

The Self-Centered
vs.
The Centered Self

The self-centered
concentrate on self
and neglect their center.

The centered self
is anchored in the center
and forgets about self.

The self-centered
are stuck in the ego;
the centered self
is rooted in God.

The self-centered
are self-seeking and selfish;
the centered self
is self-giving and selfless.

The self-centered
are showy and superficial;
the centered self
is limpid and profound.

The self-centered
scheme and connive;
the centered self
reflects and contemplates.

The self-centered
are dour and humorless;
the centered self
is merry and joyful.

The self-centered
are cautious and calculating;
the centered self
is free and liberating.

The self-centered
are forbidding and unwelcoming;
the centered self
delights in hospitality.

As the self, therefore,
involves its center
in the divine,
self-centeredness
dissolves.

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