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**Transcript**

Hello everybody, and we are beginning with the 20th program, dealing with the rules for the astral plane. … We are on page 285.

Now what we've dealt with up to this time is the manifestation of the quaternary, the cell life, the sensory life, the mental life, and the vital life, but He says there are other aspects of humanity which manifest through the objective form and which complete the entire man and *make the seven of His manifold objective existence.*

So we had self-consciousnessm, self expression, self perpetuation and self assertion but they are not in order as He adds them so the next section which begins here puts them in order.

Let's see:

***The above enumeration might therefore be arranged in the following order. The table gives man as he is intended to be and not as he now is in the course of his evolutionary progress.***

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***6. Sensory life...Sympathetic nervous system...Solar plexus..Pancreas.***

***7. Cell life........Blood stream...Heart centre..Heart.***

***The eighth point, the vital life, functioning through the seven centres and a whole system of lesser chakras and the nadis (which underlie the nerves and are the cause of their existence as the centres are of the glands) is the medium of many forces and energies—some purely physical, others related to the Anima Mundi, the World Soul, and others unknown as yet, because they will only make their presence felt later in the evolutionary programme. They will then express divinity, the energy of the Father or the highest aspect. TWM 285-286***

***The above enumeration might therefore be arranged in the following order.***

The table gives man as He is intended to be and not as He now, in the course of evolutionary process. Let's make a note of that and go through this a little bit as we begin our 20th program:

***The table gives man as he is intended to be and not as he now is in the course of his evolutionary progress.***

***1. Self-assertion (full development)..the coordinated quaternary..Centre at base of spine...Adrenals.***

So the first aspect of man then is self assertion. and this is the full developed development the coordinated quaternary and the quaternary, one way of looking at that is the entire personality the three vehicles plus their union as the personality elemental this is related to the center at the base of the spine and to the adrenal glands, and we realize that the center at the base of the spine corresponds to the fully developed we'll just as the center at the top of the head corresponds to fully develop purpose. So interestingly, the center at the base of the spine is fully activated at the fifth initiation and begins its real world noticeable activation conscious activation at the third degree.

***2. Self-expression (creative work)..Lower brain....Throat centre...Thyroid.***

Then comes self expression or creative work, and the lower brain is there involved. He's giving all the correspondences the associated organs and systems in the physical body. The throat center ruled by the third ray principally in the disciple it is by Saturn, and no longer by the earth, sometimes by Uranus and the gland involved is the thyroid gland.

***3. Self-conscious life (personality)..Upper Brain..Head centre.....Pineal gland.***

Then comes the self-conscious life. which is the life of the personality and the upper brain is involved here, the head center and the pineal gland interestingly. So you kind of wonder whether these are in in exact order, as the pineal gland is associated with the soul.

***4. Self-perpetuation..Sex organs..Sacral centre..Sex glands.***

Next comes self perpetuation, the sex organs are involved and the sacral center the sex glands are the glands involved the gonads and the ovaries

***5. Mental life...Cerebro-spinal system..Ajna centre....Pituitary.***

Interestingly, He follows this with the mental life and this the sacral center, actually the seat of the mental elemental at firs,t and later it's controlling center is, I suppose, the ajna center, or to some extent to the throat center. The mental life and this is the cerebrospinal system nervous system which deals with voluntary actions. The will is involved and one can consciously control within the cerebral spinal system. He calls that the ajna center as the controlling center, the pituitary we realized is involved.

***6. Sensory life...Sympathetic nervous system...Solar plexus..Pancreas.***

Then the sensory life. The sympathetic nervous system and the solar plexus, the pancreas is involved here, regarding the sympathetic nervous system. Well, as He says, it's part of the autonomous nervous system, a part of the vertebrate nervous system that innervates smooth and cardiac muscle and glandular tissue and governs involuntary actions, such as secretion and peristalsis, and that consists of the sympathetic nervous system and the parasympathetic nervous system, they oftentimes contradict each other. The sympathetic nervous system is one of the two major divisions of the autonomic nervous system, the other being the parasympathetic.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sympathetic_nervous_system>



0:06:00 Of course it gets a little bit involved here and … the sympathetic nervous systems primary process is to stimulate the body's flight-or-fight response. It is however constantly active at a basic level to maintain homeostasis homeo dynamics the sympathetic nervous system is described as being complementary to the parasympathetic nervous system which stimulates the body to as it says here feed and breed and then to rest and digest.

