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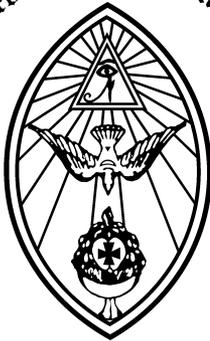
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## A Word from the Editor

Dearest Readers,

*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

In our ceaseless quest to apprise the world of what transpires within and around our devoted lodge, we strive to keep a basic calendar of our events recorded in the pages of this journal. There's much to catch up on, so let's get to it.

*Sol in Leo*

We last left our noble readers as our Lord and Father the Sun transitioned from his station in Cancer into Leo's fixed fire. We opened this sign with our first “open house” event, inviting new guests from throughout the valley to join us to learn about Thelema, our work, and our great food, lovingly prepared by Fr. Khabs Kaos.

Also starting during this sign, Sr. Διοτιμμα taught the first of a new class series, “The Keys of Mystery,” wherein students learn and practice the memorization of our holy Kabbalah. Sr. Lola Daydream executed the next iteration of what has become a tradition of performing original ritual in coordination with notable numeric arrangements in the vulgar calendar, this one entitled, “8-8-8: The Birth of Maat.”

At this same time a pack of Lodge members and guests traveled to far off



*Fr. NØAMKMNPΓ feasts on some of the bounty we offered at our Open House BBQ.*

Redmond, Washington to camp in the woods with brethren for the weekend, celebrating two Gnostic Masses and four Minerval initiations. We returned in time to feast ourselves on The First Night of the Prophet and His Bride.

### *Sol in Virgo*

Carrying on with our seasonal M.:M.:M.: work, we initiated candidates through the I° and II° rituals. Our sisters and guests met again as the Sisters of Babalon, while the brothers met as Brothers of Chaos for some gender-biased camaraderie. And we held our annual membership forum to discuss the ideas of whatever members brought to the table as the Sun passed into...

### *Sol in Libra*

Which began with, of course, a feast for the time. We provided space and hospitality for U.S. Grand Lodge to conduct upper degree initiations in our temple. As part of our ongoing work improving the appointments of our physical temple, Sr. Morgana organized a very successful project to remodel our office.

### *Sol in Scorpio*

Sr. Magdalena came to our valley from afar to give a lecture and ritual invocation to provide us on opportunity to drink deeply from the cup of our lady the whore, Babalon. Our coverage for the United States 2008 EV elections began with Fr. MIIAA lecturing on the compatibility (or, rather,

the lack thereof) of Thelemic and democratic principles. We closed the sign with initiations and exemplifications of the Minerval degree.

### *Sol in Sagittarius*

Continuing our M.:M.:M.: cycle, we consecrated initiates of the I° into Magicians, and perfected Master Magicians into Perfect Magicians, then into Perfect Initiates. In addition to the initiations themselves, several of our local chartered initiators taught degree symbolism classes for the II°, III° and IV° rituals.

### *Sol in Capricorn*

Our solstice celebration of ritual and feasting included a recitation of T Polyphilus' "Daimonic Vespers," followed by a generous visit from our Secret Satan for gift giving. We spent the eve of the new vulgar year away from the masses, in our own sensual seclusion for an evening in the Eastern Temple.

Two new class series also started this sign. The "Kaaba Series" of booklets and discussions being built by T Omphalos and Fr. NΘΛMKMNPI to teach the Law simply, in the words of the Beast. The "Film, Food & Forum" nights take place most Friday evenings, viewing films and discussing them in terms of their relationship to Thelema.

Sr. Διοτυμα moved onward and upward from her service as Lodge Deputy Master, followed by the Master appointing Br. Pangloss to serve him in that capacity.

The Sisters of Babalon met once again for ritual and fellowship.

### *Sol in Aquarius*

The sign passed rather quietly, keeping mostly to our schedule of Tuesday library hours and classes as well as Gnostic Masses on Sunday. The E.G.C. gained new adherents through baptism and confirmation rituals we offer seasonally.

### *Sol in Pisces*

We close out this year of the Tower, IVxvi, with still more initiations, conducting the M.:M.:M.: rituals for Minerval through Master Magician in preparation for the year ahead.

More specifically related to this publication, Fr. Peredur has chosen to step down from his post as managing editor to attend to exciting developments in his personal life. Br. Pangloss now serves in this capacity. We thank Fr. Peredur for the labor and passion he devoted to *Lion & Serpent* and for his assistance with the transition.

*Love is the law, love under will.*

# Every one

*by Liz March*

*A musing on Thanksgiving, ☉ in ♁ : Anno IVxiv*

Every single one of us  
Will close our eyes and  
Never see the world again.

Nature, the mother, inanimity  
Will prevail.

All of this culture's efforts  
At immortality  
Will fall to not.

What if it did work? What if like Bilbo's  
"too little butter scraped over bread"  
We could live forever, what would we become?  
What would life mean?

