Weekly Tao Discussion Holy Teachings

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What has been some of our experiences?

What can we learn from the Holy Teachings?

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Holy Teaching

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. **Romans 12:2**

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. **Galatians**

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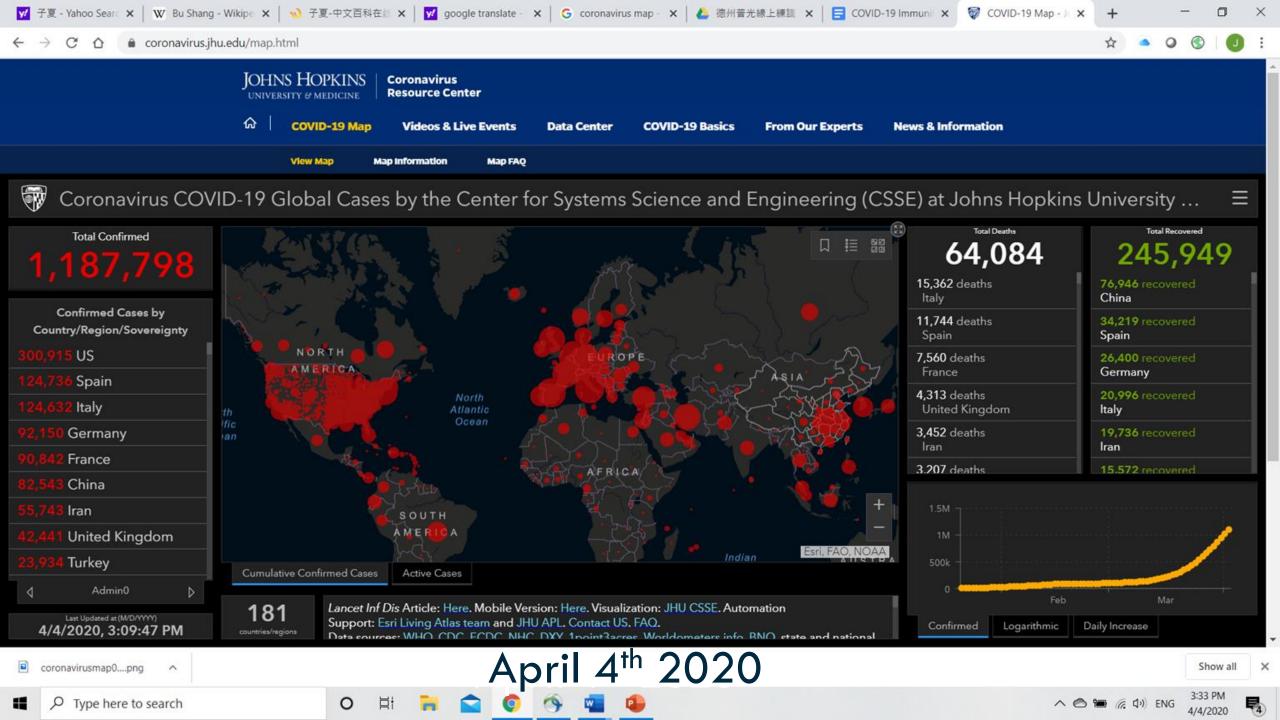
We may feel uncomfortable or unnatural while beginning to cultivate. As long as we stay focused on cultivation, we will overcome the initial struggles, perfect our imperfections, and attain the same level of sincerity.

