

The Brothers Who Live in the Light

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Welcome to this third of the three festivals of the higher interlude period of the spiritual year--the Gemini full moon, a time of heightened spiritual opportunity for all spiritual seekers. The Aries, Taurus and Gemini full moons set the tone, provide the inspiration and prepare the field of consciousness for all that stands ahead within the rest of the annual cycle. But what many people don't seem to understand or focus upon is that in order to truly contribute to the opportunities provided by these meetings entails the implementation of a daily process that is carried out throughout the entire year. As we work this process day in and day out, by the time we approach the potency of the higher interlude period when the energies can become heightened, we are better prepared as the approach has become a central aspect of our lives throughout the entire year.

It is particularly important to make this effort during the period between the Taurus and Gemini full moons as this is the most important time within the annual cycle. It is the major interlude of the spiritual year, a time to refrain from our normal activities and to try and focus more subjectively so as to tap into the currents that are available at this time and aid those individuals who are working behind the scenes.

This festival is an opportunity for all those who stand within the heart center of the group of world servers everywhere to direct and focalise human demand for Light and Love, so there will be relief from suffering and the resolution of conflicts. Everywhere today we witness hatred, violence and aggression and this is a somewhat natural reaction to the intensity of the planetary vibration which is heightened and many people, perhaps including ourselves, can find these energies difficult to handle. But World Invocation Day is a time to help wage peace in our world, and to direct the inpouring forces in alignment with that need. This is the hope of this Festival, an opening for the waging of peace.

One of the names of this festival is the Festival of Unification and, of course, these names are not randomly chosen. In the ageless wisdom unification is not simply related to outer forms of unification which are of course very important--between nations, races, sexes, religions--to name a few. But subjective forms of unification are going on as well and our work as bridge builders can serve as a unifying factor between the higher and lower kingdoms -- it's all a matter of taking our place within the great chain of being .

Some of you might remember this time when the sun was in Gemini fifty years ago when we in the United States lost our second great leader within two short months. I'm speaking of course of Bobby Kennedy. I wanted to share a passage he shared with a crowd upon hearing of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr, words that are in need of hearing in this country today. Kennedy spoke of the threat of disillusionment and divisiveness that could arise as a result of

King's death and reminded the audience to "replace that violence, that stain of bloodshed that has spread across our land, with an effort to understand with compassion and love."

Kennedy said he understood the inclination towards violence because he too had lost a member of his own family at the hands of an assassin but he joined with King in encouraging people to choose the higher way and to seek nonviolent resolutions in response to violence. And it's said that the people in the crowd left peacefully and quietly and so his words and sharing on compassion did a lot to quell the violence reactions of that moment.

So let us now, capitalize on the energy of this moment by sounding together the Mantram of Unification:

The souls of all are one and i am one with them.
I seek to love, not hate;
I seek to serve and not exact due service;
I seek to heal, not hurt.

Let pain bring due reward of light and love.
Let the soul control the outer form,
And life and all events,
And bring to light the Love
That underlies the happenings of the time.

Let vision come and insight.
Let the future stand revealed.
Let inner union demonstrate and outer cleavages be gone.
Let love prevail. Let all people love.

We often speak about love but it is said that at this Gemini full moon there takes place the greatest inpouring of love within the annual cycle. The second ray energies pour in more effectively through Gemini than through any other sign. This energy is the predominant qualifying energy within our entire solar system; it is the synthetic ray, the ray that holds all things together within the circle of divine love.

All the other rays are simply subsets or subrays of this great overriding influence. So no matter what ray might be conditioning us or any other lifeform, at the fundamental level we are all essentially conditioned by this second ray of love-wisdom. It pours in from the constellation Gemini, through the heart of the sun, through the planet Jupiter, which is the second ray planet and then, effectively, into our planetary life as well because our planet is, at its core, conditioned by this inpouring, indigo ray energy.

The great second ray influence is fundamentally highly intuitive--so the great intuitives, the great psychologists, those who are adept at human understanding, come highly under this

controlling influence. The great teachers the Buddha and the Christ are fundamentally important in this sign as both are along the second ray line. But intuition from the perspective of the ageless wisdom teachings is much different than the normally understood meaning of the term.

A true intuition is a profound experience that few of us are privy to; most of us will pass through our entire lives without a glimmer of a real intuition. And if you have ever read an account of a truly intuitive experience you will have noted how profoundly life-altering it was for the individual concerned and how often such people can spend their entire lives unfolding the inner vision they received while in the midst of it.

But it does seem that at times such as this higher interlude period, the synthetic qualities of Gemini foster the ability of the group to bring through and manifest those subtle inspirations that lie upon the other side of the veil, those ideas that are seeking expression at any particular time.