Life, rich and juicy, is meant to be

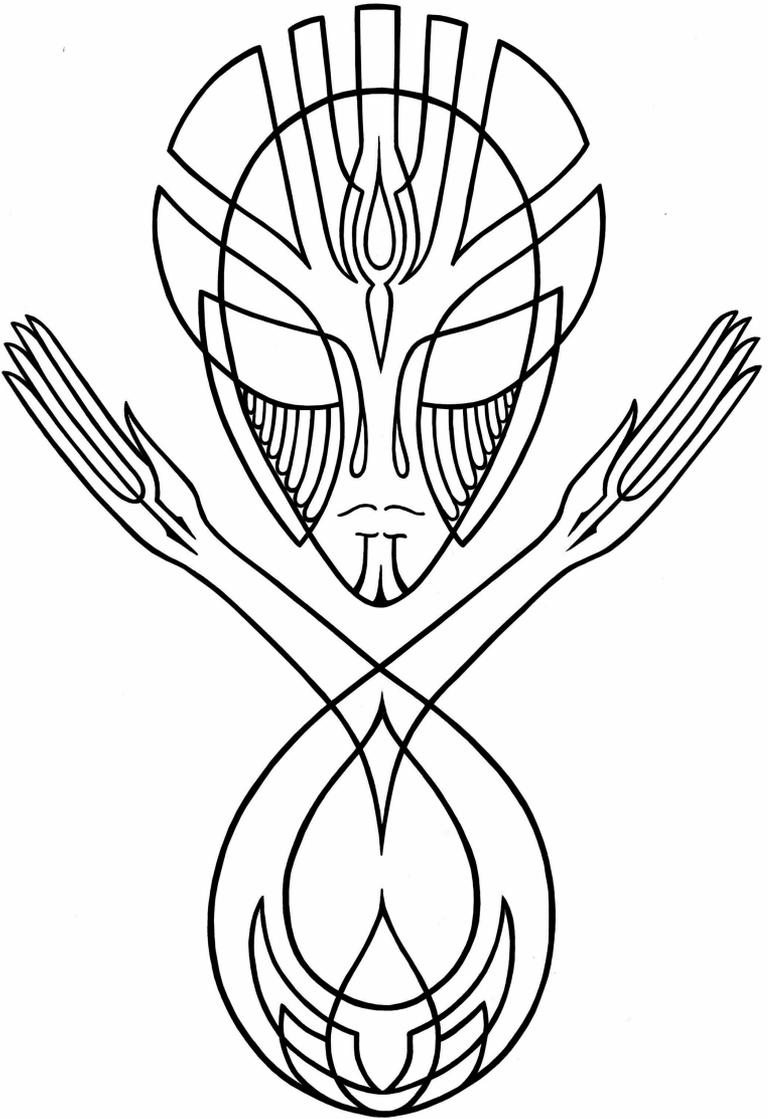
Lived, not saved.  
Life, is here to  
Enjoy, not to fear.

Bodies decompose.  
This is not a tragedy,  
It is a grace.

## godpiss

*s.e. kinchen*

it rains forever in the northwest  
godpiss falling falling trying  
to obscure us in its mists  
but we learn to swim oh so well  
sink or swim and so we float  
along in rivers of godpiss refusing  
to give in laughing in the face of  
the watering god denying him  
the chance to flush us away



“Alienlightenment(Lam)” - Fr. Arun

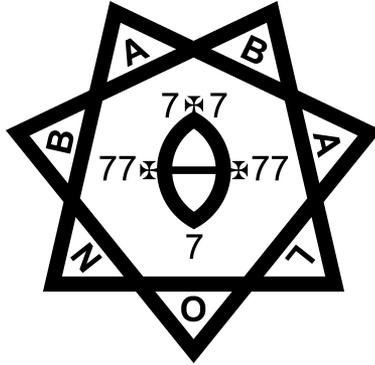
# I Love My Lea

by *Aleister Crowley*

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I love my Lea with an A  
Because her Arse goes all the way.  
I love her with a B, because  
A better Bottom never was.  
I love her with a C, for never  
Was a Cunt so Crazy or so Clever.  
I love her with an E; my pen trails  
So far less Eager than her Entrails.  
I love her with an F; they race  
Her Frigging Fingers, her Fucked Face.  
I love her with a G for Gripping  
Her guts to save my prick from slipping.  
I love her with an H; I relish  
Her Hole because its Heat is Hellish.  
I love her with an I; her mission  
Is Intestinal Intuition.  
I love her with a J; I am  
A Judge of Jelly Juice and Jam.  
I love her with an L, for weeks  
I lie and Lick her where she Leaks.  
I love her with and M; I fuck  
Her Mouth, her Menses and her Muck.  
I love her  
    with an N; who thought I  
Could be so Nasty or so Naughty?  
I love her with an O; refusing  
No Offal from her Ovaries Oozing.  
I love her with a P, my bliss is  
To be her Piss Pot when she Pisses.  
I love her with a Q; I swim  
In the Quintessence of her Quim.  
I love her with an R; I've gotten  
A red raw randy rump, rich ripe and rotten.  
I love her with an S; she's It  
With Spunk, Slime, Slobber, Snot and Shit.  
I love her with a T, she's got  
My Tool Tight Tucked in her Tart's Twat.  
I love her with an U; she hands me  
An Uterus that understands me.  
I love her with a V; no swine are  
As Velvet Vile as her Vagina.  
I love her with a W;  
My Whore, my Wife, my Will to Woo.  
I love my Lea with an X

The unknown quantity of Sex.  
 I love her with a Y; Love dawns  
 When her Young Yellow Yeast-yard Yawns.  
 I love her with a Z, I'll pack her  
 Zig-zags, by Zeus, with my big Zacher.  
 I wish instead of  
     twenty-six  
 Letters to love her, I had pricks.



