# Crowning achievement of the Great Sacrifice



# **Quick overview of the anthropogeological evolution on planet earth**

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#### Foreword by the Series Editor

Anthropogenesis, or mankind's birth, evolution, and future, is the third proposition of The Secret Doctrine. The other two propositions are about Cosmogenesis, and the Triple Law that underpins the essential unity of Cosmos and Man, and governs silently their parallel unfoldment from within without.

Anthropogenesis may be summed up as follows:<sup>1</sup>

Once more, from the Circle of Infinity or Zero arises a Circle of Necessity or relative finiteness. It marks the dawn of another Manyantara, or Consciousness' recurring pilgrimage to the deepest recesses of materiality before rising from the bowels of the underworld, onward and upward, to higher realms of Unconscious Immateriality.

By successive incarnations and by the toils and drudgery of life, souls keep spiralling up toward their immortal counterpart. Individually, men are companions along a journey of Self-discovery, of finding Self through self. Collectively, Man is One, a Son of Necessity.

Starting upon the long journey immaculate; descending more and more into sinful matter, and having connected himself with every atom in manifested Space — the Pilgrim, having struggled through and suffered in every form of life and being, is only at the bottom of the valley of matter, and half through his cycle, when he has identified himself with collective Humanity. This, he has made in his own image<sup>2</sup>... and acquired individuality, first by natural impulse, and then by self-induced and self-devised efforts (checked by its Karma).<sup>3</sup>

This periodic apostasy of the Great Mind, from the asylum of unconscious subjectivity to the discord of conscious objectivity (that we all know too well) endows every part with

Infinite Potency born from the concealed Potentiality.4

Eventually, those who understood the purpose and fundamental integrity of life will begin renouncing their worldly egos by acting altruistically for the whole. Only then will they be able to identify anew with the "Over Soul" of Love, Truth, and Wisdom, and bring back the nectar of personal experience to the Spiritual Heart.

Just as, at the close of the cycle of the sidereal year [25,868 years], the heavenly bodies return to the same relative positions as they occupied at its outset, so at the close of the cycle of Initiation the inner man has regained the pristine

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excerpted from C.A. Bartzokas (*Comp. & Ed.*). *Compassion: the Spirit of Truth.* Gwernymynydd: Philaletheians UK, 2005; v. 05.88.2021; *pp.* 36-37. This is our first Major Work.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cf. Secret Doctrine, I p. 268

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cf. *ibid.*, I p. 17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Blavatsky Collected Writings, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. II) XII p. 552; [on the Universal Principle, being Simon's summit of all manifested creation, *i.e.*, Fire or Πυρ.]

#### CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT OF THE GREAT SACRIFICE FOREWORD BY THE SERIES EDITOR

state of divine purity and knowledge from which he set out on his cycle of terrestrial incarnation.1

This onward and upward march "from mineral and plant, up to the holiest archangel" is man's natural duty, religion, and ultimate destiny. Metaphysically, humanity is an emanation of the World's Soul on Earth; Mystically, she is the "Love of Gods."

Anthropogenesis is the subject matter of Volume II of The Secret Doctrine (1888), selected aspects of which have been presented in our Secret Doctrine's Third Proposition Series under the following titles:

- 1. The first four Root-Races, plus Appendices.
- 2. The last three Root-Races, plus Appendix on the Divine Instructors of our [Fifth] Race.
- 3. We have since integrated all four parts in a 242pp volume, under the holding title "Evolution of the human life-wave on earth." This volume can be found in the same Series and in Google Books.

This grand overview of the origin and evolution of the human race, from the hoary antiquity to the present period, was constructed by extracting seriatim the Train of Thoughts<sup>4</sup> of the above studies. The Train of Thoughts of a fifth study, The Seven Creations [of the Purānas], was also inserted at the end of this study.

Diligent study of Esoteric Anthropogeology will demonstrate that the words chosen for this title are no mere verbiage: "Great Sacrifice" is the LAW of Laws. And "Crowning Achievement" is the fruition of a life prescribed by LAW, which should be every man's first duty: that is, to acquire knowledge of his real self (paramātman) and then, by the annihilation of his worldly self (ātman), to carry on living for humanity here on earth, in order to save her from herself.

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Secret Doctrine, I p. 314; [on the Pyramids, record and symbol of the Mysteries and Initiations on Earth. "The cycle of Initiation was a reproduction in miniature of that great series of Cosmic changes to which astronomers have given the name of tropical or sidereal year."]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Oxyrhynchus Papyrus, 1380.109 (C2 CE)

A distinctive feature of Philaletheians' compilations is that headings and side captions function as subtitles: when read sequentially, they impart the salient points of the entire compilation. The value of this feature becomes apparent in long and complex analyses, where Contents double as Train of Thoughts.

# The first four Root-Races

#### 1. First Root-Race, the Shadows

#### Man's dual origin and birth.

Birth of Humanity or the Great Orphan: Occultism affirms two births: a Spiritual, manifested through the potency inherent in unborn, unconditioned noetic essence; and a material evolution of discrete, physical elements.

Higher Angels (Solar Pitris) were commanded to create, to imbue primordial matter with evolutionary impulse, and to guide its formative powers in the fashioning of its productions. It is said that they "rebelled." But there were no "rebels" as such: the Higher Angels would not create irresponsible men, nor could they endow human beings with only temporary reflections of their own attributes, as the "Obedient" Angels did at first: for, even though the latter belonged to another and much higher plane of consciousness, they would leave men still irresponsible and hence interfere with any possibility of higher progress. Satan, the Serpent of *Genesis* and favourite scapegoat of the Churches, is none other than Loving Lucifer, Harbinger of Noetic Light, our real creator, benefactor, and true angel.

First Race men were simply images, the astral doubles of their Lunar Pitris or Fathers. Lunar Pitris were also the evolvers of the Second Race. First Race men gave their astral shadows as models in the Fourth Round. Later on, when the human physical frame became sufficiently consolidated (late Third Race), the Solar Pitris gave their intelligence. Why? Because though the "Obedient" Angels possessed the fire of physical procreation, they could only create or rather "clothe" the human monad with their own astral selves; they could not give men that sacred spark that burns and expands into the flower of human reason and self-consciousness, as they had it not to give. For, they have descended from inferior, material worlds. Thus, each class of Creators endowed man with what It could give. This is the mystery of our dual origin and birth.

A pale copy of its Divine Progenitors was the First Race: too material, even in its ethereality, to be a hierarchy of gods; too spiritual and pure to be human as it was endowed with every negative perfection.

#### **Esoteric Symbology.**

The First Root-Race is symbolised by Kandu; the Second, by Mārishā. Its celestial origin is also symbolised by the apex of the pyramids in Egypt and elsewhere, primordial point lost in the unseen universe whence it started.

#### **Esoteric Ethnology.**

First Race man had neither type nor colour and hardly an objective, though colossal, form. The first two races were too ethereal, too phantom-like in their constitution, organism and shape, even to be called physical men. That is why their relics can never be expected to be exhumed among other fossils.

Man is the storehouse of all seeds of life for this Round, vegetable and animal alike, a veritable Noah's Ark.

#### Cognition and speech.

The First Race was speechless because it was mindless.

#### Demise and death.

First Race men, being mere shadows of their Lunar Progenitors, could not be injured or destroyed by death. But their sons, the Second Race, could be and were so destroyed. The First Race disappeared into the Second without either begetting it or procreating it. Why? Because the human womb, copy and reflection of the Heavenly Matrix, had not been prepared.

When the Second Race matured, "old waters were mixed with fresher waters." Death, as we know it, came only after man had become an objective, physical creature.

The First Race came to an end during the second subrace of the Third. For, men had lost their balance.

Since the appearance of the First Race, the whole globe has been convulsed periodically, four times to date.

#### 2. Second Root-Race, the Sweat-Born

#### How man's physical frame developed.

Phoenicians were the Kingly or Second Divine Race. The first two races, being spiritual, had nought to do with climate nor were they subservient to any temperature or change therein.

