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## THELEMIC MORALITY

**Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.**

"What is morality?" "How is morality related to the taking of oaths?"

Two kinds of morality exist for a Thelemite. The outer is dictated by society. Here, the collective "morality" of society, with its particular biases and viewpoints, has its own objective of self-preservation and operation. It is with this outer society that one must cooperate--sometimes invisibly, and with passive acquiescence--in order to be outwardly free, to survive, and to be effective. Even the so-called "anarchistic" Thelemite derives certain rights and benefits from outer society, and its seemingly arbitrary morality.

Inner morality is the result of the relationship developed between oneself and one's Holy Guardian Angel. This is personal, distinctive, private, and expresses individual pride. In many details it may be noticeably different from the outer morality of society. Particularly, it should not be imposed on other Stars. It is this morality, with its resulting self-discipline, which must be present and considered consciously when one takes an oath, and thereby accepts its objectives, consequences, and limitations. Each Star must live by all his/her oaths proudly, and not force other Stars to alter their orbit. If one Star's morals can be broken voluntarily, capriciously, or by outer force, what is the value for his others? Respect for other Stars, and their individuality, is inherent in Thelemic morality.

This "rightness", or what we commonly attribute to "morality" can only be evaluated within the relationship of an individual and his HGA. It follows that any individual acting in Knowledge and Conversation with his Holy Guardian Angel is moral, responsible, and "right" when operating within that frame of reference--even though the external appearance may seem otherwise to most people. I.e., morality is not action, it is purpose, motive, and relationship. It is expressed by "True Will".

"Every man and every woman is a star." Each individual in K&C (i.e. s/he who has taken an oath with his HGA), therefore, cannot be interpreted by others as "wrong"; personally has the highest level of integrity and pride (he is a king!); and leads his/her life accordingly. The difficulty comes when an individual, perhaps in K&C, operates outside his/her True Will (none of us is perfect!), claims his/her "True Will" as a casual excuse to justify a questioned action. This cover also has been used by Thelemites and other individuals who have never achieved such K&C. So, in some cases, others may look askance or critically at the expression of morality by any true, or self-proclaimed, Thelemite. Depending upon the degree of liberality in

interpretation, the effect of actions upon other people, and tolerance, no two persons will interpret any action in precisely the same way. The danger comes in Type A and Type B errors, where what is "right" is declared "wrong", or that a "Thelemite" is not acting "thelemicly"; and vice versa. Judge not, that ye be not judged (except by your own HGA, with whom you must deal!).

Aspirants in lower grades of the A.:A.: and other Thelemic organizations are seeking to attain that Knowledge and Conversation. Each probably only gets glimpses of its expression in our lives. Reaching that exalted state of continuous K & C (defined in the A.:A.: as occurring at the V<sup>o</sup>) is the result of much effort, study, and understanding. It is not uncommon for each of us, at one time or another, to revolt at the actions and words of individuals who profess such high achievement. They seem to be marching to a different drummer.

The taking of any oath requires the assumption of explicit or implicit responsibility. It is counter to unlimited individual freedom, or anarchy. This sense of "responsibility" is morality. Is it a form of restriction? Thelemic morality can encompass the surrender of some aspects of individual freedom willingly. Each of us do this when we take oaths properly understood. If taken seriously, it must be true within all Thelemic organizations, such as the A.:A.:, the O.T.O., and others. It is immoral, and perhaps "illegal", for such organizations to force particular restrictions. The word of Sin is Restriction. However, restrictions established as the result of K&C, or those willingly taken by an individual in pursuit of that goal, are moral and responsible. Parenthetically, an "organization" can also be considered as a relationship between two individuals.

To return to the application of morality to oaths, since they regulate one's actions: A Thelemic oath should not be taken lightly--the conditions should be considered seriously. It should be taken only to complement and effect the expression of True Will or toward achieving K&C with one's HGA. It may often require the grafting or surrender of individual Will to group Will, and the assumption of stated responsibility and conditions. Whatever the interpretation, it should be taken with self-respect, and only as a serious step leading toward "True Will", or in K&C with one's HGA.

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A Treatise on the Nature of Death, and the proper attitude to be taken towards it.

### CONCERNING DEATH

An Epistle of Baphomet to the Illustrious Damozel Anna Wright, Companion of the Holy Graal, Shining Like the Moon, That She and Her Sisters May Bring Comfort to All Them That Are Nigh Death, and Unto Such as Love Them.

Beloved Daughter and Sister,

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Let it be thy will, and the will of all them that tend upon the sick, to comfort and to fortify them with these words following.

It is written in the Book of the Law: "Every man and every woman is a Star." It is Our Lady of the Stars that speaketh to thee, O thou that art a star, a member of the Body of Nuit. Listen, for thine ears are become dulled to the mean noises of the earth; the infinite silence of the Stars woos thee with subtle musick. Behold her bending down above thee, a flame of blue, all-touching, all penetrant, her lovely hands upon the black earth and her lithe body arched for love, and her soft feet not hurting the little flowers, and think that all thy grossness shall presently fall from thee as thou leapest to her embrace, caught up into her love as a dewdrop into the kisses of the sunrise. Is not the ecstasy of Nuit the consciousness of the continuity of existence, the omnipresence of her body? All that hath hurt thee was that thou knewest it not, and as that fadeth from thee thou shalt know as never yet how all is one.

Again she saith: "I give unimaginable joys on earth, certainty, not faith, while in life, upon death." This thou hast known. Time that eateth his children hath not power on them that would not be children of Time. To them that know themselves immortal, that dwell always in eternity, conscious of Nuit, throned upon the chariot of the sun, there is no death that men call death. In all the universe, darkness is only found in the shadow of a gross and opaque planet, as it were for a moment; the universe itself is a flood of light eternal. So also death is but through accident; thou hast hidden thyself in the shadow of thy gross body, and, taking it for reality, thou hast trembled. But the orb revolveth anon; the shadow passeth away from thee. There is the dissolution and eternal ecstasy in the kisses of Nu! For inasmuch as thou hast made the Law of Freedom thine, as thou hast lived in Light and Liberty and Love, thou hast become a Freeman of the City of the Stars.

Listen again to thine own voice within thee. Is not Hadit the flame that burns in every heart of man and in the core of every star? Is not He Life, and the giver of Life? And is not therefore the knowledge of Him the knowledge of Death? For it hath been shown unto thee in many other places how Death and Love be twins. Now art thou the hunter and Death rideth beside thee with his horse and spear as thou chasest thy Will through the forests of Eternity, whose trees are the hair of Nuit thy mistress! Thrill with the joy of life and death! Know, hunter mighty and swift, the quarry turns to bay! Thou hast but to make one sharp thrust, and thou hast won. The Virgin of Eternity lies supine at thy mercy and thou art Pan! Thy death shall be the seal of the promise of our age-long love. Hast thou not striven to the inmost in thee? Death is the crown of all. Harden! Hold up thyself! Lift thine head! breathe not so deep - die!

"Or art thou still entangled with the thorny plaits of wild briar rose that thou hast woven in thy magick dance on earth? Are not thine eyes strong enough to bear the starlight? Must thou linger yet awhile in the valley? Must thou dally with shadows in the dusk? Then if it be thy will, thou hast no right but to do thy will! Love still these phantoms of the earth; thou has made thyself a king; if it please thee to play with toys of matter, were they not made to serve thy pleasure? Then follow in thy mind the wondrous word of the Stele of Revealing itself. Return if thou wilt from the abode of the stars: dwell with mortality and feast thereon. For thou art this day made Lord of Heaven and of Earth.

The dead man Ankh-f-na-Khonsu  
Saith with his voice of truth and calm:  
O thou that hast a single arm!  
O thou that glitterst in the moon!  
I weave thee in the spinning charm;  
I lure thee with the billowy tune.

The dead man Ankh-f-na-Khonsu  
Hath joined the dwellers of the light,  
Opening Duat, the star abodes.  
Their keys receiving.

The dead man Ankh-f-na-Khonsu  
Hath made his passage into night,  
His pleasure on the earth to do  
Among the living.

Love is the law, love under will.

The Benediction of the All-Begetter, All-Devourer be upon thee.  
Aleister Crowley (Published in "The International", New York, 1917)

## ENERGY--POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE

BY  
KATJA-ATHENA

You learned few things about energy in the lecture on aura, since, as we said there, aura is our energetic body. This is why this lecture will be easier for you to understand for we can all "feel" energy.

Energy plays a special role within all living and non-living things. Essentially, it is the source and beginning of life.

