

Gnostic Runology – The “EH” or “EHE” Rune (Historically)

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The E-Runes According to Friedrich Fischbach (1900)

After the M-Rune, Fischbach says “Out of the younger Runes [*jüngerer Runen*], the following are probably the most important” and he gives 11 more Runes which he associates with letters (but does not give any additional descriptions). Included among them is ‘E’, which he seems to reference with the *Tyr*-Rune as follows:



The Oak tree [*Eiche*] has the Name *Eoh*. The anglo-saxon Rune-Song states: “*Eoh* is outwardly an uneven Tree, hard, firm in the ground, a Keeper of the Fire [*Hüter des Feuers*], interwoven with Roots, a Delight in *Odel*.” (Odin’s Garden)

The “Eh” or “Ehe” Rune According to Guido von List (1907)



or **M eh(é)** = Marriage [*Ehe*], Law [*Gesetz*], Horse [*Pferd*], Court (of Law) [*Gericht*], etc.

A Seventeenth helps me with a beloved Maiden,
That she may never easily forsake me.

eh-Rune ✕ M

The seventeenth, or “*Eh*-Rune”, is again the Counterpart or Antithesis [*Gegenspiel*] of the sixteenth or *Yr*-Rune.

While the *Yr*-Rune warns against the frivolous, momentary Love-Affair [*leichtfertigen, vorübergehenden Liebeständelei*], the “Marriage-Rune [*Ehe-Rune*]” fixes the Concept of lasting Love [*dauernder Liebe*] in the Rationale of Marriage as the lawful Conjunction/Connection [*gesetzmässige Verbindung*] of Man and Woman.

This is indicated by a later *Eh*-Rune figure in which the “*Laf*-Rune” appears doubled (𐌺𐌶 = 𐌶𐌺), suggestively saying: “two who are united by the *Ur*-Law-of-Life [*Lebens-Urgesetz verbunden*]!”

Marriage [*Ehe*] is the Foundation of the People, and therefore “*eh*”, is again the Concept for Law [*der Begriff für Gesetz*], because according to an ancient Legal-Formula: marriage is the “Raw-Root [*Rauwurzel*]” (that is to say, the “Legal-Root [*Rechtswurzel*]”) of the Continuation and Assets/Portfolio [*Bestandes*] of the People.

Therefore: “Marriage [*Ehe*] is the Raw-Root [*Rauwurzel*] of the Aryans [or Solar Human Beings]!”

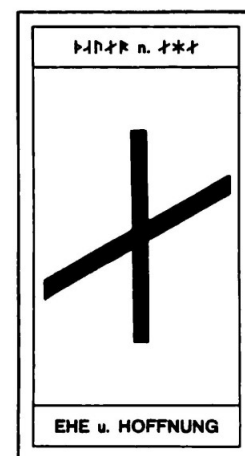
The “Eh” Rune According to E.T. Kurtzahn (1924)

Exoterically: Unification [*Vereinigung*], Hope [*Hoffnung*]

Esoterically: Duration [*Dauer*] and Marriage [*Ehe*] as Law

Generally: Marriage [*Ehe*]

We now come to the last of three Runes which give symbolic Expression to Humans themselves [*Menschen selber*] and their most intimate Relationship to one another through the Sexes [*durch die Geschlechter*], which are the Runes of ✕ Man, ✕ Woman, and ✕ Marriage [*Ehe*].

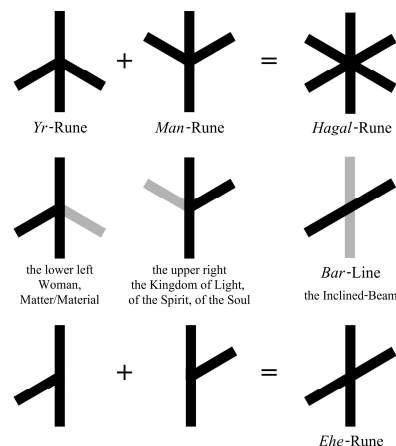


With our Ancestors, Marriage was sacred [*die Ehe heilig*], and Adultery/Fornication [*Ehebruch*] (literally 'Marriage-Breach/Break') occurred just as little as a Divorce. But what has happened today with us Descendants?

We have come so far that it is easily said: "There should be happy Marriages, but one has hardly seen one!" or even cynically: "In any Marriage there are only two happy Days for the Marriage-Partners [*Ehepartner*]: the Wedding-Day [*Hochzeitstag*] for both of them and the Spouse's Day-of-Death [*Todestag des Gatten*] for the surviving Member!" This is where we are...

Nowadays, Adultery/Fornication [*Ehebruch*] seems to almost be a part of good Manners [*guten Ton*] and the number of Divorces is in the Tens-of-Thousands. Who or what is at fault? Our modern Lifestyle, and with it the Contamination of: our Customs, our Literature, our performing Arts, etc.; that is to say, our entire public Life [*öffentlichen Lebens*] has been Contaminated by certain determined Opponents of the Light!

