## EGOIC LOTUS WEBINARS, VIDEO COMMENTARY – 62, Michael Robbins

Egoic Lotus Webinar Commentaries 62: Specific Energies and Forces For the Second Synthesis petal, petal 11, Synthesis of Love. This webinar is about 1 hour, 31 minutes long.

Program 62 continues offering commentary on the petals of Synthesis in general. Specific attention is then focused upon petal 11, the Synthesis petal of Love, and the manner in which the twelve signs of the zodiac, the Sun, Moon and ten planets, and the seven rays, are related to the achievement of a synthesis of love. The program is speculative, relating mostly to the period between the third and fourth initiations, but may provide seed thoughts for further expansion.

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**Transcript.**

Hello friends, I would like to continue with our study of the synthesis petals according to certain specific energies, and how these energies can contribute to the unfolding of these petals, especially the stage of their deliberate unfolding which occurs between the third and fourth initiation, particularly. There is some unfolding before that, we're told, at the time of the first, second, and third initiations. But the real attention to the synthesis petal, for the factor of synthesis which make these petals open occurs following the third initiation when the buddhic vehicle is being coordinated.

We had reached the point where we had ended program 61, and in that I gave a little bit of an introduction to the subject. In program 60, we had some foundational references that oriented us to

this subject, which is a little bit obscure because not so much is said about it.

Now, we're beginning with program 62 and dealing with the specific energies of petal 11. The synthetic petal of love it's called. But I would like to call it also the synthetic petal of love-wisdom, just as when dealing with the monad which is said to be wisdom and activity. I think of it as will, love-wisdom and activity.

There are certain laws that continue to operate here. The Law of Group Progress, a soul law. The Law of Expansive Response, I would say. We have not quite entered the point where we are the master of the wisdom or even the initiate of the fourth degree, not quite. Therefore, the human group, or soul group number ten is not yet operative, and the stage of adaptation number eight is not yet operative, but we are certainly here in this rather brief period between the third and fourth initiation, which can take place in one life, two lives, maybe three lives. But as the case is often in the same life. Just the way initiation four and five can take place often in the same life.

So, one wonders about the progress of Milarepa who seem to move from the second initiation to the fifth all in one life. Well, that kind of progress I guess is not for ordinary mortals, even the ones who are intending to dedicate all they have. It seems extraordinary.

Well, with the synthesis petal of love, and I want to add wisdom, if we proceed in a counter clockwise order in naming the signs of the zodiac beginning with the first petal of Aries … then we reach the sign Aquarius. Now although there is a great mental content in the sign Aquarius, it is also the sign of universal love. It has a real capacity to synthesize. Perhaps all the hearts activated in higher Leo are brought together under Jupiter, the esoteric ruler of Aquarius, so, that we have a kind of universal love of the solar logos.

When we use a word like *universal,* where we can’t mean the entire universe, we can't even think in terms really subjectively of the galaxy we may be able to see images of other galaxies but if we can't think in terms of the one about whom not to be said, who has as usually considered a very minor being in relation to our galaxy, we certainly cannot think of the nature of the Galactic Entity. The sense of proportion, that of occult measurement, is so important in these kinds of speculations and it’s here where there's so many people go astray.

0:05:30 We have the great sign of group consciousness, Aquarius, bringing in – well all three of the planets usually veiled on the hierarchical level, namely Vulcan, Neptune, and Uranus. Perhaps the Neptune part has more to do with love- wisdom and certainly there is a modification of the kind of emotional response often found Aquarius which is filled with your peaks and valleys, its ups and downs its, peaks and troughs as DK describes to us, and a more regular kind of cyclic process occurs when the out within the astral body which becomes responsive to the plane of universality within the triad and that would be the buddhic plane.

So, we have a force here, under Jupiter, which brings many people together in the heart, and I would say also touching the heart within the head.

What is the synthesis of love? It’s not quite full released to the buddhic plane after the egoic lotus is destroyed, but it is certainly in anticipation of that and it's a very wide love, and realizing that it is possible to love all*. Let the disciples search within the heart’s deep cave …* Let me turn to that,

From *Initiation, Human and Solar*.

He realizes the facts in the heart of the disciple and when love for himself exists not. Then comes the realization or the indication that he's nearing the portal of initiation and may make the necessary preliminary pledges. These are necessitated before the master hands in his name as a candidate for initiation. I'm talking about this attitude of universal love, and now here we are talking about initiation. Is this an initiation one? Certainly not fully, it cannot be. It’s the real initiation in terms of how the hierarchy views initiation, it is initiation three, and we are discussing a state or a stage beyond initiation three.

So, love for all beings would signify a kind of a Venusian, Jupiterian characteristic of initiation three, and the realization that all souls are one and that one is the soul in which all souls are fused. So, this love for all beings, while not perfected is part of that distributive universal impulse that we find in Aquarius. I mean, certainly it is a sign of great mental brilliance, no question about that, but we're interested in this love and the wisdom that goes along with it, and how it is extended to the many and not only to specific objects or persons.

