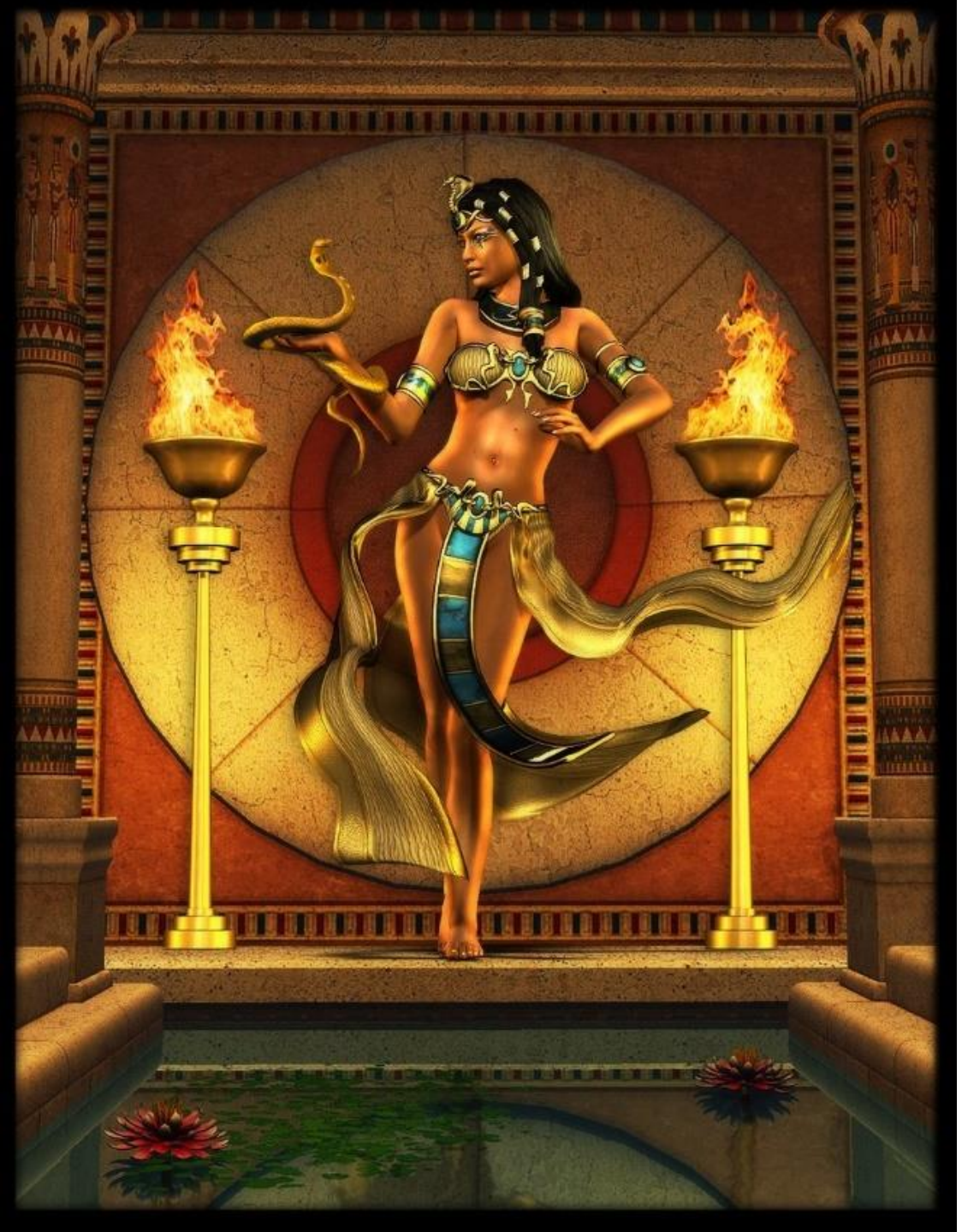

Fundamentals of Gnostic Science

The First Pillar of Gnostic Wisdom

"I am the one who has been, is, and will be, and no mortal has lifted my veil."

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The recognized laws of physical science account for but a few of the more objective of the so-called spiritual phenomena. While proving the reality of certain visible effects of an unknown force, they have not thus far enabled scientists to control at will even this portion of the phenomena. The truth is that the professors have not yet discovered the necessary conditions of their occurrence. They must go deeply into the study of the triple nature of man—physiological, psychological, and divine—as did their predecessors, the magicians, theurgists, and thaumaturgists of old...

