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THE BIG PICTURE

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for our times

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Earth is due to receive a new pattern of impulses. The First Class Emergency Conference was convened on Venus and had delegates from as far away as Pluto . . .

But the element in which this process exists is — Time. *Time is the whole point.* Timing. The surfer on the wave.

The life of humanity is governed elsewhere . . . was set by Mercury and Venus, Mars and Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune, Uranus, and Pluto . . . This particular configuration of planets will really be so powerful — the equivalent of several centuries of evolution all in a decade or so . . . But I expect there'll be the usual few who will listen. It's enough . . . Well, whatever the stark and dire nature of the shortly-to-be-expected celestial configurations, and whatever man's backslidings, there is confidence in the outcome . . . And if worst comes to worst, the Celestial Gardener will simply have to lop off that branch, and graft another.

People don't know it but it is as if they are living in poisoned air. They are not awake. They've been knocked on the head, long ago, and they don't know that is why they are living like zombies and killing each other. They know they should be doing something else, not just living hand to mouth, putting paint on their faces and decorating their caves and playing nasty tricks on their rivals.

* First published by Alfred A. Knopf, New York, and copyright 1971 by Doris Lessing. *Still timely!*

But how can we be different? How can we get out? If you find out, will you come and take me with you? It's all timing, you see. Sometimes it is easier for us to get out than other times.

There are people in the world all the time who know, but they are quiet. They just move about quietly, saving the people who know they are in the trap. And then, for the ones who have got out, it's like coming around from chloroform. They realize that all their lives they've been asleep and dreaming. And then it's their turn to learn the rules and the timing. And they become the ones to live quietly in the world . . .

When the time comes, it will be our task to wake up those of us who have forgotten as well as to recruit suitable inhabitants of Earth — those, that is, who have kept a potential for evolving into rational beings . . . That has always been so, of course, but this time it will be all that and more — it will be an assisting of the Earth's people through the coming Planetary Emergency.

DEDICATION

To those far-seeing ones of the near and distant past — many of them anonymous — whose searching for and finding the meaning of human experience we all pursue even further, knowing as they did that the quest is eminently worthwhile.

*The ageless melody,
Unheard, heals.
The healing vision,
Unseen, leads.
The true leaders, unknown,
Rescue.*

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THE LION PATH

TO THE READER

This fifth and millennial edition of *The Lion Path* contains so much new material that it will not simply repeat the fourth edition (1990 and updates), but rather summarize the most important portions of it, especially in Part I of what follows. The three parts are fairly independent and self-explanatory so they can be read in any order an individual reader may prefer.

Part II is practically all new. It relates *The Lion Path* to other life-bearing planets in our and other universes in the light of their shared transformational process.

Part III, "The Big Question", addresses what the Path means to you and how it is implemented in your life. This part is introduced by spontaneous messages we have received from many people on the Path since 1994 about how it has affected their lives and outlooks. These messages reveal many useful insights gained from actual experience. They mean much to us and constitute our mandate for releasing the Big Picture now. We are sure they will inspire you too and — if you have walked the Path — will mesh with your own individual experiences.

Let us then go forward together into the blossoming of time which to some may well seem like the Eye of the Hurricane. Let us walk in beauty.

Musaios
November, 1996

PART I

THE METAMORPHIC PROCESS

"Here begins the book of enabling a soul to conquer in the realm beyond death:

*O Osiris N., * you are the Lion, the twofold Lion, for you are also Horus, Protector of his father and his father's Tribunal. You are the falcon-like fourth of those four divine beings who bring forth the inundation of the water of life from a celestial Nile. O N., raise yourself!"*

— Ancient Egyptian Coffin Texts,
Utterance 1.

1. Why Now?

A few years ago one would have been a Cassandra to say that human society, the world over, was on collision course. Now, not much later, such a statement sounds more or less par for the course, collision and all.

Since World War II and its aftermaths in Korea, Africa, Vietnam and Central and South America, the amount of human suffering and deteriorating quality of life has increased more than exponentially until it has become a tidal wave making any persons', groups', or even nations' efforts to halt it look more and more like shielding with an umbrella against a hurricane — one that science is not stopping, as the daily headlines tell.

* The ancient Egyptian meaning here is "this Osiris," referring to any individual undergoing the ultimate transformation or metamorphosis into the higher or Horus form.

The standard religions, Western and Eastern, seem more and more worn or bankrupt and have no usable answers for the world's situation. Yet *per aspera ad astra*, and perhaps there is a ray of hope in the most ancient teachings recorded by mankind and also in the stars — a hope expressing the key teaching of any religion worthy of the name: the meaning of *individual* and not merely societal human existence and of individual suffering and dignity — a meaning expressible in terms of the possibility of becoming more than we are, yet without losing anything previously gained — the hope of nothing less than partaking, ontologically and substantially, in the nature of divinity. "Ye are gods in potentia" is a very ancient promise — one the arrogance and superficiality of our century has well-nigh forgotten. And yet, paradoxically, that same century has been chosen by time to bring us full circle as it has brought the spiral of the elemental atoms full circle in Plutonium with an atomic weight in the neighborhood of 240 — the last usable and viable element, however horrifying the use.*

Note: When we say above "ontologically and substantially" we mean it very specifically, in terms of a death-transcending, nonmolecular energy-body: the self-luminous vehicle (the Augoeides) hinted at in the inscribed golden plates of the Orphic mysteries and the even older teachings of the Egyptian hierophants. It is our highest heritage, confirmed by the deepest scientific findings.

* The same number (240) is depicted as sacred on the walls of the great Egyptian temple of Horus-Victorious at Edfu where we visited again in January 1987. It is interesting that the number of equal (hyper)spheres that can be packed around another such sphere in eight-dimensional space (which turns out to be cosmically important) is also exactly 240.

2. *Toward Beyond The Plutonian Gates*

Pluto, however, was not only the Minister of Death but of where Death leads, and we will all have to remember Nachiketas in the Katha Upanishad — who relentlessly pursued Death into Death's own domain, there to search out the secret that lay concealed by Death's Door.

By some current of powerful yet accurate archetypal forces, the planet Pluto was so named. Actually,* an eight-year old girl wrote into Lowell Observatory shortly after Clyde Tombaugh's momentous discovery in 1930, to request that the new planet be named after her favorite Walt Disney character, the friendly dog "Pluto." And so was Death friendly to Nachiketas and told him a secret way of initiation, of a profound shamanic journey by way of the Path of the Sun; the Path of the Moon being a lesser one, leading only to reincarnational recycling after Death, whereas the solar or Golden Path led to freedom from our otherwise inevitable death-interrupted state.

These were the secret initiations of Apollo Lykaion, the Sun god who like a path-wise wolf in the hidden night, travelled on a golden, shell-shaped boat that sailed by a magical power from west to east through the dark realm of death. The most ancient Ojibway (Algonkin) legends also tell that the doctrine of their four principal initiation stages leading beyond death were taught by beings who landed on the surface of a great lake in a strange airborne ship that looked like a flattened shell and was called a *migis*, a word so old and sacred that its roots are no longer known in the Ojibway language, although it is connected with a flying power (*migisi* = "eagle").

* Though the facts were later ignored in the "official" story, which tried to make the little girl a savant in Greek mythology instead of a Walt Disney buff.

And on the golden plates of the Orphic religionists found in Southern Italy we read: "I am a child of the earth and the starry heavens, but my race is of heaven alone." Those inscriptions on leaves of gold, symbolizing untarnishable imperishability, also tell of the same two post-mortem paths alluded to in the Katha Upanishad: one leading to forgetfulness and recycling, and the other to remembrance and the gaining of an ineffable heritage, described by the votaries as "I am like a kid fallen into milk!"

So Pluto is not only the lord of all physical treasure on earth, but is the guardian of an even more precious treasure of super-biology: the metamorphosis of human to divine. Let us now look at this more closely.

3. The Knowledge of Death in Ancient Egypt: Death as a Journey

We now turn in pursuit of the riddle of Death to Egypt, the civilization that was most concerned with that riddle and which preserved the most ancient religious traditions that have come down to us, thanks to the start of the decipherment of the hieroglyphs (literally "holy writing") that began only in the first half of the last century.


The British Egyptologist E.A. Wallis Budge comments that, by the Ancient Egyptians themselves, "its Chapters [i.e. the so-called and mis-called 'Book of the Dead' whose actual hieroglyphic title is "The Coming Forth Into Day"] were not regarded as materials for grammatical exercises, but as all-powerful guides along the road which, passing through death and the grave, led into the realms of light and life, and into the presence of the divine being, Osiris, the conqueror of death, who made men and women 'to be born again.' . . .

[Such are] the religious views of the wonderful people who more than five thousand years ago proclaimed the resurrection of a spiritual body and the immortality of the soul." [*The Book of the Dead (Papyrus of Ani)*, preface to the 1913 and the 1895 editions, pp. xiv and vi respectively.]

Budge came even closer when he wrote (on p. 5 of the 1913 edition of the work just cited) that the human physical body was considered in Ancient Egypt to hold within it the potentiality that "from it would spring the . . . refulgent and glorious envelope in which the Spirit-soul would take up its abode."

As the late Rundle Clark of the University of Birmingham wrote: "For the Egyptians, mythology was not a collection of texts, but a language. This is fundamental . . . Mythology [for Ancient Egypt] was not the same thing as the telling of tales. It was the explanation of the universe." [*Mythology and Symbol in Ancient Egypt*. Thames and Hudson, London, 1959, pp. 263, 267.] Though Clark did not reach the explanation he sensed so well, he did yeoman service in its cause.

The key aspect of the ancient Egyptian theology lay in its teaching on death and how to be equipped for it. Indeed, the ancient hieroglyph

for initiation into such mysteries was , meaning "to be prepared" or "become equipped with appropriate means," which in more secular contexts became merely the verb "to give." Interestingly, the same glyph was the symbol of the star Sirius and of its presiding divine power, nothing less than that of Goddess spelt with a capital G, She of the Myriad Names who so essentially aided her wounded and beloved God to regeneration and re-establishment.*

She was also the Dispenser of the Unexpected. In modern terms, She grants access to the Great Computer. Paraphrasing from Geoffrey

* In this connection see Chapter 5 of C. Musès: *Destiny and Control in Human Systems*, Kluwer-Nijhoff, Boston, 1985, pp. 139-140 and in particular the discussion of Dāēna, Isis, and Goddess.

Chaucer's *Parliament of Birds* (in Brian Stone's 1983 Penguin Classics edition), we have from the 14th century, yet modern as tomorrow, this inscription on "The Gate of Fulfilled Love" serving for all the Sothic Time Gates that one traverses one by one on the Lion/ess Path:

*This is the way unto that blissful place
Where hearts revive and deadly wounds have cure.
There is the well of grace
Where green and lusty love shall e'er endure,
The way to fortune ever bright and pure.*

*Be happy, humans, then—
Throw off your yoke of woe.
I stand open now:
Enter and quickly go!*


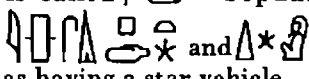
4. Sothis, Sacred Transformation, and The Dark Companion

The teaching was quite specific. The "Osiris" or inert pupal stage was the seat of divine transformative powers and became the numinous Egg or "golden lotus hud" — another Egyptian image that long antedates the Sanskrit *hiranyagarbha* or *golden womb* of the god-to-be. Out of the Egg or "Eye" will emerge the regenerated Osiris or Horus, brought forth by the womb-power of the Divine Mother, Isis-Neith-Nut, whose star was the brightest in our heavens, the glorious Sirius (*Sothis*). Compare the ancient cult of Venus (Aphrodite)-Urania and note the play between the German *Ei* "egg", the English *Eye* "eye" and German *Auge* ("eye").

Necessary protection for the enfeebled Osiris was the as-yet-unmanifest but still very real power of Horus, the resurrected Osiris. But he does not yet appear in manifest form and is at this point called



either Horus-in-the-Duat,* Horus-in-Sothis, Horus-Sokar (i.e. Horus in the Kingdom of Death), or Sopdu (i.e. the male companion of Sopdit or Sirius). His form is that of a black Hawk or Falcon mummy — a powerful bird since the mature Horus is a celestial "winged" stage symbolized by a Divine Falcon wearing the Double Crown of victory.

At any rate a dark companion to Sirius is attested to in the records both of the Egyptian-influenced Dogon and of Ancient Egypt itself,

where he is called  Sopdu. He is also called "Horus-in-Sirius" or  clearly showing that he was also conceived as having a star vehicle.

Sopdu is the protector and power-dispenser par excellence for Osiris, as Sothis is the power-source and regenerator. Indeed in the ancient depiction of Osiris as Lord of the Staircase (of metamorphic change into Horus) we find Sopdu or Horus of Sôthis protectively spread over the roof of his throne room while beneath the staircase is Osiris in swathed mummy or pupal form.

The protective power of Sopdu incorporates the judging power of Horus-Sokar which imbues Osiris-Sokar, Osiris as Judge of the departed soul. Thus in Utterance 130, verse 25, of the *Coming Forth Into Day* we read: "[The Osiris] will not meet the Faceless Monster that lurks behind the Slaughtering block in the Judgment Hall of Sopdu." Thus Sopdu, in this role as Osiris-Sokar, decides who is to be dismembered and recycled by the monster and who is freed from that fate.

* A word that meant Land or Region of the Dawning i.e. the night, which is here viewed as but the developmental stage leading to a new dawn or rebirth. The hieroglyph here is , the star suggesting the dawning of Sirius as herald of the Sun, a day fraught with significance in the ancient religion. The same root above also referred to 1) "dawning", the physical dawn symbolizing the higher birth from the solar egg; 2) hence adoring, singing praises. Thus the High Priestess of Amun was called *Duat • Ntr*,  "She of Divine Praising."

5. The Fourteen Powers as the Twelve Star Gods Plus Sopdu and Sothis

But his primal power is regenerative. It is Sopdu or Horus-in-the-Duat that irradiates the pupating Osiris with the divine power and light coming from Sothis, just as the full moon reflects the sun's light to the darkened earth in the night. Thus Horus-Sokar or Horus-in-the-Duat can be considered a Super-Moon corresponding to Sirius as a Super-Sun. As we shall see, the power of that greater Sun is dispensed by that greater Moon, who irradiates the Osiris-Chrysalis in turn with the twelve stellar energies.

According to ancient doctrine, e.g. Papyrus Carlsberg I, the star powers spend 70 days in the Duat, corresponding to the metamorphic transformation whose later metaphor was "embalming." Confirming this doctrine, an old text (*Tomb of Amenemhet*, tr. A. Gardiner, p. 56) reads:



"Thy seventy days are fulfilled in the Chamber of Embalming" (lit., "of Anointing [for the New Birth]", in turn corresponding to a star's heliacal rising).

Even the chamber in which the mummy was ceremonially fed (for its metamorphosis) by the transubstantiation of offerings into "divine nourishment" was called the *Duat* Chamber; and, further confirming the preceding paragraph, the original meaning of *Duat* [★☾] is "the Place of Dawning": the region of the soul's night was regarded as the origin of its dawn or rising. The later eucharistic doctrine of transubstantiation is yet another influence of Egyptian on Christian theology and "was well known under the Vth Dynasty" (E.A. W. Budge, *Liturgies of Funerary Offerings*, p. ix).

The Ancient Egyptian texts clearly state of Sopdu or Horus-of-Sothis, or Horus-in-the-Other World [*Duat*, roughly equivalent to

the Tibetan *Bardo* or Islamic *Barzakh*] that: "It is he who sets into activity the twelve Star-Beings and regulates the pattern of the hours in the Duat." Again, and still from the text of the Seventh Hour of the book of *Im Duat: The Majesty of Horus-in-the-Duat* saith unto the Star gods: "O ye who in your very substance are divine justice, whose powers have become manifest and are joined with your stars . . . O light them that [this Osiris] may join the master of the horizon of the dawn [of the new birth] . . . O ye hours endowed with star powers, O ye hours who protect and aid the Divine Egg, fight ye on behalf of this one that now approacheth the Horizon."

". . . The Star gods in their hours have bound up the evil and are with thee, Divine Embryo, in the light. Rest thou in thy still hidden and unmanifest body . . . Take ye now, O Star gods, your forms and your powers and guide this god now dawning into the Beautiful Land in peace."

"Behold now the gods and goddesses who guide this new divine soul along the hidden way to that City," the seat of the Higher Community, whose rare and radiant glyph is given in the Pyramid of Teta,* line 395 (sometimes meaning *h'i* "To shine forth" at the first beginning):



As to the twelve star gods that Sopdu or Horus-in-the-Duat (=Horus of Sothis and Horus-Sokar) directs, they are an ancient group of deific powers composed of the ennead: Ré [incorporating Horus the Young within the Solar Egg, which in turn is the Eye of the Elder Horus]; then Nu, power of universal "water" [or substance] and Nut; Shu and Tefnut; Osiris and Isis; Set and Nephthys; plus three more: Anubis, Divine Embalmer and opener of the ways to the Other World; Khnum, Architect of all Forms; and Ptah [= Tanun], Evoker and Quickener of all Functions. All 12 were directed by Horus-of-Sothis,

astronomically assigned to Sirius B, the "dark companion" of Sirius, called in the hieroglyphs (e.g. Pyramid of Unas, line 588) Sopdu "the Moon" i.e. of Sopd-t (Sirius). Naturally his direction of them is in harmony with the wishes of the great Mistress and Enabler of All, who Herself is associated with Sirius (Sothis), the brightest star of our heavens that is approaching our Earth at supersonic speed with her companion. Sirius is also the nearest star to us of such magnitude, being an astronomically scant 8 1/2 light years away and shining twenty-three times as bright as our Sun.

6. "Embalming" as Transformation of the Divine Seed or Embryo

A remark on Anubis is now called for. His veneration, as that of Khnum and Ptah-Tanun, is very ancient. Indeed in the passage commencing with line 70 of the Pyramid texts of Unas (Fifth Dynasty) we read: "[The Osiris] standeth with the radiant beings. O get thee onward, Anubis, into the Other World, onward, onward to Osiris!" He is the great embalmer or preparer for regeneration and works under the direction of Horus, Isis and Nephthys. Again (Utterance 147 of the Coming Forth Into Day), "I have passed on the path created by Anubis . . . and have protected the Cosmic Law and the Divine Eye."

Anubis is also called "*imwt-t*" or "Dweller in the Embalming Chamber." The Same Egyptian root (*wt*) which furnishes the usual word meaning to embalm, swathe and encase the mummy — can also mean to sprout or germinate (*gestate*), and when reiterated (*wt-wt*), to beget or procreate. So Anubis was called "The Embalmer" (*wd-kh ntr*, literally "the divine one of embalming"), the causative of which is *swd* or *zwd*, i.e. to cause to be embalmed. That this was a process that originally had to do with the regeneration to Osiris is shown by the fact that a variant (*sw-t*) of that same causative verb indicates

also the *White* or *Hetch* ("brilliant, "shining") Crown of Osiris which he wears in his resuscitated godhood. The same word is deeply connected with *swt-t* (Coptic COOTⲢⲈ) which means a developing egg, seed or embryo. Referring again to the external mummifying process as symbol and, later, a corruption of an inner regenerative process, the noun *swt* or *swd* (Coptic CHTE) refers to the strips of linen used to swathe the mummy. So we see that the entire process to which external embalming and mummification referred was an inner, metamorphic and transformational super-embryonic process, as both the etymologies and the texts make abundantly clear.

Thus, although ancient Egyptians had brought the art of embalming to the highest degree known before or since, yet the oldest meaning of the process their texts recorded refers to life, not death. The embalming was the metaphor of a higher supra-biological process. More explicitly, it referred to those sacred and secret processes by which the gestative regeneration of the immortal body could be begun even during life on earth — the true Immaculate Conception, which was later garbled and corrupted from the secret Egyptian doctrine of higher birth and nascent godhood. That was one of Egypt's most closely guarded secrets and it again comes full circle in the crucial years now upon us.

The following four figures illustrate these notions, and the captions are self-explanatory.



Fig. 1 Anubis administering restoring energy by a laying on of hands. The serpentine forms represent the waves of evoked energy. (Source: Papyrus of Djed-Khonsu-iw-f-an-kh II, Scribe of Amun-Ré, Cairo Museum). This is the real meaning of "the embalming" metaphor.



Fig. 2 The Lioness-Goddess Giving the Breath of Life. From a fragment of a painted limestone bas-relief at Dahshur. Fourth Dynasty King s-Nofrw — "(He Who) Causes Beautiful Things" — is shown receiving the breath of immortal life from the Goddess in lioness form. She significantly wears a collar of fourteen pendants, recalling the fourteen basic deific powers in the Lion Path seasons and the later Fourteen Stages of the Cross of Christianity, which in so many ways was derivative from Ancient Egyptian religion as was its Judaic root: the sacred ark of the covenant, in Hebrew *Arwn*, meaning the Osirian cedar chest or coffin which was anciently "the place or tent of transformation".

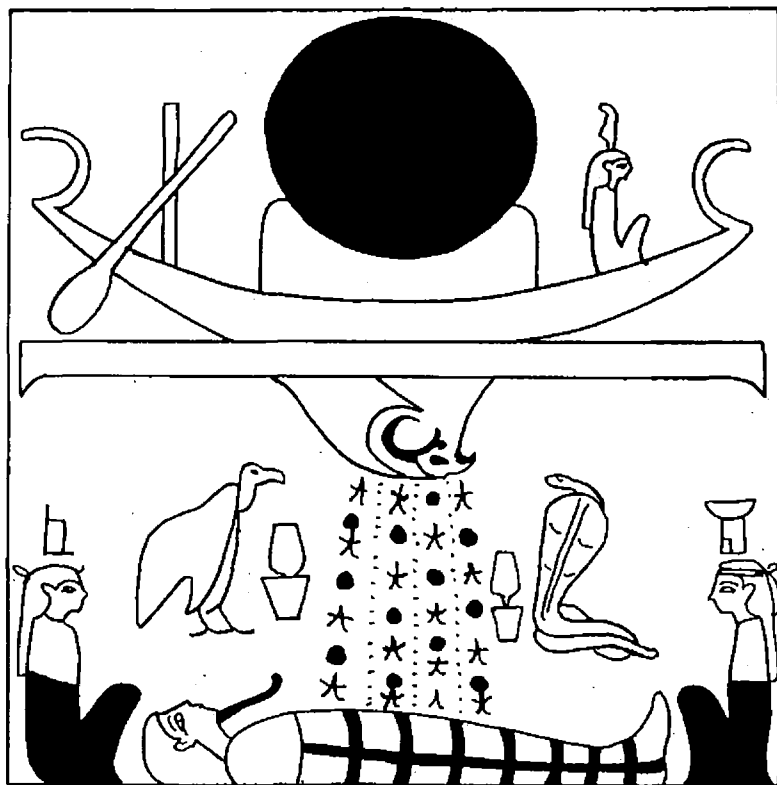


Fig. 3. The Egg is on the sacred boat, being carried from this world to one of higher dimensionality. Here, below, flanked by Isis (at head) and Nephthys (at feet) is the "deceased" or neophyte in the form of Osiris, being irradiated by the Falcon-Horus' life-restoring power. The five-pointed star is life-force and the disks are the egg's embryonic power to use it to grow. (From the papyrus of Amon-m-Sut.)

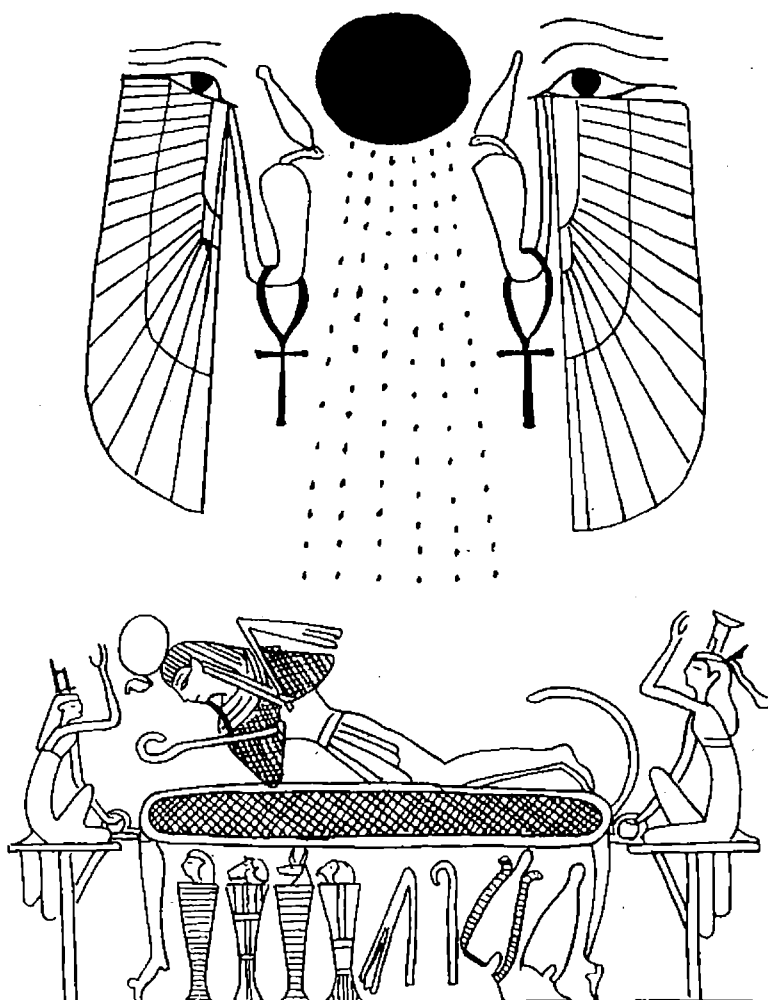


Fig. 4. Continued radiation from the Divine Egg (the barrier between the worlds now vanished) in the detailed form of the Winged Disk with the 2 eyes of Horus and the pair of Life or Ankh-garlanded serpentine (time or wave-like) powers. This radiation has now caused the Osiris to animate and rise from the couch of death, flanked by life-awakening gestures of Isis on left and Nephthys on right. The Osiris form wears the life (note uraeus serpent) - animated divine egg as a crown, symbolizing a state of continuing development. (From the papyrus of Ta-Shed Khonsu, Cairo Museum.)