One begins to realize that one is the love. If Christ as Jesus, if Buddha said meaningfully, and in terms of identification, *I am of the light of the world* then we can carry it further and he would be able to say meaningfully and thinking beyond his little microcosm I am the love of the world, I am the will of the world, finally I am the being of the world. I am that which is. Now these stages of identification, I think. They take a lot of work, and one has to find one's own inner antahkaranic method to identify him this way, but certainly this, we were talking about the universal love of the developed Aquarian. Then He also says of the same time the pervasive wisdom of Jupiter in Pisces. So, wisdom sometimes associated with will with them and not with love wisdom, so here is this great expanse of embracing inclusive group consciousness in Aquarius which comes upon the individual when he realizes that all real love is actually one loving, and it's reflecting of the loving of the planetary logos.

0:11:30 I am just intending to drop a few ideas here and naturally you can expand upon these. I'm perhaps not being as careful as I might be because then I would sit down and laboriously write out every thought and correcting the English minutely and so forth.

I'm choosing a different method now, the idea is that between third and fourth initiation probably according to our ray we are focusing on the factor synthesis, but one of these factors will be the major focus for us the factor of synthesis in relation to love would be the focus of the second or a soul or maybe the second ray monad. And If both the soul and monad were of a second or a certainly it would be and inevitably because of such a reflex action going on between these three petals. In such an interplay all of three of them will continue to unfold and be the innermost group of petals that normally sort of veils the jewel in the lotus does suddenly burst open and that means considerable unfoldment, one or all of them.

Now looking at a little bit of astrology along with us when we come to Aries, we have *the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.* We have the idea of but form again be sought except to see to fall into the ground and bring forth fruits, it is of no value. I sort of complete that sentence in my own way, I don't remember the exact quotation, but the idea of an Aries, the seed must sacrifice itself by falling into the lower plains represented by the soil and becoming the sacrificial lamb who does this, this act of sacrifice, for the welfare of the world, for the welfare of his fellow human beings, for the welfare of our planet.

Aries is usually a sort of a first ray, seventh ray sign, and it is not particularly possessing the planets of love. Mars is not, though a high and noble idealism can relate to it. Mercury bringing in the fourth ray does relate to the second, as a planet a fusion. Uranus, well except for its interesting relationship to be a Sirius-Pisces-Hierarchy line, doesn't have a lot of second ray. And yet there is this plunging into the lower worlds for the sake of sacrifice. Interesting how the sign Aries represents a duality coming out of a unity. So, there are some tendencies here to offer oneself in love for the welfare of the whole and for the welfare of the cycle.

The color of Taurus interesting enough is said to be deep blue at least the Tibetan uses that particular color scale in one of his meditations with one of His groups. Taurus is perhaps a sign more associated with wisdom than it is with love. DK speaks of the average Taurean as not demonstrating a lot of love of course. This is not necessarily the case, so many things can modify, but it is the second sign and it will have a numerical correspondence with the second petal. Especially if we think of love and wisdom and the light of love, the great illumination coming through Taurus, stimulating through light the realization of love. It’s the light that brings love into the light; it's there because so is the light which reveals love.

0:16:00 So, Taurus people who are equipped with the Taurus energy can certainly promote the wisdom aspect the synthesis of understanding and wisdom which ends in the tendency of the candidates truly to love.

Think of the love of Shamballa; Taurus is so connected with that. It's a sign particularly connected with Shamballa; there's a great light in Shamballa, no question about it, the greatest light in a way, which Taurus is easily connected with, but also be the factor of the love which comes from Shamballa and from the highest example of the teaching ray on our planet, Sanat Kumara, our great savior.

The light of Taurus certainly assists the growth and manifestation of love, even if it isn't classically one of the signs of love, it is certainly though a sign of wisdom. Sometimes wisdom is placed to so to speak, diagrammatically above love, as if it's the intermediary between the will of Shamballa and Love of hierarchy. Buddha who comes forth from Shamballa is a great example of Taurus; He's the lord of life and also, he's the lord of wisdom. He's not called the lord of love, that's left for the Christ, but His deep wisdom directly connects with that of the Christ. We can expect that this second synthesis petal, number eleven will have benefit from Taurus. Think of the relation of Aquarius is the Hierarchy and Taurus is new group of world servers who certainly lead humanity into the light; they are the light bearers. But they're deeply motivated by love and their sign is Taurus, and ray four connecting with ray two, Taurean ray four, their ray.

So, let us say that harmony and love and light all go together in Taurus and can be useful in promoting this sense of the one Love, which is spread equally for all, as one loves the soul and loves the spirit. It is not a question of liking or disliking; that's coming into a different category of attraction or repulsion, it is not the unity of love that we are talking about.

Taurus has to do with blues, it's the blue eye in the center of the head which sees all things and all beings in the life of love.

So, every sign of the zodiac can be useful here. With Gemini of course it was a sign of great knowledge or think about its relation to the second ray, it's called the head of the Cosmic Christ. Its ray is the second and Jupiter the great second ray planet has a particular relationship to it. Mercury is more the orthodox rule and relates to knowledge but it has that strong ray for component related to ray two. Venus is esoteric ruin has that brilliant life, but at the same time Venus planet of love-wisdom, especially in its highest monadic nature.

Then there's the Earth hierarchically, and we all know that right human relations with all beings will occur only through love and through loving relationship, which Gemini in its higher aspect confers upon us. Let's just say that we assign the earth signs to the knowledge petals, water signs to the love petals, fire signs to the sacrifice, but we're left with air for the sacrifice petals and Gemini, the major sign of the second aspect could be assigned to the second petal, or to the first petal.

