



Humanity's True Identity and Destiny

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WHO ARE WE?

THE SNARE OF PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION

“Shun ignorance, and likewise shun illusion. Avert thy face from world deceptions: mistrust thy senses; they are false. But within thy body—the shrine of thy sensations—seek in the Impersonal for the “Eternal Man”; and having sought him out, look inward: thou art Buddha.”

pp. 28-29

HUMANITY’S IDENTITY CRISIS - We seem to derive our sense of **identity** from what we are not and so we continuously identify with our:

- Race and or colour of the skin
- Gender
- Religion
- Professions
- Social standing
- Life experiences
- Education
- Physical body
- Emotion and or feelings
- Children, wives, husband, boyfriend etc
- Our ideas

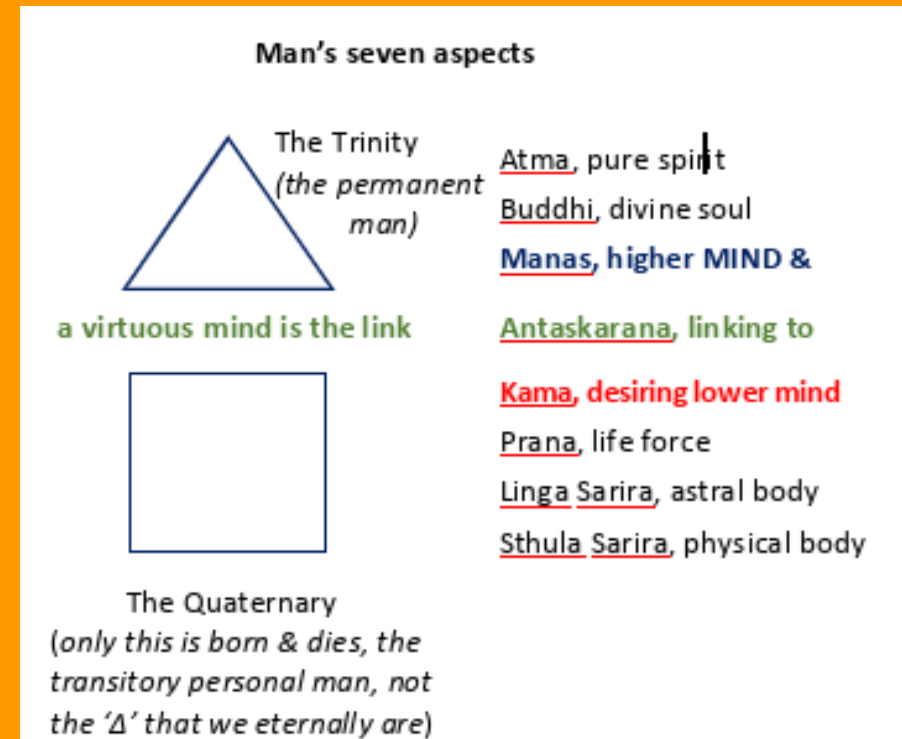
THE MYSTERY OF MANAS

UNDERSTANDING WHAT THE HIGHER EGO IS IN HUMANITY

"I am the Ego which is seated in the hearts of all beings; I am the beginning, the middle, and the end of all existing things. Among Adityas I am Vishnu, and among luminous bodies I am the sun. I am Mrichi among the Maruts, and among heavenly mansions I am the moon. Among the Vedas I am the Samaveda, and Indra among the Gods; among the senses and organs I am the Manas, and of creatures the existence. I am Shankara among the Rudras; and Vitesha, the lord of wealth among the Yakshas and Rakshasas. I am Pavaka among the Vasus, and Meru among high-aspiring mountains..."

The Bhagavad Gita

The sevenfold constitution of humanity and the universe:-



MANAS THE IMMORTAL PERMANENT REINCARNATING EGO

“Manu, as already remarked, comes from the root "man" to think, hence "a thinker." It is from this Sanskrit word very likely that sprung the Latin "mens," mind, the Egyptian "Menes," the "Master-Mind," the Pythagorean Monas, or conscious "thinking unit," mind also, and even our "Manas" or mind, the fifth principle in man” *The Secret Doctrine 1:91*

"MAHAT or the “Universal Mind” is the source of Manas. The latter is Mahat, i.e., mind, in man. Manas is also called Kshetrajna, “embodied Spirit,” because it is, according to our philosophy, the Manasa-putras, or “Sons of the Universal Mind,” who created, or rather produced, the thinking man, “manu,” by incarnating in the third Race mankind in our Round. It is Manas, therefore, which is the real incarnating and permanent Spiritual Ego, the INDIVIDUALITY, and our various and numberless personalities only its external masks.”

H.P.B., *The Key to Theosophy* page 136

"There is but one real man enduring through the cycle of life and immortal in essence, if not in form, and this is Manas, the Mind-man or embodied consciousness."

