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## Introduction

All genuine initiatic traditions of the European esoterism urge man to cultivate his personal relationship with God, having as a primary goal his spiritual reconciliation and as an ultimate goal his final reintegration.

So, if the Man of Desire is obliged to turn to God, where is he going to look for Him? It is true that God is Omnipresent, so the whole universe may be considered as a huge, Universal Temple, where "*the heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth the work of his hands.*"<sup>1</sup>. On the other hand, it is also true that "*ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*"

Well, the man that desires to meet God, to cultivate his personal relation with Him – a relationship of Love – and then unite with Him in a Mystical Wedding, has to revert to the Inner Temple of his Soul, clean it, arrange it, and then celebrate one and only ceremony: invoke the Great High Priest, that will come and offer Himself the due adoration to the Celestial Father.

This book attempts to cover this need. After the edition of the "Anthology of Theurgic Operations of the Rose  $\clubsuit$  Croix of the Orient", that offered a basic toolbox of spiritual action to the Initiate R $\clubsuit$ C, the present book – the "Mystical Operations of the Rose  $\clubsuit$  Croix of the Orient" – aspires to provide a powerful tool for a vigorous, conscious and orderly spiritual marching towards the Eternal Light.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Psalms 19.1.

First Part

Preliminary Operations

### Instructions

The three operations included in this first part must have been celebrated before the celebration of the "Mystical Office" described in the second part of this book.

The "Adoration of the Magi is – in a way – an initiation, by means of which the Theurgist arrives at a first, conscious contact with the three dimensions of his triple spiritual dignity. This Operation is celebrated on Christmas or on Christmas Eve.

The "Consecration of the Stole" can be done at any time.

Traditionally, the "Preparation of the Theurgic Wand" takes place on the day of the Spring Equinox, at the hour of sunrise.

After all these preparations, the Theurgist is ready to proceed to the "Mystical Office" described in the second part of this book.

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## The Adoration of the Magi

This operation is to be celebrated in the morning of 25th of December or in the evening of the previous day. A small quantity of pure **frankincense**, a small quantity of pure **myrrh** and a small **golden cross** have been consecrated and placed on the altar.

 $\clubsuit$  Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.<sup>2</sup>

#### Psalm 148

Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the hights.

 $^2$  Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

 $^3$  Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

<sup>4</sup> Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that are above the heavens.

 $^{5}$  Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.

<sup>6</sup> He hath also established them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Isaiah 7.14.

 $^7$  Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:

<sup>8</sup> Fire, and hail; snow, and vapors; stormy wind fulfilling his word:

<sup>9</sup> Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:

<sup>10</sup> Beasts, and all cattle; creeping animals, and flying fowl:

<sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:

<sup>12</sup> Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup> He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near to him. Praise ye the LORD

 $\clubsuit$  Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men.<sup>3</sup>

#### Psalm 149

<sup>1</sup> Praise ye the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

 $^{2}$  Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Luke 2.14.

 $^{3}$  Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises to him with the timbrel and harp:

<sup>4</sup> For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.

 $^{5}$  Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

 $^{6}$  Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand;

 $^{7}$  To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;

<sup>8</sup> To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;

<sup>9</sup> To execute upon them the judgment written: this honor have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD

 $\clubsuit$  Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

#### Psalm 150

<sup>1</sup> Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

 $^2$  Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

<sup>3</sup> Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

<sup>4</sup> Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

<sup>5</sup> Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

<sup>6</sup> Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

 $\clubsuit$  Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

### Hagiographical Citation

<sup>1</sup> Now, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

 $^2$  Saying, Where is he that is born king of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and have come to worship him.

 $^{3}$  When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

<sup>4</sup> And when he had assembled all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where Christ should be born.