Contemporary scientists believe that the nature of energy is electric, but there are theories which talk about the basic cosmic energy as a non-electric energy. According to the ancient Chinese philosophy, there are two energies that are in the polar relation with one another, namely, ying and yang.

In my opinion, it is not important for us to choose one specific theory, since each one of them could be easily defended. However, the important thing is that all theories are based upon one postulate: energy is an essential part of all processes of life; physical movements, feelings, thinking, and all other processes of life would stop if the flow of energy is seriously endangered. When I speak about energy, I most frequently mention the cosmic energy, positive and negative energy, active and passive (or male and female) energy, the energy of will and love, etc.

We are still not used to think about a person in terms of energy. The amount of energy one person has, and the way he/she uses it always reflects on his/her personality. Some have more energy than others. Some more easily eliminate useless energy (such as at the times of high emotional disturbances) than others. Some absorb the energy with more difficulties than others. This could be easily seen when dealing with depressed people; they are depressed energetically. In some of more serious cases of depression, the person has no energy even to move or get interested for something. The depression of the energetic field can be seen through the lessening of all the energetic functions. In such cases it is very important that someone be there to help that person build up his/her own energy.

Energy changes only through receiving and discharging. When the harmonic exchange of energy is achieved, the person is in equilibrium of his/her movements, feelings, and thinking. Children, however, take in more energy than they discharge, because they need this "excess" for growth. If the ability of a person to express him/herself, his/her ideas and feelings, are limited by the internal forces, that person will reduce the energy intake in order to keep the existing equilibrium inside him/herself.

Since the body is an energy system, it is constantly in an energetic interaction with its environment. Besides the energy that is produced by the digestion of food, we also become excited or take in energy through contact with the positive forces. A bright sunny day, a merry person, or a beautiful countryside have all a stimulative effect on us, and the energy exchange will take place in a way that suits our particular individual natures. A dark and difficult day, ugliness and depressed people have all negative influence on our energy system.

We are all sensitive to the forces and energies which surround us, but they influence different people differently. Stable persons with a solid energy exchange resist negative influences better. At the same time, these persons have a positive influence on other people. It is nice to be around

such people, and we can all feel this intuitively.

You can see what someone feels by the way that person appears physically. If you happen to be sad or ill, that will not remain a secret; the people around you do indeed feel your sorrow or see your illness: lowered shoulders, a stiff face expression, a lack of shininess in the eyes, the heaviness of the movements, change of voice are all indicators that something is wrong. A furious person is easily recognizable by the red face and stiff lips. Affection and love bring about the "softening" of the face features; we can see how warmth embraces the skin and the eyes.

One's attitudes toward life is reflected on the total energy exchange, which in turn is reflected on the body posture and movements, as well as on emotions and stream of thought.

An intensive sorrow, furor, apathy, and especially hatred, and all other extremely powerful emotions which last a longer period of time, are under the influence of negative energy. Happiness, contentment, joy, and especially love are all under the influence of positive energy. The former usually lead to body or soul sickness, while the latter lead to health and equilibrium.

All of us possess both the positive and negative energy. It does not mean that a person is negative if he/she possesses negative energy--it only means that there is a disharmony in that person's aura bodies (or planes). This disharmony, as we have already mentioned, is reflected on that person's physical body. Then, most often, we say that person is ill.

If we observe a person who has been sick for some time, we would be able to see how his/her personality changes as the time and sickness progress. The person becomes more and more depressed, lacks motivation to talk, becomes nervous and languid. These are characteristics of the negative energy.

The negative energy is just like corrosion--it destroys the positive energy and takes up more and more room within the human body. This is the reason why the inroad of the negative energy should be stopped as soon as possible.

When we are sick, we must recover as soon as possible in order to restore our good life energy. Without it, we cannot work, we are not creative, we are not able to love, we cannot live. Sometimes we ourselves, not even knowing how, unconsciously, transform the positive energy into the negative energy. Let us take as an example love between man and woman. Love is the positive energy, but if it transforms into jealousy or possessiveness, then this beautiful divine energy becomes negative (dirty and low). A person can even kill under the influence of a very strong negative energy. In that case, the person transformed all of his/her energy into negative energy, although the act itself resulted from love.

Both positive and negative energies are always ours. Whether this energy is going to be positive or negative depends on (1) us; (2) the country we live in; and (3) the people who surround us.

(1) It indeed matters what we think and how we behave. If we succeed to achieve peace through meditation, we will become very good observers of all that happens within us and around us. The person who achieved peace will realize that some unpleasant experience was only a twinkle in his/her life. The peace of mind will allow you to look at that experience from all



angles, and also to solve the problem the best way you can. Your internal peace will also positively influence your behavior toward the environment you live in. In other words, you will not be transforming the positive energy into the negative one.

Calm and relaxed person with positive thoughts always much easier discovers his/her own true will and love.

A good way to force your mind to create positive thoughts is to visualize the people whom you love and for whom you are certain that they love you, all the pleasant moments you spent with them, the places (cities, villages, lakes, mountains, etc.) where you feel good, all the problems and obstacles that you successfully solved, and all the things that enrich you. The good time for this is before you fall asleep. More precisely, that is the time when you are almost overpowered by sleep but your senses still receive external stimuli.

(2) It is pleasant to live on Earth which vibrates with positive energy, but, unfortunately, we have polluted the environment and the atmosphere to such a degree that it is hard to expect much positive vibrations in today's nature. Totalitarian regimes and wars in some countries put people in the environment of very negative energies. In such cases it is very difficult for people to protect themselves, and they have to work very hard in order to grow spiritually.

One of the ways of changing negative vibrations around us, or of "cleaning" the place we live in is by doing rituals in which there are words that are easy to vibrate. Good/positive vibrations protect us from the waves of negative energies. People have performed such rituals throughout the history, and thus chased evil spirits, or healed many diseases, invoked rain during droughts or Sun during heavy rains and floods. Rituals, some in original and some in changed forms, survived, and the fact is that more and more people are accepting them.

(3) When I mentioned that how much positive or negative energy you are going to get depends mostly on the people who surround you, I meant mostly your friends.

We can rarely choose our neighbors, as well as the people at our working place. Every day we are passing through very busy places, such as metros, railway stations, bus depots, airports, hospitals, etc. But after all of our duties and responsibilities outside our homes are done, we should be very selective when we choose people who are going to surround us in our homes. These are most frequently our own families and friends.

Your friends, and especially your family play an extremely important role. If your friends are of weak character, spiritually undeveloped, or if they are intriguers, you will gradually become weaker and soon be just like them, or you might become an introvert type closed toward everything and everyone around you. Because of this, people group themselves into different social groups, clubs, around church organizations, etc. People tend to approach the others with the similar beliefs and interests. Then they can be more open and receptive. The exchange of energy will take place in the best way possible.

There are people who virtually spread negative energies; they simply live by doing this. they take in the positive energy from their environment and transform it into the negative one. They leak the negative energy when

surrounded by their families and friends. When they empty themselves, they start taking in the positive energy again, and the cycle continues.

If you are in good mood, and someone at home or at work spoils your day, you can be sure that you received a part of negative energy. Do not allow this negative energy to totally rule over your emotions. Protect yourself, and close yourself for a brief moment. Of course, one should differentiate whether the dispute between the people arose from the negative energies of both parties or only of one, and whether this negative energy is inclined to overpower the remaining positive energy. Disputes sometimes arise from the will to transform the negative energy into the positive one, i.e., they arise in order to make things better between people.

How can we protect and close ourselves fast? If you learned the exercise from the last lecture on aura, this will not be difficult for you.

Remind yourself how you visualized yourself in Chidakasha or your "mental screen". In this exercise it is important to visualize head and chest. Visualize the chalk that marks circles around your chest. Do this several times until you can see a broader strip in front of your chest at the level of your heart. This drawing by chalk has to be accompanied with the thought "only up to here" or something similar, which means that if there is some negative energy around you, you are preventing it to enter you. It is even better if you are able to visualize colors, but if you are not, it is sufficient to imagine yourself as dark and the chalk as very white. You should not visualize the chalk as dark, otherwise it slowly becomes transparent--it merges with the already dark image of your head and chest.

To improve your sense of protection, you can visualize that your hands embrace the heavy chalk strip around you, so that the palms of your hands are turned toward you and hands touch one another (as you embrace someone).

