

Here in this talk I want to introduce you to Rumi. Talking on Rumi without talking about the people who impacted him is difficult. Rumi is influenced by different prophets, holy books (such as Bible, Torah, Koran, Kalileh va Aldemenh. Avasta), and Masters. In brief we can say that the following category of people influenced Rumi

Prophets,
Masters
Philosophers
Writers

‘I am only a flute’, says Rumi
‘hear my laments
it is all about separation
all men and woman cry
with me in sympathy
as we all yearn for our players
the ones the blow in us’

I need to point out a few other things before I talk about Rumi and others who have impacted him

According to a revised version of Ibn Sina (980-1037) we can roughly say that

God /higher authorities



Prophets



Philosophy



Mathematics/Languages (in pure sense)



Sciences (experimental, social, etc.)



Real world

Here we concentrate on Philosophy

Philosophy	Illumination	Logic	Hakmet Alahi	Mysticism
Poets and philosophers	Zarathushtra 1000 bd Halaj 857-917 Attar 1119-1220 Suhrawardi 1154-1191 Arabi 1165 -1240 Rumi 1207-1273	Ibn Sina 980-1037 Attar 1119-1220 Averroes 1126-1198 Suhrawardi 1154-1191 Rumi 1207-1273	Zarathushtra 1000 bd Attar 1119-1220 Suhrawardi 1154-1191 Arabi 1165 1240 Rumi 1207-1273	Attar 1119-1220 Sohrawardi 1154-1191 Arabi 1165 1240 Rumi 1207-1273

Prophets

BOOKS

Bible
Koran
Masnavi

Avesta
Letters of Kings
Kabala

Panchatantra
Kalileh, & Demeneh
Masnavi

American Indian

PHILOSOPHY

Mysticism
Sophi, & Aref

Illumination

Logic

Hakmet Alahi

Philosopher

Ibn Arabi
Atar
Rumi
Hafez
Plato
Lokmaan

Zarathushtra
Sohravardi
Hallaj
Molla Sadra
Khayam
Fardosie
Rumi
Atar
Plato

Aristotal
Farabi
Sina
Mirdamad
Khayam
Plato
Rumi
Evarasi
Lokmaan

Molla Sadra
Espinosa
Rumi

Literature

Masnavi
Bird's logic
Letters of Kings

Tavasin
Divane Hafez
Law

Robaiat
Masnavi
Masnavi

Masnavi

Prophets who have impacted Rumi

Ibrahim	Lokman	Budah
Moses		
Solomon		
Jesus		
Mohamad		

GURU (Masters who have impacted Rumi)

Bayzeed
Attar
Shams

Now the people who have impacted Rumi

Farid od Din Attar, 1119-1220

Rumi tells that Attar has climbed up to the seventh city of love

His famous book is (Mantiq at Tayr) Bird Logic. I do not know of any translation of this book.

Ibn al Arabi 1165 -1240

His followers called him al-Shaykh al-Akbar (The Greatest Master).

Wrote about 700 books, treatises, and collections of Poetry.

One of his book is The Futuhat al-Makkiyya

Two books written on him by William C. Chittick

The self-Disclosure of GOD

The Sufi Path of Knowledge

Shams, another person who has great influence on Rumi

Articles on Shams and Rumi encounters, collected by

Mohamd Ali Moohaved (he comes to Turkey 1262 and he leaves 1263. He returns to Turkey 1264 and disappears

1265. Part of it is translated to English by William C.

Chittick. It is a 1000 page-book (it looks like minutes of the meeting)

Rumi 1207-1273

His famous book Masnavi. I do not know of any good translation of this book.

Divani Shams Tabrizi

Fihi ma Fihi

Let me introduce Rumi using one of his stories. Rumi wrote his stories in a beautiful poetry. I am sorry if I can not convey the power and beauty of the poetry.

Moses heard a shepherd begging,

“God let me clean your house. God let me give you a bath. God let me massage your feet.”

Moses yelled at the shepherd. “God has no house to clean, has no need for a bath, and no need for a massage. “

Moses continued, “God is mad at you. God will punish you for what you are saying.”

Shepherd became very sad and fearful and run away to the desert.

God spoke to Moses, “Moses you separated the shepherd from me.” God continued, “ “Moses you are here to connect people to me. We look at people’s heart not their saying and manners.”

Moses searched for the shepherd until found him.

“Shepherd, God is please with your saying. You can serve him in any way you wish. You do need to pray in any particular manner.”