Libran and Gemini have a lot in common and, although Libra given as related more to ray three and Gemini to ray two, there are ways in which they switch. Some of the later information given on the paths of higher evolution, Gemini and Libra are exposed in new ways and seem to be even more into related.

0:21:20 So the question, is if the if the air signs rule those synthesis petals, we begin with Gemini go to Libra for the second petal and Aquarius, I don't think there's much question about that. Aquarius has more of the first ray connected with it, I think, that either Gemini or Libra, although Libra does connect with the law in terms of the first ray. Certainly, if we could begin with Gemini, ruling all the into relationship of knowledge and Libra (having a very deep ray two connected with, that I do believe when I read page 333 of *Esoteric Astrology,*) about Divine Love and Understanding as applied to Libra.

So, we can begin with Gemini, it is the third sign, hence related to the third aspect and deeply related to knowledge and synthesizing knowledge and then go to Libra for fusion of the pairs of opposites, infusion of the spirit of the soul-infused personality. We might call it the divine marriage. We might say that. Libra has a lot of ray two in it.

Aquarius, for ray one for the universal mind for the connection with the Great Bear. We can do it that way. We can also seemingly go in a clockwise manner, starting from Libra going to Gemini and then going to Aquarius. I'm not sure whether that is a preferred method, but certainly we can relate Libra with this powerful third aspect to the first or synthesis of knowledge petal, and Gemini with its powerful second aspect to the synthesis of love petal.

That would be one way to think about Gemini in relation to the bringing together of spirit and soul. Jupiter in Gemini confers that exactly. It has a special relationship. It's usually considered to be in detriment, but in fact if it is a method of fusing the spirit with the soul and the soul-infused personality. So, Gemini has an important place here, bringing in the Christ spirit very strongly, and a broad and general love which goes out along the many, many lines of relationship with Gemini reveals.

Cancer is usually related to the third aspect of divinity, but it has a strong buddhic connection. If we think even further it has a connection with that hierarchy which is destined to reach the cosmic astral plane as it liberates itself from the sea of fire. That's the Cancerian hierarchy of veiling the Christ. So, the deep third aspect is not so much what we're looking at here as a connection with the fusing nature of love under Neptune, and the relation to that higher correspondence to the solar angels, which I think is the fifth of the – well *liberated hierarchy* is really the *almost liberated hierarchy.*

We know that Cancer is not only about intelligence, but is about a close cohesion. When we use that Cancerian mantram, ‘the whole is seen as one’, we can say that in the right attitude of buddhic love (maybe monadic love involving the higher heart center within the head, and with some infiltration from the Christ force of the cosmic astral plane) maybe we can say that it can have quite a strong cohesive effect of binding together the many contents of consciousness in a field of love, unified, holistic love.

When it comes to Leo, it is the fire sign most related to consciousness and to the second aspect of the heart, even though the first and fifth rays are transmitted through it. But Aries is related to that [blimp/monad?], Leo for the loving soul, Sagittarius generally to the personality. So, this blazing out of the higher self, there's the realisation of a unity in heart and soul between all beings, following the third initiation: *I am the soul which all souls are fused, no my soul and thy soul, but The Soul.* That comes in in the fifth of the rules in *The Rays and the Initiations,* Leo is the fifth sign and *the macrocosmic whole is all there is, but let the group perceive that whole, and then no longer use the phrase my soul and thine.* So, there's a fusion of souls occurring here in this synthesis petal of love, and realization that although there are many hearts there is only one heart, know there are many diverse types of love but there's only one love, and we're all participating in it. So, Leo makes sense there.

These signs also contribute to it, Virgo is a powerful ray two and the sixth constellation, sign hierarchically ruled by Jupiter, and it's all about the glory of the Christ consciousness. Now, maybe we have to wait for that supreme glory to emerge … perhaps at the fourth degree. But, before that happens, there is the sense of the triumphant transfigured Christ Consciousness pervading all of matter, in service of the immediately present is what Virgo confers, and so even the humblest things are pervaded by this universal synthetic love. Instead of the fragmenting, dividing, diversifying aspect of Virgo, we have it as a sign of fusion interestingly, and DK does talk about that.

With Virgo, it is M, nature, talking about the fusing of the three aspects. It's a great sign of synthesis *I am the mother of the child I God I matter am.* So, all aspects of divinity are brought together and certainly the love aspect in the matter aspects are brought together here and love is seen to pervade all of matter, unifying all of matter, regardless of diversification. The Christ force is very strong here, when Virgo can help augment the power of the unfolding eleventh petal.

0:29:00 When it comes to Libra, well as I said, there is a strong second ray component here. The spirit of peace is coming in under Venus, a great second ray entity, and divine love and wisdom are there.

On one of the paths, not just the first path of higher evolution, but I think maybe the second path as well, Libra comes in and the law of karma, although very mental and willful is for the sake of love and harmony. I suspect that the second aspect of Libra is even more powerful than the third, or a bit latent. We don't know how these constellation lords are developed and unfolded relative to each other. Just as there are sacred and non-sacred planets and synthesizing planets, we may have the same going for the constellation lords; they may be in three different strata.