The ageless texts sum it up better than any paraphrase, specifically one of the oldest passages (Utterance 64) of the *Book of Coming Forth into Day* (British Museum Papyrus No. 9900, sheets 23-24):

I am Yesterday and Tomorrow, and have power to regenerate myself. Hail, Lord of the Shrine standing at the center of our Earth-realm and stretching to celestial heights. He is I and I am He . . . The garment wherewith I am clothed is complete . . . and the tears start from my eyes as I see myself journeying toward the Divine Festival and made strong. I have been working many days and hours at aligning the twelve star-powers in me and connecting them, joining the hands of their Company each to each. The Sixth Power [cf. the Mercury Session, when the fallen mind is faced by the Heart] who stands at the edge of the abyss rules the hours of the defeat of evil. I have come here in triumph . . . The Goddess hath given birth on earth to an overwhelming, life-giving inundation [Hyt]: the hitherto closed door of the wall is thus thrust open. I rejoice thereat and come forth like one who forceth a way through the gate, and the radiance my heart hath made is enduring.

Finally, we turn to the experiential description given in the course of Utterance 149, anciently and originally the final one in the *Book of Coming Forth into Day*:

I can walk in my new immortal body. I rise like Ré, I am strong through the Eye of Horus [self regenerative power source], my heart is uplifted after it was brought low, I am glorious in heaven and on earth. I fly like the divine falcon and have the egg of the sacred wild goose, and I can alight upon the Lake of Life and rest upon it.

Then I rise up like a god, being nourished by divine food, and go to the domain of the starry gods. The double doors of Divine Justice-in-Mercy are opened unto me, the double doors of the great deep are unbolted before me, and I rise on the stairway to that heaven where dwell the gods.

Now I speak with a voice and accents to which they listen and my language is that of the star Sirius . . .

Here ends the Book in peace.

7. The Biology and Suprabiology of Metamorphosis

It is time to examine the regenerative process — the way out of our limited state of body and awareness — a state that was thought of in this doctrine as "larval" to that which would ensue, just as the effectively one-dimensional or linear caterpillar has the hidden ability to spin a self-made cocoon-tomb and then turn into a pupal case, with future wings already outlined on it — a stage that can again metamorphose into the winged imago or mature form that emerges from the shell of the tomb-egg of the cocoon and flies aloft into the sky. Butterfly caterpillars dispense with the cocoon and use only a hard pupal shell or chrysalis.

The "unawakened" larval or caterpillar form, incidentally, remains so if a certain gland connected to the seat of the central nervous system (in the neighborhood of what in higher forms is the hypothalamus) is not functional. Without its hormone, ecdysterone, their metamorphoses cannot take place. That remarkable fact of recondite biology was learned only in the latter twentieth century. If it is functional, we have the larval form in the stage of building its "tomb" which is really the birthplace or womb of the higher form. When the cocoon is finished down to the hard-varnished inner shell, the caterpillar sheds its skin for the last time and the inert wing-marked pupa is born within the cocoon.

Then, within the pupa in the cocoon or the shell of the chrysalis, all the caterpillar's organs are histolysized or dissolved and changed

into others and new organs are added over a course of remarkable transformations lasting several weeks. The Egyptian name for this transforming power is Khepera, the winged scarab.

Finally the pupal skin bursts within the cocoon or the chrysalis shell shatters, and the winged adult emerges from it, dissolving the hard walls with a special solvent from glands in its mouth needed only this once. Now, as soon as its still moist wings will expand, dry and become firm, it will fly off into its new existence after this metamorphic rebirth. This phenomenon provides a paradigm for our own higher development.

The Lion Path is not mechanical, but a living organic process in which you step from one stage to the next. It is not so much the external conditions you may have to contend with in doing this that are important in themselves; but rather it is the way you handle them and yourself in the process that counts.

In attaining every really worthwhile step in your own life growth certain fundamental realizations are prerequisite in the very simple sense that the conditions of soil, water, air and light must be right for a seed to germinate and the plant to grow. The Lion Path is above all a germination, a gestation, a blossoming and a metamorphosis. It partakes essentially of all these processes and awakens you to deeper and deeper levels of your being — levels that finally transcend the very limitations of the physical body and its comparatively clumsy segmented or worm-like structure, yet so wondrously contrived out of molecules. It is only comparatively clumsy and crude when compared to a higher energy body, but on its own molecular level it is a beautifully and subtly constituted transducer, enabling consciousness to manifest its volitions and decisions in the world of molecular matter.

Actually, this occurs through a fantastically well-organized mass of very specialized, single-celled amoebas in the cranium. We call

these highly specialized protozoa "neurons", and our intelligence and choices operate through them as a computer program manifests its operation and purpose by means of countless branching nodes in a master silicon chip. In fact, neuro-anatomy inspired the organization of tiny switching arrays or "trees" in computer chips. Indeed "dendrites" mean "branches".

Your brain, and by it your biological body, however, is constantly re-responding according to your changing ways of thinking and your sensitivity to various contexts. The advanced group of protozoans that constitute your brain cells are capable of master-managing your entire physical organism through integrated electrochemical circuits and intensely powerful neurosecretory hormones called neuropeptides; although the *origin* of volitional impulses is not found in the molecular realm.

They can do more, however. When stimulated by certain resonant (and, in most people dormant) commands, they can awaken and trigger higher developmental processes of so far-reaching a nature that we can only use terms like higher embryology and a new energy body capable of surviving the dissolution of the molecular body.

The future of human evolution lies not in the molecular body per se — which has reached its optimal development already — but in the brain, in which there is a huge redundancy of apparently unused neural tracts, just as there is a huge amount of evidently unused DNA in human cellular nuclei. That DNA contains the as yet unactivated genomes for the development of the brain's unused neurons. The bottom line is that we all have a vast reserve of untapped and enormous evolutionary potential. In computer terms, it is as though we all had a powerful CPU (Central Processing Unit) but had not even begun to tap, or even become aware of all its ports and circuits.

The relatively larval state that we call the human condition is by its inherent nature a temporary one — one that is designed to be

triggered into a more aware and stable state endowed with enhanced abilities and options. In all living things that metamorphose into higher forms, we now know, that mysterious process is teed off and directed on the biochemical level by hormones released in the brain (Fig. 5). The thoracic metamorphic hormones of some insect species are also controlled by brain hormones from certain neurosecretory cells.

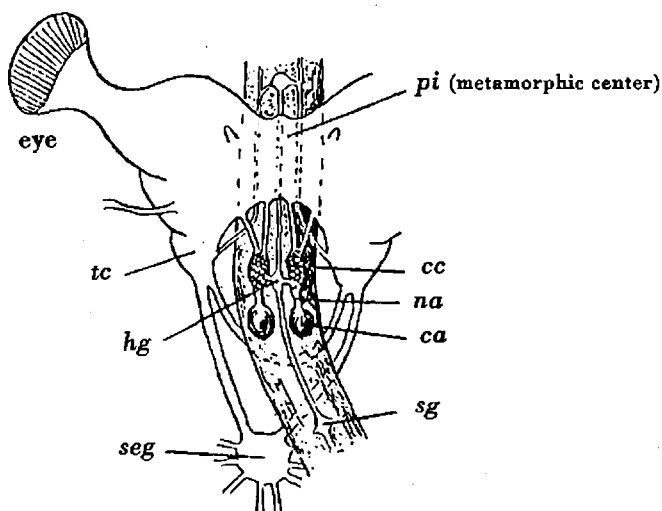


Fig. 5. The Insect Brain and its Metamorphic Center

In the figure (after Marcel Abeloos) the designations are as follows: *pi*, pars intercerebralis; *tc*, tritocerebrum; *cc*, corpora cardiaca; *hg*, hypocerebral ganglion; *na*, nerve to corpora allata; *ca*, corpora allata; *sg*, stomachic ganglion; *seg*, subesophageal ganglion; the object at the extreme upper left is an eye. See also caption for Fig. 6.

Perhaps the best understood of those vital substances is what we have already mentioned as ecdysterone (for its molecular structure see Figure 6) so named because it is related to steroid hormones of humans, among which are the sex hormones. It is also called ecdysone, referring to its ketone-like form.

As the deepest tantric doctrines have always taught, sex and higher states of consciousness and development are closely linked, as also are creativity, sexual energy and mystical ability. So it should not come as too great a surprise that biological metamorphosis on levels below the human should also involve related substances.

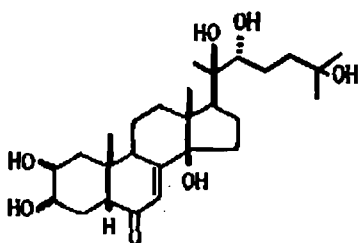


Fig.6. Shows the molecule of metamorphosis: 20-Hydroxyecdysone (ecdysone proper lacks the left upper OH group) found in both invertebrate animals and plants such as ferns, certain gymnosperms (the yew family or Podocarpaceae) and the more advanced angiosperms (the amaranth family). It is akin to human steroid hormones in structure. There are many related ecdysteroids. They are but the end result of a few neurosecretory signal substances that in insects originate in the pars intercerebralis of the proto-cerebrum (that also innervates the eyes) in the insect brain. From there the signals arouse the *cardiaca* bodies in the back of the brain, which in turn trigger the *allata* bodies in the same region. These then secrete JH (juvenile hormone), an aliphatic sesquiterpenoid, while the *cardiaca* bodies store and release ecdysiotropin or PTH (prothoracicotropic hormone). This is a potent neuropeptide that acts upon the ecdysial glands in the prothorax to produce the metamorphosing hormone 20-Hydroxyecdysone, a steroid akin to human steroid hormones. In vertebrates analogous organs are also in the brain, in the neighborhood of the hypothalamus: for example, the neurosecretory nuclei governing frog metamorphosis. Since this is the master-control region in mammals too, supervising even the powerful pituitary gland, the facts point directly there too for the site of the triggering of higher evolutionary advance in the human brain, facilitated by master-controlling polypeptide hormones from neurosecretory cells in the hypothalamic region. It is noteworthy that, at least in mammals and humans, the hypothalamus is sexually dimorphic, i.e. anatomically (and also functionally) different in females and males. Also note that photoperiodicity, especially in the blue-green neighborhood of 450 millimicrons wavelength, can actually pre-program the insect embryo in its egg for later brain-hormonal (neurosecretory) function. The role of synergistic resonance in triggering metamorphosis is thus pointed up.

We are dealing here with profound processes affecting not only amphibians, insects and lower invertebrates, but plants too; and the same ecdysteroid called 20-hydroxyecdysone (Fig. 6) is a *phytoecdysteroid* — i.e. found in plants — as well as *zoecdysteroid* or key metamorphic substance found in animals. What these substances do is activate certain genes whose functions would otherwise remain inaccessible. In turn, those steroid hormones are controlled by still more powerful polypeptide hormones from the brain, in areas corresponding to the hypothalamus. The detailed chain reaction is not yet fully understood, but the fact is sure. We also know that metamorphic events in higher species are controlled and triggered by neurosecretory cells and their polypeptide hormones of the hypothalamic region. And it is in that same region that still higher analogous processes are initiated and launched on the human level in the development called the Lion Path.

Ancient peoples noted these remarkable changes (called "holometamorphic" by modern entomologists) and it is not without reason that the higher human entity (that was designed to survive the body's death much as the butterfly survives the caterpillar's disappearance) was symbolized by a butterfly among cultures as widely separated as Grecian and Aztec.

The ancient Egyptian doctrine of the possibilities of human metamorphosis used the same metaphor to explain it simply. The bandaged mummy was like the silk-enswathed larva and the folded wings depicted on sarcophagus or coffin lids were the indicated still folded wing-forms embossed on every lepidopteran pupa or chrysalis case. The outer cocoon was also symbolized by the *Mes-khent* or "birth-tent of skin" placed around the mummy or in the funeral chamber which in Ancient Egyptian was called "the birth chamber." One of the very words for cemetery meant "Place of Births."

Words like regeneration and transformation have been too thinned down and so almost voided of any living meaning or feasible attainability as many words have been in overintellectualized, and hence

all too frequently unintelligent circles. The context for regeneration in the ancient Egyptian teaching is biological and psychophysiological; little known processes within the brain and body trigger, when activated, a supra-biological, transformational and higher embryological development — our too rarely claimed birthright.

The point is that we are not being called here to merely a new way of thinking or some kind of role-playing, but to an actual supra-biological process for which we all have the triggering and releasing potential within us. We are inwardly prepared and equipped for the journey.

8. *Metamorphosis as Transfigurative Regeneration*

The Ancient Egyptian embalming process performed on a dead body was the corruption of a half-remembered restorative process on a living body. Compare Figures 3 and 4 illustrating the Osiris-form being regenerated by rays from the Divine Falcon's head, i.e. by power from an already regenerated source.

Just as the caterpillars, we also have a regenerative gland associated with the vicinity of the thalamus* — a group of as yet by-and-large unknown cells that can be in turn stimulated into activity when the hypothalamus is resonantly and appropriately stimulated. The undulating intensity (Section 11) is designed to do just that, until finally, a higher valve is gradually "resonated open."** Then waves of the powers of a higher mode of awareness find their natural development according to each individual's nature. That opening sets off the regenerative process in the higher body, which ordinarily is

* Interestingly enough, from the Greek for "bridal chamber": cf. the hierogamic process or divine marriage within oneself.

** All causation in nature is ultimately by resonant causality rather than by impact. For a discussion of our resonant universe in the light of quantum physics see Ch. 3 of *Destiny and Control*, cited before.

only in a germ-like state after death. In this case the post-death experience does not by-pass the intermediate state, and we then just have dreams in the inter-incarnational (or *Duat* or *Barzakh*) state, roughly akin to the connotation of the Tibetan term the *Bardo*. Then we are recycled in molecular bodies and carry on prior habits, helpful or damaging, mixed in with those other traits allotted to us by our "genetic fate": the DNA combinations bequeathed to us by our physical parents.

But if we advance the higher body's potential from the mere "ovum" to the fertilized or "zygote" stage, then the "higher pregnancy" begins, the analogy being the pupation stage where the caterpillar organs and powers transform into those of the winged creature. That ability is independent of the ordinary sexual processes for generative purposes, and both men and women have it. One Ancient Egyptian text proclaims (*The Coming Forth Into Day*, Utterance 32) "I have undergone the pregnancy of Osiris" i.e. the transformation under the power of Isis-Sothis, into the newborn falcon form ("winged") of Horus. Long before consciously knowing any of this, I wrote in an early poem: "In joyous pregnancy, I from myself will be born," and "We are larval things, awaiting metamorphosis."

Finally, all the prior powers are made fully functional in the regenerative process that forms the higher body. If the herein programmed fifteen year period is successfully undergone, then at death we pass right on through the *Duat*, *Barzakh* or *Bardo* realm in the "divine boat" or vehicle of the now formed higher body and we emerge into a world beyond imagining in wonder and beauty, never again to be subject to the life-interruption of death.

But first it is like the earliest of the two imago or winged forms of the May Fly: it can fly (i.e. complete the rest of the Lion Path) but has not yet attained full self-regeneration. That process is mirrored in the formation of the second imago of the amazing May Fly, the forerunner of the moths and butterflies. The second May Fly imago can reproduce, which corresponds to the full self-regenerative power

of the higher nonmolecular body, attained only after the successful completion of the Pleromic Practice discussed in Part III.

The apotheosis that consummates the human metamorphosis was taught anciently to be its crowning glory, and there are three such crowns in Egyptian hieroglyphic texts: the brilliant (*hetch*) White Crown, the powerful *Tchesert* or Red Crown and the Green Crown (*Utch-t*) of eternal youthfulness. All but lost in the records is the mysterious fourth in this series: the Black Crown or *Utch Kam-t*, the Egyptian root *kam* (𓂏), "jet or shining black," also meaning a completion and refining so profound that it seems dark and inaccessible to unperfected sight. The secret of the Black Crown, well nigh lost in the later wanton destruction of sacred literature when the great library of Alexandria was burned by bigoted vandalism, still managed to survive, following a trajectory as mysterious as itself. Thus we find it surfacing in Tibetan practice (the Black Crown* ceremony of the Karmapa high lama) and also in the ancient roots of Taoist symbolism and practice. The White Tiger, the Red Phoenix, the Green** Dragon, and the Black Warrior or Super-Ninja are the esoteric Far Eastern forms of the powers of the four crowns that complete the Osirian chrysalid's metamorphosis into a transformation that from our larval viewpoint could only be termed that of a godling.

We now stand on the shores of a new continent of being, the vistas of which are uncompassably vast and wondrously indescribable. It is More Life that calls us — calling us through time and its three dimensions of occurrence, recurrence, and the helix of evolutionary development. Occurrence becomes Joy; recurrence, Insight; and

* Braided from the flowing, jet-black tresses of a hundred thousand Dakini-goddesses, flecked with gold.

** The "green" of the Chinese Dragon is actually more of a turquoise, cyan or blue-green, which is why it is sometimes rendered "Blue Dragon." And the red of the sacred bird was more of a vermilion or copper: cinnabar and cyan are complementary hues, as are pearl white and jet black.

evolution, Fulfillment: Love, Wisdom and Will — Heart, Head and Hand, all resonating in the Harmony of the Invisible.

If nonlinear thinking, based on nonordinary experience, seems more prominent in this exposition than run-of-the-mill logic, remember that even in such supposedly prosaic fields as business accounting and law, "the rules of accounting, even more than those of law, are the product of experience rather than of logic." *

4. *The Vow: The Psychological Foundation for the Path*

Actually, truly *wanting* the higher metamorphosis makes us into a different kind of human being ready for a different kind of life and destiny. In fact, embarking on the Lion(ess) Path changes the character and pivot of our destiny-control pattern. That inner vow need not be formal, but it is a choice, whether verbalized or not. And once it is made, our lives begin to self-transform and we are led to the path of the higher metamorphosis, compared to which our previous condition is only a larval stage. The almost only one-dimensional or linear caterpillar has now embarked on the inner higher biological and not merely psychological process that will eventually transform it into the winged imago capable of full flight in three dimensions. The human being begins with full awareness in three dimensions and hence our higher development takes us well beyond the three-dimensional world. Just as every higher dimension mathematically *includes* all the dimensions below it, so our supra-development enhances and preserves all the best of our humanity — transcending it yet not repudiating it.

* G. May, *Financial Accounting*, MacMillan, New York, 1943, p. viii, and cited again by M. Moonitz on p. 349 of *Contemporary Studies in the Evolution of Accounting Thought*, M. Chatfield (Ed.), Dickenson Pub. Co., Belmont, California, 1968.

In one sense the Vow is the most important of all stages. It is the primary Vow (the very meaning of "vow" is the promise of an act or behavior of some kind) of making the highest development of yourself the first priority — higher than worldly position, acclaim, ties to possessions (by reason of mere possessiveness), family ties (on the basis of blood alone rather than friendship) or anything else placed above the Vow. This "making" means making it true in your daily behaviour to the best of your ability, and continuing to correct and better the results as you go along. Then nothing can defeat you. The Vow is primordial. It has been with you before you consciously realized you wanted to find a higher way.

The Vow is never perfect in us when we begin the Path, but we should be strong and put aside what is not appropriate to our highest vision. This practice takes what may seem to be a supreme degree of dedication and coherent focus. But practicing it, strangely enough, brings it more and more within the scope of your abilities and daily reactions and behaviour. The key is gained not necessarily by succeeding at first or even after several tries, but by not giving up the practice. The Vow is usually made without conscious awareness. But it is none the less effective because it is present in behavior and feeling.

There are two sides to this Vow: first an affirmation of your higher goal and the second, an avoidance of attitudes, behavior and associates that would hinder that goal. An important part of this process is the avoidance of any deceptive counsel forbidding you to make any judgements whatsoever. This is like your body saying "We will allow any destructive virus to gain access." As we all know, one of the most insidious and fateful of all diseases is the kind that nullifies the power of our protective cells by destroying their ability to distinguish between the benign and the malignant. If we "never" make judgements or exclusions or "love" uncritically and without discernment, we are being deceived by forces which depend upon parasitizing; in other words, using the victim's energy for the parasite's destructive goals. Under such debilitating and even dangerous

counsels, people would gradually lose all ability to protect themselves and hence all self-esteem which is vital to wellness. Thus the second portion of the Vow is the spiritual counterpart of a healthy immune system.

An *unhealthy* immune system, on the other hand, is too accepting and self-disesteeming. Thus the AIDS* virus induces "unconditional" acceptance of the invader in the victim's protective cells — with the well-known lethal results. The deep and pervasive misunderstanding behind all such tragedies arises out of the omissive and therefore deceptive counsel of "unconditional" love. Such counsel may seem clear but is actually very confused. The intent of love must be unconditional, but the particular method of conveying the love energy must be highly flexible and adaptive to any given situation.

Certainly we must always use love, but just as certainly in a form and manner appropriate to the situation. Learning what is most optimally appropriate takes arduous training and practice but, interestingly enough, it is only love within us (not sloppy thinking) that can teach us what form it should take. The Path of Wisdom itself consists in the progressive mastery of how to condition the form of love. Unconditional love is the quickest way to defeat love's aim. Appropriately presented love, on the other hand, is the key that opens the door to the knowledge of the higher therapies.

Also, as in all other departments of human life, friends and partners often play important roles in the unfolding drama of our self-development. Those who help us most are those sympathetic to and supportive of our highest vision, whether they intellectually or verbally understand it or not. Because if they support us, they do in a profound sense understand.

If they are unsympathetic or antipathetic to our highest vision, we should seek companionship elsewhere while we are able, or otherwise we may become so weakened in our highest resolves that we gradually

* Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

give them up and postpone our growth perhaps indefinitely. And also, as Ostanos, the Mage of Persia and Egypt, said from his own experience: "It is not to the false friend or to the faithless confidant that one should reveal sacred teachings. And I have prayed to the immortals not to let the meaning of such words penetrate the ears of the foolish — much less the untrustworthy. For this transmission is divinely granted and reserved to the worthy. The art of self-transformation is not given to everyone." A word to the wise is sufficient here.

The larger lesson here is that, just as we have to be selective about the outside forces we allow into our lives, so we have to select which habits we wish to discard or retain as we walk the Path — the inner cleansing that mirrors the spiritual immune system we put up around us.

As you travel through time on the Lion Path it will soon become clear that, out of your prior habits of action, mood, reaction and thought, there are some you wish and need to keep, while others you feel would be better dispensed with and allowed no more nourishment or encouragement from you.

The moment you take such decisions, you will experience a reality which previously did not surface into awareness. You will find that each habit has a propelling momentum, a quasi-self-will of its own. In the case of a habit you wish to keep, there is no problem since its self-energy is fused with that of your currently growing self.

But in the case of a habit you wish to change or discard, there is a conflict aroused by your decision, since now the self-energy of the habit has split away from the energy of your own and rightful self and opposes you, fighting for its life and self-preservation, thus causing an open or conscious rift in you. In extreme cases, in which unwanted habits are many or powerful, and the person is not protected by the Lion Path, there manifests what is known as split personality, in which the true self has one or more destructive rivals all bent on usurping the seat of the principal conscious will.

Even on the Lion Path, you will feel the effects of such striving against you by habits of action, feeling and thought you have renounced in principle, but which have not yet been de-energized enough to stop molesting you. The various magnitudes of psychic *momentum*, as it were, of these rejected but still active habit-creatures will all combine together against your true and heroic self, their common enemy. So even unwanted habits which would normally work against each other, tend now to unite in their common cause of survival — at your expense; and the battle is pitched.

Yet in this fight for our own spiritual heritage of higher growth, we have powerful allies: The overarching beneficent forces of the protective session and sustaining sessions*; the constant help of the cycle ruler and current session ruler; and finally the strength of all our wanted and helpful habits of mind, heart and action. These create no conflict because their various self energies are in perfect synchrony and sympathy with your own higher self.

In all this your greatest ally is Love, not in a narrow or sentimental sense, but as a universally available Power for long-time good. In the highest Tibetan teaching Dzogchen (*rDzogs-pa-chen-po*) this is called the Primordial Clear Light (Öd gSal), which *combines* the power of the *sKu sum* or Three Dimensions of Consciousness corresponding to the threefold higher body: Essential or Heart Awareness (Dharmakaya), Will Awareness (Sambhogakaya) and Mind Awareness (Nirmanakaya). But the Tibetan teaching — corrupted from far more ancient sources that again surfaced in certain advanced doctrines of Tantric India — is not *clear* enough (pun intended), and hence some of its more superficial practitioners say it means that no transformation within oneself is needed since the highest is already there. To the contrary, however, the *essential* transformation is direly needed which displaces one's sense of identity from the habit-formed

* Thus the *Pleromic Journey* cassette helps de-energize unwanted habits and energies and strengthen desirable ones in you. It can do this as powerfully as is your desire to change.

self-image to one's original self-nature. It would be misguided, misleading, and irresponsible to teach that, simply because we have an unsullied, causeless, immortal essence, we need no transformation to unveil that essence in our awareness. Love is the goal; love, the means; and love, the way. Thus the Lion Path is clear and does not fall into the infatuation with cleverness that has trapped some of our latter-day word mongers who do injustice to Tibet's real heritage — a heritage at one with the innermost side of all religions worthy of the name. Self-luminosity (Tib. *öd yöd-pa*) characterizes bodies in Q and beyond.

