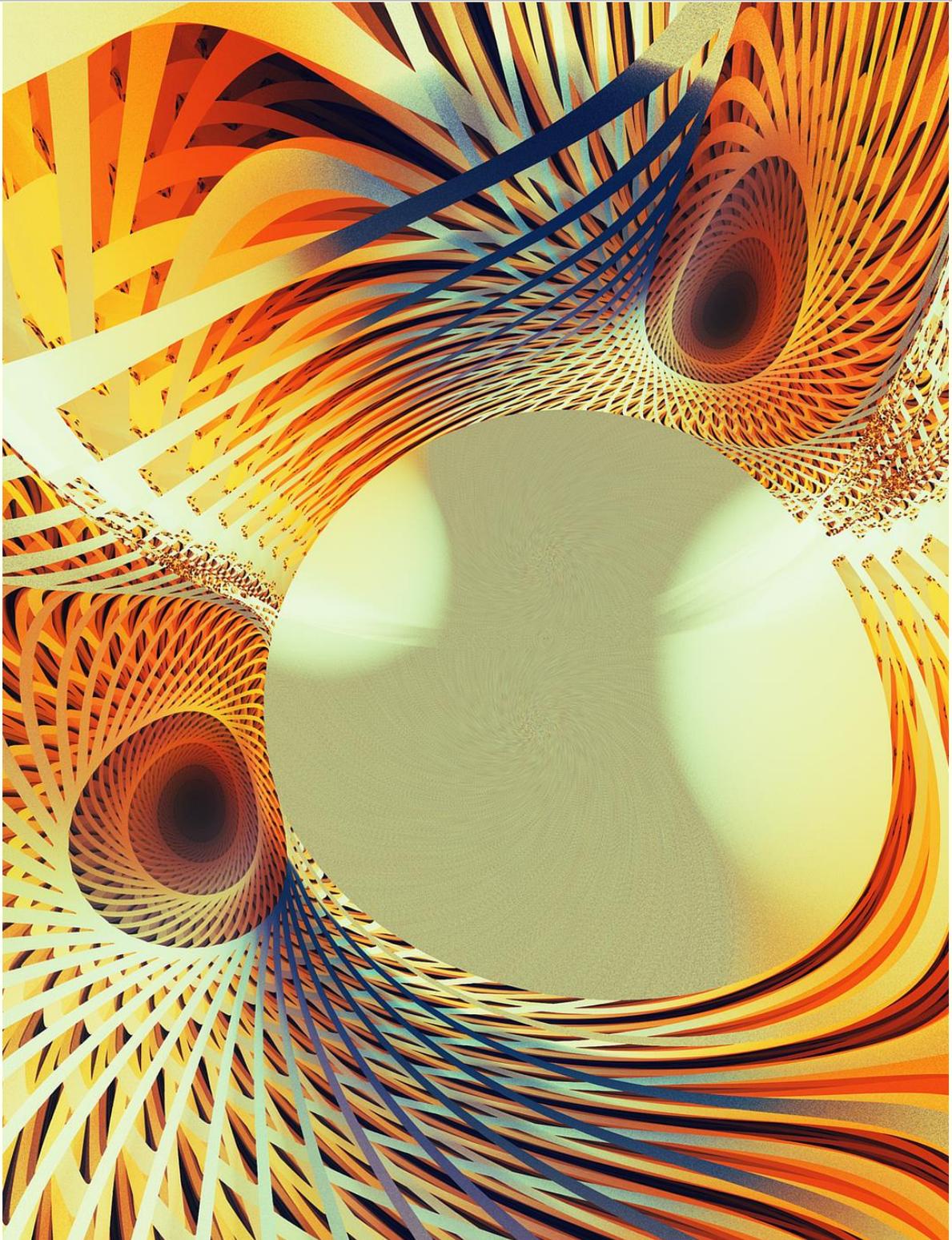


*The Sixth Sense is
Reason over Instinct.*



Abstract and train of thoughts¹

Senses are the horses,
Body is the chariot,
Mind (*kāma-manas*) is the reins, and
Intellect (or *free-will*) the charioteer.
— *Katha Upanishad*²

'Tis mind that all things sees and hears;
What else exists is deaf and blind.
— PYTHAGOREANS³

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¹ *Frontispiece*: by Tatasz. *Illustrations*: on page 10, by David S. Goodsell; on page 21, by Helena Rose.

² Cf. *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (PSYCHIC AND NOETIC ACTION) XII p. 363; [quoting *Kathopanishad*.]

³ Taylor T. (*Tr. & Annot.*). *Iamblichus on the Mysteries of the Egyptians, Chaldeans, and Assyrians and Life of Pythagoras*. Sturminster Newton: The Prometheus Trust, 2004; *Life of Pythagoras*, XXII, p. 280

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The ancients divided senses into five simply because their teachers stopped at the hearing. Man's auditory faculty, inner and spiritual in the ethereal First Race, became dwarfed to outer and physical at the beginning of the Fifth.

The nose, and the tongue, and the eye, and the skin, and the ear as the fifth [organ of sense] mind and understanding, these seven [senses] should be understood to be the causes of (the knowledge of) qualities. Smell, and taste, and colour, sound, and touch as the fifth, the object of the mental operation and the object of the understanding [the highest spiritual sense or perception], *these seven are causes of action*. He who smells, he who eats, he who sees, he who speaks, and he who hears as the fifth, he who thinks, and he who understands, these seven should be understood to be the *causes of the agents*.¹ These [the agents] being possessed of qualities [*sattva, rajas, tamas*], enjoy their own qualities, agreeable and disagreeable.

The division of the physical senses into five, comes to us from great antiquity. But while adopting the number, no modern philosopher has asked himself how these senses could exist, *i.e.*, be perceived and used in a self-conscious way, unless there was the *sixth* sense, mental perception to register and record them; and (this for the Metaphysicians and Occultists) the Seventh to preserve the spiritual fruition and remembrance thereof, as in a Book of Life which belongs to Karma. The ancients divided the senses into five, simply because their teachers (the Initiates) stopped at the *hearing*, as being that sense which developed in the *physical plane* (got dwarfed rather, limited to this plane) only at the beginning of the Fifth Race. (The Fourth Race already had begun to lose the *spiritual* condition, so pre-eminently developed in the Third Race.)²

¹ The modern commentators, failing to comprehend the subtle meaning of the ancient Scholiasts, take this sentence, "causes of the agents," to mean "that the powers of smelling, etc., when attributed to the Self, make him appear as an agent, as an active principle" (!), which is entirely fanciful. These "seven" are understood to be the causes of the Agents, because "the objects are causes, as their enjoyment causes an impression." It means esoterically that they, these seven senses, *are caused by the AGENTS*, which are the "deities," for what does, or can, the sentence which follows this one mean? "Thus," it is said, "these seven (senses) are the causes of emancipation" (*i.e.*, when these causes are made ineffectual). "And among the learned [the wise Initiates] who understand the qualities *which are in the position* [in the nature, rather] *of the deities*, each in its place," means simply that the "learned" understand the nature of the *noumena* of the various phenomena"; and that "qualities," in this instance, mean the qualities of the high planetary or Elementary gods or Intelligences, which rule the elements and their *products*, and not at all "the senses," as the modern commentator thinks. For the "learned do not suppose their senses to have aught to do with them, any more than with their SELF."

² *Secret Doctrine*, I pp. 534-5 & fn. [quoting *Anugītā*, ch. X. *Sacred books of the East*, Vol. VIII, pp. 277-78]

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Mental Perception or Fire.**

**Once the Sixth has awakened
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**The Seventh Sense preserves
“the spiritual fruition and
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ever in the World of Causes.**

. . . “to register and record”¹ the first five. It is the “psychic spiritual intelligence of the *inner man*”² . . . in turn “awakening the seventh.”³

The arc (of the Pituitary Gland)⁴ mounts upward, more and more, toward the Pineal Gland,⁵ until finally the current striking it, just as when the electric current strikes some solid object, the dormant organ is awakened and set all aglowing with the pure Ākāśic Fire. This is the psycho-physiological illustration of two organs on the physical plane, which are the concrete symbols of, and represent respectively, the metaphysical concepts called Manas and Buddhi. The latter, in order to become conscious on this plane, needs the more differentiated fire of Manas; but *once the sixth sense has awakened the seventh*, the light which radiates from it illuminates the fields of infinitude: for a brief space of time, man becomes omniscient; the Past and the Future, Space and Time, disappear and become for him the Present.⁶

Occult Philosophy teaches us that the seventh principle is the only eternal Reality, while the rest, belonging as they do to the “world of forms” which are non-permanent, are illusive in the sense that they are transient. To these is limited the phenomenal world which can be taken cognisance of by the senses corresponding to the nature of those six principles. It will thus be clear that it is only the *seventh* sense, which pertains to the *noumenal* world, that can comprehend the Abstract Reality underlying all phenomena. As this seventh principle is all-pervading, it exists potentially in all of us; and he, who would arrive at true knowledge, has to develop that sense in him, or rather he must remove those veils which obscure its manifestation.⁸

¹ Cf. *Secret Doctrine*, I p. 535 fn.

² *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (TWO EDITORS ON ASTRAL BODIES, OR DOPPELGÄNGERS) X p. 221

³ Cf. *ibid.*, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. III) XII p. 618

⁴ [Hypophysis Cerebri]

⁵ [Conarium]

⁶ *ibid.*, XII p. 618

⁷ *Secret Doctrine*, I p. 535 fn.

⁸ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (CAN THE MAHATMAS BE SELFISH?) VI p. 264

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The several senses will each be the entrance point of many diverse perceptions; in any one object there may be many characteristics; any one organ may be the channel of a group of objects, as for instance a face is known not by a special sense for separate features, nose, eyes, etc., but by one sense observing all in one act.