So what ray or rays is DK giving us when he tells us about the rays being transmitted? When there's only one ray discussed as being transmitted, which ray is that when the third ray is coming through Libra, and yet we sense deeply the presence of the second ray? In some sense the fourth ray. Then which is it? Which is the more important ray? In any case there is equilibrium here, and a great sense of fusion with all objects as the beloved, we might say, maybe kind of a mystical idea there, but when we see any of the contents of consciousness, we can contemplate it, Libra, the sign of contemplation, and we can find the sameness with any object; that sameness is felt by the rapport induced by Libra.

From another perspective, it does relate to the first ray, we have kind of a Great Bear have an Aries, Libra polarity, related to the first ray, and maybe then to the next petal of synthesis. But this is a very loving sign, I think, in its higher nature. It certainly works out that way on the lower planes in terms of bringing the forms together. But it does rule the law of magnetic impulse or the law of polar union which brings the poles together in any human being, but also brings people together on the level of soul merging, soul fusion. So, if we want to begin to realize that there is really one love operating in all the many lives, and that would be really worth meditating upon, we will find that Libra has a very useful energy to work toward that realisation.

0:32:32 When it comes to Scorpio? We have a sign which is very connected with the fourth creative hierarchy and with the buddhic plane. The Buddhic plane expresses the sixth principle and strongly expresses the quality of love and wisdom. So, its the fourth plane with associations with the six and the two.

In all cases we are having the triumph over matter which yields the synthesis of knowledge, the synthesis of love, and the synthesis of will. I’d also like to point to particular triangle which is that of a Sirius-Scorpio-Mars, and this is going to be bringing in the Sirian influence which will be strongly connected with petal number eleven, which is the second of the synthesis petals.

Scorpio is capable of very, very deep love. It is a psychological science and it helps us remove the veils from exclusive love. It has a lot of this exclusivity when ruled by the sixth ray and Mars, but when ruled by Mercury it promotes the intuition which reveals universal love. That's what DK tells us in the discussion of the intuition in the beginning of *Glamour, a World Problem* (just look that up is a marvelous paragraph probably I have quoted it on numerous occasions when dealing with the astrology book). There are things in the way of this broad, general love, and they are the heads of the Hydra, and in general the factor of illusion, which is lessening and lessening as we proceed on from the third initiation. So, Scorpio is going to really contribute to the destruction of the veils.

St. Paul was a Scorpio (was it his sun sign, I don’t know), but it was a powerful sign in his makeup DK tells us and the rent that he made in the veils of maya had to do with the realization of oneness, the realization of being. It's a rent which perhaps not too many can take advantage of at this moment, but it is significant that it was bringing about a great unity.

The Sirian influence, the struggle over the vices, the raising up into the light of buddhi, and certainly this eleventh petal is connected with buddhi, all of these can be promoted by Scorpio when in the chart of the candidate who is moving between the third and fourth initiation.

Sagittarius is one of the intuitive signs, so it has an immediate connection with buddhi. It is a Jupitarian sign and expansiveness of love, travelling far afield to find the many different units which participate with us in the larger content of consciousness. We just see how big the world is, how many horizons there may be, and our attitude towards these is that they're all part of our self. We can realize this when the intuition of buddhi works through this particular petal number eleven, imposed by Sagittarius, which increases the vision of this vast, far flung wholeness in which horizons our ever-expanding, and yet we manage to include all that we discover.

Universal love is here, at least we're on our way to total Buddhic universal love. We are synthesizing in love all that we discover about the Earth and about its many planes, and we have already begun to identify as this one being. So, it’s an ever-expanding expression of one being with whom we have begun to identify. Sagittarius helps us reach that.

Capricorn gives us entree into the secret of the soul and it is a sign so closely connected with the solar angels who are underlying, with their formative power, their substance, the matter of the higher mental plane, creating the egoic lotus. So, the entire egoic lotus is substandard by those beings that are so connected with Capricorn. A very deep form of unitive love as seen from the higher levels of the mountain top.

Venus is prominent as the hierarchical ruler, the great planet of love and wisdom. So, we're not so much the thing with the material aspect of Capricorn, but with the more redemptive initiatory aspect of Capricorn, which is introducing us into the soul into the secrets of the soul and the soul is correlated with the second aspect.

Capricorn generally is said to bring in the first ray, the third ray, the seventh ray. All of those important in the initiatory process but as the one that opens the door of initiation, along the second aspect line, it is very significant for promoting this higher form of soul love.

Aquarius, we have discussed. Here it's universality. It is the major sign here I think when we start numbering from the first petal at Aries, and this very extensive universal love of the developed Aquarian is found here. It’s a reflection of buddhi in the triad, and somehow, it's a reflection of all higher ethers. The idea that though there can be tremendous variety, and many, many time cycles all operating in relation to each other, there is a flow of energy, a circulation of energy, which unites all of this, and so we feel ourselves born along the streams of Aquarian energy and flowing with it, pervading all the things that it flows through with Divine Love. It's almost as if we can stand here and kind of extend ourselves into everything as an Aquarian, flowing cyclically, correctly, through all contents of consciousness. It's the very substance of love that we can feel; the universality of love.

When it comes to Pisces, it's another two and six signs. It is considered to be a cosmic decanate, and it's considered to be that decanate which is most connected with the second ray; it's Christ, Neptune, and Pisces. So, this is the power to solve through dissolving all apparently diverse factors into the great ocean of love and wisdom. Not just love it wisdom too because where we've been talking about the pervasive wisdom of Jupiter in relation to Pisces.