All loving persons, no matter what their intellectual level and whether they are on the special Sessions Path or not, are included by a kind of higher gravitation, on a moving walkway of Light that carries them onward at various speeds. This great Walkway for all beings has different speed-bands, the swiftest being midmost or central. The band on which you are depends on the degree of Love you have developed in your awareness and responses, whether these are initiative or reactive. As your degree of love increases, your band changes to a higher frequency or speed, so to speak; and if that degree should decrease, your speed would decrease correspondingly, and can even reverse if your love's "specific gravity" as it were, becomes less than even the lowest band of the Love-Stream. In that case, you would leave the Great Walkway and its Guiding Beams. Otherwise, according to the way you handle your life, your band can shift to a faster or slower one; or you may simply progress steadily on the same band. The depth of your Vow places you on the Walkway.

Successfully progressing in the Sessions automatically moves you onto a swifter band of the Walkway, but there is no ultimate guarantee except by your own re-exercised free choices and the level of your reactions and continued development, that you will maintain that band or that you will move up to a more direct or swifter one. It is the degree of love (with its accompanying wisdom) which you are able and willing to live, that decides. You even have the option of leaving the Walkway.*

* With gratitude to Christiane de Montet for sharing the insights of her Pan Session, in which she experienced the Great Walkway.

In walking (implementing) the Path on the foundation of the Vow and Protection the following hints may help:

1.) The Lion Path provides a power inaccessible to the unjust.

The Lion Path is for self-development (increasingly wise love) and not primarily for power (increasing freedom as such). In fact, the second without a greater development of the first is highly dangerous, as the history of the twentieth century proves again and again. If your motive is primarily one of power, the Lion Path is not for you, because you still have to learn about the relation of love and freedom. However, learning in such a way entails much otherwise needless suffering of yours and pain for others. But such a way is unnecessary and there is a much better Path, filled with increasing love and joy.

2.) Seek to understand more than to be understood, and avoid the trap of self-pity.

3.) Yet do not despise or condemn yourself but try your utmost to be the kind of person you can admire and love. Doing this requires daily practice and vigilance.

4.) Do not be disheartened if you fall back occasionally. Be patient and gentle with yourself.

5.) Use discretion in talking about the Path, and discernment in those you choose to talk to. Some people of simple goodness will, like innocent animals, be guided without any formal or conscious awareness. Others may not be ready and we are not to fall into the "missionary" trap.

You really can't convince others of anything that their current level of development and insight cannot yet grasp. Of course, you may try to *force* people by being either attractive or repellent to them — but they can't *change* that way. Yet you *can* become a catalyst for them — a facilitator; and they, for you.

The one person you can convince, and also change, is yourself — and this is the priceless task we all have within our power to accomplish. *You* are your most precious opportunity!

- 6.) Dispel irritation and melancholy by sustaining higher consciousness, using constructive and peaceful action, even if it is only walking or gardening.
- 7.) In our current civilization which revolves so much, whether for better or worse, about the rational mind, it is important to retain the wisdom of more traditional cultures, in all of which the non-conscious mind plays a prominent role.

In fact, a mere rational knowledge of the process of digestion or of the process of wound healing won't help you in the least to relieve indigestion or speed up the healing of a cut. But access to the non-conscious mind would greatly help in both cases, even if the conscious mind is unaware of that access or of what is going on.

One of the principal advantages of the Lion Path is its effect in improving such beneficial access to the non-conscious mind. Mere words here can fool us because the so-called "non-conscious" or unconscious is much more conscious of the so-called conscious mind than the latter is of it. So which is really the more conscious mind? It is our disproportionate worship of the conscious mind (better, the limited-awareness mind) in a high-tech society that is actually a stumbling block to self-development.

The golden rule to remember in all this practice is that the conscious rational mind has not half the importance that current societal conditioning would like to give it. The roots of wisdom and the power to do good lie far beyond the rational mind. The process of our own higher development is essentially supra-biological. We can hinder or help it, but we cannot do it, although the grace that does it comes only at our call, whether that cry from the heart is recognized by us consciously or not.

8.) *The danger of thinking about how advanced you may be.*

It is best not to think too much about where you are in your development or dwell on that. The Sessions do not automatically grant the Lion Path. For any insufficiently inwardly prepared or who lapse in development after starting, the Sessions could help such persons achieve only the possibility-limits set by their own development, i.e. by their stage and consistency of practice in daily life.

Otherwise, the computer programming rule of GIGO ("garbage in, garbage out") prevails, as in all other things. On the other hand, if to the Sessions you bring a tried and tested prior development of love with wisdom in your life responses, then to that extent your development can be accelerated and the Lion Path walked. Thus there is also the rule NIMO (non-garbage in, metamorphosis out). It is our open and ever-offered choice whether GIGO or NIMO will prevail.

Religion is basically self-purification with the aid of higher than human powers. This self-purification is much like cleaning tarnished silver: removing the old deposits that hide its true and natural brightness. This process must be voluntarily chosen and cannot be performed without a deep and sincere effort to change one's behaviour in accordance with one's original bright nature. Thus this purification process may be looked upon as salvation in the sense of saving oneself with the aid of higher help. The conventional concept of being "saved" (found in both Eastern and Western conventional institutions) by a mere verbal affirmation or assertion, is obviously in the light of the above facts a patent deception if taught to others as a true doctrine, and an equally sad self-deception on the part of any who have given it their credibility.

Religion is thus the hardest work that one can do and it requires sustained practice until the margin of safety is reached, before which point one could easily slip back down a too easy slope into the tarnished, groping and half-blind state of ineffective and/or baleful behaviour.

The Vow is, we now see, simply the firm commitment to this process of undoing harmful or obstructive reaction patterns from the past long since consciously forgotten. The Vow is thus the foundation stone of the entire Path.

10. The Athanor or Alchemical Crucible of Self-Transformation

Figure 7, showing the workings of the Athanor, follows, and now we summarize the stages.

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| Stage 1 | the passage through the Athanor |
| Stage 2 | the Sealing of Saturn's Gate |
| Stage 3 | the Sealing of Pluto's Chamber and Door and the start of the cleansing |
| Stage 4 | the Coming of the metamorphic and uplifting rays of Horus |
| Stage 5 | their reflection at Saturn's and Pluto's Gates to give them strength to complete the cleansing of the contents of the subconscious mind |
| Stage 6 | the conscious mind enters the now purified unconscious and connects through the transconscious mind with the higher center of self in the superconscious. In terms of the Lion Path: the Osirid chrysalis becomes the winged Horus and they join through this flowering of metamorphosis — called "The flower of the mind" in the old Chaldean theurgic teachings that have come down to us. These six stages correspond to the first six Pleromic Powers (see pages 123-125). |

As the foregoing healing, cleansing and transfiguration continues, a time field goes ahead of you on the Lion Path and creates harmony before you. Compare the old Navajo chant: "May beauty precede and follow your steps and be present on your right and left, above you, below you and all around you. May you be clothed in beauty." We recall also Byron's lovely and significant line, "She walks in beauty." But on the Lion Path, if we persevere on it, we ourselves, like the Great Goddess, our Divine Mother, shall walk in beauty too.

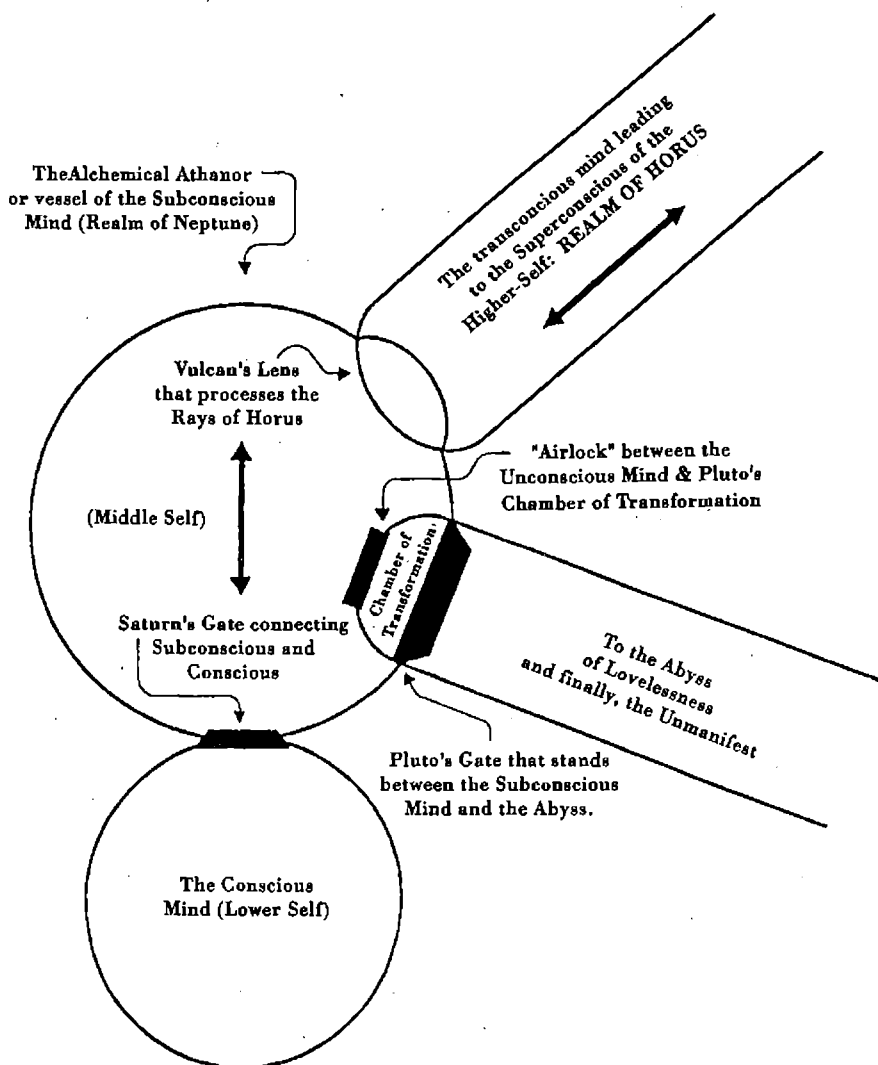


Fig. 7. *The Athanor*, a word which, apart from its usual derivation from the Arabic, resonates also with the Greek *athanatos* or non-death: the transcending of the mortal condition, sometimes called the Fraternity of Athanas, the Deathless Ones.

11. Practical Measures

All the beneficent and balanced traditions of inner growth and development have stressed love and the cultivation of an atmosphere of joy and high dedication. On the other hand, the old books on the method of yoga (literally a joining to a higher level of awareness) all warned of the dangers of imposing such a development too rapidly upon a consciousness still sunk in the miasmas of strong destructive states such as irritability, anxiety or reckless and irresponsible experimentation: the three great pitfalls of anger, despondency, and fruitless or harmful curiosity.

The besetting danger is that inner development tends to accelerate all your inner motivations. Hence such development will also increase the growth of any noxious weeds whose sprouts or seeds have been inadvertently left in your subconscious.

That danger was precisely the theme of a classic sci-fi film of the 1950s called "Forbidden Planet". A great scientist, played by Walter Pidgeon, discovered the key to a lost and very advanced civilization whose members have found the key to an intense development of the mind. But they had forgotten those "monsters of Id", the as yet undissolved even if unwanted germs of violent and self-destructive behaviour — germs that would be nurtured by quickened development of the beneficent powers and that would eventually inundate them with uncontrolled and hugely magnified imbalances. Thus an entire and mighty civilization went insane through their very ideals of evolution.

The remedy for this pitfall is steadily and beforehand to flood the unconscious mind with love energy from the superconscious until its unwanted dregs are dissolved before they can grow and invade the conscious mind or dream states. Only then, in this purified ground, can one safely cultivate one's higher potential. A very important part of cultivating that purified ground of consciousness is to open yourself to the healing and sustaining powers of the Path by experiencing about

once a week the sustaining cassette called *The Pleromic Journey*. It embodies the ancient Chaldeo-Egyptian sacred theurgic Rite of Ascension and the Bathing in the Pleromic Essences, rediscovered in 1996 through the Lion Path. This program implements that discovery in terms of 20th century instrumentalities, for vital spiritual therapy and renewal in a world already straying dangerously towards imbalance on all levels.

Each time you experience the Journey you will be taken through rising consciousness on "The Ladder of Horus". Alchemically, Horus rules the realm of the athanor or deep unconscious reservoir — the place where deathlessness is prepared. The Ladder of Horus grants the aspirant access to that realm; the athanor is then sealed and the cleansing begins, after which your heroic self and its good habits can be energized without fear of other habits gaining and misusing that higher energy. Figure 7 shows the relation of the Subconscious, Conscious, Transconscious and Superconscious Mind, explaining the action of the music cleansing "the Athanor" within.

On the Lion Path you will experience a constant increase and deepening of such harmony, with the consequent falling away of any unwanted and destructive habits. Indeed, this phenomenon is a characteristic of the Path until finally you achieve the goal of the old Irish: May the Wind be always at your back!

PART II


THE BIG PICTURE

"But after all, do not try to convince people. Real knowledge will enter only open doors. If prejudice exists it must be outgrown through inner development."

— Old Central Asian precept
(recorded by the Russian
artist-explorer Nicholas
Roerich)

1. Introduction

All of us when we are aware enough, have sensed that there is more to life than meets the eye. But usually, the mere routine of daily duties and the mounting pressures of living in the wake of the bloodiest and most precarious century in human history, blunt the edge of our quest. Some of us merely settle down and accept their then rather meaningless existence. But many of us are not satisfied with such dreary compromises, and seek something beyond them, knowing they need a bigger picture.

All religions in their non-doctrinaire and profounder reaches seek to find this Big Picture, for the very word religion means to re-tie us (*re-ligare*) to some larger reality that gives meaning and purpose to our experience and the unfolding of events for us, including the great question of the meaning of death and the possibilities of transfiguration beyond it. In no civilization was this quest more pervasive and profound than in ancient Egypt. In this connection the word *ousi* is memorable (*wsy* in the jargon of technical transliteration for the 5th to 7th hieroglyphs: ).

The word is found in the inscriptions of the Great Goddess' temple of Dendera which speak of the Sanctuary of the Divine Cat-Lady, *Bast*. It connotes a narrow passage or aperture leading to celestial realms — a meaning confirmed by the great Egyptologist Serge Sauneron in 1966 when studying a papyrus in the collection of John Wilbour now at the Brooklyn Museum. The word goes back at least to the times of the 18th Dynasty, some two and a half millennia ago, and meant a place of passage protected by divine energies. Only three years before a fatal accident, Serge Sauneron wrote down the elegant and pregnant passages we translate now:

* The entire hieroglyphic phrase quoted is from an inscription on the west stairway of the great temple of Edfu, on which the talented Egyptologist Eva Jelinkova Reymond (now passed on) did some profound and original research (e.g. her *Mythical Origin of the Egyptian Temple*). We need more like her and Sauneron.

One can well ask if this "window to the heavens" was not, in the spirit of Ancient Egypt, one of those privileged places in our world where a passage opened, leading to another level of the cosmos . . . a narrow passage whereby two universes could for a moment communicate with each other — one of those doors which when opened let in a flash of marvellous light . . . a mysterious portal to another world.

["On peut se demander si cette fenêtre du ciel n'était pas dans l'esprit des Egyptiens, l'un de ces lieux privilégiés du sol des hommes où s'ouvrait un passage menant à un autre 'étage' de l'univers . . . un passage étroit par où deux univers pouvaient pour un moment, communiquer entre eux . . . qui entr'ouverte laisse échapper un éclair de lumière merveilleuse — (une de) ces portes mystérieuses d'un autre monde."] *Bulletin de l'Institut Français d'Archéologie Orientale*, vol. 69 (1971), p. 51-53.

2. *The Same Atoms Pervade Our Universe — The Carbon Atom Enables Molecular Life Forms*

After grasping the possibilities in the discussion in Part I of a powerful transformation that is our heritage if we but reach out for it, we are ready to start our journey towards that larger view. Clearly, the 100 or so types of atoms that are stable enough to have survived until the present (we omit the mān-made monstrosity of Plutonium) are distributed throughout our entire universe, and we detect no others in its farthest galaxies. It was the spectroscopic analysis of starlight that revealed this universally shared atomic and molecular basis. The only element capable of structuring the molecules needed by life is carbon. Its sister element silicon is used only skeletally and by a few very small creatures — the foraminifera — since it is too heavy to be practicable for larger frames.

Hence the genetic code (or some close variant of it), resting on the 4 nucleotide bases (2 purines and 2 pyrimidines) must be the molecular foundation for the structural and functional (or enzymatic) proteins of biological forms throughout our universe. So if there are other biologically viable molecular bodies in our universe — and there is no reason why not — they must be similar to ours. Of course, most probably the proteins would vary enormously, and hence their immune systems would be so different that we could decimate each other. But, questions of contact aside, what kinds of habitable worlds would be in our universe? And is our universe one of a kind, or is it an integral part of a multiverse? These questions need addressing in the Big Picture.

3. *The Structure of Worlds and the Powers of Two**

What follows will of necessity be only the ground lines of a kind of treasure map. We need to *walk* the trail to find the sacred territory. In that pursuit the map can be only an aid to reaching a reality beyond the map. And the path of what the old Navajo tradition calls the trail of the Holy People, woven of rainbows and the caduceal serpent powers of male and female lightnings — a reflection of the energies of God and Goddess, the powers of the Divine Two. The "powers of two" can literally help us here, the first power of 2 being two itself; the second (2^2 or 2×2) being 4; the third ($2^3 = 2 \times 2 \times 2$) being 8, and so on. We can only regard the Divine Pair as complementary entities (+1) + (-1) who blend so perfectly they become invisible: $(+1) + (-1) = 0$.

When the positive energy (+1) is taken with a power of two (say the first power, or $2^1 = 2$), we have $2^1 + 1 = 3$ which is an undecomposable, indivisible, or "prime" number. So also with the second power of 2:

* The reader may wish to defer this section for later reference.

$2^2 + 1 = 5$, which is also prime. Note too that $2^0 + 1 = 2$ (since $2^0 = 1$) and 2 itself is a prime number since no two numbers, neither being 1 nor itself, can produce it by multiplying or interacting with each other.

In expressions like $2^1 + 1$, $2^2 + 1$, and so on, the upper numbers are called "exponents". If the reader will be patient just a little longer, the secret passage we were speaking of will begin to open. Or, you can just skip the rest of this section and refer to it when and as desired.

We will now let all the exponents of 2 be only *powers* of 2, that is 1,2,4,8,16, and so on. We then have a succession of prime or indivisible numbers, which can be the basis of stable or non-splitting worlds:

$2^{-\infty} + 1 =$	1
$2^0 + 1 =$	2
$2^1 + 1 =$	3
$2^2 + 1 =$	5
$2^4 + 1 =$	17
$2^8 + 1 =$	257
$2^{16} + 1 =$	65537

Interestingly enough, the series ends here for there are no higher prime numbers formed by "a power of two plus one". When now the fundamental energy (-1) is added to powers of 2 whose exponents are *prime* numbers [rather than powers of 2 as before] we also obtain a series of prime numbers. Thus $2^3 - 1 = 7$, $2^5 - 1 = 31$; $2^7 - 1 = 127$; and, since the exponent 2 itself is a prime number, we have $2^2 - 1 = 3$ which is also prime. Now let us arrange these results in a Table.

The dashed lines below indicate omissions of composite (i.e., not prime) numbers. We allow 0 and 1 since they are the primordial origins of number, and also the space number 32767 at the end of the series, which although composite is held together by the last of the Fermat primes, 65537, characterizing a 16-D space-time. In fact, we shall soon see that S_{15} must be composite in order to map the Multiverse and, of course, composite 15 ensures that.

TABLE OF WORLDS BASED ON THE POWERS OF TWO*

WORLD	D	$T = 2^D + 1$	$S = 2^D - 1$	$T - S = N$	$T_n - T_{n-1} = Z$ (T_n means any T)
I (a)	$-\infty$	+ 1	- 1	$1 - (-1) = 2$	(Z is not a real number in this row)
II	0	2	0	$2 - 0 = 2$	$2 - 1 = 1$
III	1	3	1	$3 - 1 = 2$	$3 - 2 = 1$
IV	2	5	3	$5 - 3 = 2$	$5 - 3 = 2$ 3 here is from the T column, row III
V (b)	3 4	--- 17	7 ---	$17 - 7 = 10$	$17 - 5 = 12$
VI (b)	7 8	--- 257	127 ---	$257 - 127 =$ 130	$257 - 17 = 240$
VII (b, c)	15 16	----- 65537	(32767) ---	$65537 - 32767$ $= 32770$	$65537 - 257 = 65280$

* This table and its explanatory concepts were first worked out in a series of public lectures given at Ojai, California, some years ago. Notes (a), (b) and (c) follow in the text.

The following three notes refer to the preceding Table of Worlds.

- a) Note that 2 of the exponent minus infinity is zero.
- b) These dimensions make up one space-time, the first furnishing the S-value; and the second, the T-value.
- c) The series of worlds stops here because there are no more primes of the form $2^D + 1$. Since 15 is a composite dimension, breaking up into 4 distinct universes, the S-value (32767), put in parentheses because it is composite, will give us an insight into the types of viable worlds in this *multiverse* held together causally in a 16-D space-time since the T-value, 65537, is prime. The patterns within these extended interconnections hold the secret of the Big Picture, as further exploration will unfold.

4. The Exploration of the Table of Worlds

Here D, T, S, and N stand for Dimension, Time Basis, Space Basis, and Number Base. The smallest possible number base is 2 which is used in the four primordial worlds: I through IV in the Table. It is, incidentally, the basis of the number system used by all computers since a switch or transistor has only two possibilities: 0 (off) and 1 (on). Note that the fifth world, the first beyond the four primordial worlds (more details presently), has as its number base 10: the base used by the Ancient Egyptians as well as by the present global civilization, ten being the number of human fingers, our first and built-in counters.

The Z numbers in the Table of Worlds denote the basic cycles of time-produced forms. The world (I) based on negative infinity (infinite potentiality) can have no manifest forms and then of course no cycle of changes; here Z is inapplicable. The next two primordial worlds (II and III) have only one self-sustaining form, and thus there is no apparent or manifest change. Only in the fourth primordial world (IV) with its cycle of two forms, ($Z = 2$) thus combining the two different single and self-sustaining forms ($Z = 1$) of worlds II and III, can and

does change per se begin; for only now could contrast and hence discriminatory perception become possible.

The two primordial forms which can manifestly sustain each other to produce the first cycle of change in world IV were perceived in ancient Chinese tradition as Yin and Yang which, although they are complementary powers, form an *unsymmetrical* pattern. It was the inspiration of this far-reaching tradition that inspired Chinese quantum physicists to be the first to conceive, and then prove, that rigid symmetry may not be the most fundamental characteristic of nature. In this regard, recall that the human heart is slightly more on the left than the right side, or that the x -coordinate of the single minimum of the generalized factorial (Gauss' function) for all positive numbers is slightly to the left of the halfway point between zero and one: biology and mathematics both confirming the fundamental asymmetries found in nature by quantum physics.

The Table's second column, headed D for Dimension, shows the number of dimensions in the power of two generating each world. Thus for world II there is only a space-point ($S = 0$) although there is a time-generating number ($T = 2$). Thus time is cosmogonically deeper than space — something that we all sense almost naturally. It is clarifying to observe in this regard that in any event all of space is contained in each moment of time. We are not talking here about that comparatively feeble thing, space-measured time, measured by signals of finite velocity sent through space, but of time itself, which is a very different and much more powerful and pervasive physical reality, without which no event could happen.

In the first of the four primordial worlds (I) or more properly, world-stages, there is time ($T = 1$) but $S = -1$, i.e. as yet only unmanifest or nega-space — the space of unmanifest possibilities, still hidden within time. Space begins to separate from time only first in our perceived world of stage V, with its 4-D space-time: we perceive three dimensions of space and one of time.

In the next two world-stages (VI and VII) they become even more distinguished. It will take us a little time to learn that VI is beyond VII in its development. VII gives us the Multiverse: beautifully and complexly coordinated, but still basically a congeries of perceptually 3-D worlds embedded in a fifteen-dimensional space; whereas VI is a unique and to us as yet unperceivable 7-D world in a higher time than ours — higher in the sense that it is immune from the consequences of any actions in our space-time or in that of the overarching 16-D space-time governing the Multiverse (VII). All these world stages taken together form the *Omniverse*.

5. Filling in The Big Picture

What lies ahead is to fill in the big picture we begin to see laid out before us, and then connect it with the cosmic metamorphic process examined in Part I. In fact, these two operations are actually and best done together rather than sequentially, because linear or one-dimensional logic, serviceable as it is, does not do justice to the realities of the situation before us. In the language of electronic computers, parallel rather than pipe-line processing is called for. In fact, we shall see that even simple parallel processing is not enough. What we have here demands *interactive* parallel processing with cross-associative capability — something not as yet fully implemented, as shown, in the context of this investigation.

"A picture is worth a thousand words" simply means that 2-D is a whole dimension better, that is, an infinity better than 1-D communication. Symbols (including the verbal and alphabetic ones used in syntactical word-language) are very compressed pictures, and hence require two-dimensional, multi-level perception to interpret or understand them. That is why true mathematics (as distinct from the dreary stuff taught in most schools) is so akin to true poetry: it uses multidimensional symbols yet adapts them to a linear procession

in both writing and reading them. Its only competitors in this respect are music and poetry — not mere doggerel or versifying, but in the original sense of its Greek root *poesis*, meaning creation, with an implication of magical power. The ancient words *Magus* (Latin: master — more literally, magician), *Mach(t)* and *Mak* (Teutonic and Arabic roots for Power), *Maha* and *Mega* (Sanskrit and Greek respectively for Great), and *Magh*, *Magia* (Old Persian and Latin respectively for Magic) — all rightly share the same root.