*Thou strivest ever; even in thy yielding thou strivest to yield—and lo! thou yieldest not. Go thou unto the outermost places and subdue all things. Subdue thy fear and thy disgust. Then—yield!*

Liber LXV I:44-46

*Even as evil kisses corrupt the blood, so do my words devour the spirit of man. I breathe, and there is infinite dis-ease in the spirit. As an acid eats into steel, as a cancer that utterly corrupts the body; so am I unto the spirit of man. I shall not rest until I have dissolved it all. So also the light that is absorbed. One absorbs little, and is called white and glistening; one absorbs all and is called black. Therefore, O my darling, art thou black.*

Liber LXV 1:14-19

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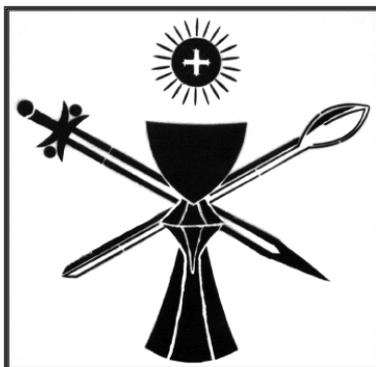
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# The Call to Arms

*By Sr. Διοτίμα*

☉ in 22° ♌: ☽ in 7° ♋: dies ♁: Anno IVxvi

Black eyes are flooded with past tears  
Feet cold yet solid  
Yes. I swear.

Around the elements I walk  
Shadows of love everywhere  
Sworn to. I hold.

Praise and kisses  
Gold encircles my spirit  
Humbled, I try not to cry.

Heart full of fire.  
Eyes sore and blind.  
Here. I belong.

Open tyranny  
Blood is running hot and furious  
It is done.

Married soul to soul  
Love finds me and rocks me  
I fall. Hard.  
I won't ever get up.

Evermore I lay  
at your feet.

The Summit of the Earth  
never looked so good.



# Cleansing the Nadi

*from the notebook of Aleister Crowley in correspondence with Allen Bennett*

## First Breathing Practice for purifying the Nadi (rivers or nerves)

Assume an *Asana* (posture) which keeps the spine & head in one vertical straight line.

With the thumb and ring-finger of the r.h. close *Pingala* & do *Recakam* through *Ida*.

[Note {See fig 1} Also *Pingala* is the Solar (*Surya* = ☉) current on the r.h. side of the human male body. *Ida* is the lunar (*Candra* = ☾) current of the l.h. In woman these are reversed. *Sushumna* or *Devamarga* (path of the gods) is in the middle & is the vehicle of *Agni*]

Then without any intermission, do *Purakam* through *Ida*.

Then close *Ida* with the ring-finger & do *Recakam* through *Pingala*. And so on.

One cycle may be inaccurately termed a *Prana-yama*.

Let him do 80 such 4 times a day: but not more than 80.

The times of day are

- (a) one hour before dawn
- (b) at noon before feeding (this applies universally)
- (c) About sunset
- (d) Midnight

Ascertain the rate of *Pranayama* each man for himself: the idea is to breathe slightly more slowly, but much more deeply, than usual.

*Prana-yama* means “control of *Prana*.” *Prana* is the cosmic spirit of Life. By restraining breath, then, we restrain *Prana*: by restraining *Prana* we restrain thought: thought, departing, leaves room (Heb. a space) for nothingness.

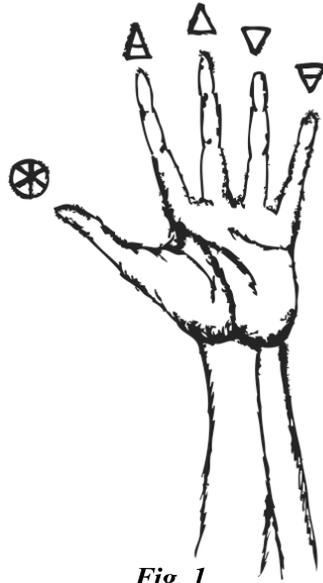


Fig. 1

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It now becomes permissible, the nerves being purified to do a more-correctly-so-described *Pranayama*, which is identical with above but internal *Kumbhakam*.

