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# Talk 1

# The Purposes of the Temple



The Order of the OMC
To see Christ in the etheric
To develop spiritual vision
To train the astral and then the etheric

## Temple of the Sun

Session 1: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### Reading

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First Letter of St John 1:1-4

I first studied these words with Rev Mario in 1981. We were a small group. Mario and Colin had decided to move the Centre from Perth to Melbourne and our group lived together in a large, rambling house in St Kilda. Once a week on Tuesdays, Mario would gather us together for a community session. At the beginning of the year, he announced that these sessions would be dedicated to the study of occultism. He gave a very interesting definition of occultism. He called it "a knowledge of self that is continuous." By this he meant that we could develop a level of consciousness where new insights were continuously given. His vehicle for developing this was a study of the letters of St John.

Mario introduced the letters by explaining that they were written from the third phase of John's life. When he was young, he wrote Revelation. Revelation is the clairvoyance of the Will level. When he was in his forties, the Gospel and the Gospel is an expression of the clairvoyance of the Intellect. The letters date from the last period of his life when he was exiled to the Island of Patmos. In the letters, John gives an account of how the clairvoyance of the will and the clairvoyance of the intellect are completed and perfected by the clairvoyance of Feeling. Mario told us how when St John was very old, in his nineties, he could no longer stand and give talks to his disciples. Instead, they would troop in one by one to kneel at the bedside of the master. St John would touch each person lightly on the head and say simply, "Little children, love one another." After a life time of dedication to Christ and the gospel, this was his summation of all the deep, profound esoteric understanding which had been given to him: "Little children, love one another!"

In 1981 I had just turned thirty. Which is very young! I didn't quite appreciate the power of the teachings found in St John's three letters. But now I am much, much older – I have a much deeper appreciation of what St John was trying to explain to his disciples. It was more than explanation, for St John was trying to create not an understanding, but a knowledge within his pupils. There are teachers who use a multitude of words – and there are teachers who teach through opening the inner spiritual eyes of their students. On our website we call this realm-2 vision or spiritual vision. It is the ability to see directly into the spiritual worlds and perceive the reality of the spiritual forces which work upon us. When we learn how to do this, then we have, as the Buddha put it, "Direct insight into the nature of things."

Next year will mark twenty-five years since Rev Mario passed into spirit. Rev Colin followed him a couple of years later. In this time we and others have worked hard to continue their work. Just a couple of things about Rev Mario:

- He was to raise the Order of Melchizedek in the twentieth century.
- He was a spiritual teacher.

- He was the "Christ Bearer". That is, his work was to manifest the appearance of Christ on the spiritual levels.
- To aid in this immense task he was gifted with a portion of the etheric of St Paul.
- Within his etheric he also contained, with Colin, the power of a society which developed in the Middle Ages. This society focused on bringing the spirit of St John the Evangelist into the world. The society took on many forms throughout history. Mario sometimes referred to it as his Rosicrucian Brotherhood and he was reconnected with it in this incarnation.

You have been a part of continuing Mario's work. In the first place, through the ordination of priests into the Order of Melchizedek. Secondly, you have all completed the Way of the Wyse Art which is the continuation of his teaching ministry. Actually, it is a "reinterpretation" of his teaching ministry. In one New Year Reading at the Centre we were instructed to find new ways of interpreting the teachings and not to copy The Teacher, Mario. I think you will agree we have followed this direction – we have *really* "reinterpreted" the teachings!

In the last four years we have been pushed and nudged by Spirit – each in different ways. There was a sense of incompleteness. There has to be something more. Where do you go when you have finished Level III? It took a pandemic to show us that we had one more task, we had to reinstate the expression for the Rosicrucian Brotherhood. Mario called this "The Lodge".

Mario created the Lodge twice. The first time was in Perth. He closed this when the Centre moved to Melbourne in 1980. Then on the 8th of March 1988, he opened the Lodge to those who were part of the Centre in Melbourne. Two important events on this date. The first was an unprecedented downpour in Melbourne. As you know, rain is often associated with our events. We call this "Brotherhood Weather". Well, on this day, St Kilda, Prahran, Chapel Street, and Balaclava were flooded. Melody's red Torana valiantly gave up the struggle when the floods washed over the bonnet and into the engine. We waded through knee-high water, in order to attend the opening of the Order of the Mystic Christ – the renewal of the Lodge. It was worth it. And the other important event? It was my birthday!

Today, we renew the Lodge once more. It has a new name: *The Order of the Temple of the Sun*. If you want to be very occult, you can refer to it by its Latin name, *Ordo Templi Solis*. The name of the Lodge depicts its purpose, we first entered into the Temple at the end of Level II Wyse Art. To return to Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 1988 again, let me quote a few paragraphs from Rev Mario's inaugural lecture. The main driving force of the Order of the Mystic Christ or OMC, the new incarnation of the Rosicrucian Lodge, was, as Mario put it:

Is simply to bring to you the living Christ, and that you may see him as I see him...

So the first purpose of the Lodge is to perceive the living Christ in the etheric as a group. Christ did appear in later Lodge meetings – so this purpose was achieved for Mario. Our task is even more difficult, it is to perceive the living Christ through the internet – that is, as a group of people separated in time and space and connected through electronics, Christ may appear in our midst.

In order to perceive Christ, we have to develop our "latent clairvoyance which is part of all of us, and we do this first through memory recall, through extension of the feelings, of the will level and the thinking levels." What this means is, prepare to be challenged on all these levels!

To continue with the purposes of the Lodge, Mario said,

"I want to initiate you, hopefully all of you, but certainly some, into the higher levels of consciousness and thereby to become able to assist in the birth and dying processes of the souls at this present moment and in the future."

Considering that many of us are getting quite near the dying process these days, this could be well worth our while!

Mario laid out a huge program for those who became members of the Order. He talked about techniques such as using the voice, visualisation and cleansing the astral. Many of these techniques we have already implemented in Wyse Art.

In our sessions over the next year we shall focus on the opening of spiritual vision. Now there are degrees of spiritual vision, just as there are degrees of enlightenment. There is, however, a pivotal point in our spiritual development when we experience a life-changing "Aha!" moment. In occultism this is called "Crossing the Abyss."

Before this experience, our consciousness is anchored to the material world. Afterwards, we stand in another reality. The world looks completely different. You may remember the story of Thomas of Aquinas from Wyse Art. Thomas (or St Thomas) was the greatest scholar of his time, the greatest theologian. He developed a complete theology from the works of Aristotle, which was no mean feat, considering that Aristotle lived about 500 years before Christ. Perhaps it is worth noting that both Aristotle and St Thomas were different incarnations of Rudolf Steiner. Near the end of his life, Thomas was completing his major work, the *Summa Theologica* and immense book which meticulously describes God, Christ, and salvation in terms of Aristotle's philosophy. It is a long and difficult read. Then, as he was celebrating Mass, Christ appeared to him. After this he wrote no more. When his students asked him to complete his life's work, he said to them, "After what I have seen, all else is chaff in the wind..."

The opening lines of the first letter of St John describe this experience. St John is not talking about Jesus, because Jesus was not the word of life, neither is Jesus the Son of the Father. St John is describing the Risen Christ.

This experience is not an end, it is another beginning. But there is a transition period. A Zen proverb states:

Before enlightenment one chops wood and carries water. During enlightenment one neither chops wood, nor does one carry water, but after, ah, after enlightenment, one chops wood and carries water.

Rather than unpack this powerful statement I shall leave it to work upon our consciousness in the days to come.

During this transition period it is more important than ever to continue with spiritual practice, until our consciousness becomes firmly anchored in the reality of spirit. Such a transition period for most of us, is measured in years – at least seven years.

Now the world is changed, because we are changed.

Rev Mario had two intense spiritual streams running through him. He had the spirit of St John the

Beloved who was vivid and real. The writings of St John were his favourites, and he created commentaries on all of them. We shall invoke this spiritual energy by studying the letters of St John on the Sundays. These letters are a manual for the opening of spiritual vision.

The second energy is of course, that of St Paul. On the second Sunday of every month, I shall post a lecture from Mario's series on *Hebrews* with some discussion questions. Here we will encounter some of Rev Mario's most profound thoughts, and they are especially relevant to us as priests.

In his lectures on Hebrews Mario is concentrates on the acts and purposes of the great beings of the spiritual hierarchy. These are the Angels, Archangels, Thrones, Dominions and all the those we refer to in the Mass.

When we can see the work of these beings for ourselves, then we develop an understanding of the events within our world.

We are commencing the work of the Temple of the Sun precisely at the Festival of Michael because the spiritual Director of the pandemic at the moment is now Archangel Michael. That is why we see two reactions to the pandemic in our community. Michael holds in one hand the sword of the Will, and in the other the scales of Balance. We see the reaction of the sword, the striking out in fear and violence and aggression, amongst those who have refused to open the heart centre and experience the sorrow and pain of other souls. Fortunately, our political leaders and scientists have chosen the scales of Balance. They are trying to move us forward through reflection, communication, truth and transparency and to bring the conflicting energies within our society into balance.

At this point I would like to note that the spiritual worlds of nature are also experiencing a crisis. The beings of Fire, Earth, Air and Water and all the Elemental beings who stand behind the realm of Nature and manifest in animals, plants, trees, mountains, winds and earthquakes are in danger. Human consciousness must rise to a level where it can communicate with these beings and understand their plight. In this way we will be able to join with beings visible and invisible to heal the planet.

The technology we are using to navigate this journey is quite new to me. It provides greater opportunities for us to share and participate in discussion, and there is quite a lot of development coming in the near future.

This is a unique challenge. We are set the task of manifesting the living Christ to us as a group through wires and WiFi. So far this has been the domain of Ahriman. But as Mario said once, Ahriman may be in the technology, but Christ is in the communication.

Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. When we perceive him in his etheric form, then we also perceive the reality of who we are. Our fears and anxieties are ended, because fear and anxiety belongs to the physical world that has arisen and will die away, but Christ

was from the beginning, we shall hear him, we shall see him with our eyes, we shall gaze upon him, our hands may touch him, his being is the origin of life...

So shall it be

# Talk 2

# Knowledge 1

Case Study: Nutrition



1John 1:1-4

Truth and Knowledge Four types of knowledge

Case Study: Nutrition

## The Temple of the Sun Meeting Two

31st Oct 2021

#### Part I: JR

After visiting the Discussion Questions for Rev Mario's Hebrews Lecture, I was inspired to return to the very beginning of the first letter of St John.

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First Letter of St John 1:1-4

After reading the Hebrews lecture and then reading this passage from St John, I realised that what connect these two books is knowledge. The greatest question for us as spiritual beings and as our clairvoyance opens is, "How do we know that what we experience is real?" So we have devoted this talk, which is the final talk for this year, and the first talk of the new year to the theme of knowledge.

It is interesting that the topic of vaccination has come up, because in Melbourne we've had violent protests from people who are opposed to vaccination. I can understand people having an opinion, but one wonders where these people are getting their *knowledge* from. As spiritual beings we have to be extremely firm in our knowledge foundation. I also want to put this in front of you. This is a picture of Archangel Michael.



This is the Year of Michael, and Michael is the archangel of knowledge, of understanding, of communication and of thinking. He's the Regent of the Air element. In this beautiful picture you can see Michael holding the sword in his right hand, and the scales in his left. He directs the sword towards the dragon and we certainly know that at the moment there is a lot of "dragon" rising up. We have to stand in the place of Michael and use the sword of thinking and the balance of reflection in order to cope with the forces and energies at work.

We are going back to Plato. Plato lived about five hundred years before Paul and John were writing, but Albert North Whitehead, another philosopher, once said that "All philosophy is a footnote to Plato." So what Plato covered in his philosophy, later philosophers have been condemned to embroider. Plato distinguished four types of knowledge:

#### 1. Episteme

Episteme is logical, reasoned rational knowledge.

I have a friend who works at the general store around the road, which functions as a post office and servo as well. He is very reluctant to get vaccinated and he's very against mandatory vaccination. We had a long discussion once, where he did most of the talking, and he said wistfully, "I cannot get anyone to listen to me." I said to myself, "I think I know why that is!" [laughter from the others]

I said, "Well, it's good to have a discussion about these things. Isaiah said, 'Come, let us *reason* together.' He didn't say, 'Come, let us shout at one another!" Bob liked this idea. We booked in a rational discussion for later.

So episteme is what we know: rational thinking.

#### 2. Gnosis

What we know through personal experience.

I can explain the difference by saying that if I want to drive to Hamilton, if I haven't been there before, I can look at a map. I can work out where to go and what roads to take. That is episteme. Once I've driven to Hamilton though, it's gnosis. I know you are familiar with this word. Paul uses it a lot, and sometimes, as spiritual people, gnosis is more important than episteme. We have a spiritual experience, and we know what we know.

The thing is, we cannot take our own spiritual experiences and project them on other people, and I know that some of the people in the anti-tax movement they know through things like emotion, feeling and intuition. They *know* something. We will talk about this not in this session but at the next Temple meeting, because this is a very complex and difficult topic. They have gnosis, but it is only for them. To take up a placard and protest vaccination in a society, that goes against episteme, and the higher cannot go against the lower. What we know through gnosis and experience, has to justified and validated by episteme. What we know through personal experience has to be justified through logical thinking.

Mario was a great logical thinker, and this is, I think, the reason he starts off his series on Hebrews by giving us the viewpoint of Hebrews from episteme. It was, as John Plummer said, "academic". It was brilliant academic work. In my life I've been fortunate to meet some extremely intelligent people, including a Nobel Prize winner. People who are intelligent on all sorts of levels. Famous

people. But the most intelligent person, the most *thinking* person I ever met in my life was Mario. He disguised this brilliantly. He was able to communicate with us on our level, and this, to my way of thinking is one of the reasons *why* he was so brilliant.

So Gnosis is the second type of knowledge.

Now the third type of knowledge is *Doxa*, opinion. Now anyone can have an opinion, and opinions are mainly formed from what works for us. What makes us feel good on the emotional levels.

Then there is *Nous*. All of you who answered this question said it represents innermost knowledge.'

I would add a couple of things here. Nous is the knowledge of the I AM, so when we connect with the I AM, that knowledge is nous.

Gnosis is what we know from the soul, and episteme is what we know from the soul working upon the astral.

Episteme, the Highest form of knowledge in Realm-1

We are going to return to episteme, which is the highest form of knowledge we can have in Realm-1. This is really where we can share and communicate with every other thinking being in the world. We can't always communicate with people about our spiritual experiences. If someone mentions they have a fear of anything touching their eyes, I can't say, "Oh past life experience. You had your eyes put out by torturers." That would be inappropriate. I may be working from a position of gnosis, because I may have seen it in a Spiritual Reading, but I can't share that with someone else. So we have to communicate on the level of episteme, the highest form of thinking in Realm-1.

This is worth examining. When we talk about academic thinking, the current term is 'critical thinking'. I'm going to use a case study today about how we can use episteme, really good thinking, to cut through some of the bull shit that sits in our world at present and has been put there by people who we respect, and who should know better. If we start applying real thinking, which is what Mario was applying in his first lecture on Hebrews, then we can cut through all the rubbish, all the garbage that people come with. Academic thinking is a good example of this, Science is a great example of this.

When Donald Trump was going on about how Coronavirus was a hoax, and scientists haven't got it right about global warming, I'm thinking, "What makes you trust science enough to get in a car or fly in an aeroplane, which are constructs created by science, and on the other hand, you don't trust the scientists when they say, 'the planet is getting hotter and hotter and it's going to be a disaster, Donald."

With science, we don't get to pick and choose according to our opinions. We have to say that science is one of the highest forms of thinking that has been developed, as long, as it is *good* science. Evidence based. What is the evidence for what people are saying? And the evidence comes down to my asking, "Can I find the source of what this person is on about?"

A little digression here. When Covid first appeared in our world I received a shared video from about half a dozen people where the speaker told us, with great authority, that Covid was caused by the 5G network.

I don't like to take opinions like this at face value, so I went and did some research. What's the source of this thing about 5G? I found a website, which was very anti-5G. And the lovely lady, from Victoria actually, was very ill. She was listing all her symptoms and all the illnesses she had, and they were all caused by 5G in her area. Then I looked somewhere else and discovered that was no 5G in her area. So when you go to the source, this is where you start finding truth.

Episteme, which is evidence-based thinking, is great because it eliminates the need for feeling, emotion and intuition. Feeling, emotion and intuition belong to me. They are *my* feeling, *my* emotion and *my* intuition. *You* shouldn't have to take that on board.

So where we are able to share and discuss knowledge and information is in the form of thinking the Greeks called episteme.

This is a good time to remind everyone of a very important fact:

Scientists are people!

Scientists should be examples of good, epistemic thinking. But they may well be influenced by feelings, emotions, intuition - and ... desires! Scientists don't live in ivory towers. They have families. They want to provide for them. They want power and influence. That's a big one in the academic world. They want to get their name on an academic paper. They want status and fame. Every scientist would like to win a Nobel Prize. And the biggest of all is this one. Scientists like *Money*.

No shame in liking money. I like money. I'd like a lot more of it! I could do a lot more with a lot more money - make the world a better place I reckon. But then perhaps I don't want the responsibility of what goes with that either.

But we are going to look at a case in history of a particular scientist, motivated by all three of those desires, who did untold damage to millions and millions of people. Because desire creates *bad* science, and bad science creates the opinions, doxa, of a country, of a culture and in the end of the whole world. This case is called

## Ancel Keys and the Nutrition Disaster

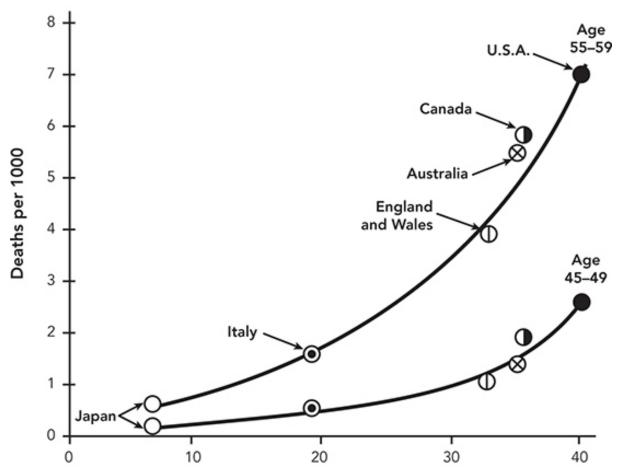
There are many examples we could have used. For example, in Australia we had the case of poor old Dr William McBride, one of the first people to discover the link between the drug thalidomide and birth deformities. It was actually really funny the way men work, for it was the midwife, Patty Smith, who drew McBride's attention, who then put his name on all the papers and then became known as the man who discovered the link. Well, he liked the fame and notoriety that the discovery brought him so much that he then went to do research on a drug called Debendox, proving that was responsible for all sorts of nasty things too. Unfortunately, when they looked at his research, it was all wrong. He had 'cooked' the results. So he was deregistered. Worth remembering that scientists like to keep an eye on other scientists. Now, to *Ancel Keys and the Nutrition Disaster*.

Once upon a time, there was a scientist, named Ancel Keys. He was born in the USA, and will not blame the US for Ancel Keys, it could, and has happened everywhere in the world. Ancel Keys was launching his career in the 1950s when there was an epidemic of heart disease. It was the number one killer. Now Keys had a hypothesis. His theory was that:

Dietary fat determines heart disease.

In other words, the more fat you had in your diet, the more likely you were to suffer from heart disease and heart attack. In 1952 he took off on an overseas trip and recorded diets all around Europe. He published a study showing the results from six countries.

Now this is where we like to go to the source, so I have been able to go to the source and get the exact graph that he published. So this is the graph from his 1952 paper.



Here are his results, starting with Japan at the bottom, Italy, England and Wales, Australia is up there with Canda and finally the USA is right at the top. You can see that the higher the country is, the more people are dying from heart disease. The further to the right the country is, the higher the amount of fat in the diet.

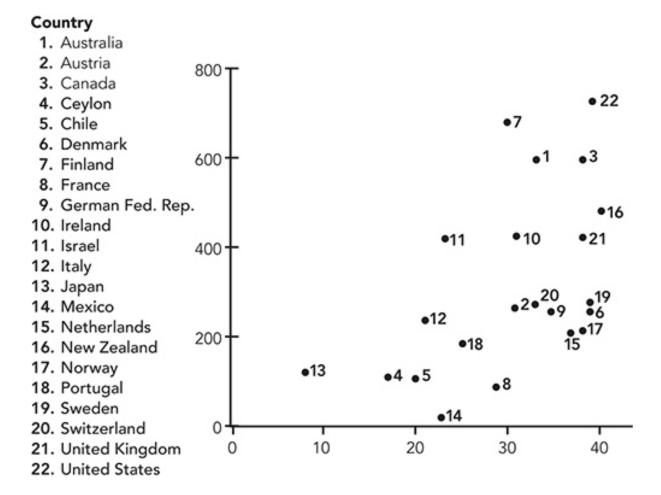
These six points all lie pretty close to a curve that you can draw which seems to show that indeed, the rate of deaths from heart disease correlates with the amount of fat in the diet. So Ancel Keys was able to say, "Look at this evidence! There is a strong *correlation* (a favourite word of scientists in this kind of study) between fat in the diet and your chance of dying from heart disease." Oh no, *Eating fat makes you fat* was his conclusion.

This wasn't the case when I was growing up. We had lots of fat in the form of meat, and butter and milk. But she was thin, my father was thin, I was thin, all the children in my class were thin. We ate lots of fat, but we didn't get fat - spoiler for later! But Ancel Keys was able to say:

A diet low in fat, high in carbohydrates is good for your heart and you will lose weight.

Wow! How can you lose with a slogan like that! Lower your fat intake, your heart improves and you get to lose weight.

There was just a little problem with Dr Keys' research: he didn't tell the whole story. He actually had data from 42 countries of which he selected six. Now what happens if we put the data for all 42 countries up there? These two researchers did exactly that. You can go to the source and find the paper authored by Yerushalmy & Hellebore in 1957.



In this graph, it's not so neat. The dots are all over the place. In fact, when you do the mathematics on it the correlation between the amount of fat in the diet and the chance of dying of heart disease, is absolutely zero.

So Keys was wrong. Not only just wrong, he was fraudulently wrong.

