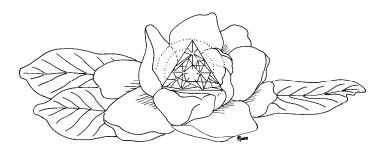
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But the synthesis of Deity, His tendency to blend and fuse, is far more inclusive and universal than any possible expression in the human kingdom,....The sweep of this instinct to synthesis underlies all universes, constellations, solar systems, planets, and kingdoms in nature, as well as the activity aspect and achievement of man, the individual. This instinct is the governing principle of consciousness itself, and consciousness is the psyche or soul, producing psychical life; it is awareness—sub-human, human and divine. *Esoteric Psychology II* P.232

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When those who are not so drastically implicated in the present conflict relinquish their selfishness, their prejudices and their interpretations and see the basic duality of this conflict in its true light, they will throw the weight of their influence increasingly on the side of goodwill and right human relations; then the bad karma which they apparently placidly accept for others and reject for themselves will be changed into the good karma which is the true destiny of humanity and will usher in the new era of joy and of peace and spiritual synthesis—that synthesis which we call brotherhood. *Externalization of the Hierarchy* P. 256

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The New Consciousness Alignment

n most of the following remarks, I am talking not only about myself. I am referring to a significant and growing sector of humanity. I want to share with you some thoughts and insights about certain developments to our alignment that occur as we move from our selfconscious focus ever more deeply into the reality of the group consciousness of the Soul. I use the term alignment as it pertains to meditation but also to describe the effects of these developments on our vision or sense of reality-to describe, for lack of a better term, subtle psychic "upgrades" in our equipment. Overall, the insights I want to share have to do with how we perceive and understand reality. These insights have occurred and continue to occur unabated as each day passes.

It's challenging to talk about these insights and shifts in what we consider to be reality because the necessary language does not yet exist. There are very few similes or words in our present language that convey the meaning and significance of the revelations which are being progressively unfolded as we penetrate more deeply into the New Consciousness. This is not surprising because the language that we currently use was developed to explain and discuss a perception of reality that is very different from the one which is unfolding before our eyes every day.

Our current language carries meaning based on a view that sees reality as dense physical existence, as person, place, or thing: pickles, automobiles, bodies, trees, oceans; even semiabstract things such as a "foreign policy" or an "educational program." Existence in this old language set actually means measurable dense physical plane material presence, and so far it extends from galaxies to quarks. Furthermore, this old view of realty which has generated most of our language saw and to a very large degree still sees all of these things as separated from each other and basically in competition with each other for their existence.

In addition, most of the language that is available for embodying New Consciousness concepts is so weighted down with the effluvia of tradition and absurd connotations that it is relatively useless. If, for example, one wishes to dialogue with anyone outside of the relatively small esoteric world community about more subtle dimensions of reality than the dense physical, one encounters much difficulty in trying to use words such as hierarchy or Christ. The principles which such thoughtforms actually embody are so buried under layers of emotionally charged, misleading and at times absurd connotations that using them actually

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acts as a barrier to communication regarding the higher dimensions of reality such as the Inner Community of Brothers, the Spiritual Hierarchy, or Love, the Christ. Wild!

So, because the esoteric realms defy revelation through the available language of the lower mental plane, we must resort to metaphor, or as, many of the ancient revealers did, parable, the language of the arts and the muses to give these new conceptions of reality meaning and significance. Once again, we can see the incredible importance that the arts and song have played in the unfolding revelations of the Plan over the centuries.

In recent times, many of us have been and are being born out of sync with the old materialistic, self-conscious view of Life. We

have come in with an unconscious, but unshakeable understanding that Life is very much more than the dense physical plane. In most cases this understanding was, as I said, unconscious. Therefore, as small children confronting the dominant materialistic paradigm, we were bewildered, confused. If we happened to express our sense of what we perceived and inwardly knew was so, we were considered to be cute or precocious or, by the time we became teenagers, geeky or weird. The numbers of children and young adults who are in this category today is very much larger than we realize. This number is growing daily because evolution is not, and for untold kalpas has not been, a matter of form. It is a matter of consciousness.