A *Yoglet* may know when his *Nadi* are purified by the appearance of the following signs:

1. Clear skin ✓
2. Beautiful voice ✓
3. Calm appearance of face
4. Bright eyes
5. Hearing constantly the *Nada* (silence)

### Transcriber's Notes on this Instruction

Prior to this exercise, the text offers that there are three “breathings”:

“There are 3 breathings:

*Recakam*: throwing-out

*Kumbhakam*: storing

*Purakam*: inhaling”

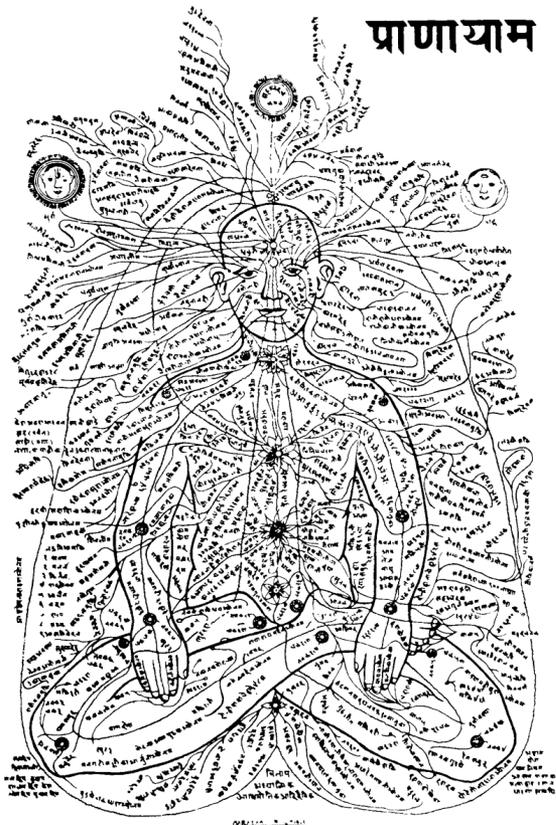


Fig. 2

These breaths are often currently written *recaka*, *kumbhaka* and *puraka*.

The three *Nadi* in the text are main channels, but there are actually many more in the body, much like the meridians in Traditional Chinese Medicine {see fig 2}.

*Ida* (comfort) is cooling. *Pingala* (tawny) is heating. *Nadi* is Sanskrit for tube, pipe; from the root *nad* meaning channel, stream or flow.

*Pranayama* is Sanskrit for “lengthening the *prana* or breath.”

## Transcriber's Notes on Related Practices

This is one of the basic and fundamental forms of *Pranayama* practice, often called three-fold breathing.

Assume a posture that keeps the spine and head in a vertical straight line. This can be done in a seated position. Imagine a string attached to the top of the head being gently pulled up, to slightly lengthen and straighten the neck and spine. If keeping a straight spine is difficult for you, you may wish to lay down so that your back is supported. As always, take care of yourself, and adjust the practice for your needs.

Make a fist with your right hand. Extend your thumb. Extend together your pinky and ring finger. Your thumb will hover over your right nostril. Together your pinky and ring finger will hover over your left nostril.

With the thumb of the right hand close the right nostril and exhale through the left. Without pausing, inhale through the left nostril. Then, release the right nostril and close the left. Exhale through the right nostril. Without pausing, inhale through the right nostril. This is one cycle. Repeat 80 times, 4 times a day. Times of day for this practice are an hour before dawn, noon, around sunset and midnight; each should not be done after eating, but before.

The speed at which you inhale and exhale should be slower and deeper than usual, but at your own pace. Often times, and hence the name, this three-fold breathing is done to a count which includes holding the breath between inhale and exhale, such as 3-5-3; where one inhales for a 3 count, pauses for 5, then exhales for 3. This is not meant to be punitive, but if you feel up to it, try adding that pause between your inhale and exhale while closing both left and right nostrils, then try increasing the count to 5-7-5 or more; find your edge and explore that space, but do not cause yourself distress during this beginning practice.

Before and after this exercise, allow your breathing to normalize. This can be a good way to end more active yoga practice, especially as preparation for meditation is really the purpose of yoga to begin with.

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# Essay on the E.G.C. Creed

by *Frater Khabs Kaos*

Our word Creed is rooted etymologically in the Latin *credo*, “to believe,” and possibly the Greek ΣΥΜΒΟΛΟΝ = 862, “a symbol or token by which people of the same beliefs might recognize each other.”

The Creed of *Liber XV* has eight clauses. It begins:

*I believe in one secret and ineffable LORD; and in one Star in the company of Stars of whose fire we are created and to which we shall return; and in one Father of Life, Mystery of Mystery, in His name CHAOS the sole vice regent of the Sun upon the Earth; and in one Air the nourisher of all that breathes.*

*One, secret and ineffable* are all titles of Kether or Heru Ra Ha, the monad and first emanation, the absolute. לערך = 304 in Hebrew and corresponds to “white” and “a species of gold.” “The white head” and “white brilliance” are further titles of Kether. “Gold” corresponds to the one Star, our Sun, the physical manifestation of the secret and ineffable One, and in the Sun is the One concealed.

*The company of stars* is the zodiac, Chokma or Chaos, the duad and second emanation.

*Of whose fire we are created and to which we shall return*; Proclaims that the solar system is heliocentric in view of its origin and nihilistic in view of the atomic continuum.

The notariqon of one Father of Life Mystery of Mystery or one + ΦΛΜΜ = 611 in Greek and corresponds to “triad.” The Abul-diz Working identifies Chaos with the Hebrew חא = 1400, “tria capita” or the three heads, alluding to the supernal triad.