Did that stop Dr Keys from having a great life and career? You bet your life it didn't! He had a marvellous career, and here's how it happened.

First of all, he denied all evidence which contradicted his first study. And because the was a very political animal, he started gaining traction and getting very important positions in universities. So he was able to make denials with a certain authority. In 1961 he was appointed to a position on the American Heart Association Nutrition Committee.

Now just think of that for a moment.

First of all, I should point out that he got himself appointed to a *nutrition* committee, and a very powerful committee, and he was not a nutritionist, he had no formal qualifications; and he was not an epidemiologist, that is, someone who studies statistics and applies them to research. He wasn't even a cardiologist, he was a physiologist! And yet - he got a position on this committee, and that meant, that from that point on he could direct the American Heart Association advice on diet, and here is their advice on diet:

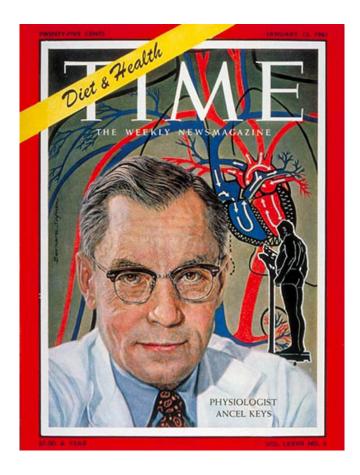
#### Low fat, high carb diet

President Eisenhower had just had a heart attack. He liked this idea. He asked around the AHA, who was the guru on diet for heart attack victims, and of course it was Ancel Keys. So Ancel Keys becomes the dietary advisor to the president of the United States - and that's a pretty powerful position. So Ike goes on this diet. It's a miserable diet by the way, I'm sure you've all tried it. It's tasteless. When you take the fat out, your food becomes quite tasteless. It's not much fun, because you're always hungry on it. But Eisenhower persisted on this diet until he died in 1969 - of a heart attack!

So much for that theory! But that didn't stop Keys. Keys and his followers obtain other powerful and controlling positions.

You don't have to take my word for this, because one of the principles of evidence-based thinking is that I have to empower you, to go to the source. So we will put on the Blog, a copy of a brilliant book by Nina Teicholz, a science journalist, with the wonderful title, "The Big Fat Surprise". Which covers all the research, gives you all the information including glimpses at the original papers and tells how Keys and his followers manipulated the whole nutritional guideline in the US and then the rest of the world.

Keys achieved the ultimate accolade for a public figure, he made the cover of *Time* magazine:



Keys was now the diet guru for the United States. And even after he retired, the low-fat meme continued to propagate.

Here is a brief summary of the career of Low Fat:

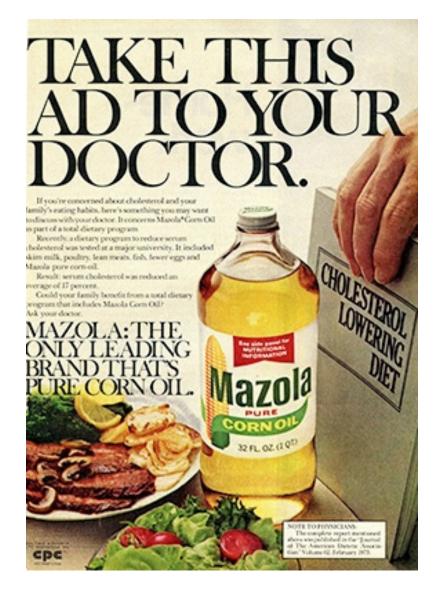
1970s: Senate Select Committee on Nutrition meets and recommends a low-fat diet. This will influence what Americans eat hugely.

That means that they promote high-carb foods. Foods like cereals, breads, crackers and chips. These are yummy things... The hardest things for people to give up is they want to go off a high-carb diet, are bread and pasta. One of the reasons that these foods are so addictive is because the wheat that they are made from attaches to the opiate receptors in the brain ... but that's another story.

1980: The "Dietary Guidelines for Americans" come out. No surprises. Americans are supposed to eat

- \* Highly processed foods
- \* High sugar content foods

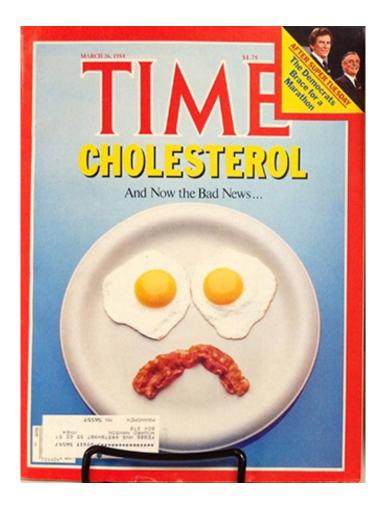
Here is an ad from the halcyon days of the great Low-Fat Diet.



We don't use butter any more. We're going to use corn oil, sump oil, yuk! We're going to use margarine. Margarine is just hydrogenated vegetable oil. It's got nothing of any goodness in it whatsoever. None!

And look, it says it lowers your cholesterol. Well! It turns out that is something else Dr Keys and his friends got wrong. We need cholesterol. We need cholesterol for our heart health. Get rid of cholesterol and, as it turns out, you are opening yourself up to a lot of problems later in life.

Here's the cover of *Time* from 1984. It's bad news. You can't have eggs and bacon any more.



Ancel Keys has won! He's now got all the conscientious Americans who listen to the government, quite a lot of people, convinced that they have to eat low fat, high carb food.

Of course, we would expect Dr Keys to follow his own advice, but does Dr Keys follow his own advice? No! Dr Keys can't stand the low-fat diet, sensible man. He likes burgers and chops. He likes bacon and eggs. He eats these on a regular basis, never mind about his calorie intake. He likes all the high fat food. He's not stupid, he's conning everyone else.

At the end of the twentieth century, what do we have? Well, we don't have one epidemic any longer. We have plural epidemics. That heart epidemic of the 1960s that the low -at diet was supposed to cure, well we still have that. Heart attack rates have hardly gone down at all, but we now have a few extra epidemics to keep the original one company.

These were not epidemics, that is cases were not in mass quantities before Ancel Keys convinced us to change our way of eating.

Here we are.

Obesity	Diabetes (Type 2)
Depression	Bowel problems
Asthma	Rheumatoid Arthritis
Auto immune diseases	Autism
Dementia & Alzheimers	ADHD
Schizophrenia	Celiac disease
Liver diseases (fatty liver)	Osteoporosis
Cancer	Hypertension

Obesity has gone up. Diabetes Type 2 has become a huge problem in the Western world, especially in Australia, and you probably know, that medical knowledge links diabetes type 2 to obesity.

Depression. Kids were not prescribed anti-depressants when I was growing up. Of course we had depression, it's a normal teenage rite of passage. Now every teenager I meet seems to suffer from depression.

Bowel problems, asthma, Rheumatoid Arthritis. Autoimmune disease rates are soaring, autism.

Now just make a mental note of autism in there, because we are going to discuss autism and its causes next month.

Dementia and Alzheimers, ADHD, Schizophrenia and Coeliac disease (because there is so much wheat being used), liver diseases, osteoporosis and hypertension. This is the situation at the end of the twentieth century. We are still experiencing this, because the ghost of Ancel Keys is still out there. It's still having an effect. Now Melody is going to talk to you in a minute with much more hopeful signs, but I'd like you to remember this. If you take nothing else away:

Fraudulent science kills

And

Fraudulent research = The Lie

When we saw Archangel Michael killing Ahriman with the sword, that's what we have to do with the life. Last year was the Year of Truth, this year is the Year of Michael, and it's incumbent upon spiritual people not to just embrace truth, but to know how to communicate it and express it to other people.

Now Melody has *good* research. The research that Ancel Keys buried; covered with vitriol and smeared for fifty years, and still continues to rule main stream nutrition. But Melody is now going to explain a lot more about that and where things are going.

## Part II: Melody

Sadly, 70 years after the rigged research, the Ancel Keys myth has still a huge hold on conventional nutrition.

Examples in the 21st century:

- TV shows
- Nutritionists especially on cooking shows
- Lite 'n Easy
- GPs most still believe in low fat
- Diabetes experts

Dr Michael Mosely presented a recent study on reversing Type 2 Diabetes through changing diet. The most resistant expert he met was the head of Diabetes Australia who was extremely sceptical that Type 2 could be reversed by eating differently.

Fortunately a movement by individuals has arisen. It advocates a keto life style, that is, a diet that is low carb, high fat. Tens of thousands of people have adopted this diet and recorded their results on Facebook (Meta) and Instagram. They are the experiment.

The knowledge has been around for a very long time. In 1931 Dr Otto Warburg won a Nobel prize for discovering the phenomenon that cancer cells live on glucose. He said "In fact cancer cells do not have the capacity to use any fuel for growth other than glucose. Without glucose they starve to death." Carbohydrates all break down very quickly in the body to glucose.

In India, the keto diet is used to treat cancer. It has been used successfully for many years at John Hopkins Hospital in USA to treat epilepsy.

In 1972 Dr Robert Atkins introduced his "Diet Revolution", citing it as a means by which glucose levels could remain very stable in the body. It was a high fat, low carb eating plan.

Nina Teicholz in *The Big Fat Surprise*, 2014, covers all the research, supressed by Ancel Keys and his followers, that show the beneficial effect of fats on the human body. The research also shows the destructive effects of carbohydrates. JR will post her book on the blog so you can go to the source! She mentions Dr Atkins often, and lists a large amount of research that supports his ideas. His theory of "ketosis" where the body burns fat for fuel, instead of glucose has become widely accepted amongst progressive nutritional writers and researchers.

Even before Dr Otto Warburg there was an undertaker by the name of William Banting who was born in England in 1797. He was hugely obese. Banting limited his intake of carbohydrates, raised his protein and fat intake. He lost masses of weight and lived to the ripe old age of 79.

This brings us to Professor Timothy Noakes in the twenty first century. He popularised the "Banting" diet, as the *Real Meal Revolution*. Unfortunately, the ghost of Ancel Keys swooped in and took its revenge. Noakes was threatened with deregistration by the South African Medical Board. He successfully defended himself to the Board, but the Keys supporters appealed the decision to the High Court. Eventually after a protracted court case, the judge handed down her decision. Professor Noakes was vindicated.

I watched the live court feed on a later documentary where I heard him say quietly, "Perhaps we [the standard nutritional wisdom] got it wrong."

[Ref: Youtube video]

The good news is, that after 70 plus years of fraudulent research ruling the Western diet, truth is emerging. Everywhere studies show the benefits of a diet which is exactly the opposite of the one recommended by Ancel Keys.

And yes, the following epidemics can be slowed or even reversed when the truth is applied to diet:

Obesity	Diabetes (Type 2)
Depression	Bowel problems
Asthma	Rheumatoid Arthritis
Auto immune diseases	Autism
Dementia & Alzheimer's	ADHD
Schizophrenia	Celiac disease
Liver diseases (fatty liver)	Osteoporosis
Cancer	Hypertension

Truth prevails, and truth heals.

#### Part III: JR

Well, now we've had a huge helping of science, good science and bad science, and I think that as spiritual people we have to ask ourselves, what the hell is going on? Why would the spiritual powers that be allow Ancel Keys to come along and kill more people than Hitler?

When you look at that huge set of illnesses that his diet ended up being responsible for and promoting, you'd have to think that Ahriman, the Lie, is well and truly on top.

Melody wants to counteract the lie here.

*Melody:* Dr Michael Mosely said that you can eat oily fish, lots of olive oil, lots of meat and also you can have a glass of wine [loud cheer from Ivana] and look what I've just found. It is 180 mls of wine in a plastic glass. And you can have it with your dinner – it's got zero carbs in it, by the way!

*John:* There is a reason why all this happened on the spiritual level. Of course, there's always a reason! You just have to ask. And when you look at it, it becomes quite obvious. All those illnesses of the physical body operate in the human psyche in two ways. First of all, they challenge us to think about the causes. It's very difficult to say, "I'm going to cure my diabetes by changing

my diet," or "I'm going to cure cancer by stopping sugar," that's a huge endeavour. But there are souls, and Melody named them as individuals, who can do that. Who will do that, who can do that, and it will change their lives.

The second thing is that Spirit wants to destroy our bodies. Spirit doesn't really care for our physical bodies, they're an anomaly, and eventually we are going to transform these spiritual bodies. So spirit is helping us by making us open to this huge range of illness and bodily functions.

So Ancel Keys may not have been totally on the side of the bad guys, he may have come along to give evolution a bit of a push, and also to bring out the truth-seekers. It only took one person to create the lie, but it took hundreds, perhaps thousands of people to reveal the truth. Creating truth is a collaborative effort. We share in truth, but a lie belongs to one person.

I'm going to complete this little discussion by just summarising the three points about making decisions about what's going on in the world around us.

#### To Know:

#### 1. Go to the Source

Where did this rumour start that coronavirus is caused by 5G. When I went to the source, I discovered a pair of conspiracy theorists who not only think, with no proof that 5G causes coronavirus, they also think that the Royal family are aliens in disguise [laughter] – in fact from alien lizards. Now I've looked at the Queen and at Prince Charles and all the rest, and I really can't see the lizard there – I really can't.

When you go to the source, sometimes you find the source is quite insane – in which case we decide not to buy into it.

Actually epidemics have a tendency to bring out strange things. During the 1918 epidemic, there was a widespread rumour that it was caused by radio waves, which were quite new in those days.

2. If you can't go to the source, deal with people who will point you to the source. That is why we are making available to you Nina Teicholz's book, and there are lots and lots of books on nutrition that deal with source research.

#### 3. Factcheckers

Did you know that there are sites on the internet called "Factcheckers"? I have lots of people who put all sorts of theories and rumours in front of me. I haven't the information myself to deal with all of these, so I have found it very helpful to go to a Factchecker site.

The Washington Post used to factcheck every presidential lie. Someone like Obama might lie once or twice a year during his presidency. Donald Trump, after a year as president had lied 17,000 times [laughter]. They actually had to create a whole department to check his lies! By the time he'd left office, the Trump factchecking bureau had come up with 37,000 lies that Trump had told.

The factchecking site I find most useful, because they will send me an email every Friday, is the RMIT ABC Coronavirus Fact Check. RMIT is the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, ABC is the *Australian* Broadcasting Corporation. They've got together, as journalists do, to provided

good journalism. I find that every Friday, everything they've put together is relevant, and it is sometimes very helpful to deal with rumours floating around.

My next favourite is Snopes, a US site which describes all the urban legends which float around, and they deal with all sorts of weird and wonderful material.

Politifact is the US political fact checking site, and there is even an International Fact Checkers Information Network which has the journalistic equivalent of the Hippocratic Oath to "do no harm". Every site that is connected with them has to abide by their charter.

These are really helpful ways of extracting the facts. Every so often on Facebook I get this share from someone who is terribly excited that a big caravan company has a spare caravan and they are going to give it the person who posts the most likes for their posts. Unfortunately, it's a scam  $\otimes$  When I checked the actual caravan website, they said they knew it was going on, but it's a scam. The old adage is usually right, "If it sounds too good to be true, it probably isn't."

Well that brings to the end of the session, we're going to finish with the Kyrie, and then we will hold a discussion after that. Thank you all.

# Talk 3

# Knowledge 2

Case Study: Vaccination



1John 1:5-10

Truth and Knowledge Four types of knowledge

Case Study: Truth in the Age of the

Anti-Vaxxer

# The Temple of the Sun Meeting Three

28th November 2021

#### Part I: IR

5. And this is the message we have heard from him, and we proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. 6. If we should say that we have fellowship with him and we walk in the darkness, we are lying, and we do not create the truth. 7. If we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus his son purifies us from all sins. 8. If we should say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. 9. If we confess our sins he is faithful and just so that he cancels our sins and purifies us from every injustice. 10. If we should say that we did not sin, we would make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

I hope you enjoyed Rev Mario's second lecture on Hebrews. We didn't have so many contributions to the discussion questions this time, but John Plummer and later Sheila submitted some profound thoughts about the questions:

"I am really enjoying these lectures. I read them once before, years ago, but they are so fresh. In this one I especially appreciated where Mario says "... it is not a question of what you do with your life, that is unimportant; it is what Christ can do with your life that is important." I may steal that for a future sermon! A few preliminary thoughts based on the questions —

- What does Mario describe as being important in beginning a class on occultism?
  Mario says the class must begin with unity of purpose, motivation, and love which is clearly
- 1. Mario says the class must begin with unity of purpose, motivation, and love which is clearly found in a unity in Christ, which is where his singular love is focused.

This statement of Mario's reminded me that three of the purposes of our meetings are:

- To develop the Christ Self.
- To understand the working of Christ within self and within the world.
- To develop the spiritual organs of hearing and sight.
- What does the gift of Christ bestow?
- 2. The gift of Christ brings us to surrendering to that force, that power, where we can get out of the way and see how the power of Christ is working in us.
- *What do you think the content of the lecture is about?*
- 3. The lecture is about many things! But the main thread is the development of human consciousness through the work of Christ and hierarchies over the long periods of evolution through Saturn, Old Sun, Old Moon, etc, and the periods between.
- 4. The knowledge in this lecture is much more occult than the first lecture, which drew more on academic and historical sources.
- 5. While somewhat similar information can be found in other sources (e.g., Steiner), this lecture does not read as a recitation of occult theories, but as an unveiling of realities that Mario has consciously touched through his initiations and his spiritual mission.

- 6 Does this knowledge of the Hierarchy change anything in your own thinking?
- 6. I was struck by how the hierarchies work in different collaborations at different stages in evolution, and how aspects of all this remain in us. In ordinary consciousness, in dream states, in dreamless sleeps, in other states of consciousness, the work of the hierarchies is actively present in us.

Today we are going to take off from John's answer to the last question. "In ordinary consciousness, in dream states, in dreamless sleeps, in other states of consciousness, the work of the hierarchies is actively present in us."

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St John introduces his letter with the phrase, "Concerning the word of life." The "word of life" is the "work of the hierarchies within us." Just as the Letter to the Hebrews is about the work of the hierarchies on a cosmic level, so St John's words to us are about the work of the hierarchies *within* us.

There is one very important question we should ask about the hierarchy of spiritual beings:

How is the hierarchy working within the world now?

To rephrase this question so that it becomes relevant to us here and now:

How do we *know* the hierarchy is working within the world?

The occultist would say that we know the hierarchy is working within the world because the occultist can see behind the veil of earthly events to the spiritual forces behind these events. We will examine one series of events tonight. These events are creating havoc around the world at the moment, and quite a few people have asked, "Why?"

The theme of the previous talk was "Knowledge". You will remember this slide:

# Types of Knowledge • Episteme — What we know through our rational thinking • Gnosis — What we know through experience • Doxa — Opinion • Pistis — Faith (what we believe)

If you just said to yourself, "Hang on, JR, you've changed something!" you would be completely right! In the fourth place I have replaced "Nous" or inner knowledge, with "Pistis", or faith. The

reasons for this later in the talk.

The theme of our talk tonight is different. If you followed the reading from St John closely, you may have noticed that this word leapt out of the text. It is:

#### **Truth**

Melody is going to begin our case study on Truth tonight. As my resident medical expert, she is going to talk about **Vaccination**.

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## Part II: Melody on Vaccinations

Thank you for that wonderful introduction JR!

I would first like to speak about an experience, ie gnosis. It begins with Rubella. The vaccine was first introduced in 1971.

Most people understand that if a woman contracts Rubella in the first and second trimesters of pregnancy, unspeakable deformities occur. If however she contracts it in the third trimester, huge lung problems occur.

In December 1969 in my third trimester of pregnancy with my daughter Becci (I have her permission to speak about this) I contracted Rubella. If only a vaccination had been available beforehand, I would not have hesitated to have it.

Bec suffered untenable lung problems; many unresolved cases of pneumonia, and subsequently at the age of four she was diagnosed by a radiologist as having bronchiectasis. Both her lower left lobe and middle and lower right lobes of her lungs were collapsed and consolidated. Hardly any oxygen could reach the organs in her body, and she could hardly breathe. Today at the age of 51 she has to use a special instrument to assist in her breathing. Exercises she does several times a day.

The next vaccination I would like to mention is mumps which became available in 1981. Becci's dad contracted mumps in 1973. It is known that mumps in an adult male can render him sterile, and it isn't a pretty picture. His scrotum was so swollen that it reached his knees and across his legs. It was excruciatingly painful. At the time I had no concern about sterility. I just wanted to see him healed.

He must have had good little swimmers because we were able to have two more children after that, and that is quite unusual.

I, who clocked in at around 4llbs 10 oz. eight weeks prem, contracted measles at the age of six weeks, which was a great blessing, because it has now been revealed that if a person contracts measles after all other vaccines and viruses, the measles virus renders the human immune system almost null and void they call in immune amnesia. The immune system cannot remember what has happened beforehand, and all vaccinations have to be repeated, in order to be viable.

I have just spoken about Measles, mumps and rubella; only back to front, which is very occult. I Place before you the capital letters MMR, and hold that thought. We shall return to it in a little while. I put also before you 'the truth shall set you free' Vaccinations work, and without them we can sometimes be in great danger.

I had my first two children vaccinated with what was available at the time, and it might be worth me making a list to read, regarding which year they came to us. When I gave birth to my third child Mercy, such a surprise it was, I was severely postnatally depressed, and could not leave the house to get her vaccinated.

I digress with a funny little story.

We were out to dinner JR and I, accompanied by Mercy, Dane and Kiri. What possessed me to say what I said next in front of these people is beyond rational thought. I said to JR, and I quote:

"Why before we were about to know each other in the biblical sense, did you ask me if I was protected?" He answered "Because I wanted to make sure that Kiri would be the youngest." Whereupon Mercy pounced saying "Surprise!" She is two months younger than Kiri. We all shrieked. Mercy by the way has always said that John was her dad.

Now back to vaccinations. I told you I did not get Mercy vaccinated due to the circumstances I was in at the time. However, when she decided to go nursing, and any nurse who has trained in the Apprenticeship model the diploma or the degree, know that we have to accept vaccinations in order to be accepted into the profession.

