

## The Great Invocation: Stanza One

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I would like to say a few words about the symbolism of the Great Invocation.

We all know that the Great Invocation comprises five stanzas. Symbolically, these represent the five energies we need to work with to purify, and transcend in humanity's journey of evolution—the energy of the Monad or life itself, the energy of the soul or love and the threefold energy of the personality. The first three stanzas are the invocations of God, the Trinity, the three aspects of light, love and will to stream forth on Earth and purify the hearts and minds of humanity. The last two stanzas depict the desired effect which will manifest among humanity on Earth as a result of the forces released by these energies.

Looking at the sequence of these stanzas, one can also detect the necessary stages of progress. Man, or the group has to self-initiate and employ self-effort to bring about the intended right human relations, as well as to go forward on the evolutionary path. A thinking man has to use his intellect to know the right path, and in order to know, first his mind has to be illumined so as to go forward with conscious understanding. The first stanza invokes the light of God to illumine human minds. We use the mind as the agency through which we gain the many divine recognitions leading to the realization of our true self as the self of God. Without an illumined mind, we are able to express only the lower concrete mind.

Next, we must apply the illumined mind in all our activities and relationships with divine love. The second stanza invokes the love of God, Christ Consciousness, into human hearts. Here we are given the opportunity to combine the forces of the head and the heart, and work as spiritual men on the mental plane, as soul-infused personalities, and as a spiritual group.

Thirdly, we must know the purpose behind our thoughts and actions, and must also be endowed with the will or power to recognize and follow the Plan to fulfil the purpose. Therefore, the third stanza invokes the will of God to guide all little human wills, so that all individual and group endeavors do follow the Plan in accordance with the Purpose which the Masters know.

It is also interesting to note that the energies on the involutory arc flow from above to below, and forces on the evolutionary path, from below upwards. Humanity being on the evolutionary path, the Great Invocation invokes energies and forces which are used on the upward arc—first light or knowledge, next love, and then will or power—exactly as they are needed.

Through the right application of these divine energies and forces, the Triangles group who chants this Great Invocation becomes the lighted channel through which humanity itself is exhorted to take up the effort to establish God's will on earth, and transform the Earth into a sacred planet. Thus, by dedicated and heart felt group chanting of the Great Invocation, the lighted Triangles which are energetically created all around the planet invoke, precipitate and distribute the divine energies of light, love and power into the hearts and minds of all humanity. I would like to conclude by reminding ourselves that it is our sacred duty to go forward being cognizant of the fact that the

Triangles work is a sacred service to humanity and to the Hierarchy which is performed in all humility and dedication to the will of God.

Thank you.