

THE BENEFICENT DRAGONS

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With the sun's annual passage through Libra, we might want to consider its relationship to Draco, one of the august extra-zodiacal constellations that circles around the central point in the heavens, like a gate-keeper. Ancient people believed that central point connected us spiritually with a portal believed to lead to other systems of reality.

In similar fashion, although on a lesser scale, one of Libra's roles in the zodiac is as a powerful synthesizing agent, standing as it does as the "hub of the wheel." In this role it provides a portal whereby our zodiac is connected with other star systems. Draco and Libra are said to hold a powerful relationship with our Earth which can tell us something about the planet's role. Do these overshadowing influences aid in Earth's development of a synthesizing role—not only in merging and blending the three planetary centers (Shamballa, Hierarchy and Humanity) but also within the greater solar system as a whole—for when our planet becomes sacred it will ignite a real shift within that greater system.

The relationship between Draco, Libra and the Earth works out powerfully on one of the seven paths facing the candidate for the sixth initiation, the First Path -- known as the Path of Earth Service. The taking of this initiation marks a majestic point in the path of return that was mentioned in the quote cited in last week's webinar. This is the time in the evolutionary journey wherein one first places one's feet upon the endless path "of which Nirvana is just the beginning." This endless path leads in seven directions, of which this path of Earth Service is one. This path is governed by Libra which is overshadowed by Draco, hence its potency in conditioning our planet. All the other paths lead the seeker to other parts of the solar system or beyond. Those following this particular path find their dharma to remain here, serving the purpose that is working out here on this planet.

The adepts who follow this path are called the "Beneficent Dragons" and are said to be qualified by the energy of wise-compassion. We are asked to ponder the meaning of those two words which at first glance have a close relation to Love-Wisdom, the qualifying energy of the second ray that is working out here on Earth which mirrors developments within the solar system as a whole. Wisdom and compassion are qualities that are always linked specifically with the Buddha. Perhaps we might conjecture that part of the dharma of the Buddha is related to the training of those adepts who follow this path who surely could very well be the Nirmanakayas, Those advanced souls who are mediating between Shamballa and Hierarchy—forming the higher correspondence to the new group of world servers. The potency of this bridging group, of both bridging groups is surely accelerating at this time as a result of the powerful influx from Capricorn which occurred in December 2019. As the Buddha shifts into a heightened role and forward movement onto his rightful path, surely the work of those following this path is being heightened allowing their qualities to increasingly condition our world. in preparation for the externalization.

The energy working out upon this first path and, consequently, trickling down to us, is the quality of luminosity and the consequent ability to "let your light shine forth." This is so interesting in its relationship to the work of Triangles wherein we work collectively each day with our partners to do just that, in concert with a vast planetary group serving to make the planet a lighted sphere within the system of Lives which are the seven sacred planets. It's interesting to note that the constellation of Libra is in the shape of a simple triangle.

Draco is related to the seventh ray and therefore this energy has a powerful conditioning factor on those following this first path but also on our entire planetary life. We can see, therefore, the potency of this time in planetary history when the seventh ray along with Aquarius that is also coming in, are controlling so powerfully and the opportunity this alignment brings to work out the purposes of the Logos through the cooperative efforts of the three planetary centers.

Draco is known as an active guardian or protector and yet it is often associated, here on the planet, with the serpent devil, or as Satan, for example in the Virgo Labour of Hercules as the serpent guarding the golden apples of Herperides or in the Garden of Eden. Perhaps this dual perception of the serpent nature corresponds to the dual nature of Saturn itself, as it functions in both a non-sacred and also a sacred manner. In Libra and in association with this path, we can see these dual aspects working out. For although the adepts who follow this first path are known as the beneficent dragons it is said their luminosity is garnered and hard won on the battleground through a fight with a dragon-- a higher correspondence of that battle which all disciples face when confronting the unredeemed aspects of themselves in the battle between the Angel of the Presence and the Dweller on the Threshold. We can link with the potency of those battling on this path by pondering their expressed quality of luminosity and their symbol -- a green dragon issuing from the centre of a blazing sun. Behind the sun and over-topping it can be seen two pillars on either side of a closed door.

So, we see the Forces of darkness and light controlling at all levels of existence. To awaken a sleeping dragon is to awaken a dormant power of tremendous potency and one which works out either for good or ill depending upon the motive. This awakening, on a planetary level, is entrusted to those who are invited or chosen by the Logos to tread this path. In a sense because this path is working out on our planet, its qualities trickle down and can be appropriated by us, giving us the ability to know the most about it because it is closest to us and we are living within its energy field, in like manner that an aspirant starting on the path of return is working within the energetic field upon the periphery of the spiritual Hierarchy.

So let us work now in our meditation, calling upon the strength of the dragon power and the synthesizing nature of Libra to pull through that potent energy which can serve to awaken those sleeping points of light to the opportunity of this time.