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A Thousand Points of Light:

An Introduction to the Lesser Chakra System

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FOREWORD

A Thousand Points of Light by Malvin Artley, the first volume in his Bodies of Fire series, is a remarkable and extremely useful book by an author whose esoteric knowledge is deep, precise and comprehensive. Malvin Artley is an author in the new mould. He knows his subject with the thoroughness of one trained rigorously upon the fifth Ray of Science and Concrete Knowledge, yet his capacity to synthesize information and present its deeper psycho-spiritual implications in an arresting manner is of the highest calibre.

It is well known among students of practical occultism that the Master Hilarion, a great fifth ray sage and friend of humanity, is an inspirational force behind those progressive open-minded scientists who are attempting to discover the true nature of the subtle worlds. Hilarion promotes and vitalizes a mode of scientific investigation which beneficially combines the invaluable observational skills of accurate and trustworthy psychics with the honed investigatory and interpretive skills of trained scientific thinkers. In this way, the scientific laws of the unseen worlds are discovered and rendered intelligible to the rather limited understanding of the average human being. The work of Malvin Artley clearly fails within the range of this type of cooperative procedure, and he is fortunate indeed to have as his collaborators two excellent clairvoyant investigators, Sara Chapin and Peter Tadd, whose well-confirmed psychic ability are focused in this volume upon lifting the veil on the intricate workings of the subtle energy system of the human being. The reader of *A Thousand Points of Light* is the beneficiary of this truly Aquarian collaboration.

It is the duty of every sincere student of occultism to move courageously beyond the repetition of imparted esoteric information (no matter how valuable that information) by extending the Teaching. Much, very much, has been given to humanity, especially to Western humanity, by the great sages during the past century and a half. The esoteric perspective relating to virtually every area of human knowledge has been presented in such a way as to revolutionize human thinking in all disciplines of thought. Nevertheless, voluminous as has been the presentation, we are assured that the revelation thus far conferred constitutes merely the "ABC's of occultism," nothing but the rudiments of the vast science of occultism.

Naturally the inquiring mind of the esotericist, ever bent on the discovery of Truth, seeks ever deeper penetration into the Mysteries - Mysteries which are, essentially, the Mysteries of Initiation.

How shall that penetration be accomplished? - essentially through the courage to utilize fully one's spiritual/intellectual capacities at the present stage of development (no matter how meagre those capacities may appear from the wider perspective) and apply them relentlessly with all vigour to the task of discovery and revelation. The much-sought answers do exist, but the seeker must have the investigative daring almost to demand their revelation for the sake of human progress and the manifestation of the Divine Plan. Malvin Artley and his two accomplished collaborators have that daring.

Humanity's knowledge of the true structure of both the microcosm and macrocosm is woefully fragmentary at best. Deep within every true lover of light and wisdom is a passion for synthesis, for the revelation of what the Tibetan Sage Djwhal Khul has called the great "Science of Relations." Through their studies and experiments, students of occultism know many things in general, but the voluminous specifics of scientific occultism are largely unknown as well as unexperienced. While this ignorance is, perhaps, excusable with respect to those larger living systems constituting the macrocosm (our planetary, solar and galactic systems), it is no longer so with respect to the individual human energy system consisting of the physical body and the many interpenetrating and increasingly subtle force fields which comprise the invisible anatomy of the human being.

We have been informed that the next great revelation in the field of medicine will concern the structure and functioning of the etheric or "vital" body, that subtle, though actually physical, force field which interpenetrates the familiar or "dense" physical body. The etheric body is responsible for the

structure, health and vitality of the grossest of all human mechanisms, the dense physical body. Much information on the intricate nature of this subtle human mechanism has been given in the various classics of occultism (ancient and modern), and increasingly, modern investigators are adding their own findings to this rich body of literature. But I am convinced, especially after reading *A Thousand Points of Light*, that few practitioners appreciate the truly supreme intricacy of the anatomy and functions of this subtle vehicle. It is my assessment that the average healer or student of occultism has been content with a rather general or superficial knowledge of the nature and workings of the human energy fields. Such superficiality is no longer conscionable among serious students and healers, and Malvin Artley and his collaborators, through the remarkably specific and technical occult information presented within the pages of this book, have begun to fill in many of the gaps which have existed heretofore in the important fields of knowledge under discussion.

