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Intrusion of Weakness

Health is infinite and expansive in mode, and reaches out to be filled with the fullness of the world; whereas disease is finite and reductive in mode, and endeavours to reduce the world to itself.

— Oliver Sacks, *Awakenings*

The Tree Image started a wonderful process. It showed me a lot and taught me a lot. I entered a whole new world. Management of the image itself followed, and I got even more out of it. I want to throw this new idea of management into the discussion in light of what they call management of MS in medical circles. Since, according to their understanding, there is no cure and often no specific treatment for MS, they say that managing the symptoms becomes the primary objective, and that is what I find relevant in the story that I am going to tell next.

Management [man' ij ment, n.] is the act or manner of managing, handling, direction, or control. That sounds very straightforward and businesslike and so, in the spirit of sarcasm, I wonder if one would take the empirical approach or the systems approach, or maybe what people