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Lusseyran talks about his personal experiences in dealing with blindness and about how the world opened up to him anew through attention, joy and loving attention to people and things.

The volume concludes with the autobiographical report 'Death Becomes Life' about an experience in the Buchenwald concentration camp, which is very important for Lusseyran's spiritual development.

"I had lost my eyesight completely, I could no longer see the light of the world, but the light was still there"... This was the first profound discovery made by Jacques Lusseyran barely ten days after his accident when he was eight years old. "The second discovery came almost immediately afterwards. To be able to contemplate the inner light, there was only one way, and that was to love."

Jacques Lusseyran, born 1924 in Paris, went blind at the age of eight. He studied philosophy and literature and from 1940 he organised a student resistance movement against the National Socialist occupying power in France. From 1944 - 1945 he was imprisoned in the Buchenwald concentration camp. After the war Lusseyran worked as a professor of philosophy in France and the USA. He died in 1971 in a car accident.