If you are performing this exercise regularly, whenever you sense an "attack", your protective zone (the strip) will automatically be there to protect you. By building up your protective zone, you are building up your own aura. The negative energy cannot pass very easily through a strong and well-built aura. Aura is like a stretched net from which ball (in this case the negative energy) bounces back, while the positive energy is easily absorbed.

Some people already built up such a strong protective zone that they cannot even feel positive energy (moderation is recommended). They are always in defense. The super strong protective zone they built up does not mean they have a fascinating aura. Their protective zone is like a wide cement wall, which in fact decreases the ability to feel someone else's troubles, decreases the feeling of solidarity and common cause, but also increases the difficulties to express their good sides. Such people are often very closed to some deeper human interactions, including love. In their energy bodies (auras) there is no more equilibrium.

Disharmony also occurs when the aura is constantly open. Then we receive virtually everything, all the nonsense and frauds. It is then that we believe everything the authority tells us, without checking it for ourselves and without any criticism. To be sure, such people (with constantly open auras) receive the positive energy, but the quantity of negative energy they receive is much larger proportionally, for they are indeed a good target for the people who release their pains and problems and who spread the negative energy around themselves.

If you by some chance happen to be in a room where the presence of great quantities of negative energy can be felt (the negative energy

released by people who are in the contrast to you in their morality, such as alcohol and drug abuse, heavy fights, harsh words, etc.), activate your protective zone around you at the level of your heart and say: "Only up to here", which means: "I can see, hear, I think, and the situation is under my control; and I am not under the influence of this negative energy, I do not absorb it; I am only a observer."

The above implies that we should be open when we want to and when we wish to, and with the people we choose. Our own intuition could be of great help. When one is developing his/her spirituality, one is freeing his/her own intuition. Let us not forget that the intuition sphere is a part of our aura body, and that this sphere is just next to the absolute or divine sphere.

We could say that an intuitive person is in harmony with his/her will, or that he/she carries love, or he/she possesses a good guardian angel. And indeed, all that is within us makes our own self.

I will present to you two easy but effective exercises, which will help you receive as much cosmic energy as possible, and which will bring about a harmonious exchange of energy.

Turn toward the West. Spread your legs so that the distance between them is approximately equal to your waist width. Put your body weight to the front part of your feet (your toes). Raise your hands and spread them just like your legs. Spread your fingers and stretch them. Breathe deeply. After some time, you will feel tingling, first in your hands, then in your body, and lastly in your feet. After this, lower your hands next to your body and turn toward the East. Relax the hands, feet, and breathe normally.

While we were turned toward the West, we were receiving energy, and we turned to the East, we started to arrange this energy all over our body. The above exercise should not be longer than two or three minutes. It is sufficient to do it once a day when you have some free time. If you are very tired, or sick, do this exercise twice a day--in the morning and in the evening. The influx of energy can be even better if you visualize in your mind how energy enters you as a white cloud each time you inhale.

Second exercise: Sit up. Your head and spine should form a straight line. Now raise one of your hands and firmly grab the air with it, as if you are holding a rope. Then bring the fist of your hand to your neck. Then do the same with your other hand. Repeat these movements, raising one hand and lowering the other for about one to two minutes.

We can obtain energy from the ground as well. If you get a chance, walk barefoot on the rocks or on some soil. Walk on the soil that was not touched by humans yet, or the soil that has not yet been manured or dig. Such places will be easily found in the woods. When you are there, choose a big and straight tree, lean against it with your back, stretch your hands so that they rest on the tree, then turn around, and lean against the tree with your chest and embrace it as much as you can. Try to be relaxed while you are doing this. Rivers and oceans are also very good sources of energy. If it is cold, and you cannot stay or swim in the water that was created nature, go by boat, or walk on the beach or river bank. Water, as we saw in the first lecture, removes the negative energy, so it is very good to walk in the rain sometimes. Some people might tell you that they feel great when it is raining, and that is because the layer of the negative energy accumulated on the aura goes away and the exchange of energy can take place with almost no obstacles.

Unfortunately, the environment we live in is very polluted today, and thus the equilibrium in the nature has been drastically disturbed. Everything around us, everything that appears in nature is wrapped by an energy layer. The more we pollute and destroy around us, the more we lose.

Accordingly, we must learn how to obtain that necessary energy from the nature today in the most rational way.

You have seen that in each of the lectures I have been constantly mentioning concentration (mental), meditation, and visualization. To achieve peace, to be able to think thoroughly about anything, means to have control over the energies.

Thus, for example, with the strong concentration of thought, which is sharp as knife, we can achieve a lot. With it we can send anywhere and to whomever we want a wave of peace, health, love. But I have to caution you here that we are also able to send uneasiness, illness, hatred, or everything we visualize in our Chidakasha.

Peace, love, and health are warm energies. They reach aura of the person to whom we have sent this energy, they then softly enter that person's aura and gradually reach that person's mind. The person involved is rarely aware of this process, but he/she receives this energy usually with no problems. Love is the most beautiful energy of all, and only the person with a great amount of negative energy can reject it.

Uneasiness, illness, hatred are cold energies. They reach a person in a cold wave. We can feel hatred much easier than love. This is natural since the system of defense is already built up in our aura. If you activate your protective layer on time, the hatred that someone sent you will bounce off from you and return to the sender as a boomerang.

May all of you live in  
Peace, Love, and Good Health

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MY SOUL IS AN ENCHANTED BOAT

My soul is an enchanted boat.  
Which, like a sleeping swan, doth float  
Upon the silver waves of thy sweet singing:  
And thine doth like an angel sit  
Beside a helm conducting it,  
Whilst all the winds with melody are ringing,  
It seems to float ever, for ever,  
Upon that many-winding river,  
Between mountains, woods, abysses,  
A paradise of wildernesses!  
Till, like one in slumber bound,  
Borne to the ocean, I float down, around,  
Into a sea profound, of ever-spreading sound.

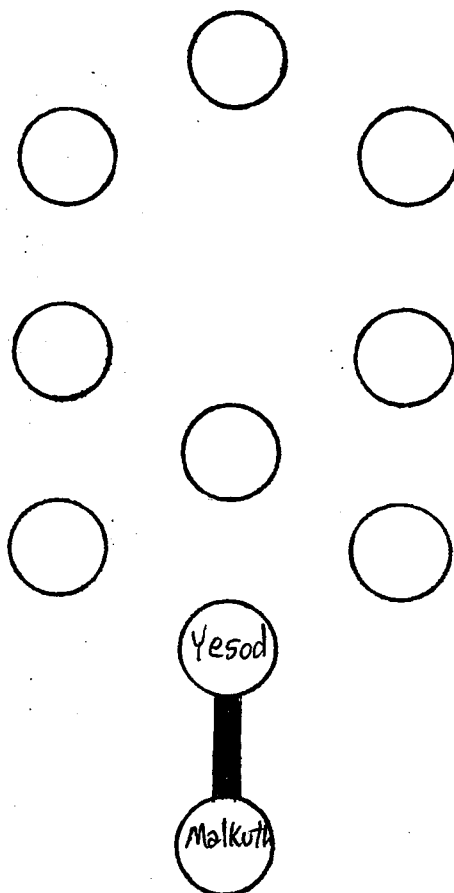
Meanwhile thy spirit lifts its pinions  
In music's most serene dominions;  
Catching the winds that fan that happy heaven.  
And we sail on, away, afar,  
Without a course, without a star,  
But by the instinct of sweet music driven;  
'Till through Elysian garden islets  
By thee, most beautiful of pilots,  
Where never mortal pinnacle glided,  
The boat of my desire is guided;  
Realms where the air we breathe is love,  
Which in the winds and on the waves doth move,  
Harmonising this earth with what we feel above.

We have passed Age's icy caves,  
And Manhood's dark and tossing waves,  
And Youth's smooth ocean, smiling to betray:  
Beyond the glassy gulphs we flee  
O shadow-peopled Infancy,  
Through Death and Birth, to a diviner day;  
A paradise of vaulted bowers,  
Lit by downward-gazing flowers,  
And watery paths that wind between  
Wilderness calm and green,  
Peopled by shapes too bright to see,  
And rest, having beheld; somewhat like thee  
Which walk upon the sea and chant melodiously!

Aleister Crowley.



XXI The Universe





## THE TRUMPS OF THOTH AND PSYCHOLOGY

### Trump XXI - The Universe

The Hebrew letter which corresponds to this Trump is Tau, which means a cross or a mark. Tau enumerates to 400 and if the letter is spelled out, Tau, Vau, it equals 406 which means THOU, a name of God. The planet attributed to this Trump is Saturn, the Great Initiator.