Well, obviously in the medical field there's so much that can be discussed here as far as the cerebrospinal nervous system, the portion of the nervous system in vertebrates comprising the brain, cranial nerves, spinal cord and spinal nerves concerned with the transmission of impulses from sense organs to the voluntary muscles.

So we see that it's not subconscious as is the autonomic nervous system, but the will is involved the voluntary muscles we can add will to move these muscles.

So sensory life, or the sympathetic nervous system, the solar plexus.

***7. Cell life........Blood stream...Heart centre..Heart.***

Finally the cell life, the blood stream, the heart center is the center, and the organ is the heart, although not technically a gland, the thymus gland I would suspect is the gland to be looking at.

All of this is quite technical and is useful to us to a certain degree.

So we have to read these two tabulations here for the cell life, the thymus gland is mentioned and for the the vital life is included but below the vital life is not included no, but it could be included.

***The eighth point, the vital life, functioning through the seven centres and a whole system of lesser chakras and the nadis (which underlie the nerves and are the cause of their existence as the centres are of the glands)***

Note that, the nadi's are the cause of the nerves, as the centres are the cause, the sub-standing cause of the glands, so the final part, the vital life ***is the medium of many forces and energies—some purely physical, others related to the Anima Mundi, the World Soul, and others unknown as yet, because they will only make their presence felt later in the evolutionary programme.***

So, let's see if we can look at … this tells us that the vital body can carry all kinds of energies. That's the point. …

***They will then express divinity, the energy of the Father or the highest aspect.***

We can expect that our vital life will carry the energy of the soul, and will also carry later the energy of the monad, and well points beyond. I suppose if a mayavirupa is created by a Master, higher factors within the planetary levels will be expressed.

So this is all a little bit intricate and quite medical and we'd have to sort this out step by step, because it tells us this is man as He is intended to be. Supposedly we're moving down the scale somewhat although it's hard to see self perpetuation above the mental life

***It should be noted that the above tabulation pictures the second ray unfoldment, and also that the self referred to is the self-realisation of the spiritual man. The lowest aspect of the vital life of God is the perpetuation of the species, and this is the result of the livingness of the incarnated Life; and the next is simply expressive of the stage when the "I" consciousness is dominant and has reached its consummation in the completed personality. Then comes the expression of the indwelling self, hidden by the personality, through its creative activity of a non-physical character. Finally, we have the assertion or full manifestation of the divine nature. This, curiously enough, can only occur when the lower spinal centre is aroused, when the energy of the material nature is carried by an act of the will up into Heaven, and when therefore the entire nature—material, sensitive or psychic, and the existence aspect—are unified and realised. Meditate upon these words, for they connote the consummation as far as humanity is concerned. TWM 287***

0:10:45 ***It should be noted that the above tabulation pictures the second ray unfoldment*** and I suppose what this means is, the unfoldment according to consciousness***, and also that the* self *referred to is the self-realisation of the spiritual man.***

Let's look at that again [to review]

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Yes, there's self assertion the assertion of the spiritual man there's self expression, the expression of the spiritual man. there is a self-conscious life, although he does specify the personality and when He talks about self perpetuation we realized that the self involved is not exactly the self which is the spiritual man.

So He says ***the self*** referred to is the self realization of the spiritual man, and I would say *mostly.*

***The lowest aspect of the vital life of God is the perpetuation of the species***

Now, in our tabulation here its listed near the bottom, the perpetuation of the species***, and this is the result of the livingness of the incarnated Life*** So this is the real cause of self perpetuation and about this and the kind of a an eternal immortal living aspect that is carried in the sperm. Blavatsky deals in some of her writings***; and the next is simply expressive of the stage when the "I" consciousness is dominant and has reached its consummation in the completed personality.***

***The lowest aspect of the vital life of God is the perpetuation of the species, and this is the result of the livingness of the incarnated Life.*** And by ***the life,*** I suppose we mean the spirit itself. …

Next is simply expressive of the stage when the eye consciousness is dominant. This is the personality phase and has reached its consummation in the completed personality. Now what phase would that be here? This is the self conscious life the personality, self perpetuation however is listed below that particular category.