...As the dawn of physical science broke into glaring daylight, the spiritual sciences merged deeper and deeper into night, and in their turn they were denied. So, now, these greatest masters in psychology are looked upon as "ignorant and superstitious ancestors"; as mountebanks and jugglers, because, forsooth, the sun of modern learning shines today so bright, it has become an axiom that the philosophers and men of science of the olden time knew nothing, and lived in a night of superstition. But their traducers forget that the sun of today will seem dark by comparison with the luminary of tomorrow, whether justly or not; and as the men of our century think their ancestors ignorant, so will perhaps their descendants count them for *know-nothings*. –H. P. Blavatsky, *Isis Unveiled*: Chapter II, "Lost Arts"

There are two types of science. The first is nothing more than a compost heap of subjective theories that abound out there; the second is the pure science of the great illuminati: the objective science of the Being.

–Samael Aun Weor, *The Great Rebellion*

Three Esoteric Sciences

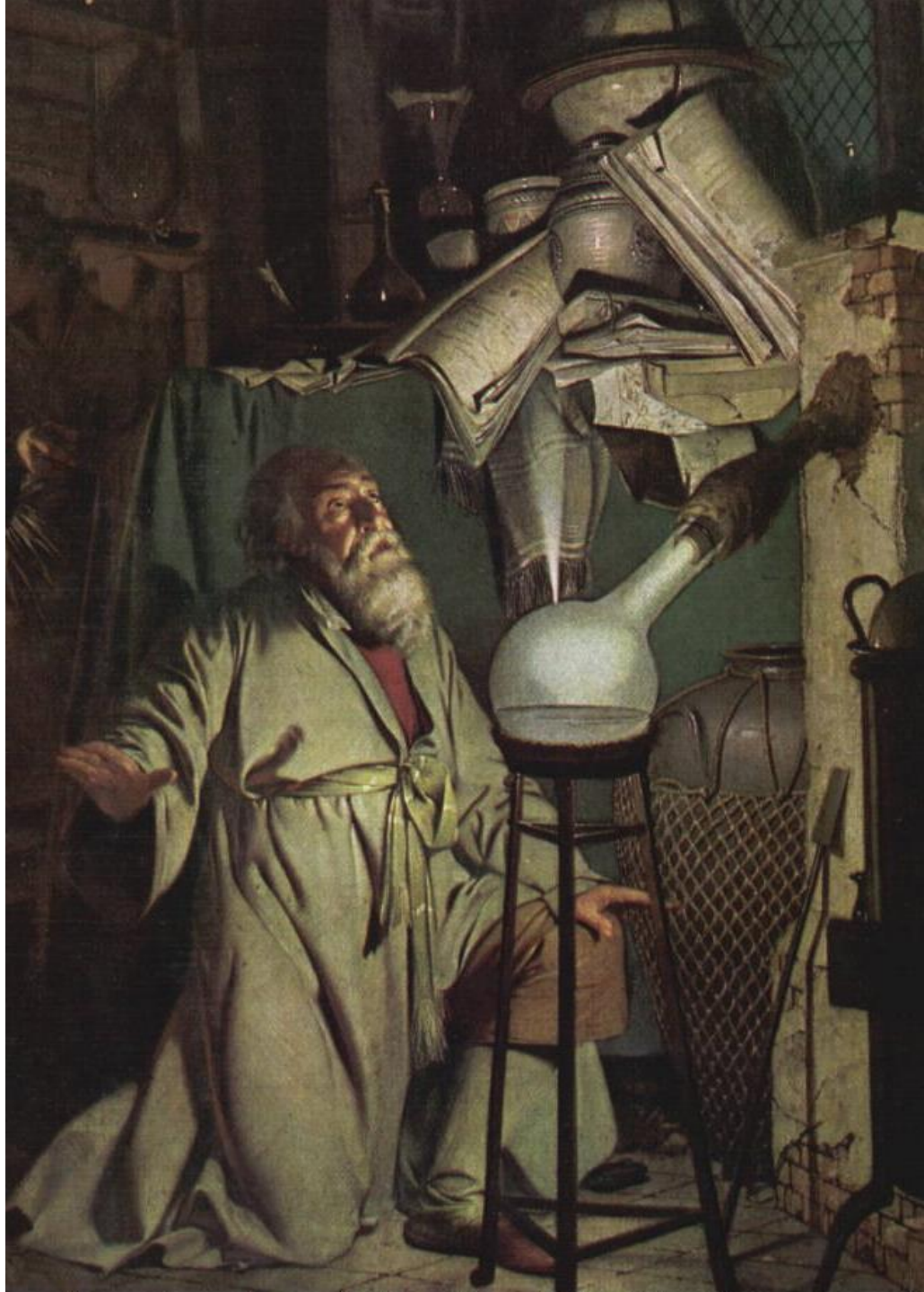
Kabbalah **קבלה**

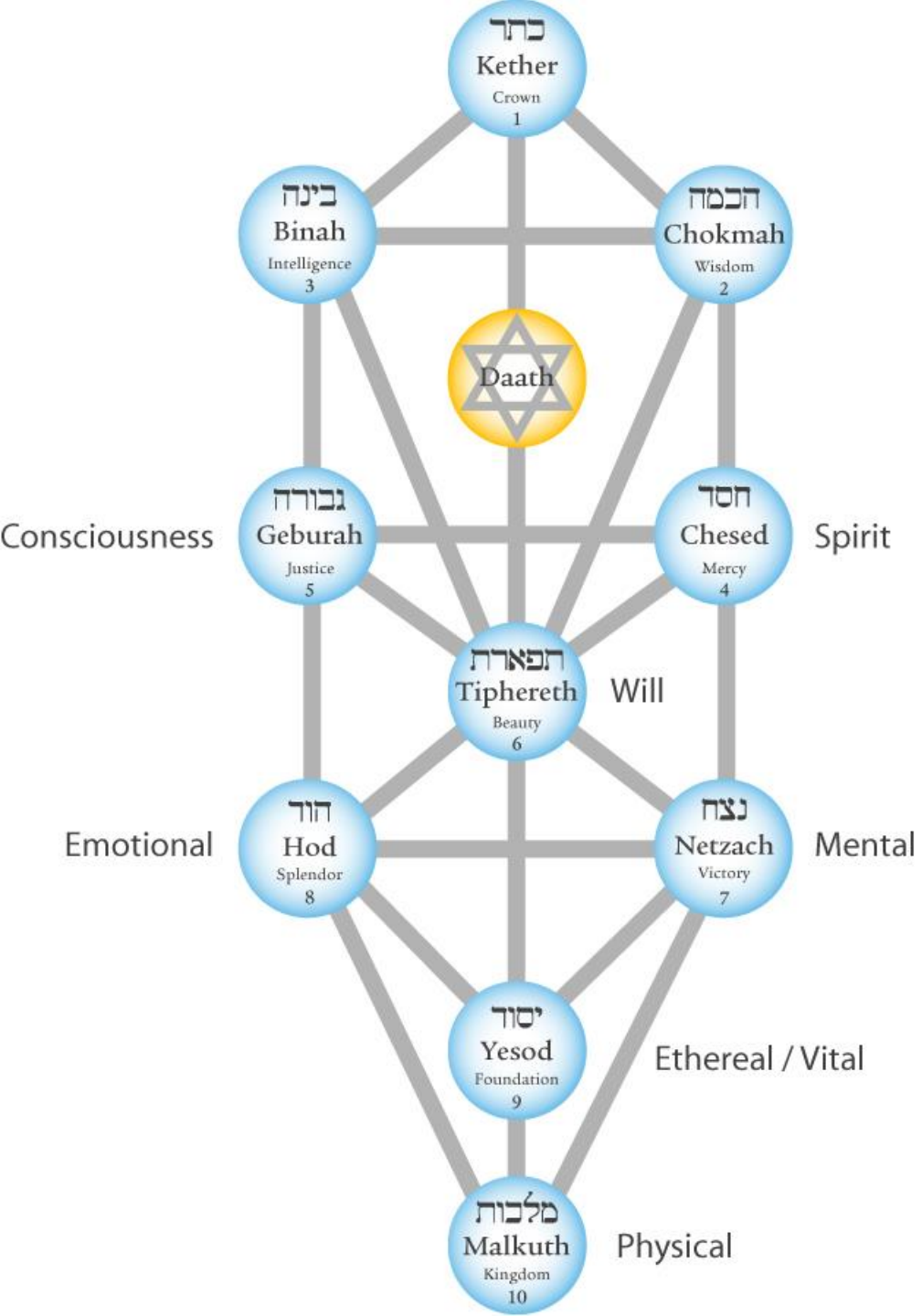
Alchemy الكيمياء

Psychology ψυχολογία

[In the Gnostic Path] we live practically in the most complete equilibrium. We study Alchemy and Kabbalah. We work on the disintegration of the psychological "I."

—Samael Aun Weor, *The Perfect Matrimony*





Kabbalah

It [the Tree of Life] is a glyph, that is to say a composite symbol, which is intended to represent the cosmos in its entirety and the soul of man as related thereto; and the more we study it, the more we see that it is an amazingly adequate representation; we use it as the engineer or the mathematician uses his sliding-rule, to scan and calculate the intricacies of existence, visible and invisible, in external nature or the hidden depth of the soul. –Dion Fortune, *The Mystical Qabalah*

The objective of studying the Kabbalah is to be skilled for work in the Internal Worlds... One who does not comprehend remains confused in the Internal Worlds. Kabbalah is the basis in order to understand the language of these worlds.

