



Libra Full Moon Festival

London, 16 October 2024

Leonidas Zoudros

I choose the way which leads between the two great lines of force

Dear friends,

Good evening, and welcome to this group meditation as we celebrate the full moon in Libra. The full moon of Libra peaks tomorrow, Thursday 17th October, at 12.26 BST,

A spiritual opportunity is presented at this time for heightened alignment with the spiritual Hierarchy. The veil between the human and spiritual realms is thinned, allowing for a clearer and more potent flow of energy from the higher planes. This approach is designed to align the aspirant or disciple with the rhythmic, cyclic energies of our solar system, enabling a more direct connection with the Hierarchy. Through meditation, invocation, and alignment with these energies, one can assist in anchoring higher spiritual forces on Earth, contributing to the upliftment of humanity and the fulfillment of the Divine Plan.

We are joined here, today, as a group, in this **full moon approach to the Hierarchy**, to tune into the power, energy, and meaning of the influence of Libra, as signified by the current planetary configuration of the heavens.

Libra, in the esoteric teachings of the Tibetan master, as recorded in Alice Bailey's books, is primarily influenced by the **Third Ray of Active Intelligence**, which governs the principles of adaptability, intellect, and the intelligent organization of matter. It is a ray mostly connected to the mental faculties, fostering discernment and the capacity to balance complex forces in both the material and spiritual realms. It is that spectrum of energy concerned with the practical application of intelligence to achieve harmony and order—mirroring the core symbolism of Libra as the energy of balance, equilibrium, and right relationship. In Libra, these Third Ray qualities express themselves through the ability to mediate between polarities, weighing and measuring the spiritual and material aspects of life with precision and clarity. Yet, Libra's power extends beyond mere intellectual organization. It is a **dynamic balance**, not a static state, and it invites us to engage in a constant re-calibration of our spiritual and material lives. We are reminded that maintaining an **equilibrium in the context of a wider system is a living process**, which requires continuously responding to the challenges and opportunities of each

moment. It is no wonder, then, that in the esoteric tradition, Libra is known as a **sign of decision**, where choices must be made based as to the next step ahead.

The Third Ray's emphasis on **intelligent activity** corresponds to Libra's role in **karmic adjustment**. Libra is deeply connected to the **Law of Karma**, the law of cause and effect, which requires one to weigh past actions and make future choices that align with **divine justice**. This concept of karma in Libra is not punitive, but a function of natural balance and alignment with the higher laws. Every action has a consequence and, under the influence of the energy of Libra, and supported by the Third Ray's analytical qualities, conditions are especially favourable when attempting to discern and evaluate those consequences, for the purpose of refining our subsequent choices that lead toward greater spiritual evolution and service. Under this light, karma becomes an essential tool for spiritual evolution, rather than a hindrance. Viewed through the lens of Libra, karma is the manifestation of justice as an active, intelligent force. It operates not solely on a personal level but also on a global, universal scale. The individual's alignment with karmic law contributes to the wider balancing of humanity's collective karma, just as each planet's gravitational pull contributes to the cosmic order of the solar system. The **microcosmic law of karma** reflects the **macrocosmic laws of equilibrium** that govern the universe.

The Third Ray also cultivates a deep understanding of **interconnected systems**, encouraging a harmonization of spirit and matter, which is the essence of Libra's esoteric function. This "weaving together" of apparently disparate parts into a unified whole is the essence of **intelligent synthesis**, a hallmark of the Third Ray. Through this synthesis, the soul learns to resolve opposites and express harmony amidst polarities, ensuring that spiritual principles are intelligently applied in the realm of the three worlds.

The energy of Libra acts not merely as a passive balance between two forces but as an active agent of synthesis, pulling together spirit and matter in an intelligent manner so that evolution is guided by both wisdom and justice. It offers us an opportunity to reflect deeply on how spirit and matter interact in our personal lives, making necessary adjustments to achieve a more harmonious alignment with our **soul's purpose**.

This emphasis on synthesis is crucial, as it reflects the interconnectedness of all forms of life within the **Divine Plan**. Through Libra's Third Ray influence, we recognize that personal balance is not isolated but inherently related to the larger group and planetary balance. This interconnectedness is not only an esoteric concept but a practical reality. Our thoughts, actions, and decisions ripple outwards, affecting not only our immediate environment but the broader web of life. Libra, through its influence on balance and justice, reminds us that we are each part of a larger system, and that our equilibrium contributes to the collective equilibrium of the world. By striving for inner balance, we not only align ourselves with the soul but also with the Divine Plan.