The magic of poetry uses the images of words in multi-level contexts. That is why the priests and priestesses of Ancient Egypt regarded puns not as trivialities but as the elemental form of such profoundly poetic use of words, and why poetry and music together formed the primal font of incantation, literally to *en-chant* means to "en-sing", to sing something into manifestation. And in that ancient wisdom, the mysteries of number were not far behind those of words and music. Words, Symbols, and Numbers . . . : These were always the key-languages, and some meanings cannot be fully conveyed without all three, as in the unveiling, unknotting or explication literally "unbraiding" of the path of transfiguration that is the Lion(ess) Path. We call *psyglyphs* the system of symbolic alphabets used to describe qualitative time and personality configuration in terms of desires (motivations) and their implementations: conation, feeling, perceiving; plus generating, forming, relating, reacting, and the basic types of circumstance or vicissitudes through which those implementations or channels can manifest.

This is a complex language and, like a kind of algebra of feelings and reactions, it can also express much in very compressed form and can handle with precision matters that, without it, would run into huge amounts of words which even then would not be as intelligible. True poetry again is the only competitor here, and that is why pedantic attempts to "explain" great poets like Shakespeare are in fact the failures they are. The best way to have Shakespeare or Sappho or Marie de France or Baudelaire explained is to listen to them at first

hand, with no ugly or shallow pedantry between you and their beauty and profundity. In seeking understanding of the Big Picture we shall follow a similar practice — simply exposing you to the realities themselves, with only the minimal amount of prompting needed in learning any new language. The amazing linguistic abilities of newly born and very young children do not come from any study of grammar books. Their secret is their keen perceiving and interest in all the new experience with which they are surrounded. So let it be with the Lion Path.

Our next concern will be with interpreting 32767 — one less than two raised to the fifteenth power — that exceptional composite number that governs all manifestation in the Multiverse consisting of our own universe with all its galaxies, plus two other universes ordinarily not accessible to us at all. As we already noted, all these share a common time, so that no actions in any of them causally contradict actions in any other. They also share a common gravitation, which can be conceived of as a four-dimensional energy stream passing outward from the centre of every three-dimensional body, however large or small, in any of the three universes — much more than 3-D curved in space-time, or motion.

Biology is more basic than either physics or chemistry, since all the constituents of any universe, including its fundamental particles, are living forms. This *bios* * or life-energy (we feel it ebb and flow within us every day) is, interestingly, not only the Greek root for "life" but a computer acronym for what amounts to *their equivalent* of life energy: Basic Input-Output System. Like gravitational energy, bios flows perpendicularly to, i.e. independent of, all three of our spatial dimensions, and thus our apparently three-dimensional world is actually 5-dimensional, with two of these dimensions shared throughout the multiverse, along with time itself. Thus the three

* Bios 1: basically, self-repairing with capacity to replicate body for another

universes, manifesting separately in terms of their three perceived dimensions each, contribute 9 (3×3) to the 15-D space continuum in which they are embedded. To these nine we must add 2 more [the gravitational (grav) and bios dimensions] which are shared by all worlds in the Multiverse, thus making an 11-D continuum thus far. There is a needed master-control centre in the Multiverse (which we shall call the Q-Cosmos for convenience) linking it to a higher 7-D world whose time is independent of consequences in the Multiverse, as above noted. This Q-centre is smaller in size, but much larger in power than any of the three sister universes (including ours) of the Multiverse. It not only has its own separate 3-D perceived space, with shared grav and bios dimensions (which all of the other three also do), but it is a world not subject to the inevitable aging and molecular dissolution of our universe and the other two. This capability requires a new dimension and direction independent of all the other five (the 3-D perceived space, plus the two shared grav and bios dimensions). This new dimension (Bios 2: self-rejuvenating), plus its separate 3-space, thus adds a contribution of 4 more to the 11-D continuum we already had accumulated at the level of the Multiverse, giving a grand total $11 + 4 = 15$ for its total space continuum, thus making a 16-D space-time as shown in row VII of the Table of Worlds.*

As already seen, the number of world-types in the entire Multiverse is 32767. In Part III, Section II, we will survey the 35 maintaining and developmental (as distinct from rapidly metamorphic) *Sessions* or phases on the Lion Path, each of which has its own psyglyphic symbol. The easiest and most familiar set of such symbols consists of the ones used by the alchemists, borrowed from celestial bodies and phenomena, the basic ones being those for the Sun, Moon, and the

* Grav is perpendicular to any 3-space and its 3-D effects stem from a 4-D space flow. Thus grav is perpendicular to all the four separate 3-D spaces of the Multiverse, ultimately needing 13-D space. Thus Q lies at the centre of mass of the Multiverse. Bios, perpendicular to that, needs 14-D; and Q's 2nd order bios (Bios 2) needs all of 15-D.

five other classical bodies of our solar system: Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, and Saturn — whose names are embedded in the ancient order of weekdays, an order that was never broken with any calendar change. Thus it is the same day of week, whether we are using the calendar of pre-Christian imperial Rome, that of Western or Eastern Christianity, that of Islam, or that of Judaism. In fact, the designation of the weekdays by celestial symbols or names: Saturday, Sunday, and Monday (being the days of Saturn, Sun, and Moon respectively) antedates all those religions and takes us back into the dawn of Egypt and Chaldea.

A simple shift in the heptagon or seven-sided figure governing what we may call the planetary weekday order, gives us the listing in order of their periods of apparent revolution. Thus, starting with Saturday and going backward through the week, we have Saturn, Jupiter (Thursday is Thor's or Jupiter's day), Mars, Sun, Venus, Mercury, and Moon. Saturn, the slowest, takes about 29 1/2 years to complete its revolution through the stars, including the phases of its rings; and the Moon, the swiftest, about 29 1/2 days to complete its cycle of phases.

Another heptagonal shift gives us the third (and last, since a heptagon can furnish only three distinct sequences) planetary order, which amazingly happens to be that of the atomic numbers of the metals anciently assigned to the seven classical celestial bodies long before the advent of current knowledge of atomic nuclei. This final order is: Mars (iron), Venus (copper), Moon (silver), Jupiter (tin), Sun (gold), Mercury (quicksilver or mercury — note the same name as the planet), and Saturn (lead). The numbers of protons in the atomic nucleus of each of the metals listed is, in the same order as the above sequence (derived directly from the order of weekdays or celestial time-periods); namely 26, 29, 47, 50, 79, 80, and 82 respectively.

The Lion Path individual Sessions start on a Friday, the 2nd session falling on a Saturday; the 3rd on a Sunday . . . ; the 7th on a Thursday.

To go farther we need to evoke the trans-Saturnian planets of the solar system, which in order of increasing period are Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto which completes the generally known list. However, there are unexplained perturbations of Uranus, and growing evidence for a planet beyond Pluto. Through using the structure and zero-points of cylindrical waves, we have found that there is room for just one more body between Mercury and the sun, which we term Vulcan in honor of the gifted French astronomer Leverrier, who observed it and then could not find it again because of its proximity to the sun (even Mercury is not easy to observe for this reason, although it is over 1 1/2 times the distance of Vulcan). Analysis of the zeros of Bessel or cylindrical wave functions (named after the great German astronomer Bessel) also shows a body beyond Pluto (we call it Pan, meaning "all" in Greek, because its orbit encompasses all the others of the solar system (see Section 14 for a paper on this.)

It can be shown that each extra-heptagonal planet, whether trans-Saturnian or infra-Mercurial, corresponds to one of the celestial bodies of the classical heptagon: Uranus to Saturn; Neptune to Jupiter; Pluto to Mars; Pan to Venus; and Vulcan to Mercury; whereas the correspondences for Sun and Moon take us over eight light years beyond our solar system to the brightest star of the heavens, Sirius, and its comparatively dark, very dense, and much smaller companion, sometimes called Sirius B. Sirius was known as Sothis (actually a Greek corruption of the name Sopdit used by the Ancient Egyptians) and was deemed a visible symbol of the power of Goddess. Her dark companion was Sopdu, a form of Horus in the Underworld (equivalent to the Tibetan *Bardo* or inter-incarnational state) who rescues the beleagnered and weary soul of the death-embraced Osiris.

All these, together with the classical seven, add up to fourteen sessions, which in turn lead on to complete a larger set of 27 sessions. These in turn engage a total of 35 developmental sessions, some particulars of which will be found in Part III. We mention them here simply to be able to complete the structure of the types of worlds in

the Multiverse, to which we now turn, first noting that after Lion Path Session 35 follows a series of more and more intensely metamorphic and theurgic stages (necessarily accompanied by much inner growth in character and integrity, without which one's awakening capabilities could not be wisely focused or directed) — a process culminating in the candidate's rising in joy to the level of the living powers governing all time and consequence.

6. *The Seven Lords of Shambhala*

These we call the Pleromic (meaning "fullest") Powers, and there are 7 of them corresponding to a vastly higher octave of the 7 elemental powers that are the basis for the sessions of the Lion Path. Each of the pleromic powers corresponds to one of the 7 groups, of 4680 world-types each, within the master-control region, now simply called the Q-Cosmos (Q for Control Centre). The Q-realm is in the Multiverse, subject to the same grav, bios and time as we are, but its residents do not live under pain of disease, aging, or death. Q serves as a two-way communication channel between the Multiverse and the sublime 7-D world which has an extra dimension (Bios 3) of real *creative* power — the capability of generating new and even more wonderful life forms in a non-predatory ecology. If we ever met any beings of that world we would surely call them "divine", just as those of the Q-Cosmos would seem like demigods.

This ancient tradition traveled from Egypt through the then Pharaonic Protectorate of the land of Sopdu called Arabia Felix by the Romans and today, Yemen; and then across by old caravan routes to Afghanistan and thence to the Trans-Himalayan countries, India, and China. As the old Turfan records of Taoism show, its tradition is said to have come from "the Jade Kingdom of the Western Moon" in the far west, and the pre-Buddhist Na-Khi shamans and shamanesses of Yünnan (now scattered in the Far Eastern genocides of the 1950s) also affirm that they were taught their wisdom from a source that

came out of the far west. Their highest male divine being is a dark, hawk-like figure with clear affiliation to Sopdu or Horus-in-the-Duat (the regions of deep darkness preceding the glorious dawn of a divine rebirth). And one of the most secret traditions of Tibet is that of the hidden realm of Shambhala, governed by the Seven Chös-rGyals or Divine Kings. We obtained their names in Tibetan from the Cultural Centre of the Dalai Lama in exile in northern India, and found that the meanings of the names directly correspond to the pleromic powers. Some of the true names have been lost and appear only as vague corruptions such as "Mighty One", but the name for the Venus or Goddess-power as well as that for the Sun and Mars Pleromic Powers, have been unmistakably preserved, so enabling reconstructing the order.

In addition, the sequence of the Tibetan names of the Seven Kings of Shambhala follows the ancient weekday sequence that is the basis for the succession of Lion Path Sessions. The statues of these seven master-regents of the Multiverse still adorn a specially sacred room in the Eastern Wing of the third storey of the Potala, the former palace in Lhasa of the Dalai Lamas. This prelude said, it is now time to return to the grand lines of the pattern of world-types in the Multiverse.

7. The Cosmic Distribution of the Seven Powers

The fact that 32767 (less the seven pleromic or Q-world types just discussed) is 32760 which is divisible by 35, yielding 936, gives the first clue of how the various types of worlds are distributed among the 35 types of transformational sessions, each type providing growth through a particular power. Thus each of the 35 sessions types resonates with 936 types of worlds in the Multiverse. We next note that 936 is divisible by 12; and 12 is the maximum number of equal spheres that can fit around a central sphere of equal size in three-dimensional space, forming a group of 13. Thus to each one of the 35

Suffice it to say at this point, there are 35 sets of the above "square ring", every five of which resonate to one of the seven pleromic powers of the Q-Cosmos. Thus the powers of Sessions 1-5 are governed through the Saturn Pleromic Power resident in and emanating from the Q-Cosmos; those of 6-10 are linked with the Moon Pleromic Power of Q; those of 11-15, with the Venus Pleromic Power; those of 16-20, with Sun Pleromic; those of 21-25, with Mars Pleromic; those of 26-30, with Jupiter Pleromic; and those of 31-35 with the central or Mercury Pleromic Power of the Seven in the Q realm.

Since the ancient Lion(ess) Path is concerned with transformation, transfiguration, and metamorphosis, there must be another configuration of the Q-realm's connections with the Multiverse, more devoted to maintaining and sustaining, without which there could be nothing for the metamorphic processes to work on.

Interestingly enough, there is a second configuration, and it is mutually exclusive of the first (the seven sets of five "square rings" like the one in the diagram). The basis for this observation is that 32760 factors in entirely different and complementary ways if we first divide it by 7, yielding 4680 which is in turn divisible by 13 giving exactly 360 — a number itself intimately connected with 7 since it is the number of ways of distinct seating arrangements of seven persons about a round table.

There are exactly 7 circular rings (i.e. empty at the centre), their every degree of 360 being configured as a set of 13 (a shell of 12 spheres all tangent to a central 13th sphere). There are thus $7 \times 360 \times 13$ ultimate units, or 32760 as in the other, very different arrangement. An illustrative diagram follows.

32760 IN 7 PORTIONS CONTAINS 360×13 IN EACH

(there are 89 such 13s in each quadrant plus the 4 shown, making a total of 360 or one for every set of 13)

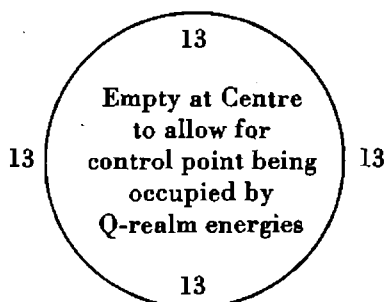


Fig. 8 There are 7 such empty circles or rings, each of the 360 degrees of which has as its micro-structure a ring of 12 with a central 13th unit, making a total of 32760 units.

8. The Magic Square in the Big Picture

Before pursuing our quest further, recall that in the course of the last section was mentioned the fundamental magic square of 8 square compartments around 1 central one. It is fundamental because it is the smallest possible one that can be "magic". That is, its nine compartments can be filled with consecutive numbers, starting from one, that sum to the same amount both horizontally and vertically as well as diagonally, as the following diagram makes clear.

the sum is 15
taken up, down,
or diagonally.

4	9	2
3	5	7
8	1	6

The four corners sum
to 20, as do the centres
of the 4 sides.

The primal magic square is very old, and is found in both ancient Chaldea and China, and was part of the Esoteric Temple lore of the Ancient Egyptians, nine being their most sacred number. Each of the

nine partitions was traditionally assigned a time power, using the convenient symbolism of celestial bodies, our most generally accessible time keepers. Fragments of otherwise lost ancient traditions, their records destroyed in the wantonly bigoted burning of the great Alexandrian library, luckily filtered down to us through Arabic and Graeco-Coptic gnostic writings. In the latter, in the Codex Brucianus, we find that the powers of the Square were given names resonant with those powers. Thus, proceeding counterclockwise around the square ring from compartment "4" (upper left) the names are *Erōs*, *Anāstasia*, *Gnōsis*, *Phos*, *Pistis*, *Sophia*, *Zōē*, *Alethēia*, *Helpis*, and *Eirēnē*: ten, because a 0 encircles 5 at the centre, veiling it. In the gnostic names, 0 corresponds to *Helpis* (Hope because of a felt protection); and 5, the tenth number of the square, to *Eirēnē* (the Peace that is the result of a manifest magical power of safeguarding through time's often dangerous courses).

A whole treatise could be written on the meaning of the Square Powers but it must suffice here to note that the cocoon-like zero enfolds the magical New Dawning that is the meaning of 5 (which meant "Dawn-Song of the Stars" in Ancient Egypt). * The zero hidden in the Square resonates to the Zeroth or Protective Session of the Lion Path, which has no fixed place among the sequenced sessions and can be performed at any time. The other sessions map in order on the 45 units of the Square. Thus the "4" compartment governs the first 4 sessions of the Path; the "3", Sessions 5-7; the "8", Sessions 8-15; the "1" (allocated to the Sun), to the 16th (Sun Sothic) Session; the "6" compartment, to Sessions 17-22; the "7" to Sessions 23-29; the "2", to Sessions 30 and 31; the "9", to Sessions 32-40; and the "5" to Sessions 41-45.

Not only individuals, but the entire life wave of our planet, may walk the Lion Path. Indeed, Earth ultimately controls the timing of the Path for all individuals. And the Earth's entry into the Square

* And the source of "The Morning Stars sang together" in the Book of Job.

Power Sessions (early 1997) marks the beginning of a profoundly metamorphic period, the pace of which will accelerate, and then culminate on or about August 4th of 1999.

The nine sessions, 36 through 45 of the Lion Path, together with the Zeroth or Protective Session, map directly on the Square, and constitute an intensive metamorphic phase of the Path, during which much hard and valuable inner work is done by any who would walk it. Thus Session 36 corresponds to the "4" compartment in the Square; 37 to the "3"; 38, to the "8"; 39, to the "1"; 40, to the "6"; 41, to the "7" compartment; 42, to the "2"; 43 to the "9"; 44, to the "0"; and 45, to the "5" at the centre.

Actually, like the DNA in every cell, all 0 + 45 sessions of the Lion Path are recursively incorporated in the Square, the sum of all its numbers being 45, one unit for each session. To go into further detail would distract us from our primary aim of grasping the Big Picture, to which we now return.

9. Two Faces of Time

Janus (literally meaning "The Time-Gate Keeper") was the old Roman god of the year, whence the name January for the first month. Janus is always shown with two faces. One looks to the past, the other gazes into the future. The first could be said to be the conserving mode of natural time that tries to maintain things as they have been. But the second seeks to change things by metamorphosing the present into a quite different future, not necessarily conservative with respect to the past. The two modes of Q-control of the Multiverse (which of course includes our own universe) reflect this profound and complementary duality in the nature of time itself. The system of seven circular rings (each containing 360 clusters of 13 world-types each) maintains and sustains nature; whereas the system of five times seven square rings (each containing 72 clusters of 13 world-types) transforms and metamorphoses.

The two alternative Q-control modes of sustaining and metamorphosing through the mutually exclusive square and circular configurations, allow for balancing any abuse of the ongoing natural maintenance, for example, by gross abuse of special powers (e.g. technologies). Due re-balancing is achieved by switching over to the metamorphic mode, which could speed up the adaptive development of natural enemies of the offending species. If this should not avail, then ultimately the evolutionary destiny of all life forms is speeded up to the point where their molecular transducers are finally no longer needed.

That draconic feedback from nature would amount to a virtual self-destruct, to the particular detriment and/or defeat of the species that primarily caused the violent ecological disequilibrium and imbalance in the first place. "Particular" because the victimized species would have achieved a higher development before the school of nature was closed, whereas those of the offending species who were the prime instigators of the disaster would remain indifferent to the havoc they wreaked, and hence would be in a comparatively degenerate state when the nature's shut-down occurred, and so at that point would be far behind.

10. What World-Type is our Planet?

Sometimes, in a difficult problem, it is best to leap right into it rather than wait too anxiously long trying to anticipate all the maybes, what-ifs, and whether-or-nots that might arise. It not only saves time and worry, but we face reality directly and hence know more clearly what we should do to make things better.

So let it be with our planet, which has been increasingly affected by human actions past and present insofar as dominant inputs to its vast ecosystem that are so very closely and intricately networked with feedback and feed-forward circuits. Human history has unmistakably

been deleterious in its effects on this network, and in recent decades it has become obvious that all other species, both plant and animal, have paid the price.

Indeed, the price-paying seems to be presently drifting rather rapidly into the human sector as well — not too surprising a development given a steady history of mammoth insults to the organic integrity of our Earth. Even politically, let alone the havoc wreaked on other life forms, human history has been an almost unbroken chain of murder, pillage, treachery, deception, and needless cruelty, all still rampant if not more savage than ever.* That chain has shackled humans more than generally realised.

Clinically, it is a history of the one species on the planet with a penchant for criminal insanity. The vaunted periods of peace, honesty, prosperity, and happiness have been so rare as to be dwarfed by comparison, although historians for the most part (Edward Gibbon is a masterful exception) have either genteely covered up this salient fact or were so repelled by it that they blocked it out of consciousness. Even modern psychiatrists (again with notable, because so rare, exceptions like Thomas Szasz) have avoided facing the fact that *as a species* humans have been behaving in clinically insane fashion on the politico-military scene as well as in their mass behaviour. The

* We need only recall the sadistic orders for the burning alive of the elderly, the women, and the children (the able-bodied men were away in the army) in the repeated fire-bombings of Tokyo by the men then running the United States; followed by the even worse sadism (because of the radioactive diseases the atomic fires left behind in those not incinerated) when the first A-bombs were dropped by humans on other humans (at a safe distance, of course) in the mass murders inflicted, again on the sick, the elderly, the women and the children of Nagasaki and Hiroshima. No apology to this day . . .

Since 1945 things have not got less ghastly: in 1991, again under an American president (who was a former head of CIA covert violence and who had his own oil holdings to protect), thousands of *surrendering* Iraqi soldiers were, still alive, plowed underground by tanks.

number of books on the history and methods of torture would alone attest to this.

All these facts point to our planet belonging to the Pluto-type of life-bearing worlds, taking life down for the moment to the viruses, which are special forms of living DNA (*Deoxyribonucleic Acid*) or RNA (*Ribonucleic Acid*) — forms that can crystallize and bridge the gap between molecular/mineral and plant life. As we pointed out in a paper published in a British Scientific journal in 1996, the so-called "scientific" attempt to say "Life starts exactly here!" is beginning to sound increasingly silly and fatuous, not to say actually unscientific in the best sense of the word, science meaning reliable knowledge, experientially confirmed.

Yes, Pluto's rapacious abduction of the Persephone of our joy seems to fit the history we have imposed on our planet ever since we began to use the tricks of our technology, from the first chipped tools and knives. We have come far in destructiveness since then, and have actually set free the imprisoned demon of lethal plutonium, now vied for by almost all governmental "leaders".

Long since purged from the planet (it has a half-life of some 24000 years because it so rapidly and destructively disintegrates), psychological ignoramuses, miscalling themselves "scientists" or "knowers" gleefully revived it from the dead until it is now spread throughout the planet. All this without one public referendum in any country of the world, and without informing the peoples of the world — whose hard work and taxes paid for this monstrosity — about the inherent and frightful dangers of such a mad project, against all common sense but in the authentic spirit of that clinical criminal insanity that has so typically led our species' group behaviour down the path of its history.

11. The Good News

Fortunately, there is a brighter side to Pluto which also happens to be more profound, durable, and deeply significant for our planet. Pluto is also a psyglyph for transformation, transfiguration and metamorphosis. It means as much the emerging of the beautiful winged creature as the dissolution of the crawling caterpillar it is replacing. But there is a big IF here. All that dénouement is possible IF we give up our penchant for insanity. At least it is possible for those of us who do give it up and who, like Dr. Morbius in the 1956 film classic "Forbidden Planet", disowns his monsters from the dark side of the primal unconscious.

Pluto, yes, is the horrible fire of atomic fission. But it also means the blue flame of self-renewing life (the extra dimension of the Q-realm) so eloquently described in Rider Haggard's "She", which is our heritage if we but have the love to claim it. Pluto is intimately, therefore, linked with the Lion/ess Path which is one of self-regeneration, transformation and transcendence. Walking it, one grows into a metamorphic life-style and learns to become an artist in the medium which is life itself, the dance of situations and the tapestry of their living interwovenness.

Our planet and its wave of life forms, whether they were aware of it or not, began to walk that Path on Friday (Day of Venus), October 26th in the Orwellian year 1984, and are due to reach its Pleromic Mercury level — the highest the Path provides, apart from higher self-effort — on Wednesday (Day of Mercury) July 7, 1999. Thereafter, the plant life will gradually wind down in the sense of disengaging from molecular matter. As that happens, the animal world, ultimately dependent on the plants, will wind down in tandem, leaving only the mineral, molecular, atomic, and sub-atomic life levels in manifestation.

Finally they too will pass out of particled-matter existence. That means that world after world will go into a higher form of

manifestation, this process affecting all the perceptually 3-D worlds, including those in all the other universes of the Multiverse, and finally the Q-realm itself. The writer of the 1989 science-fiction screenplay "The Millennium" had an intuition of this: At last, through a paradox in time-energy, the entire universe, including the hidden centre of higher knowledge and the beings who were guiding it, dissolved, allowing those who had reached the Time Gate to pass through to a higher and happier mode of existence.

12. A Look Ahead

Naturally, the timing for these various developments is necessarily somewhat vague because of so many free choices and initially unresolvable parameters. But we can say from the time maps of the Lion Path that the Earth will have completed its practice of the Pleromic Mercury on August 4, 1999. After that, so to speak, all bets are off. We can, however, gain some insight into the grand scheduling of the Big Picture, by realising that our life-bearing world's complete Path of accelerated transformation ran from October 26, 1984 through August 4, 1999, a span of almost 15 years or a little over 14 years and 9 months; and it is reasonable that a similar span would be needed on the other types of world.

It is also to be noted that the succession of the Lion Path or Plutonic wind-up throughout the world-types follows the sequence of the individual Sessions,* the first type of world being the Venus type, corresponding to the first or Venus Session of the Lion Path. Now the world-types from the first through the tenth are, in order: Venus,

* A set of 27 Sessions (the last being that of Sothis) forms a complete Cycle. And those Cycles, generated in the same order, resonate to the powers of the Sessions. The Cycles constitute the "Sessions" of the Earth in its planetary following of the Path, eventually proceeding through 35 Cycle/Sessions, each about four-months long and starting on a Friday.

Saturn, Sun, Moon, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Hence in our universe the accelerated transformation and metamorphic process must have begun about nine time spans before October 26, 1984, when the first of the Earth's ultimate transformational stages began, each span being about 14 years, 9 months, and 8 days as reckoned in earth-time. That takes us back 132.77 years to about March 20, 1852, for the beginning of the transformational process.

Then the square rings of metamorphic guidance from the Q-centre, rather than the previously circular scheme of simple maintenance, began to make themselves felt throughout the Multiverse. Obviously, reverberations from such a powerful control shift rippled to and through our universe and into our planet. In the mid-nineteenth century the industrial revolution on earth had begun to get into high gear, and the dawn of the epoch-making and fateful chemical and pharmaceutical industries had come, which have now climaxed in the age of non-biodegradable plastics, polluting pesticides, and synthetic poisons.