Love induces the willingness to sacrifice. Just think about the lower correspondences, the Scorpio sacrifice petal where one learns not to ask anything in return for that which has been given. Well, Pisces goes even further and it is the sign of the world saviors and in the synthesis petal love, the impulse toward salvation is very strong. It must grow and grow in the world-savior types, because they at the fourth initiation offer everything in the form of a sacrifice for the sake of others.

So, I think Pisces fits very well, with an emphasis upon this central one of the petals of synthesis. It is of course, you can have good people and bad people born in any sign, and some of the greatest atrocities where whole groups and genocides and things of that nature occur. People are wiped out, and they meet a miserable end, and all that – that can be Pisces too, especially on the influence of Pluto. But when we're talking about Neptune, it is very universal and maybe Neptune can be considered the highest second ray planets in our solar system, because of its monadic second ray, and it has a relationship to Pisces which is unique, and I think transcends the relationship of Jupiter and Pluto.

So, there is a great dissolving of the contents of consciousness into the Sea of Love. If these were moving that direction it’s not as complete as it will be when we are totally buddhic after the fourth degree, when we're talking monadic at the sixth degree, when we've entered the cosmic astral plane, beyond initiation nine of all of those will be intensified opportunities for Pisces to demonstrate its true nature.

Well, I've said a few things, sometimes I feel a little frustrated that it can't be clearer or more comprehensive, but one must learn to work with what one has and what one knows.

0:44:40 Just in general when you're looking at these signs, consider the ray passing through them (or rays, anywhere from one to three rays), consider the relationship of the ray to the function of the petals that you are considering, consider the planetary rulers (orthodox, esoteric, and hierarchical) of each one of these signs. Then I think we're in a position to see somewhat how are the energies of a particular sign and its associated rays and planets can be used to promote the unfoldment of the particular petal on which we are concentrating.

In this case, these are the petals of synthesis and we're dealing with the second synthesis petal, number eleven. Which by the way of course it's kind of interesting is that eleven if the number of the Initiate, and if the number of the hierarchy of love. Eleven is really a big two when you look at it. The hierarchy of love is a ruled by Aquarius which is the eleventh sign.

It's so much about sensitivity to the hierarchy that can be expected with the unfoldment of this particular synthesis petal. Now of course you can get specific, because we have to know the ray structure of the person who may be working in the synthesis petals, and where they will particularly focus – they can't focus on all things equally, you see – but that will be taken up in the psychology of the future when we're dealing with the psychology of probationary initiates and initiates, and trying to find a way to assist them to function during this very important period. Of course, by that time we will have moved on and will be in a position to do that.

Now, let’s look at the two luminaries and the planets. This is a petal in which the heart of the sun could play a very big role, just as it did in petal number eight and we began to introduce the idea with the solar angel as the downward-gazing soul in petal number five. It’s the higher aspect of the sun, not the egoistic aspect, but something that melts the ahamkara away, this could be prominent here. If the sun is prominent for an individual at this stage of development, we could assume perhaps that the heart of the sun could be connected. Or, sometimes the heart of the sun is indicated more by the rising sign which indicates the heart aspect, at least according to DK and some of his writings that have been released of late on the internet.

When it comes to the moon, I don't think there's very much here. The moon really is veiling Vulcan, Neptune, and Uranus. It would be the more Neptunian aspect, we're interested in transcending the form by the time we reach this synthesis petal for love and wisdom. The form is seen as an illusion, the moon in a sense *fell* in petal number eight; it's certainly falling here in this higher correspondence, petal number eleven, and once we reach the point when the egoic lotus is destroyed, the moon certainly falls in the buddhic power takes over.

Vulcan would be important here, not in relation to the mineral kingdom or the will, but in relation to its deeper rays, which are in my view the fourth and ultimately the second. We are told that Vulcan is related to the heart of the sun, and may have a relation also to the twelve-petaled lotus within the head. *Vulcan and the sun are one.* One of my old friends used to reverse this and say Love can, Vulcan love. So, if it shows that the interior of this planetary deity may be on the soft line rays and may have something to do with the display and beauty of the radiance of love.

When it comes to Mercury, the linking of the many through the intuition is important, always finding things in common between apparently different units of life. So, Mercury is an intuitive planet, it's a buddhic planet it relates to pure reason and to the ability to see in love and wisdom the loving interconnectedness of all things.

Venus has a place here, because it is a planet ultimately again of love and wisdom. It's sixth ray monad, home of the planetary logos of the sixth ray, it is said of Venus. And of course, when you use the word *home of* it means monad. Further, because the ultimate three monadic rays have to be one, two, and three, and it's pretty clear that Venus would be correlated with the second ray. I would say that the solar angel is really bestowing its gifts here in greater fullness of Venus in the solar angel are closely connected.

Before the solar angel returns to the heart of the sun, that’s the time of the destruction of the egoic lotus, there must be a great pouring forth into any egoic lotus which is powerful enough to receive what the angel can give. I would say that is particularly connected with this eleventh petal, conferring upon the consciousness a sense of the buddhic synthesis.