*In His name CHAOS*; Originally Chaos meant the primal emptiness, space, the great outer void and unpredictability. It did not mean “disorder.” In Greek cosmology Chaos was “the first thing to exist, the womb from which all things emerged.” ΧΑΟΣ = 871 in Greek and corresponds to secret, dark, cloak, web. In *The Vision and the Voice* Chaos is “peace, blackness, blackness intolerable, before the beginning of light. Cosmos is the war of the rose and cross.”

CHAOS is the ייהה, the ineffable name and spermatozoon, *the sole viceregent of the Sun upon the Earth*. I identify CHAOS with what I call the “paisley invasion” from Dr. Wilhelm Reich’s book *Cosmic-Superimposition*. In explaining natural science, Dr. Reich illustrates that the shape of paisley has been superimposing itself on this planet as a fractal and template for billions of years.

*And in one Air the nourisher of all that breathes*; One = Kether = Air (the first path leading from Kether to Chokma) = all (the duad) = chia; the life force = breath.

If you practice notariqon adding up all of the capital letters that appear singly in the first clause you get ΙΣΣΦΛΜΜΗΣΕΑ = 740 in Greek,

corresponding to “Sanctuary of God,” “The God over All” and ”of Demeter, Ceres.” Finally, we see that the one is actually a process of four. It precedes all things and is in all things, thus Unity maybe its most suitable title. One secret and ineffable LORD, one Star, one Father of Life, one Air.

*And I believe in one Earth, the Mother of us all and in one Womb wherein all men are begotten, and wherein they shall rest, Mystery of Mystery in Her name BABALON.*

*One Earth;* of course is the lovely planet where we live. The Greeks knew her as ΓΗ = 11 Earth; Gaea, Earth Goddess, and by Gematria corresponds to; One, the same, voice, arrows, violets and Babalon. Hesiod's *Theogony* tells how, “after Chaos, arose the broad breasted Gaea, the everlasting foundations of the Gods of Olympus. She brought forth Uranus the starry sky, her equal, to cover her, to lay with her and to mate with her.”

*The Mother of us all;* Mother is literal and, as in the first clause with Father, archetypal.

*And in one Womb wherein all men are begotten and wherein they shall rest;* In Greek the word for Womb is ΜΗΤΡΑ = 449 and corresponds to ΘΟΡΟΣ = 449, sperm.

Our cosmology goes something like this: ultimately we are sired by extraterrestrial particles known as Chaos upon the fertile Womb of nature the Earth, The Great Whore, Babalon, and when our bodies expire we return our elements to her. Compare with the previous clause where it was our atoms returned to the Sun.

*Mystery of Mystery in Her name BABALON.* Binah or Babalon is the third emanation completing the supernal triad, she bears the titles of “Understanding,” “Sorrow,” “The Great Sea,” “The Great Mother”, “The Scarlet Woman,” “Gateway to the City of Pyramids,” and “Gateway of the God ON.” She is יהוה ה', the ineffable name. She is Demeter/Persephone, Mother/Daughter, Bread/Salt. She is our gateway into the supernal triad whereby offering every drop of our blood into her golden cup of fornications we may cross an unfathomable abyss and reside with the Saints as piles of dust in the City of Pyramids.

Babalon has a long and interesting history going back to 2300 BEV. She is the holy city of Babylonia in Mesopotamia (about 50 mi. south of Baghdad) where her name meant “Gateway of the God,” and there was worshiped Ishtar the great goddess of fertility, sexuality, war and death and the guardian of prostitutes. “She Ishtar the Great Whore and sacred prostitution was Her cult.” Sound like someone?

In the *New Testament* Book of Revelations chapter XVII she appears as “MYSTERY, BABYLON the great, the MOTHER OF HARLOTS and abominations of the earth,” where she is seen drunken on the blood of the saints and martyrs of Jesus as she rides a beast with seven heads and ten horns. The word “abomination” comes from the Hebrew: to *eba*, or to *ba* (noun), to *ab* (verb). It means “forbidden,” much like “taboo.” To me these abominations are what Aleister Crowley refers to as “The Bleeding” or life’s initiations. *Liber CLVI* v.11 states “For if thou dost not this with thy

will, then shall We do this despite thy will. So that thou attain to the Sacrament of the Graal in the Chapel of Abominations.”

In Hebrew באבאלטן = 156, “The Victorious Queen,” and corresponds to “tablet of Enoch,” “a viper,” “a bird,” “crying aloud” and “limpid blood”. In Greek BABALON = 156, ΛΑΜΒΔΑ ΛΑΜΒΔΑ, and by notariqon means the Lion, other correspondences are “ratio,” “progression.”

And finally if we do notariqon by adding up all of the capital letters that appear singly in this clause we get ΑΙΕΜΦΜΜΗ = 140 and corresponds to ΗΔΟΝΗ: Lust, delight, joy.