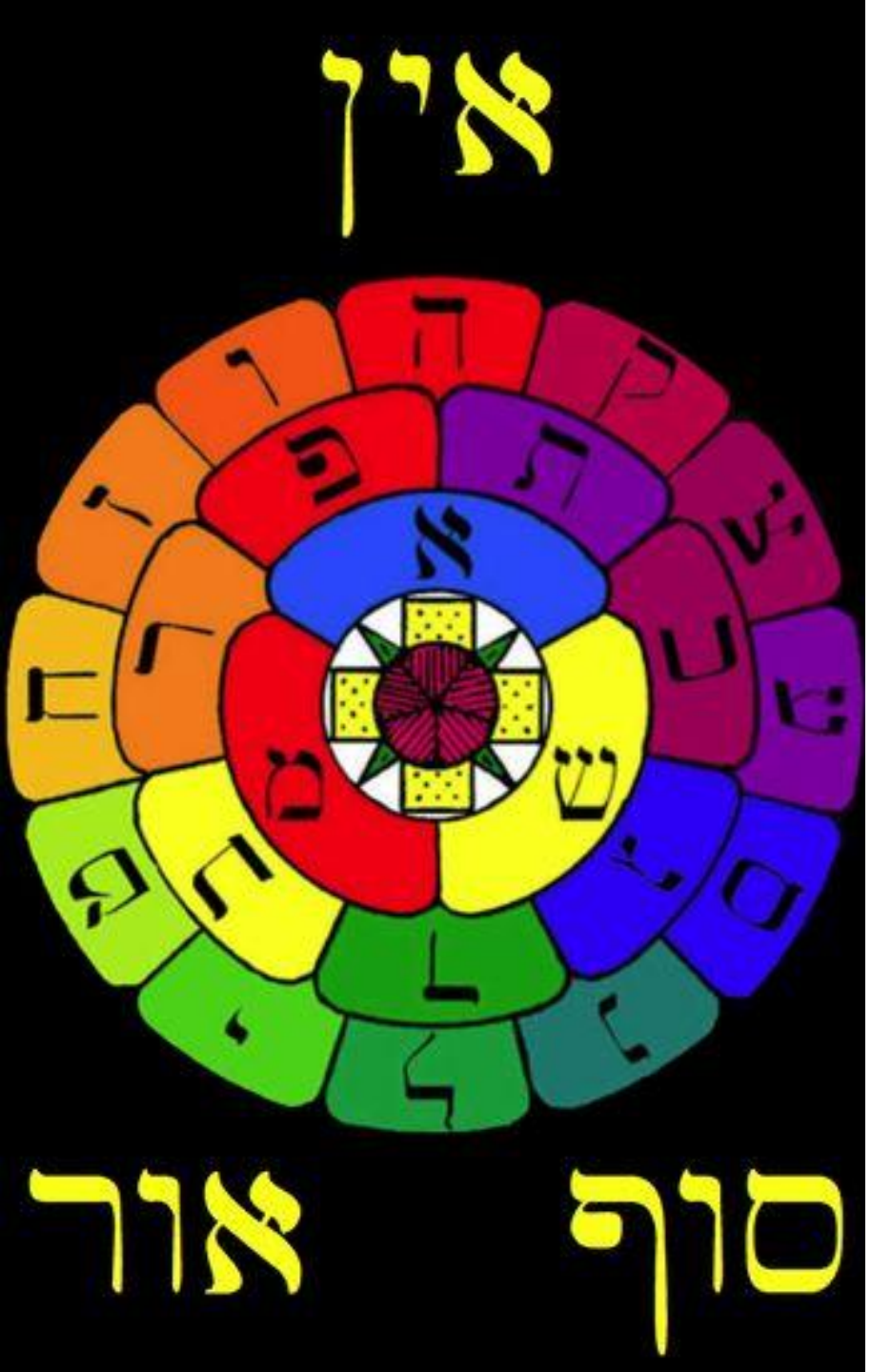
–Samael Aun Weor, *Tarot and Kabbalah*

The Qabalistic cosmology is the Christian Gnosis. Without it we have an incomplete system in our religion, and it is this incomplete system which has been the weakness of Christianity.

–Dion Fortune, *The Mystical Qabalah*

On such a simple thing, scholars have written millions and volumes and theories that would turn anyone crazy who had the bad taste of becoming intellectualized with that entire arsenal.

–Samael Aun Weor



It is not required of those who would use the Qabalah as their Yoga that they should acquire any extensive knowledge of the Hebrew language; all they need is to be able to read and write the Hebrew characters. The modern Qabalah has been pretty thoroughly naturalized in the English language, but it retains, and must ever retain, all its Words of Power in Hebrew, which is the sacred language of the West just as Sanskrit is the sacred language of the East. There are those who have objected to the free employment of Sanskrit terms in occult literature, and no doubt they will object even more strongly to the employment of Hebrew characters, but their use is unavoidable, for every letter in Hebrew is also a number, and the numbers to which words add up are not only an important clue to their significance, but can also be used to express the relationships existing between different ideas and potencies.

–Dion Fortune, *The Mystical Qabalah*

It is recognized by modern science that all the higher laws of nature assume the form of quantitative statement. This is perhaps a fuller elaboration or more explicit affirmation of the Pythagorean doctrine. Numbers were regarded as the best representations of the laws of harmony which pervade the cosmos. We know too that in chemistry