Earth is not just a third ray planet, it's also a second ray planet, it has a second ray soul. Let’s just say that we have to make love-wisdom practical upon this planet, and to hold all beings on the planet in the synthesis of love and wisdom. We come to realize this more and more following the Transfiguration and as we're heading towards the fourth degree which is ruled by the heart.

Jupiter has a strong place here, it is the esoteric ruler of Aquarius, the normal ruler of Pisces. Those two signs having much to do with universality and love. Jupiter is the embrace of all through the heart center. Jupiter does rule the heart center of the disciple. We're not just talking about the King of the gods, we're talking about that great lifting realisation that all souls are one and are progressing together has one.

Is Saturn found here? Well, only in the sense I would say that when one realizes that all loves are one love, and that all beings as souls are worthy of that love, one is inclined to discipline oneself and make the sacrifices necessary to express the wider realisation in a practical manner. So, Saturn, even though it's a very one, three, five, seven planet, does serve to bring the realized synthesis of love and wisdom down to earth. We might say the same of Earth itself.

[laughing] I don't know whether that was a mistake, but I've left Mars out of the picture. How did I do that? If I were to go back and speak of the synthesis of knowledge, I would have to say that Mars has a lot to do with the five senses and the concrete mind, and is an energy through which we assertively and aggressively discover what the senses reveal. It does rule concrete science we are told, and so all of that type of knowledge even the most concrete knowledge the knowledge revealed by the senses has to be part of the synthesis of knowledge, the synthesis petal of knowledge and what it can reveal when we come to. So that was a little bit of a recap from having left Mars out of the picture. Not very befitting a person so ruled by Aries, as I am. Now I will make sure that Mars is put in here when we discuss the synthesis of will.

So here we are. What about Mars in relation to this petal of love? Well, perhaps when enthusiasm and aspiration and idealism reach a sufficient height, it begins to merge into the love of the wisdom and again Mars can be a planet of heroic sacrifice, so one can have the courage to live out the wider love the wider all-embracing love that one is now experiencing. Rather than a planet of division it becomes a planet of idealism and sacrifice and courage to live from the heart of the sun, live from the realization that the heart center confers. [Laughing again] I'm glad I noticed that; someone would be tapping on my shoulder years later and say, ‘Well, and what about Mars?’

When it comes to Uranus? It’s interesting, Mars-Saturn and the Earth are related to a great being, a third ray being, in whom the factor of suffering is very pronounced. So dutiful sacrifice in Saturn, heroic courageous sacrifice in Mars. And Earth, a great planet of sacrifice as well. It does have the first ray monad. Earth seems to have undergone the sacrifice of accepting from the previous solar system so much of the unredeemed substance, and as a divine alchemist, working through it until it is transmuted into the love nature of the second solar system.

I guess the rays of Earth are particularly suited for that transmutation from the third ray correlated with the previous system to the second ray correlated with this one. It looks like earth will continue its sacrificial transmutative task when the residual energies of the second ray not fully redeemed perhaps in this solar system, have to work through as residual in the next and final solar system, and it will in fact be a system of the first order, of a first ray personality for the solar logos, there for a first ray system.

When it comes to the Uranus and love in the heart, this is related to the heart, the beating of the heart. It's related to the Sirius-Pisces-Hierarchy triangle. Well, really what we have is Sirius-Pisces-Uranus hierarchy, heart, and solar plexus; it's a six-fold progression. On the monadic plane and in the world of being the ideal relationship exists, and love has much to do with bringing all things into configuration with various archetype which holds all things in right relationship. It is the sudden intrusions in our lives, of Uranus have a lot to do with the rearranging of the factors involved in our energy system and our consciousness. So, they really do reflect the pure reason of the higher archetypes found on the monadic plane. So, from these archetypes to pure reason to the action of Uranus to break down the conditioning of Saturn and bring all things into rightly purposeful relationship, which is a relationship based upon love and wisdom and characterized by pure reason.

1:00:00 When it comes to Neptune? Yes, it's very definitely here. It has a lot to do with Aquarius. It’s a veiled hierarchical ruler, *a* veiled hierarchical world – as Vulcan and Uranus are also veiled hierarchical rulers; but Neptune represents the heart of the sun and represents universal love, the out going love from the heart of the sun which includes everyone and which sees the entire solar system as a group. So, Neptune, the pervade, or goes into all areas of the consciousness, in all areas of the energy system, and brings the flow of the circulation of the heart of the sun energy.

It also brings the great redeeming use of energies for the welfare of all, it's like *the cup runneth over*. There's a great cup, a chalice on the top of the head, and the entire egoic lotus is itself a kind of chalice and through Neptune the purified substance of that chalice reaches one and all, and redeems one and all, with the Christ force.

Regarding Pluto? There are so many psychological complexes in the way of the Greater love, that is oftentimes we have to go into therapy, our own therapy with our soul, or perhaps with some useful knowledgeable therapist, to bring out the very things that are blocking us from realizing that love is not fragmented. Just like illusion has to be dispelled by realizing that fragmentation does not exist, we do perceptually we live in a world of manifold differences.

