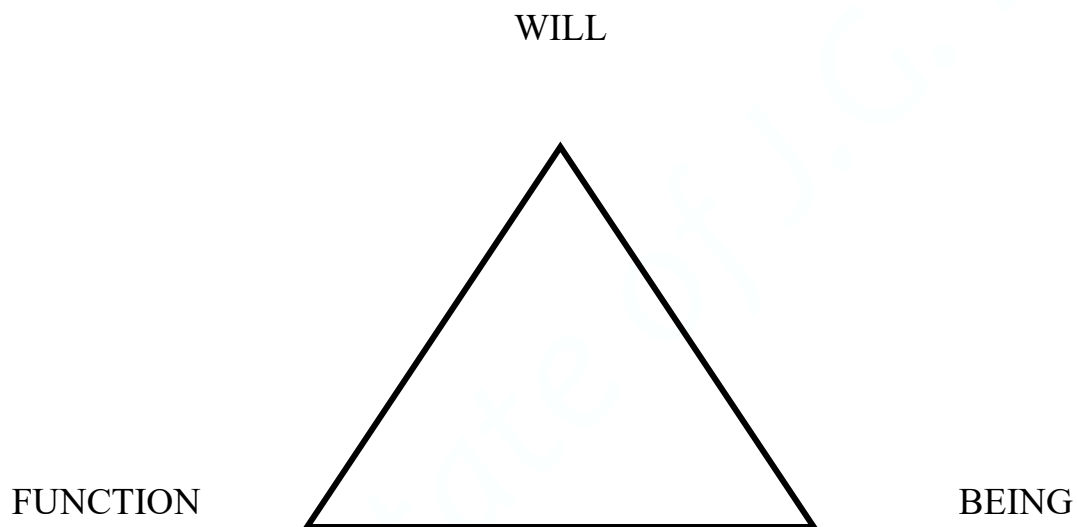


THE FUNDAMENTAL TRIAD OF EXPERIENCE

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We can represent this by a triangle:



FUNCTION: In this corner here, there is simply what is going on, without any means of saying who is doing it; why; what it's for, and therefore how well or how badly it's being done. It is simply what is going on.

WILL: The apex there is just an urge to realize. Again, there is not any direction or purpose, and in fact nothing happening because there is no function; there is somehow or other a driving force, driving for something to happen.

BEING: And here in this corner we can say that there just an awareness, which might just as well be a dream, or it might be an awareness of reality. It has no means of telling anything. It is like light with nothing to be seen and no one looking.

I've put it in this way so that you can see that anything that belongs to the real world must involve a combination of all three of these.