***Then comes the expression of the indwelling self, hidden by the personality, through its creative activity of a non-physical character.*** Basically what he's doing here he's rising, He deals with the most recent eight fold enumeration. He is rising in considering the factors.

So he's rising and not descending here ***the indwelling self, hidden by the personality, through its creative activity of a non-physical character.*** We might say this is the creative activity of the soul.

0:15:30  ***Finally, we have the assertion or full manifestation of the divine nature. This, curiously enough, can only occur*** And it is curious, because we consider the base of the spine as a relatively low center. At least it is present during present and active and necessarily sustaining in the earlier parts of human evolution when these divine manifestations, through the mechanism are not at all possible. So ***this curiously enough can only occur when the lower spinal center is aroused when the lower spinal centre is aroused, when the energy of the material nature is carried by an act of the will up into Heaven,*** and what we call this is the rising of the kundalini at the fifth initiation, quite totally then, up to the top of the head ***and when therefore the entire nature—material, sensitive or psychic, and the existence aspect—are unified and realised.*** This is the consummation of the process.

***Meditate upon these words, for they connote the consummation as far as humanity is concerned.***

One of the things that's interesting here in this second tabulation,

***1. Self-assertion (full development)..the coordinated quaternary..Centre at base of spine...Adrenals.***

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He talks about man as He should be, is that the factors relating to the self are the higher four, and the lower four seemed to be more involved with the personality, elemental life, sensual life, involving the solar plexus and the astral body, and cell life, involving the physical body.

As far as the vital body goes, it’s not in the enumeration, but then He takes it up as pervading the entirety and offering the opportunity for greater aspects of divinity to permeate this particular system. He does begin to rise from the time he talks about it, from self perpetuation upward to the ***self conscious life*** and the personality in a way is divine, it is an expression of the soul.

Then we have the ***self expression*** rising, and that is a creative self worth. Finally, ***self assertion*** the will of the soul the full development the completely integrated personality, co-ordinated with the soul and the center at the base of the spine active bringing about, well I don't know, maybe mayavirupa, but certainly from the time of the third degree, bringing about that integration of the personality of the soul. Even the spirit.

So this has to be closely studied of course, because he's not exactly showing the glands in the order that you would expect to find them. It's interesting because of course the pineal gland is one of the highest, but then it's followed, as we ascend, by the thyroid gland and the throat center, which is not compared to the head center, and especially high center. It's tertiary. Then we start descending to the adrenals which are connected with the base of the spine in order for the entire coordination to occur.

So this is intricate I admit, and requires that we really go through it in a detailed manner. This is just setting forth and trying to point out a few things, but eventually we should be the completely spiritual being or spirit being and we assert ourselves through the dominant will, eventually of the monad. That is our full development. When the monad is involved, we can connect the center at the base of the spine quite completely with the great head center. Now that's the fifth initiation, but at the sixth initiation, to what extent is this enhanced? And at the seventh? Even though we would be dealing largely at that point with mayavirupa.

0:21:00 All right now let's go on, It's a little bit different from the technicalities we've just been involved in. DK advises us regarding these technicalities.

***Meditate upon these words, for they connote the consummation as far as humanity is concerned.***

This is interesting, because it is said in rule 6, of the Masters it is said in rule 6 of the chohans … that they are no longer men as are the Masters. Very interesting because what we've been looking at is a kind of a tabulation and enumeration which is a consummation for humanity, that is for human beings. Now maybe He considers chohans something a different higher than the human being. …

Now let's go on to a different sequence which can be used in various ways.

***The occult aphorism: "To will, to know, to dare, and to be silent", has a special significance not hitherto revealed and at which it is only possible for me to hint. Those of you who have the inner knowledge will comprehend at once.***

***To Will. These words relate to the ultimate achievement, when, by an act of the combined will of the soul and of the lower man, unification and realisation are brought about. It concerns the centre at the base of the spine.***

***To Know. These words concern the Ajna centre, the centre between the eyebrows. A hint lies in the words 'Let the Mother know the Father'. It has relation to the marriage in the Heavens.***

***To Dare. These words give the clue to the subordination of the personality, and have a close connection with the solar plexus, the great clearing house of desire and of the astral forces, and also the main centre of the transmutative work.***

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***To Will. These words relate to the ultimate achievement, when, by an act of the combined will of the soul and of the lower man, unification and realisation are brought about. It concerns the centre at the base of the spine.*** This ultimately will concern – and this is why He's mentioning this here, in relation to … the consummation of which He speaks, immediately about the consummation for Humanity, which does not include the chohan, who is certainly no longer a member of the human kingdom, he's a member of the kingdom of souls, in fact He is a member of the planetary lives.

