Gnostic Astrology – Libra

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Libra and the Terrestrial Currents

We have observed the Sidereal Current descending from above, until reaching the Heart, and now we have begun to intercept the Terrestrial Current from below. This inferior Current goes through successive screens or filters in order to eventually be able to fulfill its objective in the superior planes. That inferior Current which was activated in our last practice in the Belly (where the principle influence of Virgo is found) is related to the assimilation and dis-assimilation of food, that is to say, with the phenomenon we call Metabolism.

Before this Terrestrial Current can do its work (related with nutrition and elimination in Virgo), it has to first be prepared through the organs that fall under the influence of Libra. Libra is the great equalizer, it is the Scales. First of all, it weighs substances which are purported to help us develop, and then it measures the receptive organs for the slag & waste within them (an operation that occurs in the middle of the body, at the waist). Therefore, the waist falls under the action of Libra, and here we have the Kidneys, the Bladder, the whole Vasomotor System & associated Plexuses.

Libra also acts upon the thick liquids such as Bile and upon everything that has a disinfecting action within our organism. Libra is the great preparer, the great agent that measures things that have to penetrate into the body. Therefore, it has its influence on all that which is Skin, from the head to the toes. Bile is what gives the purity to the complexion or is that which blemishes our face with its pigments.

Venus, the Moon and the Liquid & Fluidic Systems of our Organism



We know that each Zodiacal Sign is ruled by a Planet, and the one that corresponds to Libra is Venus. In the Lesson for Taurus, we spoke about the action of Venus in general. We said that it acts first upon the liquid system in order to dominate the fluidic system, and while the liquid fell under the influence of Venus in Taurus, it is now Venus in Libra that the thick, gelatinous part of the fluidic system dominates the secretions of the Ears, Nose and Tongue, Sexual Organs and Kidneys, which can be transmuted through vocalization. That's why we say the vowel "A".

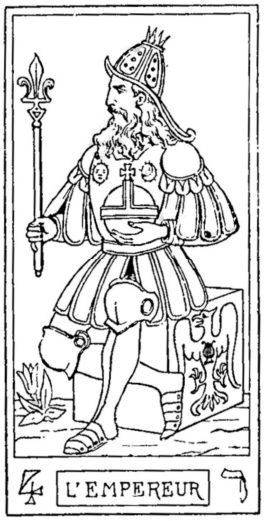
In Libra, we are in the low tone of Venus, and in the front of the face at the same height as we were in Taurus. Astrology teaches that all the liquid aspects correspond to the Moon, from the seas with their high and low tides, to the tears that flow when we feel sorrow or joy. The rise or fall of the sap of plants (within their trunks, stems, or stalks) is subject to the Moon. However, this action of the Moon is always associated with that of Venus since these two Planets are very much related to one another. It is curious that the Moon and Venus are the only two feminine Planets compared to all the others that have masculine actions.

If we could squeeze the body in order to separate all the solid aspects from the liquid aspects, we would see a column of water, that is to say a double column that on one side is formed with solids and on the other with liquids, united within them both would be the fluidic aspect yielding the action of the work upon these two exponents. In one of the ancient Temples, the Deity was represented by two columns united in the middle by a scale. Both columns equally represented the equinoxes of the Spring (in Aries) and Autumn (in Libra). This is the fluid, the energy, the universal electricity or Christic substance in its material expression. The Great Architect of the Universe produced the Temple of our organism and it is based on these two columns. Aries is willpower, the impulse, the action that excites everything, while Libra is the immutable Law that puts an end to everything.



In Arcanum 8 of the Tarot, we have Justice represented by the Sword and the Scale. It is in Justice where one finds the just impulse of everything, even if it has to be blindfolded. In the Lesson for Taurus, we also spoke of the form of the symbol of Venus, that is to say, the Circle above and the Cross below. Venus offers the same impulse in Libra, except that the ancients made it into the form of the Emperor's Globe with the Cross.

After passing through the degree of Libra, the Mystic receives this symbol in their hand, and in the Rose Cross Fraternity the Mystery of the Crown of Thorns is realized in Libra and that of the Emperor is realized in Taurus. For this reason the Chief of the Rose Cross Order had to pass through this superior degree of Venus in Taurus in order to receive the title of "Imperator" that has been misappropriated in our times....



Venus in Libra prepares us for Science, whereas Venus in Taurus prepares us for Wisdom. Under the influence of Venus in Libra one can be a good working-painter, whereas with Venus in Taurus one can be a great artist-painter; with Venus in Libra one loves prose, whereas Venus in Taurus one loves poetry. In this same way, material Love is refined with Venus in Libra in order to convert itself into Divine Love with Venus in Taurus.

Huiracocha's Practice to Gather the Energy of Libra

If in Taurus we recommend vocalization exercises, then in Libra we have to do gymnastics in order to accommodate the substances in their corresponding filters. This is why it is possible for us to copy the exercises of Yoga which are the original material. When one gets up early, one should drink a glass of water that the Disciple has previously blessed seeking not to ingest it until after having made a Prayer invoking the Divine Forces so that this water acts as a purifier.

Subsequently we enter into the gymnasium which must be done in the following way: First extend the arms like a scale, to the right and to the left. Already in this position, the right arm is lowered along the body, at the same time raise the left arm. Then the same operation is done with the left arm arching the body to that side and raising the right arm.

This operation or movement must be repeated seven times, alternately on each side, or fourteen times in total. In all these practices one has to constantly concentrate (because this is the basis of everything) on the Terrestrial Current that should be ascending and that the impure energies should not ascend without being assimilated and accommodated at the waist.

Summary of the Practice:

1. Before retiring, get a glass of water. Bless the water with a prayer invoking the Divine Forces so that this water acts as a purifier. Then go to bed.
2. Upon waking, drink the water. Now do the following exercise...
3. Stand up straight, with arms extended out to the sides, similar to a scale. Begin to concentrate on that terrestrial current ascending, and the impure energies being assimilated at the waist, and do the following movements:
    a. Lower the right arm along the body, while arching the body and raising the left arm
    b. Then lower the left arm along the body, while arching the body and raising the right
    c. Repeat this 7 times for each side, for a total of 14 times.

Note: We can also vocalize the "'H", "CH", or *Cheth* ח (related with Arcanum 8), which is said to be of immense magical power. The sound of *Cheth* ח comes from the throat and not the teeth.