Like most of you who will find this interesting enough to actually read, early on in this incarnation I knew there was something screwy about the way stuff was happening and, generally, with the way the nature of reality was being presented; but I was never able to really put it into any kind of frame of sense until I was in my late twenties. Then, like some giant hunk of a cosmic puzzle, things clicked into place. It was like a shade being raised.

I had a number of realizations about the nature of the real world, and such understandings are becoming more and more the norm to this day. One of my earliest insights of this kind occurred many years ago one beautiful afternoon in January when the tides were very low. I was sitting on a big rock among the tide pools below the cliffs of Palos Verdes in the south part of Santa Monica Bay. I was just sitting there musing, watching the receding tide and going in and out, kind of being with the rhythm of waves. Suddenly, or so it seemed, I was being engulfed by a big roller from the incoming tide. In that space, I kind of got it, if you know what I mean. I do not see Sea combating cliff Or shore assaulting sea Each locked with the other In some absurd competition Through eternity.

I see Sea and Cliff As symphony, Always and only coexisting, Giving meaning and form Each to the other.

It is the rock strewn shoreline Which orchestrates the wave— That breaks the breakers Into foamy spires, That releases all that roll and rush Into momentary And wondrous Shapes.

> And sea arranges shore— Shaping, sculpturing. Carving, cutting, etching Filling Barring, building.

It is sea and shore In concert That the ear hears: After the roar Of the rush to shore, Consider the hiss of the wave Withdrawing down a sandy strand.

And then— The bridge of silence As the sea gathers Itself And the shore extends itself Each preparing for the next Note. Well, ever since then I have tasked myself with the job of trying to communicate through this really insufficient language what is really going on around here. An early problem I had in this work was personal arrogance. I was so shocked by the suffering, the hunger and greed, endless wars, exclusivity and on and on, all as a result of this insane sense of a separative reality and thought myself so superior to it that I rejected the old reality out of hand. This, I gradually figured out, was not a very effective response.

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It is an interesting aspect of Life which I learned through experiment and experience,

that even illusions of reality can mess up the dense physical vehicle, or, seemingly, kill you. One must not disparage the controlling reality, even if it is an illusion. One must also play by its rules if one expects to have an appearance of any length or to participate in any kind of an effective way in the service of the Great Unfolding. It's the old story of the Teaching. Disciples need to have one foot anchored in the reality of the Inner Community and one foot anchored in the somewhat illusory outer community, and this brings me to our alignment.

I have noted that this tendency to initially and somewhat arrogantly reject the controlling paradigm is rather typical of the relatively group conscious incoming souls. However, I have also noted that although still somewhat common among these sorts of young people, the pattern seems to be diminishing with each new generation. As the Plan unfolds, the old paradigm is losing its power over the systems and structures of society which are used to influence, to actually cloud the minds of the incoming souls. In the old paradigm, which though diminishing is still very much with us, personality struggles to connect with the Soul by trying to register it through a system of dogmatic and frequently contradictory religious tracts which serve only to confuse us and convince huge numbers of us that we are actually unworthy of such a connection anyway. The only other perspective is a materialistic one that denies the existence of the Soul altogether.

It is elementary that one will seldom see what one thinks does not exist. In addition, being faced with the constant reminder that one is an

> unworthy sinner certainly pours water on any tiny spiritual spark that might get started. These two situations present a

formidable gate through which one has to pass if one is truly going to "connect with the Soul."

When this functioning within Old Consciousness, even when we manage to catch an occasional glimpse of the Truth-that we are the Soul-this ages-in-the-making, separative self-conscious notion of reality together with the deep sense of self-loathing engendered within most of us-a condition, by the way, that Master M. refers to as Chaoseither immediately denies the touch of Light or institutes a search for a dense physical explanation for it. We often will do almost anything to avoid the realization of our identification with the illusion of our forms. So, caught in this vortex of being identified with and therefore living in what is basically an illusion of reality, we have spent many years being jerked around, back and forth, swinging between the polarities, like a teeter-totter completely out of balance. confused. bewildered, lost.