When sight and hearing gather their varying information, there must be some central unity to which both report. How could there be any statement of difference unless all sense-impressions appeared before a common identity able to take the sum of all?

This there must be, as there is a centre to a circle; the sense-impressions converging from every point of occurrence will be as lines striking from a circumference to what will be a true centre of perception as being a veritable unity.

If this centre were to break into separate points — so that the sense-impressions fell upon the two ends of a line — then, either it must reknit itself to unity and identity, perhaps at the mid-point of the line, or all remains unrelated, every end receiving the report of its particular field exactly as you and I have our distinct sense experiences.

Suppose the sense-object be such a unity as a face: all the points of observation must be brought together in one visual total, as is obvious since there could be no panorama of great expanses unless the detail were compressed to the capacity of the pupils.

Much more must this be true in the case of thoughts, partless entities as they are, impinging upon the centre of consciousness which [to receive them] must itself be void of part.

Either this or, supposing the centre of consciousness to be a thing of quantity and extension, the sensible object will coincide with it point by point of their co-expansion so that any given point in the faculty will perceive solely what coincides with it in the object: and thus nothing in us could perceive any thing as a whole.

This cannot be: the faculty entire must be a unity; no such dividing is possible; this is no matter in which we can think of equal sections coinciding; the centre of consciousness has no such relation of equality with any sensible object. The only possible ratio of divisibility would be that of the number of diverse elements in the impinging sensation: are we then to suppose that each part of the soul, and every part of each part, will have perception? Or will the part of the parts have none? That is impossible: every part, then, has perception; the [hypothetical] magnitude, of soul and each part of soul, is infinitely divisible; there will therefore be in each part an infinite number of perceptions of the object, and therefore an infinitude of representations of it at our centre of consciousness.¹

¹ Plotinus: *Ennead* IV, vii, “The Immortality of the Soul,” ¶ 6 (tr. MacKenna & Page). Full text in our Hellenic and Hellenistic Papers. — ED. PHIL.

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Reason being a faculty of our physical brain, one which is justly defined as that of deducing inferences from premises, and being wholly dependent on the evidence of other senses, cannot be a quality pertaining directly to our divine spirit. The latter *knows* — hence, all reasoning which implies discussion and argument would be useless. So an entity, which, if it must be considered as a direct emanation from the eternal Spirit of wisdom, has to be viewed as possessed of the same attributes as the essence or the whole of which it is a part. Therefore, it is with a certain degree of logic that the ancient theurgists maintained that the *rational* part of man's soul (spirit) never entered wholly into the man's body, but only overshadowed him more or less through the *irrational* or astral soul, which serves as an intermediary agent, or a medium between spirit and body. The man who has conquered matter sufficiently to receive the direct light from his shining *Augoeides*, feels truth intuitively; he could not err in his judgment, notwithstanding all the sophisms suggested by cold reason, for he is ILLUMINATED. Hence, prophecy, vaticination, and the so-called Divine inspiration are simply the effects of this illumination from above by our own immortal spirit.¹

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We will now . . . consider the question of *reason* and *instinct*. The latter, according to the ancients, proceeded from the divine, the former from the purely human. One (the instinct) is the product of the senses, a sagaciousness shared by the lowest animals, even those who have no reason — it is the *αισθητικόν*; the other is the product of the reflective faculties — *νοητικόν*, denoting judiciousness and human intellectuality. Therefore, an animal devoid of reasoning powers has in its inherent instinct an un-

¹ *Isis Unveiled*, I pp. 305-6

erring faculty which is but that spark of the divine which lurks in every particle of inorganic matter — itself materialized spirit.¹

In animals and idiots the instinctual consciousness on the lower planes of sensation is in this state [of Psychic or Passional-Emotional Consciousness]; in man these are rationalized. For instance, if a dog is shut up in a room, it has the instinct to get out, but is unable to do so because this instinct is not sufficiently rationalized to take the means necessary for its liberation. A man at once takes in the situation, and lets himself out. The highest degrees of this Kāma-Mānasic consciousness are psychic, there being within this sub-plane, as with all others, seven degrees from the instinctual and psychic.²

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Instinct is the universal endowment of nature by the Spirit of the Deity itself; reason the slow development of our physical constitution, an evolution of our adult material brain. Instinct, as a divine spark, lurks in the unconscious nerve-centre of the ascidian mollusc, and manifests itself at the first stage of action of its nervous system as what the physiologist terms the reflex action. It exists in the lowest classes of the acephalous animals, as well as in those that have distinct heads; it grows and develops according to the law of the double evolution, physically and spiritually; and entering upon its conscious stage of development and progress in the cephalous species already endowed with a sensorium and symmetrically arranged ganglia, this reflex action, whether men of science term it *automatic*, as in the lowest species, or *instinctive*, as in the more complex organisms which act under the guidance of the sensorium and the stimulus originating in distinct sensation, is still one and the same thing. It is the *divine instinct* in its ceaseless progress of development. This instinct of the animals, which act from the moment of their birth each in the confines prescribed to them by nature, and which know how, save in accident proceeding from a higher instinct than their own, to take care of themselves unerringly — this instinct may, for the sake of exact definition, be termed automatic; but it must have either within the animal which possesses it or *without*, something's or someone's *intelligence* to guide it.³

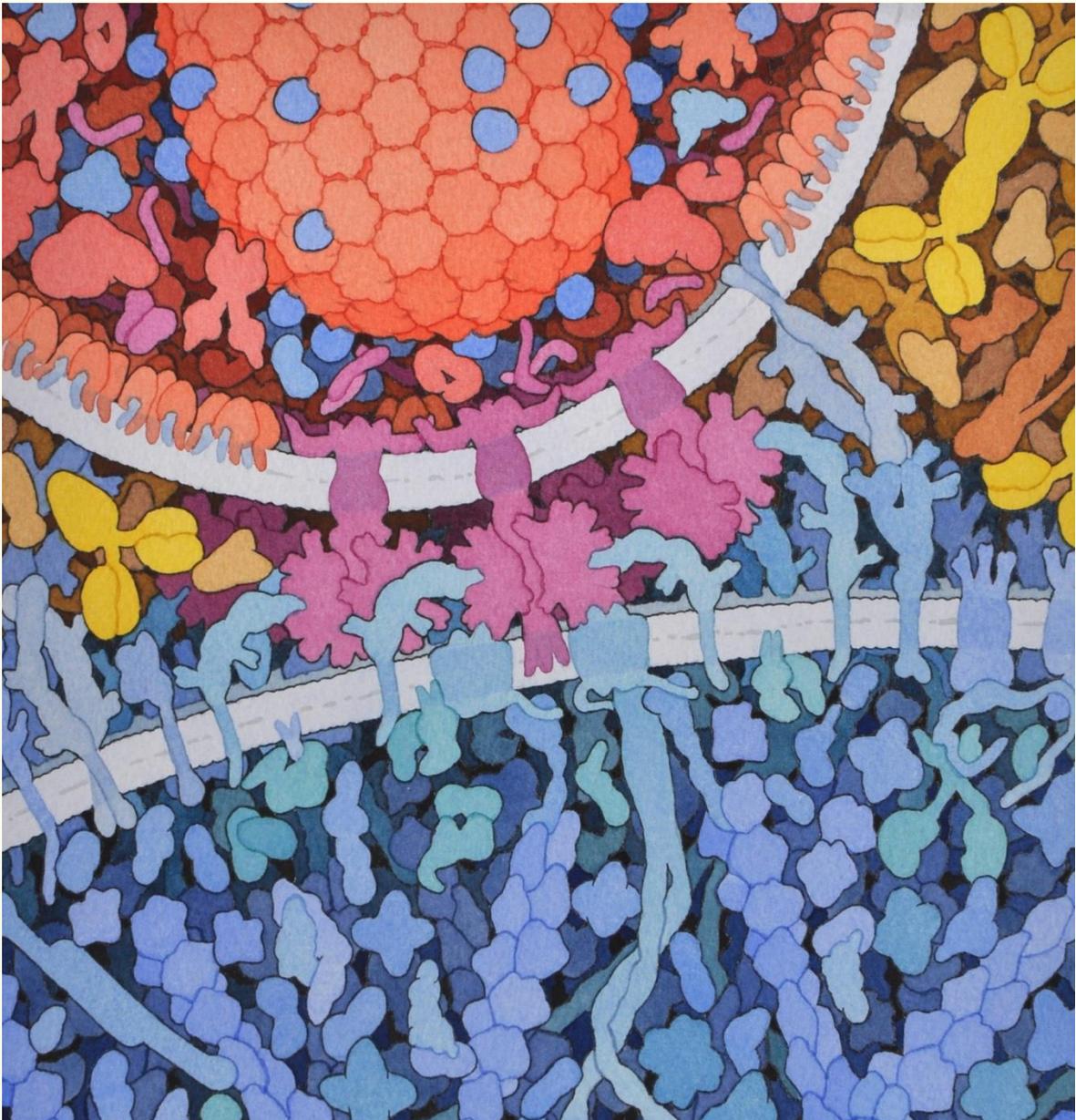
¹ *Isis Unveiled*, I pp. 432-33

² *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. IV) XII p. 662; [on “Kāma-Mānasic, Psychic, or Passional-Emotional Consciousness.”]

³ *Isis Unveiled*, I p. 425

Reason can only develop at the expense of natural instinct.

. . . reason, which, as Cabanis¹ says, develops only at the expense and loss of natural instinct, is a Chinese wall slowly rising on the soil of sophistry, and which finally shuts out man's spiritual perceptions of which the instinct is one of the most important examples. Arrived at certain stages of physical prostration, when mind and the reasoning faculties seem paralyzed through weakness and bodily exhaustion, instinct — the spiritual *unity* of the five senses — sees, hears, feels, tastes, and smells, unimpaired by either time or space.²



¹ P.J.G. Cabanis, *Rapport du Physique et du Moral de l'Homme*, Paris, 1802. Vol. II. ch. vii: "Influence des maladies sur la formation des idées," pp. 61-62. A respected New York legislator has this faculty.