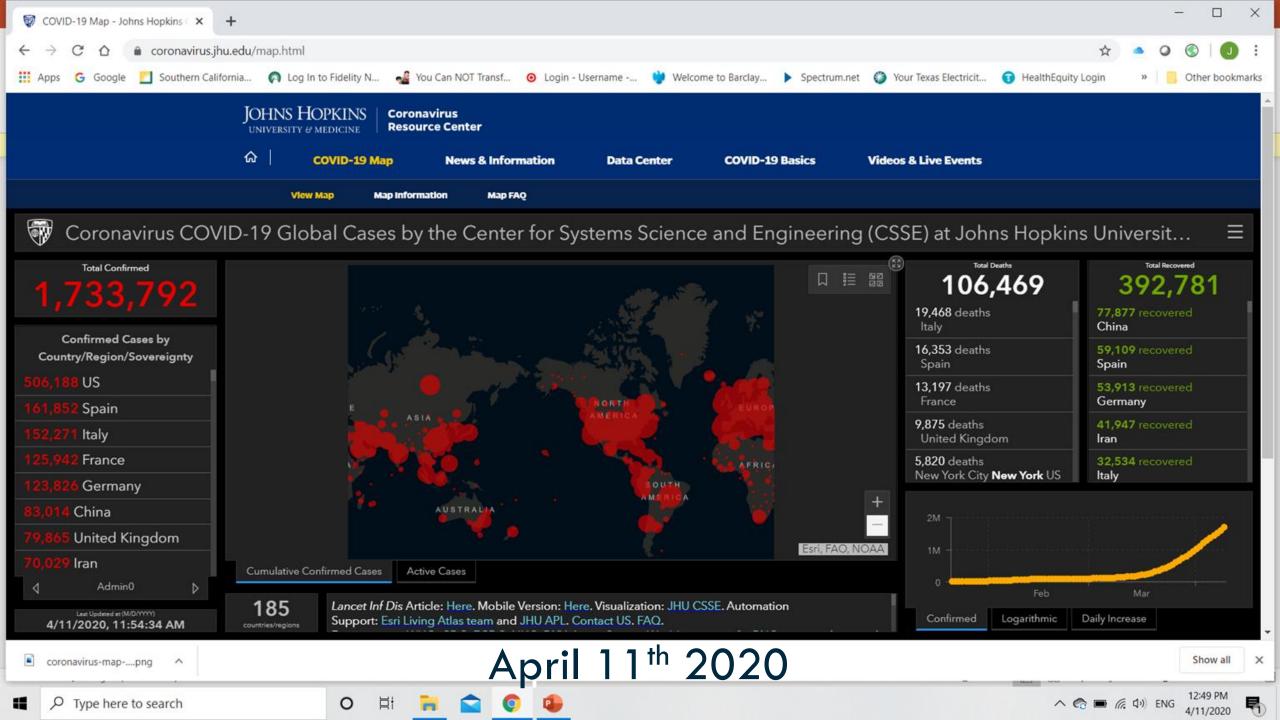
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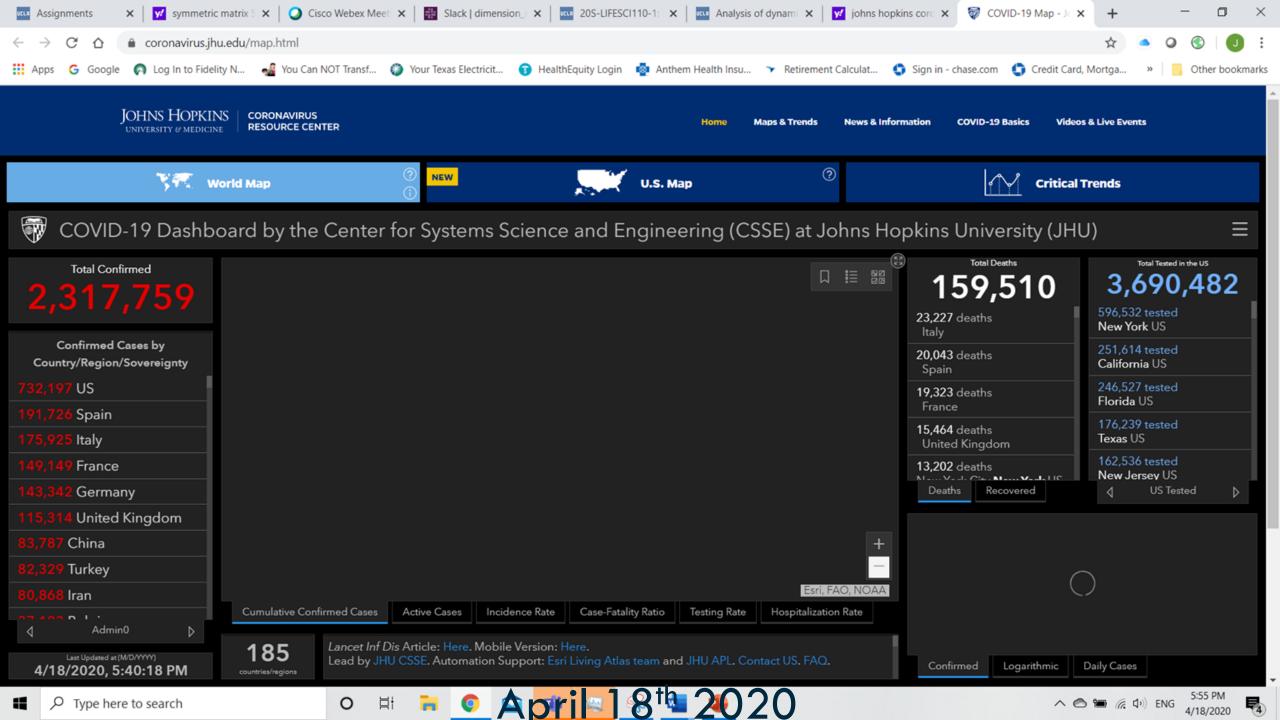
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