*And I believe in the Serpent and the Lion Mystery of Mystery in His name BAPHOMET.*

*The Serpent and the Lion;* In the Tarot Trump titled LUST Babalon is shown riding the Beast (a seven headed lion with a serpent tail). In Greek ΤΟ ΜΕΓΑ ΘΕΡΙΟΝ = 666 The Great Beast + BABALON = 156, Λ, a lion = 822 = ΑΥΙΑΖΟΟ, to consecrate. The Hebrew letter ט, “a serpent,” corresponds to this card. Leo is the zodiac and XI its numeral. This path on the tree of life leads from Chesed to Geburah and intersects with the Lunar path of the High Priestess. The Sun and Moon conjoined are a symbol of the Beast and Babalon. This intersection is where the congregation takes communion in the E.G.C. Mass temple.

The study of atu XII, “The Hanged Man,” and atu XIII, “Death,” are necessary in conjunction to atu XI and are too lengthy to go into fully here. Basically the Serpent is a symbol of death and the principle symbol of male energy. The Lion is a solar symbol and the life instinct. Furthermore the Serpent and the Lion are exact symbols of our sex-economy. The Serpent being the kundalini force and the Lion being the courage and beauty of moral character. In fact these are the very discoveries of Freudian psychology. In his Libido Theory, Freud's whiz-kid, Dr. Wilhelm Reich, showed that a healthily functioning libido is essential to a healthy organism on all planes and that such health promoted courage, independence and a natural morality. Reich called this spontaneous self regulation “Free Functionalism.”

Secondly, even in Freud's Death Theory of Eros vs. Thanatos (with liberty of interpretation), Eros is the libido and libidinal energy or love is the “life instinct” innate in all human beings and the pleasure principle. Thanatos (death) is the “death instinct” from which emerges “Destrudo,” the impulse to destroy. This is not only illustrated but experienced in the annihilation of the ego through the ecstasy of orgasm, “Le Petit Mort” (the little death), and is the birth right of the more fortunate men and women on this planet.

The Serpent and the Lion are not merely Eros and Thanatos but Agape and Thelema, Love under Will. Mysticism and Magick. Life and Death. The Serpent and the Lion that destroys the destroyer is destroying the illusion of life and death as separate incidents, pointing to a continuum. Furthermore the Serpent and the Lion represent the HGA or union of the unconscious with the conscious mind in a manner which informs the native of his purpose for this incarnation and is the crowned achievement and unadulterated function of the ego/non-ego.

*Mystery of Mystery in His name BAPHOMET*; Tiphareth or Baphomet is the sixth emanation and includes emanations four thru nine. The name Baphomet is curious in relation to the obscurity of its origin and meaning which I will leave to historians and occultists. Here Baphomet is the Magical Child of Chaos and Babalon. Depicted as an Ass or Goat headed bisexual hermaphrodite as illustrated by the 19th century occultist Eliphas Levi, symbolizing to me the fully initiated magician. Traditionally this clause is the 1 or Son of the ineffable name יהוה. Qabalistically Crowley spelled the name in Greek ΒΑΦΟΜΘΡ = 729 and corresponds to words meaning “the rock + the trust” and “ship, vessel” and “Kephaz” the name given by Jesus to Peter and “the perfected work” and “abominated.” Adding the capital letters that appear singly in this clause we get ΑΙΣΑΜΜΗ = 329 and corresponds to “newborn” and ΚΑΡΗΣ, “Goddess of death or fate.”

*And I believe in one Gnostic and Catholic Church of Light, Life, Love and Liberty, the Word of whose Law is Thelema.*

As Gnostics we are emanationists, the Monad or absolute, the Aions or syszygy, Pleroma; the fullness and Gnosis the knowledge by experience of the Divine. And I think also “good” and “evil” as relative terms. As Catholics we are universal, “the Law is for all.” We hold marriage to be sacred as symbolized through the Eucharistic Mass and belief in the Communion of Saints.

*One Gnostic and Catholic Church*; Were there two churches? Yes! This demonstrates the authority of *Liber AL* to fulfill its claim to solve the religious and philosophical problems of the past. *Liber AL* I:47: “But they have the half: unite by thine art so that all disappear.” Gnostic and Catholic beliefs reconciled under one church through *Liber AL*. (How dare they). This Church is Malkuth or Babalon (as the daughter), the tenth emanation, the daughter and ה final of the ineffable name יהוה. completing our quaternary. The correspondences of this quaternary are quite inexhaustible and can also represent the officers of the Mass, the Church being the congregation.

*Of Light, Life, Love and Liberty*; A priori emanations, Light = Chaos, Life = Babalon, Love = Baphomet, Liberty = The Church or Daughter. This is also a two-way energy system. By Liberty we do our wills of “love under will,” fulfilling our Life and consequently partaking of the Light. See *Liber CL*.

*The Word of whose Law is Thelema*. These four L’s are one Law. ΘΕΛΗΜΑ, Greek for “will,” = 93 corresponding to ΑΓΑΠΗ, Greek for “love.” Spelling out our slogans “Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law” and “Love is the law, love under will.”