We can now project the process forward and determine when all the world-types of the Multiverse will have completed their transformative process. Since our world is a Pluto type, corresponding to the 10th session of the Path, there are world-types ahead of it stretching through the types corresponding to the Session 35. That scenario takes us into the future by 25 time spans which, in terms of the most widely used earth calendar, brings us some 369 1/4 earth years from August 4, 1999, to the approximate date of November 21, 2368, for the wind-up of the transformational process throughout the Multiverse. The immense speed of this process in relation to geological time can be appreciated by recalling the fact that about 370 years, less than a half-century, is by comparison with the slow speed of ordinary planetary change, at most a nanosecond. We won't actually have too long to wait, geologically speaking, to see what the gods have wrought.

13. *Envoi*

It cannot be stressed enough that the great, because so needed, transformation of many names which we here have called the Lion/ess Path, is not one of extraordinary strangeness, much less some narcissistic freakishness as, perhaps, someone seeking to evade the reality of inner growth might wish it were. No. Rather is it an improved *recovery* of what you once had, a re-membering of what was scattered by forgetfulness in both mind and behavior.

As an old and wise saying goes, *Become what you are*. In like vein, the teaching of the Way or the Tao shows many similarities to the ancient Lion/ess Path. In one of its oldest and most hidden aphorisms it is said: "The Way of the Tiger is nothing but your return to your own true origin, your original state." In a study in which we collaborated with Joseph Campbell we published this text in Chinese, with translation and commentary, in connection with the *I Jing* or Book of Changes. In our teens we studied that ancient text with the late Dr. Wilfred Lay, who had much love for and learning in the book of Changes, having been the first to translate it into English for his private use, long before later versions appeared.

In the face of these ancient truths, so profound that they are also Ancient Mysteries, let us then not be puffed up over our sacred enterprise. Let us pursue it with steadfast intellectual humility and that abiding joy that rises phoenix-like from the ashes of the illusions that are consumed each day in the fires of our dedicated aspiration. This is the heritage all who persevere can claim. And the deadline for filing claims in the Record Halls of Time is nearing.

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15. Glimpses of the Big Future Transcending Present Horizons

We know that the greatest sphere packing or containing power is possessed by 24-D.* But even the present Omniverse, as we already saw, is only 20-D, plus 2 independent time dimensions, making 22 in all. In our new approach through *dimensional families* (see the research announcement in *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, Elsevier Scientific Publishers, in press 1997), there is the unique super-family comprising 4-D, 8-D, and 24-D only, all their packing characteristics being given by a single simple formula. Our ordinarily *perceived* world, and also that of every plant/animal-bearing world in the Multiverse is a 4-D spacetime (3 or space, 1 of time); and that of the transcendent 7-D World is an 8-D spacetime.

* See reference in this paragraph.

How does 24-D fit in here? Rather easily, since 24-D is actually still in the future. It is the inherent destiny of our four-part Multiverse with its 15-D space to become *two* higher dimensional worlds, joined by a time to the 7-D world we already encountered. That world of 4-D bodied beings * also has not stood still, and will have then become one of 6-D bodied beings, just as the previous two will have done. Now a 6-dimensional body needs a five-dimensional "door" or gate to pass from one of these three new transcendent worlds to another, each of the three having a total space dimensionality of 11-D (6 + 5). for the new Omniverse as a whole, the former one having not just passed away but having been transformed, we thus have: $3 \times 6 = 18$, i.e. 18-D plus the shared 5-D Gate = 23-D; plus one shared time dimension, making 24-D in all. By no other dimensional arrangements or shifts could the original Omniverse metamorphose to exactly fill a 24-dimensional continuum with its unique and never-to-be-expected power of containment. Note that $2^{24} + 1$ is *not* a prime number (97 divides it). So the shared time dimension of this 24-D spacetime is rather to be regarded as the essential resonant harmony of the three 8-D spacetimes ($3 \times 8 = 24$), and of course, as we have already seen in the Table of Worlds, $2^8 + 1 = 257$, which is indeed prime.

We finally have, then, three 11-D worlds all sharing five of their spatial dimensions; i.e. $3(11-5) + 5$, plus 1 shared time dimension = 24. In this cosmic cast of dice it is indeed "Come 7, come 11!". Beyond coincidence one could say, some folklore did preserve ancient knowledge of the future.

* In a higher-D body, all of its capabilities do not have to be used all at the same time. Thus, just as in some vehicles one can switch into 4-wheel drive by a special gear shift, so 4-D (or higher) capability could be "turned on" at will.

PART III

THE BIG QUESTION

**What Does the Big Picture Mean
to Me?**

1. From Fellow Lion Pathers to You

Reasonably sincere and honest in your desire to become better than you are, you already participated in the Gaian life-wave, completing Session 36A of the Lion Path sessions by Wednesday, November 27, 1996. Note that this development need not have been conscious to be effective, anymore than each of your heart-beats must be consciously directed. Those readers who knew of the Lion Path previously, of course, were able to do the sessions more consciously and were thus able to clear up unwanted habits and outgrown attitudes more expeditiously.

Whether you know it or not, however, you have been on the Lion/ess Path with Mother Earth for the give-or-take 12 years since the Gaian sessions began at the end of 1984, to the time you are now reading these words. The difference is that from now on you are walking with your eyes open on the climactic part of the Path just ahead in time.

It might be a good idea at this point to review some of the experiences of others on the path in order to give you an idea of what it's like to them.

1a. The Cassette Programs

"We have listened to the new Pleromic Journey and from what we have experienced it is a much more powerful sustaining tape with more immediate results as regards the negative traits etc. that we wish to disregard."

A.A. and P.H., England

"First, I would like to tell how happy and uplifted I am using the Lion Path cassettes. the acceleration of energetic attunement sometimes is staggering and I feel "amped" to a degree of distraction,

yet centered and aware of the loving field around me. My innate impatience is [transforming] and my gratitude for the gift of this work is great. Thank you for sharing the results of years of study, experience, feeling and intelligence in the highest vibration of love I have encountered in any work known to me."

M.M., California

"Following the tape (*Way to Shambhala*) I am shaken, aware that my self-perception is indeed but a cocoon, the scaffolding surrounding a real life presence.

"It has become possible, yes familiar, to use heart and its felt language of love as willpower to guide our minds, decisions, and reactions. I can honestly say we are awakening. It has come to our understanding how better to remember who we are.

"I trust, like never before, in the Path as a conscious experience. I am humbled that what is required in most experiences is not contained in the arsenal of our social/nuclear family upbringing. We are so very grateful to have the Lion Path to walk our life through this insane world dream, to verify we can grow, not just repeat, fear and attack in fleshbags, limited like prisons."

L.V. and J.V., Arizona

"The tapes are truly wonderful. Their effects both during and between sessions are difficult to express in words. They are deep and far-reaching, and they manifest in surprisingly powerful ways in the everyday shuffle. The same tape will sound like a different melody at different times.

"I and so many others, share your desire to live in a society where Love is the Law."

R.N., Colorado

"Thank you for the *Way to Shambhala*, which has brought some nice changes [in my life]."

D.K., France

"Until my first encounter with the Lion Path cassettes there was no spiritual way which could be followed and trusted. The irrationality

of our days shows a plenitude of strange ways which promise fulfillment, spiritual progress and something else. But we must be very careful to distinguish between dead ends and windows to eternity.

"The Lion Path is part of our life. We both observe a relaxed discharge of fixed energy patterns, so that daily life seems to be more filled up with harmony and relaxation. We are thankful for that."

K.S. and H.S., Germany

"I have recently experienced my last session and must say I am most pleased to be consciously on the Lion/ess Path. Everything is unfolding in a wonderful way. (Because of restrictions here) "I've still not been able to use the Lion Path tapes. However, I look forward to the time I will. I can only imagine the added benefit the tapes will bring, considering the benefit I've been getting without them!"

Z.Z., Georgia (North America)

[The previous comment is interesting in demonstrating that the cosmic powers released at session times is the operative factor. The cassettes are important, but ancillary to those fountains of higher energies.]

"These between session times are certainly times when the learning and growing become apparent. Much is demanded of me at the present and I have little time alone, but I am grateful to have the energy and inner resources to manage.

"The [book] *Grail Most Ancient* has been very reassuring. Though I lack the science and math to follow verbatim some of the information in the manual, I get the essence of the words or figures. I can mentally accept the information presented, but my consciousness is not yet there, and I do not yet know for myself. I am ever amazed that insights just pop in when needed, without any mental gymnastics. When I don't quite understand, the meanings gradually work their way through and then verification comes.

"None of what I have ever read in the manual seems foreign or debatable. Words and concepts, however, can never replace the knowing that comes from experiencing the Lion Path.

"The effects of each cycle (session) have been playing out according to the patterns in my natal chart which need to be released, adjusted or strengthened. In my last cycle (session) much work was done in sleep burning out horrific feelings. At the same time, positive energies were released into my awareness. My sense of humour and my sense of adventure have returned.

"Much of the time now it feels as if I were in the eye of a hurricane surrounded by emotional chaos, watching all the learning going on, sometimes painfully about me. Had felt that perhaps I was stuck, making no progress on the Lion Path. Reading back over my journal has reassured me that changes have been and are being made in my being.

"I have played *The Way To Shambhala* [cassette] four times now and (afterwards) it takes at least a full hour to feel functional here. The feeling of deep peace is present after playing the tape and then is easily tuned into. It is important to manage the time to prevent intrusions. An interruption while playing the tape or inability to finish it is jarring.

"Habits no longer wanted, along with my lesser mind, I think of as my little self. Habits are not so subtle as they used to be, much more out in the open. It seems to me that the little self, in a way, just stand aside to allow Higher Self control.

"Lately have had a very different feeling in meditation. I wondered if I were reverting back to the comfort of the prenatal security of this life. Then it seemed, no that wasn't it; but, instead, developing "in the womb of the Goddess" now — the umbilical chord not at the navel, but extending out of the top of my head. The feeling can be tuned into any time, not just in meditation."

J.G., Colorado

"This is truly a magical Path which is gradually bringing about changes in my life and nature to which I have always aspired. I feel myself growing and becoming more free, fearless and disciplined.

"I often lie on my back while listening to *Unheard Melodies* [a former sustaining tape] which I do as much as six times a week either in its entirety or just the first side. In that position I often fall asleep for

most of the session, but when I sit up straight in a meditative position I remain awake and able to feel the joyful, lucid and enlivening effect of the resonances.

"I am almost three months into my recent session. I am accomplishing the things I need to, but without my usual enthusiasm and compulsiveness. My pace has slowed considerably and I am more relaxed and surrendered to the way things are. I feel myself changing and at times I do not recognize myself and have difficulty adjusting to the "new" me. One very noticeable thing is that the hours, days and weeks seem to fly by and I feel almost dazed by it all. Even my niece and her friends comment on how quickly the days and weeks go by."

B.A., California

"Regarding Lion's Path tapes, I continue to use the sustaining cassette program on a weekly basis, usually at night before sleep, and experience it as a "therapeutic bathing". I feel more naturally in contact with higher beings/realms and usually awake deeply refreshed and peaceful with a renewed sense of inner strength. I am surprised that I no longer seem to react out of habitual patterns — a higher aspect "takes over" and I feel more balanced and tolerant of myself and others."

W.P., New York

"I cannot thank you enough for sharing this path with everyone. It was like a "rocket booster" of time and energy in my growth of awareness and clarity. It has allowed me to see myself with love and truth, letting go of those emotions from past experiences that have blocked my being from moving on to higher frequencies.

"I am using three of your cassette programs. I found they allowed me to remember and move into that vibration of being and love very quickly which then helped me to remain relaxed as the tonings "roto-rooted" or sonically cleaned the imperfections from my self. Bottom line is, I immediately re-establish the deep vibration of Love. I also enjoy the tones."

E.S., North Carolina

1b. A Friend's Help

"It is time I express my appreciation for finding the Lion Path. I have devoted myself to the designated times for meditation in each session and have kept a log of the messages that I have received.

"You might like to know what convinced me to start on the Lion Path, especially since I did not understand much of the scientific explanation in the text and am not versed in Egyptology. Besides an inner knowing and my natural spirit of adventure, it was my friend's matching eagerness for spiritual growth and, most of all, her effort to apply to daily living every new insight she received during her early sessions. She was alerted to issues needing to be resolved, such as resentment and forgiveness. She gratefully acknowledged them and would find sources of help to deal with them. She did and still continues to do so."

J.B., California

"I should take this opportunity to tell you how much I appreciate what you have offered us by making the Lion Path accessible. After watching a friend change so very much, I became aware that this was a process in which I should participate."

S.W., New York

1c. Handling the World

"I want to tell you, but mere words cannot convey the deep joy and contentment of the Path for me. I had always felt strangely "lost" until I found the Path; and am so *deeply* grateful for all your help. I am always inspired, grateful for the Path in my life and quite peaceful within this world of chaos."

K.O., California

"I still remain greatly in your debt for making the knowledge available and all the help to pursue the Lion Path. Even though there are times when I begin to reach a plateau of serenity, I am then hit as

with a huge tidal wave (perhaps to ensure that I do not become complacent?) . . . yet I constantly struggle for the balance I know is sure to come.

"Truly, my external karma is dropping by the wayside, and little by little the internal is being dissolved. I can never thank you enough for helping me in these matters."

R.N., California

"It is so much easier to move from a deeply centered place, even from moment to moment in the day now, but there are many difficult times too, and times when I am aware of how much I have "wasted" in the past or not seen as I do now, and I feel sad, and have to watch that sadness leave me also. Sometimes I feel so vividly some past scene (and I'm not searching or concentrating on that) — that it seems like "your life flashing before your eyes.

"But many wonderful things — subtle and hard to describe — the lifting of being hard on myself, for example, and moving to a loving acceptance of the being that is me."

B.P., Colorado

"My experiences on the Path have been overwhelmingly life-affirming throughout Los Angeles' intensely difficult times [the destructive earthquakes and fires in recent years]."

N.M., California

"My life, outwardly (money, shelter, job) changed dramatically on May 17th (1996). Since then I have undergone (and to date) a difficult period of emotional and mental evaluation — almost a purging of any negative (maybe, *dense* is a better description) . . . dense beliefs and emotions.

"I was able to do the Pre-Pleromic Horus Session (35th) on July 19th last [1996]. It feels like it's in preparation for November sessions (Pre-Pleromic Sothis 36A and Mercury Square 36B) . . . which feel like they will have far stronger and less subtle effects on our planet and its surface at large. I am excited about this.

"The body seems to be eating half of what it used to. I've been

physically seeing the effects [in] increasing tiredness in general; bizarre sleeping patterns (ranging from waking up at odd hours all the time: 3:40 a.m., etc.) to being unable to sleep at all and feeling relatively okay. Mentally I am clearer since Session 35, although "Life direction/purpose" is now an area of constant questioning.

"Thank you for the inspiration which has allowed me to commit to creating a life of joy, creativity and love for myself . . . and to commit to this planet Earth in all her changes."

J-M.M., Hong Kong

"The Lion Path is absolutely remarkable. The energy is there! My life is changing rapidly for the better, dissolving the old limitations and barriers."

D.R., Connecticut

"Once again, I wish to express my gratitude to everyone who is responsible for offering the Lion Path — especially to someone such as myself who is rather timid about the ways back to spirit. It is unbelievable how much my life has changed and been transformed in ways I never could have imagined. The way is truly, truly a life line and a comfort as we lurch along on this crazy planet.

"As each new task is presented to me, I appreciate the thought that higher progress acts as a wind at my back, helping to push through each crisis on the way to a higher plateau.

"The process has brought a centering influence into my life as I grow in leaps and bounds, and I am eternally grateful for this — especially as events and conditions on this planet have become so chaotic and unpredictable. I can continue in my work with confidence and joy and am better able to help others. It is a godsend to realize that one is actually a member of a loving, caring community that exists beyond the confines of our third-dimensional physical existence here on Earth."

C.T., New York

"The Lion Path has been the most wonderful influence on my life. I didn't like myself so much before. Now I do, and it's so much easier to like others and to deal with them."

L.J., New York

1d. Insights and Inspirations

"During my first Lion Path session I found myself in a well-lighted, cave-like room. The source of the light was not visible but I *knew* this was 'Holy Light'. As I stood wondering why I was here, a figure appeared before me. The body was human with the head of a lion. This Lion-Man looked deeply into my eyes down to the Soul level and then put his lips to mine, gently blowing the 'Kiss of Life' into my mouth. A feeling of such holy love came over me. I promised then and there to walk the Lion Path in love and honor.

"About six months later in a Lion Path session [the decisive Pluto session, when the candidate assesses themselves, on the basis of choices and behaviour and decides whether to pursue the Path or not] I was taken to what my guide called 'the Borderland'. There I recognized a gate which I had seen in several of my meditations but never opened. This time I opened the gate and walked through right into the same cave-conference-room I had visited in my first Lion Path session. Everyone present was in a festive and joyful mood because I had finally opened the gate consciously.

"I have been able to clear unwanted attitudes and emotions which do not serve me, and heal relationships. I have been able to ask for forgiveness and forgive others and myself for anything and everything I or others may have done in a past life or present incarnation. I see scenes as I need them to understand the source of my problems.

"At times I become slightly peeved for always having to understand others — never the other person me — but then I am reminded that this is my chosen Path, no one else's. And so it is. The learning process is of course going on but I have an inner peace and I am willing to see the godliness in others."

A.D., California

"To be esteemed among the "simple" and "innocent" would be my greatest of pleasures. It was magic, trust and love that produced the key that fit the lock opening a magic door. The energies you talk of are a truth.

"I especially liked the section [in *Grail Most Ancient*] 'What are the Evolutionary Stakes?' Other life forms on this planet seem in my limited experience to be always open and honest . . . which is a much more exact form of communication and may be where we are heading."

D.T., Florida

"I received a tremendous 'surge of higher energy' for lack of a better term a few days prior to my latest session and it continues to stay with me. It's as if my Lion Path practice is on my mind all the time, a constant and joyful reminder to pay attention to the opportunities available to me every day and use them for higher purposes (growth). I am also experiencing a state of happiness nearly continually. I'm strongly getting a sense of being able to turn those things around which used to pull me down. I'm finding this whole process fascinating — something which far surpasses anything else I've undertaken in this lifetime. I feel so incredibly *blessed* to have such an opportunity."

D.S., Connecticut

2. *The Transforming Biosphere and Where it Leads*

The Lion Path for all the biosphere (including even us ecological rogues) began on Friday, October 26, 1984, when the first or Venus Session began. Sessions 1 through 9 are basically larval in nature; 10 through 18 are pupal; and 19 through 27 deal with the first imago or winged form. Then Sessions 28 through 36A concern a sort of higher larval stage, preparing for the second, fully mature imago and full regeneration; and Sessions 36B through 45, and the 22 weeks thereafter are a correspondingly higher pupal level. Those 22 weeks are called the Pleromic Preparation period, preparing one for the fullness of immortal, self-regenerating power or Pleroma, to use the old gnostic term.

Then follows the Pleromic Practice, which, like a salmon swimming upstream, culminates in the sacred spawning of the Pleromic Mercury,

the Alchemical Elixir of higher transformation within yourself, when the two caduceal strands of the Self (Solar and Lunar) are inwardly harmonized and, as a consequence, all your perceptions and outlook become re-generated, clarified, and enlightened with degrees of insight and feeling not hitherto known. (The next section will examine the Self more closely.)

The schedules for the various stages or "sessions" of this planetary as well as individual process are given in the following tables, culminating on August 4, 1999 — a time period during which the Earth and the biosphere will see many changes. The factors stemming from uncontrolled corporate greed with political collusion, and from overpopulation (= more markets) are like the pollutants surrounding a bird embryo within the egg. They actually and powerfully stimulate the bird to peck open the egg and hatch. The Phoenix of the Earth is due to hatch after August 4, 1999, before the millennial dawning.

Therefore the molecular body is doubly essential because it grows the embryo of the immortal non-molecular energy body; and also because it is the transducer between higher dimensions and this world, enabling us to fulfill the development of our needed character (action and love) and insight (wisdom). Thus we need not return to molecular existence and can better help those still in it.

There is a new beginning made possible by being able to reach a higher world. It grows out of the reality of a higher community already there — a more mysterious and advanced stage of evolution, endowed with capabilities vastly surpassing ours because the higher body just described is already functional. That community is based on far greater wisdom and love than ours, as shown by the trail of blood and ecological depredation human history continues to leave in its wake. That world is based upon a symbiotic rather than a predatory ecology — on a quite different and more advanced aspect of nature than could exist here: a nature uplifted out of the agonizing trap of predation.

The type of ecology that any group of life forms share is the key to their degree of evolvement. The great question animating all the life forms of a higher ecology than ours is *not*, Who eats whom? but, How does one express love and wisdom in action — Heart, Head and Hand all in Harmony? The Lion Path is the map and living road from here to there, providing the answer to this vital question. It is the journey to a transformed environment and an ecological community surpassing the farthest reaches of our present senses and imaginations.

The Lion Path is essentially the metamorphic process that evokes the cosmic powers present within each person's being (symbolized by the names Saturn, Moon, Venus, Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury) first in their larval form, and then through their metamorphoses into their fulfilled or Pleromic forms. When all the seven are fully manifest and connected, they form the higher nonmolecular body.

It is easier to say how this higher body differs from the limited and transient molecular body than to conceive what it is actually like. But the differences are very definite ones. Whereas one's molecular body will inevitable wear out, age, and eventually disintegrate and disappear, the higher body is immortal and forever young, not subject to illness or old age or decay — for its higher life-energy is constantly self-regenerated, and the abiding self does not have to periodically leave as we must do with the molecular body.

The higher body is self-luminous and, being basically a standing wave of higher energy, can take any form. You also will have higher modalities of senses through which to be aware of higher worlds. And the higher body is the vehicle you need to be granted access to the realm of the higher beings, within whose number are the rescued humanity. You will have access to a community of such higher beings, a community based on love and intelligence rather than on fear, hatred, aggression and unreason.

The higher worlds are not predatory — you do not need to kill and eat other beings to prolong your life. In that truly symbiotic web of

life you will be able to have communion with the whole life wave of species in their beautiful and symbiotic forms. Nor will you ever again know the pain of being separated from those you love by death. Instead you will have a vista of limitless possibilities of self-development in love, wisdom and beauty in worlds of infinite possibilities.

3. *The Nature of the Self*

He: So what happens after the prince climbs the tower and rescues the princess?

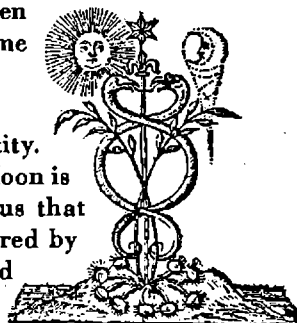
She: She rescues him right back.

(from Pretty Woman, 1990, with Richard Gere and Julia Roberts)

This happens both in the restoration of the complete and true self, and also in those rare and wondrous relationships that help restore it.

The ultimate and whole self is not some kind of point, but more like a pair of self-sustaining or standing waves spiralling in rhythm around each other. This was anciently perceived as the caduceal form (see page 35) which is still associated with health and therapy. This became a symbol of the power of Mercury, considered as the core of all life and healing. Note that this was known centuries before 1953 when the Double Helix of DNA was finally seen to be the basis of all life on earth, from humans to viruses. Even single-stranded or RNA viruses have to become double-stranded to function.

The self is a twin, really a Caduceal entity. The Sun is the unscathed portion and the Moon is the damaged portion (the left Eye of Horus that must be reconstituted as Osiris, dismembered by Set must be re-assembled to "re-member" and re-become Horus sound in both eyes).



Shown here is a little drawing from the title page of an old tome on alchemy in our library which got there by a secret printer's guild as it is never discussed by the author in the text. It shows the two caduceal strands of the self. In Ancient Egypt, Sumeria and India, the Moon was masculine (this is still preserved in Sanskrit and German). Consequently, as in ancient Japan, the Sun is a *feminine* deific power. Thus Siva is moon-like in the tantric and yogic texts, while his consort and Counterpart Parvati/Kali, is solar, as is the great Lioness goddess Tefnut/Sekhmet of Egypt, also associated with the cat goddess Bast/Pekht. The 9 thistles at the bottom prepare the way for the six great powers, which have now harmonized and become a great star-blossom at the top. We are reminded of the Ancient Egyptian Coffin Texts, Spell 786, reading, "I have established myself among ye, O ye Six Imperishable Stars!" The entire Caduceal form, combining Solar and Lunar strands expresses the consummating and seventh power, that of the Pleromic Mercury: the fully re-unified and balanced self and the secret of *basti-tai* or *ardha-nārī-natēsvara*, to express it in ancient Egyptian and then in old Indian form, meaning "the female and male powers combined."

In all eggs or seeds there is an "animal" and "vegetal" pole. Thus (Change) the animal pole of the soul, male-like, seeks newness and adaptation to it and (Sameness) the vegetal pole of the soul, female-like, seeks stability and reaffirmation of its patterns on higher and higher levels.

The ancients used serpentine forms to symbolize higher energies, much as the benign bronze serpents were used by the former Egyptian priest Moses, as recounted in biblical legend. When the energies were lovelessly directed, then their snake-symbols were bad, but by no means generally so, as also millennia-old American Indian and Ancient Egyptian sacred-serpent symbolism abundantly proves.

Returning to the nature of the Self it is, as we noted, caduceal, one of the strands being feminine and the other masculine in energy: the first more stable and life-centered; the second, more wandering,

errant and exploratory — often leading to risk, danger and accident. Thus it is the masculine strand of the soul's caduceus that is more liable to betray love in each of us through overemphasis on curiosity and will.

Yet the masculine strand, when properly developed, turns into the Hero in us, who then can rescue and protect our feminine strand if and when necessary.