So this ultimately will concern the fifth initiation - Now there's more to it than just the will of the soul, and we'll discuss that in a minute. So He's relating these to the different chakras and as said the base of spine center relates to the will, whereas the great head center relates to purpose.

Interestingly Atma is will and is the fifth plane from below, and purpose is discovered through the monad which resides in its vehicle on the sixth subplane from below, as you can see here:



0:26:00 Here the spiritual will resides through Atma. Of course, it really gets it from the monad, but we can speak of the will on the atmic plane and in relation to the Master when it comes to purpose.

So the the idea of aligning the will, let's just say the the highest head centre and the base of the spine involves these two planes. Purpose resides with the monad on the sixth subplane from below, second from above, and must relate to atma, which relates to the center at the base of the spine the third from above or the fifth from below, and remember we're dealing with the material aspect of man when we deal with the kundalini. So, it's the complete rising of the kundalini through the direction of the spiritual will or atmic will. He has told us also that the ajna center is involved in this.

Interestingly the ajna center usually carries a very strong fifth ray, and also first ray of course. it's the center looked at variously which carries all the rays especially if we consider the atmic center of the astral vehicle all the rays are found manifesting through the atmic rather through the ajna center. This atmic development relates to the base of the spine and the understanding of purpose through the monad relates to the highest head center. …

So to will is it simply the will of the soul or is the will of the monad also involved this is something we have to consider.

***To Know. These words concern the Ajna centre, the centre between the eyebrows. A hint lies in the words 'Let the Mother know the Father'. It has relation to the marriage in the Heavens.***

***To Know. These words concern the Ajna centre*** is interesting that the faculty of all knowledge is found upon the atmic plane, on its third sub level. ***These words concern the Ajna centre.*** we have just related the admitted plane and spiritual will to the base center but now perhaps to the ajna center. ***These words concern the Ajna centre, the centre between the eyebrows. A hint lies in the words 'Let the Mother know the Father'. It has relation to the marriage in the Heavens.***

So in one sense … we are speaking of the marriage of Vulcan with Venus, and of the head center with the ajna center. Now we can also look at that, let's say that atma is the height of the brahmic aspect, the lower five planes of the cosmic physical plane, the normal systemic planes, so let the Monad unite with the brahmic aspect headed by atma.

0:30:00 This is another way of looking at this idea of *let the father know the mother,* because interestingly enough, Brahma, though a male deity, is often associated with the third aspect which can be considered feminine from a certain point of view.

In the Kabbalah it is also so, but it’s not called Brahma is called Binah, but it's pretty close isn't it, when you think about the Sanskrit. A way of considering this also, a Hebrew way, it looks like maybe the Hebrew is derived somewhat from the Sanskrit. We are told in the *Secret Doctrine* that Abraham and His group originated in India and wandered from India, and that He was not a *Brahmin* – because the privity of *ah* is there, a Brahmah see, not a Brahmin? So that the Hebrew group wandered from India. It's not too surprising to think of the Kabbalah as somewhat derivative from the Sanskrit, knowledge derived in India across.

From another perspective, it is said that the *Old Testament* is the summation of the wisdom of the previous solar system. So did that exist in India? Maybe. The personality sign of India is Capricorn. I don't know if it's always been that, because those signs can change, but it's got an Aries soul and Capricorn personality and He says down the ages it has been a battlefield with Mars and Capricorn, so it makes you think that Capricorn has been there for quite a while. In any case Capricorn is definitely associated with the Hebrew group, Capricorn and Virgo. And with the third ray very prominently and thus with the previous solar system, even though the rays of India are given as 1 & 4. Interestingly the first ray associates keenly with Aries as the major ray coming through Aries, but the third ray which is so prominent for the Jews, the Hebrews, this is found in Capricorn but not in the soul ray in the personality ray of India which is the fourth ray. So, the fourth ray is not associated with Capricorn, whereas the rays of the Hebrews, 1 & 3, are much associated with Capricorn.

