CHRIST LOVE: THE SEAL OF COMPASSION

Bodhichitta and the Secret Path

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OUR PURPOSE

- Learn how to awaken, develop, sustain, and expand the intelligence of the heart.
- To describe how the heart must balance the mind to provide peace.
- Provide an exegesis of the following lines from Samael Aun Weor:

Love and wisdom are the secret path of the heart. The wisdom of the seal of the heart is for children, in other words, for those who do not commit adultery with Jezebel who called herself a prophetess.

—Samael Aun Weor, *The Aquarian Message*

INNER BALANCE AND EXTREMES

Wisdom and love are the two basal pillars of every true civilization. On one plate of the scale of Cosmic Justice we must place wisdom and on the other we must place love.

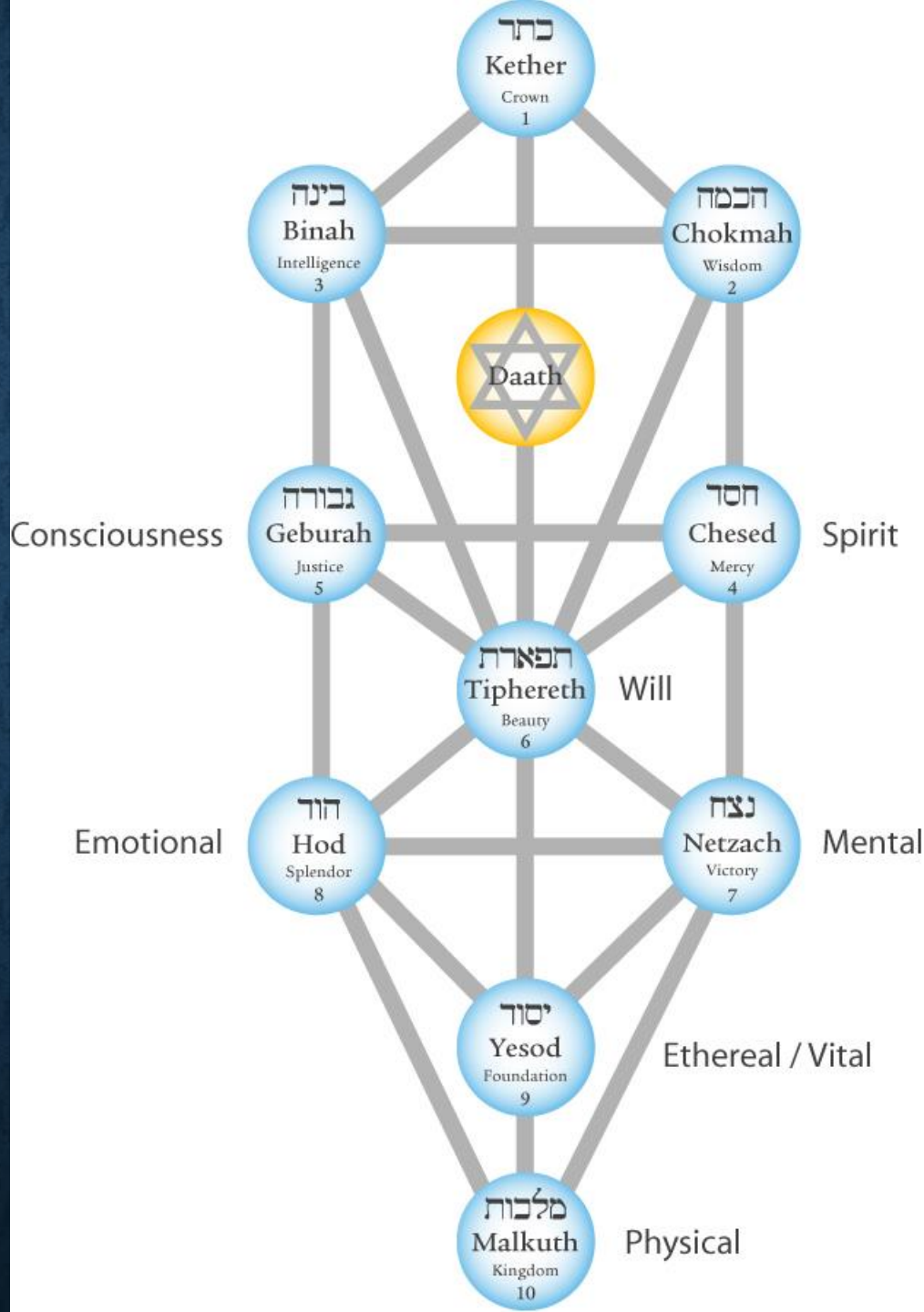
Wisdom and love must be mutually equilibrated. Wisdom without love is a destructive element. Love without wisdom can lead us into error, "Love is law, but cognizant love."

—Samael Aun Weor, *Fundamentals of Gnostic Education*

לב Lab, Heart:

ל Lamed (30) and ב Beth (2) = the 32 paths of God

22 Hebrew Letters and 10 Sephiroth



THE ULTIMATE REMEDY

There is an organ in the body that, if it is righteous, ensures that the whole system will be righteous; and if it is corrupt, the whole body will become corrupt. This organ is the heart.

There is a polish for everything that takes away rust; and the polish for the heart is dhikr, the remembrance of Allah.

—Prophet Muhammad, Hadith

قلب Qalb, Heart:

ق Qaf (100) +

ل Lam (30) +

ب Ba (2) = 132 = 32 + 1 = 33

Muhammad: (م) Mim (40) + (ح) Ha (8) + (م) Mim (40) + (م) Mim (40) + (د) Dal (4) = 132 = 32 + 1= 33

KNOWING HOW TO THINK AND FEEL

The brain, heart, and sex of the Genie of the Earth are symbolically placed in the Holy Eight, in the symbol of the infinite. The two opposed circles of the Holy Eight represent the brain and sex. The center of the Holy Eight is the symbolic seat of the heart. Terrible is the fight of brain against sex, sex against brain, and what is even more terrible and most bitter is the fight of heart against heart.