² *Isis Unveiled*, I p. 145

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Water, one of four primordial Elements, was transmitted to us by the Fourth Root-Race, as we shall transmit Ether, the Fifth Element, to the Sixth. Then our Sixth Sense shall be awakened.

Now *Wind, Air* and *Spirit* have ever been synonymous with every nation. *Pneuma* (Spirit) and *Anemos* (wind) with the Greeks, *Spiritus* and *Ventus* with the Latins, were convertible terms even if dissociated from the original idea of the breath of life. In the “Forces” of Science we see but the *material effect of the spiritual affect* of one or the other of the four primordial Elements, transmitted to us by the 4th Race, as we shall transmit Ether (or rather the gross subdivision of it) in its fullness to the Sixth Root Race.¹

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The faculties, or what is perhaps the best available term, the characteristics of matter, must clearly bear a direct relation always to the senses of man. Matter has extension, colour, motion (molecular motion), taste, and smell, corresponding to the existing senses of man, and by the time that it fully develops the next characteristic — let us call it for the moment PERMEABILITY — this will correspond to the next sense of man — let us call it “NORMAL CLAIRVOYANCE”; thus, when some bold thinkers have been thirsting for a fourth dimension to explain the passage of matter through matter, and the production of knots upon an endless cord, what they were really in want of, was a *sixth characteristic of matter*.²

¹ *Secret Doctrine*, I p. 342

² *ibid.*, I p. 251

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The Second Round brought forth and developed two Elements — Fire and Earth — and *its* humanity, adapted to this condition of Nature, if we can give the name Humanity to beings living under conditions unknown to men, was — to use again a familiar phrase in a strictly figurative sense (the only way in which it can be used correctly) — “a two-dimensional species.” The processes of natural development which we are now considering will at once elucidate and discredit the fashion of speculating on the attributes of the *two*, *three*, and *four* or more “dimensional Space”; but in passing, it is worthwhile to point out the real significance of the sound but incomplete intuition that has prompted — among Spiritualists and Theosophists, and several great men of Science, for the matter of that¹ — the use of the modern expression, “the fourth dimension of Space.” To begin with, of course, the superficial absurdity of assuming that Space itself is measurable in any direction is of little consequence. The familiar phrase can only be an abbreviation of the fuller form — the “*Fourth dimension of MATTER in Space.*”² But it is an unhappy phrase even thus expanded, because while it is perfectly true that the progress of evolution may be destined to introduce us to new characteristics of matter, those with which we are already familiar are really more numerous than the three dimensions.³

For since the three dimensions belong to a single characteristic of matter, i.e., extension, common sense justly rebels against the suggestion that there can be more than three.

The three dimensions belong really but to one attribute or characteristic of matter — extension; and popular common sense justly rebels against the idea that under any condition of things there can be more than three of such dimensions as length, breadth, and thickness. These terms, and the term “dimension” itself, all belong to one plane of thought, to one stage of evolution, to one characteristic of matter. So long as there are foot rules within the resources of Kosmos, to apply to matter, so long will they be able to measure it three ways and no more; and from the time the idea of measurement first occupied a place in the human understanding, it has been possible to apply measurement in three directions and no more. But these considerations do not militate in any way against the certainty that in the progress of time — as the faculties of humanity are multiplied — so will the characteristics of matter be multiplied also. Meanwhile, the expression is far more incorrect than even the familiar one of the “Sun rising or setting.”⁴

¹ Professor Zöllner’s theory has been more than welcomed by several Scientists — who are Spiritualists — Professors Butlerof and Wagner, of St. Petersburg, for instance.

² “The giving reality to Abstractions is the error of Realism. Space and Time are frequently viewed as separated from all the concrete experiences of the mind, instead of being generalizations of these in certain aspects.” (Bain, *Logic*, Part II, p. 389; 1873 ed.)

³ *Secret Doctrine*, I p. 251

⁴ *ibid.*, I pp. 251-52

When the Fifth Principle has merged with the Sixth, man will acquire and enjoy Jnanashakti, the power and privileges of enlightened mind.

Jñānaśakti: Literally the power of intellect or real wisdom or knowledge. It has two aspects:

The following are *some* of its manifestations *when placed under the influence or control of material conditions*.

- 1 The power of the mind in interpreting our sensations.
- 2 Its power in recalling past ideas (memory) and raising future expectation.
- 3 Its power as exhibited in what are called by modern psychologists “the laws of association,” which enables it to form *persisting* connections between various groups of sensations and possibilities of sensations, and thus generate the notion or idea of an external object.
- 4 Its power in connecting our ideas together by the mysterious link of memory, and thus generating the notion of self or individuality; [*some*] of its manifestations *when liberated from the bonds of matter* [are]:

(a) Clairvoyance,

(b) Psychometry.¹

This is real, spiritual clairvoyance as opposed to psychic. The latter, is abnormal and counterfeit; the former, normal and real.

Spiritual clairvoyance is derived from the Sun; all psychic states, diseases, and even lunacy, proceed from the Moon.²

Clairvoyance [is] the faculty of seeing with the inner eye or spiritual sight. As now used it is a loose and flippant term, embracing under its meaning a happy guess due to natural shrewdness or intuition, and also that faculty which was so remarkably exercised by Jacob Boehme and Swedenborg. Real clairvoyance means the faculty of seeing through the densest matter (the latter disappearing at the will and before the spiritual eye of the Seer), and irrespective of time (past, present and future) or distance.³

At the close of our Race, people, it is said, through suffering and discontent, will become more spiritual. Clairvoyance will become a general faculty. We shall be approaching the spiritual state of the Third and Second Races.⁴

¹ *Secret Doctrine*, I p. 292; [quoting from T. Subba Row’s “Twelve Signs of the Zodiac,” *The Theosophist*, Vol. III, November, 1881, pp. 41-44; also *Five Years of Theosophy* (1885), pp. 110-11. [Words in square brackets are by H.P. Blavatsky’s. Cf. full text of Subba Row’s article in our Secret Doctrine’s First Proposition Series. Also cf. Jñānaśakti in the context of the other six mental powers in Appendix B of this compilation, “Faculties of the Sixth Race Mind.” — ED. PHIL.]

² *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (FACTS UNDERLYING ADEPT BIOGRAPHIES) XIV pp. 142-43

³ *Theosophical Glossary*: Clairvoyance

⁴ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (CYCLES AND AVATARAS) XIV p. 356 fn. [on *Vishnu-Purāna*, IV, ch. xxiv, 228-29; tr. Wilson]

Man is the child of Cyclic Destiny. Cycles of Materiality will be succeeded by Cycles of Spirituality, and fully developed faculties will open up the Sixth Sense. The majority of future men will be glorious Adepts.

Thus it is the mankind of the New world — one by far the senior of our Old one, a fact men had also forgotten — of *Pātāla* (the Antipodes, or the Nether World, as America is called in India), whose mission and Karma it is, to sow the seeds for a forthcoming, grander, and far more glorious Race than any of those we know of at present [the Fifth]. The Cycles of Matter will be succeeded by Cycles of Spirituality and a fully developed mind. On the law of parallel history and races, the majority of the future mankind will be composed of glorious Adepts. Humanity is the child of cyclic Destiny, and not one of its Units can escape its unconscious mission, or get rid of the burden of its co-operative work with nature. Thus will mankind, race after race, perform its appointed cycle-pilgrimage. Climates will, and have already begun, to change, each tropical year¹ after the other dropping one sub-race, but only to beget another higher race on the ascending cycle; while a series of other less favoured groups — the failures of nature — will, like some individual men, vanish from the human family without even leaving a trace behind.

Such is the course of Nature under the sway of KARMIC LAW: of the ever present and the ever-becoming Nature. For, in the words of a Sage, known only to a few Occultists:

“THE PRESENT IS THE CHILD OF THE PAST; THE FUTURE, THE BEGOTTEN OF THE PRESENT. AND YET, O PRESENT MOMENT! KNOWEST THOU NOT THAT THOU HAST NO PARENT, NOR CANST THOU HAVE A CHILD; THAT THOU ART EVER BEGETTING BUT THYSELF? BEFORE THOU HAST EVEN BEGUN TO SAY ‘I AM THE PROGENY OF THE DEPARTED MOMENT, THE CHILD OF THE PAST,’ THOU HAST BECOME THAT PAST ITSELF. BEFORE THOU UTTEREST THE LAST SYLLABLE, BEHOLD! THOU ART NO MORE THE PRESENT BUT VERILY THAT FUTURE. THUS, ARE THE PAST, THE PRESENT, AND THE FUTURE, THE EVER-LIVING TRINITY IN ONE — THE MAHĀMĀYĀ OF THE ABSOLUTE IS.”²

Having acquired physical development at the expense of spirituality from the Second Root-Race to the end of the Fourth, Fifth Race humanity has now crossed the meridian of perfect adjustment between Spirit and Matter, or equilibrium between spiritual perception and brain intellect.

The whole range of physical phenomena proceed from the *Primary* of Ether — Ākāśa, as dual-natured Ākāśa proceeds from undifferentiated *Chaos*, so-called, the latter being the primary *aspect* of Mūlaprakriti, the root-matter and the first abstract Idea one can form of Parabrahman. Modern Science may divide its hypothetically conceived ether in as many ways as it likes; the *real* Æther of Space will remain as it is

¹ [Note 21 by Boris de Zirkoff, pp. 446 & 505: “H.P. Blavatsky. uses the term *Tropical Year* in the same way as the term *Sidereal Year*, meaning the Precessional Cycle of 25,900 ordinary years (at times given as 25,868 years). This should be clearly kept in mind, to avoid a possible confusion with the present-day astronomical term *tropical year* which means the interval between two successive returns of the sun to the vernal equinox. Its length is 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, 46.0 seconds (or 365.24220 days) of mean solar time; it is now diminishing at the rate of 0.53 seconds a century. It is the year of the seasons, the ordinary year to which the calendar must conform. Owing to the westward precession of the equinox, the tropical year is twenty minutes shorter than the sidereal year.”]

