

LIGHT UPON THE WATER

Disciples, those who know they are the soul and are training their personalities to live as the soul, must confront unresolved emotional issues and heal them. (This, they share with ordinary Humanity). Despite the fact that we like to think of ourselves as mentally focused, honest reflection reveals that the mind is directed by the emotions. This article will explore the dangers of not focusing on emotional issues, focusing in counter-productive ways, delusion about what is being achieved and also positive outcomes.

I am going to frame the consideration of these themes within the understanding gained from knowing that the sign of Scorpio is ruled by Mars on the personality level, Mars on the soul level and Mercury on the spirit level. Scorpio is the sign said to rule discipleship. It is a deeply psychological sign and is, therefore, perfectly suited for this discussion.

Over the last 18 million years, Humanity has progressively developed and integrated its personality. In the first period of development (referred to as the Lemurian period), Humanity's focus was on sex and the development of the physical body. In the second period (referred to as the Atlantian period), Humanity's focus was on the development of the emotional body. (This period began about 5 million years ago). The third period began about 60,000 years ago (referred to as the Aryan period) and has focused on Humanity developing the mental body.

We are in the 5th sub-stage of the development of the Aryan stage. Because of its association with the 5th ray of science, this is a particularly mentally focused period. Due to this, we think that our focus is mental. In fact, Humanity is polarized emotionally.

The disciple is one small, but influential, component of Humanity. The disciple has taken the first initiation in which there was demonstration of control over the physical life: the issues of money, sex and survival would not deflect the individual from a life of service. The vast majority of disciples face the second initiation in which there must be a demonstration that the emotional issues of the personality will not deflect the individual from a life of service. In this way, the disciple and Humanity as a whole are focused on the control and healing of the emotional body. And, like Humanity, the disciple has a high degree of mental development since the disciple is increasingly becoming dominated by the soul. It is, therefore, tempting for the disciple to think that the paramount issues which she/he faces are mental ones, when, in fact, they are emotional issues.

Before using the symbolism of Scorpio to address these issues, it is necessary to explain the inter-play of the three levels of Scorpio. On the personality level, Scorpio is ruled by Mars, but the individual has access to Mars and Mercury on the higher levels and distorts them. On the soul level, Scorpio is ruled by Mars, but the individual has access to Mercury and distorts it while powerfully expressing through Mars on the personality level. Only on the Monadic level, does the initiate express the energy of Mercury and work in the world through two levels of Mars energy.

Disciples know that they are like the Scorpio dominated by Mars. They have integrated their physical, emotional and mental bodies into one powerful and independent personality. (An energetic description: the three chakras below the diaphragm are co-ordinated and dominated by the solar plexus chakras which is ruled by Mars). They know that they are the soul working through a personality which is increasingly reflecting the soul and its intentions.

They are primarily working with Mars/Mars dynamics and many problems confront them:

The first problem is ambition. All disciples have to do is convince themselves that they are ambitious for the greater good. Without being aware of it, they have fallen into the desire of the personality to achieve greater individual success and increased sense of personal potency.

The second possible problem is sex. The soul's intention is to create right relationship: soul to soul. But the combination of increased power and desire for greater intimacy can easily be combined by the personality into an abuse of sex. The disciple may believe that they are sharing at a deep level qualities that will benefit the partners.

The third problem is money. The disciple becomes aware that the work needs money in large quantities. In their pursuit of money, they may not be aware that the personality is taking far more than it needs. The disciple will have many reasons why it is necessary for them to continue to accumulate the wealth.

The fourth problem is pride. While they face the second initiation and its challenges for control of the emotional body, they are also preparing for the third initiation and control of the mental body. Their ego distorts the higher light of Mercury and they clothe the ideas of the Higher Self in forms of the ego's devising.

These are but four problems when we are told that there are at least nine. But, they suffice to suggest the problems inherent for Humanity or the disciple when confronting the unreal world of emotion.

In order in bringing light upon the water, the disciple must learn to identify the emotional state which confronts him. Then, he must train the light of the soul upon it. With practice, the emotional distortion dissolves. With improper practice, the disciple runs the risk of drowning, deepening and densifying the distortion, or driving the distortion into another distortion.

Most essential, the disciple has to develop deep humility and a sense of right proportion. It is not uncommon for the disciple to imagine that the third initiation has been taken and that the fourth is ahead. They may even come to believe (a combination of the aspirational fire of Mars, the ego of Mars, and the mental brilliance of Mercury) that they are speaking the words of the Hierarchy.

Each disciple who follows the lessons of Scorpio becomes a skilled and compassionate healer. The scalpel that they fashion to incise the distortions in their emotional field become a tool in the arsenal of the psychologist. They learn to free and direct the great power of the waters. And, ultimately, their emotional body reflects the soul and becomes a great magnetic field of love. They become a practical out-post of the Hierarchy.

The test for every disciple who learns from Scorpio: When my fiery aspiration brings down the fire of the Will, does my emotional field radiate love and compassion? Only if this test is passed, is the disciple bringing light upon the water.