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The Universal Rite of the Square Earth Cross

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Most magicians are aware of the measure of the universe and just what it means. Knowing the measure of the universe' can be simply a term for knowing how to live in the world; or, more to the point, how to create a particular world we live in.

In contrast to times gone past, it is now rapidly becoming common knowledge that we create our own world; and how to do it is equally becoming available to those who care to remember. The mode in which we create our world is a direct reflection of what we believe the world to be; it is an equation.

Qabalists very often explore the creation of worlds in terms of number. This is very much like the idea of all things being colour or tone. All things are also number. Change a single digit; one has a completely different world; and it is said that there are an infinite number of worlds. By way of the Hebrew alphabet, of which every letter has a numerical value, we can arrive at numerical constructs. For example, we take as a basic template the Hebrew word for World or Universe, "Olam, whose measure is 146. With a little contemplation, the number 146 reveals much.

One is of course the Unity of all things. "All is One" is the fundamental law of the universe. **Four**, apart from being the number of points and surfaces on a tetrahedron, the basic building block of the three-dimensional universe, is also the equal-armed cross; the four elements of which the physical universe is constructed. **Six** is the six directions in the three-dimensional world.

So the world of 146 is indeed a magical one. In terms of ceremonial or shamanic magick, it is exceptionally resonant. Add the numbers together: $1+4+6 = 11 = 2$; and we have a mirror, the creator reflected in the creation. Any creation with the same measure as another has a special relationship to it - it is family. For example, the Hebrew word for "to erect or establish", Qom, = 146. Another word with the measure 146 is Soph, meaning "end or limit." The idea of One being linked to both Four and Six, because $4+6 = 10 = 1$, is also a concept worth exploring.

As has been said, there are an infinite number of worlds one can create. Qabalists speak of four which are built on the 'Olam template:

'Olam 'Assiyah,	World of Physicality.	Measure: 531
'Ohm Yetsirah,	Astral World.	Measure: 461.
'Olam Briyah,	Soul World.	Measure: 364.
'Ohm 'Atsiluth,	Causative World.	Measure: 683.

Perhaps you noticed that the measure of 'Olam Yetsirah, 461, is constructed with the same digits as the basic template, 146. All numbers are basically neutral. They have no inherent meaning. Our definition is the world we create. As we define tiny part of the world, so we are creating our whole world.

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