Saturn in its Astrological influence means inertness, concreteness, profundity, weight, limitations, the structure of the boney system of the body and the structure of the character. Saturn brings delay, restrictions, troubles, until a person learns that something is amiss in the life and learning must take place if anything is to go in the way of the True Will and end in joy for those who can accomplish this. So behind the taskmaster lessons of Saturn is the demand that learning must take place and the final result is joy in going one's own True Way.

Saturn rules in Capricorn and Aquarius and so we look to the meaning of the Trumps for these two signs. Capricorn is "The Devil" and Aquarius is "The Star", q.v. These two seem diametrically opposed but this would be due only to our own limited viewpoints. Saturn is also exalted in Libra, whose Hebrew letter is Lamed or L which is half of the word for God, "AL".

Saturn as the Initiator is the first step upward on the Tree of Life. It is typical that Saturn sends disaster so that we will move out of limited viewpoints in order to seek escape or more likely, to transform the lower animal nature to which we are held in bondage until we decide to move upward on the ladder of evolution and away from the materiality of Malkuth. Our civilization has been too concerned with this materiality and has forgotten the spiritual side of existence and for this we must suffer until we can move out of such limited thinking and behaviour.

This Trump is called the Administrative Intelligence. This title tells us that we are responsible for the welfare of the world around us and we must take an active participation in the government of this world, of this Universe, which we have made for ourselves. Mankind is responsible for the welfare of the planet upon which he lives, even more so than the animals. We must not ruin our planet and our environment or we kill ourselves and the animal life upon which we are dependent. At the same time, we must also live by the laws of the spiritual life. The Universe has order and law and humankind must respond to this order and law and incorporate this into each life. If this is not done, there is no way the person could ascend the Tree of Life and attain to great Illumination. This Trump is the first step and it is also the last in the world we have each been creating for ourselves as we activate the archetypes, the building blocks of manifestation which are represented by the other Trumps, until we have created our own Universe, each one of us.

This is our Universe, this Trump sums up all that has gone before. We started as a silent babe, ready for anything, as the Fool, which was the beginning of our journey into the Universe. This tiny central point symbolized by the Fool, which is the center of the Star for each of us, then goes through the various changes and accretions and adventures symbolized by the Trumps between it and the Universe. Aleph, the Fool, and Th, Tau, the Universe or the word ATH, sums up the process and means the essence. When the Fool thus comes to the end and has invented his Universe, he becomes the end and the beginning all over again and the process begins again, over and over. This is also a glyph of the indestructibility of each star and of its reincarnations on the earth and in any other part of space.

This Trump symbolizes the raw materials of our universe, space, energy, matter, and all the phenomena takes place in time. Space can be symbolized by Kether, which sits as a point of light in the vast spaces of Nuit. Energy is Chokmah, the Father, the beginning of manifestation. Matter takes this energy and is built up in it and of it, and this is Binah. Binah also is equated with Saturn, which is known as the planet of time. All the phenomena takes place in time. We all know that if something goes wrong in the individual life, it will take time to heal the wounds. It will also take sincere application and work in order to view matters from a different perspective. What have we learned by the phenomena which we have made for ourselves? Why did we choose to suffer that particular event? Saturn is the planet who heals as well as the planet who leads us to the truth of ourselves. This planet intimates that we must shoulder responsibility for every bit of the phenomena of our lives and we must live according to the laws of nature and of the Universe.

Space is symbolized by the green area behind the dancing figure, the green of earth and its spaces. Also the blue of the heavens surrounds this space and on this blue are the 72 quinarities or divisions of space. They are known as the Shem-ha-Mephoresh; each is  $5^{\circ}$  of the zodiac circle. Each division has a magical image which has been built up by the sages working with the Hebrew system.

The dancing virgin is the energy of the planet which derives from the open eye of God above her. The eye is symbolic of Kether, the point of light where all movement, phenomena, action begins as a point of experience wedding itself to the vastness of empty space, the totality of possibilities, which is Nuit. The eye radiates light in eleven divisions, which is a number sacred to Nuit and among other things, symbolizes the wedding of the five and the six, the material world and the spiritual. The lady holds one ray of this light, which is curved, like a scythe, a symbol attributed to Saturn and also to the card of Death. Again, another symbol which suggests that death and life are two curves of one same manifestation.

The figure stands on a moving serpent, which symbolizes among other things, the movement of time, the law of death and rebirth and the repetition of this over and over. Since we are indestructible as stars in the heaven of Nu. She touches a coil of the

serpent and seems to be dancing with it or playing with it. Indeed this we all do as we manifest in the undulations of time. Behind her is a cloak which hides the phenomena as yet unmanifested until it is ready to burst forth as an accomplished fact. Often we do not know what we create, we do not know the results of our thoughts and actions, and yet these results are as sure of happening as is the general structure of our bodies and of our minds. Saturn as a planet is nudging us to become more aware of what the final results will be if we harbor certain thoughts and actions. The karma of all this follows the laws of our chosen universe.

Below her feet are the building blocks of the Universe, the atomic structure of everything is suggested here. This is the matter which results from the action of the Hadit point in each one of us with the raw materials of the Universe. These materials are even more vast than we can imagine in our limited world view, but they are the ones we have chosen to work with in order to live on this planet.

The four elements of earth, air, fire and water are shown by the four cherubs in the four corners of the card. As humans we have defined our world with four main directions and with four elements.

Air is characterized by the head of a man as the cherubic sign of Aquarius is equated with this element. Air is intellectuality and man is the intellectual animal on earth. Air also signifies the volatility of every material form and its movement. Even rocks, when heated or subjected to certain conditions, can become volatile and certainly can move as they respond to the pull of gravity under unusual stress. Aquarius also is now represented by "The Star" trump and it would be worthwhile to refer again to this card. The "Star" is an eminently human figure, the promise of our New Age, and also the letter Heh, the second letter in Tetragrammaton. This card also represents the final Heh, the daughter, which must be transformed by the action of Vau, the Son, or the Hierophant card. This is especially commemorative in that Malkuth itself also is a representation of the final Heh, the earth, the result of the action of Yod, He, Vau. And, of course, our Trump, the Universe, arises directly from the earth and lies in the middle pillar of the Tree.

Earth is symbolized by the bull and corresponds to Taurus, and to the card of the Hierophant, which has the Hebrew letter Vau as its glyph. This cherub refers to the solid feel of matter which we cannot simply go through as long as we have a solid body and are dwelling in it. Earth is cold and dry and reflects the idea of Saturn. Since the ancients did not arrange for a Hebrew letter to represent earth, it was thought that in the new age, earth could be equated with the Trump of Saturn.

Fire is symbolized by the Lion and is equated with Leo, the Lion in the zodiac. The Trump referring to this element is "Lust" and the Hebrew letter is Teth. Fire is in everything too and represents the warmth of all matter. Fire is in the center of the earth and in the Sun and in every human body, in every mineral and vegetable and animal.

Water is symbolized by the Trump "Death" which equates with the Hebrew letter Nun and the zodiac sign of Scorpio. This sign actually has three main symbols, the scorpion, the snake and the eagle. For convenience' sake, just the eagle is pictured as this is the highest part of emotionality. Emotions = water in human life. And, of course, water is in everything as well. It is easy if we think of the four cherubs as they make up the human body. Air is the prana, oxygen and other gases which we breathe in and which permeate the whole body. Earth is the solid parts of the body, the minerals which make it up. Fire is the warmth generated by each living thing as universal energy is utilized. Water is the liquids that make up our bodies. We cannot possibly live without any one of these four elements. This is true for all sentient entities and these include the mineral world, the plant world, the animal world of alchemical definitions.

The Universe which we have been busily making is defined and hemmed in by the divisions of space, the zodiac and by the four cherubs and by time, space, matter and energy. We must live in harmony with the laws of all of these if we are to survive and make the best possible use of our manifested world.

For convenience, a chart which appeared in IN THE CONTINUUM, Vol. II, No. 4, is included so that reference can be made to the cherubs again in their many manifestations. This chart was made from Crowley's LIBER ALEPH and THE BOOK OF THOTH. These two books represent A.C.'s most mature understanding of the cherubs and much else besides. He finally settled on the symbols for the cherubs which were used in the Golden Dawn and probably found that various of his experiments with these symbols did not work.

The Trump of the Universe connects the spheres of Malkuth and Yesod. Malkuth represents the first matter of the work, the physicality, the unredeemed "daughter" which is represented by the final Heh of Tetragrammaton. And this Universe card shows a picture of this daughter, the beauty of the earth and of final manifestation. She is called the "Anima Mundi" or the soul of the earth, by the Alchemists.