*And I believe in the Communion of Saints.*

The term “Communion of Saints” is from the Latin *Communio Sanctorum* which exists in Christianity and refers among other things to the Last Supper, the spiritual union of all Christians dead or alive in the mystical body of Jesus, prayers to patron saints, etc. Our Communion of Saints has

an A-list and a B-list. I guess not all of our saints were created equal (some are Christian). They compose a varied list be they poets, prophets, warriors, scientists, artists, kings, popes, queens, writers, myths or martyrs. I would not be surprised if some of our Saints met each other with cold steel on the battle fields of opposing armies.

Saint Paul Gauguin followed his will to Tahiti to become a master easel painter and was the premier of the Primitivism genre. The same Primitivism that another Saint literally pledged himself to save the art world from, Surrealism's premier, Saint Salvador Dali. Saint Swinburne and Saint Burton were fast friends, true beacons of light to each other at the end of the Victorian era and partied like rock stars enjoying each others' notorious reputations in respective bliss. None of our saints but one or two had anything to do directly with *The Book of the Law* as most were pulled from the history books. How was this list compiled? What were the qualities of these men and women? As varied as their personal stories and the times that they lived, to me they simply represent what is excellent in our species. Courage, will, love, genius, a deep understanding of purpose, desperate for initiation, adventures. Whatever their contributions they fulfill verses from *Liber AL* 1:56 "Expect him not from the East, nor from the West; for from no expected house cometh that child. Aum! All words are sacred and all prophets true; save only that they understand a little; solve the first half of the equation, leave the second unattacked. But thou hast all in the clear light, and some, though not all, in the dark."

The *Communion of Saints* implies Consummation of the Eucharist; eating cakes of light (the body of God) and drinking wine (the blood of God) which have been ceremonially charged by the Deacon with the saints' juju. These two elements (the cake and wine) are the Eucharist. They (the saints) gave their light to mankind and by communion with them we partake of and emit that light. A tale of human evolution, the immortal thread of Generation, if you will.

*And for as much as meat and drink are transmuted in us daily into spiritual substance I believe in the Miracle of the Mass.*

*The Miracle of the Mass* is the natural fact of transubstantiation or turning gross matter into spiritual substance, in this case metabolizing food charged up with the Communion of Saints business.

*And I confess one Baptism of Wisdom where by we accomplish the miracle of Incarnation.*

If Belief is a supposition then Confess is acknowledgement. To me Baptism = egg, Wisdom = sperm = zygote. Baptism = amniotic fluid, Wisdom = fetus. I am my parents' Magickal Child or Baphomet, conceived in ecstasy. *Miracle of Incarnation*, clothed in a body of flesh.

*And I confess my life one, individual and eternal that was, and is, and is to come.*

*My life one*, one the monad, absolute, or as Aleister Crowley says "I the very God of very God." *Individual*, indivisible. And *eternal*, forever. This whole confession proclaims that as the *Miracle of Incarnation* is carnal

and temporal, *My Life* is of a nature that is continuous and indestructible. “The consciousness of the continuity of existence.”

*AUMGN. AUMGN. AUMGN.*

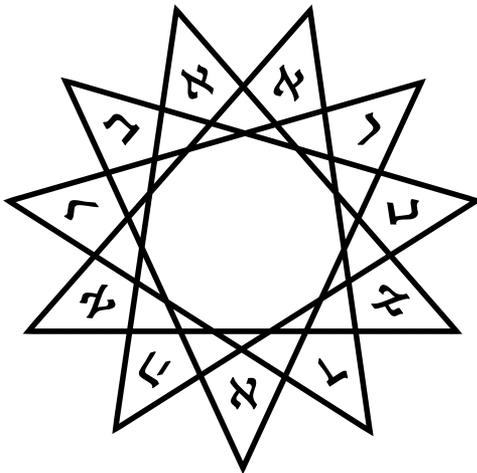
Aleister Crowley’s modification of the Hindu word AUM—and I quote from *Magick in Theory and Practice*—“The cardinal revelation of the Great Aeon of Horus is that this formula AUM does not represent the facts of nature.” He puts forth that the formula (AUM) is that of the Dying God. The following analysis are condensed notes from *MTP*. A = the “babe in the egg.” U = the son manifest. M = the Hanged Man, death. N = Scorpio whose hieroglyphs are the Eagle, Snake and Scorpion indicating the spiritual formula of incarnation. G = the silent letter of breath. Triune lunar formula, the moon a dark orb reflecting the light of the Sun is metaphorical of successive incarnations. The root of GN signifies both knowledge and generation in one idea. The compound letter MGN = 93 Thelema/Agape. In my terms A = Conception/Birth, U = Life, M = Death, GN = The Knowledge of Generation is successive Incarnations. MGN = 93, the number of the word by which man overcomes death as is known to initiates of the Master Magician degree of O.T.O.

*AUMGN* = 100 apparently an important number to the initiates of the Sanctuary of the Gnosis O.T.O. 100 Corresponds to Hebrew words meaning, “a day; the seas; the times.” “Vases; vessels.” “The palm; ג.” “An effort; exertion.” Mitigation of the one by the other.

*AUMGN AUMGN* = 200 corresponding to “alae.” “A branch.” “A bone.” Archetypal. Belonging to the spring. “A sling, casting–net.” Divination.