This is a book for serious students of occultism - a book which synthesizes a wealth of information from ancient Chinese sources, from Trans-Himalayan sources, from modern medical/scientific thought and practice, and from the investigations of psychic investigators who are functioning on the cutting edge of discovery. *A Thousand Points of Light* is not a big book in terms of its size, but let me assure the reader that it is packed with enough information, revelation and implication to keep the true student of human nature thinking (and, hopefully, experimenting) for many years. There is no fluff here. The book is dense with illuminating knowledge, but the presentation is by no means dry or pedantic. The wealth of assembled fact is shown to have the most vital psychophysiological and psycho-spiritual implications for the evolution of human consciousness. It is evolution that counts - human growth and progress - and this is a book which will help the reader evolve in a scientific manner, a book which will instil in all serious thinking students a deep sense of wonder and respect for the magnificent etheric mechanism with which they are endowed - a mechanism, the functioning of which, must be understood and worked with if the process of lifting the human being into the fifth Kingdom of Nature, the Kingdom of Souls, is to be rapidly and intelligently accomplished.

Some may think that extensive scientific training will be required of the reader if he or she is to extract value from this book. This is definitely not the case. Knowledge concerning the psychospiritual functions of the numerous acupuncture meridians, lesser etheric centers and minor etheric centers is so fascinating and so useful, that the reader will be taken on a great adventure of discovery, and a large quantity of information which, in a normal science class, might have seemed dry or difficult to assimilate, will be readily and eagerly absorbed, and will rapidly form the basis of a new fund of detailed knowledge concerning an area of human functioning which is vital to the physical, psychological and spiritual evolution of all human beings.

You can see I am rather enthusiastic about this book. I am, because, as a student and teacher of occultism, I recognize that *A Thousand Points of Light is* an important "extension of the teaching" upon the etheric body. I am even more enthusiastic, however, about the overall effort which Malvin Artley, along with many collaborators, is undertaking as he proceeds with the writing of the entire *Bodies of Fire* series of books, because I realize that his impeccable scientific thought, his broad cosmological understanding and his warm and loving heart will combine to produce a kind of comprehensive revelation which will lift the thinking and practice of students and teachers of evolutionary occultism to an entirely new turn of the spiral.

The values of *A Thousand Points of Light are* numerous, but I wish to draw the attention of the reader to three specifically. **First**, esoteric healers and serious students of meditation will benefit from the depth, accuracy and meticulousness of the information presented. An intimate knowledge of the structure and functioning of the etheric body is indispensable to their efforts, and this book will enrich that knowledge immensely. **Secondly**, those whose purpose it is to conduct scientific research into "etheric physiology" (if you will) have been given, in *Bodies of Fire, Volume 1*, a far more detailed, accurate and comprehensive map of the etheric terrain than I have ever seen presented in any one source on the subject. Much has been written about the seven major centers, but experimental access to such centers is limited unless the dynamics of the acupuncture meridians, and of the lesser and minor etheric centers is also understood in considerable detail. What we

have in *A Thousand Points of Light* is a clarification of the structure and significance of the entire etheric field - a clarification which can only contribute to the precision and intelligence of future research.

