



# Triangles

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## The Sacred Triangle

The Holy Scriptures of the world reveal a universal spiritual theme: of the divine Trinity, of God in manifestation, of which the triangle is the frequently used symbol. In Hinduism this Triune of Energies is known as *Shiva, Vishnu* and *Brahma*; in Christianity: *the Father, the Son* and *the Holy Spirit*; in Judaism: *Kethu, Chochman* and *Binah*; in the ancient Egyptian spiritual traditions: *Ra, Osiris* and *Horus* and in esoteric philosophy: *Life, Quality* and *Appearance*. All of these examples illustrate the pivotal importance of the Trinity, the sacred Triangle, in spiritual thought throughout the ages. The interaction of these three divine creative Principles condition the entire evolutionary process. Their interwoven, eternal dance ever brings about the right relationship of the form to the inner spiritual matrix, whether we consider the evolving life of a solar system, a planet or a human being.

At a planetary level, the sacred Triangle is focused through the three major planetary Centres: *Shamballa, Hierarchy* and *Humanity*. The evolving interrelationship of these three great focal points is producing an intensified planetary intercommunication linking the higher and the lower kingdoms in nature, so that eventually “the weight of the Will of God... may progress unimpeded from point to point, from sphere to sphere and from glory to glory.”

At the human level, the triangle is depicted as symbolising the soul, a reflection of the divine Trinity. The soul – the synthesis of will, love and light – is the divine essence in all human beings. Over countless aeons, every individual experiences the magnetic influence of each aspect of this divine triplicity. As life cycle succeeds life cycle, the stimulation of each of these qualities intensifies, until a point is reached when the seeker upon the path becomes a point of living radiant light. The enlightened human soul can then express the majestic words of Arjuna found in the ancient Hindu scripture *The Bhagavad Gita*: “By thy grace I remember my Light, and now gone is my delusion. My doubts are no more, my faith is firm; and now I can say ‘Thy will be done’.”

The Triangles network enfolding the planet provides in its own way a unique paradigm upon, and through which, the highest impressions can play, accelerating the passage of spiritual impulses from the transcendent to the material realms. These subtle yet potent inflowing energies are contributing to the transformation of world society. Their impact upon consciousness is awakening the sacred Triangle, the soul of humanity, to the spiritual qualities of the will-to-good, love and light, which are the universal threads that connect God with His Creation, the manifested Universe.

# Serving as Aquarius Indicates

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Two thousand years ago the sun entered the sign of Pisces, and since then the energies emanating from this constellation have conditioned human civilisation. This period of history has brought about the transformation of humanity from predominantly warring, tribal factions to a point where the great family of nations is not only a noble idea, but actively being encouraged by visionary thinkers and developed through the UN. The sun is now moving into the zodiacal sign of Aquarius; new energies, new impulses and new opportunities await humanity to further the evolutionary process upon the planet. The Aquarian Age will no doubt embody the highest and noblest of the past, yet bring its own highly distinctive note of love and light, and its emphasis upon group work.

The sign of Aquarius, the Water Carrier, is portrayed by “a man, carrying on his shoulders a jar of water so full that it pours over to all and sundry, and yet it diminishes not.” These symbolic words indicate the role of service as a way of life in the coming era; for Aquarius stands symbolically “for group purity and relationship, for the universality of experience and for the waters poured over all.” It is perhaps not without coincidence that in the last one hundred years or so, the natural resource of water has been harnessed for the benefit of many within the human family; although there is still considerable work to be done to improve the supply of clean and abundant water to those in the third world. Sanitation, irrigation, transportation and hydro-electric power are just some of the ways in which water is used for human welfare. We are reminded of one of the Labours of Hercules in which by diverting the flow of two rivers, he cleaned out the Augean stables and consequently saved the Kingdom of Augeus from pestilence.

In the world today a great cleansing is going on. The purifying waters of Aquarius are bringing to the surface all the impurities within society.

Humanity is demanding higher standards, wiser values and nobler ideals from those who hold positions of influence. Perhaps one of the outstanding examples of the Aquarian impulse is embodied in the first article of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which declares that “All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.” The articles provide in their own way an important framework for real peace and security, and form in part the blueprint of a new global order.

Right service, which will be indicative of the Aquarian thinker, requires not only the ‘outflow of a loving heart’, but also the use of a trained mind responsive to the progressive, spiritually liberating ideas emanating from the Mind of God. These ideas, impelled by the will-to-good, work out on outer levels as all those developments in world society, which enrich and beautify human life. There are now in the world today many spiritually focused groups that are inspired by the Aquarian vision to stand not only “in spiritual being, but *together with* others, working with them subjectively, telepathically, and synthetically.” The role of group work, whether in spiritual service, business, science or any other field of human endeavour, is emerging as a natural expression of human development. This trend is as yet embryonic, but is becoming recognised by spiritual thinkers as an important cycle in the life of humanity. In the last two or three centuries, and especially in this century, the Aquarian impulse of service, has gradually awakened humanity to an appreciation of the interrelated diversity of life upon our small planet, and of its role as a responsible custodian of the lower kingdoms in nature. In the next two thousand years we can expect this momentous emerging pattern to continue, as the impulse of Aquarius draws all humanity closer to the Heart of God.