H.P.B, *The Key to Theosophy*, page 100

“The inner Ego, who reincarnates, taking on body after body, storing up the impressions of life after life, gaining experience and adding it to the divine Ego, suffering and enjoying through an immense period of years, is the fifth principle - Manas - not united to Buddhi.”

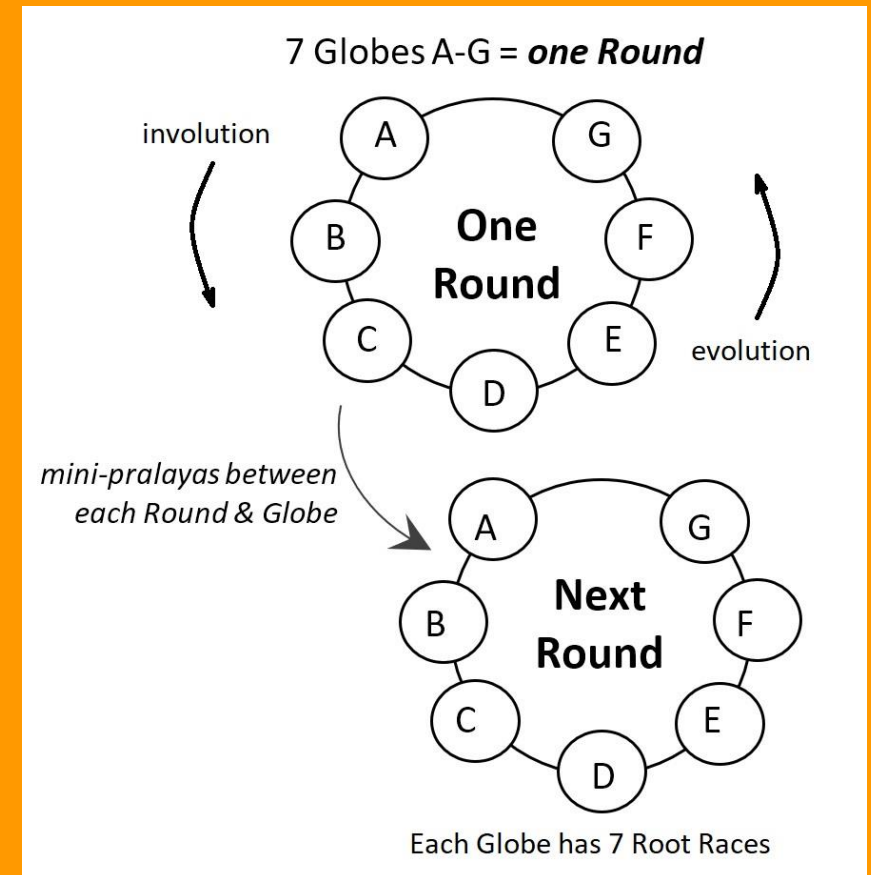
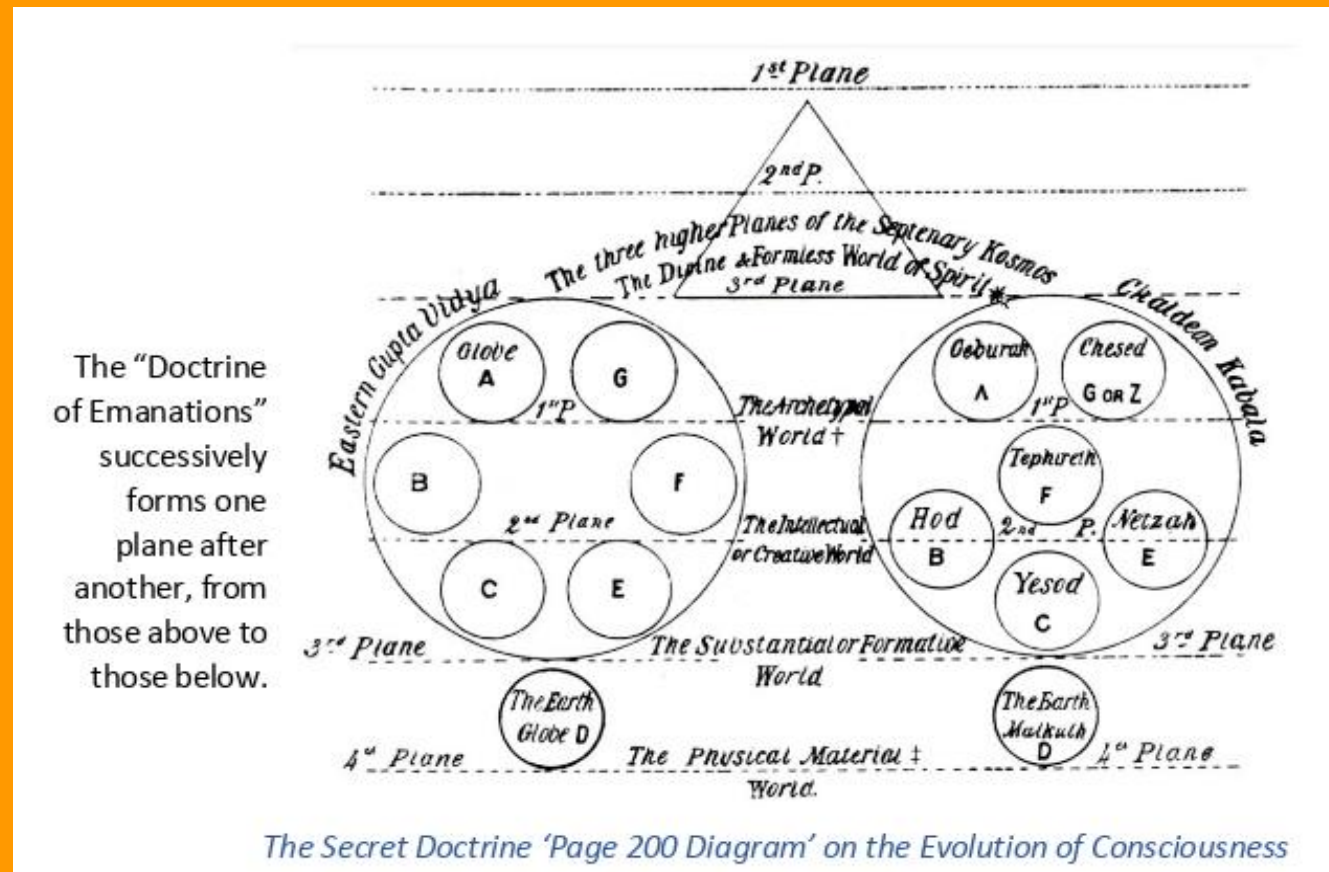
William Q. Judge, What Reincarnates, in *THEOSOPHY*, Vol. 57, 1969, No. 10