But Pluto we will clean the *doors of perception* to use the Aldous Huxley title, will cleanse the doors of perception. So, the illusion of separateness, exclusive loves, exclusive objectives, exclusive types of knowledge, all of these will be banished and there will be a great redemption of those poisonous factors within the energy system which basically kills consciousness through the illusion of separation. Can Pluto work here? Yes, it can clear the way for universal love, it can also cleanse the Augean Stables the cleansing of which gets ever more subtle as we ascend; that's an Aquarian task and this is a largely Aquarian petal.

I've left out various planets, Chiron and the asteroids and all of that, I suppose you could figure those things out for yourself. When it comes to Chiron of course the master is invoked and a great healing can occur, even though there is great pain and difficult disease. Love is the great healing energy in our solar system and Chiron has a strong second ray connected to it. As well as the sixth ray taking us on the quest.

Of course, one can amplify and amplifier and say okay, What about Vesta in relation to this petal? Or Ceres, or Juno, or Pallas Athena, and we can do that and we can get on to the other ten thousand asteroids and what that would be multiplication and ramification which would be both impossibly time consuming and unwarranted.

When it comes to the rays, this is a petal which is largely concerned with the second ray, and yet it requires that love be expressed in wisdom, and that somehow, we learn to blend will and love in order rightly to reach the many, the largest group with love. It’s possible to love and not be wise. The first ray from Shamballa reinforces the wisdom aspect.

When it comes to the second ray, there is no question about it higher and higher expressions of the second array are found in the synthesis petals, as basically they are buddhic petals and the buddhic triangle is basically a God of the second ray of love and wisdom. So, our embrace in love of many beings and many presentations to consciousness comes under the second ray of Jupiter, under Venus, under Neptune, having the second ray in different aspects of its energy system.

This is not a ray three petal, per se, but the whole blending of love and intelligence in the name of wisdom is a very important idea. We are reaching out, accumulating, touching many, many things via the third ray, seeing their interrelationship and realizing that somehow, although they are rationally related, they are also even more importantly related through the unity of power of love.

When you have a strong third ray, one may have a tendency to work more in the first of the synthesis petals, but let's just say that ray three deals with the accumulation of all that is to be widely and wisely loved. There's a lot of philanthropy of that can come in here, when you begin to feel this universal love and compassion for all beings, and especially the human beings needed it at this time. Then we have the blending of the second and third ray, producing the love of humanity called the philanthropy. Philanthropic principle of the man, humanity, and feel love.

When it comes to the fourth ray and the second, so connected, and the fourth, one of its paths of resolution is on through the second ray and the ability to look out and see the wide love and attempting to bring harmony between those who are embraced in this wider love, and attempting to reduce the divisive frictions. You see, later in the expression of ray four, the frictional aspect is overcome and we are left with a great loving harmony which is directly connected with the buddhic plane the fourth plane and actually is the fourth sublevel of the buddhic plane is that level given to the factor of intuition.

Ray five and ray two are very connected via Venus, and via the solar angels. This is what we call the blending of love and mind, truly intelligent love, thinking in the heart and loving it with the mind then we can find reasons to do that for so many different kinds of people, because we're no longer concerned just with our likes and our dislikes we see him to the quality of the person, we see their light we can analyze carefully who they are, and find them all worthy of love.

When we look in *Esoteric Psychology* volume I, about the cloud on the mountain tops. I just have to read the last line of a couple of lines of this ray how great five stands of the show you how closely it is related to ray two … we're getting into the fifth purpose of deity, beautiful stuff, and here it is.

***That which is on its way comes as a cloud which veils the sun. But hid behind this cloud of imminence is love, and on the earth is love and in the heaven is love, -- and this, the love which maketh all things new – must stand revealed. This is the purpose back of all the acts of this great Lord of knowledge. Esoteric Psychology I 76***

***That which is on its way comes as a cloud which veils the sun (***and here's the way of the fifth and second ray blend) ***but hid behind this cloud of imminence is love, and on the earth is love and in the heaven is love, and this, -- the love which maketh all things new – must stand revealed.*** In the light you see there is the fifth, right? ***This is the purpose back of all the acts of this great Lord of Knowledge.***

What a fantastic blending of the second and fifth rays, and that's exactly where we are when we're dealing with this petal which gives us the light of love in a synthetic manner. Remember Aquarius at the moment, which is the major petal we're going to associate with this, major sign associated with the petal transmits ray five constellations. And if we were to look at Taurus here, and its great wisdom, we would say the wisdom to be loving, and the highest light as it reveals the love.

Now ray six is definitely related to the second ray, to Neptune, also through the heart of the sun, and to the transmutation of desire into love. There is a great desire here and it is to be in loving relationship with all factors within the contents of consciousness. Sometimes we just notice these contents of consciousness but our relationship to them is not especially loving. But ray six, although sometimes exclusive, also has the transcendent aspect to it and rises into a type of idealism which is basically the motivating factor that sent the monads forth and sent the solar angels forth. Lords of … sacrifice and loving ceaseless devotion. Ah, ceaseless, Lord of persevering and ceaseless devotion.

1:13:45 We become that more and more as we gear up for the fourth initiation into which the heart center becomes so important, the crucifixion of the heart. It's a fourfold organ in a way, related to the fourth initiation, we are opening our heart to all beings, and we realize ourselves more and more as a lord of perseverance and ceaseless devotion, or persistent and ceaseless devotion. So, that would be the very compatible sixth ray. The sixth ray type learns the vocation of the Savior on top of the Blue Mountain, so we learn in the law of repulse. Here the idealism is for this universal love.