 $^{5}$  And they said to him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

<sup>6</sup> And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among the princes of Judah: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

 $^{7}$  Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

 $^{8}$  And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go, and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

 $^{9}$  When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

<sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

<sup>11</sup> And when they had come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented to him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

<sup>12</sup> And being warned by God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

#### Invocation

Our Father in Heaven, Eternal and Infinite, Benevolent and Charitable, that so loved the world, that You gave Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believeth in You, should not perish, but have everlasting life;

Lord Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, God-with-us, that is born annualy for our own Reconciliation, Salvation and Spiritual Reintegration;

Lord, the Holy Spirit, by Whom the Divine Logos was born today – a Perfect God and a Perfect Man –

without any change of his quality as God, having received our human substance from Virgin Mary;

Oh, Lord, when the Three Magi from the East came to offer their adoration, You agreeably received the three Gifts they offered You: frankincense, myrrh and gold;

Gold, for Your dignity as a King; Myrrh, for Your dignity as a Prophet; and Frankincense, for Your dignity as a Priest.

Make me worthy, most Benevolent Father, that I – your servant \_\_\_\_\_ – participate in this archetypical adoration and offer the same presents to You, the King, Prophet and High Priest par excellence.

And as I have been baptised in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and – by Your Grace – I am participant of Your triple Dignity, oh, Most Benevolent Father, make me become a worthy King, Prophet and Priest, according to Your Divine Will.

A King, as a Master of the corruptible nature;

A Prophet, as a Child of Light and an Adept of Your Truth;

A Priest, as a minister of Your Divine Will and a co-minister in the perpetual Theurgic Liturgy that is celebrated now and for ever and ever. Amen.

### Meditation

The Theurgist offers his adoration in Spirit and Truth to the newborn Divine Child.

Then:

★ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by Saint John, His servant. Amen.

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### Consecration of the Stole

#### Prayer

★ Lord, My God, my power is in Your Name.

Creature of fiber,

In the name of the \* Holy God Father, of the \*Holy Son Christ and of the \* Holy Spirit Paraclet, the Divine Creator that made you,

I raise my Logos towards your Creator and I invoke the Divine attention, benevolence and benediction for your benefit.

Lord, our God, most merciful Father, that created everything by means of Your Logos; God, Who so loved the world, that gave Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life,

Deign, oh Merciful Father, to bless and consecrate this Stole, Symbol of the Grace that You lavish to all Your Divine Servants, so that they be able to participate in the perpetual Theurgic Liturgy that is celebrated since all eternity.

Lord, Source of all Benedictions, from Whom every good gift and every perfect gift cometh, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning, <sup>4</sup>, Lord,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> James 1.17.

the light that shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not; Lord, the Light-Fire that perpetually creates, preserves, evolves and redeems;

Oh, Benevolent Father, bless this Stole, so that it can be used in Your adoration in Spirit and Truth and in the Service of Your Divine Will.

### Ineffable Light, Lord my God, by Your Omnipotent Logos bless this Stole. (x3)

✤ Blessed be this Stole

✤ In the Name of the Eternal Father

✤ Of the Divine Son inseparable Logos

✤ And of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclet, Provider of the Divine Gifts. Amen.

✤ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by Saint John, His servant. Amen.

#### Exorcism

Creature of fiber,

Blessed by the \* Most Sacred Name, the Name of Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor,

And by my own Logos, as created in the image and after the likeness of the One and Only Divine Logos, that created you,

I  $\Leftrightarrow$  command you and I exorcise you, I  $\Leftrightarrow$  bless you and I consecrate you and I dedicate you to a good and just use: to the work of God's Love and Wisdom, for the Lord's Glory and for the Service of His Humanity. By the Force and Benediction of our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, every force, every operation, every enchantment of evil be absent from this creature.

God our Lord, for every operation that I will celebrate wearing this Stole – symbol of the race that You lavish to all Your Divine Servants so that they can participate in the perpetual Theurgic Liturgy that is celebrated since all eternity, in Your Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, for the Glory of God and for the benefit of my fellow-humans,

Let the creatures of fiber with the whole chorea of the elemental forces of their kind,

As well as Your Divine Ministers with the chorea of their own spiritual forces, accord me high assistance in Your Name and under Your protection. Amen.

✤ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by His Servant Saint John. Amen.

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### Consecration of the Theurgic Wand

Introduction

The Theurgic Wand is nothing else than a Candle – a specially consecrated one. By its very nature, wax is easily impregnated with psychic fluid; besides that, it can accept ethereal matter (that is, a flame) in its end.