Thirdly, A Thousand Points of Light has most important philosophical and cosmological implications. It is clear to all careful thinkers that the various points of power and currents within the etheric body are, in some way, rather faithful reflections of similar points and processes within the macrocosm - i.e., within the planetary whole which contains the human family, and within the solar systemic whole which contains the many planetary systems (discovered as well as undiscovered). The revelations concerning the structure and dynamics of the etheric body have immediate application to those students who choose to work with the Law of Correspondences ("as above, so below") to decipher the structure and dynamics of the largely un-revealed planetary system (our Earth scheme) and of our solar system, both of which have many hidden aspects. The very detail of Malvin Artley's book, treating with care and factuality energy points and functions, whose existence may not even have been suspected, gives a tremendous boost to those students who are intent upon working towards synthetic knowledge.

Readers are advised first to treat statements presented in *A Thousand Points of Light* as hypothetical until proven - this, of course, is the scientific approach. Contained within are many assertions and correspondences which need to be thought through and personally investigated by each inquiring student of occultism. But a door, once fast sealed, has definitely been opened. This book is so rich in implication for psycho-spiritual growth and healing that many years of possible enquiry and experimentation lie ahead to those who wish to proceed.

Very little more needs to be said at this point. The lovers of truth, fascinated by the amazing beauty of the Divine Design, have a rare privilege in store for them as they pour over the pages of this manual. The spirit in which it was written and the spirit in which it should be read are summed up beautifully by Malvin Artley in the last three sentences of his conclusion, which, in closing, I take the liberty of quoting here because these words are so important to all who seek an under-standing of the way of God in Matter:

"Let us conduct our investigations with joy, with reverence and with a balanced scientific method, and come to know our own bodies of fire. Let us further come to know ourselves as a reflection of the greater Cosmos and, in so doing, to know ourselves as one with God. The universe is an open book to all who so dare in the name of Truth."

Michael D. Robbins, Ph.D. President, University of the Seven Rays

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Key to Frequently Quoted Books

DOR:: Draughts of Remembrance, Ann Ree Colton.

EA: Esoteric Astrology, Alice A. Bailey **EESP**: Ethical ESP, Ann Ree Colton. **EH**: Esoteric Healing, Alice A. Bailey.

EPI: Esoteric Psychology I, Alice A. Bailey. **EPII:** Esoteric Psychology II, Alice A. Bailey.

FETS: Five Elements and Ten Stems, Kiiko Matsurnoto and Stephen Birch.

KW: Kundalini West, Ann Ree Colton. LOS: Light of the Soul, Alice A. Bailey

RI: Rays and the Initiations, Alice A. Bailey. TCF: A Treatise on Cosmic Fire, Alice A. Bailey.

TM: The Third Music, Ann Ree Colton.

TWM: A Treatise on White Magic, Alice A. Bailey.

WTHNW: The Web That Has No Weaver, Ted J. Kaptchuk.

Preface from Peter Tadd

I am clairvoyant by birth and for fifteen years by profession. Malvin's interest in a number of esoteric sciences has brought our forces together to investigate a number of topics. Our strengths are different and when working together, uniquely synergistic. There are Universal Principles that permit this kind of investigation. The first is the intention of service to humanity based on honesty and openness. The process of clairvoyance demands this. Thus, when the mind gets to a place of Inner Silence, one can directly communicate with the Intelligence inherent in all life forms.

I have found this work challenging and invigorating. For the last twelve years, the central focus of my profession has been on the chakra system and the auras of humans, animals and plant life. So when Malvin fires a question about hydrogen, an endocrine gland in the mid-brain or, for the purposes of this writing, a point that he thinks exists on the surface of the body, we are both amazed at what happens. Our telephone sessions would often last for two hours. It would be an oversimplification to say that Malvin is the left brain and I am the right. The results of our efforts often appeared in a bigger picture as synchronously spilling over into my work with a client who would come the next day or week requiring the very information that we had just discovered. So, obviously, Malvin "knows" on some level which questions to ask. For this and the cataloguing of this information, I am truly grateful.

The blood and the sweat of Malvin's efforts have been to corroborate my clairvoyant insights and those of Sara Chapin (whose channelled information forms the basis for chapters 2 and 4 of this book). His years of esoteric study and recent research into oriental texts is a true contribution. The very notion of creating a book focusing on the etheric points associated with the meridians and the corresponding lesser centers is born from a desire to integrate his many interests.