Yesod is the automatic functioning of the human, the lowest point of the emotional life, the Moon and all the primitive urges associated with this symbol. Moon represents the feminine, and also the emotional life in Astrology. Thus it is fitting that the Trump which connects these two spheres shows a feminine figure. The God in each of us, the Holy Guardian Angel, works through the medium of the physical earth to effect His transformations and lead us to the light of Tiphereth, our central Sun. It is through the earth vehicle, which we each have chosen, that experience is gathered which leads to the growth of our Star. At each incarnation the essential self forges a new vehicle for the gathering of experience. In our growth, that is all we are, a memory of our experiences and what we have learned from them. We are not the body which we wear temporarily, even though in that body, we experience life as a welding of spirit, soul and body and these are inseparable as we choose to live in the physical world.

Many folk are not aware of the forces of the Universe and how it is they have made their own world and everything that is in it. Mystics and occultists have stated that the universe exists as mind and that there is no separation of body or the physical life and mind. When we understand the Tree of Life, we can see how this is the case. The mind of a man makes him what he is. This is represented by the spheres of the Ruach, Chesed, Geburah, Tiphereth, Netzach, Hod and Yesod. How these spheres and the paths which connect them are used and which are emphasized and which almost forgotten or not very operable, makes a person what he/she is.

In Astrology, it is said that each person is a whole of the Zodiac and each sign therein is represented in everyone. But at some incarnations, some signs are more emphasized than other signs. This makes the quality of the individual person. It is also true of the distribution of the planets and with these basic tools of life, each person is different from every other person.

The trained occultist can see at a glance the quality and the vital character of each person as the mind of each makes his own surroundings, his gestures, his actions, his words and how he uses them, what he does to his surroundings, how he responds to other phenomena. Is this person who is being observed on the way to a greater development, or is the person mired in his own backward reactions, his fear, his hate, his lack of understanding, his own negative emotions which he refuses to let go of? Of course, when one cannot transform the negativities, then further progress in growth and evolution cannot take place and the person is confined to his own hell until he learns to climb out of it. The remedy for such attitudes, of course, is to reach for the all-encompassing love of the H.G.A. and to turn around the blackness of one's hell into a necessary lesson which one has brought upon oneself.

It is up to each of us to transform our own personal world. This is the "first matter of the work" as the Alchemists spoke of it. This is also the Great Work as we refer to it in various systems of thought.

This Trump is really the most important card in the deck as it sums up all the energies and possibilities of the cosmos. It is the final accumulation of experience and also the first step towards understanding the various components of that experience. It is this Trump which starts the inner explorations which can help a person to realize how every Trump is manifested in his life, some are more strong than others, of course. This first step up the Tree of Life leads a person to the understanding of how he is one with all of the various energies pictured on that Tree by the meanings of the spheres and the trumps.

From the BOOK OF THOTH, "Naught becomes All to realise the span Of Naught. O perfect Universe of Pan." And - "Treat time and all conditions of Event as Servants of thy Will, appointed to present the Universe to thee in the form of thy Plan. And: blessing and worship to the prophet of the lovely Star."

# TABULATION OF CORRESPONDENCES

## THE SPHINX

	LIFE	LIGHT	LOVE	LIBERTY
The Sphinx	Velle To Will (Energy)	Audere To Dare (Courage)	Tacere To Keep Silence (Soaring Subtlety)	Scire To Know (Intelligence)
Zodiac Sign	Taurus	Leo	Scorpio	Aquarius
Symbol	The Bull	Lion, Beast	Dragon or Woman-Serpent (Scorpion, Snake, Eagle)	Man or Eagle
Tarot Atu	V. Hierophant	XI. Lust	XIII. Death	XVII. The Star
Hebrew Letter and Number	Vau - 6	Teth - 9	Nun - 50	He - 5
Element	Earth	Fire	Water	Air
Quarter	East	South	West	North
Season	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Part of Day	Dawn	Noon	Sundown	Midnight
Liber Resh	Ra	Athathoor	Tum	Khephra
Liber Reguli & Star Ruby	Therion	Hadit	Babalon	Nuit
Tetragrammaton	Final Hé	Yod	He	Vau

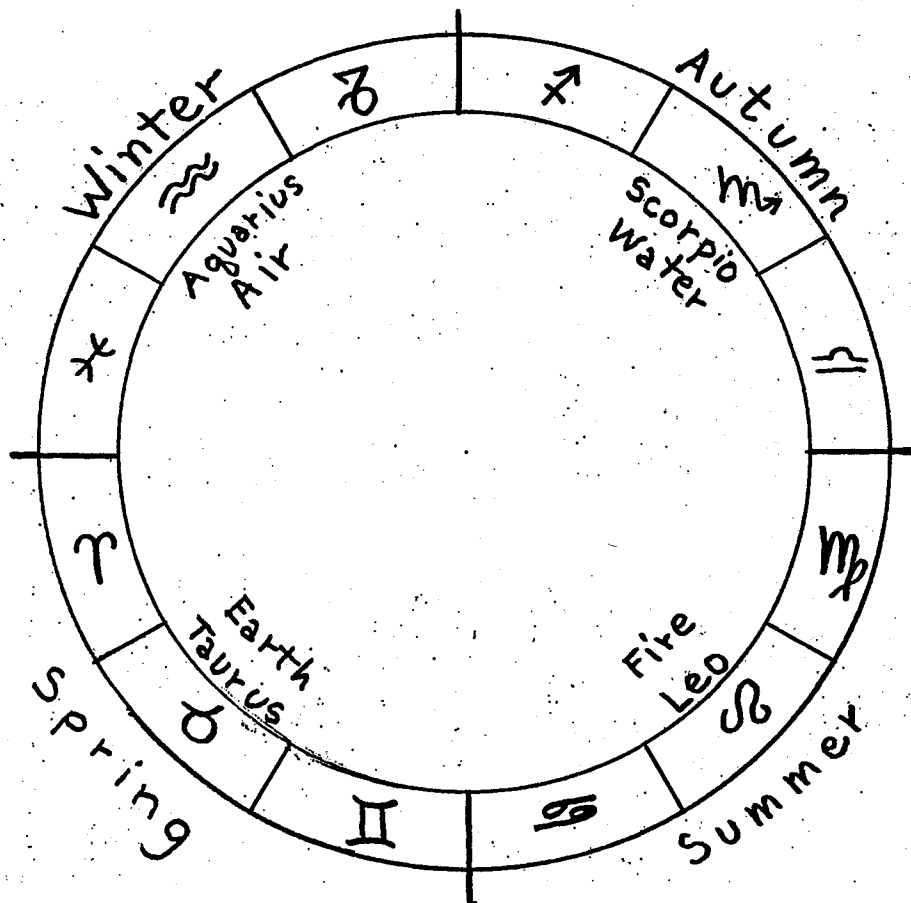


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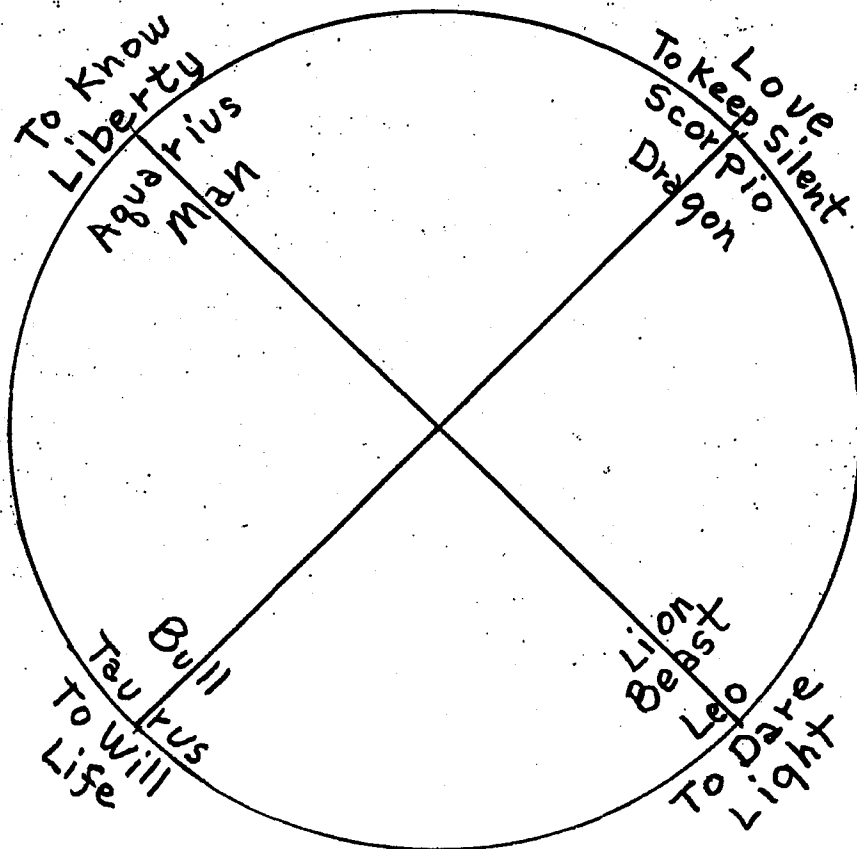


Diagram B

### DAY OF MIRTH

Crystal are the sounds in the air  
As the soft tender eve approaches nigh.  
Ah, day that was so healing and fair  
As the warm sun kissed and stole by.