“This is the permanent individuality which gives to every man the feeling of being himself and not some other; that which through all the changes of the days and nights from youth to the end of life makes us feel one identity through all the period; it bridges the gap made by sleep; in like manner it bridges the gap made by the sleep of death. It is this, and not our brain, that lifts us above the animal.”

ibid

HUMAN DESTINY AND THE COMING RACE OF OUR MANKIND (part 1)

“Those who believe in *Karma* have to believe in *destiny*, which from birth to death, every man is weaving, thread by thread around himself, as a spider does his cobweb. . . . When the last strand is woven, and man is seemingly enwrapped, in network of his own doing, then he finds himself completely under the empire of this *self-made* destiny. It then either fixes him like the inert shell against the immovable rock, or carries him away like a feather in a whirlwind raised by his own actions, and this is — **KARMA**” (SD I:639)



HUMAN DESTINY AND THE COMING RACE OF OUR MANKIND (part 2)

“The Endowers of man with his conscious, immortal EGO, are the "Solar Angels"— whether so regarded metaphorically or literally. The mysteries of the Conscious EGO or human Soul are great. The esoteric name of these "Solar Angels" is, literally, the "Lords" (Nath) of "persevering ceaseless devotion" (pranidhâna). Therefore they of the fifth principle (Manas) seem to be connected with, or to have originated the system of the Yogis who make of pranidhâna their fifth observance (see Yoga Shastra, II., 32.) It has already been explained why the trans-Himalayan Occultists regard them as evidently identical with those who in India are termed Kumâras, Agnishwattas, and the Barhishads.”

The Secret Doctrine 2:88

“THE STAR under which a human Entity is born, says the Occult teaching, will remain forever its star, throughout the whole cycle of its incarnations in one Manvantara. But this is not his astrological star. The latter is concerned and connected with the personality, the former with the INDIVIDUALITY. The “Angel” of that Star, or the Dhyani-Buddha will be either the guiding or simply the presiding “Angel,” so to say, in every new rebirth of the monad, which is part of his own essence, though his vehicle, man, may remain forever ignorant of this fact.”

The Secret Doctrine 1:574

HUMAN DESTINY AND THE COMING RACE OF OUR MANKIND (part 3)

- The ideal of human perfectibility**
- The acquisition of conscious Immortality**
- The masters as the efflorescence of Both human perfectibility and conscious immortality**
- The ultimate goal of service to mankind –the nirmanakayas vesture**

STUDY – APPLICATIONS -PROMULGATION

- Study of the Theosophical teachings**
- The practice of the Discipline of Raja Yoga**
- Service to mankind**



Questions & Answers