In the past few years, "minor points" have appeared to my "divine eye" (third eye). They appear starlike, glowing with different intensity often in direct relation- ship to the energy paths used in Oriental medicine called meridians. I have worked with a growing number of these lesser points over the past four years. I would like to state the majority of points covered in *Bodies of Fire* are yet to be field tested. This is true for Sara's work as well. So, what you have from my perspective is raw information. This procedure has been followed by those ancients both East and West. Obviously most of these subtle forces were once "seen" or felt and then put into working models from oriental medicine leading to meditation techniques, in- sight and then experience. We have the advantage of "rediscovering" these wheels and points of energy and referring to historical writings for validation. We have obviously updated and expanded the current volume of knowledge. For this publication, Malvin and I recently reviewed my contribution concerning the lesser and minor centers. The same values and characteristics were clairvoyantly observed as had been previously observed.

I ask the reader to do two things with respect to this information. These points of fire are creative intelligence and have a direct effect on the mind and body. First concentrating on these centers with the mind's light or with various forms of physical stimulation will have an effect, which is generally to release blocked energies. Second, for the health practitioner, any feedback for this project will be appreciated to help advance the universal data base.

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Note: Peter, as he stated, is a professional clairvoyant and psychic. He travels, lectures and gives seminars and private consultations to a rather large clientele. He has lectured extensively through- out the U.S. and is becoming increasingly in demand in Europe. He currently resides with his family in New Mexico.

Sara Chapin at one time gave consultations and lectures to what was also an extensive clientele. She has chosen at the present time to limit her activities in order to pursue more specific inner work and training. Her training has been primarily in healing, besides clairvoyant work, and she conducts private healing sessions. 1 suspect her hiatus will soon end, at which point she will no doubt be very much in demand once again. She and Peter both have very much to give to the world through their abilities. Sara currently resides in Southern California.

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INTRODUCTION

There has been a lot of talk and speculation about the subtle energies which constitute the human being. Much of this speculation and investigation has been focused on what are known as the seven major chakras or centers of force which are aligned with the spinal column. That knowledge is sufficient for most people, but for the person who is engaged in healing or scientific investigations in which utilization of subtle energy patterns is a key factor, much greater clarity of work and focus result when one moves outside the seven major centers and begins using what are called the minor centers, lesser centers and the acupuncture meridian system.

This manual is the result of a collaborative effort by the author with two clairvoyants, Peter Tadd and Sara Chapin. It is also a cataloguing and correlating of some of the known esoteric writings on the subject. It has been prophesied that scientists will soon have the means at their disposal to directly observe the entire human etheric anatomy. It has therefore been deemed necessary to put forth knowledge of the workings of the lesser known centers in order that some direction and guidance can be given to those scientists, healers or esotericists who would begin working at this level in the human energy system.

From the outset, it must be stated that there is no infallibility implied in the information contained herein. This manual should simply be used as a starting or reference point for further investigations. Time and the work of many people will prove or disprove what is outlined in this work. It must also be strongly emphasized that no work of this nature should proceed unsupervised because stimulation of even one point in the body can have profound or serious effects upon the entire organism. It is therefore recommended that work proceed under the watchful eye of one who is experienced in these matters and, further, one who can see the movement of energies throughout the subtle bodies.

AUTHOR'S NOTE

Clairvoyant research is not a new phenomenon. There are several examples of such research still in print, some of the most notable being the works by Charles Leadbeater, Annie Besant, Rudolf Steiner, Geoffry Hodson, Dora VanGelder and others. The work of each of these well-known clairvoyants has served to extend humanity's understanding into the subtle workings of nature and to show in some small measure what lies just beyond the veil of our limited senses. Clairvoyance is an extension of physical vision. All extended senses have their respective names (clairaudience, clairsentience, etc.). What is most revealing about these extended senses is that they put the one possessing them en rapport with the *essence* of what is being observed. Physical eyes, for example, can see the dense forms commonly called physical forms, but each form is imbued with and sub-standed by subtle currents of force and invisible lives which the physical eye can- not see.

