

## REFLECTING ON SOME OF THE “HIDDEN SOURCES OF THE OUTER TURMOIL” -- CRISES

Students of the ageless wisdom, with all others, are reflecting on the Crises, and simultaneously on healing and unification and their keynote might as well be a line from the Mantram of Unification: “Let pain bring its due reward of light and love”. Naturally we are all intensely seeking for some meaning and explanations that will shed some light on this ongoing world crisis, and what its aftermath may bring.

In this connection the following quote from the Tibetan in January of 1939 is illuminating: “Another angle from which the world situation can be viewed with profit is to look for the hidden sources of the outer turmoil. This is seldom what men think it is, for the source lies in the realm of energies and forces” (*The Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, p.71). He further stated that “there are three great streams of energies working powerfully in the world at this time...” These are the energies of Shamballa, the Will- to- good; Hierarchy, Love/Wisdom; and Humanity, creative intelligence. These also constitute the essential energies employed in our Triangles Work.

Our work with these energies through the many forms of meditation, and above all, the widespread use of the Great Invocation have increased tremendously the inpouring of light, love and will-to-good, thus speeding up all world processes, noting that one of the effects of the Great Invocation is acceleration, and this is being demonstrated in the world in the speeding up of processes in the threefold world.

Another energy which is always present, even when not in incarnation, is the Fourth Ray of harmony through conflict, because it functions through humanity, the fourth kingdom. This Fourth Ray of harmony through conflict, is “the embodiment of the Principle of Conflict as the instigator of eventual harmony in relation to the nations,” p. 623 RI., and under this Ray, are effected the working out of the Points of Crisis, the Points of Tension and the Points of Emergence—processes involving energies and forces associated with initiations.

Today the effect of this Fourth Ray, in conjunction with the other rays, especially the Seventh Ray of ceremonial order – the Ray energy presently pouring into the planet in increasing measure and replacing the familiar Sixth Ray-- is producing a true world crisis!

Many points of crisis are present in the world, tensions are rising and falling with bewildering rapidity, everywhere, there is an uncomfortable mix of suspense and hope. Amidst all the death and the dying, the recovering and the anxiety, is an outpouring of goodwill, love and fortitude. The nations are beginning to stand in solidarity and to share and cooperate after the earlier wave of national inward looking, evoked by fear, confusion and old habits.

To the student, seeking some understanding, one way of approach is to consider many possible suggestions and one such suggestion is considered here in the form of a question: Does the incoming Seventh Ray of ceremonial magic, and its conditioning effects suggest some relationship between the present world conditions and the Points of Crisis, Tension and

Emergence associated with the first initiation of the Birth of the Christ at Bethlehem? Simply put: Is it reasonable, from the point of view of the ageless wisdom, to suggest that, the world is in the process of taking the first initiation, based on the present world challenges and the current crisis?

Some of the key words, given by the Tibetan on page 340 in RI, associated with the first initiation are Birth; Sacral center, Beginnings; 7<sup>th</sup> Ray, Relationship, Sex; Magic and the Physical plane. Let us briefly examine these key words in connection with the current world affairs.

The seventh Ray has the “power to bring ... into synthetic relation the great pairs of opposites” (p. 280 EP, vol. 1,) and has been in manifestation since 1675 A.D.; the sacral center and sex are symbolic words for relationships and have their higher counterpart of Relationship which is a keynote of the first initiation, and initiations in general.

For example, the relationship between the sexes—the long struggle for gender equality-- has come under intense scrutiny lately and the fight for equality among the sexes is still raging, the “Me Too” movement comes to mind; the racial inequalities, perennial and bedeviling the world is also agonizingly with us, the “Black Lives Matter”, all too painfully reminds us; in fact, concerning relationships, the clamor for right human relations everywhere in the world, without exception and across every possible aspect of human life—political, economic, gender, social, educational, nutritional, environmental, religious and the devious and continuous manipulations of data and media etc., etc. is the order of the day.

Values are changing, and the Sustainable Development Goals, with its great promise, is definitely an astonishing acknowledgement of the beginning of humanity’s conscious acquiescence in the establishment of the RHR. Points of Tension leading to Points of emergence are engaging all nations today, through the cycles of conferences. Here the Point of Tension means sustaining the effort needed for the work to be done in establishing RHR.

The higher form of relationship, hinted above, and symbolized by the keyword, magic, is engaging the aspirants and disciples of the world. Disciples are relentlessly struggling with the difficult work of the White Magic of the Soul – Personality Relationship. The meaning of the name Bethlehem, the house of bread, is another indication of the challenges posed by wrong economic relationships, this is universal and clamoring to highest heavens for redress.

The birth/coming of the light in the cave of darkness, as the first initiation is sometimes called, reveals some of the ugly and hideous surroundings within the cave of darkened hearts, and the disruption that characterizes the birth process on many levels, and is reflected in the disaster that has characterized the initial world reaction to the handling corona virus crisis.

All that is represented by the keywords associated with the first initiation through the impact of the seventh ray, as given in RI, p. 340, is present in the world experience today.

May the Group of World Servers continuously “hold the vision before the eyes of men and women” everywhere, leading us from the unreal to the real, “for where there is no vision the people perish”.

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