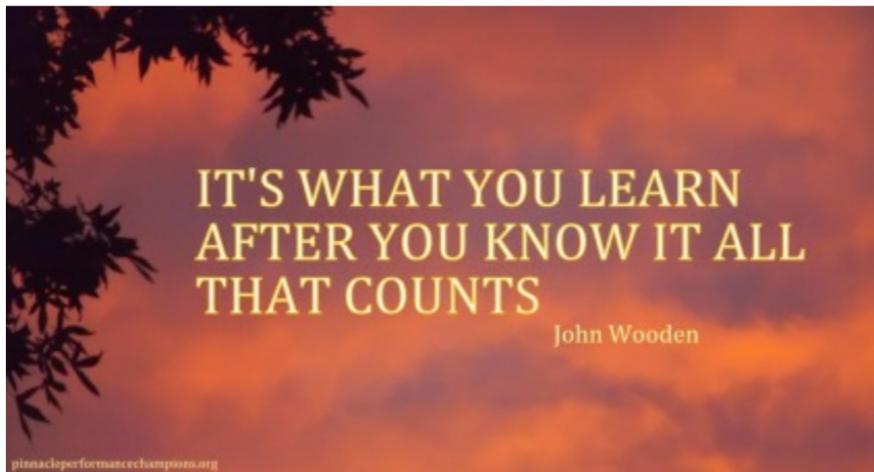


P. B. most condemned. If we want to follow H. P. B., then let's stop gossiping about the past and live Theosophy TODAY as sisters and brothers, *no matter what each of us believes.*

I may disappoint my respected readers, so I apologize beforehand, but I have never met Annie Besant, William Judge, Henry Olcott, or Katherine Tingley, let alone Helena Blavatsky, in the flesh. Oh, I wished I had! What I know of them, I know from what I read in books and what historians have passed on. So when I read about the history of the modern Theosophical movement, I read the story of women and men who all in their own particular ways tried hard to uplift our troubled world. In that process, along the way, some things went well, but at the same time painful mistakes were made; there was light, but also darkness, there was good and bad. Doesn't that sound familiar?

I respect those old pioneers who dedicated their lives to the cause, but it's now up to us to create a future, and we cannot create a tomorrow by constantly looking back at yesterday, pointing fingers, accusing others, slandering good people, and proclaiming our own limited truth.

We can learn from the past, but we should never judge; instead we can try to do things better and, if we fail, try again.



IT'S WHAT YOU LEARN  
AFTER YOU KNOW IT ALL  
THAT COUNTS

John Wooden