As long as we are oblivious to what is going on, and we belong to the relatively comfortable classes, we often think we are having the time

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of our lives. It is only when that "splinter in the brain" to which Morpheus refers in *The Matrix* begins to get our attention that we begin to get that something is out of whack, that something is missing, something is not making sense, and we find the courage and the will to consciously make the decision to experiment with stepping on to the Path.

This is, as we recall, the first step from the comfort of living in an illusion to the building an alignment which would connect us to the reality of the Soul.

We all know about the basic requirements of alignment building: Steady, daily exposure of the mind to the Light of the Soul, daily Study of the Teachings, preferably in the presence of co-workers, and Service for the Common Good and the General Welfare, all carried on under the credo of self forgetfulness, harmless and right speech. Each of these basics, the ABC's of esotericism, is, of course, really a doorway that leads the experimenting, experiencing, and expressing individual into deeper and deeper understandings of Truth—of what is really going on here. It is, as we know, a path of unceasing wonders.

In the initial stages of the building, there is a great deal of self consciousness in the

alignment. Most of what is done vis-à-vis meditation study and service is heavily tinged with self development and personal enhancement. Of course, this all works out quite well. An independent and self confident persona is an absolute requirement of alignment. The Soul needs such an instrument for its world service.

It actually takes an independent personality to become part of a group. Group affiliation is not a giving up of individual responsibility and initiation. It is taking over. It is based on a

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loving understanding of a purpose and a free will choice to subordinate the personal will to a co-creative alignment with others in manifesting the purpose for the good of the whole.

When one is really able to work in this way within a group, one is experiencing what we call group consciousness. The views and positions of the separative persona will becomes less and less involved as the Soul becomes more and more central in one's life. This is an unavoidable development because one begins to see reality from a more and more inclusive point of view, a point of view which is impossible for the self-conscious persona to grasp or to even understand. This is a very natural development of the individual's continuing experimentation, experience and expression.

As group consciousness expands, the alignment comes more and more into synchronicity with reality. As we synchronize with Truth, we begin to actually register with our sensory apparatus the frequencies of the higher dimensions. This, as you may have

> experienced or as you might imagine, generates a lot of mind blowing realizations. Those years and years

of daily experimentation and practice standing steady in the Light which we call meditation begin to reveal their value.

The major hindrances to establishing the higher alignment that is to open and expand our consciousness from self to group are thoughtforms that support a materialistic, separative view of the nature of reality. It is these thoughtforms which make up what we call Chaos. Remember, they are ancient and powerful, and many are still resident in our lower mental equipment. They will generate doubt, skepticism and disbelief. They tend to

drown out our hearing, desensitize our feeling, cloud our vision, and dull our sense of taste and smell.

We all know about Alastor "Mad-Eye" Moody. I have mentioned this Auror before and remarked on his frequent comment regarding constant vigilance. Mad-Eye is referring to a kind of vigilance that is essential for anyone who is building the higher alignment. The vigilance needs to be focused inwards, precisely on motivation. Any shred of motive that would feed or energize the separative selfconscious aspects of our psychic life will open the door to the frequencies of chaos: doubt, skepticism, disbelief, fear. These are the Mind Killers which dumb down our senses, destroy

and prevent Soul alignment.

The higher alignment is all about synthesis. As we work to deepen our alignment we expand our

group consciousness which is essentially the normal action of synthesis. An expanding consciousness leads to an ever-wider awareness of inclusiveness or wholeness. D.K. points out that synthesis is instinctual to Deity. "This instinct [the tendency to synthesize] is the governing principle of consciousness itself, and consciousness is the psyche or soul, producing psychical life; it is awareness— sub-human, human and divine." *Esoteric Psychology II* p.232

As consciousness expands, the ability to use the higher frequencies of our sensory apparatus begins to come on-line. The two things, consciousness expansion and higher sensory brain awareness, are natural results of the ABC's of meditation: daily meditation, study and service to the common good and general welfare. Consciousness expansion and higher sensory brain awareness always and only cooccur. Meditation work that is undertaken

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without the safe guards of group study and service to the Common Good and General Welfare will not lead into the higher alignment and often will generate a host of various common psychological problems.

