

Foundation Stone Meditation as a Counter-
Weight to Evil, in light of the American
Eclipse Part IV

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THE FOUNDATION STONE MEDITATION

Fourth Panel

Protection against Sorath

At the turning point in Time
The Spirit Light of the World
Entered into the sphere of Earthly being, Darkness of night had held
sway;
Day-radiant Light
Poured into the souls of men:
Light that warms simple Shepherd's Hearts,
Light that enlightens the Wise Heads of kings

Oh light divine,
Oh sun of Christ!
Warm thou our Hearts,
Enlighten Thou our Heads,
That good may become,
What from our hearts we would found, And from our heads direct
In conscious, light filled, willing

GOOD WILL/LOVE

In the last three panels we have considered the human being from his
physical body point of view and its connection to the human soul and how
it can make its way to the spirit again.

Through the physical body

Limbs, Heart and lungs, Nerves and Senses

Through the Soul

Consciousness Soul, Intellectual, Sentient Soul

And now we come to the spirit

In the Fourth Panel we have five kinds of light which are related to Christ's Spirit:

Light of the World - Sophia/Mary

Day Radiant Light - Michael

Light that warms heads and hearts - Human light

Light Divine - Nathan Soul/Jesus

Sun of Christ - Christ as a Sun Logos

We have to thank Zeylmans Von Emichoven for elucidating these five aspects of light.

Light of the World.

At the Turning Point in time the Light of the World entered into the sphere of Earthly Being. Darkness of night had held sway.

Who entered the sphere of the Earth at the turning point in time?

According to Emichoven this light belongs to that part of Eve, which separated itself off before the fall and was untouched by Lucifer or Ahriman. It entered into the sun sphere where it united with the Divine Sophia. This Sophianic light entered directly into human souls bringing what no angel had done before, the direct Wisdom of Sophia - Theosophia, Philosophia, Anthroposophia. This Sophianic light was incarnated into a human being, Mary of the Luke Gospel and she gave birth to the Nathan Jesus.

Before this light entered the world to become the vessel of Jesus, human thought, through materialism, had become more and more darkened, in other words it had fallen so low that it had no possibility of rising towards a consciousness of the light of the spirit. She made it possible for the all pervading Cosmic Love to be born into the body of a human being.

Ex Deo Nascimur

Day Radiant Light

The Day Radiant Light is the light of thinking that has been the legacy of Michael, the great Sun Archangel. Michael is the guide of the light experienced in the day, that is, the light of human thinking that is free from sense perceptions and has the potential to rise to Cosmic Thoughts. The light of thinking was always felt to be outside the human head until 1413 when it began entering human souls and becoming individualised as a sacrificial offering given to humanity by Michael.

This was the start of the age of the Consciousness Soul. This Cosmic light, is the light of free Imaginations which we must develop to create a Counterimage to Lucifer's selfish, compelling light in the realm of Thought.

The Light that warms Hearts and Heads

This is the light of the masters, Buddha (heart) and Zarathustra (Head) Shepherds and Magi. In other words the light of more advanced human souls. Their light shone outwardly as a star to guide them to the Solomon Jesus, and also warmed the hearts of the Shepherds in the fields pointing to the Nathan Jesus.

This light coming as it does from different angles, must unite in the human heart to light up in the head.

Light Divine

The Nathan Soul is that part of Adam's soul which separated itself from before the Fall and united itself with the Sun. This Light, untouched by Luciferic or Ahrimanic temptation has a connection to the Holy Spirit, and it sacrificed itself to be the vessel for Christ as he descended to Earth.

The Nathan Soul one might say is the soul light garment, the Holy Spirit garment, which incarnated for the first and last time as an Earthly being, as Jesus, who would become the human vessel, the Am for the Christ I.

In his soul Magi and Shepherd came together (Zarathustra's ego and Buddha as Astral body), as a potential for all human beings so that through a unification of heart and mind the individual might unite with the etheric Christ Stream.