So, after she had shown me the list of the ones she had received, and the cost involved, I was somewhat ashamed and offered to pay. She refused, but I will let you know what is required:

Meningococcal C

Hepatitis A

Diphtheria

Tetanus

Pertussis (Whooping Cough)

Poliomyelitis (which used to be given orally as either Salk or Sabin. It is now IM)

Measles

Mumps

Rubella

MMR creeps into the story again.

Influenza

Covid 19

Added to her list, when I began my training I had to have tuberculosis (BCG)

Hepatitis B x 3

Smallpox

Covid x 2, and looking forward to booster. Hoping the Omicron strain does not affect us too badly, but we shall have to see about that.

Smallpox vaccine was first introduced in 1804, and first given in 1932. Smallpox was eradicated in 1997 Unfortunately tuberculosis has returned in different strains, which is exactly what is happen-

ing with Covid now.

Why on earth would an ICU nurse refuse to have the Covid vaccination?! She does not belong to the profession!

I wish to return, as I said I would, to MMR Measles, mumps and rubella. It's a bit dry but it is really important.

In 1998 a former doctor Andrew Wakefield (deregistered by the UK Medical board in 2010) published a paper in the Lancet purporting to show a link between the MMR vaccine and autism in children. Of all the lies, anyone could come up with Andrew Wakefield takes first prize. His only reason for doing what he did was for notoriety and to make money. It created mass hysteria.

In the year 2000 Wakefield appeared on CBSs 60 minutes to wrongly claim that autism took off dramatically in the US and later Britain when the MMR vaccination was introduced. In 2003 a class action against MMR makers collapsed due to lack of evidence. The total cost to the public was \$100 million.

Wakefield was so clever at convincing these poor guilt-ridden mothers that MMR caused autism that vaccination rates fell dramatically. Conspiracy theories abounded, especially through social media. Mass hysteria was everywhere. There was no talking sense to anyone anymore. I heard some of the mothers speak in a documentary, and it was totally heartbreaking, especially to me.

In 2006 measles outbreaks follow Wakefield's campaign. The first measles death in fourteen years happened.

In 2009 a brilliant journalist by the name of Brian Deer exposed the deception and fraud in Wake-field's research. Some of Wakefield's case studies didn't have autism at all; others had developed it before the vaccination and so on.

In 2010 The Lancet retracted Wakefield's paper. In 2011 the British Medical Journal denounces Wakefield's research as an elaborate fraud. Still he continues in US with anti-vaccination rallies. Outbreaks of measles follow. Anti-vaxx rallies take off.

I would like to finish with a short video by Penn and Teller who are professional debunkers. Thank you for being with me. After the video JR will come back and speak about:

*Truth in the age of the anti-vaxxers* 

## Part III: JR

## Truth in the Age of the Anti-Vaxxer

As we near the end of the second year of the Covid pandemic, a new world-wide phenomenon is gaining attention. From America to Europe and from Australia to New Zealand, anti-vaccine rallies are hitting the news.

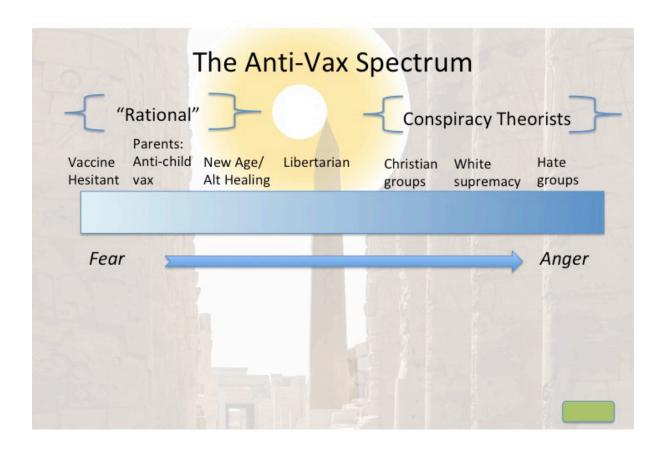
New Zealand saw a protest of thousands of anti-vaccine demonstrators take to the streets in Wellington.

It appeared that the focus of the rally was to object to the governments vaccine mandate policies. What is remarkable about this protest was the broad spectrum of view-points involved in the protest. There were the usual mums against vaccination, pro-Trump demonstrators – promising to make NZ great again.

There were more people from the far-right movements like Qanon. People waved placards with swastikas on them, and lots of other far-right, neo-Nazi people plus a contingent of supporters riding motor cycles. What makes the protests in NZ almost unique though, was that along with the white supremacist groups, there were young Maori demonstrators. Some of these were waving Tino Rangatiratanga and United Tribes of New Zealand flags, both of which are symbolic of Māori sovereignty movements. Just to add flavour to this mix, there were plenty of people from fundamentalist Christian churches complete with slogans and biblical quotations.

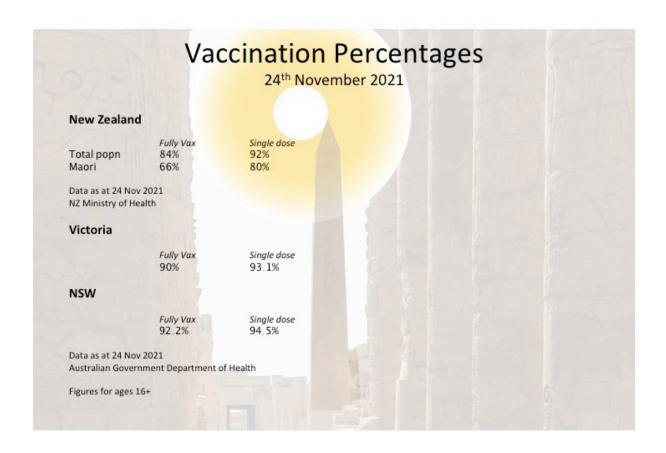
In Victoria, about 3000 protesters marched in a "Freedom Rally." The same mix of vaccine parent deniers, Fascist and neo Nazi organisations and white supremacy groups including Proud Boys and Lads Society, voiced their demands. This protest had some very ugly undertones. Some in the crowd staged a mock execution of the premier using wooden gallows and an inflatable doll. In distinction to NZ where all the political parties condemned the violence, several Australian MPs and politicians supported the protestors and even spoke at rallies.

If we put these groups together, they fall along a spectrum which ranges from quite reasonable to conspiracy theories of varying degrees and intensities.



If you look at the emotions involved, they range from fear at one end to anger and even hate at the other.

Just to make something very clear:



In both New Zealand and Australia, the population is voting with its feet. If this trend continues, only 5% of the population will not be vaccinated. So why is this 5% trying so hard to tell the other 95% what to do? Why should 5% of the population think they should control the other 95% of the people? The answers vary. First of all, that word *control* is very significant, but secondly there something special about this 5%. They are the Atlanteans ©

We shall return to these points. What we need to do as spiritual people, as trainee occultists if you like, is to understand firstly, the energies that are working within these people and secondly how we deal with these energies.

## Case Study: Dr Bob

Within a short walking distance I can rely on finding my local anti-vaxxer. He has a PhD in biochemistry, and he is presently helping his parents run the local road house. Bob (real name changed for reasons of privacy) has scared off or antagonised most of the locals who don't want to listen to his raves, so when I suggested that we have a discussion, and quoted Isaiah, "Come let us *reason* together," Bob was happy. I was very interested to learn how this theoretically rational and scientific person had come to his position on vaccination.

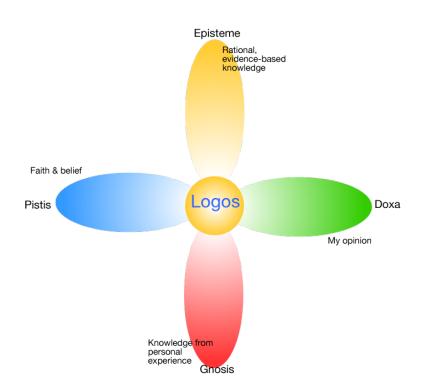
At the start of our discussion I set out the parameters. We were going to agree on specific sources of trusted information. Bob had no sources he was willing to share with me, but my trusted sources were the statistical data presented by the WHO, the Australian government and the Victorian government. Bob agreed to this. I also said I trusted, by and large, papers published in reputable, peer-reviewed journals. Bob had to go along with this as well – he wouldn't have a PhD without at least one paper in such a journal.

Before we enter into our discussion, I want to review with you our modes of knowledge from the last Temple Meeting. Because we are discussing this as occultists, we need to have an "occult" diagram.

We begin from the Centre. The Centre is as yet unlabelled because it is as yet unknown.

So here are my four types of knowledge.

- Episteme
- Gnosis
- Doxa
- Pistis



Now you may see that there is a direction in each of these types of knowledge. They all should

journey towards the centre. And the Centre also has a name:

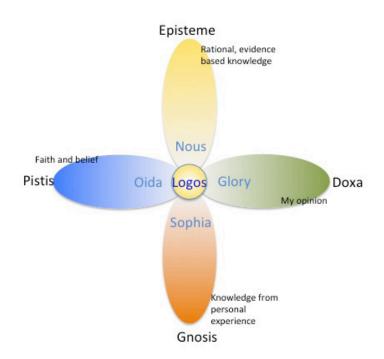
Logos

This is a diagram of the soul. As we evolve as spiritual beings, we journey in from the edges to the centre. As we do this, we transform the ways we attain knowledge.

Episteme transforms into Nous, inner knowing or intuition

Gnosis transforms into Sophia, wisdom

Doxa transforms into Glory (same word in Greek)



We shall return to this shortly. Now let's come back to "Bob".

Pistis transforms into Oida, vision

What I wanted to know was how much of Bob's thinking was based on faith, or was opinion, or personal experience. The only way human beings can have a reasoned discussion is if both agree they are going to work from Episteme.

Bob told me the following. He objected to vaccination on these grounds:

1. The vaccine was unsafe. The mrna vaccine was a new type of vaccine. He didn't like the way it was constructed and didn't consider that it had been properly tested. I suggested that he

could have Astra Zeneca. He grunted.

- 2. Vaccination was unnecessary. If we didn't vaccinate, we would develop natural immunity. He quoted African countries which he said had no vaccines and had not suffered a second wave. According to Bob, once the first Covid wave had passed, the infection rate diminished and tailed off. He also quoted the Philippines which, according to Bob had also achieved natural immunity.
- 3. He asked me what I believed. I said I didn't believe anything. I would look at the figures and make decisions based on the data. He asked me what opinion I had. I said I had no opinion. "We are scientists, Bob," I said, "and as scientists, our job is not to have opinions, it is to deal with the facts." Bob sort of agreed.
- 4. Bob refused the idea of mandatory vaccination because he should make decisions about his own body. I asked him whether he felt any obligation to society, pointing out that along with **R**ights, we also had **R**esponsibilities. Bob said he felt no responsibility to society as a whole.

Before I look at Bob's ideas, it is worth looking at how he falls on the "5 Cs" scale. This is a scale that researchers have compiled for why people are vaccine hesitant. The 5 Cs are:

**Confidence**: the person's trust in the vaccines efficacy and safety, the health services offering them, and the policy makers deciding on their rollout

**Complacency**: whether or not the person considers the disease itself to be a serious risk to their health

Calculation: the individual's engagement in extensive information searching to weigh up the costs and benefits

Constraints (or convenience): how easy it is for the person in question to access the vaccine

**Collective responsibility**: the willingness to protect others from infection, through one's own vaccination

Add to this that 10% of the population may have trypanophobia (fear of needles).

I have come into contact with a few anti-vaxxers. I have picked Bob, because he was the *most* rational of them all. At least he tried to engage on the level of Episteme. And how does Bob's reasoning stack up:

# The Vaccine is unsafe because it has not been tested properly

Just to take the Pfizer vaccine as an example. Contrary to Bob's assertions, the vaccine had to undergo a stringent three-phase testing process before it was even presented to the regulators.

The third phase tested the vaccine on more than 44,000 subjects. That is a lot of people.

In the US, the Food and Drug Administration body (FDA) examined Pfizer's claims with a fine-tooth comb. In Australia, even though we had the benefit of the FDA process, our Therapeutic Goods Administration board revisited the Pfizer process before it issued its approval.

Since then, there have been 7.6 BILLION doses administered of the vaccines. Some (almost

always mild) side effects have been recorded in 3 in ten thousand injections. *This means that* 99.967% of the time the vaccines are completely safe and free of any adverse effect.

Because the sample size is so large, actually the Covid vaccines have been tested *more* thoroughly than any vaccine in human history, so Bob is wrong. By the way, Bob was quite happy to be injected with ivermectin or hydroxychloroquine if he developed Covid. Both these drugs have been the subject of trials with very small test samples, and researchers have said: "Don't do it!"

# We can develop natural immunity

Actually, we can't.

When I looked at the two cases Bob quoted of countries developing natural immunity to Covid, he was wrong in both cases. The Philippines has already recorded 45,000 Covid deaths. The death rate only slowed when vaccination rates increased. The country has the worst Covid response in South East Asia.

As for African countries. Bob was partially right. At this time they haven't entered a *second* Covid wave, they are in a *third* wave, and preparing for a fourth. Low vaccination rates equals large Covid case numbers equals suffering and death.

The references include a *Lancet* paper written by properly qualified and vetted scientists on the second Covid wave in African countries. And here is something we should know:

The less vaccination in a country, the greater the chance of developing new, and potentially more dangerous variants.

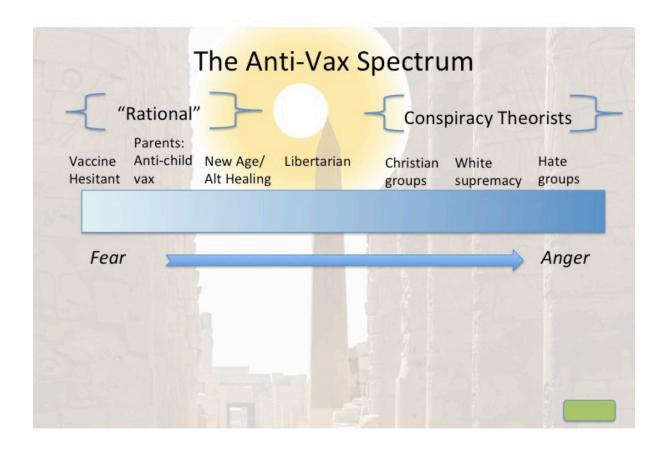
And talking of new variants, the Omicron variant is entering our community. *And* it mutated in an African country...

## My body, my decision.

How could I possibly come up with the idea that it is my body? Did I create flesh and bone, my beating heart, the bold flowing in my veins, my complex nervous system and all the other elements that make up my body? The body is the work of the hierarchy. We are lent it for a life time. We don't have ownership, we have responsibility.

What is incontrovertible is that Bob has falsified information. He has invented figures and statistics that promote a point of view. Although I asked three times, Bob refused to tell me his sources. They certainly were not the independent, scientific sources we agreed to use. In short, Bob lied.

Let's look again at the Anti-vax spectrum.



Bob sits at the far-left side. People become progressively less and less rational as you move to the right. Bob can no longer make use of Episteme. He can't reason rationally. He wants to work from opinion and faith. He can't work from gnosis, because he has no personal experience of being vaccinated. On the other hand, I *can* speak from gnosis, because I have been vaccinated. I can say, "It worked for me!"

A very important part of my conversation with Bob was that he became more and more emotional. He was *emotionally* connected to the question. His voice became higher, he spoke faster. His hands were shaking. He became unable to hold a conversation, instead he was delivering an oration. Episteme, objective knowledge is not emotional.

On the left of the anti-vax spectrum are well-meaning people. They have researched the question to their own satisfaction. The second group on the spectrum is those parents who refuse to have their child vaccinated. By and large these people are well-meaning. They feel intense responsibility to their children, and want to safe guard them from the dangers they perceive vaccination involves. Like Bob, their research is dominated by their emotions, but even more so. [Calling the Shots: Parents Rejecting Vaccines, Jennifer A. Reich, 2016]

At the next stage we find the "New Agers". These are often people who are committed to a natural lifestyle like yoga instructors, and healers of various new age modalities. I was quite surprised when I discovered this class of people. I have done readings for people in this group, and understand where their angst is coming from.

There is a fascinating Guardian article which followed the experience of Ozlem Carr who decided to get into yoga during lockdown. Here is a longish quote from the article:

When the deployment of the Covid vaccine got under way, Carr began to see posts that troubled her, ranging from polite concern about the social consequences of mass vaccination, or the politics underpinning it, to full-blown rejection of the science. "The conversation and tone of their posts shifted," she says. "At first it was all about self-care and being part of a community that is caring for each other. But then they started to speak more about how there should be a choice when it came to vaccines. They were saying things like: 'My body, my choice.'"

Carr watched as Greenacre posted an Instagram story describing vaccine passports as "medical apartheid". Vittengl went further. In a post in July, Vittengl, who is unvaccinated, compared vaccine passports to the social polarisation witnessed during the Holocaust and spoke about the "mess" caused by the "ideology of the western medical system". "We aren't being shown the full picture," Vittengl concluded, in a post that was liked by Greenacre. Greenacre subsequently invited Vittengl on to her podcast, where Vittengl discussed the pernicious influence of "big pharma" and celebrated the work of the controversial doctor Zach Bush, who has been called a "Covid denialist" by researchers at McGill University in Montreal.

You can see how well-intentioned people are being moved further and further to the right of the spectrum.

I'm not going to detail the many conspiracy theories out there on the far right. They involve elaborate world-wide conspiracies by every government and the WHO to invent a disease. In this view Covid doesn't exist. Unfortunately for this point of view, many have died in ICU begging for a vaccination which they didn't believe in, only to be told by sorrowing medical staff, that they were too late. Others believe that Bill Gates is installing microchips through the vaccine, and he will establish mind-control dominance over the globe through 5G. I have been told by friends that Covid was caused by 5 G – this view was put out by the same writer who told the world confidently that the Queen was a lizard.

The question which comes to mind is, why are people being moved from the left of the spectrum to join with the far right of the spectrum Why are people who are normally good citizens becoming so angry that they join loud, noisy protests spilling over into violence. Why are "Soccer Moms" marching side by side with far-right bikers carrying banners with swastikas? The answer is:



Yes, it's our Social Media accounts which we love so much.

It turns out that Facebook algorithms, for example, can detect when someone is angry. So what Facebook does is match that angry person with someone who is also angry. Multiply this a few million times, and instead of isolated angry people, you have *groups* of angry people.

What do "Soccer Moms" and Neo-Nazis have in common? They are angry. They are also very, very fearful.

They have also made a choice, they have chosen the lie, rather than the truth.

Let's remind ourselves of St John's words:

5. And this is the message we have heard from him, and we proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. 6. If we should say that we have fellowship with him and we walk in the darkness, we are lying, and we do not create the truth.

St John doesn't say that if we sit back, the "truth" will come to us. No, he says we must *create* the truth. The Greek word really means "make". It is as though we have to make truth like a craftsperson builds a house, or a boat, or a mural. Truth is something we create for ourselves.

How do we create truth? We create truth through our choices. Let's look at our diagram of the Soul. The journey to truth takes us from the outer circle, into the circle of the Logos. At the outer circle we have to face our fear. This is known as the "First Guardian of the Threshold". All the people we see in the protests who are motivated by fear, cannot pass the First Guardian. The only power which can master fear is love. Every century human beings are given the opportunity to make this choice. If we choose love, then we choose truth and we become part of the ascending evolutionary path of humanity. If we choose fear, then we accept the lie, and we become part of the descending evolutionary path of humanity.

There is another very important influence acting upon the 5% who are making so much noise.

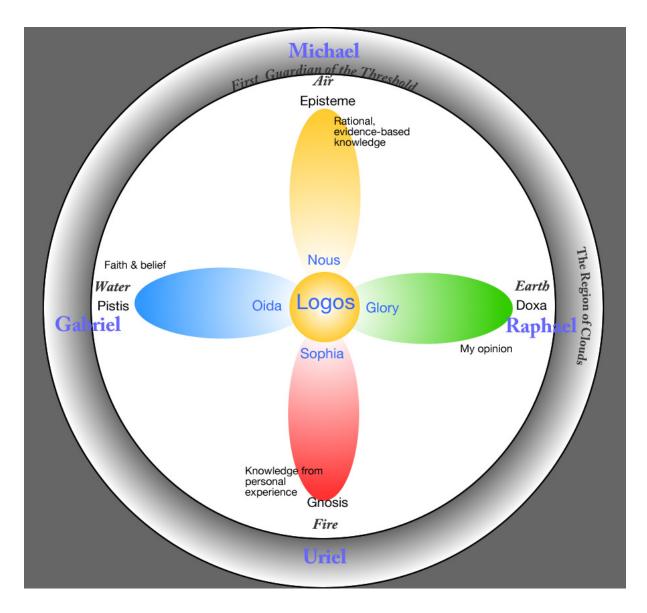
To understand this, we need to add another layer to our diagram. As we saw in Module 2 of level I of Wyse Art, the foundations of human consciousness are the four elements, Fire, Earth, Air and Water.

Each of these elements is ruled by a special Archangel. This Archangel is the *Regent* of the element. The four Regents are Archangels:

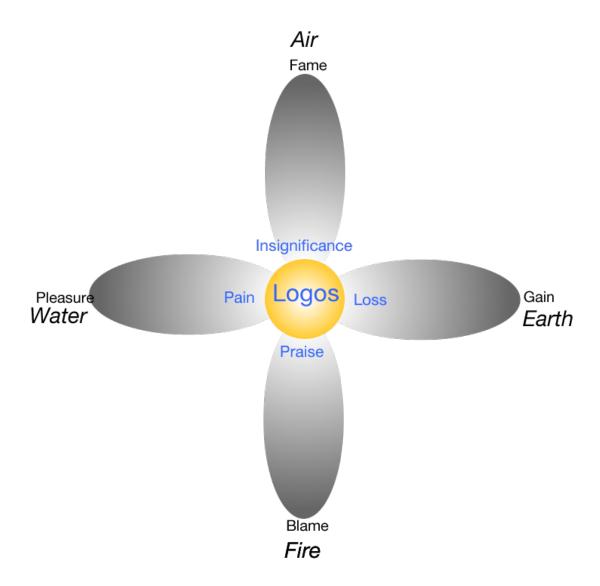
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Outside the circle of the First Guardian is a region known as "The Place of Clouds". This represents the astral consciousness of normal human beings. As Sheila put it, the "rage, hatred, passion, negativity arising from our astral..."

