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Kapap Academy - Because of the Experience Tracking the "Way" in Budo and Combat Martial Arts

Finding the Right Teacher

"Without the right teacher, it cannot be called learning."

It is said in Budo that it is better to spend 15 years looking for a good teacher than not to do so and to learn 10 years too soon.

Boyer, a Japanese Zen Buddhist teacher and founder of the Budo school of Zen in Japan, said, "Without the right teacher, it cannot be called learning."

The Japanese (and for Budo begins with finding a good teacher, for if not, the student is likely to fall into the trap of doing Budo the wrong way.

A good teacher will impart the principles (taught in Japanese - *riji*) of Budo to the student, and they will then be able to learn Budo the way it is meant to be, in other words, Budo becomes the instructor.

The instructor teaches the student how to learn the techniques. Even if the way this is presented is easy to follow, it is based on a series of profound principles. It must be remembered, however, that although the techniques used by the instructor are based on *riji*, they will be infused with that individual's personality, teaching them to a lesson.

The famous Buddhist priest Hakuin Doshin (1744-1805) said "Don't care at what your predecessors left behind, only for what they were looking for". The student or disciple must seek out their teacher. On the contrary, the student must look at the "way" their teacher is looking at, and how they have learned that way so far. The techniques that the teacher has are his or her own answers to the question posed along the "way". They have been developed through the teacher's personal experience, trials, and situations. The student must look to

the teacher for clues on how to proceed. This is what seeking the same "way" means, not simply replicating the teacher.

The teacher instructs the student on how to make the techniques. The student uses this to find his or her own answers. I heard an old Filipino (Philippine Martial Arts) teacher named James (Dada) say something similar "I don't teach my students to find the answers, only by learning principles and body moving and sensitivity that give clues and structure to find the answers".

The Right Attitude

Budo cannot be learned for you. You have to make great efforts and learn it for your self.

In order to do this the right attitude is required. This entails your instructor providing yourself problems to work on. The student must learn what and how to do the right way out.

The traditional and modern Martial Arts and combat systems are the same, we have only changed the tools used in the battlefield, but at all times, we preserve the principle of "My weapon, one mind".

In the past, many "teachers" tried to make themselves by posing with Japanese swords, but any serious man could look at the philosophy and immediately discern that they possessed no knowledge in their own reality-based martial arts, and were merely instructors dressing up in combat uniforms and gripping guns, but it's the same wrong attitude.

There is a saying there is no bad student only a bad teacher, but it doesn't go far enough. There are many bad students that star in becoming the wrong teachers.

A true teacher is always a student and his attitude must be always a student, just as a teacher, and it needs to remain so. As you seek your teacher, don't anyone who appears himself as a great teacher, for it is common, no one is a great teacher.

If a teacher pretends to know something to the extent of "total instructional material" - this is no non-martial art! Keep as far away as possible. Why? ... At Budo martial arts are based on traditional martial arts and no one can change that.

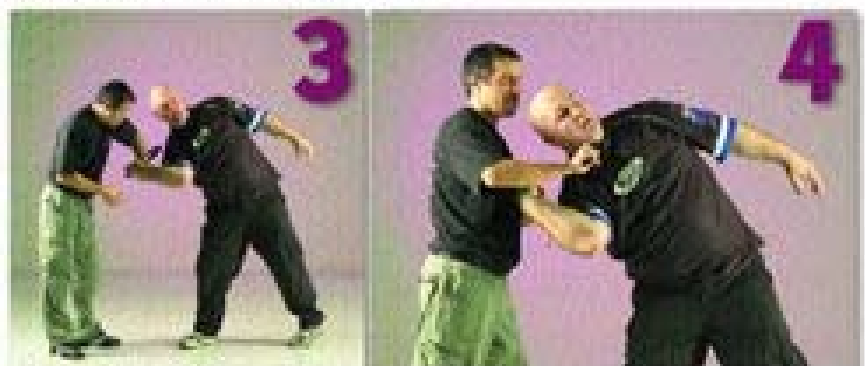
And finally, remember that your ego can fit you much like the principle that even a cool man can blind you.

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