Libra's energy of **justice** and **right relationship** also resonates with the **Fourth Ray of Harmony through Conflict**. While the Third Ray brings about "the adaptation of matter to an ideal and

hence to a purpose" (*Esoteric Psychology I*), the Fourth Ray leads to "the beauty of ordered rhythm, of mathematical exactitude, and of form and color" (*Esoteric Psychology I*). Both rays serve to create **order** and **harmony**—the Third Ray through intelligent structure and the Fourth Ray through the **refinement of form** after conflict.

The Fourth Ray introduces the idea that balance is achieved **not by avoiding conflict** but through intelligently resolving discord—a process that Libra facilitates by invoking the Third Ray's attributes of **mental clarity and wise discernment**. The relationship between these rays suggests that the **conflicts and dualities** we encounter in life, both internally and externally, are essential for the **refinement of consciousness**. Through the Libra influence, we are encouraged to view conflicts not as obstacles but as opportunities for transformation, leading to the creation of greater **harmony and beauty** in our lives and in the world.

This idea of **harmony through conflict** teaches us that evolution, both personal and collective, is to the human need for comfort an arduous process. Yet it is the tension of opposites, the struggle to reconcile dualities, that brings about a deeper level of harmony. In this sense, conflict serves as a crucible for growth and understanding, allowing the soul to **refine its expression** in the world. When viewed esoterically, it is not merely a clash of opposing forces but an opportunity for **spiritual refinement**, if one could call it that. If each and every one of us is an energetic entity at the core, then it would translate to an energetic transmutation so as to adapt to a wider reality, namely, evolution.

On the level of a human being's governing faculty, which tends toward the mind as time progresses, the friction that arises from unresolved polarities creates the conditions for deeper understanding and greater synthesis. Through the **Libra influence**, we learn to see conflict as part of the evolutionary process, a necessary step in achieving a higher state of harmony.

Another ray that plays a significant role in Libra's influence is the **Second Ray of Love-Wisdom**. **Right relationship** cannot be achieved without the presence of **love** as the cohesive force in the universe. Love in its higher, true sense, coupled with wisdom, not as an emotional force, but as the energy that binds all life together and provides that crucial quality of cohesion, prerequisite for any formation. The Third Ray, influencing the organization and structuring of matter and relationships through intelligent, practical application, serves the purpose of **expressing love through harmony**, and it is through the balancing act of Libra that one can refine one's relationships and express the soul's love in practical, tangible ways.

This intelligent manifestation of love is key to ensuring that right human relations are rooted in both justice and wisdom. As the Tibetan teaches, "love is the force of cohesion which holds all things within the circle of divine influence" (*Esoteric Psychology I*). It is through this cohesive power of love that Libra's balancing work can be brought into full expression, allowing the disciple to act as a conscious agent of right human relations. By balancing justice and love, the soul becomes an instrument of divine purpose, helping to uplift and guide humanity toward its higher destiny.

The energy of love-wisdom merges with the Third Ray's intelligent application of knowledge, ensuring that the **will-to-good**, the expression of divine love, is not only understood mentally but also manifested through loving action. This synthesis of love and intelligence is a powerful tool for the disciple who seeks to participate in anchoring the Divine Plan on Earth.

Libra as a balancing energy is further complemented by the influence of the **Seventh Ray of Ceremonial Order and Magic**, as balance and harmony in the material world require the structured application of spiritual principles. It is through the Seventh Ray's ability to bring **order and rhythm** into form that Libra's pursuit of equilibrium manifests, ensuring that the inner harmony achieved through the Third Ray's mental clarity is outwardly expressed in tangible, organized ways.

The Seventh Ray serves as a vital instrument for those working under the Libra influence, helping them translate their inner insights into external actions that contribute to the manifestation of a new, improved order in the world. The manifestation of spiritual principles into concrete actions is essential. It is good enough to hold abstract ideals of balance and harmony; but the work requires that they must be brought into daily life through conscious practice and ordered activity. The Seventh Ray assists in this work by providing the conduits needed to structure and stabilize the spiritual insights gained through meditation and contemplation.

In this respect, the Seventh Ray helps us move from the abstract understanding of **equilibrium** to the **practical application** of that understanding in the physical world. As the Tibetan teaches, the Seventh Ray is "the ordered beauty of the divine pattern" (*Treatise on White Magic*), and through this energy, the disciple can ground spiritual insights into practical actions. Thus the Seventh Ray energy ensures that balance and right relationship are not only understood but embodied in everyday life, translating inner harmony into lasting external forms that reflect the Divine Plan.

Of these external forms, the longest-lasting and most overpowering known to humankind are those observed in the environment—whether planetary, solar, galactic, or universal. Within the confines of our minute fragment of the known universe, our solar system, the concept of **attraction** is what binds our family of planets together, as a cohesive system.

