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## ultimate reality

The universe and the ultimate reality--great topic. Karen Armstrong has a new book out, which is called *The Case for God*. I haven't read it but I have heard two short clips on NPR about it. I suspect that at some point I will pick it up in a used book store or at garage sale and read it. I did read her earlier book called *4000 years in search of God* (purchased at a garage sale) which I would give mixed reviews. I have read the Quran and did not derive from it the same things that she did, but she has much historical data therein which is very interesting. It seems to me that an ultimate reality, as Karen names God in the NPR clips, then it needs to be OUTSIDE our universe (multiverse) since the current state of affairs in our universe seems to suggest that everything we encounter is BINARY. One ultimate reality sounds to me like a single entity, and if the ultimate reality is one entity then it seems to me that it must exist separate from where we exist, as where we exist there is both dark and light, good and evil, on and off, 0 and 1. Alternatively, it might exist outside the multiverse in which we exist. Of course thinking about the unknowable leads me to confusion, but I enjoy the contemplation anyway. For me its a binary universe with all the yin and yang, ups and downs, and quarks and antiquarks, ons and offs, positives and negatives, goods and evils, and blacks and whites that we see every day in the physical and metaphysical and social paradoxes of life. Like St Francis of Assisi pointed out, give love to get love, give comfort to be comforted, give wealth to get wealth. These thoughts run far back to Mesopotamia and other cultures.

Do you suppose that if I melt the binary universe with the fractal theory, I could come up with all of us living on an edge between dark and light-interacting with both the negative-positive, on-off, black-white, making choices for "good and evil" each day, trying to maintain a balance on the side of that fractal line

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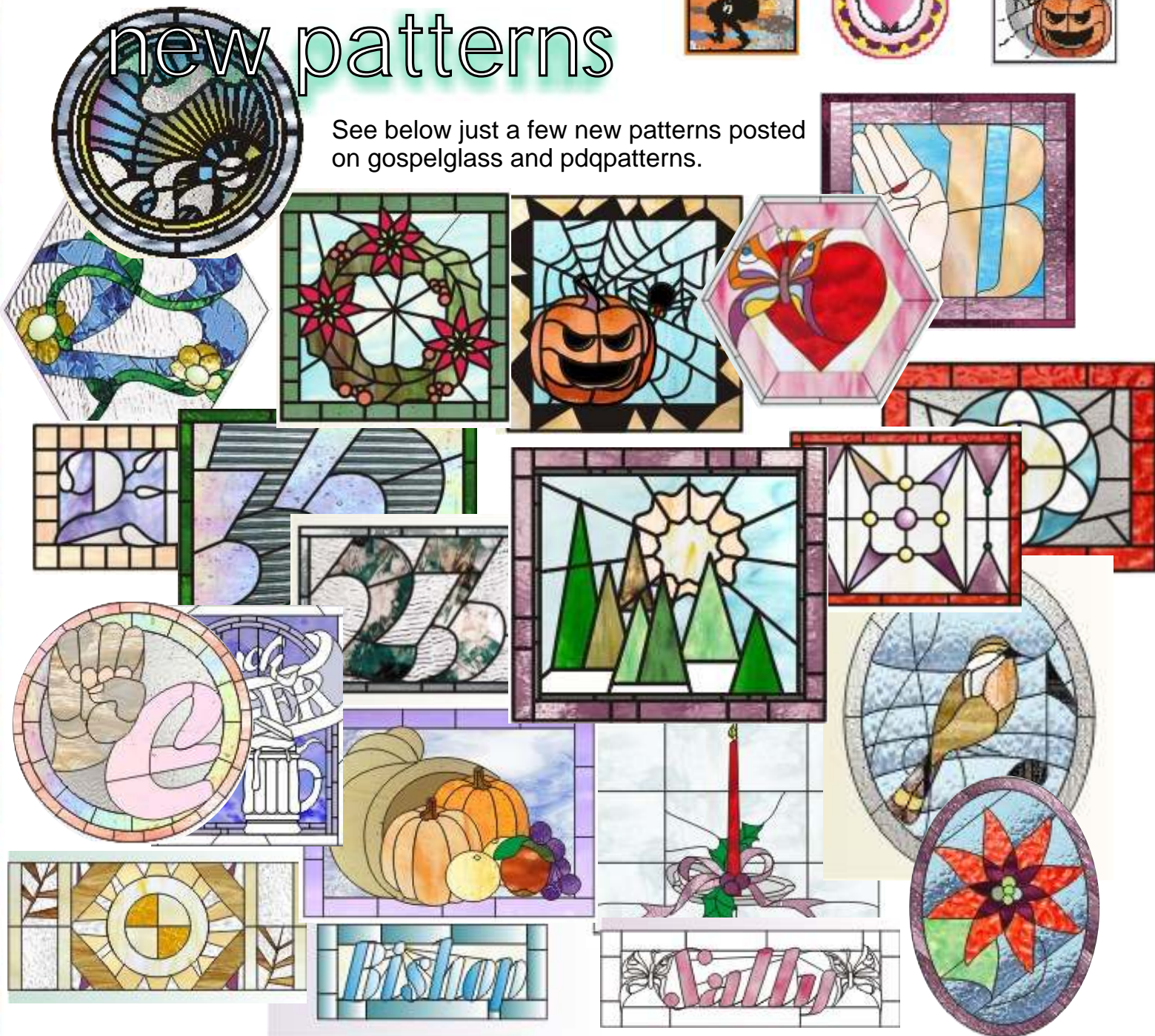


