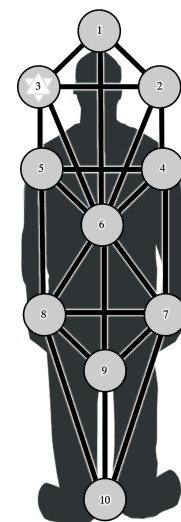


Introduction to Gnostic Kabbalah – Notes 3

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The Human Being and the Universe

It is impossible to study a system of the universe without studying ourselves. At the same time it is impossible to study ourselves without studying the universe. **The human being is an image of the world. We were created by the same laws which created the whole world.** By knowing and understanding ourselves we will know and understand the whole world, as well as all the laws that create and govern the world. And at the same time by studying the world and the laws that govern the world we will learn and understand the laws that govern us. In this connection between these two perspectives some laws are understood and more easily assimilated by studying the objective world, while other laws we can only understand by studying ourselves. The study of the world and the study of the human being must therefore run parallel, one helping the other.



Esoteric Chemistry, the Esoteric Atom and the Four Types of Matter

Ordinary science does not know of the law of three and it studies matter without taking into consideration its cosmic properties. But there is a special chemistry (or alchemy) which studies matter taking into consideration these cosmic properties which are determined:

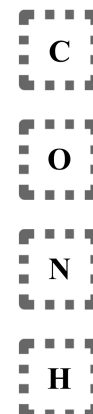
1. first *by its place*,
2. and secondly *by the force* which is acting through it at the given moment.

Even in the same place, the nature of a given substance undergoes a great change depending on the force which is being manifested through it. Each substance can be the conductor of any one of the three forces and, in accordance with this, it can be *active* [1], *passive* [2], or *neutralizing* [3]. Or, if no force is manifesting through it at the given moment (or if it is taken without relation to the manifestation of forces), then it can be *free* [4] of the influence of the Three Primary Forces. Note that in this way every substance appears in four different aspects or states and it is possible to study the cosmic properties of matter, because **all complex compounds have their own cosmic purpose and significance.**

Esoteric chemistry looks upon every substance as having a separate function, and even the most complex substance can be categorized as an element. From the esoteric point of view, the smallest amount of the given substance which retains all its chemical, physical, and cosmic properties is an 'atom' of that substance. The term 'atom' comes from the Greek word *átomos* (ἄτομος), which means "uncuttable" or "the smallest indivisible particle of matter". Thus, the size of the 'atom' of different substances is not the same and in some cases an 'atom' may be a particle even visible to the naked eye.

These four aspects or states of every substance have definite names:

- When a substance is the conductor of the first or the active force [1], it is called 'carbon', and it is designated by the letter **C**.
- When a substance is the conductor of the second or the passive force [2], it is called 'oxygen', and designated by the letter **O**.
- When a substance is the conductor of the third or neutralizing force [3], it is called 'nitrogen', and designated by the letter **N**.
- When a substance is taken without relation to the force manifesting itself through it, it is called 'hydrogen', and designated by the letter **H**. It is a force free of the other three...



Our Gnostic students should never forget what the three forces called Father-Son-Holy Spirit are: [1] The Holy Affirming - The Father; [2] The Holy Negating - The Son; [3] The Holy Conciliating - The Holy Spirit. The Three Primary Forces manifest themselves by means of the C. O. N. (Carbon, Oxygen, Nitrogen) atoms, while the H. (Hydrogen) atom is a force free from the other three. Remember that the work of making the CHAOS, the GREAT WOMB of the Universe bear fruit is always the job of the Third Logos. The Verb is the unity of the Three Primary Forces, but it manifests itself through the Third Force (the Holy Spirit). **Carbon, Oxygen, Nitrogen and Hydrogen are the 4 basic elements with which the Third Logos works.**

The Ray of Creation: The Logos, Music and the Seven Musical Notes

Music (the Verb) placed by the Logos into seven musical octaves, firmly sustains the Universe in its movement, on its march, maintaining its momentum. When one talks about the Great Word, one is also talking about the sound of music, of Rhythms...

DO-RE-MI-FA-SOL-LA-SI.

SI-LA-SOL-FA-MI-RE-DO.

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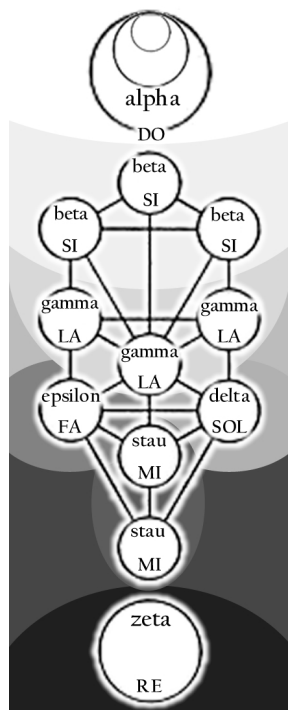
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The seven notes of the Great Scale of the Creative Verb resonate in all of creation, because in the beginning was the VERB... Our own Ray of Creation began in the Absolute and ends in the Abyss. The proper arrangement of the Ray of Creation is as follows:

1. Absolutely Everything – the **Protocosmos**, which is of a purely spiritual nature, is found submerged within the uncreated Light of the ABSOLUTE [1st ‘DO’ and *alpha*]
2. All the Worlds – the **Ayocosmos or Megalocosmos**, the great cosmos (all the galaxies or worlds of infinite space) [‘SI’ and *beta*]
3. All the Suns – the **Macrocosmos**, our Galaxy, the Milky Way [‘LA’ and *gamma*]
4. Our Sun – the **Deuteroscosmos**, the Solar System [‘SOL’ and *delta*]
5. The Planetary Worlds– the **Mesocosmos**, the Planets [‘FA’ and *epsilon*]
6. Our Earth – the **Microcosm**, our planet itself, as well as the “philosophical earth” which corresponds to our physical organism. [‘MI’ and *stau*]
7. The Interior of the Earth – the **Tritocosmos**, the infinitely small (such as atoms, molecules, insects, microbes, electrons, etc.), and also the Abyss. [‘RE’ and *zeta*]
8. Absolutely Nothing – there is no known cosmos here, but it exists philosophically, since with it the Cosmic Octave is complete. [the Final ‘DO’]



Pseudo-Occultists and Pseudo-Esotericists only mention the Microcosm (the 6th Cosmos) and the Macrocosm (the 3rd Cosmos); they merely mention two orders of worlds, when in reality there are Seven Cosmos, seven orders of worlds which are sustained by the VERB, by the LUMINOUS FIAT of the first instant. **Each of the Seven Cosmos is a living organism that lives, breathes, and feels.**

From the Esoteric point of view, we can affirm that every progress upwards, is the result of a progress downwards. One cannot ascend without descending. First one has to descend and then one can ascend. **If we want to know a Cosmos, we should first know the two adjoining ones, the one that is above and the one that is below, because both determine all the circumstances and vital phenomena of the Cosmos that we want to study.** Example: Nowadays scientists struggle for the conquest of space, and advances are being made in the field of the infinitely small, in the atomic world.

The Gnostic student has to study the laws which govern all of these Seven Cosmos, with the goal of knowing the place that they occupy in life and what they must do in order to achieve final liberation.