LESSON 38

THE TWENTY-NINTH PATH

'The Twenty-ninth Path is the Corporeal Intelligence, so called because it forms everybody which is formed in all worlds, and the reproduction of them'

This Path lies between Netzach and Yesod and is called Corporeal Intelligence because it forms the very body which is formed beneath the whole order of the worlds and the increment of them. In modern terms this means a consciousness of the material or simply body consciousness. It is the life blueprint within the self much the same concept as the DNA factor. Carl Jung once said the purpose of pain is to make man more aware of himself and this can only be done on the physical level (emotions are classed under this heading). Any subtle body change that does cause any type of reaction in this instance is related to a growth factor or Corporeal Intelligence.

The Hebrew letter associated to this Path is Qoph meaning "back of the head" which has a numerical value of 100. As an ancient heiroglyph, Qoph relates to an axe or other type of like weapon. Other words of the same value are AaL "high" or "exalted", TzY "dryness" and PK "flask" or "bottle". The word Qoph has a value of 186 which relates to MUSP "increase" and MQUM "place". All these show various associations to Qoph which can help define the letter more fully. In the first instance we have the reference to a high dry area where one gains nourishment (the water flasks). In the second instance (by interrelating with the first) we have a place that has nourishment on the increase.

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This is a letter representing repressed force and is considered a materialisation of the letter Kaph, for it is the meaning of life itself expressed in showing the struggle for life on the material plane.

The Tarot card of this Path is the Moon which shows the Moon on the increase with four Yods beneath it. Below this are two towers and two dogs separated by a winding stream which leads to a pool at the bottom of the card from which a crayfish appears to be emerging. This relates to the concept of the struggle of life and shows the pitfalls one has after leaving the safety and protection of the womb, typified by the pond. It is a card of hardship, for nothing will come easy but it is not necessarily a card of defeat, just difficulty in trying to accomplish a task. It is also a growth card in which lessons are given and learned.

Upuaut meaning "opener of the way" is the Egyptian wolf headed god of this Path. T is ancient god was Lord of the underworld and Necropolis and was a warrior god of some considerable power and was considered one of the principle gods before Osiris, who was in later periods of worship amalgamated with Osiris. Often he is shown in the boat of Ra as it goes across the night sky. Along with Anubis, he is a guardian of Osiris. Upuaut was the guide of Ra and was also considered the scout of the gods. for all came after him.

The Greek Myths of this Path relate to the voyage of Odysseus as he journeyed to Aeaea when he had to prevent himself from succumbing to the call of the sirens by lashing himself to the mast of his ship and keeping to his course. Another story which also relates here is the myth of Hero and Leander who were two lovers that were parted by a straight of water. She lived in a tower and shone a light to guide him as he swam towards her in the night but the wind blew out the light and he drowned after a valiant effort. She also plunged into the water where they were united in death (some endings of this myth say that she survived).

The Roman myth relates to Venus and Cupid sitting on the bank of a river (the Euraphrates), when due to the shock of seeing Typhon approaching they leapt into the river and were saved by two fishes who towed them to safety.

The Sun sign associated to this Path is Pisces, and those born under it are said to be psychic and inhibited individuals who seem to the outsider as brooders but in fact they are people that have difficulty in adjusting to change. There are strong occult tendencies in this sign and those born under it generally have some leaning toward its many halls. Piceans are notorious procrastinators but once they get into gear they cover their related subjects in considerable depth due to their versatility and religious devotion to their causes. This sign affects the lower body parts (such as the feet) as well as the skin hair and lungs.

The constellation of Pisces means "the fishes". The Egyptian zodiac of Denderah called this constellation Picot Hori which means 'the fishes of he that comes forth'. In Hebrew this is called Dagim and Nuno in the Syriac language. There are over 113 stars in this constellation with two of interest being Okada meaning "united" and Al Samaca "upheld". Ptolemy considers that the stars in the head of the southern fish have the same influence of Mercury and to a lesser extent, Saturn. Those in the body are like Jupiter and Mercury while those in the southern line are like Saturn and moderately Mercury. The stars on the backbone of the northern fish are like Jupiter and Venus while those in the northern line are like Saturn and Jupiter.

