



ACTIVE LIGHT, A LIFE INTENTION

Know thyself – as is well-known, these words were inscribed above the entrance to the temple of Apollo in Delphi, indicating that the way to God is through knowledge of the self. Western and Eastern philosophy, religions and esoteric schools alike have taken this maxim as guidance. In their differing approaches, they all found that the concept of 'self' is elusive and cannot be described as a material thing.

So, what is this self through which the gates to the divine can be opened? And how does the limited fearful self, with its memories and desires, relate to the 'true' self that connects us to God and our fellowmen? In Saint Augustine's moving 'Confessions' – a long prayer and loving surrender to God – he describes the self not as a thing, but as a process. A process of active light and understanding, piercing through the passivity of darkness and ignorance. And, indeed, it is a wonderfully encouraging thought that light, also in its material sense, is an active and creative power, whereas darkness is a passive and 'waiting' phenomenon.

Saint Augustine concluded therefore that 'freedom' and 'free will' are only to be found in the surrender to this active light and that acting upon the desires of the little self or, in his words, 'sinning', is not a matter of free will at all, but of passivity. Freedom consists in stepping out of the darkness of this slavery and consciously choosing to follow the light. There have been some religions or philosophies, however, that believed light and darkness to be opposing energies of equal strength. Most famous are the Manicheans, who were convinced that a powerful, though not omnipotent Good (God) was opposed by an equally strong Evil (Devil). They saw humanity, the world and the soul as the eternal battle grounds of God and the Devil. This is in contrast to other religious and philosophical teachings that identify evil as an illusion and a product of humanity's ignorance. In other words, they state that darkness is the absence of light and understanding, and not a power by itself.

Esoteric teachings indicate that only when we use our free will to choose to serve the good for all humanity can we develop the highest form of knowledge, the intuition, through which we can see the world as active light and all its forms as containing that spiritual light. And, within that light, we can understand that the whole of the Universe is but the Larger Self. We can make darkness visible (through conscious perception) and then are able to see our next steps ahead. We can become conscious of our own passivity and see our place in this Larger Self. And then, when we surrender to this active, spiritual light and accept it as our sole life intention, we can truly radiate this light through our Triangles "upon the sons of men who know not yet they are the Sons of God," I and know that we are preparing the way for the Coming One.

THE MULTIPLE DIMENSIONS OF TRIANGLES

Triangles can be thought of as energy in motion, actively engaged in the process of creation. The activity creates movement in time and space and symbols like Triangles represent this motion in more than one dimension. Creation is not instantaneous: it takes time. It is first an idea, then a group of thoughts and then finally a manifested form of reality. This is also how Triangles exist in multiple dimensions.

When we work with our Triangles work, we might visualize them on a flat surface or on a twodimensional plane, with three equal sides and three points. But these Triangles are sacred geometric representations of cosmic patterns of energy and universal truths. Cosmic energy comes into manifestation through multidimensional triangular relationships, reflecting the creative life force and the invocational process.

All of nature is multidimensional but the symbols used to represent energy in manifestation can only suggest its living and dynamic nature. How can we understand a Triangle as energy, alive and existing in multiple dimensions? To understand the purpose of Triangles and why they are needed at this time on our planet, we can consider how this purpose is already being expressed through their formation and the network they create.

International Triangles connect distant parts of the world involving different time zones and help the living Triangles network to expand in time and space. The energies are invoked by the loving cooperation of a group. By forming a Triangle together, we demonstrate the light and goodwill that we want to see in the world. Does a Triangle create loving cooperation, or does it represent the love and cooperation that already exists within the group creating it? Are we making Triangles or are we being made by them?

Although it remains largely unseen, humanity is becoming more loving and cooperative because of the invocative work of Triangles. The daily invocation brings this energy into manifestation. The power of invocation is truly multi-dimensional. Triangles then exist in the past, the present and the future, in space and in time. We invoke Triangles through loving cooperation and Triangles are an invocation of love and cooperation, and therefore they exist in many dimensions.

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"I wonder if you can grasp at least partially and symbolically the fact that these triangles must not be thought of as placed, static and eternally the same, or even as three dimensional. They must be regarded as in rapid movement, revolving eternally in space and ceaselessly moving onward and as of the fourth and fifth dimensional extension. There is no way of depicting them or of bringing them visually to your attention, for only the inner eye of vision can imagine their progression, position or appearance." (Esoteric Astrology, p. 417 – relating to major triangles of constellations, zodiacs and planets that affect humanity)

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THE PLANETARY NETWORK

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TRIANGLES RESOURCES GENEVA – LONDON – NEW YORK

Information about Triangles is available in various languages with each of the centres mentioned above serving specific languages and geographical areas.

Geneva – Dutch, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian & Spanish (Mainly for Europe, plus other areas as needed)

London – English & Greek (for Europe, the Commonwealth and the Middle East)

New York – English, Spanish & Japanese (for the Americas, incl. Canada, Japan & the Far East)

The multilingual website, **www.triangles.org**, provides downloads of both introductory and more advanced literature, such as the **Techniques of Triangles** booklet, a compendium full of helpful information on the work of Triangles. This booklet has recently been revised with electronic copies currently available in English or Greek. Other translations are in progress.

www.lucistrust.org/uploads/triangles/Techniques_of_Triangles_-_updated_2024.pdf

The website also includes both recent and archived Triangle Bulletins as well as access to audio and video recordings, information about Triangles' social media presence and access to the monthly Triangles Webinar. An additional feature is the online bulletin board created for the sole purpose of helping people find Triangle partners.

THREE SPIRITUAL FESTIVALS

The sun's symbolic passage through the zodiac brings into focus the subtle energies it represents and marks the year's spiritual progress. The higher interlude of this annual cycle begins in Aries with the spring equinox in the northern hemisphere and continues through Taurus and up to the solstice at the close of Gemini. The three festivals of Easter, Wesak and Goodwill celebrate the fresh divine energies that set the tone for the service initiatives to come.

The Easter Festival brings the restoration of life force from the mind of God, stimulating creative mental activity; the Wesak Festival follows with enlightenment emanating from the heart of God related to divine understanding and love-wisdom; and, from the will of God, the Festival of Goodwill vitalises constructive forces, synthesising energies, that help transform theoretical unity into a practical, spiritual unity – the divinity within humanity. These festivals focus on the divine vibration received and offer the opportunity to consciously engage with the renewed spiritual influences, facilitating their fuller expression in personal and group life.

Further information about the Three Spiritual Festivals, their meaning and influences is available via the links below. For information in printed form, please use the contact details at the bottom of this page.

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Festival of Easter (Aries).	25 March 2024
Festival of Wesak (Taurus)	23 April 2024
The Festival of Goodwill,	
Christ's Festival and World Invocation Day (Gemini)	23 May 2024

See https://www.lucistrust.org/events for the actual days of the Festival Meetings held by Geneva, London & New York headquarters

Triangles is a world service activity in which people link in thought in groups of three to create a planetary network of Triangles of light and goodwill. Using a world prayer, the Great Invocation, they invoke light and love as a service to humanity. Further information is available on request from Triangles.

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