² *Secret Doctrine*, II pp. 444-46

throughout. It has its seven principles, as all the rest of nature has, and were there was no Ether *there would be no sound*, as it is the vibrating soundboard in nature in all of its seven differentiations. This is the first mystery the Initiates of old have learned. Our present normal physical senses were (from our present point of view) abnormal in those days¹ of slow and progressive downward evolution and fall into matter. And there was a day when all that which in our modern times is regarded as phenomena, so puzzling to the physiologists now compelled to believe in them — such as thought transference, clairvoyance, clairaudience, etc., in short, all that which is called now “wonderful and abnormal” — all that and much more belonged to the senses and faculties common to all humanity. We are, however, cycling back and cycling forward; *i.e.*, having lost in spirituality that which we acquired in physical development until almost the end of the Fourth Race, we (mankind) are as gradually and imperceptibly losing now in the physical all that we regain once more in the spiritual *re*-evolution. This process must go on until the period which will bring the Sixth Root-Race on a parallel line with the spirituality of the Second, long extinct mankind.²

But as the Sixth Sense has hardly sprouted above the soil of materiality, few can at present enjoy the legitimate outgrowth and endowments of the higher life.

As to the 6th sense of this, our [5th] race, it has hardly sprouted above the soil of its materiality. It is highly unreasonable, therefore, to expect for the men of the 5th to sense the nature and essence of that which will be fully *sensed* and perceived but by the 6th — let alone the 7th race — *i.e.*, to enjoy the legitimate outgrowth of the evolution and endowments of the future races with only the help of our present limited senses. The exceptions to this quasi universal rule have been hitherto found only in some rare cases of constitutional, abnormally precocious individual evolutions; or, in such, where by early training and special methods, reaching the stage of the 5th rounders, some men in addition to the natural gift of the latter have fully developed (by certain occult methods) their sixth, and in still rarer cases their seventh, sense. As an instance of the former class may be cited the Seeress of Prévorst; a creature born *out of time*, a rare precocious growth, ill adapted to the uncongenial atmosphere that surrounded her, hence a martyr ever ailing and sickly. As an example of the other, the Count St. Germain may be mentioned. Apace with the anthropological and physiological development of man runs his spiritual evolution. To the latter, purely intellectual growth is often more an impediment than a help. An instance: Radiant stuff — “the fourth state of matter” — has been hardly discovered, and no one — the eminent discoverer himself not excepted — has yet any idea of its full importance, its possibilities, its connection with physical phenomena, or even its bearing upon the most puzzling scientific problems.³ How then can any “Adept” attempt to prove the fallacy of much that is predicated in the nebular and solar theories when the only means by which he could successfully prove his position is an appeal to, and the ex-

¹ [Second Root-Race]

² *Secret Doctrine*, II pp. 536-37; [see “Diagram 1 - Root-Races in the Fourth Round” in our Secret Doctrine’s Third Proposition Series. Herein excerpted on page 17.]

³ [See note by Boris de Zirkoff, pp. 264-65, *op. cit.*]

hibition of, that sixth sense consciousness which the physicist cannot postulate? Is not this plain?¹

When the Third² or Dangma Eye of the Stanzas of Dzyan opens again, the minds of those who will live at that time shall be awakened and become as pellucid as crystal.



Pivotal attributes of the first four Root-Races (Table).

There now follows, overleaf, a table from “Proposition 3 – The first four Root-Races.” Students may consult with profit the metaphysical concepts, study notes, and learning aids set out in our Secret Doctrine’s First, Second, and Third Proposition Series.

Root-Races in the Fourth Round (Diagram).

The above table is then followed by a diagram, from the same series. — ED. PHIL.

¹ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (REPLIES TO AN ENGLISH F.T.S.) V pp. 144-45

² [Synonymous terms by ED. PHIL:

Cyclopean Eye, Deva Eye (Devāksha), Dhyāni-Chohans (generic name for the creative powers of the Hierarchy of Compassion), Eye of Śiva, Hanoch or Hermes (son of Seth and generic name of early seers), Initiator’s Instructor, Inner Eye or Seer, Seth or Agathodaimōn (progenitor of the Third Race), Voice of the Silence.

While Buddhi is wedded to Ātman, man’s spiritual energy remains dormant. If galvanized by the essence of Manas, Buddhi awakens and becomes an active, irresistible centre of spiritual force and guidance.]

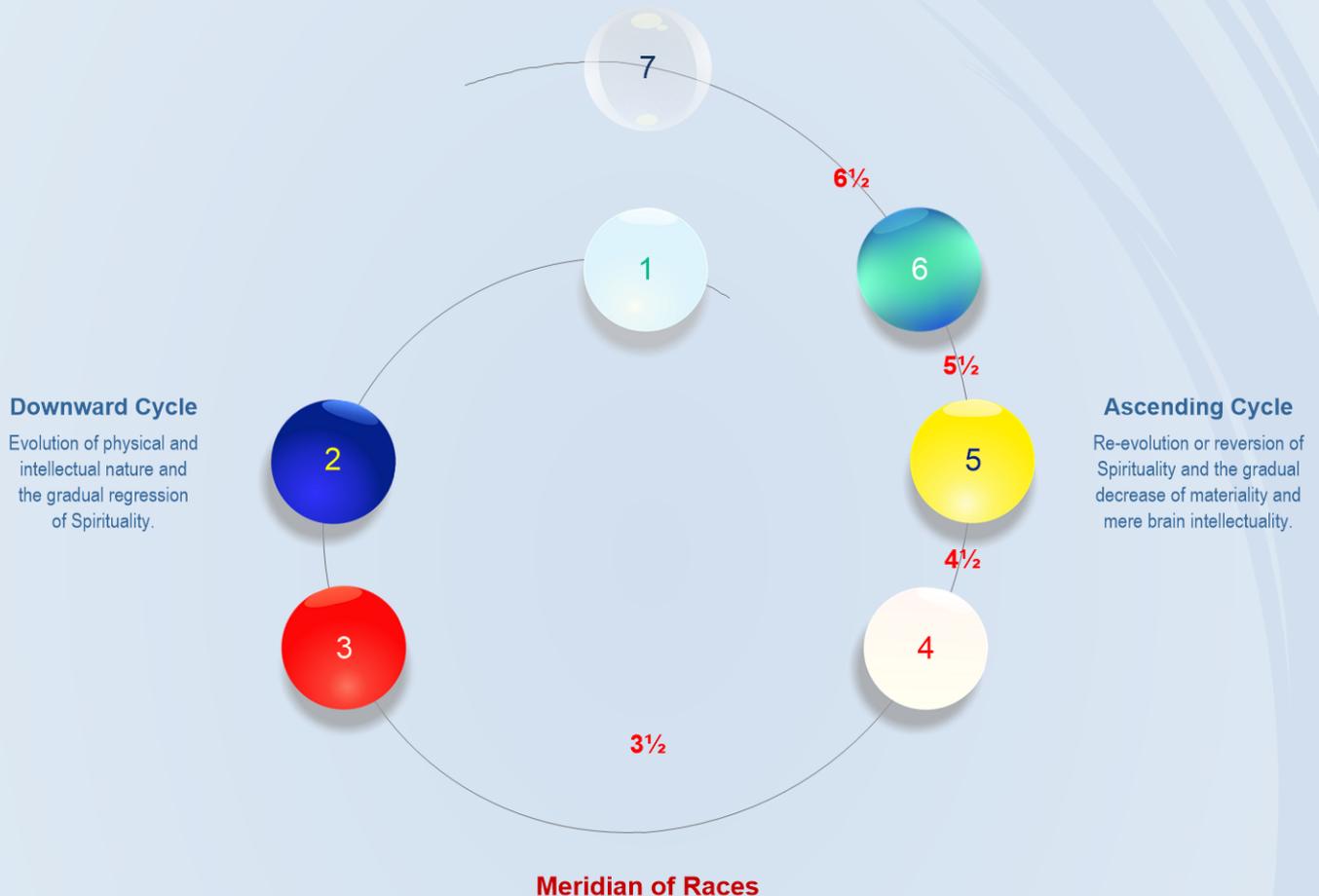
Pivotal attributes of the first four Root-Races.