Sun of Christ

Now we come to Christ's light - Christ Sun - Logos.

The Sun of Christ is the best Counterweight against Sorath.

To understand this we have to understand who Sorath is.

All three adversaries previously studied belong to past Evolutionary stages of the Earth as we saw in earlier studies: Saturn, Sun, Moon.

Sorath, the being who commands the Eighth Sphere is that being who uses all three adversaries as 'members' of his being vicariously, for he does not belong to Earth Evolution but to a previous system and so he has no connection with the Earth itself.

According to Rudolf Steiner, this being 'has been unable to receive anything from the Earth.'¹

He insinuated himself into the sphere of the Sun from another system and there is some evidence to suggest that he works as a backward spirit of Form or Exusiai or Sun Logos², and as such he works directly against Christ Himself - the regent of the Sun - and in particular works against His connection to Earth evolution.

He wishes to prevent the Earth from becoming a Sun and so bends his will to the destruction of the Earth and the eradication of humanity. He works against light, life and love through darkness/selfishness, death/lies and hate/destruction of all Earthly culture: Lucifer, Ahriman and Asuras.

And so he has a particular affinity with all that has fallen away from Earth evolution related to the ethers, and by way of these to all that is found in the 8th Sphere:

Fallen light = Electricity

Fallen sound = Magnetism

¹ Rudolf Steiner, Lecture, 30th June 1908

² And the Earth Becomes a Sun, Sergei O Prokofieff, page 276

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Fallen life = Dead forces found in the Atom

In this way he also has a great adversary in Jehova Elohim, the Exusiai or Spirit of Form who remained behind on the Moon in order to provide a Counter-image for the 8th Sphere.

When Christ united with Jehova from the sphere of the Sun (by way of the 6 Elohim), so that the Christ Sun was reflected towards Jehova on the Moon so that it could be reflected again to the Earth, the eyes of Sorath turned towards Humanity. And this intensified when Christ entered Earth Evolution, so that he waged the mightiest battle against Christ's incarnation into the body of Jesus into his three physical members because this would have united Him with the mineral aspect of Earth Evolution thereby overcoming the death of the body, soul and spirit for all human beings.

Sorath the spirit of eternal death waged a mighty battle against this according to Rudolf Steiner, striving to prevent the Christ's descent into the 'germ' of Jesus.

One sees this from another perspective later at Golgotha or the Mount of the Skulls (realm of the nerves and senses) where Christ was destined to die in Jesus crucified on the cross of dead matter, pierced in the chest - water and blood - (realm of Heart and Lungs) and where his bones would be left unbroken so that his Willed 'I' could make its final and deepest descent into the limbs and the Father, (the realm of the bone creators and the bone destroyers, in other words in the Father forces).

Had Sorath been victorious, once at the baptism and a second time at Gethsemane, he would then have usurped Christ as the leading Spirit of the Earth and the Sun Demon would have become the Earth Demon - the King of the Earth.

He could not tempt Christ Jesus to use his Cosmic powers, for he had become powerless by the time of his entry into Jerusalem. Because he accomplished the Mystery of Golgotha not out of his higher Cosmic Powers as Sorath the great magician of the cosmos would have wanted, but through the free love willed deed of a human being (Jesus) who was not an adept full of power, but powerless, all human beings are now able to connect with Christ freely without having to have any special powers,

they do not need to be adepts - this prevented Sorath from gaining access to the *Mystery of Golgotha*.

Because he did not manage to prevent the mystery of *Golgotha* Sorath lost access to the influencing the Earth and human beings directly and had to make 'do' with the 8th sphere working through the body, soul and spirit of adversarial beings.

But the light of Christ, the Christ Sun entered into the Earth with his blood and into the blood of human beings, bringing with it life to overcome death.

Christ is the sacrificial lamb. The Lamb of God.

