

Three Great Truths

The three fundamental propositions of the Secret Doctrine are even greater!

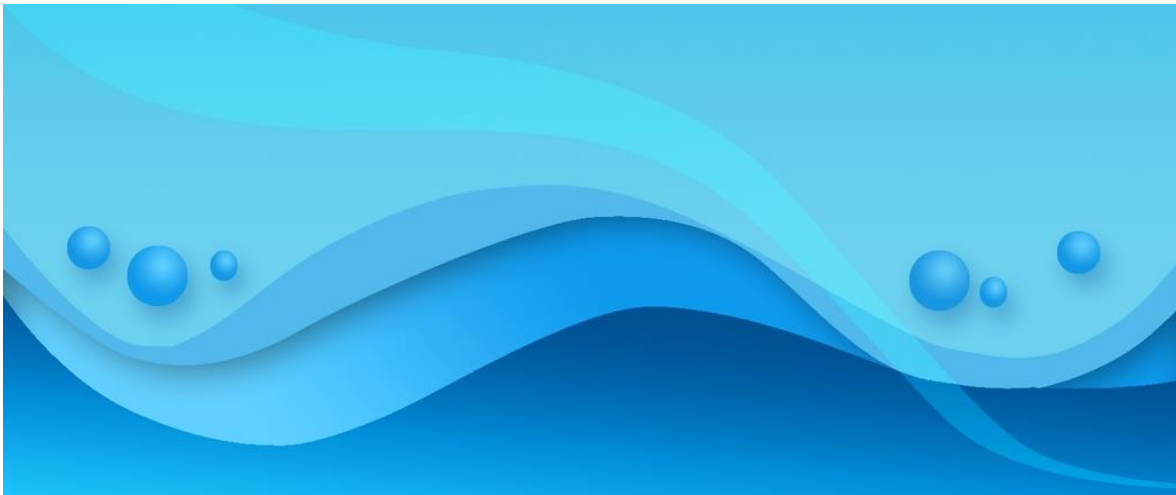
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- 1 The soul of man is immortal,¹ and its future is the future of a thing whose growth and splendour has no limit.
- 2 The principle which gives life dwells in us,² and without us, is undying and eternally beneficent, is not heard or seen or smelt, but is perceived by the man who desires perception.
- 3 Each man is his own absolute lawgiver,³ the dispenser of glory or gloom to himself; the decreer of his life, his reward, his punishment.⁴

These truths, which are as great as is life itself, are as simple as the simplest mind of man. Feed the hungry with them.⁵



¹ [The higher or spiritual soul of man is meant here. Man's lower soul or psyche, vessel of the divine spirit or mind is mortal. See "Constitution of Man – Overview." — ED. PHIL.]

² Cf. ". . . this immortal Principle which exists in our minds but cannot be perceived by the senses, is born Purusha, the Divine male and female, who became *Nārāyana*, or the Divine Spirit moving on the water." *Isis Unveiled*, II p. 214; [defining *Ego sum qui sum*, "Him who is, and yet is not" (*Exodus* iii, 14), according to the Hindu Esoteric Cosmogony, and quoting *The Works of Wm. Jones*, Vol. II, pp. 66-67; London, 1799.]

Also cf. "[A] . . . psychical principle which it is *impossible to regard* as a mere outcome of material causes." *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 650 *fn*; [quoting Du Bois-Reymond.]

³ Cf. ". . . because he is *his own priest and sacrificer* . . ." *Secret Doctrine*, II p. 609; [on Yima, the first mortal who converses with Ahura-Mazdhā but refuses to become his priest. Esoterically, however, Yima stands for the first three Root-Races. See study notes in our Secret Doctrine's Third Proposition Series.]

⁴ Cf. ". . . we are taught from the first that each man is personally responsible to the Law of Compensation for every word [and deed] of his voluntary production." *Mahatma Letter* 43 (42), p. 258; 3rd Combined ed.

⁵ Excerpted from *The Idyll of the White Lotus*, Bk. II, ch. 8; [full text in our Black versus White Magic Series. Not to be confused with "The Legend of the Blue Lotus" in our Higher Ethics and Devotion Series.]