#### How asexual form "budded" from a sexless shadow.

If thou would'st understand the Secondary [Creation, so-called], Oh Lanoo, thou should'st first study its relation to the Primary.

The astral form clothing the Monad was surrounded, as it still is, by an egg-shaped aura that corresponds to the substance of the ovum or germ-cell.

The mistaken theories of monogenesis and the belief in the descent of man from the mammals, instead of the reverse, are fatal to the completeness of evolution as taught in modern schools along Darwinian lines. Even the marsupials of the Triassic rocks of the Secondary Period are post-human.

# How the Sweat-Born of the Second Race evolved to the egg-born of the Third.

The human embryo of the Second Race was nourished from without by Cosmic forces. The First Race created the Second by "budding"; the Second, gave birth to the Third, which then separated into three distinct divisions of men differently procreated. Thus, physical procreation progressed from asexual to egg-born bisexual and, finally, to womb-born men and women.

The progressive order of human reproduction explained.

#### 3. Third Root-Race, the Lemurians

# Watched by Angels, humanity became ready to receive the solar spark.

There is a Wondrous Being, the ever-living Human Banyan, whose duty is to rear, nurse, and guide the tottering steps of renascent human races, after their periodical awakening from "obscuration." He descended from a high region in the early part of the Third Age, before the separation of the sexes of the Third Root-Race. He is sitting at the threshold of Light, looking into it from within the circle of Darkness, which He will not cross.

# Then the Watchers descended on earth and reigned over men who were themselves.

Under the silent guidance of this Wondrous Being, the pupils of the incarnated Rishis and Devas of the Third Root-Race handed their knowledge from one generation to another.

The Dhyāni-Buddhas in charge of the two higher groups, the "Watchers" or "Architects," reigned on earth during the Satya-Yuga and up to the beginning of the Third Root-Race. Then after, the incarnated Dhyānis of a lower order, Patriarchs, Heroes, Manes up to King Menes and, finally, the human kings of other nations took over.

Earth and Man are the products of three fires, the Electric, the Solar, and the fire produced by friction.

Asuras, Kumāras, Manus, Pitris, Prajāpatis, and Rishis, are generic names of the "Flames," Sons of Passive Yoga. Led by that Wondrous Being, a group of such half-divine half-human beings incarnated personally into the senseless shells of the Third Root-Race men and found themselves reborn over and over again.

#### **Crowning achievement of the Great Sacrifice.**

The evolution of Spirit through matter could never have been achieved, nor would it have received its first impulse, had not the Bright Spirits sacrificed their superethereal essence to animate the man of clay, by endowing each of his inner principles with a reflection of their essence.

The seven names of the first seven Logoic Emanations or Flames, Sons of Fire, hold the key to the "word" that is neither word, nor the tetragrammaton of the Jews that was invented to mislead the profane.

#### Axis mundi about to cross the horizon.

In Cosmogenesis, the cross remains within the circle. Purānic Venus symbolises the Third and Fourth Races.

In Occultism, Yama is a personification of the Third Root-Race. He is the first man that died, and the first that departed to the heaven of bliss.

Twin sisters Yama-Yamī live in a palace of copper and iron, green and red. They stand for dual Manas. In the Purānas, Yama has many wives who force him to dwell in the lower world, this earth. He is a Spirit in exile.

Hermes Anubis, represented with an animal head, reveals to the souls of the dead the mysteries of the lower world.

During the genesis of early Third Root-Race the cross fell off the circle and became phallic when those men who, being still mindless, imitated the animals and thus degraded themselves. The same cross also stands for the dual meaning of sexes.

Thoth alone remains changeless from the first to the last Dynasty. He is the god of wisdom and has authority over all other gods. He is the recorder and judge. He is the Master of Cynocephalus, the dog-headed ape who stood in Egypt as a living symbol and remembrance of the Third Root-Race.

The first Three Races were Divine Dynasties, superhuman Celestial Spirits, Titans and Kings, born one from the other mentally in Bhārata-Varsha or India, land of divine knowledge and initiation. They informed the mind of animal men of the middle and late Third Race, during the present (Fourth) Round, in seven stages.

#### **Evolution of complexion and types.**

Early Third Race men were the Titans of the Secondary Age. The real Sons of God on earth, a Holy Race. They were four-armed hermaphrodites with a third eye at the back of the head. (The transference of the pineal gland, once the "third eye," to the forehead is by exoteric, artistic licence.)

That Holy Race consisted of men who, at their zenith, were described as

Towering giants of godly strength and beauty, and the depositaries of all the mysteries of Heaven and Earth.

They lived in Hēdonē-Eden, the Paradeśa of the first Sanskrit-speaking people.

Today, the only pure and direct descendants of the Third Race are the fallen and degenerated Australians, whose far-distant ancestors belonged to its seventh subrace.

Like the Khoikhoi of South-western Africa, the Malays and Papuans are mixed stock, resulting from the intermarriages of low Atlantean subraces with the seventh subrace of the Third Root-Race. Thus, they are of indirect Lemuro-Atlantean descent.

# Holy procreation soon turned into animal gratification, celestial fire into terrestrial.

The generative force, spiritual at the beginning, turned material on the physical plane. Our present mode of procreation began towards the end of the third Root-Race.

The followers of the Lesser Mysteries were allowed to perceive things only through a mist, as it were, "with eyes closed." But the Initiates or Seers of the Greater Mysteries, "those who see things unveiled," were taught the true Mysteries of the Zodiac, and the relations and correspondences between its twelve constellations and the ten orifices of the human body. (The difference in the number of orifices between man and woman is merely exoteric.)

The connection between Zodiac and orifices stems from the power of mental procreation that was coeval with the Third Race.

The third and last semi-spiritual, sexless race was also the last vehicle of the divine, innate wisdom of its Enochs and Seers. The union of Wisdom and Intelligence, the former ruling the latter, is called in the Hermetic texts "the God possessing the double fecundity of the two sexes."

The mystery of inactive, active, separating, and separated androgynes will now be explained: Third Race men began to separate in their prenatal shells or eggs, and to issue out of them as distinct male and female babies.

#### Notes on the separation of the sexes.

The primitive rite of covenanting by inter-transfusion of blood began in the Third Race in commemoration of the separation of the sexes and was firmly established in the Fourth.

The first man and woman, the biblical Enoch, appeared in the fifth sub-race of the Third Root-Race.

#### 4. Fourth Root-Race, the Atlantean 1

Atlantis was a global configuration of islands covering of what is now the mid-Atlantic Ocean, as well as portions of the Pacific, and had islands even in the Indian Ocean. Europe and America were connected by a land passage, of which Iceland, Madeira, and the other Atlantic islands are remnants.

Atlantis and its illustrious "Fourth Race" inhabitants sunk 856,000 years ago, coinciding with the elevation of the Alps.

Titans and Cyclopes of old belonged to the Atlantean Race. Progressively, the human frame consolidated and symmetrised. Two front eyes developed but the "seers" sinned and lost the third. After the separation of the sexes, Karma forced the creative gods to incarnate in mindless men. Then, sight and speech developed, for, language is coeval with reason. Humanity had passed the middle point in the Great Cycle. The door for further monads entering the human kingdom closed and the balance struck. Many of us are now working off the effects of the evil karmic causes produced by us in Atlantean bodies.

Prometheus is the pre-eminent Atlantean hero and philanthropist. He bestowed to animal man divine mind. But the gift was abused and became a curse. The mystery of the Fourth Race "falling" into matter explained: Angels fell but not Man. Eminent Atlanteans are still kindling the Promethean fire. Zoroaster, Ulysses, Noah, Kabiri, Telchines, and other heroic figures are none other than mankind's divine instructors and true benefactors.

Atlantis was a land of beautiful and strong giants. Their initiates commemorated images of the five Races in stone for the instruction of future generations. Though perfected in materiality, they degenerated in spirituality. Black magic, bestiality, selfishness, and self-adoration spelled the demise of that proud race.

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For in-depth analysis of the Fourth Root-Race, consult Rise and Demise of Atlantis.