The clear and direct influx of energies via this sign is surely facilitated by the powerful planetary alignment. We know that in esoteric astrology there are three planetary rulers for each sign whereas in western astrology there is simply one. The esoteric rulers have always been present but it is only as humanity's consciousness expands that they can begin to be sensed and begin to demonstrate their conditioning influence. Now because of our increased mental polarization we are becoming better able to tap into these subtleties—moving, in the case of Gemini, beyond the traditional rulership by the planet Mercury. Mercury gives that strong mental capability that is the hallmark of the Gemini person. Gemini is the sign of the thinker and this can often cause problems in terms of too much mental activity and busyness and lack of concentration. But this energy can give as well a mental brilliancy and the ability to be forward-looking, moving within the wave of new impulses.

But as we move into a consideration of the esoteric rulership by Venus we can see how the influence of both planets confers a mental type of love rather than a sentimental, emotional expression resulting in a powerful synthesis between mind and heart, as well as between the different layers of the mind. This alignment creates an inner synthesis through which the overshadowing energy of the second ray can pour in.

The hierarchical ruler of any sign can only be touched by those who are approaching the higher initiations and who can respond to its subtler frequencies. The hierarchical rulership in the sign of Gemini is held by our planet Earth. This demonstrates how instrumental this Festival is for our planet. Therefore as we hold ourselves open and available at this time the Hierarchy can use the created channel as a means whereby our planet can eventually, over long aeons of time, become sacred. As the combined energies of mind and heart pour in, they are distributed through the five planetary inlets and throughout the etheric body of our Earth.

It's helpful to keep in mind as well when considering this sign that Venus and Mercury are always shining their light on earth for that is part of their particular dharma—to aid our planet

in its evolutionary journey into the light. Venus in fact stands to earth as the soul stands to the personality and fortunately for us at this time the light of the soul is waxing.

And if we'd like to bring this picture a little closer to home, making it a little more real to us, there is another triangle we might want to consider. For in reality there is a strong link between the planet Mercury and the Buddha and in fact in Sanskrit the name budha means Mercury. And esoterically Venus has always been associated with the Christ, the lord of love. And the third point of the triangle is the lord of our planet, the great Sanat Kumara, the Eternal Youth. These three form a powerful planetary Triangle whereby our great lord seeks to work out his divine intention on Earth through the cooperation of these two brothers who live in the light.

And of course as our planet comes more into resonance or harmony with its own higher self, this sacredization of Earth will work out through the medium of the increasing numbers of people who become able to affect the necessary alignments within themselves. And, as a result, there will eventually be established a greater harmony between our sphere and the greater systemic whole of which we are an integral part. But of course this is a long, long process and the present birth pangs through which we are passing are simply a stage.

Gemini is the preeminent sign of the zodiac related to the etheric body. The etheric is as you know the body of light, the body that substands all, that is always with us. It interpenetrates and conditions all parts of the physical, and is the conveyor of prana, facilitating the flow of energy. Before the reversal of the wheel, that great turning point upon the path, the energy that pours into our etheric works out primarily via the lower chakras, stimulating the desire nature and the lower mental body and working out through the astral and mental bodies. Whereas after the reversal of that wheel, after the pull of the soul becomes increasingly strong and the aims and direction of the life purpose become dedicated to a life of service, then the etheric body becomes a vehicle for the pouring in of soul energy and the higher chakra system as the personality light begins to wane and the things of this world begin to lose their luster.

At this time we are entering into a period wherein we are beginning to experience changes within the human eye itself. We're moving into a period when etheric vision will begin developing. And as this ability to see beneath the surface of outer events and into the subtle realms becomes more widespread, it will deal a significant blow to the materialistic forces, opening doors to an expanding worldview across disciplines. Then that which the spiritual movements of the world have long proclaimed and which have been denied by the predominant academic, concrete mindset, will no longer be able to be denied. That's why it is not advisable to envision the future through the lens of the present. We cannot account for changes in consciousness, which are unpredictable.

Gemini is also the preeminent sign of duality-- it merges the opposites. It is after all the sign of the twins, Castor, the mortal brother and Pollux, the immortal one. The name Castor means "to excel, to shine," representative of an integrated personality that is preparing itself for an influx of soul energy. Pollux was said to so love his brother that when Castor died in battle he pleaded with the gods to let him die as well, even though he was already immortal. The story

goes that the gods took pity on both brothers and made them immortal by casting them into the heavens within the heads of the twins in the Gemini constellation. And fortuitously, Castor's star is waning in brilliancy at this time while the immortal Pollux is growing in strength.

The story of the twins demonstrates the linking that is possible between immortals and mortals, between humanity and hierarchy. Sometimes our immortal brothers are referred to the "the brothers who live in the light" whereas the rest of us come and go, flit in and out of that light.

The opportunity that stands before us at this time as you know is to create a collective channel within consciousness--using the energies of Gemini, facilitating their passageway through the planetary rulers, through the pathways within our etheric bodies and collectively learning to work together within consciousness whereby we can be united with our immortal brothers who are there working on the inner side to bring about a response from the forces on high. Our task is to work together to emit an invocative cry and then to become receptive to the downpouring evocative response as it pours forth in a great release of light and love on planet Earth.

So that's the opportunity and the potential. We're not asked to do something that is not possible to us. We are asked simply to take the full moon opportunity and respond to it in a fullness of mind and heart.