All right, a little bit of a digression. Will we ever get through this:

***The occult aphorism: "To will, to know, to dare, and to be silent",***

***To will, to know, to dare and to be silent.*** These words concerned the ajna center from one respect Humanity is the ajna center within a larger solar system and certainly the new group of world servers as a subset within humanity occupies the ajna center of sanat-kumara.

***To Know. These words concern the Ajna centre, the centre between the eyebrows. A hint lies in the words 'Let the Mother know the Father'. It has relation to the marriage in the Heavens.***

***To Dare. These words give the clue to the subordination of the personality, and have a close connection with the solar plexus, the great clearing house of desire and of the astral forces, and also the main centre of the transmutative work.***

***To Be Silent. This phrase relates to the transmutation of the lower creative energy into the higher creative life. The sacral centre has to relapse into silence. TWM 287***

***These words concern the Ajna centre, the centre between the eyebrows.*** Between the eyes. ***A hint lies in the words 'Let the Mother know the Father'.*** ihis is an integration between the spirit aspect and the matter aspect, I think that's important and the Sun will be produced. This is an integration between the father and the mother aspect ***It has relation to the marriage in the Heavens.***

There are various ways of interpreting and I'm trying to offer some of these.

***To Dare. These words give the clue to the subordination of the personality*** I suppose by the will of the soul, and especially if the higher will is added, is also involved these words. Give the clue to the subordination of the personality***, and have a close connection with the solar plexus,*** ruled by Mars, a planet of daring certainly, the solar plexus ***the great clearing house of desire and of the astral forces, and also the main centre of the transmutative work.***

I would add here, through aspiration. He tells us that aspiration is not simply an emotional attitude it is the scientific means of elevation.

And then,

***To Be Silent. This phrase relates to the transmutation of the lower creative energy into the higher creative life. The sacral centre has to relapse into silence.*** This is a new a new type of interpretation for this sequence, and basically the lower elementals display occult obedience and silence in the face of higher will and knowledge.

As always, higher will and knowledge.

***It will be seen then that for the disciple the following centres are of paramount importance:***

***1. The ajna centre, through which the purified personality expresses itself.***

***2. The centre at the base of the spine, which is the centre through which complete and utter control and coordination is achieved, through the arousing of the purifying agency of fire.***

***3. The sacral centre, wherein the basic force of our particular solar system, the force of attraction of form to form is transmuted, and the attractive force of the soul takes the place of the reproductive creative material activity.***

***4. The solar plexus centre which, situated in the centre of the body and being the organ of the astral body and of the lower psychism, gathers together all lower forces and redirects them under the impulse of the soul to their higher repositories. TWM 287-288***

0:37:00 ***It will be seen then that for the disciple the following centres are of paramount importance:***

Let's just review a little bit, what we've done. To will, He talks about the will of the soul and if all of us could indeed conform to the will of the soul, we would be much more in alignment with our higher principles of course. But there's more to it, because *to will* can eventually extend from the spirit life or the monadic life from the will of the triad the spiritual will and even from the will of the monad, which carries purpose.

Now, *to know,* what faculty within us, what vehicle, which one of the three periodical vehicles is involved? There is this really a personality factor. Does this involve the higher mind? Perhaps. If it does, it involves the soul. The soul is the knower, the soul is the representative of the consciousness aspect.

So from a certain point of view we can see that will represents the monad and an aspect of the triad and *to know* represents an aspect of the triad and what we usually call the soul consciousness in the causal body. That's where the real knowing takes place. Now in the mind held steady in the light, through meditation, that knowing can enter the personality consciousness and then with the soul-infused mind, within the personality, the entire personality can be regulated and can be compelled to – impelled to or compelled, *to dare* and thus to subordinate. Its usual fears to the higher destiny which must be achieved as one passes through the usual fear. ….

To will – to know, to dare, because we now have the will of the monad and its extension. The will of the triad and its extension, the will of the soul is active under three wills. The will of the personality is impelled to acquiesce, and to dare, the will of the monad, the will of the triad through the spiritual will, and the will of the soul within the egoic lotus / causal body. These types of *will,* force the personality to succumb to higher directives. Eventually.

I suppose there are acts of daring that come out of the personality itself, the kind of daring we're talking about is perhaps more found in the *Agni Yoga* book where Master Morya gives the short little few pages in what He calls the *book of daring,* that book of daring ends with an act of identification and *then the least of these,* I'll paraphrase somewhat because I can't remember exactly, but *the least of these faced the shining stars,* or saluted the shining stars, *and said, ‘hail brothers!’ – a*  great act of identification, right? He goes on and in this salutation of daring his ego vanished.