Outside this again is a region known as the "Outer darkness".



In level III of Wyse Art, we talked briefly about the negative Tree. This is made up of the shells or husks of the sefiroth arising in the creation of the Tree of Life. There is also a diagram of the *negative forces*. It looks like this:



There are also spiritual Regents for these forces, but we won't name them here.

The Regents of the negative forces use the four pairs of astral energies to move us *away* from the soul. They are very active at this point in time. What we see, in many of these violent protests is the negative hierarchy at work in the souls of people.

There is more, however.

Our era is a replay of the Atlantean epoch. Many of us had incarnations in Atlantis. At this point in time, an Atlantean incarnation may be playing very powerfully within our souls. The Order of Melchizedek is a manifestation of the Sun Temple in Atlantis. The name of our Lodge, the Temple of the Sun itself is harkening back to that time when the Sun beings stood almost alone against the darkness which was engulfing Atlantis.

In the final years of Atlantis, which took some thousands of years to come about, the negative forces corrupted the six other Temples. Certain negative figures dominated the temples.

Mikhael Omraam Aivanhov in his book on Silence, remarks that when we become more and more silent, our every gesture, every movement, every word takes on power. We become, as he put it, "White Magicians." On the other hand, those who misuse speech, communication, gesture and movement become "Black Magicians." In the Atlantean end times, a few, powerful individuals, whom we could call Black Magicians, dominated the will and consciousness of hundreds of thousands of people. Mario called them the Grey Ones. The Grey Ones became like robot slaves. They were injected with negative energies that did terrible things to the physical body, but even worse, tortured the etheric body, and even ejected the soul into the region of Outer Darkness so that it could not come back into incarnation for millennia.

In the anti-vax movement we can distinguish precisely two kinds of people. There are those who have a terrible, deep-seated fear of being injected with something negative again. They remember that experience in their etheric body, and so they are deeply fearful of vaccination. More, because they lost control of their soul in Atlantis, now they are desperate to assert control in any way they can. "My body, my decision," is the soul crying out to regain control. These are the Grey Ones. In addition there are a very few "master magicians." These are those souls who in Atlantis belonged to the brotherhood of the Black Ones. These master figures manipulate the fear of control, to actually exert control. They convert this domination achieved through fear into Fame and celebrity, Gain (profit), Praise and adulation and Pleasure. Such figures often seem to exert a charismatic fascination over their followers.

Melody has told you a little about Andrew Wakefield. He was motivated from the start by these four forces. In 1994 he joined forces with a lawyer to get money from class actions against the MMR vaccine. How coincidental that only four years later, he should put together a piece of fraudulent research that would have allowed thousands of people to mount legal action against the UK Health service. He would have stood to gain hundreds of millions of dollars. When he fled to the USA, he attracted celebrities, and a cult following. Anti-vaccine parents revered him as a god. Even Elle McPherson hooked up with him!

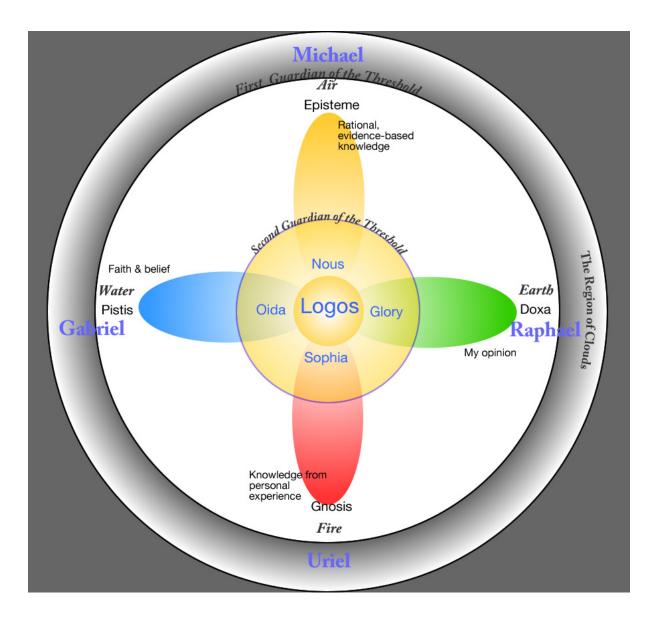
The White magicians are still active though. The journalist Brian Deer meticulously tracked down every claim Wakefield made, and tested them with real science. He is now renowned as one of the best investigative journalists in the world. Andrew Wakefield loathes him.

How should we, as spiritual people handle the anti-vax movement?

It may be a good idea to remember the first part of the Hippocratic Oath: "First do no evil."

The worst thing we can do is allow ourselves to be dragged into the controversy. We may have passed the First Guardian of the Threshold, but there is a second Guardian, and the second threshold is more difficult and more subtle than the first.

Second Guardian asks us this question: "Are you beyond judgment?" If we find ourselves getting upset with the attitudes and actions of others – including anti-vaxxers, we are making a judgment, and the Guardian will not let us pass. If we think we are superior in our thinking and our spirituality, we are making a judgment about ourselves. The Guardian will not let us pass.



In order to pass the Second Guardian we have to absolutely realise one thing: The individuality is sacrosanct.

This means that no matter how wrong the actions of other people may seem, we have to allow them to make choices that are theirs. We cannot seek to change their thinking, to persuade them or try to convince them they are wrong. That is not our job.

If people object to vaccination, that is their right as spiritual beings.

Over the years I have been privileged to do spiritual readings I have seen the torture that some of these souls were exposed to. The tearing apart, not only of the physical body, but of the soul itself. The long ages for healing to be given. The incarnations of taking gradual steps towards the light again. There is one action we can take. That is to find it within ourselves to observe the *soul* not the *behaviour* and to feel enough love within us to share it with souls who are still tortured, in fear and in darkness.

When the ancient teachers saw their student had reached this stage they placed four directions in front of the student:

- 1. "Shut your eyes and change to and wake another way of seeing";
- 2. "Let there be in the soul a shining imagination of a sphere"
- 3. "One must not chase after it, but wait quietly 'til it appears"
- 4. "How to see this? Take away everything!"

Plotinus, who lived in the second century AD taught that from the divine emanated intellect. Then on the return to the divine, we entered into a second intellect, a second Mind. He called this the "hyper-cosmic intellect". When we pass the Second Guardian, we enter into this new understanding. The strange thing, Plotinus taught, is that within this new consciousness, there is no thinking. Thought processes pass away. Judgment is no longer possible. Plotinus called this "Intellect in love." He declared that far from reasoning and arguing, we become "drunk with love."

This is when we pass the second Guardian. Judgment falls away and love remains.

This is when we can, in the words of St John

Walk in the light as he is in the light

And then we too, can be the Light that shines in the Darkness.

So shall it be.

# Talk 4

# The Emergence of the Feminine 1

The Rosary 1



The Story of the Feminine in the West

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# The Temple of the Sun Meeting Four

22nd February 2022

### Part I:

Welcome to our first Temple meeting in 2022, The Year of Fire and Light.

Rev Mario was responsible for transmitting two lineages of occult and esoteric understanding in the twentieth century. The first of these lineages is the Melchizedek lineage. Mario said that his primary purpose for this life was to "raise the Order of Melchizedek" in the twentieth century. The Order is raised every 1000 years in order to prepare the world for a new manifestation of Christ. In the first century, Christ appeared in the flesh. In the tenth century, Christ created a new understanding of individuality. In the twentieth century, Christ appeared in the etheric of the world.

From the earliest days of Christianity, it was understood that Christ transmitted secret knowledge to the disciples. The writer Clement said:

After the resurrection, the Lord transmitted the tradition of gnosis to James the Just, to John, and to Peter; these transmitted it to the other apostles, and the other apostles to the Seventy, of whom Barnabas was a member

Mario once said that the ability to pass on the knowledge and initiate people lasted about a hundred years. That means we have only until the end of this century to find Melchizedeks and ordain them. It also means that we have a limited window of opportunity to transmit the knowledge of the Melchizedek lineage.

The knowledge that we transmit is not something that can be written in a book or posted on a web site. It can be found in a particular place, and that place is the holy scriptures.

Mario said that we had to learn to decipher the code. In order to do this though, we have to make ourselves become part of the code. Origen, who lived about the fourth century (and Mario hinted had incarnated within the Centre) put it like this:

"... an initiate with a purified heart can even understand the doctrines revealed by Jesus to his true disciples," that is the most secret or mystical doctrines.

This is why we have chosen to found our Temple Meetings on the writings of the New Testament.

In studying the Book of Hebrews we are studying the Mysteries of the Order of Melchizedek. As we share in this knowledge we understand what is asked of us as Melchizedek priests. Now there is a difference between a priest and an occultist. The task that was given to Melody and me was to find Melchizedeks and offer them ordination. Ordination creates a connection to the Sun Being, Christ. It offers the potential that the new priest can take part in the work of Christ in consciousness. As we have said so often, ordination plants a seed into the consciousness of the priest. It then becomes our job to grow this seed. We have passed on Rev Mario's instructions for "Growing the Seed". If the new priest does not take on these specific instructions there are two possibilities the first is that they will still grow the seed if they maintain a priestly consciousness. That is, in their work and everyday life they remember that they are a priest and try to live accordingly. The seed will grow. Then there are a few priests who forget they have been ordained. They forget they have been changed forever and been given an opportunity that comes along at best once in a thousand years. What happens to these priests? Mario said that if the priest doesn't work with that seed of

Christ, then nothing happens. The seed continues as a seed, and will be available for that person to work with in future lives.

There is a group of priests who not only are aware that they are changed by ordination, they have an inner longing to expand that new consciousness within them. This longing becomes a flame that is unsatisfied until they connect with the secret teachings. The Wyse Art was created to attract those with that burning flame and to fan it into something much greater. Here in the Temple of the Sun we want to work with that flame so that you in your turn will become teachers of the secrets.

The secrets are, as we have already said, embedded within the writings the first initiates left us. If we read Mario's words and allow them to penetrate within us, then we shall change our thinking and our consciousness. So here are a few points that leapt out at me from lecture three:

# 1. Thinking.

"The ability to think clearly and purely is the first prerogative of the budding occultist."

There is the most potent need at present to "think clearly and purely". We have spent two Temple meetings on precisely this. When we enter into the mode of thinking clearly and purely, then we begin to see how biased, muddy and impure is so much discussion in the world around us. We also begin to see clearly into the motives of others, especially leaders. When President Putin says that Russia has no intention of invading Ukraine and waging a war, and denies this over a period of months, we see clearly that this is a lie. If we turn this insight upon our own political leaders, then we come to see clearly whether they are motivated by a selfish need to retain and obtain power, or whether there is a genuine desire to serve others.

Thinking clearly and purely is an enormous occult ability. With it, we create our lives in consciousness. Without it, we are at the mercy of all the emotional energies that swell around us.

## 2. God

I attended a seminar once where Mario talked about the hierarchies and their work. At the end, one person leant over to me and whispered, "I wonder what Mario means by 'God'".

In this Hebrews lecture, Mario talks about "God the Father" who was the highest spiritual being in the Saturn epoch, "God the Son" the highest spiritual being during the Sun period, and "God the Holy Spirit," the highest being of the Moon period.

All three of these beings are working within the Earth incarnation. We have been working with God the Holy Spirit who rules the race religions. The task of these religions was to purify the astral. The task of the new religion which is the religion of the Son is to purify the etheric. And how do we purify the etheric? We do it by *repetition*! I could say a lot about repetition. Mario once told a man to swim every day at 6:00 am if he wanted to become psychic. I later asked the man if that worked – and, yes, it did!

There is a great lesson on repetition in the life of St Thomas Aquinas. All his life Thomas prayed, and after he became a priest he celebrated or attended Mass every day of his life. It wasn't however, until the very end of his life, that Christ finally appeared to him – as he was doing his daily

mass.

### Part 2

Now that we have seen something of how the occult teachings of the Order of Melchizedek are transmitted, let us look at the second stream of esoteric teaching that Mario brought to us. This is the Rosicrucian stream.

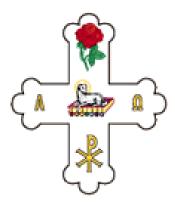
The word "Rosicrucian" may conjure up competing images. In the twentieth century there were a number of orders which described themselves as "Rosicrucian". For example, there was the RIA, *Rosicrucianis in Anglia* or the "English Rosicrucians". This was a precursor to the famous Lodge of the Golden Dawn which influenced so much esoteric teaching in the West. Then there was AMORC, The Ancient and Mystical Order Rosae Crucis. Mario actually belonged to this at one stage himself. Then again there is Max Heindel's Rosicrucian Fellowship. Mario also highly valued Heindel's esoteric teachings.

The name "Rosicrucian" derives from a seventeenth century group. The members of this group were anonymous, but their writings changed the course of the Western Esoteric Tradition.

The name "Rosicrucian" means of course, "Rose Cross". One of the symbols of the Rosicrucian orders was a rose placed upon a cross.



And if you take a look at the old Centre Cross, then you will see indeed a Rose placed at the top of the cross.



Now we have in the past said that the Rose stands for Christ, so the Rose on the cross represents Christ crucified and his blood streaming into the earth. On the Centre cross, the Rose represents awakened humanity, the highest potential of the human being realised.

Actually, these are all exoteric meanings, for the Rose has always represented something else. The Rose has always represented Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

The Rose on the cross then represents the emergence of the feminine into human consciousness.

Just as the occult teachings of the Order of Melchizedek are transmitted through the writings of St Paul, the occult teachings of the Rosicrucian Order are contained in the writings of St John.

Now in essence, the Rosicrucian teachings are about the change in human consciousness over the next six thousand years as the feminine power emerges and eventually subdues the masculine consciousness.

If we examine the writings of St John with this in mind then we discover that St John often makes women main characters in the narrative. Just a few examples:

- 1. John is the only male disciple at the cross. But three women are there. They are all "Marys". Mary the mother of Jesus, Mary the wife of Clopas and Mary Magdalene. Jesus says to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" He then says to John, "Behold, your mother."
- 2. Still in the Gospel, we remember that the first person to see the risen Christ is not one of the male disciples, but a woman, Mary Magdalene.
- 3. The Book of Revelation has a very important story about a woman too. She is clothed with the Sun and crowned with twelve stars. She gives birth to a male child. The I AM, the divine self who will come to rule within the individual must be born out of the feminine, but the woman, the divine feminine has to flee into the wilderness, where she has been for two thousand years. It is only in the last five hundred years that the female energy has been gradually coming back into consciousness.
- 4. Then if we read the first letter of St John, we notice a completely different tone.
- 1. My little children, I write these things to you so that you may not sin, and if someone should sin, we have an advocate with the father, Jesus Christ, the just one.

Now this is not really the stern direction of a guru, it is rather the tone of the Mother, the nurtur-

er of her children. Perhaps it also takes a woman to proclaim that "God is love!" If we turn for a moment to the second letter, we find that John writes:

The elder to the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth and not only I, but also all who know the truth, because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever. Greek is one of those languages, like French and German, which are gendered. Greek is like German, in that it uses three genders, masculine, feminine and neuter. Here John associates the word "truth" with the lady – and the word "truth" in Greek is feminine. John is telling us that truth is a quality of the divine feminine. The only way we can come to an understanding of truth is to allow the feminine to grow in us.

We have seen that the Order of Melchizedek manifests every one thousand years. The Rosicrucian Order however, manifests every five hundred years. The last time there was a major expression of this order was between about 1400 and 1600. Since the 16<sup>th</sup> century there have been a growing number of manifestations of Mary in the world.

One of the most famous occurred in South America.

...early one morning in 1531, in an area that now lies in the northernmost part of Mexico City, an Aztec Indian named Juan Diego was on his way to church when he heard the voices of many birds singing from a nearby hilltop. The songs suddenly ended, and in the silence that followed a voice called out his name.

Juan climbed to the top of the hill and there met a beautiful young woman whose clothing shone with the radiance of the sun. She greeted him respectfully and charged him with the task of convincing the local bishop to erect a temple in her honor on that very spot. "There I will listen to the cries and lamentations of your people, in order to cure all their various pains, miseries, and sorrows."

Twice Juan tried to fulfill his task, each time without success. On the third attempt, the Virgin sent a sign for the bishop—she gave Juan an armful of roses bundled securely inside of his cloak. When Juan unwrapped the flowers at the ecclesiastical palace, they spilled onto the floor, and there, before the eyes of the startled bishop and his attendants, was the image of the Virgin Mary miraculously imprinted upon the inner fabric of his cloak. The bishop was convinced, the temple was built, and Our Lady of Guadalupe's iconic image—along with her story—became famous throughout the world."

There are two points to be made here. The first is that "Our Lady of Guadalupe" is pregnant! The second is that the Lady appears at times when humanity descends into the depths.

"The Virgin of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego during the single largest genocide in human history—20 million dead in Mexico alone in just under a hundred years. The slaughter began the very moment Columbus arrived in Hispaniola. Mothers had their children ripped from their breasts and murdered before their eyes. They saw their husbands, sons, and fathers tortured and killed, while they themselves were often raped and enslaved. It is almost impossible to imagine the magnitude of so much callous bloodlust—all justified by religious beliefs that told the conquistadors they could do no wrong, so long as they were Christian."

"What happened to the natural world was no better. Entire species disappeared in a matter of decades as the rapacious appetites of the European invaders devoured everything in their path. In a pattern that would repeat itself throughout the Americas, forests were plundered, rivers polluted, great flocks eradicated, and packs of animals clubbed to death and left to rot. The ecological devastation was immediate and, in many cases, irreversible.

What violence and hatred could not destroy, disease finished off. Smallpox, measles, and other epidemics laid waste to entire populations of peoples, weakening their ability to fight off their aggressors."

The purpose of the lady is not to rescue or protect people, hers is the hand held out in our darkest moments. She assures us that no matter how dark the night dawn will eventually come.

On the day when she gave the roses to Juan Diego and told him not to worry she said to him:

Am I not here who am your Mother?
Are you not under my shadow and my protection?
Am I not your source of joy?"
"Are you not in the folds of my mantle,
And in the crossing of my arms?
Is there anything else that you need?"

As we move into the twentieth century, manifestations of the Lady increase. The Lady has made appearances at Lourdes in France, Fatima in Portugal, in Bosnia, in Rwanda, in Egypt and the Middle East – even at Woodstock in the USA. Often these appearances come at times of great distress, such as the genocide in Rwanda. There is one request that the Lady almost always makes, and that is to pray the Rosary.

If, like me, you were not brought up as a Catholic, or even an Anglican, you may not know what a rosary is, and even if you did, you may not understand how to "pray the rosary."

The rosary is simply a set of beads strung in a circle with a cross attached at the bottom:



In its most common form, there are five beads between the cross and the circle, and 54 beads on the circle, making a total of 59 beads.

Unknown to me, I had an early connection with the rosary through the Lady of Fatima.



A young JR with his two music teachers, Sr Mary Malache and Sr Mary Dorothy

If you look closely, you will see that the rosary is part of the habit of the nuns.

I won't go into the history of the rosary, except to say that it is many centuries old, and the founding legends have to do with prayers becoming a circle of roses, hence the *rose*ary.

The shape of the rosary is linked to the feminine. If it is shown as a circle with the cross underneath, it becomes the symbol of Venus, the symbol of the feminine





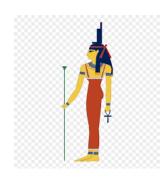
So this is a very ancient symbol coming back into consciousness.

No one knows exactly where the rosary came from. It seems to have emerged about the thirteenth century. It certainly wasn't created by the priests and the monks, they tried to stop it emerging, rather it seems to have been created amongst the simple people who and the legends are to do with prayers of simple, ordinary people turning into roses. So in the end, the rosary emerged as a circle of beads with a cross on it.

On the other hand, if the circle becomes more elliptical, then we have an Egyptian ankh, an even more ancient symbol of the female divinity.







The ankh dates back about 5000 years to ancient Egypt. It was connected to the goddess Isis. It was connected with the feminine even back then. The feminine then, has always been associated with the symbol of the rosary.

I think we've talked long enough, but I would like to leave you with one more picture, because I want to describe something of how the rosary is prayed.

To "do the rosary" means to say some prayers. In its simplest form it uses two prayers: "Our Father", which of course we know, and "Hail Mary". The Hail Mary is a very short, simple prayer:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you amongst women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

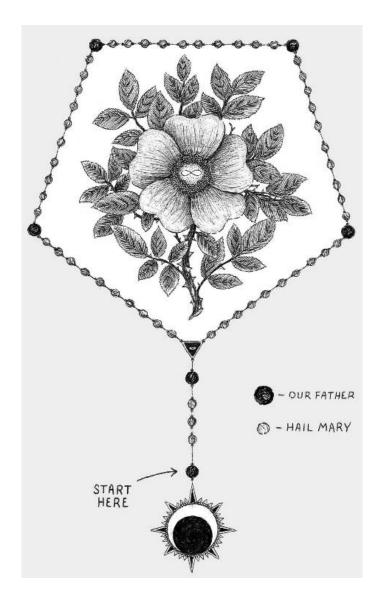
Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us, now and at the hour of our death.

The first line, "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you" are the words said to Mary by the angel Gabriel in the garden when she is about to become pregnant, recorded in the gospel of St Luke. Then the second line are words addressed to Mary by her cousin Elizabeth, "Blessed are you amongst women and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

The last two lines – no one knows where they came from, but they are hallowed by at least five hundred years of tradition – and probably much older still.

The Catholic prayer here is, "Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us *sinners*, now and at the hour of our death." I don't like the word "sinners" so I have omitted it, but if you feel particularly strongly that you want to keep this in, then by all means feel free! In our understanding of the word sin, we are no longer "sinners" because our sin has been redeemed once and for all by the sacrifice of Christ at Golgotha.

So this is a slightly new way to say the rosary.



Here the illustrator has arranged the rosary in a pentagon. We can see what the beads on the rosary stand for.

The beads coloured in black represent the "Our Father" prayer; the light-coloured beads represent the "Hail Mary" prayer.

So we begin at the bottom bead, where it says "Start Here" in the illustration, and we say "Our Father". Then we move up to the next bead. This is a light-coloured bead so we say "Hail Mary". There are two more Hail Mary prayers, then the Lord's Prayer.