It is very significant that when the † *Man*- and † *Yr*-Runes are placed on top of each other, the ✱ *Hagall*-Rune is formed. The † *Eh*- or *Ehe*-Rune (the Marriage-Rune) has one Arm of the *Man*-Rune and one of the *Yr*-Rune, which together form the Inclined-Beam [*Schrägbalken*], that goes from the lower left (Woman, Matter/Material) to the upper right, where in the *Man*-Rune the Kingdom of Light, of the Spirit, of the Soul (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) is represented.



All this indicates that the Redemption of the Human-Being is possible only in recognizing/realizing Marriage [*erkennender Ehe*]. (Compare my writing: "The Gnostics or the invisible Church".)

If it is possible, as is presented by the Gnostics, for Human-Beings to transfigure and pneumatize their Body ['pneuma' is an ancient Greek word for 'breath' and therefore connects with the concept of 'breath of life', as well as with 'spirit' or 'soul' in a religious context], then this transfiguration with one's Spouse is accomplished through the Consummation-of-Marriage [*Ehevollzug*].

If, for the Man, the well-known sentence from Faust applies:

"The eternal feminine (the Soul) pulls us upwards!"
(or back to the pleromatic Home-of-the-Light),

then for the Woman the following sentence equally applies:

"The eternal-male (the Spirit) will redeem me"
(i.e. by the Spirit turning the feminine Soul away from Matter/Material and repolarizing it).

The Shape of the † *Eh*-Rune is of great Importance, which can also be understood as two Triangles touching at the Tip. There is a deep Mystery/Secret which lies hidden therein.

It was not without a compelling Reason that the catholic Church created and carefully maintained the Sacrament of Marriage [*Sakrament der Ehe*]. This is because it is the Union in Marriage [*Vereinigung in der Ehe*] alone which gives Hope for earthly Perfection [*irdische Vollendung*].

The Purpose of Marriage is precisely in this personal Perfection [*persönlichen Vollendung*], not in the Procreation-of-Children [*Kindererzeugung*], at least certainly not for Those-who-Know [*Erkennende*]. In this Respect, we recommend the Booklet of J. W. Lloyd entitled "The Karezza Method: Or Magnetation, the Art of connubial Love [*ehelichen Liebe*]".

The “Eh, Ehe, Ehu, Equus” Rune According to R.J. Gorsleben (1930)

Letter E and Number 17.

Ehe, Ehu Equus, the “saddled Horse”. Two Lives, united in Oneness, have the meaning of 'a Union which is beyond Marriage, a worldly-legal Covenant of the Divine with the Human': whose sign is the *Eh* Rune. In one of its shapes ✚, it is the Real Reversal of the ✚ *Not*-Rune.

Dr. Friedrich Teltscher's *Ur*-word is *Vereinigung* meaning “Unification/Union” as well as Association, Combining, Fusion, etc.



A Seventeenth I know, with wise Law
to join two Lives in Love
And each one is willing, and no virgin Woman
will lightly leave me after that



In Old-German, Eternal [*Ewig*] means 'lawful', therefore *Ehe* means Law [*Gesetz*], the Natural-Law.

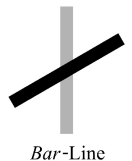
Thus the name Eve or Eva is *E-va* becomes *Ehe-fa*, meaning 'the one Created according to the Natural-Law', the one that has always been Created by *Ehe*, the eternal-conjugal Law of Nature [*das ehe-wige Gesetz der Natur*], in the eternal Feminine, in Mary, in *Ma-te-ria*, in the Mother, the *Mater* [Latin for Mother], in Matter (English).

Eternity [*Ewigkeit*] is Marriage-Self-ness [*Ehe-Ich-heit*], which means Self-Legality [*Ich-Gesetzlichkeit*] or the 'Legal-Self', as above so below.

The Rune therefore means Marriage [*Ehe*] in the sense of the Law and of Eternity [*von Gesetz und von Ewigkeit*] because it contains the Concept of Duration/Permanence: Marriage-Self-ness [*Ehe-ich-heit*], the (spiritual) Self in Marriage-ness [*Ehe-heit*], Lawfulness.

[There is an attempt here to unify the concepts of Eternity, Permanence, Law and the "(spiritual) Self". Rephrased, one could say something like: Eternity is Self-Lawfulness, being Lawful in our relationship with the (spiritual) Self, the Inner-Being.]

The ✚ Marriage-Rune represents the | *Is*-Rune crossed with the / *Bar*-Life-Line [*Bar-Lebensstrich*]; thus it is: the real [*echte*], the right Rune [*die rechte Rune*].