*AUMGN. AUMGN. AUMGN.* = 300 corresponds to *Khabs am Pekht*. Vide Beth Elohim. Formation. Profundities. God of Chesed, and of Hod of Bria; Temura of יהוה. Incircumcised. Separation. The Spirit of GOD.

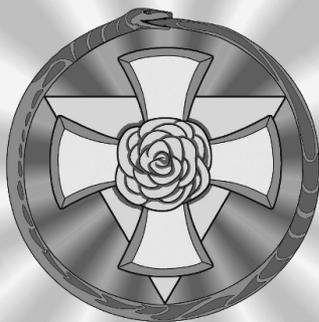
This thus concludes (for the present) my essay of the Creed of *Liber XV*.



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# Liber Resh vel Helios

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0. These are the adorations to be performed by all aspirants to the A.:A.:

1. Let him greet the Sun at dawn, facing East, giving the sign of his grade. And let him say in a loud voice:

*Hail unto Thee who art Ra in Thy rising, even unto Thee who art Ra in Thy strength, who travellest over the Heavens in Thy bark at the Uprising of the Sun. Tahuti standeth in His splendour at the prow, and Ra-Hoor abideth at the helm. Hail unto Thee from the Abodes of Night!*

2. Also at Noon, let him greet the Sun, facing South, giving the sign of his grade. And let him say in a loud voice:

*Hail unto Thee who art Ahathoor in Thy triumphing, even unto Thee who art Ahathoor in Thy beauty, who travellest over the Heavens in thy bark at the Mid-course of the Sun. Tahuti standeth in His splendour at the prow, and Ra-Hoor abideth at the helm. Hail unto Thee from the Abodes of Morning!*

3. Also, at Sunset, let him greet the Sun, facing West, giving the sign of his grade. And let him say in a loud voice:

*Hail unto Thee who art Tum in Thy setting, even unto Thee who art Tum in Thy joy, who travellest over the Heavens in Thy bark at the Down-going of the Sun. Tahuti standeth in His splendour at the prow, and Ra-Hoor abideth at the helm. Hail unto Thee from the Abodes of Day!*

4. Lastly, at Midnight, let him greet the Sun, facing North, giving the sign of his grade. And let him say in a loud voice:

*Hail unto thee who art Khephra in Thy hiding, even unto Thee who art Khephra in Thy silence, who travellest over the Heavens in Thy bark at the Midnight Hour of the Sun. Tahuti standeth in His splendour at the prow, and Ra-Hoor abideth at the helm. Hail unto Thee from the Abodes of Evening.*

5. And after each of these invocations thou shalt give the sign of silence, and afterwards thou shalt perform the adoration that is taught thee by thy Superior. And then do thou compose Thyself to holy meditation.

6. Also it is better if in these adorations thou assume the God-form of Whom thou adorest, as if thou didst unite with Him in the adoration of That which is beyond Him.

7. Thus shalt thou ever be mindful of the Great Work which thou hast undertaken to perform, and thus shalt thou be strengthened to pursue it unto the attainment of the Stone of the Wise, the Summum Bonum, True Wisdom and Perfect Happiness.

## Practice notes on Liber Resh

by Br. Pangloss

For those who are not students in A.:A.: (and thus have no superior from whom to have received an appropriate “adoration”), one common suggestion is to recite a portion of Ankh-af-na-khonsu's adoration of Ra Hoor Khuit as depicted on the Stele of Revealing:

*Unity uttermost showed!  
I adore the might of Thy breath,  
Supreme and terrible God,  
Who makest the gods and death  
To tremble before Thee—  
I, I adore thee!  
Appear on the throne of Ra!  
Open the ways of the Khu!  
Lighten the ways of the Ka!  
The ways of the Khabs run through  
To stir me or still me!  
Aum! let it fill me!*

*The light is mine; its rays consume  
Me: I have made a secret door  
Into the House of Ra and Tum,  
Of Khephra and of Ahathoor:  
I am thy Theban, O Mentu,  
The prophet Ankh-af-na-khonsu!  
By Bes-na-Maut my breast I beat;  
By wise Ta-Nech I weave my spell.  
Show thy star-splendour, O Nuit!  
Bid me within thine House to dwell,  
O winged snake of light, Hadit!  
Abide with me, Ra-Hoor-Khuit!*

Non-initiates, having no grade, also lack a “sign” or posture appropriate to it. In this case a common suggestion follows attributions of L.V.X. and N.O.X. signs to each of the four salutations of the diurnal cycle:

- In the morning, produce the sign of “Osirus Slain” (arms stretched out perpendicular to the torso, as a horizon with your head the Sun rising from it).
- While greeting Ahathor at noon, the sign of the elemental Fire (hands forming an upward-pointing triangle, base at the forehead).
- With eyes fixed on the last rays of the sinking Sun, the airy sign of Shu supporting the sky (upper arms perpendicular to torso, forearms bent upwards, hands bent out supporting the sky with the palms).
- In the hour of silence give the sign of elemental Water (hands make a downward-pointing triangle at the solar plexus, palms flat against the chest).

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