

Solar Festival Webinar Virgo 2014

Monday, September 8, 2014

Dear Friends, Welcome! Thank you for being here today! It's a joy to have this opportunity to work together on behalf of humanity and the planet on this day of "Safeguarding."

Here in the U.S. Eastern Time Zone, the exact time of the Virgo Solar Festival occurs this evening at 9:38 p.m.

As most of you know, our purpose in these Webinars is to work together to electrify, strengthen, deepen and beautify the planetary Antahkarana, thus, intensifying and amplifying the streaming energies of Light, Love and the Will-to-Good for the whole of humanity and for all life on our planet.

To the degree that we are effective in doing this, to that degree are we then able to affect the process of individual and planetary transformation.

In *The Affirmation of the Disciple*, which we will have the opportunity to sound together at the end of the Webinar, we take our stand as points of light within a greater Light, as strands of loving energy within the stream of Love divine, and, as points of sacrificial Fire, focused within the fiery Will of God.

Here it might be helpful to remember that to sacrifice is to make sacred, to make whole, and when we sacrifice, we're simply letting go of the lesser, the secondary and the peripheral, so that we may embrace the greater, the more meaningful and the more beneficial.

Of course, this "letting go" process only seems simple, once we've committed to attaining the higher vision and surmounted or substituted the lesser for the greater. When faced with the prospect of "giving up," the invested lesser forces hold on for dear life and the process does not seem simple at all, requiring then the struggle and conflict, the pain and discomfort, which the sign of Virgo symbolizes.

Let's therefore begin our invocation for greater light, love and strength by committing ourselves by sounding the Noon-time recollection, aware of our relationship to that great and blessed chain of Hierarchy that is eternally radiating the loving energies of our second ray solar system and thus strive to be receptive to all aspects of the sun—the physical sun, the heart of the sun and the central spiritual sun, this month bringing into focus the energies of the sign of Virgo:

"I know oh Lord of Life and Love about the need. Touch my heart anew with love that I too may love and give."

Thank you, friends!

The ancient archives tell us that the keynote which embodies the mission of Virgo is most accurately depicted in the affirmation, “Christ in you, the hope of glory.” The Virgin mother ever provides that which is needed for the mental, emotional and physical expression of the hidden, but ever present divinity and eventually, the spiritual man, the divine consciousness must emerge from the control of matter, bringing glory with its birth.

“In Virgo, the purpose for which form life exists begins to be realized and the desire for personality satisfaction begins to change and the desire of man for interior recognition of the indwelling Christ begins to assume increasing control until the inner spiritual reality is eventually released from the thrall of matter and becomes manifest in its own true nature in the world.” (*Esoteric Astrology*, p. 259)

“I am the Mother and the child. I God, I matter am”—and here we have the esoteric keynote for Virgo—the mystery and the secret of the ages—in all its beautiful hope and luminous glory.

Ancient mythology narrates the story of “THE HIDDEN JEWEL,” which explains that there was a time in the history of the race when the gods stole from humanity their divinity, and, meeting in high conclave, they sought to decide where to hide that which they had stolen.

One god suggested that they hide it on another planet, for *there* no one could find it.

However, another god arose and said that human beings were innately great travelers and they had no guarantee that, *eventually*, someone might not find his or her way to that far away planet.

“Instead,” the god said, “let us hide it in the depth of the sea, at the bottom of the ocean. For *there* it will be safe.”

But again a dissenting voice was heard, and it was pointed out that human beings were great natural investigators and that someone someday surely would succeed in penetrating to the deepest depths as well as to the greatest heights.

Thus, the discussion went back and forth and back and forth, until at last one bright god arose and said: “*Let us hide the stolen jewel of humanity’s divinity within each individual, for there certainly no one will ever look for it.*”

At that point the conclave broke up happily as the gods realized that a truly inaccessible place had been indicated. And, for eons it seemed as if the light hidden in humanity *was* lost forever.

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That spark of divinity, both within the individual life and within the collective life of humanity is the gift of revelation that Virgo brings to us—*if* we can awaken and become receptive to these energies.

“One point you all need to grasp,” states the Tibetan Master, “is that the progressing disciple does not move into new fields or areas of awareness, like a steady marching forward from one plane to another.... What must be grasped is that all that IS is ever present.” (*Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle*, p. 53)

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He continues, what we are concerned with is the constant awakening to that which eternally IS, and to what is ever present in the environment but of which the individual is unaware. The aim must be to overcome the undue concentration upon the foreground of daily life which characterizes most people’s worldview, to overcome the imperviousness or lack of sensitivity which characterizes the race of men and to overcome the intense preoccupation with the interior states or moods of the lower self which characterizes the aspirants and spiritually minded people.

“The Kingdom of God is present on Earth today and forever has been, but only a few, relatively speaking, are aware of its signs and manifestations. The world of subtle phenomena...is ever with us and can be seen and contacted and proved as a field for experiment... experience and activity—if the mechanism of perception is developed as it surely can be.” (*Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle*, p. 53)

In a previous solar system, only those principles which related to matter and substance governed the humanity of that time and the focal point of attainment was the development of the lower concrete mind. In our current 2nd ray solar system, it’s the soul or the Christ principle which is of paramount importance. Consciousness is the goal and the point of attainment is the pure reason of the higher abstract intuitional mind.

“Step by step, the forms of life upon the physical plane, down through the ages, have unfolded one sense after another. One form of sensitive response after another becomes possible as the mechanism is produced, until the human being can receive impressions from the physical plane and rightly interpret them; can respond to the emotional contacts of the astral plane and succumb to them or surmount them; and can [eventually] become telepathic to the world of the mental plane.” (*Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle*, pp. 54-55)

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The germ or embryonic capacity for all types of planetary contact is inherent in every individual and will not be frustrated in the long run. In the knowledge of goals already achieved in the three worlds lies the guarantee of achievement in the more subjective and subtle worlds, which are present within the aspirant's surroundings but to which s/he remains as yet un-awakened and unenlightened.

Initiation is a process of developing inclusiveness. The soul on its own plane is an initiate of all degrees. Initiation is, in the last analysis, the realization, the recognition in the brain consciousness of various spheres and states of divine awareness, with a consequent life demonstration of this fact. (*The Rays and the Initiations*, p. 259)

It must therefore be realized—in the waking consciousness that there is “nothing new under the sun.” “All that is revealed upon the Path of Discipleship and of Initiation is forever there, but that which can perceive, reach out and include is in a constant state of development.” (*Discipleship in the New Age*, Vol. II, pp. 252-53)

The initiate discovers s/he can perceive more than s/he ever knew was existent or perceptible but that s/he is only perceiving something that’s always been there. The limitation, it is discovered, is in the personal self, and the *Way of Revelation* is through the discovery and the discarding of one’s own personal, or rather, individual limitations. (*Discipleship in the New Age*, Vol. II, p. 437)

The means of development are ever the same: occult meditation and service; the inner life of concentration and the outer life of practice; the inner ability to contact the higher, and the outer ability to express that faculty in terms of mindful, sacred living; the inner irradiation from the Spirit, and the outer shining within the world (*Letters on Occult Meditation*, p. 273), upon what is esoterically called, “the radiant surface of the earth.”

With this in mind, let us now turn to our meditation.