Race	Watcher	Procreation	Appearance	Cognition	Speech	Demise	Parallels
1. Shadows (Chhayas), Astral Sons of Yoga, Self-existent and Self-born. (Adam 2 of Genesis. Adam 1 is Kadmon, Heavenly Man or Second Logos.)	Watched by the Sun, Lunar Ancestors (Pitris), or Lords of the Moon, gave their body.		Ethereal, "moon-coloured," phantom-like. Neither type nor colour, and hardly an objective, though colossal form.	Unintelligent, mindless (amanasa), i.e., mind not yet awakened.	Speechless, because mindless.	Neither flood nor fire could destroy them. They disappeared in the second race without either begetting it, procreating it, or dying.	Ātma / Hearing / Aether (Inner or noetic hearing dwarfed to outer, or mere physical, in the early Fifth Race.)
2.1 Early Second, Fathers of the Sweat-born.	Watched by Brihaspati-Jupiter.	Sexless (devoid of sex, i.e., latent hermaphrodites), by fission.	Boneless giants, i.e., soft-boned semi-human monsters.	Weak spark of intelligence.	Chant-like vowel sounds.	But their "Sons," the Second Root-Race, could be, and were so, destroyed.	Buddhi / Touch / Air (The "odd" eye was the only seeing organ.)
2.2 Late Second, Sweat-born race begins.		Asexual (no distinct sex, i.e., inactive hermaphrodites), by budding.					
3.1 Early Lemurian, Sweat-born race continues. Sons of Passive Yoga produced unconsciously by the Second Race. (Adam and Eve.)	Watched by Sukra-Venus.	Still asexual, amoeba-like, by exudation of vital fluid, the drops of which coalesced to form an oviform ball, nourished from without.	One-eyed (i.e., organ of objective sight. Not the third eye of Fourth Race Initiates, the "Sons of Cycles" or Cyclopes, which is the reverse.)	Still mindless, hence sinless.	Slight improvement on the sounds of Nature, on the cry of gigantic insects, and of the first animals that, however, were hardly nascent.	Second sub-race of First Race came to an end in the second sub-race of the Third.	
3.2 Middle Lemurian, Egg-born androgynous.		Bisexual (partaking of the attributes of both sexes, i.e., separating hermaphrodites), nourished from within.	Three-eyed, four-armed, with light yellow-gold complexes. Bones solidified.	Awakening intelligence. Lowest point in the arc of descent reached. Axle of the wheel tilted.	Speech was no better than a tentative effort. Communicated by thought-transference.	First Root-Race came to an end altogether. For, men had lost their balance.	
3.3 Late Lemurian, Womb-born race of men and women begins.	Solar Ancestors (Pitris), or Sons of Mind (Manasaputras), gave their mind.	Separation of sexes begun in the fifth sub-race, foreshadowing the "fall" of Spirit.	Stature begins decreasing. Twin physical eyes now prominent.	Intelligence about to be succumbed to temptations of personal desires (Kama).	Monosyllabic speech of vowel pattern mixed with hard consonants.		Higher Manas / Sight / Fire (i.e., light. Third eye became a gland.)
4. Atlantean, Womb-born race continues. (Adam 3 of Genesis.)	Watched by Soma-Moon.	Separation of sexes completed and thus creation of the first human species accomplished, but at a high cost: "The whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth." (Romans viii, 22)	Two-eyed, two-armed, red-yellow at first, larger in size than now, with body symmetry peaking in the middle of the race; brown-white, later. Together with the yellow races, they form the bulk of present-day humanity.	Intelligence fully awakened. Acquired knowledge of good and evil. At the middle point of the race, karmic balance was struck. No more animal monads can now enter the human kingdom.	Agglutinative languages developed, followed by inflectional speech, root of Sanskrit and first true language; now the mystery tongue of Fifth Race Initiates.	Black magic, bestiality, and self-adoration spelled the demise of that proud race by rising waves. "They perished to the last man, the soil sinking under their feet and the earth engulfing those who had desecrated her." (Comm.)	Lower Manas / Taste / Water. (Twin eyes, organs of objective sight, now fully developed. Third eye continues functioning till nearly the end of the race.)

Evolution of Root-Races in the Fourth Round

"We [the Fifth Root-Race] in our first half [of duration] onward [on the now ASCENDING arc of the cycle] are on the mid point of [or between] the First and the Second Races — falling downward [i.e., the races were then on the descending arc of the cycle]. . . . Calculate for thyself, Lanoo, and see." (Commentary, xx)

Calculating as advised, we find that during that transitional period — namely, in the second half of the First Spiritual ethero-astral race — nascent mankind was devoid of the intellectual brain element. As it was on its *descending* line, and as we are parallel to it, on the *ascending*, we are, therefore devoid of the Spiritual element, which is now replaced by the intellectual. For, remember well, as we are in the *manasa* period of our cycle of races, or in the Fifth, we have, therefore, crossed the meridian point of the perfect adjustment of Spirit and Matter — or that equilibrium between brain intellect and Spiritual perception.



Humanity has crossed the meridian of perfect adjustment between Spirit and Matter, or equilibrium between spiritual perception and brain intellect

One important point has, however, to be borne in mind. We are only in the Fourth Round, and it is in the Fifth that the full development of Manas, as a direct ray from the Universal MAHAT — a ray unimpeded by matter — will be finally reached. Nevertheless, as every sub-race and nation have their cycles and stages of developmental evolution repeated on a smaller scale, it must be the more so in the case of a Root-Race. Our race then has, as a Root-race, crossed the equatorial line and is cycling onward on the Spiritual side; but some of our sub-races still find themselves on the shadowy descending arc of their respective national cycles; while others again — the oldest — having crossed their crucial point, which alone decides whether a race, a nation, or a tribe will live or perish, are at the apex of spiritual development as sub-races.

From *The Secret Doctrine*, II pp. 300-1. Diagram redrawn and coloured by Philaletheians EU.



Finally, when the Sixth Sense has awakened the Seventh,¹ Chrēstos shall be regenerated as Christos and will illumine the souls of all men.

“And they will listen to my voice; and they shall become one flock under one Shepherd.”²

Therefore, the time is still far distant when “all the people of the universe will form one flock under one shepherd.” Human nature will have to be completely modified before it occurs. We will have to attain the Seventh Race, according to the prophecy of the Book of *Dzyan*,³ because it is then that the “Christos” — designated by his various pagan names, as well as those of the Gnostics “heretics” — will reign in the soul of every individual, in the soul of all those who shall have first accepted the *Chrēst*⁴ — I do not say simply those who will have become *Christians*, which is quite another thing. For, let us proclaim it once for all, the word *Christ*, which means the *glorified*, the *triumphant*, and also the “anointed” (from the word *χρίω*, to anoint) cannot be applied to Jesus.^{5, 6}



¹ Cf. “When a man is in his normal condition, the introspective Adept can see the golden Aura pulsating in both the [Pineal and Pituitary] glands, a pulsation, like that of the heart, never ceasing throughout life. This motion, however, under the abnormal condition of effort to develop clairvoyant faculties, becomes intensified, and the Aura takes on a stronger vibratory and pulsating or swinging action. The arc (of the Pituitary Gland) mounts upward, more and more, toward the Pineal Gland, until finally the current striking it, just as when the electric current strikes some solid object, the dormant organ is awakened and set all aglowing with the pure Akāśic Fire. This is the psycho-physiological illustration of two organs on the physical plane, which are the concrete symbols of, and represent respectively, the metaphysical concepts called Manas and Buddhi. The latter, in order to become conscious on this plane, needs the more differentiated fire of Manas; but *once the sixth sense has awakened the seventh*, the light which radiates from it illuminates the fields of infinitude: for a brief space of time, man becomes omniscient; the Past and the Future, Space and Time, disappear and become for him the Present. If an Adept, he will store that knowledge he thus gains, in his physical memory and nothing — save the crime of indulging in Black Magic — can obliterate the remembrance of it. If only a Chela, portions alone of the whole truth will impress themselves on his memory, and he will have to repeat the process for years, never allowing one speck of impurity to stain him mentally or physically, before he becomes a fully initiated Adept.” *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. III) XII pp. 617-18

² *John* x, 16; Weymouth NT

³ A Tibetan word, the Sanskrit *Jñāna*, occult wisdom, knowledge.

⁴ A word which is neither the *Krest* (cross) of the Slavs, nor the crucified “Christ” of the Latins. The Ray made manifest from that Centre of Life which is hidden from the eyes of Humanity for and in Eternity, the *Christos*, crucified as a body of flesh and bones!!!

⁵ [Having drawn to Madame Blavatsky’s attention that, according to certain scholars, this assertion is erroneous, she answered as follows: “I say the scholars are either lying or talking nonsense. Our *Masters* affirm the statement. If the story of Jehoshua or Jesus Ben-Pandira is false, then the whole *Talmud*, the whole Jewish Canon is false. He was the disciple of Jehoshua Ben Perahiah, the fifth President of the Sanhedrin after Ezra who *re-wrote* the Bible. Compromised in the revolt of the Pharisees against Jannæus in 105 B.C., he fled into Egypt carrying the young Jesus with him. This account is far truer than that of the New Testament which has no record in history.”]

⁶ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (“ESOTERICISM OF CHRISTIAN DOGMA”) VIII pp. 379-80

[*Note to Students*: “Even according to the Gospels, *Jesus was never anointed*, either as High Priest, as King or as Prophet. ‘As a mortal,’ remarks Nork, ‘he was anointed only once, by a woman, and not because he offered himself as king or High Priest, but, as he said himself, *for his burial*.’ Jesus was a *Chrēstos*: *χρηστός ο Κύριος* (the Lord is good), as St. Peter said (*First Epistle* ii, 3), whether he actually lived during the Christian era or a century earlier, in the reign of Alexander Jannæus and his wife Salome, at Lüd, as stated in the *Sepher Toldoth Jeshu*.” *ibid.* Consult “Gautama and Jesus parallel lives” and “Jesus Ben Pandira, the historical Christ” in our *Buddhas and Initiates Series*. — ED. PHIL.]

Appendix A.

Creative and sentient parallels between cosmic and mortal man.

The following order on parallel lines may be found in the evolution of the Elements and the Senses; or in Cosmic terrestrial “MAN” or “Spirit,” and mortal physical man:

Element	Sense	Cumulative development	Consciousness
1. Ether	Hearing	Sound	Waking
2. Air	Touch	Sound, Touch	Waking-dreaming
3. Fire or Light	Sight	Sound, Touch, Colour	Natural sleeping
4. Water	Taste	Sound, Touch, Colour, Taste	Induced sleeping (tranced)
5. Earth	Smell	Sound, Touch, Colour, Taste, Smell	Psychic
6.			Super-psychic
7.			Purely spiritual ¹

These seven senses of ours correspond with every other septenate in nature and in ourselves. Physically, though invisibly, the human Auric Envelope (the amnion of the physical man in every age of life) has seven layers, just as Cosmic Space and our physical epidermis have. It is this aura which, according to our mental and physical state of purity or impurity either opens for us vistas into other worlds, or shuts us out altogether from anything but this three-dimensional world of matter.