Now we move to the *right* and say a sequence of ten Hail Mary prayers and one Lord's Prayer. Continuing around the rosary: ten more Hail Marys and one Lord's Prayer. The sequence continues until you have completed the circuit and arrived back at the triangle that connects the five beads and the cross to the circle. You have now completed the rosary. On a modern rosary there are exactly 59 beads, older rosaries may have different numbers of beads.

From everything that has been said, we understand that just as Our Father is the prayer of Christ, so Hail Mary, is the prayer of the divine feminine. And what I want to do is to put a challenge in front of all of us. Every day we will recite ten Hail Marys and one Our Father, which is a "decade" of the rosary.

Now before your rational mind gets up in arms and says, "Why should I do that John? You've gone all Catholic!" Of course, Mario was accused of becoming Catholic. Nope, haven't become Catholic. We are becoming *feminine*, and I can assure you from my own personal experience, that once you start reciting, "Hail Mary", especially if you are on the point of sleep, it will change your consciousness. Do it throughout the day. You can do a rosary prayer at any time. We can all fit in ten Hail Marys in a day.

Next time we meet, I would love to hear your experiences and love to share with you, how you found the power of the divine feminine working within your life.

So shall it be.

# Talk 5

# The Emergence of the Feminine 2

The Rosary 2



1John 2:12-29

Occutism means "To see behiind the scenes" Levels of training:

- \* Children: Those training their astral
- \* Young men: Those who have overome their astral
- \* Fathers: Trained stral and etheric. They are teachers

The Rosary 2

# The Temple of the Sun Meeting Five

27<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Welcome to our fifth session of the Temple of the Sun.

Today we are going to take Chapter two of the First Letter of John as our starting point. John writes:

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his sake. I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the Father. I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for every.

Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know. I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it and you know that no lie is of the truth. Who is the liar, but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

I write this to you about those who would deceive you; but the anointing which you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you; as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie, just as it has taught you, abide in him.

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from his coming. If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him.

1 John 2:12-29

Thank you to John Plummer for those wonderful insights into Mario's fourth lecture on the Book of Hebrews. We shall return to some of the features of this lecture later, but first I would like to address the very interesting set of people John addresses at the beginning of our reading.

Firstly, John writes directly to the "children"; then he is writing to "the fathers", then "the young men". The sequence repeats. John addresses the *little* children, the fathers and lastly the young men. He has something different to say to each group.

I studied this text with Mario in 1981. This was a significant time for the Centre. We had made the decision to move the headquarters from Perth to Melbourne, and a small group of us made up the first community, sharing an old house in St Kilda. Melody remembers coming in and out of that

house and being with the community then.

Every Tuesday we met with Mario in the stables, a comfortable space where we could fit about twenty chairs around the room. Mario had this to say about occultism:

"Occultism is a knowledge of self that is continuous. New insights are constantly given which implies that new means are continually being made available."

That's really important that we realise that occultism is not something that is locked up in a book and we are somehow miraculously given the keys to the book and all knowledge for all time is given to us. No, occultism means that we begin to see "behind the scenes" which I know that we are all beginning to do more and more, and new means are continually being made available. It is interesting that the part of the new means is to become aware, as we talked about last time, of the increasing emergence of the feminine power within human consciousness that we, for want of a better name call the power of Mary. Mario insisted that truth is actually hidden from us until we are worthy to receive it. And one day, about 1978, Mario came in to do a lecture in Perth and he looked very reflective. He stared out the window for a few moments and he said he'd just been contacted by a member of his Brotherhood. That was his Mystery School in Germany.

First of all, this Brother asked him, "Why has your mind been so busy? We haven't been able to talk to you." Part of Mario's training was to talk mind to mind. Finally, when he was in reflective mood, he could receive what was being given. This person then said to him, "we are unhappy with the amount of occult truth you are giving to everyone. You might think that Mario would be qa bit worried by this, being called out by his Brothers, but no, Mario stood up in his I AMness, and said to him, "It doesn't matter how much I reveal, the listeners will not receive it, the truth will not penetrate them until they are ready, and so the occultness of truth is always maintained.

I thought this was a very brave statement. No wonder they wanted him to, at one stage, to go to Germany and be the Teacher – but that's another story!

To return to Mario's talk in 1981, his second point was, "Truth is hidden until a person is worthy to receive it."

His next point:

"Knowledge must be used to spiritually advance and advancement is made through Initiation, a testing pattern."

Then he said.

"The purpose of occult knowledge is the perception of spiritual realities which lie outside the boundaries of the five senses."

You know of course, that our website is called, "Realm-2.com" which stands for precisely that understanding. It is the world that lies beyond the boundaries of the physical world, Realm-1.

Mario continued:

"The purpose of clairvoyance is to

- 1. perceive the Christ;
- 2. to contact higher worlds;
- 3. direct perception of spiritual planetary powers."

"To become an occultist

- 1. Must be asked
- 2. Must perceive the need within self."

He finished this little talk by saying,

"There must be a willingness to subject oneself to discipline."

We are in a similar position to that early community. Most of our priests have neither the desire nor the need to become occultists. But that is not why Melody and I began the Temple of the Sun. I recently did a spiritual reading for someone who was the leader of a spiritual community. They asked, "How do I go about choosing someone to be my successor?"

I told him not bother. No matter whom he chose, God would have the last word!

I you look at the history of occult and esoteric societies, you will find that succession is never bestowed from one person to another. Rudolf Steiner died, and his wife took over. Max Heindel died and his wife took over. Carl Jung died and his wife and a group of women took over.

Melody: Can I say something here? I am never taking over. (Laughter) ... from you...

JR: Well, we're going down in a plane crash together, Melody!

In each of the cases I mentioned, the leaders actually did have designated leadership plans, and did God care? Nope! Those who were supposed to be the leaders just got booted out. Mario had a leadership plan, by the way. He had a succession plan. It was what we like to call "Plan A". He was going to pass the Centre on to his daughter, Antoinette and his chief "disciples" Robert John and Stephen Cugley. Well, it turned out that none them wanted it!

So, Plan B! You, and we are Plan B. Not one of those he nominated were interested, or willing, to carry on the Free Priesthood.

So there you are. Don't bother with a plan for your succession, because Plan B is always better!

We have sometimes been asked, "Who will succeed you?" We get asked this question more as we get older © We have no intention of grooming someone to succeed us. What we need to do, what we have been told to do, is to train as many people as possible to develop their individuality and train their innate clairvoyance. We believe that everyone who has been called to join the Temple of the Sun has been called to be an occultist, and you will undertake the discipline yourself. Yo u will practice the exercises, not because "Melody and JR say so", but because an inner need moves you to take on, for example, the Rosary or the Temple Meditation.

To return to St John.

The three groups St John addresses are groups within his spiritual community.

The "children" are those who are being trained – that is all of us!

The "little children" are those who have not yet got their astral in order. A small child has a physical and an etheric, but not as yet an astral. The astral has to be trained. It is vital that when people come into a spiritual community that they undertake this training.

I found a list of ways in which Mario trained the members of his community to be in charge of the astral:

- 1. We had to attend a daily communion service
- 2. Washing the dishes! And before you think that is pretty easy, we had about twenty people in the community. There was no dishwasher. The kitchen was tiny and the sink only a normal household sink. Dishes were stacked sky high. There was no roster. Some people decided that washing dishes was beneath them, very often the chore was left to Robert and myself. One night, looking at the huge pile of dirty plates, serving dishes, encrusted pots and frying pans I lost it. I told Robert to take the night off, and I would do the whole lot myself. It took a couple of hours, but gradually my anger at those who never took their turn at this particular job evaporated. I actually found myself enjoying what I was doing. Now when you wash dishes, you have your hands in soapy water – which brings out the etheric. While I was doing this, I had a strong past life memory. I was back in the Essene Community where I washing dishes in a pit containing lye. I'm not quite sure what that was, but Melody said it is a particularly nasty soap. Strangely after that, more and more people decided they could share the dish washing, and after a particular point in time, so many people were involved that dishwashing was only an occasional chore. Melody ahs pointed out to me that Spirit has rewarded me for all that time and focus on dish washing, - with a dishwasher!
- 3. Every Saturday at 2:00 pm we had a Working Bee.
- 4. Neatness, tidiness, punctuality, completing any obligation. Mario would sometimes check that we had made our beds. One of my greatest shames was when I overslept one day, and dashed off to catch a bus. For the one and only time I left my bed unmade. And of course, that was the day Mario chose to make an inspection! Humiliation plus, plus, plus!
  - We had to concentrate on being polite to one another and to guests of the community. We had to focus on cooperation and mutual support.
- 5. We had to attend lectures every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Thursday was Healing Service, and of course we had Sunday Services.

Mario loved people who had been trained. He loved doctors and nurses. He loved people who had trained their mind. University education was a big plus in his eyes. He wanted our community to move beyond the "children" stage to the "young men" status.

The "young men" are those, both male and female, who have "overcome the evil one". That is they have overcome the astral forces. Finally, the "Fathers" are those who work within the core of initiates and can work with new people.

In the Hebrews lectures, Mario explains that initiation means that we have trained the astral and are ready to begin on training the etheric.

# St John puts it like this:

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust of it; I don't like that translation. The word epithumia is more like a relentless desire, or gut-wrenching need: You have to have it.

And the world passes away and the need of it, but he who does the will of God abides for ever.

It is the astral that loves the world and the things of the world. As human beings we have one choice to make: we can love the world or we can allow the love, which is the Father, to transform us.

If we choose love, then gradually we will be able to transform first the astral, then the etheric and finally the physical body. We shall become spiritual beings, but this time, spiritual beings with the gift of individuality.

On the other hand, if we choose "the world" we choose the forces which are working within the astral. What St John calls "the lust of the flesh" controls us. We make decisions because we want more. We want more money, more sex, more power.

Our website is called "Realm-2". We chose this name, because so many people have an instant reaction to spiritual terminology. They react if you talk about the spiritual worlds, or spiritual vision. They want to stay safe in Realm-1. When we live in Realm-1 we can be subject to what St John calls "the antichrists."

## St John continues in his letter:

Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour.

It is always the "last hour" and there are always antichrists.

# St John says:

...you have been anointed by the Holy One

In other words, you have become Priests of the Order of Melchizedek.

In the original ordination service, the priest would have a lapis lazuli bound upon their third eye. This was to open up the third eye and so their clairvoyance. Many priests took it literally. They thought that having become ordained they were instantly clairvoyant, and that, God bless them, everything they said was from divine inspiration!

Mario actually had to quash this and say, "No, what we do in the service dos not make you instantly clairvoyant. It is the memory of the opening of the brow centre in Atlantis." It was a memory not a reality. So when Melody rewrote the service, or condensed it, for the Free Priesthood, we took that out because it does not reflect what we do. But when we are anointed, we have the choice

to become really clairvoyant if we align ourselves with Christ. And as you all know, the more we do this, then clairvoyance grows stronger within us.

St John says that because of that, "You know that no lie is of the truth. Who is the liar, but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ. This is the antichrist who denies the Father and the Son."

The antichrists are those who would deceive us, John says, and what we need to do is to allow the anointing to build within us so that we become utterly living in Truth.

St John says it is the last hour. Well let me assure you it is always the last hour. The last hour, right now, and there are always antichrists.

To understand that term, which modern religion tends to dodge around because it is uncomfortable with it, we need to understand first how we become Christ.

Jesus became Christ because he surrendered utterly and completely to Christ and allowed Christ to enter in and transform him.

What's an antichrist? An antichrist does something similar. An antichrist allows realm-1 powers, the powers of the earth, the powers of Ahriman, the power of the Azuras, the powers of Lucifer, the antichrist allows those powers to enter in and to control and transform them completely. We see this happening presently in the person of Mr Putin and his invasion of Ukraine.

The war in Ukraine is not just a physical conflict, it is a spiritual battle. The powers of desire for the flesh, the powers that deny the individuality of the human being are warring against the forces of freedom, independence life and love. Our song about the Ukraine, Sunflowers is about the devastation that the person living in Ukraine finds when they awaken. It starts with the line, *In the morning the guns all fell silent*. This person looks around at the rubble and the ruin, and the little chorus contains the line, *And all because somebody lied*. The Russian soldiers were also lied to. They expected to be welcomed with flowers and adoration by the population. They too were there because "somebody lied." So the sign of the antichrist is the Lie.

How do you know when you meet an antichrist? Christ wants us to choose for ourselves. Christ so much wants us to choose for ourselves that we are even free not to choose Christ. The antichrist, however, wants to choose for you. As Mr Putin has chosen for the whole of the Ukraine, and for all his soldiers, and for the whole world.

In the New Year Reading, the antichrist is depicted as an enormous dragon encircling a volcano. This was President Putin strangling Russia and forcing it into a war. Please note that there are at least two more dragons in the background. I leave it up to you to decide who these particular world leaders are!

When I revisit this image, it has changed. The dragon is now drained and looking weak and ill. And overarching the whole scene is the Lady, spreading her blue cape over the world, and the inside of the cape is filled with thousands and thousands of stars. So, the divine feminine is embracing us within her love and nurture. And that brings us to Mary.

At the end of the last Temple Meeting we left you with the exercise or challenge of praying ten "Hail Mary" prayers in one day. Melody and I ordered our own rosaries online to work with this. I want to spend some time now developing deeper insights into the purpose of Mary in evolution.

When we read Mario's lectures on Hebrews, he never mentions Mary. Partly this is because he is working with the Paul stream of esoteric knowledge, but also because at the time of Hebrews Lecture 4, Mary had not yet entered into human evolution in the way she is now.

If you heard the 2012 New Year Reading, Mary descends into the psyche accompanied by the singing of the angels. It was one of the most potent New Year Readings we have ever had. Mary has now become part of evolution in order to bring about the new incarnation of Christ.

The last Hebrews lecture focused on the Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Since Mario equates the Holy Spirit with Jehovah, we see that this is a very masculine trinity. But the Feminine is also a trinity.

I want to read to you, the very first line in the Bible. This is my Hebrew Bible. It is back-to-front. It starts with Genesis at the very back and moves to Malachi at the very front. Now my Hebrew is very rusty, but Hebrew is one of those very ancient languages that contains a huge power in the actual sounds. I'm going to read to you the first line:

Bereshith bara Elohim et ha-shamayim ve-et ha-eretz

There is a power that pulsates from the original language, and I hope it comes over the Internet. Just to read it sends goose bumps up my spine! I remember reading this out loud at a lecture on the Book of Genesis years and years ago and the whole room went silent for probably about a minute.

You might have heard one word that sounded familiar, "Elohim". That first line reads, "In the beginning, *bereshith*, *bara* is the creation, *Elohim*" which is translated in the ESV as God. "*shamayim*, the heavens and *ha-eretz*, the earth."

The trouble is that translation of *Elohim* is a terrible, terrible fraud. Ever since we started translating the bible into English, it's given us the picture that God the Creator is an old man, seated in the clouds sort of throwing thunderbolts down into creation. Now that is a lie! That picture is based on the Greek God, Zeus, who was male, who did throw thunderbolts and ruled the earth with a rod of iron. He also had lots of sex. But that bit didn't come into the Protestant version of God. But *Elohim* is not God at all! It's *plural*. Not one God, but *gods*. "In the beginning, the gods created the heavens and the earth." Worse, that suffix *im* is the women gods. At the very beginning of our revered bible, we are told that the whole place is created by the women. Of course, it's created by the women! We guys don't come into existence except through a woman. Of course creation comes about through the feminine, th female divinity. It comes about through that power that in this day and age we know as Mary.

What about Christ? Well, Christ is actually there. Christ is there also in Genesis 1.

In the beginning, the Elohim created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the spirit of God, the spirit of the Elohim was moving over the face of the waters. And the Elohim said, "Let there be light" and there was light. There's Christ.

The Elohim cannot create except through the Word. Creation doesn't begin until they speak the words, "Let there be light," and in that act of speaking the word we manifest, we experience the appearance of Christ. And we remember of course that St John's Gospel begins with the words,

"In the beginning," a deliberate reflection of the Hebrew word *bereshith* and in fact when the Gospel is translated into Hebrew, that's how it starts, "Bereshith..." So "In the beginning was the Word."

So St John has cut out the female goddesses ... or has he? The word for 'beginning' in Greek is the word, *arche* which also relates to the word, *archai*, which is one of the great orders of spiritual beings. In this order of female beings, the archai, is the Word. So from the Archai Christ was born.

Without wanting to become excessively technical and detailed, which would take us away, Christ had to be born right into the vicinity of the Earth in the spiritual worlds, and that being which we know as Christ is first born out of the realm of Venus. Netzach on the Tre of Life, because that is the realm of the Archai.

Now just hold on to that for a moment. Christ as he comes into incarnation could not be the Son of God, because such a high being as the Son would shatter, not just the human body, but would shatter the whole earth. In fact, if you have completed Level III of the Wyse Art you will know that this actually happened at one stage of evolution. It is called the shattering of the vessels in the Kabbalah. So this time, Christ has to be born into a much lower spiritual being, one of the Archai. So Christ as we know it is not really the Son of God, but is born out of the Archai.

The Archai is again, the descent of the feminine force and always Christ is born out of the feminine.

Now when we recite the Mary Prayer, we are invoking three different spiritual vbeings.

When we say, "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you," that is at the annunciation at the Gospel of Luke 1:28. That is the angels saluting Mary. And that is the first form of the feminine. Here Mary is the maiden, a young woman, not yet become pregnant.

The second line, "Blessed are you amongst women and blessed is the fruit of your womb" is also from the Gospel of Luke 1:43. The second exclamation is form Elizabeth, the cousin of Mary and who is pregnant with John the Baptist. Now John the Baptist is overshadowed by Archangel Michael, so what speaks through Elizabeth is the Archangel.

So first the angelic hierarchy speaks to Mary and tells her she is going to bring Christ into the world. Then the archangelic beings speak through Elizabeth and say to Mary, you are now pregnant with the Christ.

The third address to Mary says:

"Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death."

John Pattenden reminded me that when he was a Catholic, he learned those second two lines slightly differently.

The second line traditionally reads,

"Blessed are you amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus."

I like the version without "Jesus", because "Jesus" is not in the original gospel! I think the words

have much more power if we stick with the words of the angel.

I also took the word "sinners" out of the third line. I have a very specific reason for that.

First of all, as I said last time, we are not sinners! Our sin, in the sense that St John talks about in the first letter, has been cancelled. That original "missing the mark" which is what the Greek word *hamartia* means, that's gone. Of course, we have a choice. We can add lots more bumbles in our lives, which we do. We miss the mark frequently. When we die, we have to review. We say, "Did I do that?" "Did I say that?!" "I'll just have to come back and fix it up. So missing the mark goes on, but because of Christ we have that blessed opportunity when we pass over to say, "I will make that right." And that sense there is no more sin.

There is no more sin because the Christ within us empowers us to say, "I am going to fix that up!" We have karma, but no sin. If you can grab that. As Christed people we do not take sin with us into the spiritual worlds. That's not to say that some people don't still take sin, they do – but that's another story.

Now about the 13<sup>th</sup> century, this third line was added to the first two lines. The two parts of the last line come from different sources. *Hail Mary, Mother of God* Comes from a monastic order, the Benedictines, and the second half *pray for us now and at the hour of our death* comes from another sermon from the monks.

What had happened in the thirteenth century was that the Mysteries of the Grail had been given in the eleventh century. The Order of Melchizedek had come into existence in the eleventh century as it came into existence in the twentieth century, and its purpose one thousand years ago was to open the way for the manifestation of the feminine. This is why the Grail Mysteries are about the Grail, which is actually about the feminine.

So Mary was starting to come into human evolution at that point in time and this was the first time Mary comes into human evolution and you can see that the cult of Mary, the Prayer of Mary, the Rosary, all evolved from that time. The second entry of Mary into human consciousness is right now.

Why do we need Mary?

I guess you say that the guys have really messed things up. It is about time we gave the women a chance. Mario said that women would take over, and when he came back into incarnation next, the women would be running the show, and with his tongue in his cheek he said "Of course, I'm going to come back as a woman!" Of course, that means that many of those who are currently women are coming back as men. At the way things are going it might take quite a while for women to take up the governance of the world.

Our world is at present experiencing the last throes of the masculine consciousness in the rise of the autocratic dictators. Putin in Russia, Xi Jin Ping in China. Kim John Un in North Korea. We see it in the rise of the far right movements in the US. The mysterious figure behind Qanaon. The guy that ran the Proud Boys and proudly proclaimed that Covid was a hoax, and still was proclaiming when he died of Covid in hospital.

You can see how Spirit deals with these guys. It allows them to make their choices, and then it makes them accountable for what they say.

Why do we need the feminine so much, and why did Christ have to come into incarnation because we know that Christ, or rather the I AM was given in Atlantis. Then Christ had to come in and give it again in the first century. Mario makes this statement in Hebrews Lecture Four, "The I AM is given again." Well, what happened to the I AM?

I'm not sure whether you are familiar of the Egyptian myth of Isis and Osiris, so I'll just recap this briefly.

Osiris is a king in ancient Egypt. He is married to Isis. Now it happens that Isis is also his sister. So as well as being husband and wife, they are also brother and sister. They are born from the earth god Geb and the sky god, Nuit. So they are divine. They are born out of the masculine and the feminine. The story goes like this.

There is a bad guy in the picture, his name is Set. He is what we might call Ahriman, the forces which want to bind us into the earth. So one day, Set, who is also the brother of Isis and Osiris, invites these guys to a great party. At the party he proudly shows them his new coffin. And we know the Egyptians were big into death. They spent a lot of their lives arranging the funeral and burial. Tombs and coffins were very important to them. Now Seth has had this amazing work of art, this incredible coffin prepared. So Osiris becomes instantly jealous. Oh dear, jealousy is the realm of Set, who is after all the god of the earth and jealousy binds us into the earth. It is one of those "desires" that John talks about.

So Set says very smoothly to Osiris, "Would you like to try my coffin out?" and Osiris says, "Sure man!" So he hops into the coffin and Set slams the lid shut, binds it with chains, has his servants take it out and dispose of it, and Osiris dies. What a nice brother!

We have the story in its entirety from Plutarch, who was an initiate into the Mysteries of Isis. It turns out that Set was not quite sure that Isis wouldn't find the coffin and resurrect Osiris. For Isis was the goddess of magic. She was a woman, and women are the source of all magic, and the source of life. So Isis knew she could resurrect Osiris and bring him back to life.

