his prominent theses: the "religious" experience is a rightful subject for scientific investigation and speculation and, conversely, the "scientific community" will see its work enhanced by acknowledging and studying the species-wide need for spiritual expression which, in so many forms, is at the heart of "peak-experiences" reached by healthy, fully functioning persons.

Abraham H. Maslow, former chairman of the department of psychology at Brandeis University, and former president of the American Psychological Association, is best known for his many books and articles, including **Motivation and Personality, Eupsychian Management, Toward a Psychology of Being, The Psychology of Science, New Knowledge in Human Values**, and his first posthumous work, **The Farther Reaches of Human Nature** (C360). Maslow's vision of the fuller potential of human beings, and his unabashed conviction that psychologists must address themselves as much to ethical concerns as to the accumulation of data, set him apart as a proponent of a psychology that will come to transcend any previous notions of the outer limits of human life.

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