the doctrine of atoms and the laws of combination are actually and, as it were, arbitrarily defined by numbers. As Mr. W. Archer Butler has expressed it: "The world is, then, through all its departments, a living arithmetic in its development, a realized geometry in its repose."

–H. P. Blavatsky, *Isis Unveiled*: Before the Veil, "Review of the Ancient Philosophical Systems"

In Kabbalah, everything is numbers and mathematics. The number is holy and infinite. In the universe everything is measurement and weight. For the Gnostics, God is a Geometrist. Mathematics are sacred. No one was admitted into the school of Pythagoras if they were not knowledgeable about mathematics, music, etc. Numbers are sacred.

–Samael Aun Weor, *Tarot and Kabbalah*

Alchemy and Tantra

Alchemy

Allah + (Greek) *Khemia*, Chemistry of God, "to fuse or cast a metal." Al—Khem; the land of Egypt.

Tantra

Sanskrit for "continuum" or "unbroken stream." from Sanskrit *tantram*, lit. "loom, warp," hence "groundwork, system, doctrine," from tan "to stretch, extend." Tantra refers to:

(1) the continuum of vital energy that sustains all existence, and second

(2) the class of knowledge and practices that harnesses that vital energy, thereby transforming the practitioner.

Cup of Jamshid

Ali-Akbar Dehkhoda related the popular Iranian belief that all of the seven heavens of the cosmos can be perceived by looking into the elixir of immortality within this chalice

"If in thirst you drink water from a cup, you see Allah in it. Those who are not in love with Allah will see only their own faces in it."

–Jalaluddin Muhammad Rumi

Life is a well of joy, but where the rabble also drinks, there all wells are poisoned.

I appreciate all that is clean; but I do not like to see the grinning snouts of the unclean.

