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With World Wide Web, with its accessories,- soft and hard: Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Hike, smartphones and so forth, widened incredibly is human contact with anyone, anytime, anywhere, regardless of any spatial distance.

Irrefutable is the fact that these brainchildren have eased exceedingly the modern man's yoke once considered like a ride on the crown of the Himalayas.

Teleworking and surfing; chatting, dating and courting hours and hours together—the common doings of the day; an urge to know and to greet someone far and wide—All made too simple with the techno-spider's web.

So busy with one faraway to construct a new bond and no time to spare a glance at someone here

in want of care— May be child or spouse, parents or dear ones.

All of a sudden, a question irresistible, for which I was unable to find an answer insightful, knocked at my mind — a question raised by Heidegger years ago: Does abolition of all distances bring nearness?

In solitude once, in sickbed with suffering severe of body and mind, over this mystery I pondered. An instant spark of light with an answer most satisfying, ignited my mind. All my qualms it chased away in the form of a counter-question:

Is it feasible for you with all techno-devices to contact elsewhere the God invisible when He is everyday visible in the guise of all sufferers, who are in front of you at your home, at home for the aged at your workplace, at orphanages in the streets and wherever you go?

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