Consequently, it is precisely here that vigilance is essential. We must maintain an impersonal service-oriented detachment, the attitude of the scientist experimenter or explorer. We are not skeptical. We do not doubt. We do not indulge in the comforting, mind-closing energies of believing or disbelieving that which we encounter. We need to experience the developments which are the results or effects of our meditative efforts in the same manner that any true scientist would experience the

results of any experiment. It is at this level that we begin to understand the deeper esoteric

meanings and significances behind the fundamental injunctions given to every aspirant to the Path: *detachment, discrimination and dispassion.*

There is one other aspect of the group conscious alignment that I want to bring out, and that is how the principle of Equilibrium manifests in the alignment. It is not a coincidence that the Avatar of Equilibrium is standing in the triangle that at this time is supporting the enormous task being undertaken by the Christ as the Head of both Humanity and the Inner Brotherhood.

The gradual progressive experience of building an alignment results in the appearance of a perfecting balance or if we prefer, harmony. We progressively walk a finer and finer line on the Middle Way, until we reach a state of perfect alignment, complete harmony, perfect balance. As Master R. has pointed out, "In perfect balance, there is no weight." It is at this point, by the way, that we can understand the significance of levitation.

To finish this brief effort to shed some light on what we might see as a group conscious alignment, let me offer as an example of how it works by referring back to the personality struggle to connect with the Soul which I outlined a bit earlier. I mentioned that as the Plan unfolds and the presence of group consciousness expands, the old paradigm is losing its power over the systems and structures of society which are used to control and dumb down the minds of the incoming souls.

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into the expanding group conscious individual is that even as we focus our meditative power on the birthing of the new civilizations and world cultures, the ancient monolithic systems of control—religious, financial, and political are crumbling right in front of our eyes. It is very much like seeing new shoots of life growing through the rubble of last year's crop. The ability to register with our higher sensory apparatus the occurrence in real time of such developments is a major aspect or effect of a developing group conscious alignment.

As the alignment comes more and more into harmony with the Plan, there results a kind of binocular consciousness. One registers the outlines of the new manifesting civilizations and simultaneously sees the collapsing old forms. The revelation is the realization that this is how evolution works. These two processes always and only co-exist.

The statement that "Energy follows thought.", rather than a hackneyed shibboleth, is an immutable law of Cosmic Physics. As our

group conscious, co-creative meditation continues in the focused building of new thoughtforms which reflect and embody the Principles of Essential Divinity, Good Will, and Unanimity and the Laws of Right Human Relations, Group Endeavor, and Spiritual Approach, the cycle of demolition and destruction and the cultivation and seeding of the new civilizations into which humanity has progressed will continue.

Since we have every intention of increasing the focus and power of our meditation work, the present cycle will probably progress at an even more dynamic rate over the next couple of

years. The very act of meditating to bring in the Plan also

brings in the energy of The Avatar of Equilibrium which initially works through the destroyer aspect of the Will of the Logos. New civilizations and world cultures which resonate in a more harmonious note, a more perfect manifestation of the Intent of the Logos, grow in and through the rubble of the old. That destruction which we see going on today in the areas of finance, politics and religion is not terrible. It is part of the pain of growing up.

This cycle is occurring in the bottom of the 2008-9, Solar Wave Cycle trough. The curve tends up through 2010 and 11 toward the peak in 2012. In 2012 the 3, 9, and 27 year Solar Wave Cycles merge. What is taking place now in terms of demolition and initiation is what will manifest in the peak cycle during and following 2012.

We represent the Outer Community of brothers and sisters who are living in service to the Common Good and General Welfare. We need to remember that "Joy is a special wisdom." We therefore rejoice in the efforts to bring the Plan into manifestation. We do not focus on the

destruction aspect of the energy. We focus totally on the Principles and Laws which underlie the new civilizations. The Laws of Physics do the rest. As Master M has pointed out, and as I have repeated numerous times,

Shield and lance! God has blessed the warriors. All will come. Twilight will end. Do you not see that the Cosmic Consciousness is in convulsion?

We know the course of the battle! The Plan of the Creator cannot be altered. From the Beginning the dark ones struggled. From the Beginning We conquered!

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