The Tibetan teaches that "the **Law of Cohesion** is an aspect of the **Law of Attraction** and is that which holds the matter of the system together... it governs the processes of attraction and repulsion in the smallest atom of substance and the greatest" (*A Treatise on Cosmic Fire*).

This profound statement invites us to see the **interconnectedness** of life as a cosmic principle, where the same laws that govern planetary orbits also govern human relationships, spiritual development, and the creation of forms on the material plane.

While the **Law of Attraction** initiates the process of **interaction and union** between different forms and forces, drawing them together and creating the conditions for synthesis and relationship, the **Law of Cohesion** solidifies and sustains that union. It ensures that forms remain **integrated** and function as a **coherent whole**. It is the binding force that prevents the disintegration of matter and maintains

stability across all forms, from the smallest particles to vast cosmic systems. These two Laws, in their spiritual application, govern not only the movement of physical matter but also the **dynamics** of the soul's influence on the surrounding **energy bodies**.

Just as physical objects are drawn toward one another by **gravity**, so too are all souls and living forms connected by spiritual magnetism, attracting and repelling other entities based on their inner states of equilibrium. Here, too, the concept of equilibrium defines the current state of each system and the **energy bodies**—and consequently the forms—contained therein. As the Tibetan teaches, "as above, so below," pointing to the Law of Correspondences and the fact that principles governing **cosmic forces** are reflected in the daily experiences of human life.

Similarly, just as the physical scales allow us to measure the relative weight between two objects, their relative attraction to our planet under the influence of gravity, so too does the energy of Libra offer the soul an opportunity to measure and weigh its own progress along the scale of evolution, balancing the forces of spirit and matter along the path. In this analogy, gravity serves as the exoteric manifestation of a deeper, **magnetic attraction** that exists between spirit and matter, continually drawing the soul toward the middle point of equilibrium, the current location along the evolutionary path.

Under Libra's influence, each one of us is invited to determine our own, current **balance point**, where neither the pull of matter nor the pull of spirit dominates, but where the "**middle path**" resides, that path which allows us to navigate the currents formed by the pull of the polarities, on our way to a new, higher state of equilibrium.

This middle path is obviously not one of passivity but rather of active engagement with an ever-evolving environment, where the Third Ray's intelligence helps us to discern the steps needed to move forward in **right relationship** with both the material and spiritual worlds. Libra's energy therefore calls for a balance between the forces of spirit and matter, personality and soul.

Yet, if our intent is to intelligently contribute to planetary and human evolution, our approach must integrate not only **inner balance** and **group alignment** but also the first component of the Second Ray influence, through the conscious expression of **Love**, "the wielding of the force which guides the worlds and which leads to the integration of the whole" (*A Treatise on Cosmic Fire*).

It is Love, not merely as an emotional or personal force but as the energy of the soul itself, which aligns individuals with higher spiritual realities, as "the attractive force of the soul" that drives the unfolding of consciousness and brings all beings into a state of harmony and unity with the evolutionary plan (*Esoteric Psychology II*). This magnetic force of love naturally attracts, drawing entities toward one another, fostering right relationship, unity, and healthy, symbiotic interdependence.

Invoking and expressing such inclusive, impersonal, soul-infused love is key to holding humanity together and helping foster justice, fairness, and cooperation—the manifestation of right human relations governed by Libra. Its universal, magnetic force is key not only to resolving personal imbalances but also contributing to the healing of global relationships and bringing about of balance and justice in the world.

During this Libra full moon, we are favoured by the energies available to effectively bring about this greater balance, acting as instruments of right human relations. Through group service, to align ourselves with the Divine Plan, ourselves becoming the mid-points between humanity and spiritual energies that uplift and transform the planetary consciousness. To play a part in the synthesis of humanity, helping to heal divisions and bring about the unity of all beings, by consciously visualizing the cosmic force of love at work. By focusing on radiating love and balance into all our interactions—whether personal, societal, or global—to help foster the conditions for justice, fairness, and harmony in the world.

Through this process, we aim and strive to become active agents of transformation, helping to anchor love, harmony, and balance into our surrounding environment. When working together as a group, our collective intent becomes an especially powerful force for good. The effects of a group's ability to invoke and distribute the energies of love and balance inevitably ripple outward, affecting not only the immediate environment but also global conditions.

These efforts may not always be outwardly visible yet, according to the ancient wisdom their effects are significant and far-reaching. In a world where thoughts manifest, the love and balance we cultivate within ourselves and within our groups reverberate through the fabric of human relationships, contributing to the evolution of right human relations on a global scale.

Let us together, through our meditative work and conscious service, contribute to welcoming the energy of Libra.

Thank you for listening.