Each of our seven physical senses (two of which are still unknown to profane science), and also our seven states of consciousness — *viz*:

- 1 Waking;
- 2 Waking-dreaming;
- 3 Natural sleeping;
- 4 Induced or tranced sleep;
- 5 Psychic;
- 6 Super-psychic; and

¹ *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 107; [correspondences to our seven states of consciousness from *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, XII p. 532, below, appended to this Table.]

7 Purely spiritual — corresponds with one of the seven cosmic planes, develops and uses one of the seven super-senses, and it connected directly, in its use on the terrestro-spiritual plane, with the cosmic and divine centre of force that gave it birth, and which is its direct creator.

Each is also connected with, and under the direct influence of, one of the seven Sacred Planets.^{1, 2}

Of all these [five senses], taste is the grossest and most material; but the faculty of smell and its reactions upon the stream of consciousness are even worse than those of taste. Two more senses will develop in us and express themselves with an appropriate physical apparatus before the manvantara of this present round on this globe has run its course. All these senses are functions of the indwelling consciousness.³



¹ See *Secret Doctrine*, I pp. 572-74

² *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. I) XII p. 532

³ From G. de Purucker's *Fountain-Source of Occultism*, pp. 240-43. In: *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (E.S. INSTRUCTION No. I) XII p. 538

Appendix B.

Faculties of the Sixth Root-Race Mind.

From *The Secret Doctrine*, I pp. 292-93, quoting and commenting upon T. Subba Row's "Twelve Signs of the Zodiac." The full text of T.S. Row's article can be found under the title "The Zodiac is a veil thrown over Cosmogogenesis," in our Secret Doctrine's First Proposition Series.

Kanyā [the sixth sign of the Zodiac, or *Virgo*]. means a Virgin, and represents *Śakti* or *Mahāmāyā*. The sign . . . is the 6th *Rāśi* or division, and indicates that there are six primary forces in Nature [synthesized by the Seventh] . . .

These *Śaktis* stand as follows:

① *Parāśakti*: Literally the great or supreme force or power. It means and includes *the powers of light and heat*.

② *Jñānaśakti*: Literally the power of intellect or real wisdom or knowledge. It has two aspects:

The following are *some* of its manifestations *when placed under the influence or control of material conditions*.

(a) The power of the mind in interpreting our sensations.

(b) Its power in recalling past ideas (memory) and raising future expectation.

(c) Its power as exhibited in what are called by modern psychologists "the laws of association," which enables it to form *persisting* connections between various groups of sensations and possibilities of sensations, and thus generate the notion or idea of an external object.

(d) Its power in connecting our ideas together by the mysterious link of memory, and thus generating the notion of self or individuality; [*some*] of its manifestations *when liberated from the bonds of matter* [are]:

Clairvoyance,

Psychometry.

③ *Ichchhāśakti*: Literally the *power of the Will*. Its *most ordinary manifestation* is the generation of certain nerve currents which set in motion such muscles as are required for the accomplishment of the desired object.

④ *Kriyāśakti*: The mysterious power of thought which enables it to produce external, perceptible, phenomenal results by its own inherent energy. The ancients held that *any idea will manifest itself externally if one's attention is deeply concentrated upon it*. Similarly, *an intense volition will be followed by the desired result*.

A Yogi generally performs his wonders by means of Ichchhāśakti or Kriyāśakti.

⑤ *Kundalinī-Śakti*: Literally the power or Force which moves in a serpentine or curved path. It is the universal life-principle [manifesting everywhere] in nature. This force includes . . . the two great forces of attraction and repulsion. Electricity and magnetism are but manifestations of it. This is the power . . . which brings about that “continuous adjustment of *internal relations to external relations*” which is the essence of life according to Herbert Spencer, and that “*continuous adjustment of external relations to internal relations*” which is the basis of transmigration of souls, *punarjanman* (re-birth) according to the doctrines of the ancient Hindu philosophers. A Yogi must thoroughly subjugate this power . . . before he can attain Moksha. . . .

⑥ *Māntrikā-Śakti*: Literally the force or power of letters or speech or music. . . . The *Mantra Śāstra* has for its subject-matter this force in all its manifestations . . . The influence of [melody] is one of its ordinary manifestations. The power of the mirific ineffable name is the crown of this Śakti.

Modern science has but partly investigated the first, second and fifth of the forces above named, but is altogether in the dark as regards the remaining powers . . . The six forces are in their unity represented by the *Astral Light* [*Daivīprakṛiti*, the Seventh, the light of the Logos].¹

The above is quoted to show the real Hindu ideas on the same. It is all esoteric, though not covering the tenth part of *what might be said*. For one, the six names of the Six Forces mentioned are those of *the six Hierarchies* of Dhyāni-Chohans synthesized by their *Primary*, the seventh, who personify the Fifth Principle of Cosmic Nature, or of the “Mother” in its Mystical Sense. The enumeration alone of the *yoga* Powers would require ten volumes. Each of these Forces has a *living Conscious Entity* at its head, of which entity it is an emanation.²



¹ *The Theosophist*, Vol. III, November, 1881, pp. 41-44; also *Five Years of Theosophy* (1885), pp. 110-11. [Words in square brackets are by H.P. Blavatsky. Consult full text of Subba Row’s Twelve Signs of the Zodiac under the title “The Zodiac is a veil thrown over Cosmogogenesis,” in our Secret Doctrine’s First Proposition Series. — ED. PHIL.]

² *Secret Doctrine*, I pp. 292-93

Appendix C. Enoch-Enoïchion is Inner Voice and Eye.

Synonymous terms by ED. PHIL.

Cyclopean Eye, Deva Eye (Devāksha), Dhyāni-Chohans (generic name for the creative powers of the Hierarchy of Compassion), Eye of Dangma of the stanzas of Dzyan, Eye of Siva, Hanōkh or Hermes (son of Seth and generic name of early seers), Initiator's Instructor, Inner Eye or Seer,¹ Seth or Agathodaimōn (progenitor of the Third Race), Voice of the Silence.

While Buddhi is wedded to Ātman, man's spiritual energy remains dormant. If galvanized by the essence of Manas, Buddhi awakens and becomes an active, irresistible centre of spiritual force and guidance.

The prophecies of Enoch extend to the end of our present Root - Race but are not his own, they were given by a great Seer.

Appendix C, herein excerpted from "Appendices to the first four Root-Races," Secret Doctrine's Third Proposition Series — ED. PHIL.

The prophecies of the *Book of Enoch* are indeed prophetic, but they were intended for, and cover the records of, the five Races out of the seven — everything relating to the last two being kept secret. Thus the remark made by the Editor of the English translation, that:

Chapter xcii records a series of prophecies extending from Enoch's own time to about one thousand years beyond the present generation,²

is faulty. The prophecies extend to the end of our present Race, not merely to a "thousand years" hence. Very true that:

In the system of [Christian] chronology adopted, a day stands [occasionally] for hundred, and a week for seven hundred years.³

But this is an arbitrary and fanciful system adopted by Christians to make Biblical chronology fit with facts or theories, and does not represent the original thought. The "days" stand for the undetermined periods of the Side-Races, and the "weeks" for the Sub-Races, the Root-Races being referred to by an expression that is not even found in the English translation. Moreover the sentence at the bottom of page 150: →

¹ Cf. "In India it is called 'The Eye of Śiva,' but beyond the great range it is known as 'Dangma's opened eye' in esoteric phraseology. . . . Dangma means a purified soul, one who has become a Jivanmukta, the highest adept, or rather a Mahātma so-called. His 'opened eye' is the inner spiritual eye of the seer, and the faculty which manifests through it is not clairvoyance as ordinarily understood, i.e., the power of seeing at a distance, but rather the faculty of spiritual intuition, through which direct and certain knowledge is obtainable. This faculty is intimately connected with the 'third eye,' which mythological tradition ascribes to certain races of men." (*Secret Doctrine*, I p. 46 fns.)

² *Book of Enoch, the Prophet*, Translated from the Ethiopic MS. in Bodleian Library by Richard Laurence, Archbishop of Cashel. Oxford, 1821; 2nd ed., corrected & revised, 1832; 3rd ed., 1838; also Glasgow, 1878. With Introduction by Chas. Gill, London: Kegan Paul, & Co., 1883; p. xxiii. Consult "Madame Blavatsky on the Book of Enoch," in our Blavatsky Speaks Series. — ED. PHIL.]

³ *loc. cit.*

Subsequently, in the fourth week . . . the visions of the holy and the righteous shall be seen, the order of generation after generation *shall take place*,¹

is quite wrong. It stands in the original: “the order of generation after generation had taken place on the earth,” etc.; that is, after the first human race procreated in the truly human way had sprung up in the Third Root-Races; a change which entirely alters the meaning. Then all that is given in the translation — as very likely also in the Ethiopic text, since the copies have been sorely tampered with — as about things which were to happen in the future, is, we are informed, in the past tense in the original Chaldæan MSS., and is not prophecy, but a narrative of what had already come to pass. When Enoch begins “to speak from a book”² he is reading the account given by a great Seer, and the prophecies are not his own, but are from the Seer. Enoch or Enoïchion means “internal eye” or Seer. Thus every Prophet and Adept may be called “Enoïchion,” without becoming a pseudo-Enoch. But here, the Seer who compiled the present *Book of Enoch* is distinctly shown as reading out from a book:

The First Root-Race came to an end during the second sub-Race of the Third.