Here lies the Mystery of the Search for the Beloved. Each woman seeks her noble and resourceful prince; each man, his lovely and wise princess. And when we find that longed-for other half of ourselves mirrored in another human being we fall in love, and the magic of that overpowering experience has filled the pages of poetry and song from time immemorial.

That is the deep reason for the spiritual necessity of respecting the sexual form of the body in which we incarnate, and the deep reason for the 28th vow taken by the soul in the sacred ritual of Ancient Egypt (*The Coming Forth Into Day*, Ch. 125), that "I have not tarried in homosexuality," a spiritual principle that is at least three thousand years old.

In the light of the innate stability of the feminine strand of the self, lesbianism is generally more benign than the usually much more promiscuous, numerous and superficial homosexual contacts. The reason for this is that many women are driven into the more gentle sapphism by the male sexual brutality and insensitivity they have suffered through and were scarred by.

Nevertheless, all homosexuals, male or female, will tend to encounter more difficulty in restoring the harmonization of their higher selves because they are unwittingly rejecting one half of themselves. Yet the women victims of male dominance and aggression will find a higher development more accessible once they awaken to it. Effeminate men, as well as very selfish and brutal men, (whether homo- or heterosexual), will have a more difficult time of it, although

the former will attract more grace and help from higher beings for the very simple reason that they tend to be more loving and kind. Uncaring members of either sex are on a slow train.

But even meeting near-ideal member of the complementary sex is only a reminder, and in the most favourable cases a help towards the resolution of the problem of the self. The true solution is to resolve the disparity in development between the two strands within us, so as to make them as harmoniously matched and complementary in power as possible.

Only then can the magic of the Pleromic Mercury function in reclaiming higher awareness and the appropriate higher bodily vehicle. How to do this? Well, those in male bodies must cultivate their restraint, patience, gentleness, and sensitivity, while retaining their strength, decisiveness and resourcefulness. Those in female bodies must develop their decisiveness, acuteness, and focus, while retaining their gentleness, serenity and delicacy.

Meeting a high level companion of the opposite sex can greatly aid in this development and that is the meaning of the tantra. But actually, each of us must find this union within. A companion, however appropriate, can only help, but cannot do the job each must do for her/him self.

The caduceal constitution of our true selves, as a polarized pair of higher consciousness-energies, can help us to understand the excitement and upliftment of truly falling in love, when a magic suddenly pervades one's whole life — even in those cases where one or both parties are later shown to have been deceived in believing the other party was what they originally thought or felt.

How is this possible? It is possible because even an approximation (if it can evoke the deep belief-power in the subconscious) can stimulate the vibrations of the complementary self-wave within us, helping us to feel self-restored, re-vivified and re-joined. That, of

course, is the real function of re-ligion (from the Latin verb *religare*, "to re-tie" or re-unite). We can now see that truly falling in love is literally a religious experience of high mystical power, the validity of which is not invalidated even if the object of our love later turns out to be not what we first believed. People are so conditioned by the find-an-external-mate-and-reproduce myth, that they usually do not see that essential love has little to do with reproduction per se, but has everything to do with both parties finding their true selves and so becoming a source of radiance and happiness to all others they may meet.

We miss the point if we fall into sadness or frustration when we discover we made a wrong love choice. Rather, we should remember those first glorious moments when we were transfigured because the love awakened in us (based on a misapprehension or not!) was a fact that brought us one step nearer, at least for a while, to our healed, made-whole and re-united selves.

And if our love choice was not that bad, but nonetheless lost some of the original magic, we should be thankful for having found a loyal and good companion, and also for that initial and unforgettable quantum leap that *each* made. And we then should re-double our efforts to continue towards that union *within* us — the inexpressible blessedness of re-becoming a whole and healed person. When we fall in love we each in a very profound sense fall in love with our true selves as mirrored to whatever extent in our partner.

Remember, too, no matter how high we proceed with the incredible wonder of the re-harmonizing of the self, that there will (and must) be always a preferred emphasis of one of the two caduceal strands within us.

We might not be able to distinguish the gender of higher beings because their self-strands are so closely attuned and equalized in powers. But the inescapable nuances of emphasis would still be there, and *they* would be aware of them; and so will we when we reach that stage of development.

Love's miracle is infinite and endless in its joy and wonder. The vistas are all there before us. Then, as the teaching that was ageless even in Ancient Egypt tells us, we can say, "I have joined the company of the gods and goddesses and I can speak with them in the language of Sothis" (Chapter 149 of the *Book of Emerging into Day*).

The technical term of the caduceal self in the ancient Egyptian esoteric texts was either *Basty-tai* or *baty-tai*, or *bata*: "female-male." The concept reappears in a Coptic text (the latest form of the Ancient Egyptian language); namely in the gnostic "Gospel of Thomas" as the term *hoout-s-hime* or "man-woman." Both ancient Judaism and its heretical judaic offshoot, Christianity, were deeply rooted in Egyptian religious doctrine, where both the sacred cedar "ark" (*arwn* in Hebrew, referring to the Holy of Holies), actually the Osirian coffin protected by the two winged figures of Isis and Nephthys, and the idea of resurrection, had their origins.

4. Three Possible Paths

We reconstructed from a group of ancient Egyptian coffin texts a hitherto lost book, *The Book of the Three Paths*. The text is supported by corroborations from paired chapters 144, 147 and 145, 146 of the *Pr-m-hrw*, the Book of the Coming Forth Into Day, miscalled "the Book of the Dead." The reassembled text clearly shows that the Gate to the Lion Path (leading to the higher body and a higher-dimensional, transcendent objectivity) was central, and the one to the Hippopotamus Path (of successive death and rebirth on earth) was on the left, with that to the Cow Path (of dream-like states in the Duat, Bardo, Barzakh or inter-incarnational state) on the right.

These ways correspond to the three types of couch or bier on which the inert Osiris was laid. The central and best known is the lion couch so often depicted because only to it were the regenerating energies of Anubis (Fig. 1) and rays of Horus (Figs. 3 and 4) summoned. The other two were the cow couch and the hippopotamus couch, known principally from the tomb of Tut-ankh-amun. The former referred

to Nut/Hat-Hor, presiding over still larval souls in the night of the Duat.

Hathor (Ht-Hr, resonant with the power of Sirius-Isis) was the Divine Nurse, compassionate nourisher par excellence of still larval souls, she then being depicted as a white cow in the Mountain of the Transcendent Sunset (cf. "White Buffalo Woman" as the Great Goddess among the Sioux). Hat-Hor's head protruded out of the darkness of the Duat into which she ushered all souls passing on from earth-life, while shedding a tear of compassion — connected with causing the inundation of the Divine Nile bringing the Water of Life, an occasion celebrated in ancient Egypt as the Night of the Tear of Isis and still celebrated in Islam as *Leilat al-Nuqtah*, "the Night of the Drop." Though mercy personified, she was not the highest (shortest) path to regeneration, although She sustained and nourished. On the "Cow Path" presided over by Hathor one might earn the option of being transferred to the Lion Path directly from the Bardo, Barzakh or Duat inter-state if that Path had not been entered while on earth.

The "Hippo-Path," however, conferred no such option, and recycling is then a necessity. This couch has a crocodile tail and talons rather than hooved feet, even though it has a hippopotamus' head, showing that it represents the hippopotamus monster that disintegrates the bodily vehicles of souls and then returns those souls to incarnation on earth. The phenomenon of birth was presided over by the hippopotamus goddess Ta-urt (Great Earth Mother).

All three couches were offered since the choice of every soul was unimpeded and in fact resulted from the state of that soul's development. Since such state could not be predicted, all three possibilities were indicated in the Chamber of Transformation. You make your bed, then lie in it.

In the museum at Torino, Italy, a coffin from the Egyptian village of "Two Hills" (Gebelein) shows the rarely mentioned key-plan of the Duat (see Coffin Texts, spell 650) discussing the three principal paths

of a soul. Only the central one led to regeneration, the other two diverging from it and hence postponing it. An ancient divinity guards the entrances and has final say over which way the soul shall take. This shows that there was a forking point preceding all three Gates where one's ineluctable choice of path was made. The Guardian of the Gates simply confirmed that choice. But we can choose the Lion Path here in this life, thus voluntarily invoking *now* the assessment and judgment that is usually done in the Bardo. It must be done here or there in any case. But there are *tasks* attached to each assay — tasks which can ordinarily be accomplished only in the molecular body.

Hence if the judgment is done in the Bardo, its fulfillment will probably necessitate a reincarnation in some 3-D world, normally in a world of the same type where you originally gained your incarnated experiences.

Thus it is to your great and timely evolutionary advantage to have the assay performed *during* this life. That is what the Lion Path achieves. Then one can *do* something about it and accomplish the needed growth while still in this life. And then one can bypass the Bardo and the reincarnational cycle. It is not enough to simply elect or want to do it. It must be done. And this world is *distorted* godhood but is not "illusion" as sometimes erroneously stated: a distortion is not an illusion. Rather, it is a reality that asks for healing.

In this connection, here are some aphorisms of the Path that may help as occasion arises: One needs an *external* pattern or else life becomes colourless and one needs an *internal* pattern, else it becomes meaningless. Nothing is more complicated than the attaining of simplicity. Lack of deep understanding is a symptom of starvation of love. Mere morality is being good by rule, but the highest ethic is to be good without rules, because of desire of goodness. The most important thing is not a matter of learning, or presenting its results, but the steady perfecting of the soul in the development of love — not love as a mere sentiment, but as cosmic power.

Now a word about the more Advanced Path (beyond Session 35) and the development of the Pleromic Practice, which we will enlarge upon soon. And in Part II we already spoke about the Q-World, the heart of the Multiverse. These two things are connected since any being in our universe or any of the other two, can reach only up to the power of Session 35 (Pre-Pleromic Horus) even during the Metamorphic or Transition Mode (T-Mode) of Q-communication to our universe. However, beyond that lie sessions 36 (A and B) through 45, and the ensuing Pleromic Preparation, followed by the Pleromic Practice.

All that will develop to the full, however, only when we reach the Q-World. The details of the advancing practice helping to prepare that development will unfold as we proceed. Our own growth in understanding and stature is an organic process, just as in a plant that is growing.

5. The Music of the Spheres in the Lion Path And the Use of the Advanced Cassettes

Historical Overview

The Lion Path refers mostly to Ancient Egypt for the simple reason that it was not only the most beautiful and balanced of all the oldest cultures of which we have any reliable records, but because the techniques for the elevation of consciousness and of the transformation from human (larval) level through embryonic divinity (pupal stage) to full-fledged higher being (winged imago state) were most clearly preserved in the hieroglyphic codes. Traces of that wisdom — the rightful heritage of humanity — can be found in the Chaldean or Sumero-Babylonian priestly tradition, in the Mayan glyphs and doctrines, and also in Ancient China, whither they had passed via India from Yemen (an ancient Pharaonic Protectorate), leaving some tracks in the highest Indian tantric teachings which filtered into Tibetan Buddhism and existed as well in the pre-Buddhist

shamanic practice. Ancient Egypt also provided the earliest examples of shamanic rituals and journeys, as the extant glyphs and sacred drawings and diagrams show. [See "Shamanism in Ancient Egypt" in Proceedings, Fourth Conference on Shamanism (September 1987), edited by Prof. R.-I. Heinze of the University of California at Berkeley.]

The essence of the ancient Egyptian methods, preserved from even older teachings, otherwise completely lost to us, was the use of musical frequencies to affect and alter consciousness via the brain as a molecular transducer. Pythagoras learned a smattering of these concepts in his visits to Egypt, but never the true 22-note scale, although it could be derived from the elements the temple priests and priestesses had given him when he visited the great religious centre, Sais, near present Heliopolis.

Ending this brief historical overview, let us now go right to the actual practice which is not mere intellectual meditation, but allowing higher transforming powers to work within one's being in the same natural way a caterpillar allows metamorphic hormones to effect its transformation into a winged creature: a process so symbolic of what can be in store for humans that both the Greeks and the ancient Central American peoples figured the soul as a butterfly, as we noted once before.

Acoustic Acupressure

The key to this method is the use of certain patterns of sound frequencies at certain times according to the wave-like flow of higher energies in time. The use of certain exact musical frequencies, not for merely aesthetic experience but for spiritually therapeutic experience, we term *acoustic acupressure*.

When you experience the Lion Path cassettes you must decondition yourself from your habit of hearing musical sounds purely for

aesthetic purposes. You must now enter into the acoustic experience as a healing and therapeutic journey. Then you will achieve the hidden benefits stemming from pin-pointed acoustic stimulation of the self-transformative regions in the brain, ninety percent of which is still uncharted to profane knowledge.

The Lion Path cassettes (the Activation Tape, the Pleromic Journey and the Shambhala tapes) contain sacred sound frequencies and no speech. Mere words would dilute the effect and possibly induce monkey-mind meanderings and blocks. Word-guided meditation, suggestions and visualizations are not as effective as this purely musical method which acts on the deepest level of our being.

In general, we humans are not aware of the trans-human part of our psyche, which could be called the *superconscious* mind. This portion of us is hidden far beyond the threshold of consciousness, and is part of the vast part of ourselves of which we are not normally aware and which is mistakenly called "the unconscious." Actually it is our own *more* conscious mind since our conscious minds are ordinarily unaware of it. Another such part of our psyche is the important portion that programs and runs all the involuntary organs and processes of the body, including the powerful neuropeptides secreted by certain nerve cells, as well as the entire and still mysterious immune system. Included in this vast and *more* aware part of ourselves that we don't ordinarily know, is our own metamorphic power, enabling us to become more than we now are. It is these potentials and capabilities within us that the Lion Path addresses and awakens into conscious awareness.

It does this by addressing that *more* conscious mind and the brain's own frequencies that transduce from brain to mind; and in such a way that other frequencies, characteristic of the metamorphic stages of the various sessions, are called into play. The Lion Path cassettes entrain all these techniques, orchestrated into focused consciousness-enhancement, and the candidate learns how to explore the reaches of the superconscious and retrieve its treasures for personal and

transpersonal growth, through a process of graduated resonances with higher energies of consciousness.

Thus, by resonances of sound and consciousness that gently massage the body and psyche, the forward dynamism is achieved of that *trasumanar* or transformational process that Dante speaks about in The Divine Comedy. It is the metamorphosis that brings us into our own transcendent personality, functioning in greater love, wisdom and power than we ever could have imagined. Those who persevere on the Lion Path distil within them that unique ambrosia* that develops the human larva into the Osirid Chrysalis and eventual falcon flight. Thus a new era and a new society may be ushered in.

*A winged and wondrous child
will whirl a whole world into being . . .
That child alone shall fly the abyss
and reach the Second Sun . . .*

Although it was realized by ancient peoples that sound was far more than human ears can hear, and deeply causally involved in the development of all natural form, only since quantum physics, which ushered in the 20th century, have "phonons" come into their own. These are quanta or bundles of longitudinal wave energy (photons are hundles or packets of transverse wave energy, e.g. light). They are intimately associated with crystals among other things, and could be thought of as ultimate sound. They can travel not only through air, but through water, rock and even what we call "the physical vacuum" which in India long ago was called the *akasha*, roughly translatable as "aether" — a nonmolecular form of ultimate substance, and the ultimate transmitter of sound as well. In ancient China energy in this source-state was termed *ch'i* (Japanese *ki*), which lies at the heart of the inmost secrets of *kung fu* and *ninja* martial arts and the control of material events by forces of consciousness.

* The higher human analogue of the lepidopteran metamorphic hormone, ecdysterone (see Part I, Section 7).

In all the sessions of the Lion Path, in varying degrees, we draw on this source-energy through special resonances and their higher harmonics in consciousness. What it involves is a gentle neuronal and consciousness massage that can "jog" our neural networks and minds into higher evolutionary development with accompanying new capabilities. It is similar to jogging iron filings, by a gentle tapping, into assuming conformity with the shape of an impinging and surrounding magnetic field — the higher evolutionary field so to speak. This technique thus consists of sonic mantras and their resonances in the conscious and unconscious mind.

There are remarkable natural frequencies, and sequences and intervals which permeate consciousness in such a way as to stimulate and activate the potential seeds of higher growth that are our natural heritage. These frequencies, without any need to command or induce or force, subliminally or otherwise, are such that they arouse sympathetic responses within consciousness including the non-conscious reaches of the superconscious mind. These natural responses to natural but little known frequency patterns in turn stimulate the production of the most powerful hormones known — the neuropeptides which govern the entire functioning of body and brain. The neuropeptide language constitutes an as yet ill-understood by humans but complete system of communication, stimulation and control. That language is however understood not only by neurons or nerve cells but by every cell of the body.

Neuropeptides constitute the means of implementing all psychosomatic phenomena, including the direction and development of the molecular immune system by psychic factors that are not molecular. The neuropeptides are the bridge between mind and matter, being open on one side to volitions and states of the psyche, and on the other side to the subtle bio-electronic signals and interplay that govern all psycho-physiological processes.

10. *The Lion Path Experience*

The Lion Path cassettes are designed to stimulate this entire and remarkable metamorphosis, in comparison to which a caterpillar becoming a butterfly is a pale analogy. Pale as it is, most of us never even touch the metamorphic achievement of the lowly caterpillar. But the splendid human potential, tapped by these natural methods entraining the brain primarily through our ability to hear, is enormously greater than the caterpillar's for it is designed to take us beyond the temporary present world into a more beautiful and stable one full of growth and wonder that we cannot yet even begin to imagine. That entire process, locked up within most of us much as an oak is locked within an acorn, will remain locked until the right key and combination is used with the right motivation. The key and combination are supplied in the Lion Path. The motivation and the love and wisdom necessary to it, you must reach for and release within yourself.

This development is in terms of new attitudes and newly released potentialities, and also in terms of situations and events — all conforming in a vast and ongoing *Now* containing past efforts and future dreams in the alchemical alembic of present behavior. Love in action (rather than only words) is the sunlight and water which thus enables our higher destinies to grow, plant-like and blossom in Time, transforming a predatory into a symbiotic ecology and psychology. The Lion Path is the short way, the noctilucent geodesic to that consummation.

Your Protective Session

As soon as possible after receiving your Lion Path starting kit you should do your Protective Session, listening to your Session Activation tape. This session should always be done on the soonest possible Friday — unless an Earth Session is so close that it would need to be done first. If this is the case, do your Protective Session on the next Friday after the Earth Session.

Timings

Sessions should be done between the hours of sunrise and sunset (preferably before noon). If you cannot do your sessions before you go to work, then listen to your tape as soon as you get home from work. Although the session's influence will be waning then, you would still get some of its power. But don't start your session later than about 9 p.m.

The dates of your Sessions are furnished later in this book. It is a good idea to mark these dates on your calendar so that you do not forget. If you overlook a session, don't give up. Just be more attentive in that post-session interval and do your sustaining practice with The Pleromic Journey tape. This will help you tune into the presiding metamorphic energies which your superconscious mind will have absorbed to some extent in any case.

Also, don't worry if you should "fall asleep" during a session. This is not an ordinary sleep and your superconscious mind would receive exactly what you need to do your Lion Path work in the next post-session interval.

The Starting Kit

The session activation tape you will be experiencing in all Sessions through January 21, 1999, is the Activation tape you will receive as part of your starting kit.

The other tape you will receive with this kit is The Pleromic Journey, which is the sustaining tape you should be using about once a week. You can play it more frequently if you like, and you can listen to it at whatever time of day you wish.

The Pleromic Practice

The session activation tapes you will need in the final portion of the Path (the Pleromic Practice) are The Way to Shambhala and The Lords of Shambhala. These sessions begin January 23, 1999.

The Way to Shambhala is a gradual and gentle experience of the Pleromic Powers, and The Lords of Shambhala is a more intensive experience. Start with The Way to Shambhala, but if you begin to feel unsatisfied it means that you are probably ready to begin using The Lords of Shambhala, which is a more intensive program for the development of each pleromic power separately. Then use The Lords of Shambhala for all remaining sessions of the Practice.

The switch to The Lords from The Way to Shambhala is entirely a matter of your own individual response (except that in all the Wednesday sessions of the Practice The Lords of Shambhala is mandatory) and has nothing to do with the number of times (few or many) that you have used The Way. Your own feeling and intuition will guide you as to this transition.

The needed tapes for the Lion Path are briefly described below and there is a request form at the back of this book.

The Session Activation Program

This tape comes with your Lion Path starting kit and it is the one you experience for all the sessions listed in this book through January 21, 1999. It contains a special scale of unique Lion Path frequencies and can be called a ladder of consciousness. With every session that one attains, another rung of this ladder is climbed. The apex of the ladder is at Session 45, beyond which stretches a whole new vista of experience as one enters the time domain of the Pleromic Powers.

The Pleromic Journey

This also comes as part of your starting kit. It is the sustaining tape of the Path, which can be used at any time you wish between sessions. (See Part I, Section II, concerned with practical measures for sustaining yourself on the Path.)

The Way to Shambhala

This is the activation tape with which you begin the Practice of the Pleromic Powers (starting January 23, 1999). Its program is 55

minutes long, and it evokes the ascent of the seven pleromic powers as a group, gently and gradually through all their metamorphic phases — through the larval stage to their full higher potential at the Pleromic level.

The Lords of Shambhala

When you are ready you switch to using this tape in the Pleromic Practice. It treats all seven powers individually and is a more intensive experience, allowing more powerful development through a closer approach to the Lords of Time in order to unknot and simplify your destiny pattern. Its program is the same length as *The Way*.

A Caveat

Remember that these programs are also meditation-enhancing and deeply empowering in their effects on the psyche. For this reason you are advised to read the following paragraph.

You should not drive a vehicle or engage in any stressful or physically risky activity for at least a full hour after your cassette experience. Those with any tendency towards epilepsy or brain dysfunction should seek professional advice before using these or related cassettes; and neither the author nor the publisher can assume any responsibility for those who ignore this advice.

7. *How to Get the Most Out of Your Sessions*

The Sessions in General

During a session, the main focus of your meditation should simply be to remain open and receptive to the cosmic power coming through that session. The brain valve is open only at those times, and at each session another and very different power comes through, working on you by bringing whatever is needed to fulfill your growth. Also, the

period between each session and the next is as important as the session itself. It provides the opportunity to develop the session's energy in your life. This is the Short Path, so start on it only if you deeply want your karma to be accelerated and dissolved, and are willing to expend the love and self-discipline to achieve that condition.

Each session introduces you personally to another Cosmic Power. Remember also that your life style should be compatible with your high enterprise. There is little room for equivocation, deception, or self-deception. The sessions are very individual experiences — extremely subtle and at times very profound. The length of a session varies widely depending on the individual and his/her receptivity to the cosmic power manifesting in that session. The sessions should be done in a harmonious room if possible rather than out of doors.

During the sessions the "shutter" or "valve" in our brains is opened and the higher mind's light of destiny exposes a developmental image, still unperceived, on the film of our consciousness — thus literally exposed to its own higher destiny pattern. Then, during the inter-session intervals, the details of this pattern develop by a kind of parallel processing — all of them filling out at once and together, nonlinearly, like a photographic film developing.

The special Lion Path frequencies on your session activation tape will help your superconscious mind access the power of the Session. Just before experiencing a session, you should also re-read in the reference list of Section 12 those passages concerning the session you are about to enter.

A Metamorphic Synopsis

We all contain within ourselves a primal set of universal powers (symbolized by the names Saturn, Moon, Venus, Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury) which, in our current molecular bodies, are present only in their raw and undeveloped larval forms. The Lion Path promotes their development from this larval phase into their fully

mature or pleromic form, when they are sometimes called the Seven Chakras.

All of the sessions of the Lion Path map onto seven phases of metamorphic development for each of the key powers mentioned above, and which is mirrored in nature by the metamorphosis of the May Fly. (This is a higher metamorphic process than mentioned in the note in Session 35.)

Phase One is the hatching of the larval power, followed by the manifestation of the power containing the *potential* of the larva to turn into its first imago form: the analogue of the power that enables the May Fly larva to turn into its first (but impermanent) winged form. Sessions 1 through 11 complete this phase of the Path.

In Phase Two the larva and its inherent potential enter the cocoon to begin the katabolic pupal stage (Sessions 12 through 16) when the larval form is broken down and dissolved within the pupa — a necessary step before the first imago can begin to form.

In Phase Three the first imago begins to form within the pupa but has not yet emerged. This happens in Sessions 16 through 20.

Phase Four: the first imago form of the higher nonmolecular body emerges from its pupa in Sessions 21 through 27. This completes the first metamorphic process of the Path.

However, the first imago form, like the first winged form of the May Fly, is not permanent — in its turn it will dissolve and give way to the Second Imago or fully pleromic form. It is like the second imago of the May Fly that has the power to reproduce which, translated into the powers of the higher nonmolecular world, means the power of immortality or endless self-replenishment of one's own life force. After the post-session interval of session 27 the second metamorphic process of phase five begins.

Phase Five: the pre-pleromic sessions 28 through 34. The second and higher larval forms of the seven powers now emerge.

The final sessions of the Path, 35 through the Pleromic Practice, constitute Phase Six, the second pupal stage; and Phase Seven, the Pleromic or fully mature Second Imago phase. These are described in Section 8, The Lion Path Time Table.

The Sessions Already Done in the Earth Cycle

Here, for reference, is a brief description of all already past Earth-Cycle Sessions through 34, together with their starting dates, showing how the metamorphosis has already unfolded within us as we keep pace with our planet.

1. Venus

Oct. 26, 1984

Larval Venus emerges: the desire to be in harmony and happiness. All these sessions deal with the feedback or consequences in your life and destiny pattern of that basic need or desire.

The first or Venus (Hathor-Isis) Session always falling on Friday evokes the love power within us; love not as a blind sentiment, but as the cosmic power that, as Jacob Boehme's inspiration declared, "has poured itself into all, and surrounds all and is the innermost cause of all things."

2. Saturn

Feb. 22, 1985

Larval Saturn emerges: the sense of selfhood and character, and the feedback or consequences of this in our lives.

Session 2, that of Saturn, follows the first or Venus Session so that the backed-up karma, starting to be released then, is emerged in the love-dissolution supplied by the power of the Venus Session.