A birdsong of beauteous delight  
Enchants and entrances my heart.  
Ah, bird, thou art so fairy bright  
Caroling as you perch and then dart.

I too am a small bird for my love,  
Caroling sweet songs for his ear,  
Or perhaps I am a white dove  
Fluttering wildly as he comes near.

Transformed, I am a Queen  
Bearing gifts from the earth.  
Oh, love, where have you been  
To have lost this day of mirth?

Meral  
(March 5, 1970)

### SONGBIRD

A broken songbird upon a bough  
Sits sad and disconsolate, wings clipped,  
Song muse gone, life not to allow  
The joy of former years. All love slipped

Into oblivion, and toil the favour of soul-night.  
When lo! Unto the senses straining  
For break of dawn, breaks the light,  
Great Sun on rim of the world, streaming

Fingers of light into soul of silent bird.  
And now bursts forth a praising paeon  
Of love-song, like unto none ever heard  
Save in the God-soul of the aeon.

Meral  
(March 6, 1970)



A PAEAN

"I await the awaking - the summons on high,  
From the Lord Adonai, the Lord Adonai."

(Liber LXV)  
Aleister Crowley

O Beloved and my only Master  
O Splendid One with the wings of a Dove  
Empearled and glittering;  
I await, my heart beats faster  
At the wing sounds swirling above,  
Oh dewy One, I am dancing.

On the wings of song you approach:  
Daffodils bend their heads  
Swaying before Thy fresh breath,  
Thou essence of perfume, touch  
My brow, my worldly cares are shed  
Far into the abyss, a part of death.

For aeons have we loved, draw nigh  
And pledge our love once again  
In honeyed kiss, I await Thy bliss.  
Thou who art rapture, who art I  
In my unknown essence, 'tis in vain  
If ever I turn from Thee, my soul's bliss.

Great star nestled in Nu's bosom  
United we are one, we are none  
In Her starry light, enchanted  
By Her sorcery, hearts blossom  
Amongst her stars: not alone  
Are we, but streams of light slanted

From star to star. Each angel sends  
Light essences of ineffable love:  
Each love an ecstasy of Nuit.  
The star ray dazzling my eyes bends  
Before Thy gaze, oh tender dove  
Lady of the Stars, Oh, Nuit.

Meral  
Feb. 14, 1970

JANE WOLFE

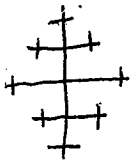
Hollywood

Aleister was so happy at knowing that his son, Aleister Ataturk, was alive, that he wanted to aid with the boy's education and help him in other ways. He was prompted to write this directive which Jane copied out and sent around to all members of the Order.

"Netherwood  
The Ridge  
Hastings  
Sussex, England.

May 22, 1947, e.v.

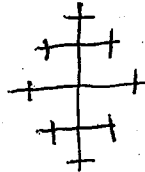
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"We, Baphomet XI<sup>O</sup> O.T.O. hereby charge all members of the Order, jointly and severally, to do what in them lies to watch over and ensure the welfare of Aleister Ataturk, the natural son of the body of Aleister Crowley, in respect of his memory.

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"Witness our hand and seal



Baphomet X<sup>O</sup> O.T.O.

O.H.O.

This directive too, was a reminder to Jane that Aleister would not last long as Karl had foretold in his last letter that Aleister's lungs had about given out. She wrote three more letters, keeping them on a cheerful note. On July 31, she wrote:

"To my beloved and ageless Guru -  
To Perdurabo -

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

"Dear heart, you are so generous! Today "Olla", this volume of Truth and Beauty. Three weeks ago, from Karl, in a package of 'Letters' yet to be typed, "Fear, a Bad Astral Vision."

"This letter laid low the last of my haunting demons. But the goad that will keep me "Sitting Up" at all times, so that I do not treat you - the greatest event in my life - with so little consideration at times!

"There was a time when the thought of you obsessed me, - this I had to kill out, and did: so that I am now free of that imp of distraction.

"Years ago I used to wonder how you continued to tolerate me in Cefalu; and still I transgress. I would so like to see you again. At times I tell you things during the day: sometimes at night I draw near your influence. But terra firma as a meeting place would be much more satisfactory."

She went on to discuss the letters which were to be published in MAGICK WITHOUT TEARS. She and Aleister and Karl had been working on their right sequence in the book and Jane had done a great deal of typing and distributing of these letters to various members of the O.T.O. Some were in Max's care, and had to be retrieved, some had quite a few copies made of them.

She also reported on the students which Max had left behind when he moved to San Mateo in the Bay Area with Jean. Jane had taken these people under her wing and they met regularly with her as their teacher. As a result, Jane did a lot more studying and worked on materials on Qabalah, Tarot, Thelema and Psychology and other matters which interested her students.

Karl took a short vacation with Sascha that summer and when he returned, he went on with his plans to visit Aleister in England. He had difficulty in scraping up the money, but nevertheless, he worked hard to make the trip and be with Aleister on his birthday. He planned to sail to Antwerp where he could complete some business left behind when he was arrested during the war and sent to a French concentration camp. He also wanted to meet with Frederic Mellinger for there was much to discuss.

But Karl's visa was denied by the Immigration Service and it is now known that he had secret enemies in the government. This upset him a great deal as Aleister had not had the strength to write about various matters, such as LIBER ALEPH, which might be at the printers. This was really a deadly blow, not only for business matters, but also for other reasons as Karl had been Aleister's support and business head and Grand Treasurer General of the O.T.O., among other things.

Jane wrote another letter to Aleister on October 3 to give him greetings on his birthday and to wish him health and strength. She described one of her rituals and mentioned other small matters in order to be cheerful and hopefully lighten Aleister's spirits.

Then that October Max suffered a massive stroke and was paralysed on one side of his body.

Aleister wrote to Karl on October 14, 1947 and a copy was sent to Jane.

"Dear Karl,

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

"I have not been well enough to answer your letter 'till now. There seems nothing the matter with me but extreme exhaustion lasting over many years & now I've got to pay for my overwork.

"Jean's telegram was a dreadful blow. As a rule a first stroke passes off but then one has to be very careful afterwards because of a second, if not immediately fatal, is much worse than the first.

"You ask me for suggestions as to what to do & I am afraid that there is nothing that can be done. I don't think the ninth degree is any good in such cases though you can never tell & there is no harm in trying.

"As to curtailing the transfers, I am extremely sorry; but, first of all the withdrawal of Max's support curtails them automatically. In the second place, this very prolonged illness of mine is going to cost a young fortune, and always there is the printer hovering in the background ready to pounce. I can only think of one practical idea. You might get out a circular letter to all members recalling his loyalty and general usefulness for all these years. You might argue from this that we should form a special fund to help Max. I wouldn't mind giving it a start with £10, but I am afraid that would be about the limit of what I can do.

"Nor do I think that it is very necessary provided that Jean can support herself, because you can always get free treatment in a hospital, - but it's not as if we were trying to keep him going in his home.

"Well, that is how things are & we must trust in the Gods to alleviate the situation, if and how they choose.

"Being bed-ridden day after day, I cannot attend properly to the printing so that matter is again more or less stagnant. He assures me that he is doing all that is possible. The press proofs ought to be here any day & Frieda has undertaken to do what is necessary about the cover. For some reason it has had to be re-designed, another delay.

"I am sorry to hear what you say about Sascha's health; it seems as if there were a general attack on us all round. Once again there is nothing to be done but trust to the Gods.