which is upbeat. Imagine standing on a boundary, and looking to one side ( dark, ill, evil, ignorance) and the other side (good, light, knowledge, wisdom) and taking steps every second and every minute of every day. Stepping into the positive or stepping into the negative. Maybe that's a topic too heavy for October (LOL), I think its brought on by dark fall days. Send sunshine!!! to Cincinnati.



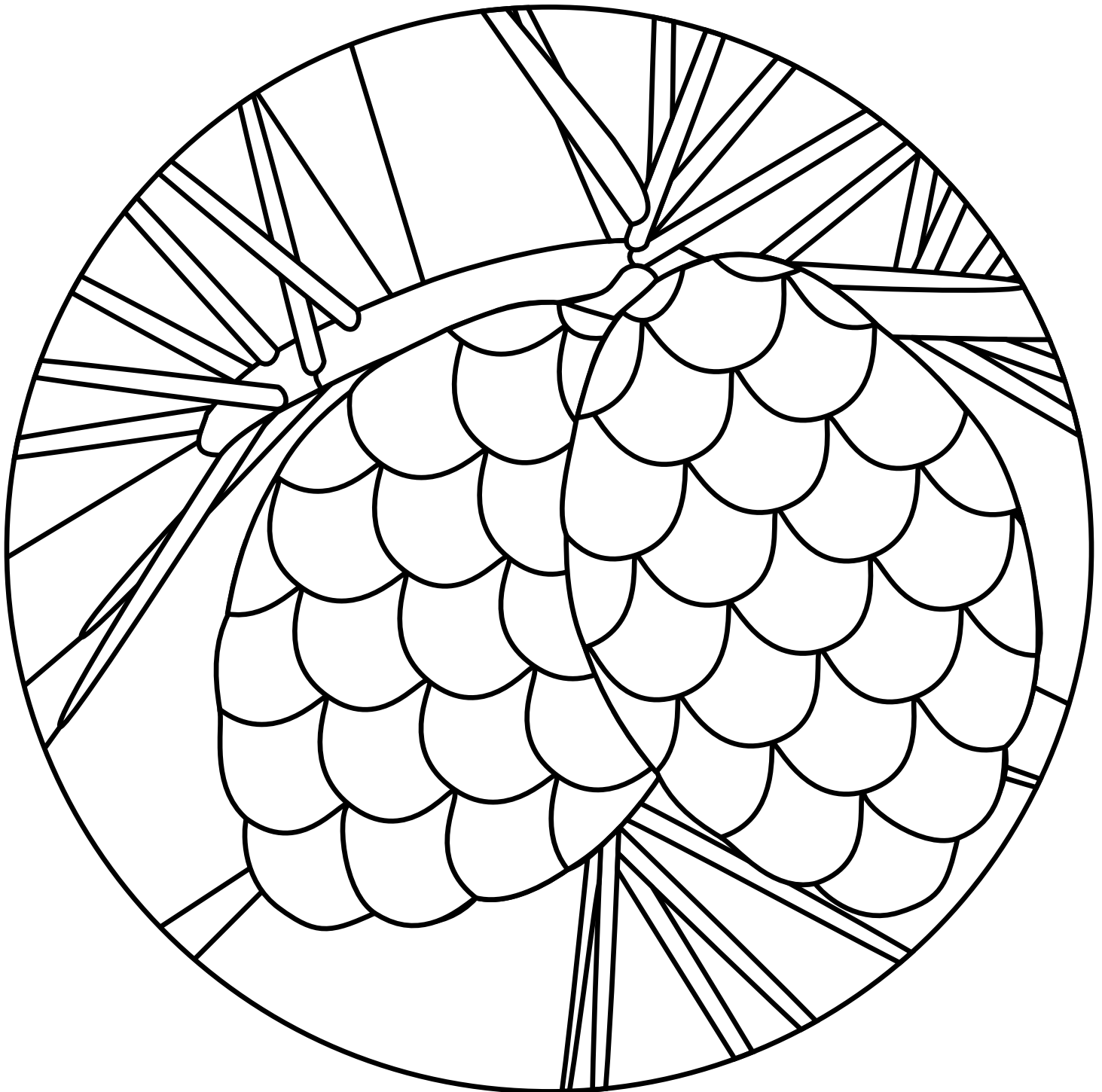
# new patterns

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# pattern for October



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