In this session we evoke the presence of Saturn representing both our karmic debt and the structure of our ego, which is not necessarily

bad, incidentally, any more than is the necessary scaffolding around the building of the real inner self. But the scaffolding should not constrict the building, but should rather help it to become completed. Saturn shows where our fears, restrictions and limitations lie, and also the particular kind of selfishness or self-centeredness in any one of us. More importantly, Saturn's function tends, through our chosen, repeated actions, to set and firm our character, good or bad — hence it is both the deepest obstacle to our growth and also the greatest foundation and asset, once new habits are built, and then it becomes the narrow gateway through which we reach our higher self or the building of integrity in the highest sense. Because this influence, if incorrectly channeled, may be strongly adverse, Lion Path candidates are helped by having the Saturn Session embraced on one side by Venus and, on the other side by the Sun Session so as to illuminate and dissipate the clouds of Saturnian karma most effectively.

3. Sun*June 21, 1985*

Larval Sun emerges: the higher and enduring self-nature.

After the third or Solar Session, the seat or throne of Isis, the feminine power of divinity, is established in us, so that we can be more sustained and protected.

These first three powers together, Venus, Saturn and Sun — forms of love, wisdom and will — form the throne to which the Osirian initiate (who begins to move in the Fourth or Moon Session) must attain in order to proceed on the path of transformation to the Horus-like regenerated state.

4. Moon*Oct. 25, 1985*

Larval Moon emerges: the desire or need to have embodiment, that is to have a vehicle or body through which you can manifest.

This Moon Session is identified with the Osirian and also acts upon our personality — the gateway for the expression of our character and nature. The Moon rules the waves and tides of our personal reactions in everyday experience.

The fourth or Lunar Session relates to our personal self-launching on the Path. It is the session where our struggling personalities awake, trying to integrate and refine their fragments so as to become a shining mirror of our true selves. The power of Isis now begins to re-member her beloved Osiris and re-integrate the scattered and even disharmonious powers in harmony and mutual aid.

The Moon, completing its cycle of phases in 29 1/2 days, and Saturn, completing its cycle in 29 1/2 years are clearly interlinked. The Moon regulates the flow of Saturn's karmic tides into our lives from day to day, and specifies what they affect.

5. *Mars*

Feb. 21, 1986

Larval Mars emerges: the desire to focus effectively on what you want to achieve. (Larval Mars is also the potential of Venus to turn into its first imago.)

6. *Mercury*

June 27, 1986

Larval Mercury emerges, expressing the desire to function as a totally connected being — to be able to communicate, analyse and observe, which we have developed to a much greater degree than any other animal species on our planet. This power is a two-edged sword as it enables what we implement to be more effective and swift in achieving our goals. It is imperative, therefore, that love (Venus) becomes stronger than selfishness (Saturn) in us if we are to handle the Mercury power correctly. Larval Mercury is also the potential of Saturn larva to turn into its first imago.

The Sixth or Mercury Session was known by the ancient Egyptians to represent a critical point in this process, for during this session the too easily arrogant mind comes abashedly face to face with the heart. Mercury rules the conscious mind, our ability to see and make connections, and to devise logical steps in planning things. As humans we are customarily proud of our mental abilities, tending to forget that developing the power of the logical mind while retaining the emotions on only a comparative primitive level, can immeasurably

increase our potential for harm since cunning and foresight can then be put at the service of emotions such as greed and hatred, which could even develop into full-scale paranoia. We then have the challenging and worthwhile task of transforming our emotions to a much more comprehensive level before the beauty and power of the healed and higher mind can manifest in us and in our lives.

7. *Jupiter*

Oct. 31, 1986

Larval Jupiter emerges: basically hope and the seeking of a vision beyond the range of our immediate perception. It is also the potential of larval Sun to turn into its first imago.

8. *Uranus*

Feb. 27, 1987

The metamorphic power of free choice which is also the potential of larval Moon (personality) to turn into its first imago.

9. *Neptune*

June 26, 1987

The power for self-abnegation and becoming one with the perceptions and feelings of another. Such rightly applied compassion and sensitivity gives you the possibility of transforming your larval Mars (or will power) into its more evolved first imago.

In this session, Neptune takes us into the realm of the unconscious mind. As a cosmic power it is the underlying aether or invisible support of the transmissions of free will or choice — the power that enables all things to act because it is itself non-assertive. Neptune opens us to the self-foregoing and self-forgetting ability of the psyche that enables and generates compassion for other beings. Neptune also grants the capacity to fuse one's consciousness with images from other realms of existence. The Neptune post-session interval may often seem to be a confusing and a scattering one since our deep subconscious impulses and complexes are beginning to be cleansed and purified.

10. *Pluto*

Oct. 30, 1987

The power to demanifest or literally liquidate, i.e. be able to turn

fixed things in one's nature back into a fluid or liquid potential state out of which something more evolved is caused to emerge. This power gives larval Mercury the potential to transform into its more evolved first imago state. Pluto rules hidden initiations and invokes the precipitation of our karma here and now — *before* the dissolution of our physical bodies thus giving us a tremendous asset for future growth.

11. *Pan*

Feb. 26, 1988

From Pluto we pass in Session Eleven to Pan, the guardian of release from the Duat and of the unquenchable, limitless life that functions on a level of constant self-regeneration and renewal, thus overriding the need for the traumatic death to which we are subject in these inevitably aging carbon-based bodies. Pan is the cosmic power of new birth and creation, and bringing things into manifestation — in this case, higher manifestation than ever before.

Pan is also the potential of larval Jupiter to turn into its more evolved first imago state. This marks the completion of the first phase of metamorphic development. The basic seven powers (1-7) now enter the pupal katabolic stage of the first metamorphosis: the dissolving of the larval forms.

12. *Vulcan*

July 1, 1988

This power enables us to winnow out the chaff and refine the best of ourselves. Larval Jupiter enters its first katabolic pupa stage.

With the Twelfth or Vulcan Session, comes a launching of consciousness to a higher solar system than our own — physically corresponding to the Sirius (or Sothic) system with a super-sun twenty-three times as bright as our own, a double-star system having the extraordinarily dense and comparatively dark "Sirius-B" as the companion to Sothis, the power called Horus in the Lion Path, representing the resurrection and blessing of our ailing Osiris-personality into a new and effulgent being. For Sirius-B has the power to burst forth into supernova energy and brightness.

13. *Horus*

Nov. 4, 1988

This session expresses the first or katabolic pupal form of Mercury. The divine rescuer Horus is the only power strong enough to handle the entrance of larval Mercury into its pupal state and dissolve it. This great cosmic power protects us from danger, subduing harm and relieving suffering. It is the activator of the divine transformation within us.

14. *Venus Sothic*

Mar. 3, 1989

Larval Venus and larval Mars enter their pupal katabolic stage and the larval forms dissolve.

The first *Sothic* session, the Venus-*Sothic* or fourteenth session, is an extremely important one in all this development, because now all the previously experienced developmental powers cooperate together and enter the egg or womb of the Higher Body. During this session all fourteen powers from Venus to Sothis are established and begin to work on the candidate's higher embryo, just as the still not understood powers of the mother's womb work to form the embryo from its beginning to its final stages of development.

Earth's transformative energies were re-charged at Pluto's perihelion and the post-session interval at this point was twice as long: eight instead of the usual four months, thus postponing the next session until November.

15. *Saturn Sothic*

Nov. 3, 1989

Larval Saturn and larval Moon enter their pupal katabolic stage and the larval forms dissolve.

16. *Sun Sothic*

Mar. 9, 1990

In the first half of this post-session interval larval Sun enters its pupal stage and dissolves. In the second half of this time period the anabolic (or building up) phase begins and the imago form of the Sun forms within the pupa.

With the Sun-Sothic or Sixteenth Session the higher powers come closer to us. We now experience a true hook-up with the energies of the Sothic system, and our destiny patterns markedly shift to a higher level, although they have actually been shifting since Session Three, and again more markedly at Session Twelve, but still to a lesser degree than now. Our enduringly real and divine nature is beginning to be fully activated in its own mysterious mode of infinite self-replenishment.

17. *Moon Sothic* *July 6, 1990*

The first imago forms of Saturn and Moon form within their pupas.

18. *Mars Sothic* *Nov. 9, 1990*

The first imago forms of Venus and Mars form within their pupas.

19. *Mercury Sothic* *Mar. 8, 1991*

The first imago form of Mercury forms within its pupa.

20. *Jupiter Sothic* *July 5, 1991*

The first imago form of Jupiter forms within its pupa. All the key seven powers (Venus through Jupiter) were now transformed into their first imagos which then hatched in Sessions 21 through 27.

21. *Uranus Sothic* *Nov. 8, 1991*

Jupiter's first imago emerges.

22. *Neptune Sothic* *Mar. 13, 1992*

Mercury's first imago emerges.

23. *Pluto Sothic* *July 10, 1992*

The first imago of Mars emerges.

24. *Pan Sothic* *Nov. 13, 1992*

First imago of the Moon emerges.

The vague and changeable personality begins to achieve higher form and blossoms into a strength of character more able to withstand the stressful demands of everyday life without loss of one's consciousness.

25. *Vulcan Sothic* *Mar. 12, 1993*

First imago of the Sun emerges.

The Imago of the Sun expresses the blossoming of one's higher nature and the capacity to refine and become ever better through higher insight and discrimination.

26. *Horus Sothic* *July 9, 1993*

First imago of Saturn emerges.

The regenerative, creative force working through karma becomes the liberator from karma, and many past errors can now be corrected and a renewed person emerge.

27. *Sothis Sothic* *Nov. 12, 1993*

First imago of Venus emerges, completing the formation of the first imago form of the higher nonmolecular body. When this post-session interval was completed just before dawn on March 18, 1994, the higher and second metamorphic phase of the Lion Path began.

28. *Pre-pleromic Moon* *Mar. 18, 1994*

Hatching of the second larval form of the Moon.

29. *Pre-pleromic Sun* *July 15, 1994*

Hatching of the second larval form of the Sun.

30. *Pre-pleromic Saturn* *Nov. 18, 1994*

Hatching of Saturn's second larval form.

31. *Pre-pleromic Venus* *Mar. 17, 1995*

Hatching of Venus's second larval form.

- 32: *Pre-pleromic Jupiter* July 21, 1995
 Hatching of Jupiter's second larval form.
- 33: *Pre-pleromic Mercury* Nov. 24, 1995
 Hatching of Mercury's second larval form.
- 34: *Pre-pleromic Mars* Mar. 22, 1996
 Hatching of the second larval form of Mars.

The higher stages of the powers manifest with Sessions 35 onward (see Section 12, which now follows).

8. *The Lion/ess Path Time Table*

The musical frequencies in the programmed cassettes needed are not those of the ordinary, imperfect "tempered" (tampered) scale, but are uniquely generated by electronic oscillations turned into sound. These special frequencies have been embodied into special combinations and sequences, which are then transduced by both digital and analogue means into audio-cassettes. The ones you will need are:

1. *Session Activation Program* for all Sessions through 45 and the pleromic preparation period. You would need this tape as soon as you begin the Path and would continue to use it for session activation in all Earth sessions through January 21, 1999.
2. *The Pleromic Journey*, an advanced sustaining program which can be used at any time between the above mentioned sessions, and also during the Pleromic Practice.
3. *The Way to Shambhala*, activation tape for the Pleromic Practice sessions, which begin January 23, 1999.

4. *The Lords of Shambhala*, an optimal, alternative activation tape for the Pleromic Practice for those who wish it. From our own experience we advise its use at least from midway into the Pleromic Practice.

The details of the use of these programs in the various sessions follow. Remember that every essentially benign creature in the biosphere is on the Lion Path, so that you jump right into the sessions at whatever point in time that you have become aware and want to do the Path consciously.

Session

Time

35 *Horus Pre-Pleromic*
Use red-label tape

Friday, July 19, 1996
Post Session Interval: 4 months

This session is ruled by the power of Pre-Pleromic Horus. The term pre-pleromic means the second (and higher) larval stage of the metamorphic process*. Horus is the power that directs the metamorphic process and protects the still developing Osiris (Lion Path candidate) on the Path. This pre-pleromic form is the highest form in which the Horus power can manifest in our molecular world.

During this post-session interval the candidate may well experience shifts in life-circumstances and consciousness — changes that will optimise the conditions under which the candidate must undertake the more demanding pace of self-development that comes in the forthcoming sessions.

* Sessions 1-9 are the first larval phase; 10-18, the first pupal phase; sessions 19-27, the first imago form; and beginning from session 28 on, through 36A, the second and higher larval form (the pre-pleromic stage) starts to manifest. For Sessions 36B-45, there are 9 compartments of the Magic Square. A full post-session interval is $6 \times 21 = 126$ days or 18 weeks. This divided by 9 yields 2 weeks less per session. Thus, after Session 37, 16 weeks, and so on.

36A Sothis Pre-Pleromic*Friday, November 22, 1996**Use red-label tape**Post Session Interval: 6 days*

Sothis is preeminently the sustaining power of the Path, and this session is ruled by pre-Pleromic Sothis. Her power joins with that of the already manifest pre-Pleromic Horus and they both send forth sacred streams of energy to lustrate (cleanse and bathe, in preparation for higher development) the pre-pleromic seeds. This is also the time when these seeds are planted in the womb of Sothis, the Great Goddess. This happens in the following order:

Nov. 22 - Nov. 23: lustration of Saturn pre-pleromic seed

Nov. 23 - Nov. 24: lustration of Moon pre-pleromic seed

Nov. 24 - Nov. 25: lustration of Venus pre-pleromic seed

Nov. 25 - Nov. 26: lustration of Sun pre-pleromic seed

Nov. 26 - Nov. 27: lustration of Mars pre-pleromic seed

Nov. 27 - Nov. 28: lustration of Jupiter pre-pleromic seed

(The seventh key power, the pre-pleromic Mercury seed grows from within the Jupiter pre-pleromic seed.)

36B Mercury Square Power*Thursday, Nov. 28, 1996**Use red-label tape**Post Session Interval: 18 weeks*

In the Pyramid Texts forty-two divinizations are mentioned, and in Chapter 125 forty-two behavioural excellences are specified, each one corresponding to one of the assessor gods who were seated in pairs on either side of the great hall where the Osiris passed. These 21 pairs of assessors are precipitated in Session 36B, consisting of 6 × 21 or 126 days. During this interval each of the six manifestable pleromic powers appears through each of the 21 assessor pairs of powers in succession, following the sequence of symbols furnished in the precious Papyrus of Ani.

37 Saturn Square Power*Thursday, April 3, 1997**Use red-label tape**Post Session Interval: 16 weeks*

In this session the Saturn pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal or cocoon stage. To facilitate the metamorphic process, we need to

work on ourselves inwardly and psychologically. As in all sessions relating to Saturn's metamorphosis, opportunities arise to work through the consequences of past mistaken choices and to strengthen our good habits and character, which is the positive side of Saturn.

38 Venus Square Power
Use red-label tape

Thursday, July 24, 1997
Post Session Interval: 14 weeks

The Venus pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal phase. As in all sessions linked with Venus, we are able to invoke the ability to re-balance and harmonise karma.

39 Sun Square Power
Use red-label tape

Thursday, October 30, 1997
Post Session Interval: 12 weeks

The Sun pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal phase. The Sun represents the primary source of one's energy. During this session you begin to learn how to draw your energy from a higher level of reality rather than from the ordinary molecular level.

40 Jupiter Square Power
Use red-label tape

Thursday, January 22, 1998
Post Session Interval: 10 weeks

The Jupiter pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal phase. Jupiter rules the secondary or reserve source of energy we can draw upon. This too we begin to learn to draw from higher planes.

41 Moon Square Power
Use red-label tape

Thursday, April 2, 1998
Post Session Interval: 8 weeks

The Moon pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal phase. The Moon reflects the power of Saturn and works out its effects in our daily lives. You begin to apply what you have gained in consciousness in a wise manner in daily life.

This session also marks the beginning of the Pleromic Preparation period, so called because it prepares you to do the final stage of the Path, the Pleromic Practice. By the time the Practice begins the Lion

Path candidate should have worked through and cleaned up the vestiges or consequences of past mistaken choices as they have manifested in outward circumstances of life. This helps establish a clean channel through which grace can flow, the divine grace that alone can purge us of the very seeds or psychic tendencies that propelled us towards those mistaken choices in the first place.

The first twenty weeks of the Pleromic Preparation Period (mapping onto Sessions 41-45) is allocated to Saturn, and so evokes further opportunities to resolve outward circumstances that have been generated by rigid patterns of behaviour.

42 Mars Square Power

Use red-label tape

Thursday, May 28, 1998

Post Session Interval: 6 weeks

The Mars pre-pleromic seed enters its higher pupal phase.

43 Uranus Square Power

Use red-label tape

Thursday, July 9, 1998

Post Session Interval: 4 weeks

The Mercury pre-pleromic seed begins its higher pupal stage. Unlike the other powers it has two higher pupal phases. The first, in Session 43 being the dissolving or breaking down of the higher larval form, and the second, the 44th Session, being the formation of the pleromic form within the chrysalis or the pupa in the cocoon.

44 Neptune Square Power

Use red-label tape

Thursday, August 6, 1998

Post Session Interval: 2 weeks

The embryonic development of the Pleromic Mercury within its cocoon is a process taking place in a higher dimension and is necessarily veiled from us.

45 Vulcan Square Power

Use red-label tape

Thursday, August 20, 1998

Post Session Interval: zero

In this session the evocation of the special power, needed to connect the Lion Path candidate with the realm of the seven great Lords of the Pleroma, begins. They are the great Regents of Time who both

form a barrier between the higher worlds where the gods dwell and our molecular cosmos, and administer the latter. Before the 45th session power can become fully functional however, and guides us into the very presence of the Lords of Karma during the Pleromic Practice, the rest of the Pleromic Preparation Period must be completed.

THE PLEROMIC PREPARATION

At Session 45 the pleromic preparation of Saturn is finished and Moon Pleromic Preparation now begins. The preparation of this power will take 10 weeks. As the Moon rules one's personality and how one handles one's daily life, in this period one tends to focus on outward circumstances these have generated in one's life.

Before proceeding further let's have a look at the timing of the Pleromic Preparation. As just noted, the Saturn Pleromic Power develops during the 20 weeks of Sessions: 41 (Moon Square Power, 8 weeks), 42 (Mars Square Power, 6 weeks), 43 (Uranus Square Power, 4 weeks), 44 (Neptune Square Power, 2 weeks) and 45 (Vulcan Square Power: zero time or instantaneous).

When you reach Session 45 you are not yet home free. That Session ushers in a continuous state of consciousness uninterrupted by past karmic precipitation, but there is still a way to go before that state is reached. After Session 45 begins the Pleromic Preparation Period's second phase which ends 22 weeks after Session 45. The previous sessions 41-45 constitute a "distillation" cycle of development that is repeated in increasingly shorter intervals as your karma (results of prior choices, good or bad) becomes more refined.

Session 41 releases a certain amount of obstructive karma which is further worked with in Sessions 41 through 44, culminating in a greater cleansing from the seeds of future obstructive karma, as well as generating the fruits of good karma, which are like the wind at your back helping you forward. Each time the re-distillation of

Sessions 41-45 is completed it acts on you by carrying you back to a higher level of Session 41 to begin a renewed karmic clean-up on a higher level.

All this is to fit you to be able to contact the Pleromic Powers. That is why it is called the Pleromic Preparation Period. You are making progress towards the Pleromic Powers each time your cycle of development shifts to a shorter and faster level as shown in the Table. When you first did the scheduled Sessions 41-45 they took 20 weeks to complete. During the next phase of Pleromic Preparation, you re-distil Sessions 41-45 in 10 weeks; then in 5 weeks; then 4 weeks; then 2 weeks; and finally in the one week level needed by Pleromic Jupiter.

These 42 weeks of preparation correspond to the 21 pairs ($21 \times 2 = 42$) of higher powers surveying and assessing one's degree of development. The assessors are further connected with the ancient sacred geography of Egypt: The country was divided into a set of 20 and 22 nomes of Northern and Southern Egypt respectively, each assigned a region in the Higher World and a ruling deific power, thus again confirming the 42 ($= 20 + 22$) Soul Assessors. Table follows.

The Evolution and Refinement (karmic distilling) of the Key Square Powers* by means of the Pleromics

Session	How the Factors of 20 Shorten the Session Time**					20 Level 6
	1 Level 1	2 Level 2	4 Level 3	5 Level 4	10 Level 5	
41	56 days	28 days	14 days	11.2 days	5.6 days	2.8 days
42	42	21	10.5	8.4	4.2	2.1
43	28	14	7	5.6	2.8	1.4
44	14	7	3.5	2.8	1.4	0.7
45	0	0	0	0	0	0
42 weeks Total time	20 weeks	10 weeks	5 weeks	4 weeks	2 weeks	1 week

The six different levels (the original 20 weeks and 5 lesser intervals as per the factors of 20) during Pleromic Preparation correspond to the successive readying of each Pleromic Power in order:

Level	Period	Pleromic Power	Level	Period	Pleromic Power
1	20 weeks	Saturn	4	4 weeks	Sun
2	10 weeks	Moon	5	2 weeks	Mars
3	5 weeks	Venus	6	1 week	Jupiter

Following the six stages of the preparation, the Pleromic Mercury Power regulates the entire ensuing Pleromic Practice and clicks in immediately after the one week of Pleromic Jupiter.

* Sessions 41 through 45 are the key square powers because they recursively repeat throughout the 42 weeks.

** The sum of all the factors of 20 is also $42 = 1 + 2 + 4 + 5 + 10 + 20$; and thus the 20 weeks generate another 22 to sum to 42. In other words the 20 weeks of sessions generate the 22 weeks of further preparation after Session 45.

Venus Pleromic Preparation Begins *Thursday, October 29, 1998*
Use red-label tape

In the next five weeks difficulties arising from the Saturn and Moon pleromic preparation can be resolved and harmonized.

Sun Pleromic Preparation Begins *Thursday, December 3, 1998*
Use red-label tape

Dissolving of any outward karma arising from inappropriate use of one's inward solar power during the following four weeks.

Mars Pleromic Preparation Begins *Thursday, December 31, 1998*
Use red-label tape

Dissolving of any outward karma arising from the inappropriate use of one's effective will power. This is done over the next two weeks.

Jupiter Pleromic Preparation Begins *Thursday, January 14, 1999*
Use red-label tape

This session deals with the dissolving of any outward karma from self-deceit or delusion, helping you to reach your highest vision. This process when completed brings the Pleromic Preparation to its culmination with the fully implemented installation of the highest level of Session 45 as per the following session description.

End of Pleromic Preparation Period *Thursday, January 21, 1999*
Use red-label tape

The 45th session power is now fully installed and can take the Lion Path candidate right into the presence of the Lords of Karma. It is thus the psychopomp — the pleromic mercurial power that guides the soul through the nonmolecular realms. On Saturday, January 23, 1999, the Pleromic Practice begins with Pleromic Saturn.

THE PLEROMIC PRACTICE

In the eschatological shamanic teachings of the Na-Khi, the soul, after leaving its molecular body, had to cross seven streams, i.e. the streams of the Seven Great Pleromic Powers or Lords of Karma: the Lords of the Loom of Consequence and Potential, the Lords of Shambhala. Thus the Pleromic Practice of the Lion Path is actually an after-death experience performed while still in the molecular body, thus avoiding the necessity of lingering in the Bardo or the testing and recycling into another molecular body after the bonds of the present one dissolve.

Candidates may use either *The Way to Shambhala* or *The Lords of Shambhala* cassette for activation of the Pleromic sessions, except where *The Lords* alone is indicated. These programs are hereinafter abbreviated as "WS" and "LS" respectively in the column headed "Tape to Use" in the descriptive listing that follows. The psychopomp ushers the Lion Path candidate into the time domains of the Seven Lords in pleromic order, as follows.

Tape to Use	Date	Pleromic Power Invoked
The Saturn Pleromic Power, whose sessions take place on Saturdays, day of Saturn except, of course, for the silent Pleromic Mercury.		
WS or LS	Jan.23, 1999	Saturn: fire element (will & intent)
WS or LS	Jan.30, 1999	air (relationships)
WS or LS	Feb. 6, 1999	water (feelings & reactions)
WS or LS	Feb.13, 1999	earth (situations & outcomes)
no cassette	(Wed.) Feb. 17, 1999	quintessence (harmonious functioning of all four)

On this Wednesday, the first Lord of Karma allows the Pleromic Mercury to guide the Lion Path candidate into the time domain of the next or Moon Pleromic Power. Hence the following four sessions all take place on Mondays, the Moon's weekday.

WS or LS	Feb.22, 1999	Moon: fire
WS or LS	Mar. 1, 1999	air
WS or LS	Mar. 8, 1999	water
WS or LS	Mar.15, 1999	earth
no cassette	(Wed.) Mar. 17, 1999	quintessence (Mercury)

On this Wednesday, the second Lord of Karma allows the Pleromic Mercury to guide the Lion Path candidate beyond this realm and into the time domain of the next or Venus Pleromic Power. Thus the next four sessions all take place on Fridays, day of Freya or Venus.

WS or LS	Mar. 19, 1999	Venus: fire
WS or LS	Mar. 26, 1999	air
WS or LS	Apr. 2, 1999	water
WS or LS	Apr. 9, 1999	earth
no cassette	(Wed.) Apr. 14, 1999	quintessence (Mercury)

On this Wednesday, the third Lord of Karma allows the Pleromic Mercury to guide the Lion Path candidate beyond this realm and into the time domain of the next or Sun Pleromic Power. Thus the next four sessions all take place on Sundays, the Sun's day.