I have been born the seventh in the first week [the seventh branch, or Side-Race, of the first Sub-Race, after physical generation had begun, namely, in the third Root-Race] . . . But after me, in the second week [second Sub-Race], great wickedness shall arise [arose, rather] . . . in that week the end of the first shall take place, in which mankind shall be safe. But when the first is completed, iniquity shall grow up . . .³

As translated it has no sense. As it stands in the Esoteric text, it simply means that the First Root-Race shall come to an end during the second Sub-Race of the Third Root-Race, in the period of which time mankind will be safe; all this having no reference whatever to the biblical Deluge. Verse 10th speaks of the sixth week [sixth Sub-Race of the Third Root-Race] when

. . . all those who are in it shall be darkened, the hearts of all of them shall be forgetful of wisdom [the divine knowledge will be dying out], and in it shall a man ascend.

But the Elect of humanity have been already led to safety by their First Hierophant at the very close of the Second Root-Race.

This “man” is taken by the interpreters, for some mysterious reasons of their own, to mean Nebuchadnezzar; he is in reality the first Hierophant of the purely human Race (after the allegorical Fall into generation) selected to perpetuate the dying Wisdom of the Devas (Angels or Elōhīm). He is the first “Son of Man” — the mysterious appellation given to the divine Initiates of the first human school of the Mānushis (men), at the very close of the Third Root-Race. He is also called the “Saviour,” as it was He, with the other Hierophants, who saved the Elect and the Perfect from the geological

¹ Chapter xcii, 9

² *op. cit.*, xcii, 4

³ *op. cit.*, ch. xcii, 4-7

conflagration, leaving to perish in the cataclysm of the Close¹ those who forgot the primeval wisdom in sexual sensuality.

And during its completion [of the “sixth week,” or the sixth Sub-Race] he shall burn the house of dominion [the half of the globe or the then inhabited continent] with fire, and all the race of the elect root shall be dispersed.²

The above applies to the Elect Initiates, and not at all to the Jews, the supposed chosen people, or to the Babylonian captivity, as interpreted by the Christian theologians. Considering that we find Enoch, or his perpetuator, mentioning the execution of the “decree upon sinners” in several different weeks,³ saying that “every work of the ungodly shall disappear from the whole earth” during this fourth time (the Fourth Race), it surely can hardly apply to the one solitary Deluge of the Bible, still less to the Captivity.⁴

The achievements of humanity in arts, sciences, and philosophy from the early Third (Lemurian) to the very end of the Fourth Root-Race (Atlantean) have been concealed by Enoch in the bowels of the Earth before the Deluge.

The Secret Doctrine teaches us that the arts, sciences, theology, and especially the philosophy of every nation which preceded the last *universally known*, but not universal Deluge, had been recorded ideographically from the primitive oral records of the Fourth Race, and that these were the inheritance of the latter from the early Third Root-Race before the allegorical Fall. Hence, also, the Egyptian pillars, the tablets, and even the “white Oriental porphyry stone” of the Masonic legend — which Enoch, fearing that the real and precious secrets would be lost, concealed before the Deluge in the bowels of the Earth — were simply the more or less symbolical and allegorical copies from the primitive Records. The *Book of Enoch* is one of such copies and is a Chaldean, now very incomplete compendium. As already said, *Enoïchion* means in Greek the “inner eye,” or the Seer;⁵ in Hebrew, and with the *help of Masoretic* points it means the initiator and instructor, עֲנוֹךְ. It is a generic title; besides which his legend is that of several other prophets, Jewish and heathen, with changes of made-up details, the root-form being the same. Elijah is also taken up into Heaven *alive*; and the astrologer, at the court of Izdubar, the Chaldean *Hea*-bani, is likewise raised to heaven by the god Hea, who was *his* patron, as Jehovah was of Elijah,

¹ At the close of every Root-Race there comes a cataclysm, in turn by fire or water. Immediately after the “Fall into generation” the dross of the third Root-Race — those who fell into sensuality by falling off from the teaching of the Divine Instructors — were destroyed, after which the Fourth Root-Race originated, at the end of which took place the last Deluge. (See the “Sons of God” mentioned in *Isis Unveiled*, Vol. I, pp. 593 *et seq.*)

² *op. cit.*, ch. xcii, 11

³ *op. cit.*, ch. xcii, 7, 11, 13, 15

⁴ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (THE BOOK OF ENOCH, THE ORIGIN AND THE FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIANITY) XIV pp. 80-82

⁵ [Cf. “The possession of a physical *third eye*, we are told, was enjoyed by the men of the Third Root-Race down to nearly the middle period of Third SUB-race of the Fourth Root-Race, when the consolidation and perfection of the human frame made it disappear from the outward anatomy of man. Psychically and spiritually, however, its mental and visual perceptions lasted till nearly the end of the Fourth Race, when its functions, owing to the materiality and depraved condition of mankind, died out altogether before the submersion of the bulk of the Atlantean continent.” — *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 306]

(whose name means in Hebrew “God-Yāh,” “God is Jehovah”), and again of *Eliyahu*, which has the same meaning.

Euthanasia symbolises the death of the physical body of an adept, who continues to live in his astral body here on earth for the benefit of all living men; not the painless suicide of today’s common man.

This kind of easy death, or *euthanasia*, has an esoteric meaning. It symbolises the death of any adept who has reached the power and degree, as also the purification, which enable him to die only in the physical body and *still live and lead a conscious life* in his astral body. The variations on this theme are endless, but the secret meaning is ever the same. The Pauline expression “that he should not see death” — *ut non videret mortem*¹ — has thus an esoteric meaning, but nothing *supernatural* in it. The mangled interpretation given of some Biblical hints to the effect that Enoch, “whose years will equal those of the world,” (of the *Solar* year, 365 days), will share with Christ and the prophet Elijah the honours and bliss of the last advent and of the destruction of Antichrist — signify, *esoterically*, that some of the great adepts will return in the Seventh Race, when all error will be made away with, and the advent of TRUTH will be heralded by those *Śishtas*, the holy “Sons of Light.”²

Enoch stands for the first sub-Race of the Fifth Root-Race, and as a personification of the two preceding Races.

Esoterically, Enoch is the “Son of man,” the first; and symbolically, the first Sub-Race of the *Fifth* Root-Race.³ And if his name yields for purposes of numerical and astronomical glyphs the meaning of the solar year, or 365, in conformity to the age assigned to him in *Genesis*, it is because, being the seventh, he is, for Occult purposes, the personified period of the two preceding Races with their fourteen Sub-Races. Therefore, he is shown in the Book as the great grandfather of Noah who, in his turn, is the personification of the mankind of the Fifth, struggling with that of the Fourth Root-Race—the great period of the revealed and profaned Mysteries, when the “sons of God” coming down on Earth took for wives the daughters of men, and taught them the secrets of the Angels; in other words, when the “mind-born” men of the Third Race mixed themselves with those of the Fourth, and the divine Science was gradually brought down by men to Sorcery.⁴

He is also a symbol of man’s dual nature: Solar and Spiritual, esoterically; Lunar and Material, exoterically.

Interpreted with the help of merely the symbolical key, Enoch is the type of the dual nature of man — spiritual and physical. Hence he occupies the centre of the astronomical cross (given by Éliphas Lévi from a secret work), which is a six-pointed star, “the Adonāi.” In the upper triangle is the Eagle; in the left lower triangle stands the

¹ *Hebrews* xi, 5

² *Secret Doctrine*, II, § XXI, pp. 540-31

³ In the Bible [*Genesis* iv and v] there are three distinct Enochs [Hanōkh] — the son of Cain, the son of Seth, and the son of Jared; but they are all identical, and two of them are mentioned for the purposes of misleading. The years of only the last two are given, the first one being left without further notice.

⁴ *Blavatsky Collected Writings*, (THE BOOK OF ENOCH, THE ORIGIN AND THE FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIANITY) XIV p. 86

bull; in the right, the lion: while between the bull and the lion, over them and under the eagle, is the face of Enoch or man.¹ Now the figures on the upper triangle represent the Four Races, leaving out the first — the *Chhāyās* or Shadows — and the “Son of Man,” *Enos* or *Enoch*, is in the centre, because he stands between the two (the Fourth and the Fifth) Races, as he represents the Secret Wisdom of both. These are the four animals of *Ezekiel* and of *Revelation*. The double triangle, however, which faces it on page 453, in Vol. II of *Isis Unveiled* — the Hindu *Ardhanārī*² — is by far the best. For there, only the three (for us) historical races are symbolized; the third, the androgynous, by *Ardhanārī*; the fourth, symbolized by the strong, powerful lion; and the fifth — the Āryan — by that which is its most sacred symbol to this day, the bull (and the cow).

A man of great erudition — a French savant — Silvestre de Sacy, finds several most singular statements in the *Book of Enoch*, “worthy of the most serious examination,” he says. For instance, “the author [Enoch] makes the solar year consist of 364 days, and seems to know periods of three, of five, and of eight years, followed by *four* supplementary days, which, in his system, appear to be those of the equinoxes and solstices.” To which he adds, later on, “I see but one means to palliate them [these “absurdities”]; it is to suppose that the author expounds some *fanciful* system which *may have existed* BEFORE THE ORDER OF NATURE HAD BEEN ALTERED AT THE PERIOD OF THE UNIVERSAL DELUGE.”^{3, 4}

His Book is a résumé of the main features of the history of the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Root-Races.

The *Book of Enoch*, in short, is a *résumé*, a compound of the main features of the History of the Third, Fourth and Fifth Races; a very few prophecies from the present age of the world; a long retrospective, introspective and prophetic summary of universal and quite *historical* events — geological, ethnological, astronomical, and psychic — with a touch of Theogony out of the antediluvian records. The Book of this mysterious personage is referred to and quoted copiously in the *Pistis Sophia*, and also in the *Zohar* and its most ancient *Midrashim*. Origen and Clement of Alexandria held it in the highest esteem.⁵ To say, therefore, that it is a post-Christian forgery is to utter an absurdity and to become guilty of an anachronism, since Origen, among others, lived in the second century of the Christian era, yet he mentions it as an ancient and venerable work. The secret and sacred name and its potency are well and clearly though allegorically described in the old volume. From the eighteenth to the fiftieth chapter, the Visions of Enoch are all descriptive of the Mysteries of Initiation, one of which is the Burning Valley of the “Fallen Angels.”⁶

¹ See the illustrative diagram in *Isis Unveiled*, Vol. II, p. 452.