#### **Pivotal attributes of the first four Root-Races.**

Race	Watcher	Procreation	Appearance	Cognition	Speech	Demise	Parallels
1. Shadows (Chhayas), Astral Sons of Yoga, Self-existent and Self- born. (Adam 2 of Gene- sis. Adam 1 is Kadmon, Heavenly Man or Sec- ond Logos.)	Watched by the Sun. Lunar Ancestors (Pitris), or Lords of the Moon, gave their body.		Ethereal, "moon-coloured," phantom-like. Neither type nor colour, and hardly an objective, though colossal form.	Unintelligent, mindless (amanasa), i.e., mind not yet awakened.	Speechless, because mindless.	Neither flood nor fire could destroy them. They disappeared in the second race without either begetting it, pro- creating it, or dying.	Ātma / Hearing / Aether (Inner or noetic hearing dwarfed to outer, or mere physical, in the early Fifth Race.)
2.1 Early Second, Fathers of the Sweat-born.	Watched by Brihaspati- Jupiter.	Sexless (devoid of sex, i.e., latent hermaphrodites), by fission.	Boneless giants, i.e., soft-boned semi-human monsters.	Weak spark of intelligence.	Chant-like vowel sounds.	But their "Sons," the Second Root-Race, could be, and were so, destroyed.	Buddhi / Touch / Air (The "odd" eye was the only seeing organ.)
2.2 Late Second, Sweat-born race begins.		Asexual (no distinct sex, i.e., inactive hermaphrodites), by budding.					
3.1 Early Lemurian, Sweat-born race con- tinues. Sons of Passive Yoga produced uncon- sciously by the Second Race. (Adam and Eve.)	Watched by Sukra- Venus.	Still asexual, amoeba- like, by exudation of vital fluid, the drops of which coalesced to form an oviform ball, nourished from without.	One-eyed (i.e., organ of objective sight. Not the third eye of Fourth Race Initiates, the "Sons of Cycles" or Cyclopes, which is the reverse.)	Still mindless, hence sinless.	Slight improvement on the sounds of Nature, on the cry of gigantic insects, and of the first animals that, however, were hardly nascent.	Second sub-race of First Race came to an end in the second sub-race of the Third.	
3.2 Middle Lemurian, Egg-born androgynous.		Bisexual (partaking of the attributes of both sexes, i.e., separating hermaphrodites), nour- ished from within.	Three-eyed, four- armed, with light yellow- gold complexes. Bones solidified.	Awakening intelligence. Lowest point in the arc of descent reached. Axle of the wheel tilted.	Speech was no better than a tentative effort. Communicated by thought-transference.	First Root-Race came to an end altogether. For, men had lost their balance.	
3.3 Late Lemurian, Womb-born race of men and women begins.	Solar Ancestors (Pitris), or Sons of Mind (Ma- nasaputras), gave their mind.	Separation of sexes begun in the fifth subrace, foreshadowing the "fall" of Spirit.	Stature begins decreasing. Twin physical eyes now prominent.	Intelligence about to be succumbed to temptations of personal desires (Kama).	Monosyllabic speech of vowel pattern mixed with hard consonants.		Higher Manas / Sight / Fire (i.e., light. Third eye became a gland.)
4. Atlantean, Wombborn race continues. (Adam 3 of Genesis.)	Watched by Soma- Moon.	Separation of sexes completed and thus creation of the first human species accomplished, but at a high cost: "The whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth." (Romans viii, 22)	Two-eyed, two-armed, red-yellow at first, larger in size than now, with body symmetry peaking in the middle of the race; brown-white, later. Together with the yellow races, they form the bulk of present-day humanity.	Intelligence fully awak- ened. Acquired know- ledge of good and evil. At the middle point of the race, karmic bal- ance was struck. No more animal monads can now enter the hu- man kingdom.	Agglutinative languages developed, followed by inflectional speech, root of Sanskrit and first true language; now the mystery tongue of Fifth Race Initiates.	Black magic, bestiality, and self-adoration spelled the demise of that proud race by rising waves. "They perished to the last man, the soil sinking under their feet and the earth engulfing those who had desecrated her." (Comm.)	Lower Manas / Taste / Water. (Twin eyes, organs of objective sight, now fully devel- oped. Third eye contin- ues functioning till near- ly the end of the race.)

### The last three Root-Races

#### 5. Fifth Root-Race, the Aryan

#### Divine Kings incarnated on earth to teach nascent humanity.

The Atlanteans were the first purely human, earthly race; Āryans, are the second. "Two nations are in thy womb," saith the Lord to Rebekah.

The wise leaders of our race lived their lives in learning, not teaching. What they knew, they passed on in solemn silence and secrecy to the elect.

They are the Sons of the Fire, the King-Instructors who incarnated here on earth to teach nascent Humanity. They are led by Gautama Śākyamuni, called the Fourth and Fifth Buddha because during the Fourth Round He presides over the Fifth Race. He is Samanta Bhadra, a Universal Sage.

In Hindu Occultism, divine consciousness and its human reflections on earth are symbolised by Vaivasvata Manu who is in charge of our present Fourth Round, the Indian Noah and progenitor of the thinking men of the present Fifth Root-Race, one of forty-nine that emanated from the Root-Manu.

#### Humanity has since come of age.

Our Fifth Root-Race begun its existence 1,000,000 years ago.

The Great Cataclysm that sunk the Fourth Continent beneath the floor of what is now the Atlantic Ocean took place 200,000 after the dawn of our race. We have since passed the middle point in the Great Cycle. The door for further sparks of the Divine Fire entering the human kingdom is now closed and the balance struck.

Though more refined, the animal propensities of the age are not the less developed for that, for we are still in the acme of materiality. The struggle for animal existence has already begun yielding slowly but surely to the struggle for divine existence. But psychism will seduce and snag many a forerunner of the next subrace.

When the hour strikes, the wicked shall be destroyed by fire and their power annihilated. And their names shall be blotted out of the holy books.

# Continents evolve on parallel lines with races; races, with soil and climate.

Enoch stands for the first subrace of the Fifth Race. He also stands for the two preceding Root-Races with their fourteen subraces.

While the *Purānas* pay more attention to Spiritual Causes than to effects, the Bible plunges the faithful into material genesis, nearly skips the pre-Adamic races, and then proceeds developing its allegories concerning the Fifth Race.

The appearance of Great Continents follows the order of evolution of the Great Races, from the First to the Fifth. Europe is the Fifth Continent. Races evolved on parallel lines with the evolution of three geological strata, from which their complexion was

as much derived as it was determined by the climates of those zones. The three fundamental colours are red, yellow, and black. When mixed in variable quantities with the white of the skin, they give rise to numerous shades. The first subrace witnessed the doom of the last of Atlanteans, 850,000 years ago. The fourth, that of the last island of Atlantis, 11,000 years ago.

Early men were giants. But they have since degenerated morally and physically.

Incas were the first offshoot of the first subrace. They were followed by the Egyptians and the early Chinese. Āryan Hindus were the last offshoot of the first subrace.

Aeolians, Dorians, and Ionians were remnants of Atlantean stock. But the blood of the true Roman was Hellenic from its beginning.

Today's spiritually highest men are the Āryan Asiatics; those intellectually highest are their white conquerors, men of the seventh subrace.

Redskins, Eskimos, Papuans, Australians, Polynesians, all are dying out now. The time is drawing near when there will remain nothing but three great human types, the White, the Yellow, and the African Black, with their Atlanto-European divisions.

#### Ape is not a product of natural evolution but an accidental crossbreed between animal and man.

It is the ape that is a "special and unique instance," not man. The pithecoid is an accidental creation, the result of an unnatural process, a forced growth. Still, he is "a god on earth who had fallen into matter" or generation.

Apes are millions of years later than "speaking men," and the latest contemporaries of our Fifth Race. Their unprogressed Egos were compelled by Karma to incarnate in animal forms as a punishment for the bestiality they displayed from the late Third to the early Fourth Root-Race. They are dwarfed and degraded examples of ourselves as we were then. The "speechless men" will become speaking animals (men of a lower order) in the Fifth Round, perhaps at the close of the Sixth Race.