So, a candle is very suitable for active Operations.

The candle that will be used as a Theurgic Wand passes through a special consecration.

Initially, it is consecrated in the normal way (see the "Anthology"). Then, on the day of Spring Equinox and at the hour of sunrise, it is consecrated again with the "Meditation of the Adept". Consecrated in this way, the Wand symbolizes the luminescent Logos of Reintegrated Man, who accomplishes his three-dimensional ministry of Man-Spirit as a Prophet, a Priest and a King.

### The Consecration

The Theurgist holds the candle in his left hand:

 $\clubsuit$  I was born in the world of the Fall, because of the Fall of my forefathers.

However, God our Lord deigned to offer Himself in a Sacrifice of righteousness, acquitting us from the consequences of that original sin.

I was baptised in the Name of the father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. By Divine Grace, I am a member of the body of the Christ: I am a Prophet, a Priest and a King.

With his thumb, he annoints with consecrated oil the upper part of the candle with the Monogram of Christ:

\* I am a Prophet, participant of the Divine Truth, Son (or Daughter) of the Divine Light. The divine Light is flooding me till the depths of my Soul. The Light of the Divine Truth inspires me and will free me, because it is written: "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."<sup>5</sup>

With his thumb, he annoints with consecrated oil the middle part of the candle with the Sign of the Cross:

★ I am a Priest after the Order of Melchizedek, because I am a member of the body of the One and Only High Priest. I am Man-Spirit, Divine Minister, co-minister in the perpetual, permanent and endless

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> John 8.32.

Theurgic Liturgy that is celebrated from all eternity, for the glory of the One and Trine, Absolute, Infinite and Eternal God. **I am a Priest** in the Universal Temple that is consecrated by the Holy Presence of the Omnipresent God.

With his thumb, he annoints with consecrated oil the lower part of the candle with the Sign of the pentagram:

☆ I am a King, Master of the corruptible nature. I am a Logos, in the image and after the likeness of the One and Only Divine Logos. The Divine Fortitude empowers and vivifies me. I am a King, because I am a member of the Body of the Divine King. I am mighty, because it is written: "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me";<sup>6</sup> and "when I am weak, then am I strong"<sup>7</sup>. I am mighty, because – by Divine Grace – I derive from the Divine Omnipotence of the Celestial King. I am a King, because Jesus Christus Vincit Semper!

And all the above come from God. Man cannot have anything by or from himself. Because it is written: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."<sup>8</sup>

*He lights the Wand while reciting the phrase:* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> B' Corinth. 12.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> B' Corinth. 12.10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> James 1.17.

"Light of Light" and then he passes to his right hand. Then, with the Wand:

★ Glory to the Eternal Father

✤ To the Divine Son, Inseparable Logos,

✤ And to the Holy Spirit, the Paraclet, Provider of the Divine Gifts. Amen, Amen, Amen!

### Psalm 134

Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, who by night stand in the house of the LORD.

 $^2$  Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

 $^3$  The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

The consecration of the Theurgic Wand is thus concluded.

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Part Two

The Mystical Office

### Instructions

The first Operation described in this, second part, of this book, is really part of the "Ritual Vesting"; after wearing his alb and emblem – and before the normal Opening of the Operation – the Theurgist puts on the Stole while reciting this prayer.

Afterwards he opens the Operation in the usual R\*CO way and celebrates each part of the "Mystical Office", in the order described.

#### Note:

As this office has a Sacramental character, the Theurgist may also use a Menorah, placed at the center of the altar.

In this case, the Menorah candles are lighted **after** the R\*CO Opening.

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### Prayer

Having put on his ritual alb and emblems and before the Opening, kneeling, the Theurgist holds the Stole above his head.

Benevolent Father, God our Lord, Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire <sup>9</sup>, my power is in Your Name.

Benevolent Father, make me worthy to wear this Stole as an expression of my aspiration to be included in those that serve You;

Make me a Priest in the Temple of my soul, that is made without hands; make me an assistant and a cominister of the Great High Priest after the order of Melchizedek: of Your Divine Son and our Brother Jesus Christ Emmanuel.