This is because Marriage [*Ehe*] means 'the *Real* [*das Echte*]', since it contains the Concept of Duration/Permanence [*Dauer*], that which is 'from before there was' [*von ehe-da*], as well as the Nature-*Ur*-Law of Reproduction through the right *Is* = Self in Marriage.

The ✚ *Ehe*-Rune is the “Marriage-Cross” [*Ehe-Kreuz*], which we take upon ourselves, because in Marriage the “Crossing” between Man & Woman is fulfilled [*vollzogen*], and from which we are also able to redeem ourselves, when we have recognized the Meaning of the Rune.

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Ehu-Equus-Rune

In its other second Shape, as *Ehu*, the “Horse”, 𐌺 1 = 𐌺 it is the illustrative Symbol of Marriage, as an Emblem or Coat-of-Arms [*Wappenzeichen*].

It shows two *Laf*-Runes, two Life-Worlds, two Self-Waves, two Self-Wills, two Souls, two Columns, two “Pillars of Humanity”, shaking hands. These two Souls [*Seelen*], these two Ropes/Cords [*Seile*] join for the common Life-Journey, with the Knowledge of the Marriage-Eternity-Law [*Ehe-Ewigkeits-Gesetz*], which finds its Effect in the Propagation of the Human-Being through the Ages.



With the Image of the Horse, the Marriage-Rune [*Ehe*-Rune] represents the Right/Law [*Recht*]. Marriage and Horse are both defined by Law and Right.



The Horse is the Symbol of the *Rod* [one's so-called 'invulnerable Right *unverletzbar Recht*' (related to the *ᚱ Rit*-Rune)]. Thus, it is also related with the Wheel [*Rad*], Advice/Council [*Rat*], the Right/Law [*Recht*]. Likewise, it is connected with the *Rita* [the Law of 'auspicious, purposeful Procreation' wisely followed by the ancients] and in the figurative Sense of the *Rita*-er (the Priest), the Knight [*Ritter*], the Horseback-Rider [*Reiters*], the Judge [*Richters*].

Therefore we have Horse and Rider [*Roß und Reiter*] concealed in the Rune as a Symbol of the Connection-in-Life of two Beings in communal Action [*gemeinsamem Tun*]. Leader and those who are Led, the Carrier and the one who is Carried, Man and Woman, if we are not afraid of the Analogy, two *ᚱ* *ᚱ* *Laf*-Runes joined to a Unity.



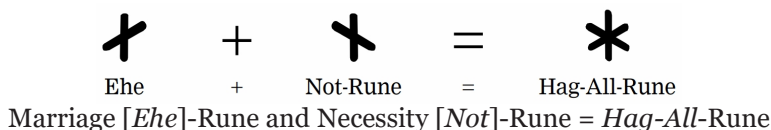
If with *Naut* or *Not* *ᚱ* we mean the descent of God and Human, the Birth [*Niederkunft*], the Reincarnation [*Wiedergeburt*] in a new Human-Body, the Agility in Necessity-of-Fate/Destiny, the *Nat-ur*, the *Ur-Natum* [*natum* is 'born' in Latin], that which is *Ur*-born.

Then the *Ehe*-Rune *ᚦ* represents the Human-Being, who realizes this Measure/Degree or Requirement [*Maß oder Muß*] which God has fulfilled in one's life, and whom God therefore redeems. The *Ehe*-Rune is the Thief on the right to whom the Son-of-God speaks, because (despite his failed Life) he has gained the right Knowledge: "Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." [Luke 23:43]

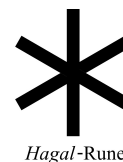


This Son-of-God or "Son-of-Man" is able to grasp the fullness of creation. In the Marriage-Rune [*Ehe*-Rune], God & Human-Being, Man & Woman, have become one in the Covenant of the universal-law [*weltgesetzlichem Bunde*].

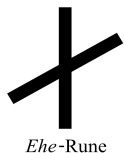
Marriage is the Basis of a People [*Grundlage der Volkschaft*], therefore the Concept of the Marriage became the Concept for the Law in general. If we put the *Ehe*- and *Not*-Runes on top of each other, then we get the *Hag-All*-Rune.



Now the *Hag-All*-Rune has a Diagonal-Beam [*Schrägbalken*] from both the *Ehe*- and from the *Not*-Rune: the *Bar*- or Life-Beam [*Lebensbalken*] of the *Ehe*-Rune, which goes from right below (Woman, Matter), to the right above (Man and Spirit), and the *Not*- and Death-Beam [*Todesbalken*] of the *Not*-Rune, which leads from above right to below left.



The Spirit has to permeate Matter and thus transfigure the Marriage [*die Ehe verklären*]. In the ultimate purpose of Marriage lies in mutual Perfection and Permeation [*gegenseitigen Vollendung und Durchdringung*], not just in the Procreation-of-Children.