The Hindus attribute a divine origin to apes and monkeys because they recognise that these "senseless" mortals of the Third Race were once gods from another plane.

#### Man is a unity only at his origin and at his very end, not inbetween.

Up to the Fifth Race, animal and man were on a par, as to suffering, in their efforts to unfold divine consciousness here on earth. Today, karma weighs heavily on the shoulders of thinking, therefore, responsible man. The heaviest Karma of our race was generated by ourselves in the previous race. As Atlanteans, we misused our divine powers and made the holy tabernacle, designed for a god, fane of every spiritual iniquity.

Yet, in its infancy, mankind "was of one lip and of one speech," had one doctrine and one philosophy. The deadly strife between spirit and matter, light and goodness, darkness and evil, began on our globe with the first appearance of contrasts and opposites in vegetable and animal nature, and continued more fiercely than ever after man had become the selfish and wicked being he now is.

Man is a Unity only at his origin and at his very end. In between, there is a ceaseless struggle between divine wisdom and its earthly reflection, truth and error. If he can emerge from the region of lust and iniquity victorious, he may rebecome what he was before and retire into the Silence and Darkness whence he came.

The ancients revered the pristine spirituality of their divine ancestors. The modern anthropomorphists prefer to worship male gods that they "created" after their own fleshly organs.

The ancients divided the senses into five, simply because their teachers stopped at the hearing, as being a sense that became limited at the beginning of the Fifth Race. As the sixth sense has hardly sprouted above the soil of materiality, few can at present enjoy the legitimate outgrowth and endowments of the higher life.

Men of the Fourth Round have now reached the latter half of the Fifth Race. Those of the Fifth Round, though only in their First Race, are immeasurably higher than we are, spiritually if not intellectually.

#### Man is the child of Cyclic Necessity.

Humanity has crossed the meridian of perfect adjustment between Spirit and Matter, or equilibrium between spiritual perception and brain intellect. Ether has begun purging the dross of sensuality and dawning upward towards Æther.

Though the earthly spirit of the Fourth Race is still strong in us, we are approaching the time when the pendulum of evolution will direct its swing decidedly upwards, bringing us back on a parallel line with the primitive Third Root-Race in Spirituality.

The formation of the next subrace has already begun in America. Americans are the germs of the last two subraces of the Fifth Root-Race, in preparation for the emergence of the Sixth. Global submersions and destructions by wave and volcanic fire will spell the end of our Fifth Race. There will be no more Americans when the Sixth Race commences.

Man is the child of Cyclic Destiny. Cycles of Materiality will be succeeded by Cycles of Spirituality, and fully developed faculties will open up the sixth sense. The majority of future men will be glorious Adepts.

Unfortunately, the mind of the present generation is not ready to receive Occult truths. Such will be the privilege of the advanced thinkers of the Sixth Root-Race.

The Rays of the Divine Monad are not destined to become wholly self-conscious and self-dependant entities in this Round, before the Last Race in the Last Round of this Manvantara. The entrance into a dark room through the same aperture of one ray of sunlight following another will not constitute two rays, but one ray intensified.

Even in the coming Seventh Race at the close of the Fourth Round, while our four lower principles will be fully developed that of Manas will be only proportionately so.

#### 6. Sixth Root-Race, the Enlightened

Having lost spirituality in favour of physical development at the close of the Fourth Race, we are now gradually but imperceptibly losing physicality until the Sixth Race will be on a par with the spirituality of the Second, the long extinct prehistoric race. Then, all human iniquities will have vanished into endless space, ether into Æther.

The first Five Root-Races are symbolised by five-faced Siva who, in the Sixth, will be called the six-faced or six-pointed star.

Towards the beginning of the next race man will finally come of age, and many of the hitherto secret knowledge will become common knowledge.

The last subrace of the Sixth Race will be flourishing on top of old "Lemuria" and "Atlantis," the continents of which will have resurfaced by then. The British Isles will be no more as they are the first part of Europe to be destroyed by submarine volcanos and water; France and other lands will follow suit.

# The so-called "fourth dimension of space" is the sixth characteristic of matter and harbinger of the sixth sense.

Water, one of four primordial Elements, was transmitted to us by the Fourth Race, as we shall transmit Ether, the Fifth Element, to the Sixth. Then our sixth sense shall be awakened.

"The fourth dimension" is an unfortunate verbalism. Space and time are often viewed outside mental perceptions and experiences rather as what they truly are, fanciful generalizations of lower minds. Giving reality to abstractions is an error of realism. The next characteristic of matter or "permeability" (spiritual sight) will correspond to the sixth sense or "normal clairvoyance," for, any perception must be related to senses. Then, those who have been seeking a "fourth dimension" to explain the passage of matter through matter shall find what they sought, the sixth characteristic of matter. Since the three dimensions (length, breadth and thickness) belong but to one characteristic of matter, extension, common sense justly rebels against the suggestion that there can be more than three.

Normal, spiritual clairvoyance is the opposite of psychic. The latter is abnormal and counterfeit. The Third Eye or the Eye of Dangma of the stanzas of Dzyan will open again, and the minds of those who will live at that time shall be awakened and become as pellucid as crystal.

#### 7. Seventh Root-Race, Immortal Gods

By the middle of the Seventh Race, the struggle between the two Opposing Powers (Buddhi and Kama-Manas, on our plane) will have almost died out. Everything that is irredeemably sinful and wicked will have been eliminated. What may have survived will be swept away by Karmic tidal-waves in the shape of scavenger-plagues, geological convulsions, and other means of destruction.

The Adept in charge of the Seventh Race will be the future Planetary Spirit, a Dhyāni-Chohan who shall instruct the First Root-Race of the Fifth Round after the

scheduled obscuration of our planet. He will appear as Maitreya-Buddha, the last of Avatāras and Buddhas.

Each Root-Race is a new "birth" or "transformation" of the same company of actors, one of seven keynotes for many a subsequent birth in subraces, each carrying the Divine Monad higher and higher until it reaches the Seventh Race. Men who will be thus transformed by virtue at the end of our Kali Age of Darkness shall be the seeds of future human beings, and shall give birth to the ultimate race that, following the laws of the Krita Age of Purity, will be born of immaculate parents. Peoples at the end of the Sixth and Seventh Root-Races will be sexless again. They will correspond to the "pudding bags" of the First in appearance, but empowered by the highest intelligence and spirituality. They will be led by Dharmaprabhasa Buddha, who shall appear when gender and all other illusions of separateness will no longer exist. Then, the Adepts and Initiates of the Seventh Race will once more create mind-born Immaculate Sons.

Finally, when the sixth sense has awakened the seventh, Chrēstos shall be regenerated as Christos and will illumine the souls of all men. "And they will listen to my voice; and they shall become one flock under one Shepherd."

# A glimpse of the close of the Seventh Race in the Seventh Round, when all men shall be equal to Angels.

The great cycle of (and struggle for) conscious life begun with the separation of the sexes and will end in the Last Race of the Last Round.