Set goes one step further. He dismembers the corpse of Osiris and cuts him into little pieces, fourteen to be precise, and he distributes all these pieces around the whole land of Egypt and the last piece, which happens to be the penis of Osiris, he throws into the Nile where it is swallowed by the crocodile goddess.

The story goes on. Of course, you have guessed it has a sort of happy ending. Osiris is the I AM given in Atlantis. The story of Osiris is not an Egyptian story per se, the Egyptians are telling us a story from Atlantis. In Atlantis, the forces were so powerful that they dismembered the I AM which was given in an immature form. It was cut into pieces so to speak, by the earth gods. And you can see in the way he *dismembers* that Mr Putin is an able channel of these forces. He has gone into Ukraine with the purpose of dismembering. Not just the nation, but the consciousness of Ukraine. The consciousness of Ukraine is very precious at the moment. There is a reason why it is the focus of this battle.

In Atlantis the story goes that the powers of the Sun eventually overcame the 'gray ones' the negative forces of the earth and the I AM was pieced together, but it could never be whole again, so it could never serve the purpose of rulership. So it was given the realm of the underworld, the realm of what comes after death to rule over. That is why when we cross over with the Christ impulse

within us, then we are able through the power of our own I AM to reconnect with that ancient reflection of the I AM and decide and choose for ourselves. Even in the spiritual worlds we have a modicum, a shadow as it were of choice.

What happens to those souls who don't choose Christ, who choose to be controlled by the antichrist? When they pass over, they pass over without choice and after they make the journey to the Moon sphere and they leave their astral behind, then they are taken, they don't choose, they are taken to the realm of Venus, Netzach, in the Kabbalah. Now the realm of Venus is the realm of the Archai and if you remember, the being we call Mary, is an archai, and her domain is beyond the domain of the angels, which is the domain of the Moon; beyond the domain of the Archangels, which is the realm of Mercury, it is the domain of Venus. So under the tutorship of Mary, souls are required to understand what they did in life. Mary does this by sending them as spirits into the bodies of souls who are already incarnated, and reliving as the victim this time, what they did to people as the aggressor.

Let me give you a simple example. A Russian airman bombs a theatre in the Ukraine and kills 300 women and children. He later dies. Because he has allowed himself to be controlled, he will eventually end up on Venus, and Mary will say, "You did this," and she will place him in the consciousness of a woman or child who experiences then being destroyed by an explosion.

This is how Mary works. It's how karma works in spirit and Mary is the power that brings that about within the soul.

Just to finish. What we are seeing in the Ukraine is the coming together of two consciousnesses. It's the yellow of the flag which is the consciousness of the physical world, the consciousness of the five senses. It is the consciousness of the blue colour in the flag which is the spiritual consciousness and the purpose of Ukraine is to bring these two together so that again, the yellow, which actually represents the I AM but at present is separated, and can't communicate with spirit in most of us. So it needs to be connected with the Spirit.

Part of what is happening in Ukraine is to do with karma. It is to do with the incarnation of certain people from the second World War who supported the Nazis in WW II and now are required to experience what that meant. The second thing that is playing out here, first the Covid pandemic, now the war in Europe, is that it is a replay of the ancient Atlantean period, the period at the end. And no wonder we feel ourselves on the verge of disaster because the way that the spiritual powers prevailed in Atlantis, was through destruction. The powers that supported, that protected Atlantis at the end threw up their hands, so to speak, to the heavens and gave up their governership, They invoked the highest God. Because they released their protection of the continent, the continent was destroyed through fire and through water.

It was Christ, who protected them. There is so much truth in the Old Testament, so much history of these times. The journey of Israel out of Egypt is really a story of how the Melchizedeks survived the destruction of Atlantis and were guided by Christ.

So we are seeing again a replay of this era, and we feel the nearness of destruction within ourselves, and of course it could be happening again. But I see again that the spirit of Mary, the spirit of the feminine is being given an opportunity to enter in, and our hearts are being opened by what we are seeing. The devastation of buildings, the rubble left by bombs and missiles, the children screaming in hospitals, the women who are giving birth in underground basements – all this is opening the hearts of so many people in the West. Even in Australia, our very hard-hearted Prime

Minister has agreed to help out the refugees from Ukraine. Mind you, they are not going to be accepted as Australian citizens, they are coming in on temporary protection visas.

We need more women leaders in Australia! And should I venture to predict the outcome of the next Australian election, I think it will be a victory for the feminine. The masculine has had a good go at running Australia for the last eight to ten years. Now the feminine is rolling out into the world. New Zealand is always ahead of Australia, spiritually and politically. I hope, that even though we don't have a female PM in the wings, I hope that the incredible expression in NZ of that amazing feminine power, will enter into the Australian consciousness, because the higher always transforms the lower.

I think that is enough now, I thank you so much for listening so patiently and I wish you all love.

So shall it be.

# Talk 6 God is Love



O Love thaat Knoweth of no Fear

# O Love That Knoweth of No Fear

Lyne-Melody Rawson

What sort of love is it that knows no fear? It is a rare one. How many of us could say we are totally fearless? Perhaps there are only a few. This is the story of a man, who demonstrated in his life, that if we *really* experienced love - love that casts out all fear, then nothing is impossible, even in death.

# Funeral 16th January 1997

Today is the 22nd birthday of my middle daughter. She has arrived to visit me, unannounced and unexpectedly. She discovers, also unexpectedly, that 1 am attending a funeral. The viewing of the body is about to begin in the chapel where the service will shortly be held. She decides she will come along too after all she has met the deceased on a number of occasions. Reverently we file in ready to take a look.

His body lay in a satin lined open mahogany casket, feet towards the altar. (This was the chosen position for one who knew where they were going in the afterlife). His face was opaquely white, his hair shining and golden. The backs of his hands were blue, still showing the bruises created by the intravenous needles in the hospital. His priest's ring was on one of his fingers and both hands lay tightly clasped across his chest, stiff and lifeless. Despite being asked not to, the mortuary attendants had applied pink foundation to his cheeks - which starkly contrasted the remainder of his white skin - the skin of a dead man. His maroon gown was pressed to perfection, and around his neck was his priest's cross. A packet of cigarettes, a gift from his son, was also on his chest.

He had predicted the exact day of his death, yet none of us could believe that it had finally come. I had read many times about Initiates who were able to predict the day of their own death. Now I was numbly staring at the body of one of them. As I gazed in dismay at the scene before me, I felt overwhelming sorrow. Had he really gone? Or was I in a dream? Then, slowly without warning, the atmosphere began to change. It was like electricity - a complete thickening sensation in the air, and a humming all around. This sensation began to completely envelope me. It was almost inside me. Suddenly I knew I was experiencing the palpable 'presence' of his soul. I could feel it as closely as my breath. Next moment the celebrant, instead of eulogizing and talking *about* him,

began to talk *to* him as if she too had experienced this. I looked around the chapel - with people flowing out into the foyer - and their eyes lit up revealing they also had felt it. This was no imaginary thing. The person whose funeral we came to attend had arrived! How often had he said? "A soul *always* attends its own funeral!"

It was not like anything I had previously known. Other funerals were tragic, miserable and wailing, (although this is natural if a person dies very young). This experience was completely different. I seemed to be transported to another space and time where soul and spirit dwell. Through the power of *this* departed soul, the atmosphere became charged, buoyant, and jubilant. Inwardly I knew that our beloved friend and teacher was alive and in our midst. Our voices rang out in celebration. The choir and orchestra struck up with the chords to *How Great Thou Art*, and the soloist sang, as he had never sung before.

After the highs always come the lows. Later on that day, I attended the crematorium. My daughter preferred to stay in the car. As I entered the room, the casket was being lowered into the furnace. It slowly began to disappear. It was then that I, together with a select number of attendees, choked my way through the "initiation song" this man had introduced me to, and which I had so often sung, on special occasions.

O Love that knoweth of no fear O Love that sheds a joyous tear O Love that makes me whole and free Such love shall keep and hallow me

Tears flowed down my face. I knew I would never see this man again in his physical form - and what a physical form it was, filled with fire and charisma. How he had performed; how he had achieved. In that moment of singing (which so often gives rise to nostalgia) memories came flooding back. Almost without wishing it, I was transported back in time, to when I first heard him sing that song. He had taught it to a group of us at his 'opening' night in Melbourne.

#### Melbourne June 1980

One hundred guests were gathered to meet a world-renowned clairvoyant, whom they had heard so much about. Each sat in their seats excitedly waiting for him to appear. Unexpectedly a man alighted from his seat, and moved forward to make an announcement.

"Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen" he started. "You have come here tonight to meet Reverend Mario Schoenmaker". I was glued to my seat in anticipation. "He is not your average Reverend," the man continued. "No" he projected with dramatic flair, "the person you are about to meet is very different indeed." As he continued I wondered why this reverend could be so different. "Reverend Schoenmaker" he went on, "is the type of man who, well let me tell you about last week for instance. Rev Mario was on a plane trip to Perth. He was sitting next to a Presbyterian Minister. He had already ordered a Brandy and Dry, and the hostess asked the Presbyterian Minister if he too would like a drink. "Madam!" Blurted the Presbyterian Minister. "I would sooner commit adultery than drink alcohol!" Whereupon Rev Mario put his drink back on the tray, and said "Well if that's on offer, I'll take it instead!" "Ladies and Gentlemen may I introduce to you the Reverend Mario Schoenmaker."

With peels of laughter issuing forth from an audience, that so enjoyed this outrageous "ice-breaker" from Rev Colin Read, a figure finally appeared. Rev Mario Schoenmaker walked slowly down the aisle towards the dais with a bible under his arm. His body was slim, and his height shorter than I had expected at about 5 feet, 10 inches tall. His hair was flaming golden red. I wondered what sort of man would allow himself to be introduced in such a manner. I had not wanted to attend the evening at all, thinking I was coming to yet another one of those 'flower-reading' sessions. Now I was totally intrigued, and secretly admiring of that flamboyant introduction. Was it his voice, filled with power and authority that captivated me? Was it his piercing blue eyes, filled with love

and compassion? Who knows? I, who had been doubter and sceptic, became riveted.

He began by telling a story called *The Sound of Your Soul*. It was about Moses and his little wooden flute. "A very great statesman named Moses" He began, "Owned a little wooden flute." He was like a father telling a bedtime story to his children. His softly spoken voice with tender inflection was strangely relaxing. He continued .... "When Moses died the people of Israel could not find his body. They searched everywhere high and low without success. Then one day they found his little shepherd's flute." As he continued to speak, I began to relax. My doubting and sceptical position - a result of attending too many other similar (or so I thought) events - seemed to subside. Now I was waiting eagerly as a child for the story to unfold. "A little wooden flute" he went on, "is not worthy of a great statesman like Moses, so the people of Israel took it, and overlaid it with gold, and studded it with diamonds and other precious stones, until at last it looked completely magnificent. It glittered and sparkled, and shone like the sun." He paused for a moment. "There was one thing wrong with it though. It could no longer play." After an even longer pause, he suddenly bellowed. "This is you and me!" He yelled at the top of his voice. I jumped out of my skin and my relaxed state! He softened his voice again "We have become overlaid with all sorts of outwardly beautiful things. He lowered his voice again, and almost imploringly he pleaded. "It has prevented us from hearing and expressing the sound of our souls."

The truth of that story shot right through me. It was instant recognition. I immediately understood how my soul had been obliterated by the loudness of my own life. I also knew I had met this man before, but not in this life. In that moment pictures of lives gone by flashed before me. I remembered him, and I knew I was in the presence of a very great man. I stopped musing on the past and the present returned. I saw him stand before me as a clairvoyant of renown, and an exceptional orator and teacher. In him there was no pretence. Something about the way he spoke, from a deep level of understanding, was 'real' and it penetrated my soul (as it had done before). Power emanated from him - charisma too, but a charisma that was aligned with safety. This indeed was different. I had been so hard to please, and had become completely weary and wary of searching for someone who *really* knew what they were talking about, pertaining to spiritual matters. When he had finished speaking that evening - and about many different things - he politely asked us to form a circle, which we did, and then - eyes blazing with love - he taught us:

O Love that knoweth of no fear O Love that sheds a joyous tear

### O Love that makes me whole and free Such love shall keep and hallow me

From that moment on I became involved in the ministry that was Rev. Mario Schoenmaker. The purpose of his teaching was "to set men free". He proclaimed it loudly from the pulpit. He maintained people should 'think' for themselves and 'act' for themselves, and not be tied to religious dogmas. This was a unique church experience, and one that I had not had before.

Mario's ministry of teaching and healing within the church began to expand rapidly. The church operated from rented premises in Melbourne between the years 1980-1982. His worldwide Spiritual Readings Ministry was also taking off. His clairvoyance was also developing quite rapidly. He had told a small gathering some years before about an experience that had occurred earlier in his life.

"One night in 19661 was sitting in front of the fire in the lounge room with my wife and a few friends. Although I was not even consciously meditating, I was taken out of my body into a cathedral-like building. In this spiritual atmosphere burning coals were placed on my forehead and my stomach."

He told me that the coals left burns on the flesh at these two points. "When I came back into the body." He said. "I could see colours. Nothing was defined but colours were streaming from everywhere." This was the beginning of the clairvoyant ministry. His 'Readings' were booked up for two years ahead.

In those days it was unusual for someone to have a genuine clairvoyance, thus the popularity of his Spiritual Readings. Mario explained that in order to become good at the craft he had to practise regularly, and use the necessary muscles to increase his ability.

## **Melbourne July 1982**

At a certain point Mario decided that the church needed to operate from its own public premises. He and Colin searched high and low to find the most appropriate place. At last a wonderful new property was found and purchased in the suburb of Ivanhoe. It was to become the brand-new Headquarters of the church. Situated on a large block of land, it contained a two-story building in the centre, and to the rear a quadrangle of motel style accommodation. Each motel unit had electric in-floor heating with plush wool carpet. All units had built in robes, and a separate shower and loo. The main chapel would be on the ground floor, and the offices would all be upstairs. There was a huge ground

floor kitchen with stainless steel benches and cook-tops, and a walk- in cool room. Everything was pristine and glistening, ready for people to move in.

I was eager to be chosen to be part of this community, where I could live, worship and study with other people. Everything seemed perfect! Unexpectedly Mario announced to the members that a move into the new premises might not be possible. The reason he gave was that fourteen churches in the surrounding district, and their respective Heads, had signed a petition to 'ban' the opening of this new 'peculiar' church. After discovering its name, the church leaders had decided to investigate further. Upon doing so they discovered that The Church of the Mystic Christ had a leader who was "a clairvoyant", and that he had blessed same sex union! It was blasphemy to say the very least, and according to one of them, bordering on heresy.

One by one they took Rev Mario to task. The newspapers were filled with it. The radios were filled with it. Members of these 'other' churches, decided to take some action of their own. In groups of four, they rostered themselves, night after night, then took turns to hurl abuse at anyone who set foot on the purchased property. One night when I was visiting, I returned to my car to find the battery had been stolen from it, and I could not get away. Towards me they charged yelling at me. "Get away you Moonie", and then asking "Which night will you be burning someone at the stake?" I was terrified. After some weeks of furore - all in the name of religion - the fourteen Heads of the fourteen churches, invited Rev Mario and Rev Colin to attend a meeting. Really it was an interrogation. I was most distressed that it should have come to this, and very concerned for the man I had come to know and love. The meeting day arrived. Mario assured me that it would go "extremely well", and that he would report back to us the following day. The next night all our members gathered together to receive his report.

Mario and Colin had been invited to a destination where they were asked to take a seat in a circle of chairs that had been placed in position by the hosts. Apparently, according to Colin, these ministers were full of their own 'self' importance - *and* - they came with their clerical collars on! Proudly Colin said. "Mario and I wore civvies". The first of the questions was fired. "Rev Schoenmaker, why are you marrying homosexuals?" One of them began.

Very calmly Mario responded. "1 do not marry them, for marriage is for procreation of children. What I will do however is bless them, in same sex union, so that these people can receive a blessing by the church."

The interrogation continued. Question after question they fired at him. At last it came to the question Mario had been waiting for all evening "And what pray tell us do you mean by clairvoyance?"

Mario responded this way: "You all know the story of Jesus and the woman who was about to be stoned - John 8. Well when Jesus got down and started writing in the sand I think he may have written something like this." Mario turned to the first minister at the table, and said "Cowardice" He then turned to the second and said "Sexual frustration". To the third he said "Fear", and so it went on right round the circle of fourteen of them until he had revealed to every single one of them their weaknesses. Suffice to say there were no more objections. He was allowed to proceed with the opening his church. Shortly afterwards we all moved into the new property. The very first night we spent there, Mario called together a group meditation, where in gratitude, we sang:

O Love that knoweth of no fear O Love that sheds a joyous tear O Love that makes me whole and free Such love shall keep and hallow me

Slow to catch on, I began to understand that "O Love that Knoweth of no Fear" was a way of life for Mario. He feared nothing! When adversity struck, he became stronger; when dissenting voices vented their anger he simply became more discerning. It was a strength he seemed to acquire in supernatural proportions. He operated from an inner power, which he always called love, and it worked. He knew it, and he taught it - "God specializes in things thought impossible." "God" he would say is "Love."

Life in this community style accommodation was hard but rewarding work. I went out to work every day and returned to the privacy of my motel room each night. Everyone did. Most of us had distinguished careers. When the day was done, I would arrive home to a lovely glass of wine! The evening meal was always ready on time, prepared by the full-time chef. We ate together in a beautiful dining room. Each meal began with the lighting of candles, and someone saying 'grace'. Each meal ended with the extinguishing of candles, and someone saying "Dinner Devotions".

Dinner Devotions were a terrifying ordeal. A different person would be chosen every evening to speak for five minutes on a passage from the bible. Despite the advanced warning, when that bell rang for it to take place, I shook in my shoes. I was speaking publicly, and interpreting the bible in front of the master - by that I mean someone who knew far more than I did. He could have derided me.

Ever the compassionate one he simply sat there and nodded his head in agreement with all that was said.

Some evenings there were lectures where Mario taught esoteric subjects such as reincarnation and karma, and metaphysics, and the simple peace of Presence. Every Thursday evening was a healing service - sometimes two per night due to the popularity of them. All in all it was a happy time. One of the things I was about to learn was that 'teaching' per se did not necessarily *always* take place in the classroom. The Spiritual Teacher taught often when the pupil did not expect this. The year of 1984 revealed much of this to me. Adelaide April 1984 Rev Mario and Rev Colin decided to visit, whilst I was staying with my husband in Adelaide, where we were running a branch of the main Melbourne church. Away from the stresses of Melbourne, Mario seemed to relax. This is when he revealed the playful side of his personality.

One night he phoned another couple, who lived in Adelaide, and invited them out for dinner. There were six of us altogether in the dinner party. I owned a five-seater Holden Torana car, which was chosen as the vehicle that would carry *six* of us to our destination. Apart from being highly illegal it was also highly uncomfortable. I was the one positioned near the gearstick. Mario was in the front passenger seat, and my husband was at the wheel. We were off.

A few kilometres down the road, 1 noticed that my husband was driving rather recklessly and swerving all over the road. I remarked anxiously and in a very loud voice "John! Would you please be careful? This is *my* car you are driving." I was huddled up close to Mario trying to share his seat, and also trying to stay in it! "Now, now, now," piped up Mario. "Dear, dear, deary me." He continued. Always the teacher he was about to provide me with yet another lecture. "In marriage my dear, there is no such thing as *my* car. No, no, no, no, no! In marriage (he had been the celebrant at our wedding) there is no such thing as *my* anything. There is only *our* car."

As swiftly as grease lightning a response came from the driver. "Well in that case Mario, you will not mind in the least, removing your hand from *our* breast!"

We all shrieked! It was one of the funniest and most daring responses - and of course he did not have his hand on my bosom - nevertheless away from Melbourne Mario was always much more relaxed.

A few days later I visited a music shop with Mario and John. We tried out all the instruments. John played a fine piano, and sat at every single one, including the Steinway Grand. I, being rather bored at not being the focal point, picked up a violin, and started to play it. Mario picked up a trumpet. He began to play a completely incomprehensible piece. Blue in the face he was fluffing notes everywhere. Upon completion of this totally unrecognisable sound, he turned to me and asked. "What was that I was playing?" I gave a stunned reply. "I haven't the faintest idea Mario." He turned to John. "John you tell me - what was that I was playing?" "Oh, that's easy Mario." Said John. "It was O Love that Knoweth of no Fear".

Yes of course it was" said Mario, and then turning to me he said. "You're not very musical!" When we left the shop I whispered in John's ear "How on earth did you know?" He answered. "Whenever Mario asks that question, just say 'O Love that Knoweth of no Fear', and you can always guarantee you'll get it right!"

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Mario had an irresistible sense of fun, and an inexhaustible supply of energy. Many people would repeatedly say they wanted some of what he had. I asked him once how he came to understand the depth of his knowledge and receive the energy and charisma he had. His answer shocked me. "Pain!" He said.

It had seemed a strange answer at the time from one who appeared to have it all. He went on to explain. "Transformation is gained through pain; initiation is gained through pain". He said. "If you want what spirit can give, then you must relinquish the desires of the flesh". He looked attractive, yet his journey was hard.

## Melbourne April 1986

In April 1986 Mario had a series of minor strokes. It was fortunate, in that particular year a well-trained doctor had walked into the church. She recognized the symptoms immediately, and set about arranging for him to have a carotid angiogram. The results were bad. They revealed that Mario would not only need major surgery, he would need two surgeries, one on each side - an Endarterectomy. The plaque on the carotid arteries was deep, and needed to be scraped off under general anaesthetic. Mario was due to have these surgical procedures in fairly swift succession. I was devastated, as I knew the danger of

the procedure. During each hospital admission he would be required to stay after surgery in the intensive care

He asked the priests and people of his church if we would engage in a candlelight vigil during the operations. I took my turn in doing so, along with the others. We sat in the chapel in candlelit silence. His recovery from the surgeries was swift, bordering on miraculous. I in all my years of nursing had never seen anything like it. He was up and working within weeks. It put me to shame. Mario's energy always seemed unstoppable.

