

The Festival of Libra
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Good evening everyone for this celebration of the Festival of Libra. As groups around the world meet for the full moon festivals month after month, year after year, the path of energy flow communication between the spiritual Hierarchy and Humanity, the planetary Antahkarana, continues to strengthen and become wider, more radiant more easily able to transmit these extra planetary energies seeking anchorage in form. This increase in radiation has the effect of evoking powerful energies into the planet thereby stimulating all life with consequences that cannot be predicted. Although the results of this evocation are not quickly manifested, they surely will evolve in time. Our evolutionary journey is not smooth by any means and since we are part of the body of the Planetary Logos, we navigate together through the karmic journey on this planet of sorrows. But Master Morya counsels us to regard obstacles and challenges along the Way as opportunities for growth and progress rather than impediments. In other words, we should welcome difficulties and consider them as trainers that not only test us but also aid and guide us in our life's journey.

Libra is all about balance, in every manner of its manifestation. If one deeply contemplates the nature of balance, it becomes clear very quickly that the faculty of balance is central to almost everything in our lives. Libra presides over the proper relationship between all pairs of opposites, spirit and matter primarily, and maintains the point of tension within itself to facilitate these opposites to work together as a whole rather than at odds with one another. The more stable the point of tension, the more sure will be the balance in the Middle Way, the so called "razor edged path".

Libra marks the beginning of the Lower Interlude of the yearly cycle, the three month period beginning with the autumnal equinox that embodies "the stillness of a focused point". It is a time when we move inward, when the powerful spiritual energies contacted at the Higher Interlude begin to percolate into the collective brain consciousness to be utilized in service. The work for aspirants and disciples in the Lower Interlude is to bring into manifestation the spiritual energies gathered at the Higher Interlude and to make them into intelligible ideals which can be implemented into physical form. It is a time of contemplation and a renewal of Spirit through form. In a fundamental way, the Lower Interlude is actually more important for aspirants and disciples who are working as outposts of hierarchical consciousness; working doggedly on the ground, fully aligned with the soul and responsive to the world's need. The redemption of matter is central to the evolutionary plan and through our work we can contribute to the successful unfolding of the purpose of Sanat Kumara.

The full moon period provides the opportunity to re-affirm our own dedication as aspirants to the implementation of the divine plan and to the preparation for the Reappearance of the Christ, a voiced affirmation we make every Thursday in the meditation for the Reappearance when we state "I have no other life intention." As we reflect on this

affirmation with care and focus, let us pause within the group field of tension and say together the Affirmation of the Disciple:

"I am a point of light within a greater Light.
I am a strand of loving energy within the stream of love divine.
I am a point of sacrificial Fire, focused within the fiery Will of God.
And thus I stand.

I am a way by which men may achieve.
I am a source of strength, enabling them to stand.
I am a beam of light, shining upon their way.
And thus I stand.

And standing thus revolve
And tread this way the ways of men,
And know the ways of God.
And thus I stand."

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Even a surface reading of the Tibetan's teachings reveals the many threefold planetary triplicities; Life, Quality and Appearance, Atma, Buddhi, Manas, Light, Love and Power; these are some of the many and each aspect is equally as important as the other. We are told that Libra is "connected with the third aspect of the Godhead", and therefore as D.K. says: "is a governing sign and a major conditioning factor where Law, Sex and Money are concerned", these three being another triplicity within the jurisdiction of Libra and the 3rd Ray of Creative Intelligence.

The Tibetan counsels us that going forward, we should think in terms of bridging. Money is like this, as a bridge between two points; the buyer and seller, the lender and the borrower and so forth, an exchange between two or more entities. It acts as the middle way that brings two opposite poles together, into a balance very much relating it to the energies of Libra. Moments of exchange, if there are people involved, are potent opportunities for the exchange also of goodwill and this divine energy has the potential to transform the world if used rightly. So far, that has not happened on a large scale, but as more and more people turn toward the soul, the tide will inevitably turn and the right use of money will be the norm.