The magical weapon of this Path is the shewstone or crystal used in skrying. The crystal ball has long been the joke of the layman about the occultist but in fact, when used correctly, is a very powerful tool in the adepts arsenal of weapons. It has been used by those with psychic ability since the beginning of antiquity when any reflected surface would suffice. As a round shewstone, usually made of crystal or coloured glass, it can through the operators ability produce a vision of the past present or future. It also can be used to contact beings from another dimension such as in the works of John Dee and Edward Kelly who obtained through the basis of the Enochian system of magic as used in the Golden Dawn, through using the crystal. The virtue of this Path is psychic transcendence. It refers to the state of awareness when the individual must go it alone and follow the new perceptions he has developed which will ultimately lead to breaking free from his previously limited perspective. What he ultimately sheds is his old idealism and the structure that went with it. Because this shattering effect is part of the evolutionary process the individual grows in the manner he was destined. This way is usually difficult at first, like all births, but as the individual begins to see the new concepts around him he will gradually grow to accept them for what they are and with none of the old preconceived values.

The vice associated here is that of psychic inversion that relates to the pent up psychic forces not being released, which then turn back on the individual, creating problems with both mental and bodily health as the negative forces try to unleash their havoc on the safety mechanism that in fact has tried so hard to release it. Here the individual is so bound up in the self that a type of self destruction develops. Every lesson that one has learned up to this point is turned away from its goal, to present the ultimate reality and is then sent back on the self so that reality can be avoided.

The magical attainment of this Path is what has been commonly called a bewitchment which is in fact nothing but an illusion. The ability to create an illusion is sometimes linked to hypnosis and is the concept of an adept being able to control the aura of an individual or group to see a desired object or vision. The adept in fact sends out a boost of his auric power that forces an entry into the aura of the person one wishes to control and simply takes over the thoughts and actions of the individual. This is the ability to be able to control those around one and while it is not an area that one should dabble in too much, it is still a fact that the adept must study and be able to control, if he or she wishes to continue on with the Path of magic.

The mineral drug related here is Ferrum Phosphate which helps in stopping inflammation and regulates the water balance in the body. It helps against respiratory infection and fevers and helps strengthen the walls of the blood vessels as well as helping produce red blood cells to guard against anaemia. It is also helpful in injuries such as sprains and severe bruising. It also can be placed directly on an open wound to help stem the blood flow. The vegetable drugs of this Path relate to any type of narcotic drug or plant.

One of the Indian myths associated to this Path is that of Matsya, the fish avatar. This myth relates to the time Manu found a small fish in his hand which pleaded for life. He was moved by the little fish and its will to live so he placed it in a jar. The following day he found that the fish had grown in size and would not survive in the small jar so he carried it to the lake. In gratitude for saving him the fish told Manu of the coming deluge and sent him a large ship where two of every living creature were to be taken. With the help of Vishnu as a giant golden fish and the snake Vasuki, Manu got the animals on the boat and all that managed to get aboard were saved.

There are a number of gemstones associated here such as Moonstone, Topaz, Amethyst, Hyacinth and Tourmaline. Most of these have already been explained in other paths, for this Path is one of overlaps in gemstone association. Tourmaline however is the exception and it can be found in a variety of colours and has been used in pressure measuring in atom bombs. Its relationship here though is less dramatic and is because of its use in optics that it is placed on this Path.

One of the plants of this Path is Ergot (Claviceps purpurea) and is more of a fungus than a plant, it generally replaces seeds on rye grass. Ergot is in fact the base for the hallucinogen dlyergic acid diethylamide (LSD). All other plants which cause a hallucinogenic effect can also apply here which cuts across associations to other paths. Ambergris is a perfume associated here which has already been described in previous lessons.

One of the legendary order of beings here is the Were-Wolf because of its direct lunar association to change at the full moon. These are ordinary people who transform at the full moon into a beast. The transformation in fact can be voluntary or involuntary and relates to a magnetic influence in the aura that is in empathy with the lunar tides to such an extent that the moon takes over the body's mental and physical characteristics. The archangel of this Path is Amnitziel (AMNYTzYAL =323). The root AMN means 'firm' or 'faithful', YTz is an Arabic root meaning 'growth'. Other words of the same numerical value are MYPPRUN which relates to Shekinah and the feminine characteric of power, AChRChYQ meaning 'long-absent brother'. This relates to the concept of long awaited growth along correct lines.

The animal associated here is any type of Shellfish because it stands for the beginning of life and the base for the sea organism to reach land and exist out of its environment through slow adaptation.

ASSOCIATIONS

YETZIRATIC TEXT: HEBREW LETTER: TAROT: EGYPTIAN DIETY: GREEK DIETY: ROMAN DIETY: SIGN: CONSTELLATION: MAGICAL WEAPON: VIRTUE: VICE: MAGICAL POWER: MINERAL DRUG: CORPOREAL INTELIGENCE QOPH MOON UPUAU ODYSSEUS VENUS AND CUPID PISCES PISCES SHEWSTONE PSYCHIC TRANSCENDENCE PSYCHIC INVERSION BEWITCHMENT FERRUM PHOSPHATE

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