

## Why I Write What I Write

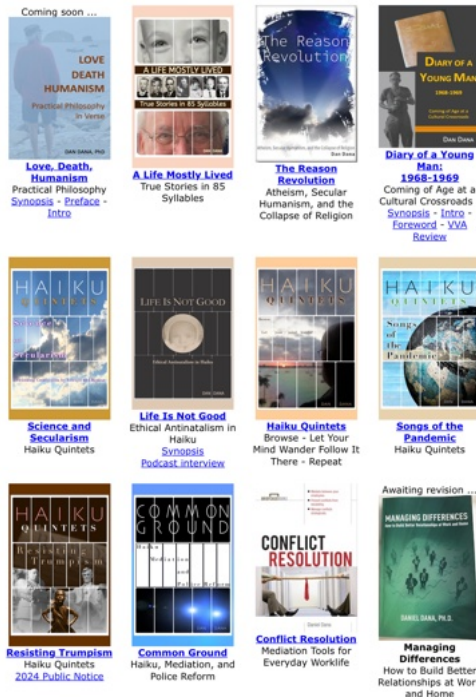
a scribe friend asked me:  
“why do you write what you write?  
why this and not that?”

~ it interests me  
~ I know something about it  
~ it may help others

~ to leave a small piece  
of my mind behind for you  
when my body dies

~ to hedge against death  
so something of me will last  
a few years after

~ so that you might smile,  
lingering over these words:  
“so THAT’s who he was!”



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