Sorath is the beast with two horns that rises up from the depths of the Earth in the book of Revelations, he rises up through that realm in the centre of the Earth that is connected to the 8th sphere - the core in which lives the highest egoism - the sphere of Black Magic.

In the Book of Revelations, we see the human beings who, through all three adversarial powers, have succumbed to Sorath's influence, as the Beast with seven heads that rises up out of the Sea, the water - the sub etheric world.

The human being who has succumbed to Sorath is a beast, a beast worse than an animal because he has intelligence but it is an intelligence of an automatic kind. An intelligence that is cold and loveless and bent on destruction. We see this beast working in the world today wherever there is murder and destruction.

Drawing on the five aspects of light, which are all connected to Christ, is our best defence against Sorath and it is, interestingly through Lucifer himself that we are able to achieve it. For the redeemed Lucifer becomes the New Holy Spirit through human beings. He becomes the spirit of Christ.

Before the Total Eclipse of the Sun there is always an Eclipse of the Moon. What does this mean spiritually speaking?

During an Eclipse of the Moon thoughts are willed down through the darkness from the cosmos and are allowed to enter the sphere of the Earth unhindered. These thoughts can enter into the receptive souls of

human beings. Good thoughts but also Diabolical thoughts can enter the Earth through human souls in this way.

Conversely during a Total Eclipse of the Sun all the unbridled forces of the will, in other words all that has been separated off from human thinking that surges through the world is released into the cosmos. However, what rises up from the will of the earth, what has entered down into the earth through these diabolical thoughts is also unleashed.

Eclipse of the Moon = Thoughts enter from the Cosmos to the Earth.

Eclipse of the Sun = Will leaves the Earth for the Cosmos

When we have both in succession as we do when there is a Total Solar Eclipse then there is the potential for a dual working of evil.

Sorath and his minions and all the Black Magic that he inspires, all that has entered into the centre of the earth with the Lunar Eclipse rises up unhindered.

'At the time of a solar eclipse, for instance, something totally different takes place in the part of the earth affected from what is happening when there is no eclipse. When we know that on the one hand the rays of the sun penetrate down to the earth and on the other hand the forces or rays of will stream out to meet the sun, it is possible to form some idea of how a solar eclipse can affect these radiations of will which are altogether spiritual in their nature. The sunlight is blocked by the moon; that is a purely physical process. But physical matter — in this case the body of the moon — is no obstacle to the forces streaming out from the will. These forces radiate into the darkness, and there ensues a period of time, short though it may be, in which all that is of the nature of will upon the earth flows out into universal space in an abnormal way. It is different altogether from what takes place when there is no eclipse. Ordinarily, the physical sunlight unites with the radiations of will streaming towards it. When there is an eclipse, the forces of will flow unhindered into cosmic space.

The old initiates knew these things. They saw that at such a moment all the unbridled impulses and instincts of humanity surge out into the cosmos. And they gave their pupils the following explanation. They said: Under normal conditions the evil impulses of will which are sent out into the cosmos by human beings are, as it were, burned up and consumed by

the rays of the sun, so that they can injure only man himself, but can do no universal harm. When, however, there is an eclipse of the sun, opportunity is given for the evil which is willed on earth to spread over the cosmos. An eclipse is a physical event behind which there lies a significant spiritual reality.

And again, when there is an eclipse of the moon, the man of today merely says: "Now the earth comes between the sun and the moon; hence we see the shadow cast upon the moon by the earth." That is the physical explanation. But in this case also the old initiate knew that a spiritual reality was behind the physical fact. He knew that when there is an eclipse of the moon, thoughts stream through darkness down upon the earth; and that such thoughts have a closer relationship with the subconscious life than with the conscious life of the human being. The old initiates often made use of a certain simile when speaking to their pupils. It is, of course, necessary to translate their words into modern language, but this is the gist of what they said: "Visionaries and dreamers love to go for rambles by moonlight, when the moon is full. There are, however, certain people who have no wish to receive the good thoughts coming to them from the cosmos, but who, on the contrary, are desirous of getting hold of evil, diabolical thoughts. Such people will choose the moment of a lunar eclipse for their nocturnal wanderings."³

So it is important to unite with the light of The Sophia, the light of Michael, the light of the Masters, the light of the Nathan Soul, lights that are all one with the fifth and mighty all pervading love, light-filled light of Christ at this time, the etheric stream that connects us to his Will. To make the Christ Sun, an inner experience of Soul.

