

Expansions in the Science Resulting from Expansions Within Consciousness

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Today we'll be considering one of the newest of sciences – that of psychology. And although it is new at the same time explorations into the nature of consciousness have been the source of human pondering since the beginning of civilization. The word psyche stems from the ancient Greeks which understood and embodied in this term the three aspects of mind, soul and spirit and whose civilization had its underpinnings within the great philosophers whose lives were dedicated to pondering the nature of thought and the layers of mind which are only just beginning to be considered by the scientists of our day.

And, of course, the Greeks built their platform of thought upon the foundations from the East, whether consciously or through tapping into the created thoughtforms of the rishis whose penetrating delving into the nature of consciousness brought light to our world and laid the foundation for all that has come from it. Not only did they formulate doctrines, contained in the Vedas which Blavatsky viewed as some of the most advanced teachings ever given out, but they also devised techniques that grew out of their inner understanding whereby they were able to move beyond philosophy and into a means of the transformation of consciousness. These techniques are most notably codified in Patanjali's Yoga Sutras – a translation and commentary of which were given out by the Tibetan and Alice Bailey in *The Light of the Soul*.

Psychology as we have come to understand it was, as you know, the breakthrough work of that forerunner Sigmund Freud who devised the concept of this new science. He categorized the layered nature of the mind as the Id (the primitive, primal urges of the nascent child); the ego which in Freud's nomenclature is akin to the personality; while the super-ego is reflective of the incoming influence of the soul that evolves through the willingness on the part of the personality to conform to the standards of the society in response to the growing voice of the conscience. Freud sought to meet the need of a society that was suffering under the weight of repression through, we might say, the misinterpretations of Christian teachings. He met a genuine need and began to delve into the inner recesses within consciousness. From out of Freud's work another major breakthrough was made by Jung who lifted the field away from the focus on childhood repressions of so-called sexual attachments to the parents and shifted into higher levels of consciousness and the study of the symbolic nature of dreams and other experiences of a transcendental nature.

We must also mention the work of Roberto Assagioli, a student of the Tibetan, who developed a school of thought entitled psychosynthesis which sought to integrate the various aspects of an individual—through the use of the spiritual will.

Since then there have developed many and diverse schools of thought, each providing a contribution, perhaps along all the different ray lines, whereby humanity is evolving a deepened understanding of this multi-faceted instrument which we call the mind. The Dalai Lama's cooperative efforts with scientists in studying the nature of consciousness as a result of meditative practice have surely also contributed much to move humanity into a deepened understanding as to the nature of mind.

Of course, underlying and paralleling all of this are the teachings of the ageless wisdom. One of its central facets is the teaching on the seven rays of which esoteric psychology is one of the primary parts.

This science has only just found its beginning within the work of a few forerunners in this field but which, we're told, will eventually provide the basis whereby the ageless wisdom teachings will achieve public attention. All forms crystallize with time and so-too with the field of psychology. All departments of human living must evolve to meet the needs of the constantly evolving humanity. The new psychology we're told will utilize and have for its basis the teaching on the seven rays and esoteric astrology. We know that Jung and Assagioli both used astrology in their practices and with the incredible outgrowth of interest in this field today it is surely being used by many more psychologists. The teaching on the rays is more subjective, dealing specifically with the quality or soul aspect which is subtle but, nonetheless, an attempt must be made to incorporate these ideas for without a basic understanding of the rays the deeper aspects contained within an astrological chart will be left out.

We're moving today from an age of belief, from a time when humanity has by and large been predominantly astrally polarized. At the ending of an age it is always challenging to see through the glammers that naturally arise. This general condition is surely being fostered by the passing of the planet Neptune, the planet most closely associated with deception and glamour, through the sign of Pisces. But, at the same time, this passage and Neptune itself, is highly spiritually significant, reflective of the duality of this sign and of this planet. For Neptune is also the planet most closely associated with the Christ and with the buddhic plane and the Tibetan indicates that Neptune in Pisces is reflective of the initiation of humanity as a whole. Therefore, we are passing through a tremendous time of – on the one hand-- the depths of glamour but, at the same time, of awakening and forward movement. Into this mix there stands the struggling disciple humanity and the psychologists of the day are being charged with moving in an experimental fashion to aid people to come to a deepened understanding as to the nature of reality and that fragment of reality which is themselves.

As we move into the Aquarian age we are moving into an age of science, an age wherein increasingly humanity will be governed by a mental polarization. There will surely evolve widespread methods of training that will teach people to work collectively to utilize the power of thought as a means of transforming life, in all its many facets. Of course, the work of Triangles is a forerunner in this regard – harnessing the tremendous power of the Great Invocation to help lift our planet out from under the grip of the lower Neptunian manifestations and into the light of that which permits entry of the truth—the Coming One. If the Tibetan told us that the effective use of the Great Invocation by a small group of his students prior to the Second World War could have prevented that war from precipitating onto the physical plane. Today use the Invocation to precipitate the externalization and the subsequent reappearance of the World Teacher. This is its primary purpose.