Grant me the Grace that You gives lavishly to Your Divine Ministers that offer You the immaculate and agreeable adoration of the Divine Service. Amen.

Let it be, oh Benevolent Father, according to Your Divine Will. Amen – Amen – Amen.

The Theurgist puts on the Stole.

"But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God".<sup>10</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Psalms 104.4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Isaia 61.6.

### The Psalm of the Archangel Michael

The name of the Archangel Michael means: "Who is like Thee, God?" This phrase (in different variations) occurs ten times in the Holy Scripture. These ten verses may very well be combined so that they form a short Psalm.

*After each verse, the Theurgist may recite the phrase:* 

"By the Archangel Michael, Jesus Christus Vincit!"

1. Who is like to thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders!

Exodus 15.11

2. O LORD, there is none like thee, neither is there any God besides thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

A' Chron. 17.20

3. O LORD God of Israel, there is no God like thee in the heaven, nor on the earth.

B' Chron. 6.14

4. All my bones shall say, LORD, who is like thee?

Psalms 35.10

5. Many, O LORD, my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are toward us, [*there is none that can be likened to thee*]<sup>11</sup>.

Psalms 40.5

6. Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great things: O God, who is like to thee!

Psalms 71.19

7. [Lord, who will be likened to thee?]<sup>12</sup> Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.

Psalms 83.1

8. Among the gods there is none like thee, O Lord; neither are there any works like thy works.

Psalms 86.8

9. For who in the heaven can be compared to the LORD? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened to the LORD?

Psalms 89.6

*10.* LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like to thee? or to thy faithfulness around thee?

Psalms 89.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> This is what the Septuagint (Greek) text says.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> This phrase exists in the Septuagint (Greek) text.

### Psalm 110

The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thy enemies thy footstool.

 $^{2}$  The LORD will send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thy enemies.

 $^{3}$  Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness: from the womb of the morning, thou hast the dew of thy youth.

<sup>4</sup> The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedek.

 $^{5}$  The Lord at thy right hand will strike through kings in the day of his wrath.

 $^{6}$  He will judge among the heathen, he will fill the places with the dead bodies; he will wound the heads over many countries.

 $^{7}$  He will drink of the brook in the way: therefore will he lift up the head.

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### Preliminary Invocations

For practical reasons (so that the "Anthology" volume is not needed for the celebration of the operations of the present book), two invocations that had been included in that edition will be repeated here, slightly modified.

Invocation by the Credo

✤ Lord, My God, my power is in Your Name.

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come to you.

God our Lord, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds (æons), have mercy on us.

God our Lord, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who from thence he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; and whose kingdom shall have no end; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets; have mercy on us..

God our Lord, who founded the one holy catholic and apostolic Church; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who ordained one baptism for the remission of sins; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, who will raise the dead; have mercy on us.

God our Lord, the Provider of the life of the world to come; have mercy on us. Amen.

Listen to Your Child's prayer and deign to accord Your gratification for the celebrated Operation and also Your Holy Benediction, because You art the sole provider of Goods.

"Who shall ascend upon the hill of the LORD? and who shall stand in his holy place?

He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. *He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.*"<sup>13</sup>

Invocation-Prologue

For the Glory of the Holy Name of God and for the Love of His Humanity. Amen.

Divine Ministers, Servants of the Divine Will, please be my Guards, guides and assistants. Amen.

\* Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening to the voice of his word.

 $\oplus$  Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

 $\bullet$  Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion.

★ Bless the LORD, O my soul.

✤ Oh, Light unfathomable, Ineffable Truth;

✤ Oh, Light tri-shining, God Almighty;

✤ Oh, Light God the Father Ineffable Truth, God the Son, Logos of the Truth, God the Paraclet, Holy Spirit of the Truth;

✤ Bless ✤ Bless.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Psalms, 24.3-5.

### Meditation of the Son

(The Prodigal Son)

<sup>11</sup> And he said, A certain man had two sons:

<sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided to them his living.

<sup>13</sup> And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

<sup>14</sup> And when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

<sup>15</sup> And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

<sup>16</sup> And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat; and no man gave to him.