So I suppose one of the most daring things we can do, rather than the normal *dering do* as they say, when you are brave on the physical plane, is to relinquish our lower ego and to identify with the greater lives and ultimately with the greater life.

Finally, to be silent looks like it's concerning the chakras within the personality mechanism and especially the sacral center where as it has been said we cease reproducing our own kind and begin to reproduce ourselves. There is an occult significance to that although He says even the Masters do on occasion marry and have children.

0:43:10 So it has a lot to do with the sacral center being used deliberately, and according to the will, and according to the plan and design, rather than impulsively and instinctively.

So *to will* – monad; *to know* – soul; *to dare* – personality, or the acquiescence of the personality in the face of the higher types of will; and *to be silent* – the ordinarily instinctual tendencies of the lower personality and its chakra system, and especially the sacral center which He considers to be a temporary avocation and not really a part of the system. I suppose that the sacral center might disappear if the separation of the sexes were to return to its unified condition.

I suppose one day we will be the divine hermaphrodite, just as our planetary logos is. Hermaphroditism was an early state, and then came this Lemurian separation of the sexes and the experience with all manner of polarities, so that we become adjudicators between the pairs of opposites and eventually as we ascend in our spiritual status we will become again a spiritually hermaphroditic which is oftentimes misinterpreted as the tendency towards homosexuality. I don't think it is that at all. It's something quite higher and both of the sexes are somehow included within a unity that is the planetary logos. I don't know where this divine hermaphroditism begins again, we have been told that the planetary logos is the divine hermaphrodite, it may begin even earlier.

So let's go on a bit these are imagined this is a foundational book and yet very demanding if we really think carefully about what is being said I guess the important thing for all of us is to somehow carry out this ability at least to exert the soul will, to fill the mind with light, so that there is soul knowledge and under that knowledge *to dare,* to do that which aligns us with the divine plan and purpose and then for instinctual and inhibitory or interfering elements of the personality to be subdued, so they do not interfere with a higher process which is meant to work out through them. they are commanded by the will and by intelligence and by love, and not simply by instinctual promptings.

Well one just has to respect Master DK and His knowledge here, as one tries to understand these chakras from a deeper point of view.

***It will be seen then that for the disciple the following centres are of paramount importance:***

***1. The ajna centre, through which the purified personality expresses itself.*** This is a synthesis of Brahma of the lower aspects of the third aspect of divinity.

So, ***the following centres are of paramount importance:***

… Remember the ajna center up here came in under *knowing,* and really if we look at the human mind especially the developed in the mind it is the not only the throat center, but the ajna center as well which must be involved to complete that knowing.

It's all very Mercurian, the ajna center. Let's say the throat center involves very much the third ray, the ajna center and first involves the fifth ray, then comes the fourth ray. Now those three rays are Mercurian rays, the third ray ultimate monad, I think, the fourth ray, soul, the fifth ray sub monad, the third ray ultimate monad, and the fourth ray soul of Mercury.

So I want to just put here to check the rays of Mercury the preeminent planet of the mind. Venus is the planet of love very much, but it does get involved in fusing love and mind. It seems I almost have to go backwards, it's a bit like the crab. …

***2. The centre at the base of the spine, which is the centre through which complete and utter control and coordination is achieved*** especially in this fourth round***, through the arousing of the purifying agency of fire.***

This fourth round, and this is kundalini dynamics. It's amazing isn't it, the finality of the base of spine center. You would think, well it's got to be the highest head center. I think the highest center is involved very much preliminarily at the fifth degree, but at the sixth and seventh also. So there is a still higher synthesis, but at least at mastership and the fifth initiation, we're dealing with, and you might not think that is the way it is, but it turns out to be that has tremendous implications for the earth, our planetary logos, and this earth scheme, which is the center at the base of the spine for the solar logos. It is almost like if this is the case for the human being to achieve mastership, then we know that our solar logos is not yet a cosmic master, it's not even a cosmic initiate of the third degree. Can it be is that our particular planet appearing and logos appearing now and appearing in the next solar system will somehow be very active and involved in helping to create the cosmic mastership of our solar logos? Well, those are words and I don't think we can know what they mean, but it does tell us something about the status of our solar logos at the present, that's solar logos is not a yet a sacred solar logos, whereas Sirius is.