WS or LS	Apr. 18, 1999	Sun: fire
WS or LS	Apr. 25, 1999	air
WS or LS	May 2, 1999	water
WS or LS	May 9, 1999	earth
LS	(Wed.) May 12, 1999	quintessence (Mercury)

The Lords of Shambhala tape is played on this Wednesday because the candidate, having now passed through the Sun Pleromic realm, has, through the grace of Venus Pleroma, joined the two sides (Moon and Sun) of the self and now more consciously feels when the Pleromic Mercury is acting. In this Session the fourth Lord of Karma allows the Pleromic Mercury to guide the Lion Path candidate into the time domain of the next or Mars Pleromic Power. Thus the next four sessions all take place on Tuesdays, the day of Mars.

WS or LS	May 18, 1999	Mars: fire
WS or LS	May 25, 1999	air
WS or LS	June 1, 1999	water
WS or LS	June 8, 1999	earth
LS	(Wed.) June 9, 1999	quintessence (Mercury)

On this Wednesday, the fifth Lord of Karma allows the Pleromic Mercury to guide the Lion Path candidate beyond this realm and into the time domain of the next or Jupiter Pleromic Power. Thus the next four sessions all take place on Thursdays, Jupiter's weekday.

WS or LS	June 10, 1999	Jupiter: fire
WS or LS	June 17, 1999	air
WS or LS	June 24, 1999	water
WS or LS	July 1, 1999	earth

Now, since the Pleromic Mercury itself is about to conduct its own series of sessions, it will conduct you to itself spontaneously. The five sessions of the Pleromic Mercury are now listed.

LS	July 7, 1999	Mercury: fire
LS	July 14, 1999	air
LS	July 21, 1999	water
LS	July 28, 1999	earth
LS	Aug. 4, 1999	quintessence

THE SHORT ANSWER TO THE BIG QUESTION

This concludes the *sessions* of the Lion Path for molecularly embodied individuals, although the *practice* of the Path continues unabated until the passage out of that kind of body. Indeed, the Path continues, though in somewhat different form and presentation, right through any inter-incarnational states into the time when we are able

to function in the Q-realm with a higher kind of self-rejuvenating molecular body (enabled by the extra dimensionality of Bios 2).* In fact, the Path proceeds even beyond Q into the 7-D Universe of 4-dimensional, nonmolecular bodies, and its own time dimension independent of our universe's karmic frame of choice and consequence. These matters were introduced in Part II. They will be better understood through actual nonordinary experience than by any merely intellectual exercise. Thus endeth the Book since books can go no farther. The Tao that can be worded is not the Tao.

* Recall from Part I, Sec. 8, the unique, double metamorphosis of the May Fly, primordial forebear of the butterfly: Its 1st form, wings (flight into higher realms) sans reproduction, also prefigures the higher body in Q. Its 2nd and ultimate form (flight *with* generation) also presages the 4-D creative body of the 7-D Realm.

**SUPPLEMENT: SOME RELEVANT EXCERPTS
FROM OTHER WRITINGS OF MUSAIOS***

* *Destiny and Control in Human Systems* (Kluwer-Nijhoff, Boston/Dordrecht, 1985) and *Grail Most Ancient* (House of Horus, Sardis, British Columbia, 1993), with also new additions by the author.

Time and the Origins of Our Cosmos

Just as the molecular body is fragile, impermanent and subject to ills, so all the natural molecular forms on our life-sustaining planet are temporary and prone to mishap — all of them immersed in a fierce effort to guarantee their own existence. Even the relatively peaceful plants are not immune to these stresses as they competitively struggle against each other for height and light in the rain forest — now themselves disappearing in the wake of human competition for preeminence aided by the fearsome life-destroying capabilities of our technology: powers wrested from nature to destroy nature and set it against itself in too often short-sighted and temporary gains, in turn succeeded by long-term disasters as the inevitable feedback loops of consequence begin to make themselves felt.

Something in us yearns for something more and better than temporariness or constant struggle, or an endless wheel of predatory warfare without any lasting victory or peace. Something in us questions, Was it always thus? Does it have to be? And within us arises a resounding No!

It is the nature of the reality in which we find ourselves in this universe that points to how to move through it. We are immersed in a largely competitive and predatory scheme, made workable by some wonderful symbioses or cooperative complementations between living forms.

It is a remarkable system and suggests a rather unique course of how it came about. We find violence, horror and disgustingly degenerate parasitism juxtaposed and held in balance by courage, delicacy and extraordinary beauty. We find the same remarkable governing balance, whether we look at the fine boundary between acidity and alkalinity in the body fluids of all biological organisms, or whether we regard the narrow band of viable distance from the sun in which the single life-bearing planet of our solar system can function: Some two hundred miles nearer or farther out of some

ninety-three million miles — a fluctuation of barely one part in five-hundred thousand. All this fine adjustment of destructive and building forces and proclivities suggests a primordial violent beginning moderated by a subsequent benign adjustment.

The origin of time entails the origin of world evil on all levels — which is ultimately a matter of history in the larger sense as the record of events, whether man-made or not. For the origin of evil must be traced back to the first actions that had pervasively inimical consequences for all creatures. That is the trail to the roots of time which this chapter will seek to retrace. The beginnings of the trail are writ large.

The problem of evil remains as recalcitrant as ever and attests to contemporary civilization's inability to solve it. Let us now uncover a little known, very old, and extremely subtle and profound solution which the global and technological civilization that sprang up between the sixteenth and twentieth centuries missed.

We should mention in passing the Tayyibite Shi'a tradition preserved in medieval Yemen*, with roots extended into far earlier times and more ancient civilizations. Let us now have a closer look.

The first unequivocal mention of this very distinctive tradition appears in the writings of the third Yemenite (*Ṭayyibī*) chief *Dā'ī* or spiritual leader, Ibrāhīm ibn al-Ḥussain al-Ḥāmidī (†1162) and in particular, his great compendium of the doctrine, *Kitāb Kanz u'l-Walad*, an edition of which, though unfortunately not from the best manuscript, was published in 1971. The clearly compendious nature of this early Yemenite work shows it is not a personal teaching, but rather represents the preservation of much older traditions.

Among other extant sources of the tradition of our interest can be cited the writings of the fourth chief Yemenite *Dā'ī* (†1199), Hātim

* Originally an Ancient Egyptian Protectorate.

ibn Ibrāhīm al-Hamidi, and the fifth chief Yemenite *Dā'ī* (†1215). "Alī ibn Muhammed ibn al-Walīd, some of whose works may be found in Strothmann's valuable book; and the eighth chief Yemenite *Dā'ī* (†1268), Husain ibn 'Alī ibn Muhammed ibn al-Walīd, some of whose works were translated by Henry Corbin (*Trilogie Ismaélienne*) and, before him, by Bernard Lewis of Princeton University. Final mention must be made of the *Zahr al Ma'āni* ("The Flower of Meaning") of the last (nineteenth) chief Yemenite *Dā'ī* (†1468), Imādaddīn Idrīs ibn al-Hasan, which was briefly summarized in English as early as April 1937 in the journal *Islamic Culture*, published at Hyderabad, India.

The story begins with a beginningless beginning, delineated in both Persian and Arabic, by the Shi'ite-Fatimid philosopher Nāsir-i Khosrau († ca 1075). He ingeniously and profoundly uses various modes of the verb "to make" and "to be" in order to arrive at a threefold self-regenerating reality, related to the old Indian formula *Sat-Chit-Ananda*.

The First Archangelic Being is called *al-Mabda' al-awwal* or First Beginning, First Point of Origin. This first creature-perceivable manifestation of divinity was later assimilated to the Islamic *Allah*, literally *Al + Lat*, a syzygy combining masculine (*Al*) and feminine (*Lat* — symbolized in the silent *teh marbuta* of Allah) attributes.

Emanation actually begins with the Second Intelligence, called *Nafs* or (Universal) Soul. The Third Intelligence would be a recreative and emanating power. This great Archangelical being is called *Adam Rūhānī* or the Spiritual Prototype of humanity, in whose image we were formed. Thus this Third Intelligence is to be the Divinity of our universe which has not yet come into being. It corresponds to the great *Anthropos Megos* of the Valentinian Gnosis.

Now there was no problem even conceivably arising with the first two Intelligences who realized the source of their being was in the Unmanifest. But the Third was inherently more exploratory, analytic, and outgoing, and sought its source.

The God of our universe inquired and sought the source of his own Origin. What could he apparently more natural? Yet it was a misconceived plan fraught with very dangerous consequences, like an innocent and unknowing intruder in the control room of an atomic reactor, toying with the buttons and seeking to access the full power of the energy source as "a good thing."

Resuming now the main line of the dénouement of the origin of evil in respect of the nature of time, the Third Divine Entity sought to encompass its own origin and to plumb the very depths and sources of being — a route that would perforce have to lead into the Unmanifest, the Mystery of Mysteries that by its very nature cannot be unveiled with impunity to the one so seeking: the veiling is inherent and necessary for the eternal provision of immortal being. The notion echoes in the words of the great Goddess inscribed on the portals of the now lost Temple of Saïs, preserved to us by the records of ancient travelers: "None can lift my veil and live." To seek to manifest the source of life out of the unmanifest, could end only in the manifestation of death, for such a seeker thereby would succeed only in cutting *himself* off from the circuit and flow of life in so trying, even though unwittingly, to preempt it. No manifest being can contain the unmanifest infinite.

The Third Divine Entity dreamed such a dream of finding that source explicitly and controlling it to be within himself (as he mistakenly thought was the case with the Second and First Intelligences). That dream and wish, albeit momentary, had on that level of power and perception dire consequences.

The reason for such grave consequences of a released desire on the part of the Third Archangelic Power is bound with the fact embedded in ancient traditions preserved in Homeric Greece of the βουλή (mere wish or willing propensity) of a god being equivalent to the determined εθέλω or implementing, focused will of a man. But the implications go deeper, since the reason that it is so depends on the fact that the gods are not in our kind of time. Duration of things, yes, and changes,

too — but all *without waiting time*, which is the chief characteristic of what we humans call our time. We must wait for any idea or plan to be enacted and then mature to fruition or full manifestation.

The Third Divine Entity was inquiring into the source of its own being, and the second apparently natural thought was to desire that source to be within itself, so as to be completely self-caused and self-sustaining. Yet natural as that thought seemed, it was the essence of opposition to the nature of Love and to the most thoroughgoing meaning of divinity.

The desire to be self-sufficient at the expense of love, no matter how subtle a form that choice may take, then ineluctably transforms the activity of such desire into something capable of evoking unholy horrors from the otherwise ineffective unmanifest in which the infinity of all possible eventualities — good and evil — lies, awaiting only the appropriate evocation, much as a dormant computer program needs a specific calling code to make it operative and manifest.

That wish, apparently so appropriate to a divine being, was in fact not innocuous. Such desire means to attempt to preempt, to confine the unmanifest and infinite love-energy in a manifest center, and thus attempt to possess it, yet thereby succeeding only in cutting off the flow of love to that center, since such a desire is the antithesis of love's nature. The essence of the "calling code" that would thus reach the unmanifest through that initially harmless-looking wish could only be: Send forth the very essence of evil. Hence, even though the fundamental error was quickly perceived after the fact, the damage caused by the manifestation of what should under love's nature never have been released into being, was done, and then, in H.P. Lovecraft's striking image "things walked that were meant only to crawl," and all the misery-ridden potentials of our predatory cosmic ecology were released. At this point it must be realized that such an uprush of wrongfulness into manifestation would nevertheless be attended with great power — no less than the misdirection of an entire cosmos.

The shock of this horrible manifestation awoke the Third Entity from the evil-spawning fantasy; but too late, for in that realm of

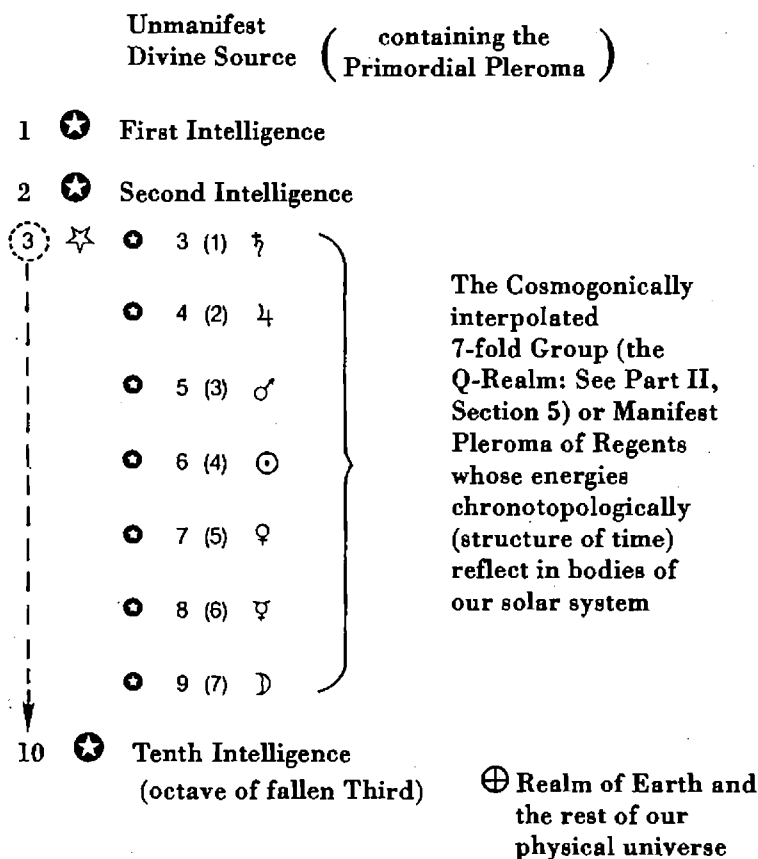
supernal reality, evil was now released and made manifest. With a shudder of revulsion, the divine being expelled the horrid image; but that being contained also within itself the seeds of countless other potential and similar beings, who were now all infested with the image. All these beings possessed free choices, for that is and must be one of the endowments of love, dangerous as the gift may be. Many of these lesser beings belonging to the Third Great Divinity likewise abjured the evil image in themselves. But some did not, and in rebellion proclaimed the false and destructive egalitarianism of "we are as excellent as you, and if we feel this image increases our own power we shall keep it and cultivate it."

So the Third Divinity gathering about the heroic cohorts that had likewise abjured lovelessness within themselves, re-avowed the great truth that no manifest being, however high, can contain the source of his/her own existence, but must humbly and lovingly acknowledge that Unmanifest, Limitless Love-Power-Wisdom, and that alone, can be the Source of all without danger and disaster.

This phase of the story repeats in variant echos the same tradition as the Sumero-Babylonian cuneiform record of "The Inimical-Rebellious Shining One", the fall of the son of the morning, the fall of Lucifer and his legions, and kindred Gnostic accounts that were preserved through Paracelsus and Jacob Boehme referring to the highest ranking follower of the released evil. That entire host of beings who chose not to love as their "freedom" (thus perforce placing others in bondage and suffering) are called in ancient Egyptian tradition "Children of the Rebellion" (*Mešu Bdš*, variant *Btš*, the latter word connoting "evilly disposed and aggressive"); while the followers of the self-arrested and rededicated Third (now Tenth) Deific Power were called the *Shemsu Horu* or "Companions of Horus," the sacred name that symbolized the self-victorious recovery of the Tenth Deific Power.

Meantime, during that dark and diseaseful moment of reverie a momentary cut-off from Love's energy began to form a horrendous and absolute separation in the scheme of things. But absolute

separations cannot exist by the fundamentality of Love, which means universal connectedness. Hence the virtual and impending gap between the Third Entity and the higher ones was at once filled with a manifest image of the unmanifest Pleroma of Powers, which form a minimal group of seven (the Q-Realm: see Part II, Section 5). But that gap, thus interpolated and closed, forced the Third Divinity down to Tenth Place (see figure) as a therapeutic measure.



Schema of How Our Time Began According to Ancient Tradition

The point of all these preservations of the archaic record is that the God of this universe did not intentionally author the primal confusion and devastation but beneficently intervened, resulting in the current physical world of atomic and molecular matter — an optimal but by no means ideal compromise, until all the consequential time cycles could be fulfilled. We noted on a prior occasion that Jacob Boehme and his 17th, 18th, and 19th century followers (outstandingly John Pordage, Dionysius Freher, and James Greaves) specifically perpetuated this most ancient historical tradition; and at least one 20th century Biblical exegete, H.W. Armstrong, noted that "what geologists and astronomers see is not an evolving universe, but the wreckage of a titanic battle . . . a battle fought before man's creation." This echoes Greaves: "The creation, as now it is seen, tells of prior confusion in higher powers . . . Strife is older than man."

The tradition whose doctrine we are discussing assigns entire worlds of development to each member of the Hepton thus cosmogonically engendered in the incipient or virtual Love-vacuum caused by the brooding dream of impossible self-sufficiency on the part of the Third Entity, who has now become the god of our fallen universe at the tenth or lowest level in the hierarchy. Each one of these worlds is in resonance with the timing and chronotopological effect or nature of the bodies of our solar system, in which the "time of long domination (of suffering)," the old Iranian *zervān derangxvatāi*, has replaced the time of no waiting, the time without limitations: *zervān akarana*. It should be noted that the preceding discussion puts the old dichotomy of "eternity versus time" in a new light. Eternity is not the mere empty concept of infinite duration but rather it is Time devoid of limitations — without waiting time; hence a Time of Eternal Blossoming, a blinding effulgency for us, immersed as we are in the time of lengthy and necessarily endured waiting. Without this new interpretation of eternity versus time, the tradition we are discussing cannot be properly understood; and it hitherto has not.

The introduction of waiting time meant, in precise terms, the introduction of entropy and hysteresis, for now no cycle could be repeated without energy losses; and hence all systems would inevitably

and eventually run down as, in each cycle more so, the newly introduced energy could not be quite enough to repair the worn structures and restore the energy losses without unavoidable further wastes and dissipations due to the same finite-and-loss-occasioning-waiting-time phenomenon. So the biological body, in theory (i. e., with no waiting time for re-energization) immortal, must ineluctably age. Similarly, resistance can be undermined and disease occur; and the ultimate consequence of aging is death, or the functional cessation of the bodily vehicle for physical implementing of awareness. Thus our world of waiting, disease, aging, suffering, and death stems from the nature of time itself and was part and parcel of the set of implied consequences of the Demiurge's Dream — that very brief nightmare that had spawned a reality of evil on awakening.

So the God of our universe is a wounded God in heart although Himself recovered. His domain, which before was a universally symbiotic cosmos, had now become the frenetically struggling, predominantly predatory one we all know, with Nature trying still to smile through her travail. There is a mysterious tradition both in Iran and Egypt of the female aspect of this Divinity (Dāēna in Iran and Isis in Egypt) who did not share the death-dream of her spouse and who in fact helped him revive as the renewed and victorious Horus. So Isis beautifully sings with Dante, "Veni, sponsa de Libano" — Come, my spouse, from Lebanon — for the coffin of Osiris had washed ashore at Byblos . . . In this connection compare Proverbs 8: 27-31 where Goddess speaks of God, despite patriarchal censorship.

The ancient tradition was interestingly preserved also by the Hebrews who inherited much from older priesthoods. This valuable preservation, however, tends to be obscured by mistranslations. Thus the sense of the Hebrew verb *hāyah* is an emphatic "came to be" or "became" and not a mere copulative "was." In the second verse of Genesis, the phrase mistranslated as "the earth was without form and void" actually says, "The world had become a desolated chaos (*tohu*), and featureless ruin (*bohu*)," i. e. as a result of the rebellion for unmerited dominion against love by the corrupted legions of higher

entities, after the eruption of the divinely though mistakenly evoked image of all evil out of the unmanifest. The same word *hāyah* is used in Genesis 19:26 when Lot's wife *became* a pillar of salt and in Ezekiel 17:6 when a seedling *became* a large vine. The excellent Rotherham translation renders *hāyah* as "had become" in Genesis 1:2.

Confirming the ancient tradition, Isaiah's (45:18) commentary on Genesis 1:2 clearly states that divinity did not originally form the earth as *tohu* or a wasted desolation. Isaiah uses the same word as Genesis, but it is ordinarily mistranslated as "in vain," thus losing the entire point of the commentary, which plainly indicates that whatever made it become *tohu* occurred later than the original scheme of things. Thus the "beginning" of Genesis was not at all the first beginning, but the beginning of a divine intervention to remedy, as best could be, the calamity of a world that had been primordially deranged. The same Isaiah (45:12) cries out, "O Lucifer, Son of the Morning, how art thou fallen from heaven!", echoing the much more ancient record cited at the start of this note about how the primordial *tohu* arose.

We, the lowest remnant still on the planet earth of the much vaster legions of the Divinity of our universe, now are fallen, together with our subaltern fellow creatures, by our persistent inability to expel the anciently released Image of Lovelessness from within us. Yet we still possess our primordial links with immortality, but they are vitiated by being death-interrupted . . .

The tradition reminds us, were we to be released tomorrow back into the realm of time-without-waiting, we would speedily fall immediate heir to even worse troubles than we now have, for we could not control our power-dreams and hence would only re-evoke the illusion of self-sufficiency and the consequent re-manifestation in us of the image of unmitigated evil to which such a thought and desire leads as their inherent implication. Indeed, the comparative molasses-slowness of our current kind of time is our shield and protection against ourselves.

Our tradition also makes clear that the current cosmic stage is in the process of overcoming the effects of its originally induced evolutionary postponement, the *takhalluf* already discussed. Hence our time is a profoundly restorative process, by which we return back through the fallen octave, back from 10th to 3rd place, when the interpolated hepton (see figure) will again be able to withdraw into the Pleroma, and the seven heavens "rolled up like a scroll," as a later and corrupted scrap of the same tradition recorded by John of Patmos tells. Thus our time is self-reëtrant (the ancient *ouroboros* symbol) and contains an inherent and beneficent self-destruct in its long but ineluctable pilgrimage to return to its lost higher octave of beginning. Time is like the flight of a great hawk that finally returns at the call of the Falconer.

The return is not mere repetition since it is fraught with the wisdom distilled out of its intimate confrontation with brute, conscious, all-devouring, necessarily parasitic evil — the Image of Iblis, first unwarily allowed to form in and then escape out of the Unmanifest by the desire-energy of the self-doomed quest of the Third Intelligence.

It is now clear that the ancient tradition that we have detailed and restored in these pages has a decisive contribution for theodicy; namely, that divine goodness did not create evil. But an error of judgment, far above the human level, inadvertently released it out of the ocean of unmanifest possibilities. Then, under the law of love's allowance of free choice, divinity could not prevent the like free choices by other entities to follow the released image of evil for their model; although love, despite all acts by such entities, must also by its own law of integrity remain itself and so oppose in effect, by its very remaining what it is, the results of such choices.

Moreover, such opposition is not by intent, but by the fact that acts of evil by their very nature choke off (remember the ancient Egyptian root for evil, *'isf*, means "to sever or cut off") the current of love-expressing energy, and then parasitically use that energy to work loveless acts. But such use, by an ineluctable feedback, gradually

chokes off the flow of that energy which was engendered by and for loving acts in the first place. Hence evil (already posterior to good as no is to yes, since denial requires a prior affirmation) slowly withers.

But the process is long (in the geological sense!) and the character of time during that process changes to include suffering, waiting, malfunction, senescence, disappointment, and death — all consequences of the primordial usurpation of the love energy by the released image of evil.

Lucifer (then fallen to Lucifuge), was simply the highest ranking among the quasi-divine beings in the cohorts of the Tenth Divine Entity who chose to follow the dictates of the evil image and who continued to feed it with their will, that in consequence became less and less free and more and more in bondage to the manifest Abhorrence. The process of our universe then became a long-drawn out and cycling one of fractional re-distillation, recovering slowly and bit by bit, entity by entity, the beings who had first chosen the Image of Evil as their guide for action, and then re-chosen Love. Meantime, the acts of horror continue in an ecology now turned overwhelmingly predatory from originally symbiotic. For to intervene and stop even one such unjust act, requires, by the law of justice itself, stopping them all. But that would speedily bring our world to a sudden end, and many beings would have lost the chance to reconsider and re-do.

For their sake this cosmic system of school-cum-incarceration is continued until the point where the suffering of the just would accomplish no more good for either themselves or the unjust. At that point the curtain would have to be rung down and in this connection there is something more to say.

In terms of what we learned in Part II, we can define this fall in estate and consciousness of the Third Intelligence and its (& our) world. That is the drastic curtailment of life and scope resulting from an original 4-D body becoming three-dimensional, with its originally 4th dimension now turned into gravity which weights it down and endows it with inertia or resistance to any change of motion.

On the other side of the picture, the upwardly mobile transformations from a 3-D to a 4-D to a 6-D body represent that part of the future Big Picture (see Part II, Section 15) that reveals the scheme of compassionately just compensation: Recompense for innocent victims and for all the suffering throughout the worlds of the Multiverse during their long period of struggle, pain, and waiting — called by the ancient Magians "the time of long domination of the Druj or Great Lie".

The answer, as we have seen, to the problem of evil had long existed and been preserved, even if in obscure places, and is traceable back to the immemorial traditions on which priesthood of Amun drew — traditions buried in the very roots of the language of ancient Egypt. That answer, it turns out, is not particularly simple. Nor could it be, for it unveils a subtle and profound illusion which, for one tragic moment, blinded even a god.

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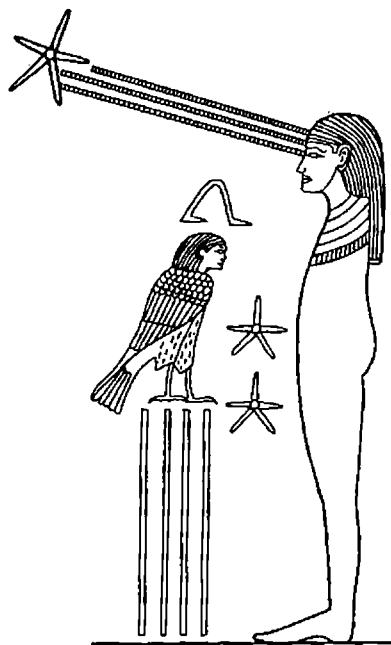
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