With ray seven, well, love is pure reason, love is the organization of the archetype. The archetype has a perfect relation of all factors. It's found in the world of being, which is counting from the first hierarchy on down it's the seventh hierarchy of those beings which embrace the human monad, what we call divine builders. This seventh ray, when true love organizes all or pervades all things, an automatic type of divine organisation occurs, and all things are brought into right relations according to pure reason and reflecting the great archetypes found on the monadic plane (the world of being and even beyond) as there are still higher archetypes, maybe three of them instead of seven, which are found in the sea of fire of the logoic.

Well these are just seeds, I'm sure many things have been left out.

But we've taken a look at the seven rays of the two luminaries in the remaining planets so twelve in all. Then of the twelve signs of the zodiac in relation to this synthesis of love, which must begin to occur as we move rapidly towards the fourth initiation. ‘If I love the one thing, or one person, why should I not in soul and spirit love another?’ It's not a question of what appeals to me, it's a question of the union of souls and the realized identicality of spirit.

This is what is understood in this petal where a much wider and embracing and whole-making synthesis of love is realized. Well, you can ask yourself, ‘who in the world who I love and why?’ Well, oftentimes it may be because of our preferences because of our commonalities and so forth, and not necessarily because we see these people or see these things in this ongoing be pervasive light of love.

1:18:00 Interestingly enough, the second mantra for Taurus on page 332 of *Esoteric Astrology* says the light of love. In other words, there's the light of self or of Earth, there's the light of love, and then there's the light of life. These three represent the Taurean type of light, and of course the higher types of light as given in *Esoteric Astrology* would be reaching some degree of fruition here. Maybe we can’t bring in the entire teaching, but we have to know what our next step may be as we are functioning in this world of apparent multiplicity and trying to accomplish certain tasks which will lead naturally to that unfoldment which for us here is impending.

Maybe it's a little easier along the third aspect line, to know what is the synthesis of knowledge. We're used to that in our universities and we talk about people who are polymaths, who somehow manage to accumulate knowledge.

I once saw a very funny – was it an interview or a live interview, I can't remember – but the guest was this polymath, this man who was multiply accomplished and his knowledge was vast, and the interviewer was obviously someone who deeply respected him, and at the same time sought to demonstrate that he was somewhat the equal of the polymath being interviewed. So, it made for interesting psychological situation, as it was kind of vying going on between the interviewee and the interviewer.

It may be a little easier for man who lives on this planet with its still very strong third ray personality to think in terms of the synthesis of knowledge. ‘Oh, that person knows a lot; oh, that person is a know-it-all; oh, what an incredible fund of knowledge – that person is encyclopedic in their knowledge, ‘and so forth, but who do we find that is all embracing in their love and loves equally. Whether there is like or dislike involved, to love when there is like, love when there is dislike, if it's as if this glamour of sentiment involving like and dislike does not have any effect upon the persistent love of each and all within the whole which is also love. Of course, this can only intensify as we move on into pure buddhi and monadic realisation and eventually in distant days, as a very high initiate onto be cosmic astral plane.

So, just ponder, as I will, on the synthesis of love, and see whether it is possible and so live in these lower worlds that that all embracing love is ever present ever persistent. Sometimes I think I'm better at the realizing the synthesis of being. The idea of the Is-ness of all things regardless of what they are. But that's in a way to even one step further than the synthesis of Will, will, love and intelligence still remain knocking at the door which leads to the very center of the temple of being. Being is more than will, it's more than love, it is more than knowledge and intelligence.

So, look, friends, I think, regardless of how long this has taken it will be somewhat irregular I guess, this is going to be the end of egoic lotus webinar commentary program 62. And we're talking about the synthesis petal of love, petal eleven, and we will here have approximately one hour and twenty-five minutes. Then we will begin and this will be our last of the discussion of the synthesis petals, except when we find the charted compilations which may give us sort of a bird's eye view of everything. We'll take that up next. So, this is the beginning of egoic lotus webinar commentary book … synthesis petal, what's going to be the will, petal twelve. …

[re The Great Invocation] With respect to the way of the Buddha's being trodden here with respect to the beatitudes were even closer to realizing it. Their truth than we were with petal number ten all of these factors of fusion, the inclusive reason the fusion, is a high meditative method which is bringing us closer to complete soul fusion which I think is really completed at the fourth degree although such a significant amount of it is completed at the third degree.

Well, if I suggest that we've 80 points that we've been looking at in relation to petal one through nine, and you have those points, so maybe you would kind of look through them and see which may apply …

Well, friends, I think we should pursue synthesis, especially if we're hovering around the period of the second initiation. Something about Sanat Kumara and the will and synthesis can begin to come meaningfully into our consciousness and these are times when the antahkarana is proposed and evolution can become very rapid. We are reaching out into the curriculum of the will even as we are continuing to pursue the curriculum of love. From that perspective, what is said here about synthesis, while it has its main application following the third initiation and into the fourth, it can already begin to invite us towards a wider unitive and even identical field which includes all the diverse perceptions.

I'll send this out to you and we will be in touch soon to take up this last synthesis of will. Well, if we'd try to understand something of the great love which is all the loves one of the great will which is really all the wheels legacy.

So, see you before long. Bye bye.