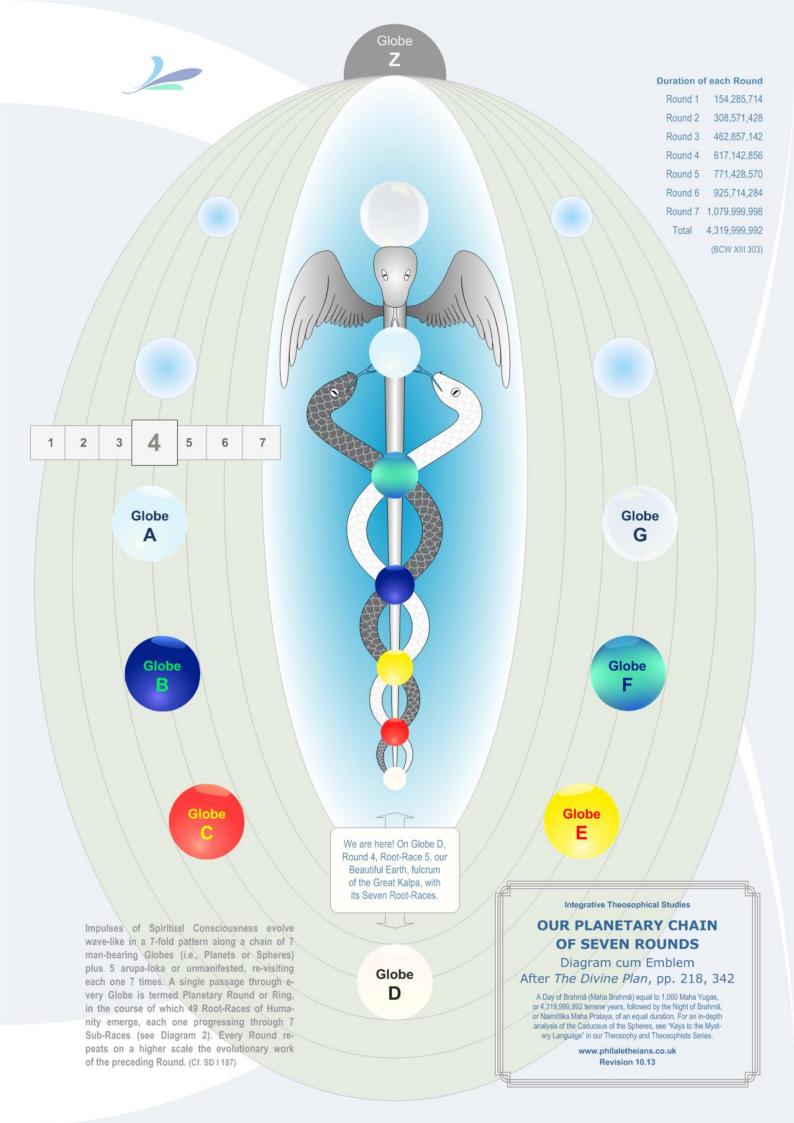
Humanity is already on the ascending arc. At the close of the Forty-Ninth Race in the Seventh Round of this Manvantara, the Divine Monad shall be pure again, unsullied by evil and temptation, as it was in the very beginning. It shall then be transported to new heights of consciousness by the aroma of its past earthly experience and wisdom. Until the Last Battle in the Last Round is fought and won, the Holy Tree of Life cannot wither. That is why the Hindu sage has to light the First and extinguish the Forty-Ninth Fire before reaching his final deliverance.

He who, through a long series of births under Karmic law, shall reach the end of the Manvantara, shall become "equal unto the Angels," and shall die no more.



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# **Appendices to the first four Root-Races**

# Appendix A. Esoteric History

The physical frame of man became ready to receive the divine Pilgrim 18,000,000 years ago, after the first great failure of nature to create human beings without the help of the divine "Fashioners."

#### First Continent, Imperishable Sacred Land.

Land of gods under their chiefs, the Spirits of Planet Earth, cradle of the First Root-Race, and dwelling of the last divine mortal.

#### Second Continent, Hyperborean.

Asia is the Root-Continent, as old as the Second Race, yet contemporary with man.

The history of Root-Races begins at the separation of the sexes, when the preceding egg-bearing androgynous men perished rapidly, and the succeeding subraces of the Third Root-Race appeared as an entirely new race physiologically. The actual duration of the first  $2\frac{1}{2}$  races is withheld from all but the higher Initiates.

#### Third Continent, Lemuria.

Lemuria, a term coined by Sclater, was the land of the first androgynes. And the cradle of the Third Root-Race. The Lemurians built huge cities of rare earths and metals. The oldest remains of Cyclopean buildings are the handwork of their last subraces.

There were Continents and Kings before Atlantis. But while their pastoral brethren enjoyed wondrous powers as their birthright, Third Race men could obtain theirs only gradually.

# Fourth Continent, Atlantis. Cataclysms mark the end of one race and the beginning of a new one.

The Third Continent perished 700,000 years before the commencement of what is now called the Tertiary Age (Eocene). It was during this deluge that Vaivasvata Manu saved a portion of the Fourth and Fifth Races before the destruction of the last Atlanteans, the remnants of which perished 850,000 years ago.

The cataclysm that destroyed Lemuria was due to a series of subterranean convulsions and the breaking asunder of the ocean floors. That which put an end to its successor, Atlantis, was brought on by successive disturbances in the axial rotation of the Earth. The former was the result of periodical, geological law; the latter, the curse of Karma.

There were dolphins in the trees, disturbing the upper branches and stirring the oaktrees as they brush against them. Wolves swam among the sheep. The sea in unchecked freedom buried the hills, and fresh waves beat against the mountaintops.

The waters washed away most living things, and those the sea spares, lacking food, were defeated by slow starvation.

Three yugas slowly passed away during the time of the Third Root-Race. Our globe continues to be subject to periodical changes which go hand-in-hand with the races.

#### **Duration of humanity in mortal years.**

- Of each Planetary Round in this Minor Manvantara.
- Of humanity in this Round, on each Planet.
- Of human life-waves in this Round, on Planet Earth.

# Appendix B. Enoch-Enoïchion, Inner Eye and Silent Voice

The prophecies of Enoch extend to the end of our present race but are not his own, they were given by a great Seer.

The First Root-Race came to an end during the second subrace of the Third. But the Elect of humanity have been already led to safety by their First Hierophant at the very close of the Second Race.

The achievements of humanity in arts, sciences, and philosophy from the early Third to the very end of the Fourth Race have been concealed by Enoch in the bowels of the Earth before the Deluge.

Euthanasia then symbolised the death of the physical body of an adept, who continues to live in his astral body here on earth for the benefit of all living men; not the painless suicide of today's common man.

Enoch stands for the first subrace of the Fifth Root-Race, and as a personification of the two preceding races. He is also a symbol of man's dual nature: Solar and Spiritual, esoterically; Lunar and Material, exoterically. His Book is a résumé of the main features of the history of the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Races.

#### The Third Eye first opened in the Third Race.

Even today, the pineal gland, seat of the Third Eye, though withdrawn and atrophied, is far more connected with Soul and Spirit than with the physiological senses of man.

The two front eyes look before them without seeing either past or future. The third, embraces eternity. In man, the Third Eye was (and could be) the organ of internal spiritual sight; in animals, that of objective vision.

# Appendix C. Toils of the Eternal Pilgrim

Each Cosmic Monad is a self-born Centre of Force, from within which emerges a planetary chain whose radiations become many self-born Manus, each the creator of His own humanity.

While we have the power to dispel the darkness of ignorance, we are also duty-bound to preserve Sacred Truth from profanation.

Man's spiritual soul has descended from a pure, luminous, incorporeal form to be chained to animal bodies.

#### Man was on earth in this round from the very beginning.

Having passed through all the kingdoms of nature in the previous three rounds, his physical frame was ready to receive the Divine Pilgrim at the first dawn of human life, 18,000,000 years ago. Having been nursed by Air or Wind, primordial man becomes perfect later on when, with the development of "Spiritual Fire" or Divine Spirit (noumenon of the "Three in One" within), he gradually acquires from his Inner Self or Instructor, the Wisdom of Self-Consciousness, which he does not possess in the beginning.

All creatures in the world have each a superior above, whose inner pleasure it is to emanate into them but cannot illumine them until the supreme but latent potentiality concealed in Matter is awakened by Spirit.

Only few men were destined to become incarnations of the Divine Rebels.

# Consciousness evolves along triple lines, spiritual, psychic and physical.

For the first 3½ Root-Races, the astral shadows of the Lunar Pitris build and gradually force the evolution of the physical form towards perfection, at the cost of a proportionate loss of Spirituality. Then after, it is the Higher Ego or Incarnating Principle, the Nous or Mind, that begins reigning over the animal ego if not dragged down by the latter. In other words, Spirituality is on its ascending arc, if not impeded by materiality or selfishness. Vice and wickedness are abnormal, unnatural manifestations at this period of our human evolution, at least they ought to be so.

#### Appendix D.

# The fall of Spirit into Matter and its primal division into self and not-self, altruism and egotism, man and woman

The allegory of the "fall" of man and the fire "stolen" by Prometheus is another version of proud Lucifer's "rebellion." The sacred fire that Prometheus allegedly stole from Zeus is the flame of conscious intellect, the spark that animates Manas, our fifth principle, and makes us Thinking men; it is also the generating and sexual flame.