<sup>17</sup> And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father have bread enough and to spare, and I am perishing with hunger!

<sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

<sup>19</sup> And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

<sup>20</sup> And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.  $^{21}$  And the son said to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

 $^{22}$  But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:

<sup>23</sup> And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:

<sup>24</sup> For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

 $^{25}$  Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard music and dancing.

 $^{26}$  And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

 $^{27}$  And he said to him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him in health.

<sup>28</sup> And he was angry, and would not go in; therefore his father came out, and entreated him.

<sup>29</sup> And he answering, said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither have I at any time transgressed thy commandment; and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:

 $^{30}$  But as soon as this thy son had come, who hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.

 $^{31}$  And he said to him, Son, thou art ever with me: and all that I have is thine.

 $^{32}$  It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.  $^{14}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Luke 15.11-32

### Four Psalms

#### 51

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness: according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

 $^2$  Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

 $^{3}$  For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup> Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mayest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

<sup>5</sup> Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

<sup>6</sup> Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

<sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

<sup>8</sup> Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

<sup>9</sup> Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

<sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

<sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

<sup>13</sup> Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted to thee.

<sup>14</sup> Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

<sup>15</sup> O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

<sup>16</sup> For thou desirest not sacrifice: else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt-offering.

<sup>17</sup> The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

<sup>18</sup> Do good in thy good pleasure to Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

<sup>19</sup> Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt-offering and whole burnt-offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thy altar.

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<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of scoffers.

 $^{2}$  But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

 $^{3}$  And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth its fruit in season; its leaf

also shall not wither; and whatever he doeth shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup> The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

 $^{5}$  Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup> For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

### 42

As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so my soul panteth after thee, O God.

 $^{2}$  My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

<sup>3</sup> My tears have been my food day and night, while they continually say to me, Where is thy God?

<sup>4</sup> When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holy-day.

 $^{5}$  Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance.

 $^{6}$  O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.

<sup>7</sup> Deep calleth to deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me. <sup>8</sup> Yet the LORD will command his loving-kindness in the day-time, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer to the God of my life.

<sup>9</sup> I will say to God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

<sup>10</sup> As with a sword in my bones, my enemies reproach me; while they say daily to me, Where is thy God?

<sup>11</sup> Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

### 84

How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

 $^{2}$  My soul longeth, and even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

 $^3$  Yes, the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thy altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

 $^{5}$  Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

<sup>6</sup> Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools.

 $^{7}$  They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

<sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.

<sup>9</sup> Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thy anointed.

<sup>10</sup> For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

<sup>11</sup> For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

<sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

Now the Theurgist recites the Lord's Prayer.

### Constructing the Inner Temple

Hagiographical Citations

Make straight the way of the Lord.<sup>15</sup>

I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. [...] and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.<sup>16</sup>

But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship towards thy holy temple.<sup>17</sup>

Yet, the Most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands, as saith the prophet,

Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: What house will ye build for me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

Hath not my hand made all these things?<sup>18</sup>

What, know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have from God, and ye are not your own?  $^{19}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> John 1.23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Marc 14.58,62.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Psalms 5.7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Acts 7.48-50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> A' Corinth. 6.19.

Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.<sup>20</sup>

#### Invocation

Our Father in Heaven,

You that dwelleth not in temples made with hands,

You that deigned to make us Temples of the Holy Spirit,

Cleanse what is inside us, oh Holy One; arrange our inner Temple; raise and secure the Pillars of Virtue in us; make what is inside us an agreeable habitation of Your Divine Presence, oh You, the Omnipresent God.

Create in us a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within us.  $^{21}$ 

Oh, Celestial Father, make us come back to the simplicity of the Unity, because only then You, the Celestial Father, the Provider of all goods; You, the Divine Son, our fellow-human and Brother; You, the Holy Spirit, our Friend and Paraclet, will find a seat in us, like on a Throne;<sup>22</sup>

Only then You, the Divine Creator, will sit in us;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> B' Corinth. 6.16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Cf. Psalms 51.10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Cf. Heinrich Khunrath, Amphitheatrum Sapientiae Aeternae (circular emblen: "Man": "Rejiciatur Binarius et Ternarius per Quaternarium ad Monadis reducetur simplicitatem; sic הוה Pater, יהשוה XPIETOE Crucifixus Frater, Spiritus Sanctus Amicus, sedebit in throno suo, TEMETIPSO, triuno, renato, vere catholico").