One day unannounced he called to see me at home. I was in bed asleep. I awoke with a start and answered the door. From my dishevelled appearance it was obvious I had been sleeping. He simply looked at me shaking his head saying. "You young people!" The message was clear. He, at fourteen years my senior replete with operations behind him, was in far better shape than I was. This energy continued to exhaust me throughout the years that I knew him.

Although Mario was a significant figure in spiritual and church circles, and revered by many, he was also a very simple man. He loved being human. He smoked cigarettes by the dozen and drank many gins and tonics. He was also incredibly generous. On yet another occasion he invited me to go shopping with him - he loved shopping! This time we were in a perfumery. I was spraying myself with perfumes galore. He crept up behind me and asked. "Do you like that one?" "Yes, it's beautiful" 1 replied. Before I could lift another sample bottle he was asking the assistant to package it up for me - the whole \$150 worth. While she was wrapping the parcel the assistant said. "Don't I know you?" "Probably" Mario replied. "I'm a clairvoyant". He was always being recognised but was totally relaxed about all that.

He loved taking photographs. He would often refer to it as 'making a photo'. "I want to make a photo now". He would say. At first I thought it was because he was Dutch, but I grew to understand that indeed we 'made' photos. One evening at a dinner I asked him if we could pose together to make a photo. "Of course." He responded, and whispered in my ear. "Let's make them all jealous." So I promptly sat on his knee and pretended to kiss him passionately. He laughed heartily. He loved that kind of thing. I still have that photo.

#### Melbourne 1996

After sixteen years in Melbourne, and with the rapid expansion of the church in that time, it was time to introduce something new and different. Mario did not want his ideas of freedom to end up in the same traditional dogmatic heap as other churches. He had repeatedly said "religion as we know it cannot

continue". He always insisted his church would be different from the others. His ideals had worked. He knew in 1996 that his time was nearly at an end. He warned us on a number of occasions that he would not be with us long. In order to prepare for his demise, he started creating a new plan that would leave a continuing legacy after he had gone.

Mario said over and over again that people were not interested in going to a priest anymore to unburden themselves, so he said "I will send the priest to the people!" He decided he would ordain the psychologist, the nurses, the doctors, the lawyers, the musicians, and the business people - all of whom had trained with him many, many years for this. He would then send these newly ordained figures out into the world in secret. They would become as it were "stealth priests". He arranged a Retreat where nineteen well-trained people would gather for eight days leading up to the ordination. It was held in the most glorious setting at a place called Campaspe House in Woodend Victoria - again motel style accommodation - only this time even more luxurious. Nineteen of us lived for eight days in seclusion and sacredness, where he guided us to the top of the mountain.

Day after day he would sit with us. He would *be* with us. He answered interminable questions. He disclosed as it were the Mysteries. There is an aspect to our being that is far greater than the outer personality - the Real Self. This Self is a substance within, beyond and behind the Universe, unknowable to the intellect, but knowable to the heart and its Divine Essence was pure love. This love was what radiated from Mario towards all that lived. It was a love that knew no fear. At the end of our eight-day Retreat, nineteen of us were ordained. It was a magnificent occasion, during which time the Teacher passed on part of his spirit - his life force as it is called in the East. It literally took the life from him, for not long afterwards Mario collapsed and died.

Prior to his death he took one last service for his people. It was Christmas eve that he stood up at the end of the service, pronounced the benediction, and had a massive heart attack and stroke. In hospital he managed to live another 10 days, performing many feats from his hospital bed. He predicted. "I will die on 12<sup>th</sup> January." His surgeon was flabbergasted when the prediction became reality. That morning - a Sunday morning in the summer, and at his bedside where his lifeless body lay, we sang

O Love that knoweth of no fear O Love that sheds a joyous tear O Love that makes me whole and free Such love shall keep and hallow me I have often reflected how my Teacher could have been a very rich and successful man in the eyes of the world. His charisma would have deemed it so. He could have done Spiritual Readings for enormous amounts of money. The Readings were already \$400 in 1986 when he ceased doing them. When he was asked be someone why he charged people for a Spiritual Reading - since presumably the clairvoyance was a gift, he would answer "We may not need to pay for water (although now we do!), but certainly we do have to pay for the plumbing. The gift is free but I provide the plumbing!" The money went to charitable causes, thus he never saw a cent of it for himself.

He could have been a famous orator, or actor. He could also have been a famous singer. His voice had been likened to Mario Lanza. His talent knew no bounds, but 'worldy' fame meant nothing to Mario. He wanted people to awaken to the spiritual worlds, to see who they really were. He wanted people to see the world for what it really was - beyond the trappings of the material. He implored me in particular to see behind the veil of this world to the spiritual. He always directed me to see the light behind the shadow. He was masterful and fearless. He lived his initiation song every day of his life. He was clear to the end of his days that behind all darkness stands the light. "A shadow" he said "can never be seen without the sun.

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# Talk 7

# Occult Training

The Rosary 3



1John 4:1-6

Astral Training:

We distingush between Truth and Error

Etheric Training:

Repetition

The Rosary 3

# The Temple of the Sun Meeting Seven

29th May 2022

We are entering into our seventh meeting of the Temple of the Sun. This meeting is the seventh since we commenced in September 2021.

The first session of the Temple outlined our purposes and program. The Temple is the continuation of Mario's Rosicrucian Lodge which was called the Order of the Mystic Christ. Our lodge though is not a Rosicrucian Lodge, it is the Lodge of the Order of Melchizedek.

One becomes a member of a Rosicrucian Lodge if we are called by that lodge to become part of it. Mario received this call when he was studying theology in Paris as a young man. One becomes a member of the Lodge of the Order of Melchizedek if you are called by Christ.

The Temple of the Sun is an emanation of a spiritual template. The spiritual Temple of the Sun also has a membership requirement. We become a member of the Temple of the Sun in the spiritual worlds by seeing Christ in the etheric.

The purpose then of our meeting together in this lodge is to see the Christ in his etheric form.

Mario trained his students for this through occult training. The Letters of John outline this training. Through this training we awaken a new form of clairvoyance within us.

St John's training is in two stages. The first stage we train the astral. I described this in detail in our fifth meeting of the Temple. In chapter four of the letter, John sums this up:

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 3and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. 4Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 5They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. 6We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

1John 4:1-6

There are two ways we can test whether we have trained the astral. The first is that we "test every spirit". This works out in two ways. There are so many different spiritual energies working in the world at present. Some of them work with the Christ, but to many of them Christ is simply another ascended Master. The spirit that needs to be tested though, is also the spirit working within us. When we have trained our astral, we no longer identify ourselves with the thoughts that stream through consciousness, we stand aside and observe. We then determine which thoughts belong to truth, and which belong to error. If we know the difference between truth and error, that is the second test to discover whether we have trained the astral.

The second stage of clairvoyant training is to train the etheric. Mario said that we

should have our astrals trained and be ready for the second stage of spiritual training. Someone once told me how difficult they found the Wyse Art. They said that if it had been just an intellectual training, they would cope with it much better. It is difficult to train the astral! The first two levels of Wyse Art are concerned with this astral training. Through it, we convert our normal projective consciousness into a receptive, reflective consciousness.

I have an old friend who knows so much more about metaphysics, occultism, esotericism etc than I do. He has founded a number of Rosicrucian Lodges in his life. Of course he is the Master of each Lodge. One day he decided that Melody and I were also part of a Lodge. Naturally this would be a Rosicrucian Lodge. With tongue somewhat in cheek, we informed him that indeed we represented a Lodge. It was the Lodge of the Order of Melchizedek. My friend *really* struggles with this. He knows about Rosicrucian Lodges, but not the Lodge of Melchizedek, so he continually projects his understanding upon us.

Clairvoyance means "seeing clearly". It is when we can see our own self clearly that we begin to see the world with clarity.

There are two ways of training the etheric. Tradition calls them the *short way* and the *long way*. The short way, is very short. It can occur in an instant. The long way is ... well ... *long*.

Our last meeting in April was about the Short Way of understanding, because the Short Way is through love. If we take the Short Way then we don't actually need to wrestle with the seven (or nine) spiritual centres, or the seven incarnations of the earth, nor all the wonderful esoteric learning that we can find everywhere. If we experience love fully, then we have already identified with God, because god is love.

On the Short Way, the spiritual teacher becomes the object of love, just as Jesus was the object of love for his disciples. Melody's story which we heard last meeting was the story of the Short Way.

The Long Way is the Way of occultism. Not everyone gets to meet the spiritual teacher, and even if they do, they don't necessarily forge that singular link which leads to the opening of Christ consciousness within. The Long Way is also found in the writings of St John. It draws us in to a new understanding of the human condition. As we move down this path, then a great clarity develops within us. Events in the world become crystal clear. And talking of world events, I would like to quote from our March meeting:

...should I venture to predict the outcome of the next Australian election, I think it will be a victory for the feminine. The masculine has had a good go at running Australia for the last eight to ten years. Now the feminine is rolling out into the world.

For those in New Zealand and the US who may not be aware of the results of our election in May, it was a victory for the feminine. The career of our previous Prime Minister was highlighted by his cavalier disregard of the rights of women. He rejected any feminine energy. Climate change was a political weapon which he wielded with cynical abandon. Gender equality was never going to happen under his watch, and as for an independent body which would hold those in power to account - well forget about that one!

Now women did not simply turn around and vote for the other major party. Something happened that was unprecedented in the history of Australian politics. A number of independent candidates arose in some of the government's strongest electorates. All of

these candidates were women. They prioritised precisely those feminine issues of climate change, gender equality and integrity. Together with the Green party, they demolished the government candidates in these seats. Even the treasurer who held one of the safest government seats in the country found himself voted out.

Even if the Labor government finds itself with a majority in the lower house, the group of non-aligned members will be able to powerfully hold the new government to account. The feminine element is indeed rolling into the world!

The strength of the feminine energy comes from its ability to love. This love is not just sexual. It is caring, nurturing. It opens itself up to others. It heals.

Let us return to the training of the etheric. The etheric has no thoughts. It has memories and it contains energies which express themselves in images and emotions. Very often people are unaware of these energies. They sneak themselves into consciousness and take up residence. If we were taken prisoner by the Grey Ones in Atlantis and injected with other entities, then we may have a powerful reaction to vaccinations in this incarnation.

St John has a manual for the training of the etheric. It is called the Book of Revelation. Just as an example, here is the image John puts before us of the human being.

...behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. 3And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. 4Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads. 5From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God, 6and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal."

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: 7the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. 8And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

Rev 4:2-8

The "one seated on the throne" is the I AM, the individuality or Christ Self.

The rainbow and the seven spirits of God are the seven spiritual centres and the seven energies which work through them. The twenty four elders are the twelve pairs of cranial nerves which carry information from the senses into the brain. Finally, the four living creatures are the four elements. These are four distinct creative energies which create our perception and understanding of the whole universe. Each of these energies is represented by an Archangel.

Archangel Uriel is the regent of Fire, Archangel Raphael the regent of Earth, Archangel Michael the regent of Air, Archangel Gabriel is the regent of Water. We cannot advance far on the path of occultism without working with the four elements.

You may remember the four elements from different Wyse Art modules, but tonight we are going to enter into a much more active working with the elements. We are going to work the elements through the power of the feminine.

To refer briefly to my friend the Rosicrucian. From his communications I understand the rituals of his Lodge make use of two symbolic implements, the sword and the wand. If you were at the old Centre you may remember Rev Mario using the sword as symbolising his role as Meritus, or head of the Church. As Master of the Order of the Mystic Christ, he also used the wand.

There was power in both these symbols, but we no longer use them. The reason is that the era of masculine power came to an end with the completion of the last millennium. The dawning of the third millennium inaugurated the era of the feminine pouring into the world. This will not happen overnight. Perhaps it will take a thousand years. We are however seeing the commencement of an enormous revolution in feeling, thinking and consciousness.

Instead of the sword of Michael, we now work with the scales. The scales happen to be the symbol of Libra, ruled by Venus, a manifestation of the feminine. Our Lodge, the Temple of of the Sun, no longer uses the wand - a very obvious masculine symbol. Our symbol of power is the rosary.

In the old OMC, only the Master was allowed to wield the wand. At the end of my tenure as Master, I caused a scandal by passing the wand from member to member. I knew that the old had passed, and we had to embrace the new.

The Temple of the Sun has Christ as its master. Therefore, the symbol of power is not held by one individual, it is held by as many of you wish to embrace it. We can work with the rosary within our waking consciousness. We can work with it during sleep consciousness. It has as many levels as consciousness. Tonight, we will look at some ways of working with the rosary, of opening ourselves up to the new energies that are working into human consciousness.

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# The Book of the Rosary

#### Part I

### Chapter One Simple

So you have a rosary. Perhaps you bought it, perhaps it was a gift. You are wondering, "What on earth do I do with this?"

There are lots of choices. The simplest is to do nothing. Put it away out of sight. Leave it alone. Perhaps you will one day feel called to pull your rosary out of its hiding place and look at it again.

Let us however, suppose that you want to do more with the rosary than forget about it.

#### Stage 1: Bless the Rosary

Hold the rosary in your hands and bless it. You can use a formal blessing like the one in the appendix, or you can create your own spontaneously.

Blessing the rosary sets it aside for a special purpose. This purpose is to open up your mind and soul to the workings of Christ and the feminine power in the universe.

This may be enough for you. You can put your rosary in some place where you will see it occasionally. There will always be a healing energy which emanates from it.

#### Stage 2: Hold the Rosary

Hold the rosary in your hands. The practice of the rosary is a very tactile experience. As you hold the rosary feel the energy flowing out of the centre of your hands into the beads. In this action you are blessing the earth and assisting the transformation from matter into spirit. At the same time, you are also moving forward your own transformation.

When you are ready you can move on to Chapter Two.

### Chapter Two Stage 3: The Practice of the Rosary

The practice of the rosary developed amongst the peasants and village people of medieval Europe. Rather than ban the practice, the Church adopted it through the ministry of St Dominic in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. The origins of the rosary however are in the mystical and devotional experiences of people, not in the theological doctrines of the learned clergy.

It is called the "rosary" because all the founding legends link it with wreaths of roses. In the middle ages the rose was the flower of Mary. This may come as a surprise to those of us who are only familiar with rose symbolism through the C17 Rosicrucian movement, where we understand the rose as Christ. The rosary, meaning, "a garden of roses" came out of the devotion to Mary. As a 12<sup>th</sup> century text puts it:

Rosa fragrans primula vernalis Servos tuos libre de malis

Fragrant rose, primrose of spring, Free your servants from evil.

The practice of counting beads and saying repeated prayers extends back well before the Christian era.

The practice of the rosary begins with the cross at the bottom of the rosary. We commence with the first bead. Here we pray the Lord's prayer. At each of the next three beads we pray the Hail Mary prayer:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you amongst women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death.

These three beads are linked closely together. There is a larger space to the fifth bead. This is another Lord's Prayer.

We have reached the triangular medallion. We move counter-clockwise to the next bead. This commences the first decade of the rosary. The first ten beads are all Hail Mary prayers. Following the tenth bead, there is a larger space to the next bead. This is a Lord's Prayer. We commence the second decade. Ten Hail Marys followed by a Lord's Prayer. The third, fourth and fifth decades follow the same pattern. By the time we have arrived back at the triangle, we recited fifty-three Hail Marys and six Lord's Prayers. We have completed the practice of the rosary.

Now all this takes some time, and time for most of us is a scarce commodity. You may like to begin your work with the rosary by saying the first five prayers and then saying the first decade.

If we have studied some of the meditations in the Wyse Art or meditations from other traditions, then the rosary may appear to be childishly simple. Yes, it is. Childishly simple. But then, Jesus said that unless we become like a little child we cannot enter the kingdom of heaven.

When we enter into the rosary with this simple recitation of prayers a strange thing happens. We might imagine that constant repetition would dull our consciousness. That we would go into a trance-like state. Actually the opposite happens. Consciousness becomes clearer. Problems that have occupied our minds cease to cause us anxiety and solutions present themselves.

If you say the rosary before going to sleep, you will find that your sleep consciousness becomes clearer too. At the least you will enjoy a deeper sleep and awake feeling refreshed.

One final act. The rosary is a circle. It contains a space. The space in the rosary is a space for petition and healing. After you have completed your rosary practice ask for the help you need in your life. Ask for healing. The feminine is listening.

# The Rosary: Going Deeper

#### Stage Four: Meaning

Both the prayers of the rosary have deep meaning. We can enhance our practice by working with the esoteric meanings of the prayers. To engage in the deeper levels, we need to come to the stage first where the Prayer of Mary becomes as ingrained within us as the Lord's Prayer.

#### The Lord's Prayer

We encountered the Lord's Prayer in Wyse Art. Level 1, module 9 contains the Lord's Prayer meditation which charges and purifies our spiritual centres.

We visualise each centre in turn, beginning with the centre above the head, the 'sun centre'. Here are the phrases of the Lord's prayer with their visualisation.

"Our Father, which are in heaven	Visualise the Sun centre floating above the centre of your head; it glows like a small sun with an intense white light at the core.
Hallowed be thy name	Imagine the Crown centre opening at the top of the skull. It unfolds like the petals of a rose towards the sun.
Thy kingdom come	Visualise a ball of deep blue, indigo light emanating from the centre of your head.
Thy will be done	Now shift your attention to the throat centre and perceive it as a sphere of light blue sitting on the throat.
on earth	Allow your mind to flow down the channel at the centre of the spiritual centres into the earth centre
as it is in heaven.	and return to rest at the crown centre.
Give us this day our daily bread.	Move your attention to the base centre. See this as a ball of pulsating red light vibrating over the gonads.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.	Focus on the Sacral centre (the Leyden). See an orange sphere emanating from a region about four finger-widths below the navel.
Lead us not into temptation	Now move to the Solar Plexus Centre. Here a bright yellow ball sits at the solar plexus.
But deliver us from evil	Focus now on the heart centre. See a rotating sphere emanating waves of healing green.
For thine is the kingdom	Return to the throat and the light blue.
the power and the glory	Now back to the deep blue head centre
For ever and ever	The open crown centre
Amen	Return to the Sun above the head.

#### Hail Mary

The Hail Mary consists of three stanzas. Each is in two parts.

The three stanzas refer to the three Marys. St John represents them sitting at the cross as Mary Magdalene, Mary the Mother of Jesus and Mary the wife of Clopas.

In the Gospel of John, the three Marys are the three aspects of the feminine.

These three aspects are traditionally known as "Maiden, Mother and Wisdom".

Mary Magdalene represents the Maiden.
Mary, mother of Jesus, is of course, the Mother.
Mary, wife of Clopas, is Wisdom, Sophia, in Greek

The first stanza of the Mary prayer addresses the young Mary. The angel Gabriel announces to her that she will become pregnant and give birth to the Christ. As the Maiden, she represents that aspect of us which is pregnant with possibilities. This is the world of Spring when all of nature is about to give birth. When we say, "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you" then we are acknowledging that aspect of the divine feminine who can bring to birth the Christ within our soul.

The second stanza addresses the second Mary. This is Mary as mother. The fruit of the divine mother is the world of nature. Every time we gaze into the world of nature we should be aware that it is the force of Mother Mary bringing new growth and new life into the world. This is the world of Summer and Autumn.

The final Mary is a mystery. We know she is wedded to Clopas. The word Clopas has links to Hebrew words which mean imprisonment. In the later development of the Kabbalah, another word was coined, "Kelipot" which means "shells".

Before the resurrection, most souls did not ascend into the higher spiritual worlds. They were imprisoned. Thus, the soul after death is the "wife of Clopas". This Mary is the force which can liberate us from imprisonment after death. She is Sophia, the being of spiritual Wisdom. We pray for this aspect of the divine feminine to be with us, not only now, but at the hour of our death and to free us as we pass over the threshold of life into the spiritual worlds.

It takes more thought and concentration to recite the rosary prayers with these understandings in mind. But it soon becomes part of our practice and reinforces and deepens the meditation.

# Talk 8

# The Completion of the Letters of St John

The Work of Mary



2 John & 3 John

The connection of Mario and Mary

Mary & the Hierarchy

The esoteric purpose of the Rosary

# The Temple of the Sun Meeting Eight

26th June 2022

"The elder to the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all who know the truth, 2because of the truth that abides in us and will be with us forever:

3Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love.

4I rejoiced greatly to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we were commanded by the Father 5And now I ask you, dear lady—not as though I were writing you a new commandment, but the one we have had from the beginning—that we love one another."

2 John 1-5

"The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth.

2Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul. 3For I rejoiced greatly when the brothers [1] came and testified to your truth, as indeed you are walking in the truth. 4I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth."

3 John 1-3

Welcome to our final session on the Letters of St John.

I'm going to briefly recap our journey through the letters and outline the major landmarks on this journey.

Mario used to say, when you are interpreting scripture, read and re-read that passage and see what leaps out at you, so let's do that with these two passages.

In the first reading, John addresses a recipient who is not found anywhere else in the whole of the Bible: He writes to a woman. "The elect lady" in fact. This woman must have been very special, because the people who edited the writings of the New Testament tried to eliminate any mention of an important woman, especially in the writings of the apostles. It has taken quite a lot of detective work from some very clever scholars to uncover the fact that woman were very significant in the early Church.

John not only addresses the elect lady, he also writes to 'her children'. This is important when we understand that in St John's occult school, 'children' are those who are training their astral. So, we understand that John is writing his second letter to someone who is also running an occult school.

Then there is one word which absolutely leaps out at us:

...whom I love in **truth**, and not only I, but also all who know the **truth**, 2because of the **truth** that abides in us and will be with us forever:

3Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in **truth** and love.

The whole point of training the astral is to discover the *truth*.

Then John proceeds to the 'new commandment':

And now I ask you, dear lady—not as though I were writing you a new commandment, but the one we have had from the beginning—that we **love** one another."

The new commandment given by Christ is that we *love* one another.

In summary, we might say that the work of St John's school is about training the astral so that first we might discover truth, and second that we might operate from the heart in love.

If we visit the second reading, from the third letter of St John, we discover that he is also writing to a student from his school:

"The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth.

2Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul. 3For I rejoiced greatly when the brothers [1] came and testified to your truth, as indeed you are walking in the truth. 4I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth."

We can see that Gaius is not as senior as the lady. For St John calls him 'one of his children,' so Gaius is still working on the first part of the teachings, training his astral by 'walking in the truth.'