Now, since men had discovered the secret of creation and were creating in their turn and populating the earth, what was the use of god-creators?

The descent of man into matter is the downward arc of a Circle of Necessity, where his primordial spirituality becomes increasingly eclipsed by nascent mentality.

Ādi, and probably Adam, is the First Man or the "Third First Man," one who belongs to the Third Race.

#### Man may have been made out of stardust but not of clay.

The idea that the human tabernacle is built by countless lives, just in the same way as the rocky crust of our Earth was, has nothing repulsive in it for the true mystic. Every atom in the Universe is both life-giving to form when receiving the transmigrating soul, and death-giving when the latter's hour has struck. It creates and kills. It is self-generating and self-destroying.

Man, from the First down to the Seventh Root-Race, is composed of one and the same company of actors, who have descended from higher spheres to perform their artistic tour on this, our Planet Earth.

If the student can understand how Spirit falls into Matter and the self-sacrifice of Cain and Abel, *i.e.*, the loss of spiritual potency of the Second Race that transformed Humanity into the physical men of the Third, he will also solve the riddle of the Divine Hermaphrodite.

Jehovah is merely a composite name for membrum virile and womb, and nothing more. In one sense Jehovah is Noah or, literally translated, the British Inch!

# The Divine Instructors of our Fifth Race and Their degradation by the Churches

HAT IS CALLED HISTORY does not go further back than the origin of our fifth subrace or so far back as the Lemurian Deluge, that Great Dragon whose tail sweeps whole nations out of existence in the twinkling of an eye.

The Adepts of the first three races lived in subterranean habitats and pyramids.

Much confusion is caused by the foolishness of the Arcadians who claimed that they were older than the moon, and the self-glorification of the Atticans who boasted that they had existed before the sun appeared in heaven! Yet, man and stars are bound together indissolubly.

Several deluges are mixed up in the memories of the peoples of our Fifth Race: the first, was astronomical and cosmical; subsequent ones, terrestrial. The astronomical records of Universal History begun in the third subrace of the Atlantean Fourth Race. The only ones that Satan will ever haunt are the Church and its followers.

#### Serpents and Dragons under different symbolisms.

Having plagiarised the ancient rites of initiation to construct the new dogma, profane clergy made a habit of cursing the same rites to cover their tracks.

#### Sidereal and Cosmic glyphs.

Zoroastrian Esotericism is identical with that of the Secret Doctrine.

The North Pole or Mount Meru is the heavenly abode of gods; the South or Pātāla "pit," hell. Hēlion and Acherōn meant nearly the same.

Our Dhyāni-Chohans or Serpents of Wisdom are the Star-Yazatas of the Zoroastrians, the Star Angels of the Christians, the Seven Planets of every religion. They are our Divine Progenitors, "Builders," and "Watchers."

When we become sufficiently spiritualised, there will be no more need of learning about the Ancient Wisdom from books, we will then simply know.

The Kabiri represent the earth's poles as they are now, or inverted as they have been in the past and shall be in future, displacing the oceans, submerging the polar lands, and rearranging the continents. Our Dhyāni-Chohans appear under many different names: Agathodaimōn, Alētæ, Anakes, Corybantes, Curētes, Dii Magni, Dioscuri, Enoch, Hermes, Idaei Dactyli, Kabiri, Lares, Manes, Penates, Seth, Titans. While in Samothrace and the oldest Egyptian temples these great Cosmic Gods were the Seven and the Forty-nine Sacred Fires, in the Grecian fanes they became mostly phallic deities and therefore obscene and offensive.

It is said that there were only two Kabiri, the Dioscuri (Castor and Pollux), esoterically; Jupiter and Bacchus, exoterically.

The twins stand for

- 1 The earth's poles, geodesically;
- 2 The terrestrial and celestial poles, astronomically; and
- 3 The dual constitution of man, i.e., lunar and solar, physically and spiritually.

Kabiri meant "mighty through fire." As their temples were built in volcanic localities and were worshiped as Chthonian divinities, Christianity made of them "infernal" gods. Hermes, Orpheus, Cadmus, Asclepius, and all those who incarnated on earth to guide and teach nascent humanity, are all generic names.

Serpents were revered by every people of antiquity with two notable exceptions, that of the Greeks, who transformed Jupiter and other gods into snakes in order to seduce goddesses, and of the Christians who chose to forget the brazen Serpent of Moses.

# Our Divine Instructors are the Dhyani-Chohans of the Secret Doctrine.

Our races have sprung from divine races, our Dhyāni-Chohans, by whatever name they are now called. They reigned on earth, teaching all the great sciences that have come down to us.

Enoch, the "divine giant," is identified with Hermes. There were five Hermeses, or rather one in several different characters, always credited with having transferred all sciences from latency to potency to Egypt and Greece before the days of Magna Græcia, when Greeks were not even Hellenes.

The pyramid was one symbol of this magnificent Hierarchy of Spirits.

Africa appeared before Europe but later than Lemuria and even the earliest Atlantis. What is now Egypt and the deserts was once upon a time an ocean. Delta was the first country occupied by immigrants who came with their gods from the Northeast. The poles have since been three times within the plane of the Ecliptic.

Divine Kings-Initiates had been born on earth one from the other (without the intervention of woman) well before the era of Menes, the first human King of Egypt, and taught us Astronomy, Architecture, and Anatomy.

Happy are those who are born in Bhārata-Varsha, exclaim the incarnated gods themselves!

The natural good sense and upright judgment of the ancient peoples was quite foreign to our entirely materialistic ideas upon celestial mechanics and physical sciences. In stars they saw living bodies animated by spirits, as they saw the same in every kingdom of nature. Materialists live on this earth, just as in the world of insects and even fishes some creatures live surrounded by myriads of their own kind, without seeing or sensing them. They live among numberless hosts of spirits, immeasurably superior to the human race, higher and holier than the highest Saint on Earth, and yet they may never give them a single thought.

The Third Continent, home of the Third Root-Race, consisted of two physically and morally distinct classes, ruled by Divine Kings. It perished some 850,000 years ago.

It is difficult to obtain clear and precise ideas on royalty, and its origin and power, without knowledge of the first principles of history and tradition, says Plato.

Saturn, knowing that man could not rule man without injustice filling forthwith the universe through his whims and vanity, would not allow any mortal to obtain power over his fellow creatures.

When the world had ceased to be so governed and the gods retired, "ferocious beasts devoured a portion of mankind." Divine Instructors then incarnated successively and "discovered" fire, wheat, wine. And public gratitude deified them. Wheat has never been found in the wild state, for it is not a product of the earth. It is a symbol of man's inner principles, that is why it was so sacred with the Egyptian priests.

One of our Divine Instructors is Sirius, the double of Mercury or Budha before all other Buddhas.

The amount of malicious fancy and fiction bestowed on mankind's Benefactors and Instructors by various fanatical writers is quite extraordinary. The scriptures are riddled with contradiction and confusion.

Angels aspire to become men, for the perfect man is above angel, says Éliphas Lévi, only if he could realise his divine ancestry and stellar destiny.

Occult symbolism unlocks the mystery of the terrestrial archangel of the Christians and the Celestial Dragon / Serpent of the Archaic Wisdom-Religion by reversing the characters. Theological symbolics conceal them even more. Thus the Latin Church calls itself the bride of Christ and the trustee of Peter, to whom the rebuke of the Master, "get thee behind me Satan," was justly addressed. The Protestant Church replaces the New Dispensation by the old "Law of Moses," which Christ openly repudiated: both Churches are fighting against Divine Truth when spurning and slandering the Dragon of Inner Wisdom.

#### Origin of the Satanic Myth.

One of several "Wars in Heaven" is terrestrial. It refers to those terrible struggles in store for the candidate for adeptship, between his Heavenly Self and his earthly passions that he strives to master, *i.e.*, slay the dragon of his lower nature and, having cast off his old skin, to become a Son of Serpent or Son of Wisdom.