# The Planetary Network

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The planetary network of light, love and service is transforming the mental climate of the planet, reorientating humanity to spiritual attitudes and values. The groups and activities reported in the Bulletin reflect different aspects of the network. Please send information on any activities that could be included in a future Bulletin.

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## Soul Education 2000 Conference

The **Soul Education 2000 Conference** is an international conference to be held at the Findhorn Foundation, Scotland, 21-28 October 2000. The aim of the conference is “to strengthen the educational field and help launch a new era of education, enriched with the values and knowledge of our divine source.” The organisers explain: “We are building a network to promote the open recognition of soul inspired qualities in our teaching....”

The conference event evolved out of the work of the **Global Conference of Soul Education**, a five-year spiritual educational project inspired by **Triangles in Education** – an international, spiritually motivated group of educators from many cultures – dedicated to “the strengthening of the inflow of the light, love-wisdom and power of the Soul in education.” Working rhythmically over a five year cycle, 1998-2002, the aim is to inaugurate a “new era in education”. The group explains: “There is a growing momentum for the shifting of education into a newer and more enlightened developmental stage – one which is better suited to the highest potential of the individual and of the race as a whole.”

Triangles in Education also publishes, three times a year, a bulletin *Soul Educator*, “to stimulate the creativity and pioneering will of spiritually motivated holistic educators around the world”.

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## Vishva Niketan: A Peace Centre

**Vishva Niketan** is a Peace Centre situated just south of Colombo, capital of Sri Lanka. The Centre is for “peoples of all nations to pursue the ideal of inner and outer peace by awakening their inner spirituality in an atmosphere of tranquility and serenity close to nature.” Vishva Niketan, situated on a one-and-a-half acre site, is designed in keeping with traditional Sri Lankan architecture. The Centre is the vision of Dr. A.T. Ariyaratne, the Founder and President of **Sarvodaya Shramadana**, a grass-roots humanitarian organisation that is active all over Sri Lanka.

Vishva Niketan draws its inspiration from the universal teachings of the Buddha. As a peace centre Vishva Niketan seeks to:

- provide a neutral ground for conflict resolution;
- promote understanding of each other;
- promote human rights and responsibilities as the basis of peace and justice;
- co-operate with others;
- study and disseminate information on peace;
- train peace workers;
- create a climate for peace;
- establish sub-centres.

Also, the centre works to generate a spirit of loving kindness to all through the practice of “the universal teachings of the Buddha in individual, family and community life....”

The Centre has facilities for meetings; it also has a museum “devoted to the subject of peace and the evolution of the Sarvodaya movement”, and archives; a library which houses information on peace issues from theologians, philosophers, historians and activists all over the world; and residences.

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# World Goodwill

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Esoteric philosopher, Alice A. Bailey, has written that one of the tasks of the new group of world servers is to introduce the energy of the will-to-good into the world and that this energy would, in turn, be expressed by humanity as “goodwill”. It was, in part, this realisation that led, in 1932, to the founding of World Goodwill which was established to promote right human relations and to help solve humanity’s problems through the constructive power of goodwill. Through the inner, subjective work of Triangles the network of light and goodwill is being created, which in its own way is empowering the outer, objective work of World Goodwill. The intent is to create an interwoven pattern of light and goodwill which must underlie or substand all outer service work.

The most contagious human quality which can be organised and made effective is goodwill. Yet we might well ask is the energy of goodwill able to overcome the fires of hatred and separatism in our troubled societies? How is this to be achieved? As with all else in the universe, fire can be put to constructive as well as destructive uses. The fire which must be used by disciples is the fire of the will-to-love. By “will-to-love” is meant the love of the WHOLE. Spiritually-aware individuals often speak of the value of “wholeness”, but what does wholeness actually look like in everyday life? How does it manifest? When such an inherently good concept manifests, does it look equally good, feel equally good? To be guided by the love of the whole means doing what is needed for the good of *all* which takes enormous skill-in-action and, of course, farseeing

vision. It involves taking firm action, even when doing so may cause pain to some parts of the whole. And so wholeness in manifestation may not always look or feel all that good to everyone concerned, at least not right away. But, then, we are told that pain is our greatest teacher and to experience pain is to experience the lessons of the spiritual path.

This love of the Whole, the will-to-love, has been characterised in the writings of Alice Bailey as, “the loving intention to fire the entire world with the new idea of the ‘spirit of relationship.’” And this *spirit of relationship* touches directly on the work both of Triangles and World Goodwill. In Triangles we seek to relate to one another as souls – as points of light – and, in so doing, enable the whole of humanity to relate to the spiritual Hierarchy. In the work of World Goodwill, we seek to fan the flames of love through appealing to that aspect of impersonal love which most human beings are presently capable of expressing – the energy of goodwill – and in so doing add to the reservoir of goodwill thereby making this energy available to more people.

Through the work of Triangles and World Goodwill, we can strengthen the subjective channel between the spiritual Hierarchy of the planet and humanity thereby enabling an increased inflow of light, love and spiritual power to all of humanity. Together, the work of Triangles and World Goodwill can produce those “triangles of fiery light” which will bring into manifestation the fire of goodwill throughout the world.

Triangles is a world service activity in which people link in thought in groups of three to create a planetary network of triangles of light and goodwill. Using a world prayer, the Great Invocation, they invoke light and love as a service to humanity. Further information is available on request from Triangles.

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