There is one further point. The result of cleansing the astral is that we are now able to work properly on the etheric. Training the etheric will be the theme of the second phase of our Temple sessions, and we begin this in earnest in August.

Let's now look back at what we have experienced so far in our Temple sessions.

#### **Temple Meeting 1**

In our first session, we laid out the purpose of the Temple and the path which we would follow.

The Temple continues the work of Mario's lodge. In its final form, the lodge was known as the OMC, the "Order of the Mystic Christ". It was only a few mischievous souls who thought that the initials stood for the "Order of Mario and Colin".

The purpose of the Order, and of our Temple, was to see Christ in the etheric. This actually means, to develop our spiritual vision through training the astral and then training the etheric.

Mario said he would give certain exercises in the OMC to assist with this, but actually, he didn't give the deeper exercises which he received from his occult school. I think the reason for this is because he did not have a group of people who had been through the training of the astral, so he had to begin with that. Now I personally think, that anyone who has completed all three levels of the Wyse Art has had a lot of astral training! And, through the constant repetition of certain exercises, has also worked on the etheric. Because of this, I think that we are ready to embark on some of the deeper occult exercises. Practising these exercises is not without danger. If we haven't worked on the astral, and done the preparatory work, then occultism can have a destabilising effect on an individual.

We saw this sometimes at the Centre. I have given this a lot of thought, and have come to the realisation that you will be safe-guarded. You see, we can give the exercises, but they only work if *you* do them. Now the soul makes the decision. If the soul says, "Not ready, thank you very much!" then we will find plenty of reasons not to take them on board, and that is fine, it is for our own safety. Nevertheless, there may come a time in your life when we are ready to work on the deeper levels, and then we will be able to pull out these talks and move on.

#### **Temple Meeting 2**

Here we began the work with the first letter of St John in earnest. The work described in this section of the letter is about "Truth and knowledge". We met four different kinds of knowledge, and looked at a case study on *episteme*, evidence-based knowledge.

Case Study: Nutrition

#### **Temple Meeting 3**

In this session we discover that

God is light

And also that light = knowledge.

We worked with the four types of knowledge in terms of the work of the hierarchy.

We deepened our investigation of truth:

Melody on vaccination

JR: Truth in the age of the anti-vaxxer

#### **Temple Meeting 4:** The Emergency of the Feminine 1

The story of the feminine in the West.

- \* The Lady
- \* The Mother

The Rosary 1.

#### **Temple Meeting 5:** The Emergence of the Feminine 2

Occultism means "To see behind the scenes".

Levels of training:

\* Children: Those training their astral

\* Young men: Those who have overcome the astral

\* Fathers: Trained astral and etheric. They are teachers

The Rosary 2

#### **Temple Meeting 6:** God is Love

Melody: *O Love that Knoweth of no Fear* 

#### **Temple Meeting 7**

Astral training:

We can distinguish between the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Etheric training:

Repetition

The Rosary 3

That brings us to Temple Meeting 8.

I realise that some of our discussions have been quite unexpected. Especially the talks on the feminine, the three Marys, and the practice of the Rosary.

Today I would like to complete our contemplations on St John by considering three questions.

- 1. What connection did Mario have to Mary, and why didn't he talk more about her?
- 2. Where does Mary stand in the hierarchy? Finally answering Irene's question.
- 3. What is the esoteric purpose of the Rosary?

Let's start with Mario.

From the beginning of the Centre in Perth, there was quite a strong push to manifest the feminine energy. There was a small altar outside, which was dedicated to Mary and usually decorated with flowers and candles. Nevertheless, Mario and Colin decided not to promote the understanding of Mary within the Centre teachings.

When we talk about Mario, we have to remember one very important fact. He was an occultist. That is, he could not only teach the 'secrets', he could teach in secret. In fact, the secret teachings were often more important to his students than the secrets of occultism he taught in public. An occultist can work on more than one level, and an occultist teaches on more than one level. So Mario's teachings on Mary were part of the secret teachings. Mario was in fact devoted to Mary. He made Mary the overarching influence upon his work. We know this, because an occultist gives hints. If we rise to a certain level of consciousness, then the clues open the secret teachings within consciousness. Here is Mario's teaching on Mary:

Mario Schoenmaker: Born *Marius* Adrianus Johannes Schoenmaker After his time in the occult school, he changes his name to *Mario*.

The birth name indicates something of the soul purpose and calibre. Marius is an old Roman name. It means "the one of Mars". Not the planet mars, but Mars, the god of war. This name reflected something of Mario's previous lives as a leader. Someone who dealt directly and lead from a position of authority.

The name Mario is Italian. It is the feminine form of Mary. "Marius" received an occult name, an initiation name. The occult name indicated his work as an occultist which was to work with the energy of Mary in the world. Mary is the initial Christ-Bearer, so the name "Mario" indicated that Mario would be the Christ-Bearer for the twentieth century. Of course, there is much more, but to discover how Mary shaped and became "Mario", we have to look into the second question:

Where is Mary in the hierarchy?

Mary is the name we give to the feminine force in the universe. We have seen that the creators of our cosmos were the Elohim, a name we might translate as the feminine goddesses. But what precisely is it that the Elohim create? Genesis puts the creation in terms of the familiar earth. God (that is the Elohim) creates the Sun and Moon and stars, the plants, the animals, the sea creatures, the birds, and finally God creates humanity. Actually, the Elohim created none of these. What the feminine created is *consciousness*.

Now how do we experience consciousness? We experience consciousness through the soul. So the soul is Mary, Mary is the soul. When we address Mary in the Rosary, we are talking to our own soul.

But just a moment - there are three Marys, but surely we only have one soul?

If you remember back to Wyse Art II Module 9, we discussed very briefly the fact that we have *three* souls, or perhaps one soul with three aspects. This is because the soul is created from the I AM working upon the three bodies we have been given in evolution. To reprise:

Our youngest body is the astral, given in the Old Moon period of evolution. The I AM working upon the astral creates the *sentient* soul.

Before this, the etheric was given in the Old Sun period. The I AM working upon this creates the *intellectual* soul.

Our oldest body was gifted to us on Old Saturn. This is the physical body, which, through the working of the I AM, creates the *consciousness* soul.

Each of these aspects of the soul comes into manifestation at different points in history.

Sentient soul (astral) ~3000 BC Intellectual soul (etheric) ~700 BC Consciousness soul (physical) C15

By the way, I'm not a big fan of the terms sentient, intellectual, and consciousness souls. The Greek philosophers had terms which described each soul body. Plato used these names:

The sentient soul: *Eros*. Desire and longing. Found in the stomach area.

The intellectual soul: *Thumos (Thymos)*. Heart-centred expression. Found in the heart.

The consciousness soul: *Logos* or *Logistikon*. Reason, thinking. Found in the head.

Mary works on the soul bodies to perfect them. The Greeks also had names for the perfected soul bodies.

The perfected sentient soul body was called the Moon body. It was described as a light blue sheath around the person.

The perfected intellectual soul body was called, of course, the Sun body. It was described as a luminous golden sheath around the individual.

They had no term for the perfect consciousness soul body, because, obviously, it had not come into existence during the Greek civilisation.

Now Mary is the energy which purifies and develops each aspect of the soul.

Mary Magdalene, or Mary the Maiden works on the sentient soul. These are the forces of youth and creativity. Mary Magdalene is the force of eros, sexual love.

Mary, the Mother works on the intellectual soul. The etheric forces are strongest in a woman giving birth to a new child. Mary the Mother is the force of thumos, the love of the mother.

Mary, the old wise woman, Sophia, works upon the physical body. Mary as Sopohia is the force of Logos. The force of thinking and clear reasoning.

At the end of his life, Rev Mario told us that we had to work with the Mary energies. We had to think with the heart, and love with the head.

So Mary as maiden is creating our Moon body; Mary the Mother the Sun body, and Mary Sophia the perfected physical body - St Paul calls this the Resurrection Body.

Have you noticed there is a lot of goddess stuff around? People are really into Mary - but also into other goddesses like Aphrodite, and Nike (goddess of victory) and Artemis (the hunter) and Hera, the mother of the gods. Strangely enough, I'm not seeing a lot of interest in Hekate, or Sophia - these are goddesses which represent the end of life. This is partly because people are not comfortable yet with the consciousness soul. It is very new. It demands that we act from our individuality, that we separate from our blood ties. That we move away from any form of group consciousness. It is very uncomfortable. Yet the working of the third Mary upon this soul body is of crucial importance.

The goddess Hekate was the goddess of boundaries, borders and barriers. If we work through this third Mary, we shall develop our consciousness to such a stage that we can pass through the gates of death in consciousness. Something which at our present stage of evolution, only a few initiates can do. That is why we ask for her help in stepping over that border which we encounter at the end of this incarnation.

Well, that is as far as we can go at present to answering the first two questions.

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#### The Esoteric Rosary

Over the three levels of the Wyse Art, I have wanted to introduce some of the exercises that work directly upon the etheric body, but something always held me back. I think this is partly because these exercises are very powerful, and because the etheric has such a direct effect upon the physical body, if the person undertaking the exercises is not properly prepared, working with the exercises can have a destructive effect upon the body.

All the occult schools in our tradition warn against moving into these exercises before one particular condition is achieved. This is known by various names. One of them is, "The Magical Schooling of the Soul – Introspection". This is a rigorous program of self-examination. It normally involves the student recording all their failings and negative thoughts in a special journal.

Rev Mario related that when he was in the Occult School he was expected to sit on his bed before he went to sleep and to record every negative reaction, every destructive thought and every emotion he had experienced during the day. He said ruefully, sometimes he spent so much time recording, that he didn't have much time to sleep  $\Box$ 

I think it is safe to say, that if you have passed through three levels of the Wyse Art, then you have confronted your own negative and destructive memories, experiences and emotions – perhaps many times over! If we have reached the stage when we live in a state of 'self-remembering', when we are immediately aware of a negative thought, or a destructive emotion, then we can move forward with the occult exercises of the rosary. You will discover that these two exercises contain elements of meditations given in Level II and Level III, so you have already begin working with these rosary exercises.

Of course, it goes without saying, that before we embark on these exercises which demand a certain level of focus, that we have to have worked with the rosary to such an extent that the prayers have become so ingrained in us that part of the mind can keep them going while another part of the mind works with the invocation or the visualisation of the new exercise.

I have had a conversation with Spirit, and Spirit has said not to worry, anyone who is not properly prepared will simply find the exercises to difficult, and discover plenty of reasons not to do them. So, with this in mind, and without further preamble let us embark on these final exercises.

#### The Element Meditation

The "Element Meditation" is very important in Level III Wyse Art. As we know, there are four elements, Fire, Earth, Air and Water. The rosary adds a fifth element. Aristotle called it the "quintessence" which underlies all the elements. We shall simply call it "light".

Each element is associated with an archangel. The archangel is the regent of that element. The power of the archangel works through its element into human consciousness.

We can assist the archangel in its work by acknowledging it in consciousness and asking for its help.

Stage Five: Working with the Elements

#### Fire

Begin your rosary as usual with the first five beads. When you reach the medallion, pause for a moment and invoke the Archangel of Fire, Archangel Uriel:

O great Archangel Uriel, may the element of fire enter and transform the negative qualities of

[anger, rage, reaction, irritability, thoughtlessness, self-centredness, aggression, hostility]

*Into the positive qualities of* 

[energy, vitality, well-being, generosity, warmth, imagination, inspiration, creativity and the ability to transmit the spark to other souls]

For the work of Christ in the world.

The words in square brackets are suggestions – you can replace them with other qualities if you prefer.

Having made this invocation, proceed to the first bead of the first decade. This will be the decade of Fire. As you say the Prayer of Mary, visualise fire entering and filling you with energy and power. Repeat this with each bead until you reach the sixth bead. At this stage you have absorbed fire energy five times. Now you need to release it. Each time you recite Hail Mary, visualise the fire energy leaving the body.

[JR's Comment: When you inhale each element, imagine yourself as a hollow container. Imagine yourself to be in the centre of the element which now surrounds you. You can imagine yourself to be standing in the midst of the Archangel whose body is composed of this element. Inhale the element through your nose and simultaneously see it enter your whole body. Breathe deeply and regularly. In the beginning you will experience the energy of the element in the astral body. That is, it is an image. As you work more deeply with the element you may find that your physical body responds. For example, working with Fire, you may experience your body heating up.

[It is very important that we work with each element in turn. If we focus on a single element only then we will be out of balance and this will create imbalance within life.

[In some Eastern schools the fire element is only inhaled, it is never released. This is not advised for our purposes!

[There was one Hindu holy man who worked only with the fire element. Because Fire creates energy, he became so energised that he had to exercise constantly. He was known as the "Tennis guru" because if you wanted to talk to him, you had to play a set of tennis – it was his preferred way of working off the excess energy!

Benefits of the fire element: We become full of energy, more creative, more imaginative, able to conceive and execute new projects and initiatives.

A Fire adept is able to use the element to produce what seem to be magical or miraculous effects.

There is a Tibetan technique called *tumo*. In this practice the yogi creates such a level of inner fire, that they can walk about naked in the snow. The initiation test is for the practitioner to be clad in a sopping wet robe, and sit in the snow until the robe is dry. Francis Younghusband who led a British expedition to Tibet came across one of these yogis. In the middle of a blizzard the yogi was sitting naked, and he exuded so much heat that the snow had melted in a circle around him.

Jesus showed he was an adept of fire through the expulsion of demonic forces from sufferers.

#### **Earth**

You have now reached the Lord's Prayer. Thank the Archangel of Fire and then say this prayer. Now we will invoke the Archangel of Earth:

O great Archangel Raphael, may the element of earth enter and transform the negative qualities of

[rigidity, refusal to change, stubbornness, attachment to possessions, selfishness]

*Into the positive qualities of* 

[strength, endurance, perseverance, patience, building within the earth, bringing to fruition, thinking practically, and healing of the physical body]

For the work of Christ in the world.

Once again, with the first five Hail Mary prayers, imagine the strength and power of earth flowing into you. With the second five beads, release the earth energy.

[JR comment: Imagine that you are sitting at the centre of the earth. You can also imagine that you are sitting or standing in the centre of Archangel Raphael. The colour of Raphael is green, because the earth is not only the physical material, it is also the power to create growth in the biosphere. You may feel a heaviness enter you from the earth element, but also an increasing strength to support the heaviness of life.]

[Benefits of the earth element: We become grounded. Our ability to discern grows stronger. We are also empowered to become more productive within our earth life.]

Jesus showed he had mastered the earth element through the healing miracles of curing the lame and the paralysed. Another manifestation of earth mastery is the feeding of the five thousand.

#### Air

Thank the Archangel of Earth and then say the Lord's Prayer. We come to Archangel Michael, regent of the Air element:

O great Archangel Michael, may the element of air enter and transform the negative qualities of

[The lie, darkness, confusion, lack of communication, criticism of self and others, mental anxiety and worry, creating negative mental patterns]

*Into the positive qualities of* 

[Truth, light, clarity, illumination, observation, perception, insight, understanding, upholding others in thought and speech, communication, intuition, and healing of the mental body]

For the work of Christ in the world.

With the first five Hail Mary prayers, imagine the lightness and expansiveness of air flowing into you. With the second five beads, release the air energy.

[JR comment: Imagine that you are sitting in a space where you are completely surrounded by air. You can also imagine that you are sitting or standing in the centre of Archangel Michael. The colour of Michael is yellow, the colour of the mind. As you inhale the air element you may start feeling lighter and lighter, floating like a balloon. As you release the air element, make sure that you are gradually descending back to earth.

[Benefits of the air element: Our thinking becomes cleansed. We move from being critical of others to blessing them and upholding them in our thoughts. Our insight and intuition are released. We become more observant of self and of our reactions to the world around us.]

As Air adept, Jesus healed those who were blind. Clairvoyance and telepathy are part of the higher abilities when we master this element. The gospels tell us that "Jesus knew what was in the hearts of men."

Those who have an intense prayer and devotional life may become masters of the Air element. St Joseph of Cupertino who lived in the C18, was known as "the flying saint" because of his levitation abilities. St Teresa of Avila was often observed floating a few inches above the ground when she was praying. That is until the saint, known for a certain irascible practicality said firmly, "Put me down! You know I hate you doing that!"

#### Water

Thank the Archangel of Air and then say the Lord's Prayer. We come to Archangel Gabriel, regent of the Water element:

O great Archangel Gabriel, may the element of water enter and transform the negative qualities of

[Fear, pain, suffering, depression, despair, addiction, letting the emotions take control, self-pity, indifference, lack of forgiveness]

Into the positive qualities of

[Peace, calm, serenity; love, compassion, understanding, empathy; being in charge of the emotions, forgiveness, release, letting go and healing of the emotional body]

For the work of Christ in the world.

With the first five Hail Mary prayers, imagine you are sitting at the centre of a sphere of water. You can also imagine that you stand within the Archangel Gabriel whose colour is blue. With the second five beads, release the water energy.

Jesus as Water adept shows his power over this element by calming the seas, and also by healing diseases like leprosy.

#### Light

We have come to the decade of Light. The decade of Light not ruled by an archangel, the decade of Light is ruled by Christ. After you say the Lord's Prayer for the last time, pray to Christ, asking that the light of the Christ consciousness may enter in more and more.

With each of the final Hail Mary prayers visualise light streaming into you. After filling ourselves with light, we release into the world. We too, can become the Light of the World.

The Light adept is the Teacher, the initiate who attracts souls towards them through the emanation of the light within the soul. The light adept can transform their physical body. We see this in the phenomenon of the Rainbow body in Tibet, and Christ displays this first at the resurrection.

#### Extra prayers...

Many people have a special prayer or text at the initial cross, and the triangular medallion that holds the whole of the rosary together. You can make this choice for yourself. Melody and I say "St Patricks Breastplate" at the cross and we say or sing "O Love that Knoweth of no Fear" at the medallion.

#### The Tree of Life Meditation

Stage Six: Complexity

The following rosary meditation is based on the Temple of the Sun meditation given in Level II of the Wyse Art. You may find it worthwhile to refresh your memory of this meditation.

#### Part One: The Ascent to the Temple

#### First bead: The Lord's Prayer

We commence at the first of the five lower beads and say the Lord's Prayer. During the prayer we visualise the intense, potent energy that flows up the inner channel within the spine from the base of the spine to the top of the head. We know this as The Rod of Aaron. This is the path on the Tree of Life from Malkuth to Yesod.

#### Second bead: the first Hail Mary.

Now see yourself standing with your arms outstretched in the shape of a cross. The vertical beam of the cross is an area one palm-width either side of your spine. In this position you connect Yesod with Tifareth. The horizontal beam of the cross runs from one hand to another through the heart. Here we connect Hod with Netzach. Imagine that two roses, one white, the other red grow from the base of the cross and intertwine around the cross. First around the vertical beam and then they grow out from the heart along the horizontal beam. Feel the energy of Tifareth illuminating your head. Feel the energies of Hod and Netzach flowing into your hands. We know this as "The Roses Upon the Cross." Hold this image throughout the Hail Mary prayer.

#### Third bead: the second Hail Mary.

We stand within the realm of Hod. Imagine that a vibrant, orange light is moving towards you. It surrounds you and fills your body with light. This light infuses the whole of your body, and flows out in beautiful hues of different colours. You have now entered the sphere of Hod and become "The Luminous Body."

#### Fourth bead: the third Hail Mary.

Cross to the opposite sefira. This is the sefira Netzach. You enter into a realm that is filled with light. It is a land of beauty, filled with the green of living things. We are standing upon a green hillside, watching the scene below. Here in the realm of Netzach, the abode of Venus, we are able to experience "The Glory of the Lord" working within the spiritual worlds.

#### Fifth bead: the second Lord's Prayer.

We enter "The Temple of the Sun." We stand within the sacred space and become open to the light of the Sun that radiates from the centre of the dome of the Temple.

#### Part Two: The Five Decades

We stand at the beginning of the first decade. Within the Temple of the Sun are the four Archangels of the Elements. Christ is present as the quintessence in the centre of the Temple.

We will work with the Archangels exactly as we did in the Element Meditation. This time though,

as we engage with each Hail Mary Bead, we enter into the Tree of Life. The Tree of Life maps onto the human body as Adam Kadmon. You have the picture of Adam Kadmon in Module One of Level III.

Invocation of Archangel Uriel

First bead: Malkuth

Visualise the "Rod of Aaron" The energy of fire enters in.

Second bead: Yesod

Visualise the "Roses Upon the Cross"

The energy of fire enters in.

Third bead: Hod

Visualise the "Luminous Body" The energy of fire enters in.

Fourth bead: Netzach

Visualise the "Glory of the Lord" The energy of fire enters in

Fifth bead: Tifareth

Visualise the Temple of the Sun The energy of fire enters in

From here on visualise yourself as standing like the image of Adam Kadmon. Note that if you see yourself as Adam Kadmon, then the Tree is a mirror image of the normal Tree of Life.

Sixth bead: Geburah

Feel the energy emanating from your right hand. This is the centre of Geburah. It is love in action.

Release the energy of fire.

Seventh bead: Hesed

Feel the energy emanating from your left hand. This is love and compassion acting without conscious direction.

Release the energy of fire.

Eighth bead: Binah

Feel the energy at the throat. This is the energy of Will.

Release the energy of fire.

Ninth bead: Chesed

Feel the energy radiate out from the brow centre.

Release the energy of fire.

Tenth bead: Kether

This is the Crown Centre. Visualise the top of the head opening up and accepting the multi-coloured energies from the spiritual worlds.

Release the energy of fire.

We have now completed the decade of Fire.

The remaining decades are completed in exactly the same way.

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With the Tree of Life meditation, we reach the limits of our rosary practice.

Although the more complex meditations can have a powerful effect on training and purifying the etheric levels, we may find that simply holding the rosary in our hands and saying the prayers with lightness and devotion is just as powerful.

We encourage you to find how the rosary works for you. Whichever meditation you feel comfortable with, it is important to sit in peace at the end and experience the space of the rosary. Here we ask Mary to assist us in our life, our spiritual direction, our health, our work, in fact in every life aspect we shall find Mary. That is because no matter how difficult the life passage, and no matter our own pain and struggle, we will always find peace and solace in the Mother.