Another "War in Heaven" is astronomical, referring to the Solar and Lunar eclipses that are connected with the circulations of Cosmos, the movement of electromagnetic forces between planetary bodies. Eclipses are especially related to the transference of life-energy from one celestial body to another and stand in direct relationship to human initiations. The Sun-gods of the old Āryan, ancient Greek, and modern Christian schemes have been copied from each other.

One way to unriddle the Bible is through Hermes, Bel, and Homer, as the way to these is through the Hindu and Chaldean religious symbols.

In addition to the religious, astronomical, and geological events included in the universal allegory of Dragons and the "Wars in Heaven" already stated, there is a cosmological connection with Keshvars of the Earth. Keshvars in their seven applications refer equally to the seven spheres of our planetary chain, the seven planets, the sev-

en heavens, etc., according to whether the sense is applied to a physical, supramundane, or simply a sidereal worlds.

The grotesque connections of Genesis' seducing serpent will be now exposed.

Cosmologically speaking, all Dragons and Serpents conquered by their "slayers" are the turbulent, confused principles in Chaos that are brought to order by the Sungods or Creative Powers.

It is in the religious doctrines of the Gnostics that the real meaning of the Dragon, the Serpent, the Goat, and all those symbols of Divine Powers (now called Evil) can be clearly seen for what they truly are: prototypes for the Sārāph of Moses and his great Brazen Serpent, chief of the "fiery serpents." Even the name of the "Lord" was profaned by crude and gross application to religious dogmas and personations. Jehovah is a blind created purposely by the Rabbis, a secret preserved by them with ten-fold care after the Christians had despoiled them of this God-name which was their own property. Yāh-Havāh or mankind, and Satan or the tempting Serpent, are one and the same in every particular. There is no Devil or Evil outside mankind and its religions.

Metaphysically, Satan represents the reverse or polar opposite of everything in nature. Yet the Church has degraded and anathematised the Satanians, the Cainites, and even Judas Iscariotes.

Every Gnostic sect was founded by an Initiate. In every ancient system, the fallen Angels are made the prototypes of fallen men, allegorically, and of those men themselves, esoterically. In Christianity, all combatants, gods and daimons, adversaries in both camps, are now transformed into Dragons and Satans, simply in order to connect Evil personified with the Serpent of *Genesis*, and thus prove the new dogma.

#### Noah was a Kabir, hence he must have been a Daimon.

Noah is either a myth along with the others, or one whose legend was built upon the Kabirian or Titanic tradition as taught in Samothrace; he has, therefore, no claim to be monopolized by either Jew or Christian. Like Samothrace of the Kabiri, Rhoades island is connected in the memory of men with the flood legends.

The Kabiri are identical with our Dhyāni-Chohans, with the corporeal and the incorporeal Pitris, and with all rulers and instructors of the primeval races, who are referred to as the Gods and Kings of the divine Dynasties.

#### Oldest Persian traditions about polar and submerged continents.

Before the creation of (*Genesis*' third) Adam, two races succeeded each other on earth: the gigantic Daēvas, strong and wicked; and the Peris, smaller in stature but wiser and kinder.

From the first appearance of the Āryan Race, when the Pliocene portions of the once great Atlantis began gradually sinking and new continents surfacing, down to the final disappearance of Plato's small island of Atlantis, the Āryans had never ceased to fight with the descendants of the first giant race.

Initiates were not permitted to divulge anything pertaining to the correct measure of time. Images of Harpocrates, god of silence, each pressing a finger to the lips, re-

minded the solemn pledge of the secrecy in every temple. And yet, we, Europeans accepted the exoteric chronology of the Jews! No wonder that it has influenced and coloured ever since all our conceptions of science and the duration of things!

Tahmūrath, third king of Persia, is the St. George of Iran. Like his grand-sire Hōshang, but unlike St. George, Tahmūrath also had his steed only far more rare and rapid, a bird called Sīmūrgh-Anka, the Manvantaric cycle.

Esoterically, Adam Rishōn is the lunar spirit. Cosmo-geologically, Noah-Xisuthrus represents Third Race separated. Their three sons are its last three subraces.

Sīmūrgh-Anka promised that before she dies she will reveal the First Continent, the Imperishable Sacred Land, presently concealed from all.

In the beginning of human life the only dry land was on the North Pole of our globe, where the earth was still. It will continue to exist for the duration of the Manvantara of this Round. New continents and lands will emerge from the sea bottom many times, but that Holy Land will never change. The North Pole is the head of Mother Earth; the South, her feet. Life in the form of electro-magnetic currents springing from her bowels and head, and circulating through her arteries, is her blood.

Northern Asia is the Root-Continent of human life, hence contemporary with man. In other words, the First Continent that came into existence capped over the whole North Pole like one unbroken crust, and remains so to this day.

# Western speculations are founded on Greek and Puranic traditions.

There is not a single statement in the *Purānas* that has not several meanings, and does not apply to both physical and metaphysical worlds.

Occultism likens the Himālayan chain to a belt that stretches around the globe, whether under the water or above. The Earth's navel is situated West of the Himālayas, in which lie the roots and foundations of Meru. The mythical mountain is North of the Himālayas in the Polar Land that never perishes.

There are seven Great Continents: the first, always lives; the next three have already lived their day; the fifth exists today; the last two will appear in future.

The Hindu Āryans and other ancient nations were much earlier navigators than the Phœnicians, who are now credited with having been the first seamen in post-diluvian times. They described the last surviving island of Atlantis (remnant of the eastern portion of that continent that had perished soon after the upheaval of the Americas) as antipodes to India, *i.e.*, the two Varshas of Pushkara that lay at the foot of Meru.

Śankhāsura, Śankha-dvīpa, and all their history are geographically and ethnologically Plato's Atlantis in Hindu dress.

When Leo was vertical of Ceylon at sunset, then would Taurus be vertical to the island of Atlantis at noon.

The peak of Teneriffe was a volcano when the sinking of Western Atala began, as those who were saved told their children.

Enough proofs have now been given to satisfy the greatest sceptic.

#### The "curse" from a philosophical standpoint.

Creative powers in man were the gift of Divine Wisdom, not the result of sin. But the seed of woman or lust bruised the seed of the fruit of wisdom and knowledge, by turning the holy mystery of procreation into animal gratification.

The Divine Titan has suffered in vain. And in the injustice of the human heart, our Saviours and Benefactors, the Celestial Sons of the Fire of Wisdom, are now left unrecognized and unthanked. Thus the Creative Fire received has turned into the greatest curse, since animal man degraded periodical instinct into chronic animalism and sensuality.

There was never an original sin but only an abuse of physical intelligence, in spite of the efforts of the Churches to make us all congenital sinners only to be saved by a fictitious and fickle god through his self-appointed agents on earth.

The Promethean myth points to the last of the mysteries of cyclic human transformations, from ethereal to solid physical state, from spiritual to physiological procreation, and now toward the next phase when woman will know no man, and human progeny will be created, not begotten. When that knowledge comes, all dogmatic religions and their daimons will die out.

Though the earthly spirit of the Atlantean Race is still strong in us, we are approaching the time when the pendulum of evolution will direct its swing decidedly upwards, bringing humanity back on a parallel line with the primitive Third Root-Race in Spirituality. Then, Prometheus, our divine aspect will merge into Buddhi, the Spiritual Soul, through which he shall be finally unshackled and delivered.