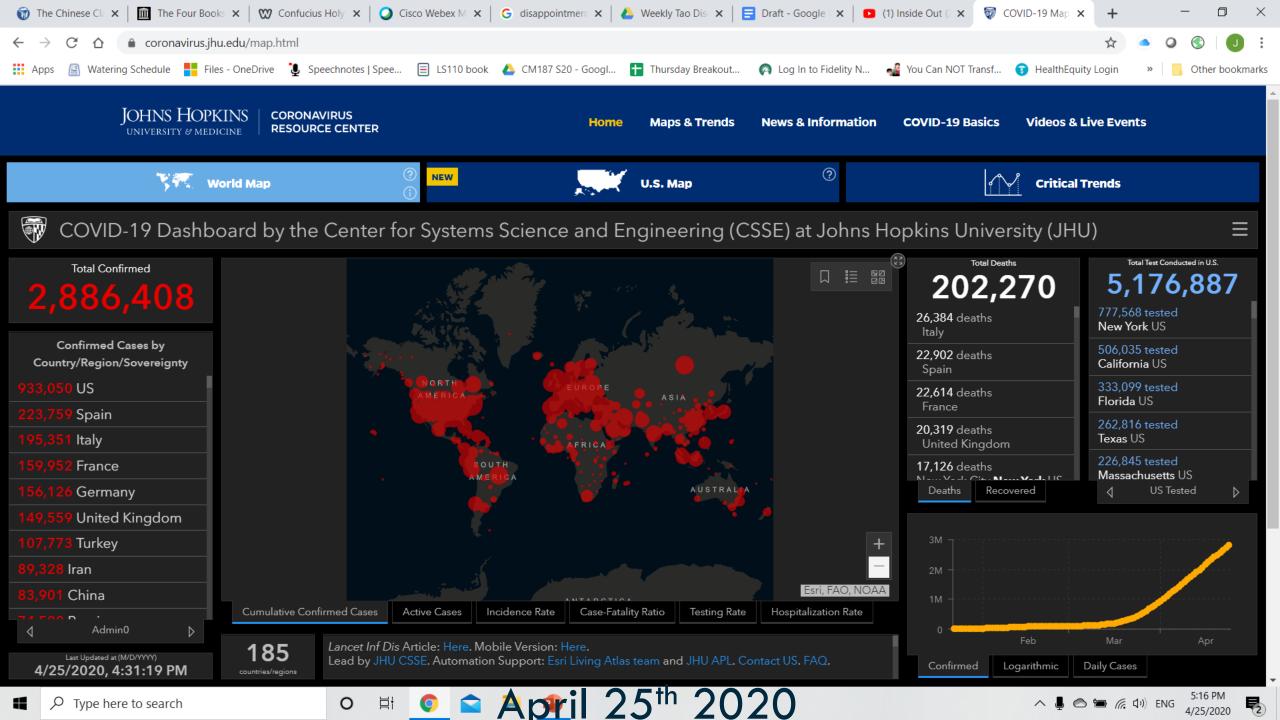
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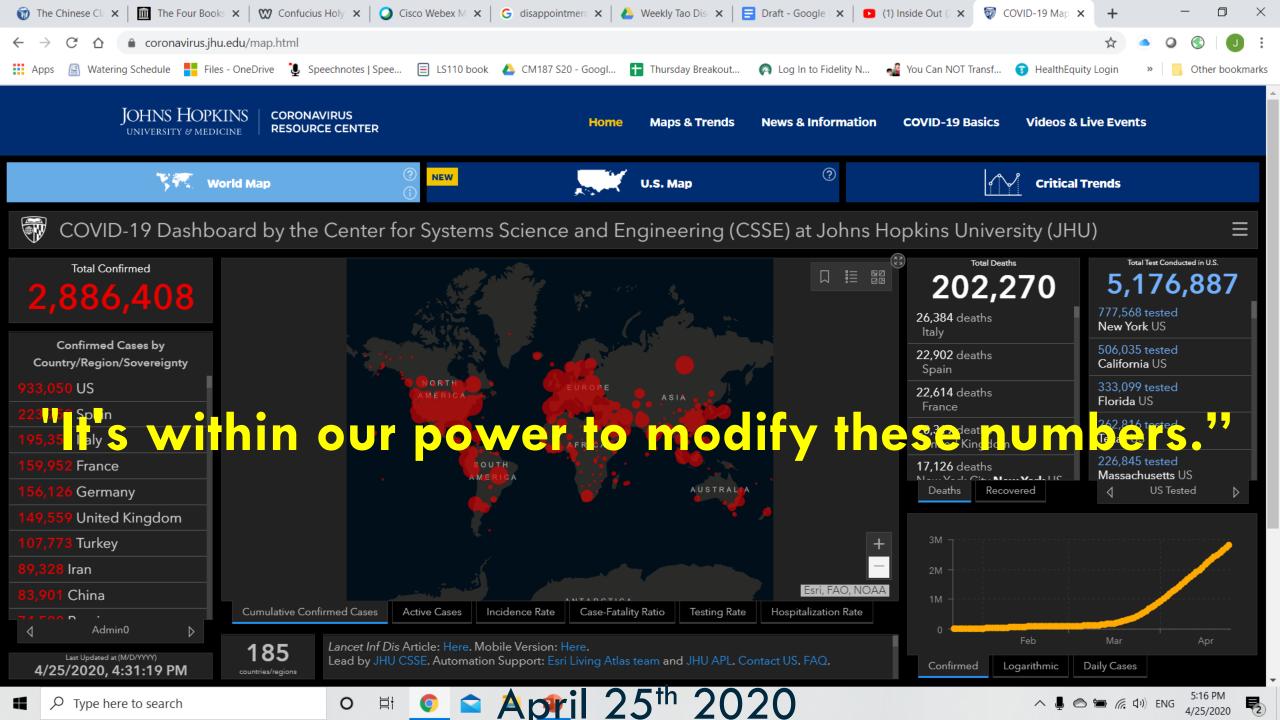