"I do not like this - I am always so keen to be active but needs must when the devil drives.

"Love is the law, love under will,

"With every blessing upon you all,

"I am yours fraternally 666"

Though Karl followed Aleister's instructions and sent a letter to all members of O.T.O. asking for help for Max, he soon discovered this was not needed as Max had a brother who was willing to help. He also had other possibilities. His former wife, Georgia, was living near Barstow and was willing to help with the nursing, which she could share with Jean.

Karl then had to send a circular letter around to remind everyone that if Max didn't need contributions, the great work had to come first and this at the time consisted of trying to keep Aleister in decent health and of paying for the printing. He had to admit that Aleister's proposals for benefits for Max were overly generous but not very practical.

Jane wrote another letter to Aleister on Nov. 14, and described how her early life was full of music but when she went into drama, the dancing and the music stopped. She also talked of her latest ritual and how it helped her and was generally cheerful.

On November 19, Karl received a cable from Aleister from Hastings: -

"Perdurabo born 49 years ago. Therion sends deepest love highest blessing yourselves and Thelemites, the Universe - Aleister".

In his letter about this cable which was to be shared with all in the Order, Karl remarked that "November 18th, 1898 was the date when Perdurabo began his magical career." In a P.S. he wrote: "Please note that the message is not only addressed to members of Agape Lodge, but to Thelemites generally and The Universe."

Then on Dec. 2, 1947, Karl sent a cable to Jane: "Aleister died Monday noon 11:30 peacefully. Please notify everybody, Love Karl".

Jane replied to this:

"Your news of Aleister arrived promptly. Sniveling Jane feels a personal loss, but I am glad to say I can see the Great Sun filling the heavens with its radiance. . . . "Verily thou shalt not die, but live." If you could only have been there! I have a feeling you were nearer and dearer than any one there. The great heart may have had to endure loneliness as well as bodily pain. I shall be glad for any news you may send me."

She went on at great length about the members of the Lodge and how they were getting along under Roy's leadership.

Ray and Mildred wrote to Karl and he made haste to answer in this vein:

"Words are too weak to express the grief that has been upon me

since the fatal news arrived by cable Tuesday morning. It is not so much the sorrow about Aleister's death. On that I feel rather a relief that His suffering, the suffering of his body, and his unfathomable loneliness during these last years has been ended at last. This loneliness has been deeper than possibly at any time during the many, many years since he has been awake. (I mean that in the sense of the "Wake World" etc.) This loneliness is over, and as I see it, the very condition for his final attainment which He expressed in His cable to me of Nov. 18th. After that, it seems, there was nothing left to keep Him here.

"But what grieves me so insufferably is that in retrospect I see how often, how very often during the years - over 22 now - that I have known Aleister, I placed obstacles in his path, I obstructed, and sometimes made his life hell for the man A.C. I thought I could make good during the months I thought I could stay with him from September to early December of this year. But the British who have crucified their greatest son, and who persecuted him with their hatred, have remained true to form to the very last by refusing me a visa, and though A.C. knew that the visit was not to be, and must not be, he felt the cancellation of my journey as a deep blow.

"There is no secret about it that our relation had been from the start close and intense, closer than men generally can judge. His Work, that was His Life, must and will continue and be brought gradually to the success and glorification that he should have seen during His earthly life. Seen from that point I am deeply grateful to you both for the fine words in which you express this very idea in yours of December 3rd.

"I'll add some further remarks: the last letter I have from 666 is dated Nov. 5; it was typewritten and had a long postscript in his own hand, written as of old in a firm hand and showed him at his best. However, the letter was mailed by someone who saved airmail postage, and it arrived here Nov. 24th! I answered at once because he was worried about the printer, and now I wonder whether the letter reached him in time. I hope it did because I tried to relieve all worries connected with that and Liber Aleph.

"On Dec. 2nd I received two cables: One from Lady Harris announcing the death, asking me to communicate with her as I am joint executor with her of A.C.'s Will.

"The second cable was from a Brother who had contacted Thelema through an eminent Brother in Berlin when he was there on military duty for the British. I do not know when this Brother first went to see A.C.; it may have been a few months ago. However, all I know so far is from his cable which reads:

"Dear Brother: Our Master passed away peacefully today Eleven A.M. December First. My wife and I arrived Netherwood Yesterday. Writing."

"The word "yesterday" would then mean Nov. 30th. I am extremely glad that at least someone in the Order has been with A.C. in the hour of his parting.

"This is all I know so far. I have not had any communication yet. I expect this soon.

"It may be of interest that, not having heard from the British on my detailed statement for the need of my visa, and making a new application, I asked them by letter about it on Dec. 1st. The reply came this morning. "We regret to inform you that the authorities in the United Kingdom are unable to accede to your request for a visa".

"In an emergency I will ask Frederick to go to Hastings and secure all files MSS. papers, etc., etc., and bar a clause to the contrary in A.C.'s Will, to ship everything here. That would raise the problem of having an office or storeroom where one could work to catalogue the vast mass of material."

Karl went on with some business matters in this letter and then asked that the pertinent passages be copied and given to every member of the Order. A letter from Gerald Yorke which described Aleister's last moments and the funeral also arrived from Gerald Yorke. This letter was also copied out and sent around to the members of the Order.

"Dear Germer,

"You will be hearing shortly, if you have not already done so from Lady Harris & Louis Wilkinson, but I know you would like an account of A.C.'s death and cremation service.

"Lady Harris and the keeper of a small grocery shop over the way looked after him during his last illness, and he had both day and night nurses at the end. None of his friends, however, were with him at the moment of death - he was unconscious at the time. He cannot have suffered from financial worries as he had over 400 pounds in notes in a cash book. This has been banked by the executors.

"I went down with Lady Harris and Wilkinson to help them list, sort, and pack his things. As I expect you know, they and you are his executors and a young author, John Symonds, is the literary executor. Wilkinson in my presence listed all his books, type-scripts, MSS., and is sending you a copy. All his literary effects, his ashes, ring, go to the O.T.O. in America. Any money left over after paying debts, which appear to be negligible - will be claimed

by the Bankruptcy Receiver as he was still an undischarged bankrupt from 1935, unless you can prove that the money belongs to the Order and was never his. About 100 pounds is owed to the printers for Liber Aleph to be released.

"Bailey was the only person from the old days present at the cremation at Brighton. A.C.'s son Aleister (aged 9?) was there with his mother. There were some 15 of us with 3 press representatives. In accordance with his wishes Wilkinson recited the Hymn to Pan, most of the Book of the Law, leaving out verses which mention Egyptian names or are Qabalistic, and ending with the Collects from the Gnostic Mass. He read beautifully.

"Please do not send me Power of Attorney to act on your behalf. I do not expect you are thinking of doing so, but write this in case you should so think. It would not be honest for me having refused to have official business relations with him since at least 1932 to take them up after his death.

"I enclose letters to Jane Wolfe, Smith, describing the cremation. If they are still alive would you forward them on.

Yours

Gerald Yorke

Lady Frieda Harris then made up some "death memorial", as they were called. To defray her expenses she asked that each person who wished one should pay \$1.00 for the booklet. The art on the cover and on the first page is hers.





# ALEISTER CROWLEY

October 18th, 1875—December 1st, 1947



*Frieda Harrie del.*

Alas the Master; so he sinks in death.  
But whoso knows the mystery of man  
Sees life and death as curves of one same plan.