For only then can our hearts be warmed and our minds become enlightened.

So that good may become what from our hearts we would found.

What does this mean?

We previously discussed how we can create something completely new during meditation. Now we come to a step further. We come to a realisation that every time we create 'out of nothing' from our work with

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elemental beings of light and colour, we are creating a new being. We are giving birth to a being that never before existed through an act of higher love.

We have a pale image of this in the creation of art. In a sense to be 'creative' out of nothing is a new social Art. A royal Art. For what we create in our hearts is impressed on the world through our heads.

For instance, if we take the example I gave in our last study of creating an orange circle with intensity, if one does this creation out of a feeling for orange, from the darkness of the soul (with eyes closed) then if one is attentive when one opens one's eyes, one sees its complement, the blue.

This, one might say is the rudimentary new elemental being, built up from our thought, a being of orange, and the being of the circle.

A blue circle!

This 'vision' of the blue from orange is an act of moral cognition - spiritual cognition, we see what we are creating through our 'will', we see what we are inscribing into the world substance, and the will which impresses this creation into the world is a moral will. One can distinguish a good from evil creation this way.

When a will, which is steeped in love for the action of creating, impresses its creation on the world we call this *Good Will* or *White magic*.

When a will steeped in *Selfishness* in creating, impresses its creation on the world, it is immoral and it is what is known in esoteric circles as *Black Magic*.

White Magic = Love

Black Magic = *Selfishness*

What is willed out of love is warmed light and it is founded in the heart and directed from the head to the world.

The human head directs the love that creates the future, and human beings are the creators of future worlds through *Good will*.

When this is done in 'concert' with others, this 'we', is related to the spirit of Whitsun, which unites us though we are individuals;

That Good Will may become
What from our Hearts we would found
And our heads direct
In conscious, Light filled Willing.

Willed selfishness is evil, it feeds the 8th sphere, the Anti Moon/Anti Christ sphere.

Freely Willed love creates a counterweight to the 8th sphere, the Christ Earth/Sun. The Earth becomes the counterweight!

One might say one sees now the connection between Memory/Selfishness and Love/Freedom that we started with in the First Panel: When selfishness becomes love and the faculty of memory is set free through Christ.

Human beings on Jupiter will be born out of the sacrificial offerings that we make to the world through our good will, those beings will either be good or evil. At that time, according to Rudolf Steiner, reunification of the Earth with the Moon will occur, and what is evil and what is good will separate out like oil separates from water, the physical world will not have the physical mineral world as its foundation but rather an etheric world. Human beings will then be surrounded by the results of human thinking today just as we are surrounded by the results of the thoughts of the Gods who came before us, these will be the equivalent of the elementals we have today but they will be the beings that are the result of all our technology, all our natural science and everything that we created through our abstract thinking.

The elemental beings, the nature beings we have around us today are not the only beings that enter us, the subnature beings of technology also enter us, these Ahrimanic beings, which inspire us to create with our abstract thinking are the 'fathers' of the hideous elementals of the future.

What is needed now, right now, is Christ Consciousness. We can't run away from the world, nor should we want to, but we should strive to find a way to bring Christ Consciousness to every aspect of our lives. By working

with Meditations such as the Foundation Stone Meditation, we are bringing into our souls spiritual forces that find a kinship to Christ.

The Elemental beings hear it,
May Human beings hear it.