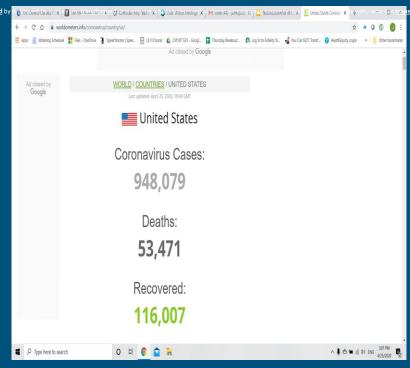










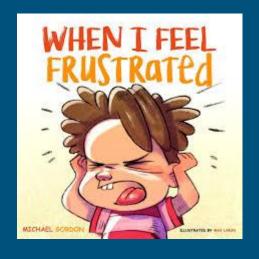


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What are some of the techniques?

Physical

Music, YouTube

Exercise / Nature Walk

Daily
Gratitude Log

Mental

Zen meditation
Sutra Chanting

Study Scriptures

Gratitude & Empathy

Spiritual

- 1. Believe in the arrangement of Heavenly Mother.
- 2. Pray for wisdom in our leaders, empathy and unity in our community, and quicker end to this crisis.
- 3. All of us need to come together and cultivate as One.

Holy Teaching

唯有那一刻當下的清明、當下的清淨,你才能夠真 正說你是找到你的真人!

During the instance that your heart is clear, pure, and calm, only then you could say that you have found your True Self.

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Having negative feeling is perfectly normal.

Cultivate and harness power of our inner self to manage.

Stay active, educated and informed.



https://youtu.be/wTbfX9FBZC4

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