Only then You, the Great High-Priest, will come and officiate in the inner temple of our soul, according to Your Divine Will, for the Glory of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### Invocation of the Great High Priest

God our Lord, Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds (æons), You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

God our Lord, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

God our Lord, who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

God our Lord, who was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

God our Lord, who ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

God our Lord, who from thence he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; and

whose kingdom shall have no end; You, the Great High Priest, come and celebrate in my inner temple, that is not made with hands; Amen.

Amen.

#### Epilogue

We have thought of thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise to the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of right-eousness.<sup>23</sup>

★ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by Saint John, His servant. Amen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Psalms 48.9-10.

# The Unction

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

 $^{2}$  It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garment;

 $^{3}$  As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for eve.<sup>24</sup>

God our Lord, Benevolent Father in Heaven,

According to the promise of Your Divine Son and our Brother Jesus Christ Emmanuel,

Grant to us

✤ Spirit of Holiness, Spirit of Goodness

✤ Spirit of Wisdom, Spirit of Love,

✤ Spirit of Light, Spirit of Life,

that will protect, guide and console us in this world. Amen.

✤ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by Saint John, His servant. Amen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Psalms 133.

# The Tenfold Invocation of the Light

The Theurgic Wand is lighted from the right candle, while reciting the phrase: "Light of Light".

#### Meditation of the Adept

 $\bullet$  I was born in the world of the Fall, because of the Fall of my forefathers.

However, God our Lord deigned to offer Himself in a Sacrifice of righteousness, acquitting us from the consequences of that original sin.

I was baptised in the Name of the father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. By Divine Grace, I am a member of the body of the Christ: I am a Prophet, a Priest and a King.

**\*** I am a Prophet, participant of the Divine Truth, Son (or Daughter) of the Divine Light. The divine Light is flooding me till the depths of my Soul. The Light of the Divine Truth inspires me and will free me, because it is written: "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."<sup>25</sup>

**➡** I am a Priest after the Order of Melchizedek, because I am a member of the body of the One and Only High Priest. I am Man-Spirit, Divine Minister, co-minister in the perpetual, permanent and endless Theurgic Liturgy that is celebrated from all eternity,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> John 8.32.

for the glory of the One and Trine, Absolute, Infinite and Eternal God. **I am a Priest** in the Universal Temple that is consecrated by the Holy Presence of the Omnipresent God.

☆ I am a King, Master of the corruptible nature. I am a Logos, in the image and after the likeness of the One and Only Divine Logos. The Divine Fortitude empowers and vivifies me. I am a King, because I am a member of the Body of the Divine King. I am mighty, because it is written: "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me";<sup>26</sup> and "when I am weak, then am I strong"<sup>27</sup>. I am mighty, because – by Divine Grace – I derive from the Divine Omnipotence of the Celestial King. I am a King, because Jesus Christus Vincit Semper!

And all the above come from God. Man cannot have anything by or from himself. Because it is written: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."<sup>28</sup>

✤ Glory to the Eternal Father

✤ To the Divine Son, Inseparable Logos,

✤ And to the Holy Spirit, the Paraclet, Provider of the Divine Gifts. Amen, Amen, Amen!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> B' Corinth. 12.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> B' Corinth. 12.10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> James 1.17.

Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, who by night stand in the house of the LORD.

 $^2$  Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

 $^3$  The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

#### The Invocation

✤ Light Ineffable, Absolute, Infinite, Eternal, our
Celestial Father, the Provider of all goods;

✤ Light of Light, Divine Son, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, our Brother;

✤ Holy Spirit, Breath of the Light, our Friend,

Listen to my Prayer and grant me Light from Your Light, which is Love, so that I may become similar to You.