—Samael Aun Weor, *Light from Darkness*

The mind must convert itself into an instrument of the heart. We must learn to think with the heart. The mind must flow delectably with the exquisite feeling of the heart. The mind must become lovely and simple. The wisdom of the heart illuminates the mind. The wisdom of the heart is placed in the chalice of the mind as the blood of redemption. The mind of the arhat is symbolized by the Holy Grail. The heart's love is the Summum of Wisdom.

—Samael Aun Weor, *Igneous Rose*

THE BASIS OF SPIRITUAL PERCEPTION

We think that we see with our eyes. The information, the influences of perception, are due to our senses—while the real influence, the meaning of things, the power behind what sees and what is seen, can be reached neither by the senses, nor by deduction and analysis, comparison, contrasts, and associations made through intellectual theories. The invisible world can only be penetrated by the eye and the mind of the heart. Indeed, the reality of this visible also can only be seen by the mind and eye of the heart. What we think we see is but veils which hide the reality of things; things whose truth, whose meaning may not be revealed until these veils are lifted. It is only when the dark veils of imagination and preconception are raised that the divine light (Bodhi) will penetrate the heart (Chitta), enabling the inner eye to see. Then either the sunlight or the light of a candle will become a metaphor for the divine light. —Ibn 'Arabi, *Divine Governance of the Human Kingdom*

WHAT MEDITATORS DEVELOP

Bodhichitta (Sanskrit **बोधिचित्त**)

- Bodhi, “light, wisdom, enlightenment, awakening.”
- Chitta, “mind, heart.”

The Dharma of the "Eye" is the embodiment of the external, and the non-existing.

The Dharma of the "Heart" is the embodiment of Bodhi, the Permanent and Everlasting. –*The Voice of the Silence*

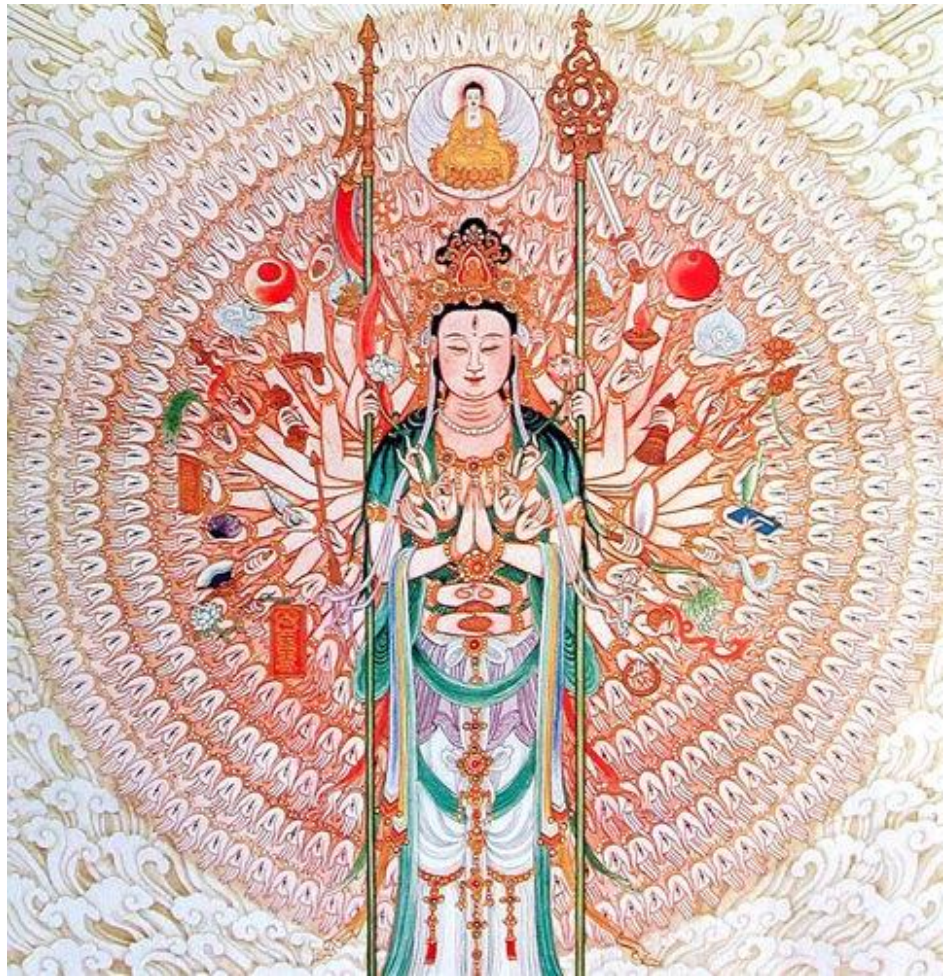
COMPASSION THAT WORKS

According to Buddhism, compassion is an aspiration, a state of mind, wanting others to be free from suffering. It's not passive—it's not empathy alone—but rather an empathetic altruism that actively strives to free others from suffering. Genuine compassion must have both wisdom and lovingkindness. That is to say, one must understand the nature of suffering from which we wish to free others (this is wisdom), and one must experience deep intimacy and empathy with other sentient beings (this is lovingkindness).

—The Dalai Lama, *Essence of the Heart Sutra*

WHY HAVE COMPASSION? THE THREE SUFFERINGS

- The suffering of physical and mental pain
- The suffering of change
- The suffering of conditioning



RESOURCE: COMPASSION