The sacral center.

***3. The sacral centre,*** Now sometimes He does not emphasize the sacral center at all, but at least we're talking about for the disciple, maybe not for the initiate. Maybe there would be different centers that we'd be talking about. ***wherein the basic force of our particular solar system, the force of attraction of form to form is transmuted, and the attractive force of the soul takes the place of the reproductive creative material activity.*** Tthe question is, does this latter type of attractive force actually work through the sacral center?

Or is a higher center like the heart center involved? Because if you think about it, the sacral center has six petals, the two units that are attracted to each other each have six petals, six and six is 12, 12 is the number of petals of the heart center, and two 12s is 24, the number of Shambala.

0:54:00 Well the esoteric numerology gets interesting. But sometimes He dismisses the sacral center as of real importance and all the times He as in this particular case He says for the disciple it is. Now basically we are transmuting earlier solar system tendencies, the earlier, the major solar system, was very material and personal, in the sense that the lower elemental lives were the major factor and perhaps soul development was not as promoted as it is now.

***4. The solar plexus centre*** I guess we're getting all the lowers centers, aren’t we, the base of the spine, sacral, solar plexus, and the solar plexus ***which, situated in the centre of the body and being the organ of the astral body and of the lower psychism –*** ajnacenter of the higher psychism***, gathers together all lower forces and redirects them under the impulse of the soul to their higher repositories.*** This is very important in all such transferences, in all such transferences of energy from the lower center to the higher, the soul is involved. …

We have the ajna center, the directing centre. We have basically the three centers which control the personality: center the base of the spine, sacral center, and solar plexus center. These these lower centers and their director apply to discipleship. I don't know what grade of discipleship he's talking about but maybe it has to, to a certain extent, probationary initiation, the first and second initiation is just a lot to be mastered. A lot to be transferred. … I realize that the teaching given here is both deep and abstruse, but is needed for the few and the numbers will increase as time elapses.

The complexity if the subject is also increased by the fact that each ray holds within its teaching a different approach and a different method for those souls who are found responsive to its particular impulse. well we can be grateful later, there is the giving of these ray techniques in *Esoteric Healing* and especially *Esoteric Psychology,* ray methods are given, the *Old Commentary* expressing the ray methods are given and now this book is written earlier than those presentations.

For our next program we will be going on and looking at the seven keys for the seven ray methods and some wonderful statements. they are worth memorizing. I once did, but *use it or lose it.* If you don't refresh it apply it it doesn't hold but maybe it comes back sooner that would be the hope all right.

… This is the end of number 20. At least DK does acknowledge the abstruseness of this material, and how in a way very learned we have to be, or become, in order to really appreciate what's going on here.

So this is 10.4, from page 285 - to 288, not a whole lot of ground covered but then some things are difficult.

What day this may be, the 12th, Blavatsky's birthday today, hmm, worth considering. Right we have to be grateful that she was such a strong Leo as she was.

We're working from 288 onward into whatever and we only go a few pages at a time.

So friends, well like any of us, I always feel inadequate when facing this material. I make of it the best that I can, given this given the knowledge I have, and as they say, at my present level of ignorance I do what I can with it. The idea is to work with Mercury, a lot with Mercury and link up the various items of information so that they begin to make more sense and begin to approach that condition of realization we call pure reason. We're not there yet, it’s a buddhic thing and probably it doesn't really kick into real usefulness until after the third degree, and really more at the fourth degree and beyond I would say, it's a buddhic factor, right. But we have to make our way towards it and the way to do that is to study as carefully the factual knowledge given by Master DK, and to link it up – these items of factuality with each other, and the light will break forth, much like it could break forth for us because we cannot yet make all of the links that would be evident to the Master but we do something at least.

All right, so that's it for the moment and we'll be back, hopefully, sharing on in this. What is both foundational fundamental book, He's thinking ahead for those of us who can understand and who will need these kinds of presentations if we think that simply by listening to this or reading it through ones we're going to get it we are sadly mistaken. But at least we are understanding more and more, step-by-step, and we understand that the elevation of the forces is what is required if we are to have the elevation of consciousness and the elevation of ability coming under the divine will.

See you soon.