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whole of the Law*



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## *THE LAST RITUAL*

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*Love is the law, love under will*

## HYMN TO PAN

Thrill with lissome lust of the light,  
O man! My man!  
Come careering out of the night  
Of Pan! Io Pan.  
Io Pan! Io Pan! Come over the sea  
From Sicily and from Arcady!  
Roaming as Bacchus, with fauns and pards  
And nymphs and satyrs for thy guards,  
On a milk-white ass, come over the sea  
To me, to me,  
Come with Apollo in bridal dress  
(Shepherdess and pythoness)  
Come with Artemis, silken shod,  
And wash thy white thigh, beautiful God,  
In the moon of the woods, on the marble mount,  
The dimpled dawn of the amber fount!  
Dip the purple of passionate prayer  
In the crimson shrine, the scarlet snare,  
The soul that startles in eyes of blue  
To watch thy wantonness weeping through  
The tangled grove, the gnarled bole  
Of the living tree that is spirit and soul  
And body and brain—come over the sea,  
(Io Pan! Io Pan!)  
Devil or god, to me, to me,  
My man! my man!  
Come with trumpets sounding shrill  
Over the hill!  
Come with drums low muttering  
From the spring!  
Come with flute and come with pipe!  
Am I not ripe?  
I, who wait and writhe and wrestle  
With air that hath no boughs to nestle  
My body, weary of empty clasp,  
Strong as a lion, and sharp as an asp—  
Come, O come!  
I am numb  
With the lonely lust of devildom.  
Thrust the sword through the galling fetter,  
All devourer, all begetter;

Give me the sign of the Open Eye  
And the token erect of thorny thigh  
And the word of madness and mystery,  
O Pan! Io Pan!  
Io Pan! Io Pan Pan! Pan Pan! Pan,  
I am a man:  
Do as thou wilt, as a great god can,  
O Pan! Io Pan!  
Io Pan! Io Pan Pan! I am awake  
In the grip of the snake.  
The eagle slashes with beak and claw;  
The gods withdraw:  
The great beasts come, Io Pan! I am borne  
To death on the horn  
Of the Unicorn.  
I am Pan! Io Pan! Io Pan Pan! Pan!  
I am thy mate, I am thy man,  
Goat of thy flock, I am gold, I am god,  
Flesh to thy bone, flower to thy rod.  
With hoofs of steel I race on the rocks  
Through solstice stubborn to equinox.  
And I rave; and I rape and I rip and I rend  
Everlasting, world without end.  
Mannikin, maiden, maenad, man,  
In the might of Pan.  
Io Pan! Io Pan Pan! Pan! Io Pan!



## *FROM THE BOOK OF THE LAW*

Every man and woman is a star.

Every number is infinite; there is no difference.

This is the creation of the world, that the pain of division is as nothing, and the joy of dissolution all.

Obeys my prophet! follow out the ordeals of my knowledge! seek me only! Then the joys of my love will redeem ye from all pain. This is so: I swear by the vault of my body; by my sacred tongue and heart; by all I can give, by all I desire of ye all.

The word of the Law is Thelema.

Who calls us Thelemites will do no wrong, if he look but close into the word. For there are therein Three Grades, the Hermit and the Lover, and the man of Earth. Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

The word of Sin is restriction.

Thou hast no right but do thy will.

Do that and no other shall say nay.

For pure will, unassuaged of purpose, delivered from the lust of result, is every way perfect.

There are four gates to one palace: the floor of that palace is of silver and gold; lapis lazuli and jasper are there; and all rare scents; jasmine and rose, and the emblems of death. Let him enter in turn or at once the four gates; let him stand on the floor of the palace. Will he not sink? Ho! warrior, if thy servant sink? But there are means and means. Be goodly therefore.

This also is secret: my prophet shall reveal it to the wise.

I give unimaginable joys on earth: certainty, not faith, while in life, upon death; peace unutterable, rest, ecstasy; nor do I demand ought in sacrifice.

My incense is of resinous woods and gums; and there is no blood therein: because of my hair the trees of Eternity.

My colour is black to the blind, but the blue and gold are

seen of the seeing. Also I have a secret glory for them that love me.

But to love me is better than all things: if under the night stars in the desert thou presently burnest mine incense before me, invoking me with a pure heart, and the Serpent flame therein, thou shalt come a little to lie in my bosom. For one kiss wilt thou then be willing to give all; but whoso gives one particle of dust shall lose all in that hour.



Behold! the rituals of the old time are black. Let the evil ones be cast away; let the good ones be purged by the prophet! Then shall this knowledge go aright.

I am the flame that burns in every heart of man, and in the core of every star. I am Life, and the giver of Life, yet therefore is the knowledge of me the knowledge of death.

I am the Magician and the Exorcist. I am the axle of the wheel, and the cube in the circle.

Remember all ye that existence is pure joy; that all the sorrows are but as shadows; they pass and are done; but there is that which remains.

Beauty and strength, leaping laughter and delicious languor, force and fire, are of us.

Beware lest any force another, King against King! Love one another with burning hearts; on the low men trample in the fierce lust of your pride, in the day of your wrath.

A feast for the Supreme Ritual, and a feast for the Equinox of the Gods.

A feast for fire and a feast for water; a feast for life and a greater feast for death!

A feast every day in your hearts in the joy of my rapture!

Aye! feast! rejoice! there is no dread hereafter.

Dost thou fail? Art thou sorry? Is fear in thine heart?

Where I am these are not.

Write, and find ecstasy in writing! Work, and be our bed in working! Thrill with the joy of life and death! Ah! thy

death shall be lovely : whoso seeth it shall be glad. Thy death shall be the seal of the promise of our age long love. Come! lift up thine heart and rejoice! We are one; we are none.

There is help and hope in other spells. Wisdom says: be strong! Then canst thou bear more joy. Be not animal; refine thy rapture! If thou drink, drink by the eight and ninety rules of art: if thou love, exceed by delicacy; and if thou do ought joyous, let there be subtlety therein!

But exceed! exceed!

Strive ever to more! and if thou art truly mine—and doubt it not, an if thou art ever joyous!—death is the crown of all.

Ah! Ah! Death! Death! thou shalt long for death. Death is forbidden, o man, unto thee.

The length of thy longing shall be the strength of its glory. He that lives long and desires death much is ever the King among the Kings.



Fear not at all; fear neither men nor Fates, nor gods, nor anything. Money fear not, nor laughter of the folk folly, nor any other power in heaven or upon the earth or under the earth.

But your holy place shall be untouched throughout the centuries: though with fire and sword it be burnt down and shattered, yet an invisible house there standeth, and shall stand until the fall of the Great Equinox.

Now this mystery of the letters is done, and I want to go on to a holier place.

Also for beauty's sake and love's!

Despise also all cowards; all fools despise!

But the keen and the proud, the royal and the lofty; ye are brothers!

As brothers fight ye!

There is no law beyond Do what thou wilt,

*Love is the law, love under will.*



## *COLLECTS OF THE GNOSTIC MASS*

Lord visible and sensible of whom this earth is but a frozen spark turning about thee with annual and diurnal motion, source of light, source of life, let thy perpetual radiance hearten us to continual labour and enjoyment; so that as we are constant partakers of thy bounty we may in our particular orbit give out light and life, sustenance and joy to them that revolve about us without diminution of substance or effulgence for ever.

Lord secret and most holy, source of light, source of life, source of love, source of liberty, be though ever constant and mighty within us, force of energy, fire of motion; with diligence let us ever labour with thee, that we may remain in thine abundant joy.

Lady of night, that turning ever about us art now visible and now invisible in thy season, be thou favourable to hunters, and lovers, and to all men that toil upon the earth, and to all mariners upon the sea.

Lord of Life and Joy, that art the might of man, that art the essence of every true god that is upon the surface of the Earth, continuing knowledge from generation to generation, thou adored of us upon heaths and in woods, on mountains and in caves, openly in the market places and secretly in the chambers of our houses, in temples of gold and ivory and marble as in the temples of our bodies, we worthily commemorate them worthy that did of old adore thee and manifest thy glory unto men. Oh Sons of the Lion and the Snake! with all thy saints we worthily commemorate them worthy that were and are and are to come. May their essence be here present, potent, puissant, and paternal to perfect this feast!



## *GNOSTIC ANTHEM*

Thou who art I, beyond all I am,  
Who has no nature, and no name,  
Who art, when all but thou are gone,  
Thou, centre and secret of the Sun,  
Thou, hidden spring of all things known  
And unknown, Thou aloof, alone,  
Thou, the true fire within the reed  
Brooding and breeding, source and seed  
Of life, love, liberty and light,  
Thou beyond speech and beyond sight,  
Thee I invoke, my faint fresh fire  
Kindling as mine intents aspire.  
Thee I invoke, abiding one,  
Thee, centre and secret of the Sun,  
And that most holy mystery  
Of which the vehicle am I.  
Appear, most awful and most mild,  
As it is lawful, in thy child!  
For of the Father and the Son  
The Holy Spirit is the norm;  
Male-female, quintessential, one,  
Man-being veiled in woman-form.  
Glory and worship in the highest,  
Thou Dove, mankind that deifiest,  
Being that race, most royally run,  
To spring sunshine through winter storm.  
Glory and worship be to Thee,  
Sap of the world-ash, wonder tree!  
Glory to thee from Gilded Tomb  
Glory to thee from Waiting Womb.  
Glory to thee from Earth unploughed!  
Glory to thee from virgin vowed!  
Glory to thee, true Unity  
Of the Eternal Trinity!  
Glory to thee, thou sire and dam  
And Self of I am that I am.



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