The energy of goodwill is unstoppable and one way we can notice it most is during natural disasters. People want to help in any way they can and the calls for help often involve pleas for monetary assistance. This is when ordinary people of goodwill step up, open their wallets and give as they can to help alleviate human suffering and distress. We are moved by the suffering and loss and want to help. The tragedy has evoked more compassion and

generosity and these qualities can be employed every day, in small or large ways to aid our fellow human beings.

The Tibetan provides many hints as to what the future will look like and he comments that money will be used divinely even though we seem a long way from that goal now. Money is a fact of life we all have to handle and so often is a cause for tension, worry, stress and conflict. As concretized energy, it is our choice as to how to use that energy; are we using it for material satisfaction, sometimes selfishly and thoughtlessly? Or are we thinking of it as a medium of exchange that can bring benefits and peace to others?

As students of the esoteric philosophy, we know that thoughts are mental substance and that clear and directed thought has the power to effect great changes in the environment, although these changes can take time. We learn to work on the mental plane as a group to aid the work of the Planetary Logos, the Hierarchy and the Christ and assist in the redemption of matter. As members of the New Group of World Servers, we know that much of our job is to learn to become sensitive to the newer ideas and concepts emanating from Hierarchy and to communicate these to intelligent humanity in whatever form is suitable. The spiritual use of money is one of these newer ideas.

The esoteric ruler of Libra is the planet Uranus, which because of its rulership of Aquarius, brings these two air signs into close relationship, particularly significant at this moment. We know that Aquarius is hugely important now as the sun is moving away from Pisces into Aquarius where it will be for the next many hundred years. Also, Pluto has just entered Aquarius and will stay there for almost the next 20 years. This planet's influence will further augment the energies of Aquarius effecting everyone on the planet in some way. According to D.K., The powerful 7th Ray Ashram is already in process of externalization and is influencing and guiding disciples on all rays; groups and individuals who are helping establish the new methods and newer modes of thinking.

The work of the Hierarchy needs funding in large amounts and it is the New Group of World Servers who are spearheading the effort to support the work the Hierarchy seeks to accomplish. Among the many restorative and regenerative projects one could imagine funding, bringing a spiritual motivation to the use of money would a high priority. Many forward looking foundations and individual funders understand that all is interconnected and that the pollution and environmental degradation that is occurring cannot continue if the human race is to survive. The 7th Ray brings the highest and the lowest aspects together, spirit and matter, blending them into a whole and exhibiting the best qualities of both and Humanity is now under this influence. Currently, the financial resources of the world are out of balance; we see some individuals amassing huge fortunes while millions are hungry and homeless. The richest pay little taxes and much of the burden is now placed on the poor. The energies of Libra can help rectify this imbalance.

We have been given many meditations by the Tibetan and the "Reflective Meditation on Attracting Money for Hierarchical Purposes" found on page 228 in the book, *Discipleship in the New Age vol II*, is one of the simplest yet possibly the most profound and unusual. It is a combination of prayer, invocation and meditation and although simple, within it we are

asked to use an invocative prayer addressing the “One in Whom we live and move and have our being, the power that can make all things new.” This is also a Christ centered meditation and is effective only if love is at the center. It directs us to recognize “the claims of Christ upon the financial reservoir of the world.” We are asked to consider money as a “flowing golden substance” moving towards control by the Forces of Light. But perhaps most importantly, a central requirement for the successful evocation of money is giving our own funds to projects we identify as carrying out the hierarchical plan. The amount of money, large or small doesn’t matter, it is the giving that counts because, “...know that if you do not give, you cannot ask for you have no right to evoke that which you do not share.”

The occult law, “To those who give shall be given, so that they can give again” goes to the very heart of our personal relationship with money and our sense of responsibility to the Plan and to groups seeking to implement the Plan.

Let us pause briefly to consider this truth.