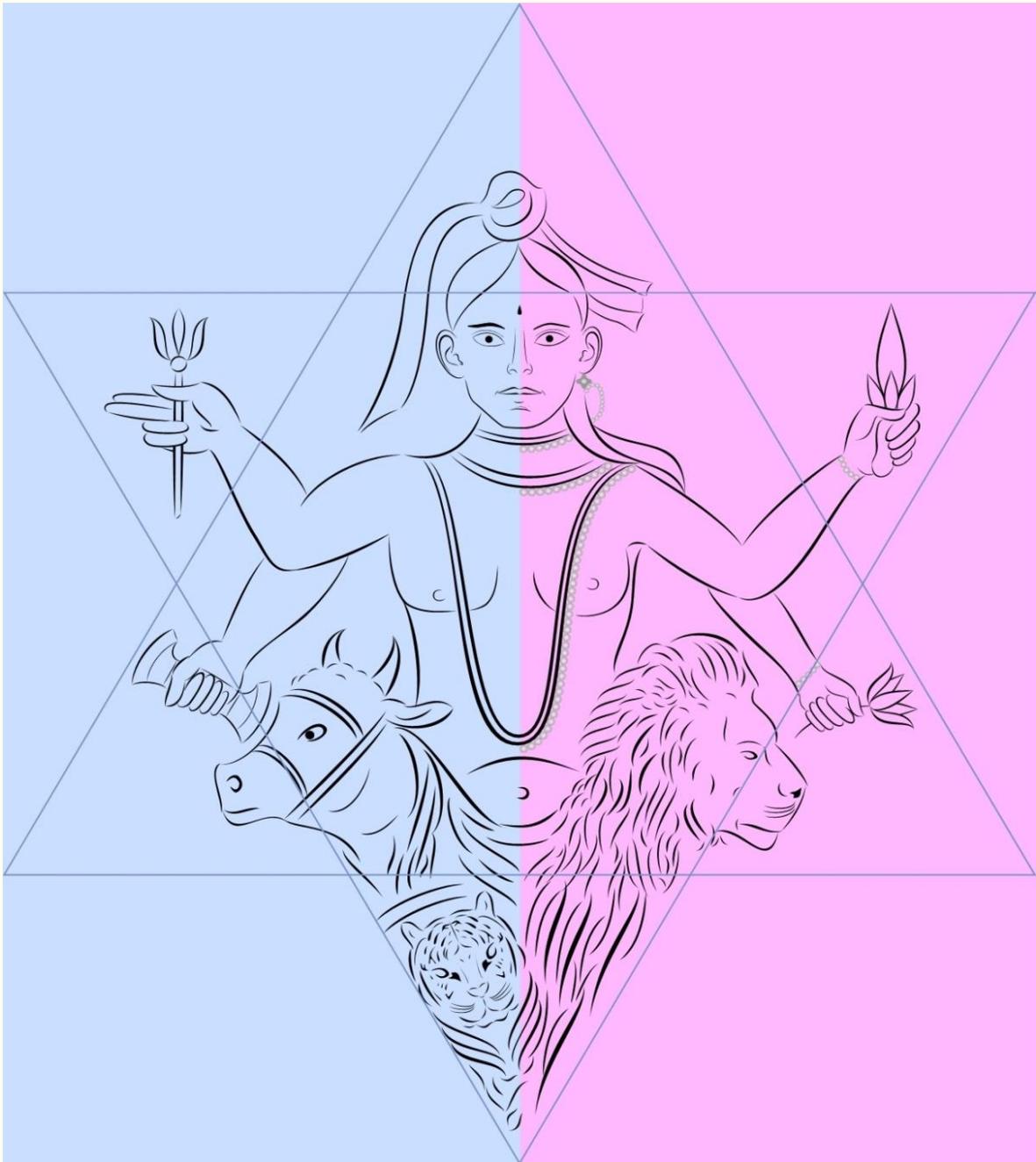
² [See diagram by Philaletheians GR, overleaf. — ED. PHIL.]

³ J.F. Danielo, “Le Livre to la Vision d’Enoch,” *Annales de philosophie chrétienne*, Nouvelle Série, Tome 17, Décembre 1838, p. 393

⁴ *Secret Doctrine*, II, § XXI, p. 533

⁵ [Origen, *De princ.*, IV, i, 35; and *Contra Celsum*, V, liv]

⁶ *Secret Doctrine*, II, § XXI, p. 535



Hermaphrodite Goddess Ardhanari, symbol of Third Root-Race.¹

¹ [Also known as Ammiappan (mother-father), Ardhanaranari (the half man-woman), Ardhanarinatesthvara (the Lord of dance who is half-woman), Ardhanarisha (the Lord who is half-woman), Ardhanarishvara (the Lord who is half-woman), Ardhayuvatishvara (the Lord whose half is a young woman), Naranari (man-woman), and by many other names. — Diagram redrawn by Philaletheians GR.]

The Third Eye first opened in the Third Root-Race.

Even today, the pineal gland, seat of the Third Eye, though withdrawn and atrophied, is far more connected with Soul and Spirit than man's physiological senses.

Had the leading Scientists a glimmer of the *real* processes employed by the Evolutionary Impulse, and the winding *cyclic* course of this great law, they would *know* instead of conjecturing; and feel as certain of the future physical transformations of the human kind by the knowledge of its past forms. Then, would they see the fallacy and all the absurdity of their modern "blind-force" and mechanical processes of nature; realizing, in consequence of such knowledge, that the said pineal gland, for instance, could not but be disabled for *physical* use at this stage of our cycle. If the odd "eye" in man is now atrophied, it is a proof that, as in the lower animal, it has once been active; for nature never creates the smallest, the most insignificant form without some definite purpose and use. It was an *active* organ, we say, at that stage of evolution when the spiritual element in man reigned supreme over the hardly nascent intellectual and psychic elements. And, as the cycle ran down toward that point when the physiological senses were developed by, and went *pari passu* with, the growth and consolidation of the physical man, the interminable and complex vicissitudes and tribulations of zoological development, that median "eye" ended by atrophying along with the early spiritual and purely psychic characteristics in man. The eye is the mirror and also the window of the soul, says popular wisdom, and *Vox populi, Vox Dei*.¹

The two front eyes look before them without seeing either past or future. The third eye embraces eternity.²

	Within	Without
Race 1	Spiritual	Ethereal
Race 2	Psycho-spiritual	Ethero-physical
Race 3	Psycho-spiritual, but without being interfered by the hardly nascent physiological senses.	Astro-physical

¹ *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 298

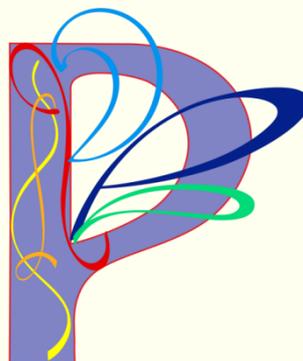
² Cf. "Let us remember that the *First Race* is shown in Occult sciences as spiritual within and ethereal without; the *second*, psycho-spiritual mentally, and ethero-physical bodily; the *third*, still bereft of intellect in its beginning, is astro-physical in its body, and lives an inner life, in which the psycho-spiritual element is in no way interfered with as yet by the hardly nascent physiological senses. Its two front eyes look before them without seeing either past or future. But the 'third eye' 'embraces ETERNITY.'" *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 298 *fn.*

While the Cyclopean Eye in man was (and could be) the organ of Spiritual Sight, in the animal it was that of objective vision.

In the beginning, every class and family of living species was hermaphrodite and objectively one-eyed. In the animal, whose form was as ethereal (astrally) as that of man, before the bodies of both began to evolve their coats of skin, viz., to evolve from *within without* the thick coating of physical substance or matter with its internal physiological mechanism — the third eye was primarily, as in man, the only seeing organ. The two physical front eyes developed later on in both brute and man, whose organ of physical sight was, at the commencement of the Third Race, in the same position as that of some of the blind vertebrata, in our day, *i.e.*, beneath an opaque skin. But the stages of the *odd*, or primeval eye, in man and brute, are now inverted, as the former has already passed that animal *non-rational* stage in the Third Round, and is ahead of mere brute creation by a whole plane of consciousness. Therefore, while the “Cyclopean” eye was, and still is, in man the organ of *spiritual* sight, in the animal it was that of objective vision. And this eye, having performed its function, was replaced, in the course of physical evolution from the simple to the complex, by two eyes, and thus was stored and laid aside by nature for further use in Æons to come.

This explains why the pineal gland reached its highest development proportionately with the lowest physical development. It is the Vertebrata in which it is the most prominent and objective, and in man it is most carefully hidden and inaccessible, except to the anatomist. No less light is thrown thereby on the future physical, spiritual, and intellectual state of mankind, in periods corresponding on parallel lines with other past periods, and always on the lines of ascending and descending cyclic evolution and development. Thus, a few centuries before the *Kali-yuga* — the black age which began nearly 5,000 years ago — it was said (paraphrased into comprehensible sentences):

We [the Fifth Root-Race] in our first half [of duration] onward [on the now ASCENDING arc of the cycle] are on the mid-point of [or between] the First and the Second Races — falling downward [i.e., the races were then on the descending arc of the cycle]. . . . Calculate for thyself, Lanoo, and see. (Commentary, xx)¹



¹ *Secret Doctrine*, II pp. 299-300

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