*In each of the ten invocations, the Theurgist holds the Wand in front of the corresponding part of his body.*<sup>29</sup>

1. The Wand is held above the head.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Crown**, For the Glory of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> As a matter of fact, the Theurgist may also use the following invocation for healing purposes, either on himself or on another human being. In this case the Wand is held in front of the corresponding part of the body **of the visualized sick person**.

the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. The Wand is held in front of the left temple.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Wisdom**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

3. The Wand is held in front of the right temple.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Understanding**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

4. The Wand is held in front of the left shoulder.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Mercy**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

- The Wand is held in front of the right shoulder.
   Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of Force, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- 6. The Wand is held in front of the center of the chest. Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Beauty**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- 7. The Wand is held in front of the left hip.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Victory**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### 8. The Wand is held in front of the right hip.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of the **Glory**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

9. The Wand is held in front of the abdominal area. Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of Foundation, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Light of Light, Jesus Christ Emmanuel, illuminate me with the Light of **Kingdom**, For the Glory of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then:

#### Our Father in Heavens,

Jesus Christ Emmanuel, **Brother** and fellow-human,

Holy Spirit, Breath of Light and Life, our Friend and Consoler,

Let me be all light, all fire, radiant, godly.

★ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, and by Saint John, His servant. Amen.

<sup>10.</sup> The Wand is held as low as possible.

# Liturgy of the Holy Spirit

The Spirit of the Lord fills the globe; it comprehends everything and knows everything said.

Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. $^{30}$ 

Our God, that teaches the hearts of Your believers by means of the Light of the Holy Spirit, grant us the knowledge and the love of justice; may Your Spirit fill us with Divine donsolation.

✤ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit; Amen.

Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John:

<sup>15</sup> Who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit:

<sup>16</sup> (For as yet he had fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)

<sup>17</sup> Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

<sup>18</sup> And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Psalms 68.1.

<sup>19</sup> Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>31</sup>

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance. $^{32}$ 

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth. $^{33}$ 

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah.

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your believers; conflafrate them with the fire of Your Love. Halleluiah.

Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth. $^{34}$ 

Our Celestial Father, how good, how sweet is Your Spirit in us!

 $^{23}$  Jesus answered and said to him, If a man loveth me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our abode with him.

 $^{24}$  He that loveth me not, keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but that of the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> These things have I spoken to you, being yet present with you.

<sup>26</sup> But the Comforter, who is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Acts 8.14-19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Psalms 33.12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Psalms 33.6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Psalms 104.30.

things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said to you.

 $^{27}$  Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you: not as the world giveth, give I to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

 $^{28}$  Ye have heard that I said to you, I go away, and come again to you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go to the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

<sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it cometh to pass, that when it hath come to pass, ye may believe.

<sup>30</sup> Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

 $^{31}$  But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. $^{35}$ 

Oh Lord our God, support Your work in us, so that the kings will bring you gifts in Jerusalem. Alleluiah!

★ Deign, oh Lord, to consecrate Your Temple inside us, purifying our bodies and our souls by the Light of Your Holy Spirit. Amen.<sup>36</sup>

Oh, let You be all in me, taking the place of all in me!  $^{37}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> John 14.23-31.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> In the original text of this Liturgy, this secret prayer concerned the consecration of the gifts of the Offertory. It was properly adapted in order to be applicable in the frame of the general priesthood.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> This phrase was added by us; it was taken from the Ritual by Theophilus Kairis: "Theosebists' Prayers and Sacred Chants", London 1852 (in Greek).

✤ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit; Amen.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

 $^{2}$  And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> And there appeared to them, cloven tongues as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

<sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.

<sup>6</sup> Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because every man heard them speak in his own language.

<sup>7</sup> And they were all amazed, and marveled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these who speak Galileans?

<sup>8</sup> And how do we hear every man in our own language, wherein we were born?

<sup>9</sup> Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

<sup>10</sup> Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and Proselytes,

 $^{11}$  Cretes and Arabians we hear them speak in our languages the wonderful works of God.  $^{38}$ 

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah.

Let the Breath of the Holy Spirit purify our heart and fecundate it with the celestial dew.

♥ By our Lord Jesus Christ Emmanuel, Omnipotent Logos Victor, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit; Amen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> John 2.1-11.

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