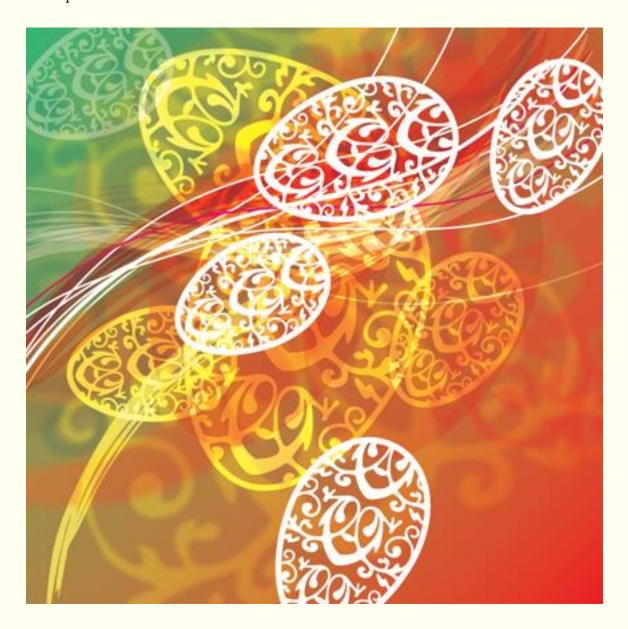
Alexander, having seen crocodiles in the river Indus and in no other river except the Nile, put two and two together and concluded that Nile rose from Indus. Evidently, Arrian who was ignorant of the old name of the Indus has unconsciously slandered the Greek conqueror. In esoteric philosophy, Iō, the "cow-horned maid," symbolises Creative Nature; her bull calf is the Holy Spirit that vivifies her. She is also the Æthiopian pioneer race that emigrated from north-west India to Africa and named the great African river Æethiops or Nīlā, in memory of its home river. The latter is now called Indus; the former, Nile.

Æschylus was charged by the Athenians with sacrilege and condemned to be stoned to death for profaning the Mysteries. Like Shakespeare, he was and will ever remain the Intellectual Sphinx of the ages.

Dionysos is one with Osiris, Krishna, and Buddha, and with the coming Avatāra, the glorified Spiritual Christos who will deliver the suffering Man-Chrēstos, or Prometheus on his trial. Then, future generations will be born again without sin.

Why and how did the Promethean sacrifice became a curse, the chief cause of Evil? Because though mankind is "of one blood," it is not of the same essence: god-informed men and lower human creatures, the latter bereft of the "sacred spark," live side by side. While the Heavenly Titan was moved by Altruism, earthly man is moved by Egoism in every instance. The struggle of Prometheus with the Olympic tyrant and despot, sensual Zeus, one sees enacted daily: lower passions chain higher aspira-

tions to the rock of matter, and generate in many a case the vulture of sorrow, pain, and repentance.



### **The Seven Creations of the Puranas**

#### Setting the scene.

The sevenfold primordial evolution of the Purānas appear in the Bible as "Six Days of Creation." None of all these creations has ever occurred on this globe, wherever else they may have taken place.

The Ineffable symbolises the First Hebdomad, indicating the sevenfold nature of Logos. Rhea is Monad, Duad, and Heptad, comprehending in herself the seven Titanidæ.

What the profane calls "creations," the Occultist regards as fourteen aspects of a Causeless Force, seven primary and seven secondary.

Genesis dwarfs seven great periods of cosmic evolution into "Six Days of Creation" and a seventh day of rest, Sabbath (Saturn), which is a period of perfection (and of no rest).

When, through the sole and self-generating energy of Motion, Brahmā awakes from its periodic sleep, it causes its Spirit, germ of Unknown Darkness, to emanate from within itself.

Voice-Spirit-Word had been the Kabbalistic Abstract Trinity before it was disfigured by the Fathers. Lower earths come from the Chain of the Earth and from the Heaven above.

The Gnostics had three Hebdomads: a superior, on the plane of Supreme Spirit; an inferior, in Heaven; and a terrestrial, on the plane of matter of hell.

The names answering to Brahma, Brahmā, and Manu are composed of one-, three-, and seven-vowelled sounds.

Secondary Creation begins when Spirit has permeated every single atom of the seven principles of Kosmos.

Secondary Creation is darkness or matter. Primary, Light or Spirit.



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#### **Creation 1**

#### Mahat-Nous self-activates and moves matter.

The Unconscious One dreams of a Second, Conscious One.

The apple of discord between Advaita, Dvaita, and Viśishtādvaita explained.

Pre-Nebular period: First hierarchy Dhyāni-Chohans, being the collective aggregate of Divine Intelligence (Mahat), are identical with the first Manus or "mind-born" Spiritual Intelligences.

#### **Creation 2**

Impregnated by Mahat, the Eternal Virgin becomes the Immaculate Mother of Five Pre-Cosmic Elements, the transcendental properties of matter.

The Second One is about to become The Many. The world process of "being-not being-becoming" has begun.

Fire-Mist period: The second hierarchy of Manus, those Dhyāni-Chohans or Devas who are the origin of form, issues from Laya.

#### **Creation 3**

# Monadic Unconsciousness assumes latency in the Mineral Kingdom.

The development of sense organs begins with the Buddhi of the Ākāśa.

The power of the Monadic Essence begins evolving the rudiments of five senses, each of which is an aspect of matter.

#### **Creation 4**

#### The latent consciousness of the Mineral Kingdom unfolds as semiconsciousness in the Plant Kingdom.

The Mineral Kingdom is the middle point and evolving power between the three lower (subjective) and three higher (objective) Elemental Kingdoms.

The Elemental Kingdoms of the secondary period correspond inversely to the Prākritic creations of the primary.

There are the Seven Esoteric Kingdoms of Kosmos and Nature that are below Man, seven preliminary links of our evolutionary chain.

The Mineral is Light itself, crystallised and immetallised.

#### **Creation 5**

#### Consciousness comes alive in the Animal Kingdom.

The germ of "animal" consciousness awakes.

As the differentiation of the Divine Monad has to precede the evolution of the Dhyāni-Chohans of the third hierarchy of Being in primary creation, before those Devas can occupy their first ethereal form, so animal creation has to precede, for that same reason, the evolution of man on earth.

The absolutely eternal Universal Motion or "Great Breath" differentiates the primordial, first manifested Atom.

We now know why, though "animal creation" precedes man in the astral plane of the First Round, animals always descend from man on the physical plane of the Fourth, our current Round on Earth. Thus, the question of the priority of man over animals in the order of evolution is answered.

#### **Creation 6**

Consciousness takes her first tottering steps among the mindless (hence sinless), soft-boned, semi-human monsters of the Second Race.

The self-born Fathers of the First Root-Race evolve the Second Race, the "sweat-born."

First Race men were simply images, astral doubles of their Lunar Fathers, who gave their astral shadows as models in the Fourth Round. When the animal frame became sufficiently consolidated towards the end of the Third Race, the Solar Pitris gave their intelligence.

#### **Creation 7**

# Mindless man acquires mind and self-consciousness in late Third Race.

Self-consciousness is now bolstered up by Spiritual Intelligence but will human intelligence be able to resist the temptations of kāma?

Creation 8 is a blind, for it refers to the cognition of a "ninth" creation which is an effect of the primary creation of the Kumāras and, therefore, no "creation" either. Creation 9 is the Kumāra Sacrifice, both primary and secondary. Kumāras are Solar Pitris, the progenitors of man's inner, spiritual self. Lunar Pitris are the fashioners man's physical form.

Kumāras are Ambhāmsi, waves of cosmic life from the primordial Ocean of Space (Ākāśa). Imprudent, to say the least, are the Christian Theologians who have degraded our real benefactors into fallen Angels and call them "Satan" and Daimons.

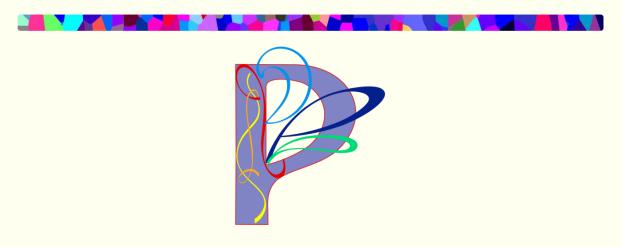
Before the Kumāras were disgraced by those who were ignorant of their very name, the Gnostic Ophites had already identified Archangel Michael with their Ophiomor-

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phos, the serpent-formed rebellious spirit, which meant nothing more than the reverse aspect of Divine Wisdom or Christos.

#### The struggle of the intellectually emancipated man begins.

Having journeyed through various states of not only matter but of spiritual and intellectual unconsciousness, the Pilgrim-Soul enters the Plane of Mentality.





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