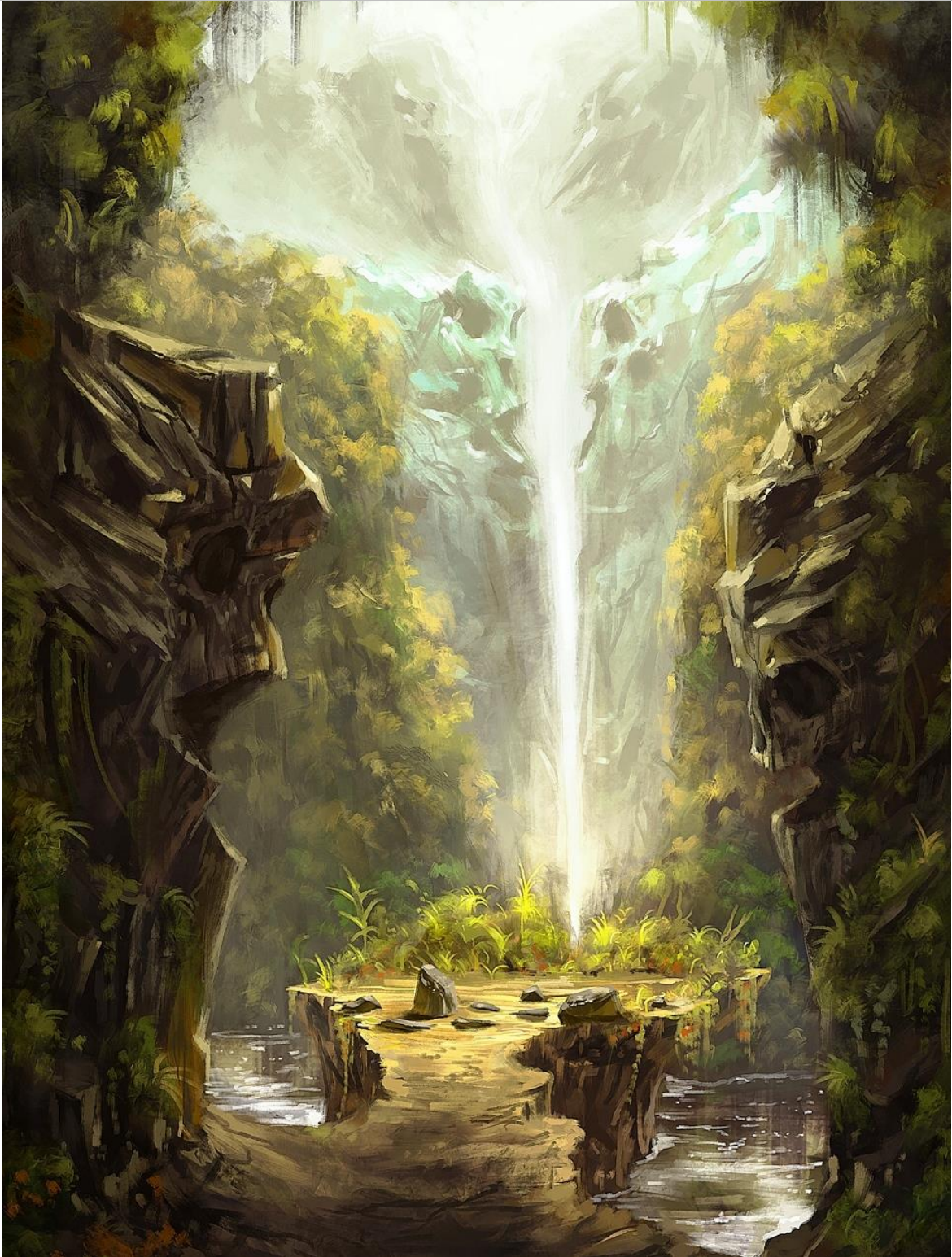


*What did the Lily Queen  
say to Sensa?*



**T**HE WATERS THOU LIEST IN NOW, come from that place where my flowers, the lotus blossoms, dwell in their glory.

Thou wouldst die wert thou to lie thus in the water where they dwell. But this that drops from them has but little of their life in it, and has given up its own to them. When thou must plunge into the water of the lotus tank,<sup>1</sup> then thou wilt be strong as the eagle and eager as the young life of the newborn.

My child, be thou strong; listen not to the flattery which confuses thee; listen only to the truth I keep in the sunlight, dear child, and let not the phantoms delude thee; for there is the life of lives awaiting thee, the pure flower of knowledge and love is ready for thee to pluck.

Wouldst thou be a tool, a mere instrument in the hands of those who desire only for themselves? No! acquire knowledge and grow strong; then shalt thou be a giver of sunshine to the world.

Come, my child, give me thine hand; rise in confidence, for this water will support thee; rise and kneel upon it and drink of the sunshine; rise and kneel upon it, and address thyself to the light of all life, that it may illumine thee.<sup>2</sup>



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<sup>1</sup> [Look up *Isis Unveiled*, II p. 349, and then study “The Ineffable Name,” the Great Mystery of creation and salvation, in our Secret Doctrine’s First Proposition Series. — ED. PHIL.]

<sup>2</sup> From *The Idyll of the White Lotus*, Bk. I, ch. 11; [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.]