The fact is, and we are repeatedly told this, that each person has the ability to open these finer faculties. Humans used to be clairvoyant and clairaudient, or so the esoteric texts say. We lost the finer senses through misuse of power, wrong thinking, wrong living and overemphasis on the physical senses and the concrete mind. But all is evolving and each person who has such unfolded senses stands as an example of what each person will eventually achieve, and even greater. If the truth were known, there are a great many people who have such abilities to varying degrees. Many

of them refrain from speaking of what they experience for fear of reproach. There exists a great deal of fear and ostracism around such abilities on the part of the general public, but also a great interest.

I have been working with Peter for several years now and with Sara for almost three years. I do not consider myself to be clairvoyant, though I get chastised for denying it. One thing that does develop over the course of working in such a manner is an ever-deepening psychic interplay which is noticeable in what Peter has called the synchronicity of our work and in many other ways. It should be noted that clairvoyance and psychism are not the same. Psychics are not necessarily clairvoyant, but a true clairvoyant is always psychic.

This work on the lesser centers and acupuncture has naturally evolved out of some previous research I had been doing both with Peter and Sara and on my own into some of the newer modes of healing and some of the less-explored areas of science. As that work proceeded, it became necessary to gain more and more of a detailed insight into the subtle human energy system. The work represented in this volume has been only a small part of the work I have done with Sara and Peter and represents only a tiny fraction of their work, but it was necessary to put this out first before any of the other work is made public. As the reader peruses the following pages, several things will stand out.

First, the lesser centers give a greater specificity to the major and minor chakra system. **Second**, these lesser centers show ways in which physical, emotional and mental blocks may be released. They serve as both indicators and small power points. **Third**, for the most part, these centers tend to be emotional. Once one begins to explore these points, one gradually finds many keys to their deep under-lying emotional compulsions and a means for great release in the process. It has been a big part of Peter's work to show that the major stumbling blocks to one's spiritual unfolding lie in one's emotional makeup. To the ancients, desire is what kept one bound and blinded from higher sight. For the specifics to those blocks, the lesser chakra system shows one way to freedom. The names for these centers come from many sources. Some were named by Peter, some by myself, and some after acupuncture points close by. The names are meant to be descriptive only and are not set in stone. They are mainly put forth to help one remember what they do.

It should be stated at the outset of this work that the information given by my two clairvoyant friends has been produced here without alteration. Neither Peter nor Sara have worked together at all. What you are about to read is an attempt by me to synthesize their data with known scientific and esoteric writings, along with some of my own intuitions. My commentaries on their observations do not necessarily reflect their opinions and vice versa.

Their observations are listed under the various subheadings titled as "Clairvoyant observations." For the most part, Sara's information pertains to the meridian system and Peter's information pertains to the lesser centers. The commentaries are my own. People should take all of this information "with a grain of salt" until experience and experiment have proven or disproved it. It has been a source of amazement and, at the same time, vindication to me that all the thoughts ex- pressed in this little book tend to support and add to each other in every way. I think you will agree. Enjoy!

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WARNING!!!

Before any attempt is made at working with the lesser centers, it must be clearly emphasized that the reader does so at his or her own risk. Many of these little centers contain psychological issues that can be very painful to a person when confronted by them. It is not advisable to attempt any work with any centre unless there is a reasonable assurance that whatever painful memories are accessed in that centre can be competently handled by the therapist, the person whose centre is being worked on, or unless appropriate support counselling is in place. Follow-up consultations are commonly needed after such work. **This book is introductory in nature and is not intended for use as a therapeutic manual.** Therapeutic uses for the lesser centers will be treated in another volume of this series.