They cast their eyes into the well; now their disgusting smile reflects back up to me from the well.

They have poisoned the holy water with their lustfulness, and when they called their filthy dreams "pleasure," they poisoned the language too.

But what happened to me? How did I redeem myself from nausea? Who rejuvenated my eyes? How did I manage to fly to the height where no more rabble sits by the well?

Did my nausea itself create wings for me and water-divining powers? Truly, into the highest regions I had to fly in order to rediscover the wellspring of pleasure again!

Oh I found it, my brothers! Here in the highest regions the wellspring of pleasure gushes for me! And there is a life from which no rabble drinks!

Almost too forcefully you flow, well of pleasure! And often you empty the cup again in wanting to fill it!...

...A summer in the highest regions with cold springs and blissful silence: Oh come, my friends, and let the silence become even more blissful!

For it is *our* height and our homeland; too high and steep we live here for all the unclean and their thirst.

Cast your pure eyes into the wellspring of pleasure, you friends! How could it become murky from that! It shall laugh back at you with *its* purity.

–Friedrich Nietzsche, *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*: On the Rabble

Psychology

Psyche – Logos. From Greek *psyche* (pskhe) meaning "soul," and *Logos*, the "principle governing the cosmos," the Word, God. True psychology is "the knowledge of the relationship of the soul with God."

Teachers of schools, colleges, and universities must profoundly study the revolutionary psychology taught by all the International Gnostic Movements; this psychology is a constant revolution and is radically different from anything previously known by this name.

Undoubtedly, we can state, without fear of being mistaken, that in the course of the centuries that have preceded us since the profound night of all times, psychology has never fallen as low as is presently in this age of the "rebels without a cause," "the little henchmen of rock'n'roll."

Moreover, and to the breaking point of disgrace, the retarded and reactionary psychology of these modern times has lost its sense of being, and every direct contact with its true origin. Yes, in these times of sexual degeneration and total deterioration of the mind, not only is it impossible to accurately define the term "psychology," but shockingly, the fundamental subjects of psychology are truly unknown.

–Samael Aun Weor, *Fundamentals of Gnostic Education*

Those who mistakenly suppose that psychology is the most recent contemporary science are really misguided, because psychology is a very ancient science that has its origins in the old schools of archaic mysteries.

It is impossible for the snob, the ultramodern swindler, the backward individual, to define the origin of that which is known as psychology, since it is obvious that psychology never existed under such a name—with the exception of this contemporary epoch. Why? Because for this or that reason, psychology was always suspected of subversive tendencies in religious or political matters, thus it was forced to be concealed by multiple disguises.

Thus, since ancient times, on the different scenarios of the theaters of life, psychology has always played its role by being intelligently disguised with the costumes of philosophy.

–Samael Aun Weor, *Fundamentals of Gnostic Education*

Psychology was always connected to philosophy, to the authentic objective art, to science, and to religion in the ancient schools of mysteries from Greece, Egypt, Rome, India, Persia, Mexico, Peru, Assyria, Chaldea, etc. Yes, in those ancient times, psychology was cleverly hidden behind the graceful forms of sacred dancers or behind the enigma of cryptic hieroglyphs or beautiful sculptures, or in poetry or tragedy, and even within the delectable music of the temples.

Indeed, before science, philosophy, art, and religion split asunder in order to subsist as independent parts, psychology reigned in all the very ancient schools of mysteries.