Libra is the center point of the zodiac, the balance point, the "hub of the wheel" and it is in Libra that the so called reversal of the wheel takes place. For countless years, the soul has been imprisoned in matter, lovingly watching its reflection, the personality, struggle with the pitfalls and disappointments of a materialistic life. At some point however, nothing material is satisfactory and the call of the soul, although faint at first, becomes more insistent. This is the moment in the life of every advancing spiritual person; first, stasis and rest, then a reversal of long held habits and tendencies indicating a new orientation to the inner life, to matters of the soul, the group and the Hierarchy. All this process is energized by Libra.

The teachings refer to great happenings during large sweeps of time in the evolutionary process. Now one significant event, if we can use such a word to describe thousands of years, is the fact that literally millions of people have moved or are moving onto the reversed wheel of the zodiac. This change of direction naturally causes a crisis for both the soul and the personality. The soul on its own plane now becomes more alert to its aspiring reflection and the personality, while “resting” in Libra, inwardly prepares for the struggle against the pull of matter ending in the eventual fusion with soul light and the immanent struggle in Scorpio.

We might imagine how this evolutionary movement of millions of people is viewed by the Hierarchy and how it affects the Ashram. Surely, it must cause a crisis for that kingdom as well because at this point, so many millions of people are preparing for initiation and entering the Ashram. As a result of the spiritual aspiration of Humanity, the Masters and senior initiates have to adjust their methods and make plans to accommodate the increased influx of souls so that the balance in the Ashram is not disturbed. DK comments that this reversing “constitutes the real problem for the masses of intelligent men at this time.”

Although Libra is known for its qualities of beauty, grace and gentleness, its energies flow solely along the 1st Ray line of Will or Power, revealing an inner and potent will nature at its core. Thus, it is particularly sensitive to Shamballa, the direct impact of which we are experiencing now in 2025. The modern Buddhist teacher and scholar, the late Joanna Macy,

often speaks of the *Prophecy of the Shamballa Warriors* as told to her by her teacher Chogyal Rinpoche. It speaks of a time when the world is in extreme danger, when so called “barbarians” of east and west have gathered great wealth and built unimaginable weapons of mass destruction and developed technologies that can “lay waste our world”. It is at this time, the prophecy continues, when life seems to be hanging in the balance, that the kingdom of Shamballa begins to emerge. This kingdom is not a physical place you can find on the map, but an inner kingdom, an interior state of mind and heart existing within the “warriors”. These Shamballa warriors are the people who understand without question that all life is sacred and interconnected. You wouldn’t recognize them on the street because they have no badges, no uniforms and no leaders. They walk in the lands of the barbarians, holding no territory of their own and are called on to act with moral and physical courage, to go into the center of the controversy and dismantle the weapons of mass destruction, the systems of chaos and materialism.

How can they do this? What weapons can they possibly use against seemingly undefeatable enemies? Because they know from the depths of their being the truth of humanity's interrelatedness, they know that the problems of the world do not come from any outside force or pre-ordained evil entities, but from our own decisions, our own actions and our own relationships. These weapons of mass destruction are “mind-made”; they are the illusions and false structures created by the human mind, and therefore can and must be dismantled by the human mind, a mind free from illusion and glamour, a mind that sees clearly through the light of the soul and carries the right sense of values which honors all Beings, all life.

Another meaning for the name “Shamballa” refers to the place where the Will of God is known, the Peaceful Silent Will that confers the blessing of truth and strength and perfect love. It is the embodiment of the One Life. In our meditation, we strive to align with the Christ, with Hierarchy and with Shamballa, and as we do so, we are together, in group formation, opening ourselves to receive some of this Shamballa energy, the inspiration of the Shamballa warrior. The Shamballa energy is also destructive. It seeks to destroy any impediments to soul expression or blockages to the energies of the divine Plan. It seeks to destroy any structures that attempt to create the illusion of separation or the idea that materialism is a path in and of itself.

In speaking about money Sri Aurobindo said: “Money is the visible sign of a universal force, and this force in its manifestation on earth...is indispensable to the fullness of the outer life. In its origin and its true action it belongs to the Divine.” The binding force of love holds all things together and in the end, it’s not about the money, it’s about love.

The keynote we will be working with in meditation for Libra is: “I choose the Way which leads between the two great lines of Force.”