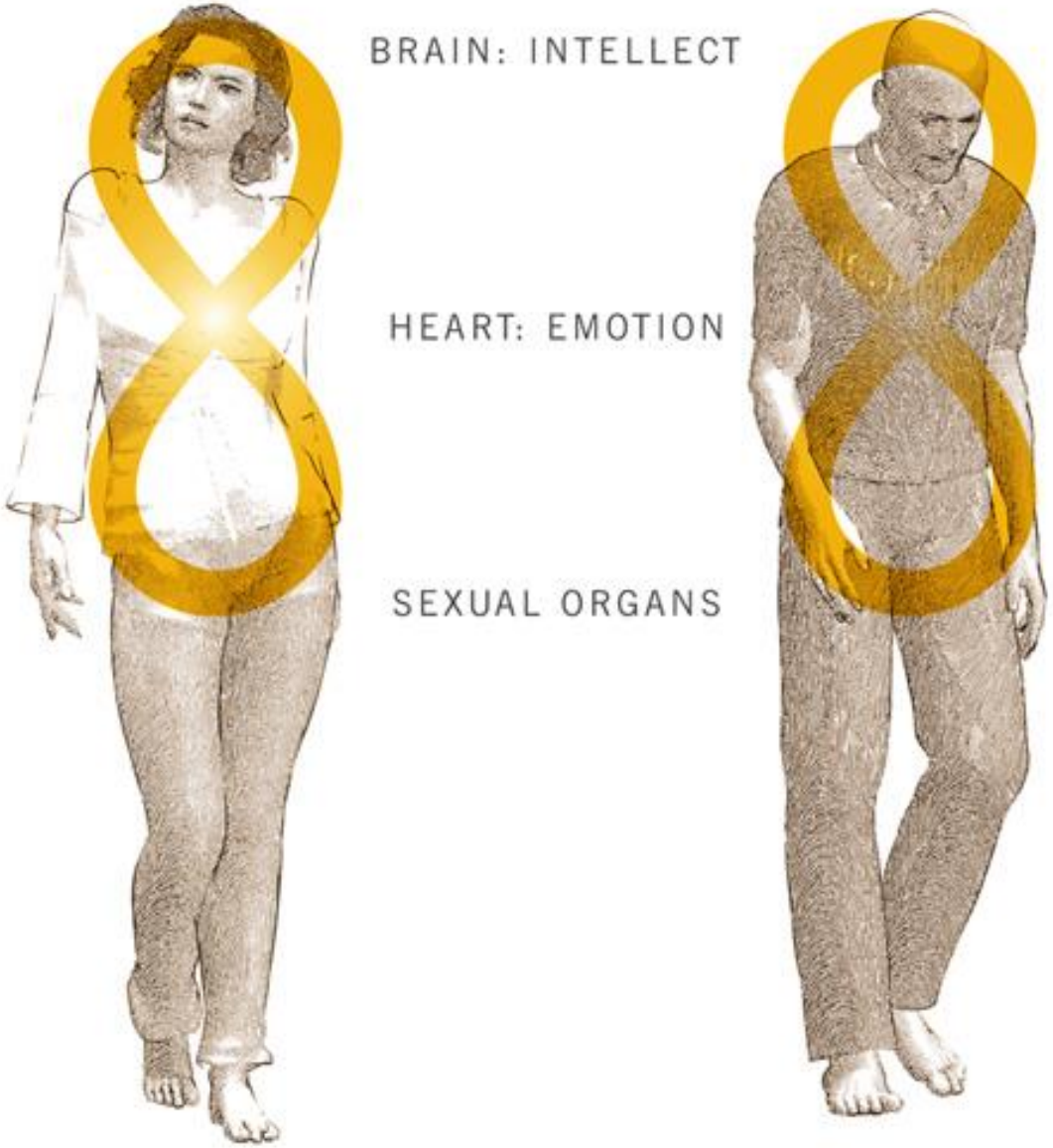
When the Initiatic Colleges ceased to operate due to the Kali Yuga or the Dark Age in which we still live, psychology survived within the symbolism of several esoteric and pseudo-esoteric schools of this modern world, and especially within Gnostic esotericism.

Profound analysis and in-depth investigation allows us to comprehend with complete meridian clarity that the different systems and psychological doctrines that existed in the past and that presently exist can be divided into two categories.

First: The doctrines that are conceived such as many intellectuals suppose them to be. Modern psychology belongs, in fact, to this category.

Second: The doctrines that study the human being from the point of view of the revolution of the consciousness. This second category truly contains the original and most ancient doctrines; only these doctrines allow us to comprehend the living origins of psychology and their profound significance.

–Samael Aun Weor, *Fundamentals of Gnostic Education*



In the view of Tantra, the body's vital energies are the vehicles of the mind. When the vital energies are pure and subtle, one's state of mind will be accordingly affected. By transforming these bodily energies we transform the state of consciousness.

It is vital to understand and develop the conviction that consciousness has the potential to increase to an infinite degree.

–The 14th Dalai Lama

Regarding the First Commandment, Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: Jehovah Elohim our God, Jehovah Elohim is one; and you shall love Jehovah Elohim your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these.

– Mark 12:28-34