In the Point-of-Intersection of the *Ehe*- or Marriage-Rune: two Triangles touch each other at their Tips, forming two Angles, which are congruent to each other (and therefore correspond to each other), thus giving us an Acknowledgement that our Rune-Derivations are from cosmic Sources.

As we have already shown with the *Laf*-Rune, the Marriage-Rune appears in the shape of two *Laf*- or Life-Runes facing each other, $\text{† } 1 = \mathbf{M}$, similar to the tipped over greek Letter Σ , which is not coincidental, but proceeds from the Source of Connections formed by the laws-of-the-world.

In no Symbol has the Importance of Marriage as the Implication of *Ur*-Legality [*die Auswirkung einer Ur-Gesetzlichkeit*] been outlined and brightly illuminated to such an Extent as in the two Symbols of this Rune.

If the heroic Man is drawn to the “Eternally- Feminine”, then the “Eternally-Masculine”, the Spirit, has to redeem that which is Feminine. This is the profound Concept of the 'Sanctity of Marriage'.

The Roman historian Tacitus writes in Chapter 18 of his *Germania* the following:

“They keep strict morals in their marriage and no other one of their morals is as important. They are the only ones of all the barbarians who are satisfied with a single woman, with a few exceptions, where not desire, but duties of status made the entering of several marriages desirable. The wife does not bring a dowry to the husband, but he brings it to her (his chosen one). The relatives are there and they approve of the gifts, not glitter and jewelry, but cattle, a harnessed horse, a strong spear with sword and shield.

...According to their belief this forms a tight connection, the most sacred of secrets (the horse, the ash spear, the sword, the shield), and the protective gods of the domestic hearth are caretakers of these gifts.

By custom, during the wedding ceremony, the woman is admonished to also participate in the heroic attitude and in the changing circumstances of war. The housewife comes as a comrade in danger and efforts, and she will risk and suffer the same things in war as well as in peace, and this is what is meant by the symbol of the yoke of the oxen and the harnessed horse. Should she live or die, what she received she has to leave in honor to her sons, so that they can transfer it again to the grandchildren by way of the daughters in law...”

In Chapter 19, he says:

“Adultery is very rare in such a large population, because the punishment is immediately followed with cut off hair, and the insulted husband chases her naked (in the presence of relatives) out of the house and drives her through the village, beating her with a stick. There is no pity for that shame (now known), and no beauty, youth nor wealth could get a new husband for a woman that has fallen in this way. Because no one is laughing about the vice of adultery and to seduce or being seduced there is not considered fashionable. There is respect for such peoples where virgins only marry and where all hope ends with the vows... This way they accept the husband, like one body and one life, because **in truth they love marriage** and not the man. To limit the number of children or to kill one of the later born ones is considered a crime, and good morals can produce there more than good laws elsewhere...”

Marriage was sacred to our Ancestors, because it was an Institution based on the “*Rata*”, the direct Advice/Council of the Divinity [*unmittelbaren Rates der Gottheit*]. According to an ancient Formula-of-Law: **Marriage is the Raw-Root, the Root-of-Law, the All-Raun-Root of the Maintenance-of-the-World [Weltbestandes].**

The “Eh, Ehe” Rune According to S.A. Kummer (1932-1933)

✠ (E) The *E*-Rune, *Eh*, Marriage [*Ehe*] = eternal [*ewig*], the Real [*Echte*], Continued-Procreation [*Fortzeugung*], the Law-of-Nature [*Naturgesetz*], that takes place between Man and Woman. – Numerical value 17.

The two Selves [*Ich*], two Lives, two Souls [*Seelen*] that through pure Love [*reine Liebe*] Connect together in Marriage, and through spiritual & physical mutual Reverse-Polarization or Re-Polarization [*gegenseitige Umpolung*] reach a higher Life.

Neither of these two People will want to separate this holy Union [*heilige Verschmelzung*], because a third Marriage has already occurred between them and that is the Marriage-Connection of the Souls [*Ehe-Verbindung der Seelen*] with the World-Soul, the Cosmos, with All-Father.

This Rune contains the great, pure, sacred Union of the Two in the One [*große, reine, heilige Verschmelzung den Zwei in der Eins*]. The Unity/Togetherness or One-ness–Self-ness or United-Selfness [*Ein-heitl-ich-keit*]. The Covenant of God, Humanity, Man and Woman in the One.

Marriage is for the spiritual and physical perfection of both the Selves [*Ich*] in order to Create the Body for the third, higher Self [*Ich*] through conscious, pure Procreation [*bewusste, reine Zeugung*]. This was the high Notion of the Sanctity of the Marriage [*Heiligkeit der Ehe*] of our Ancestors, who considered the greatest Value of Marriage to be in High-Cultivation [*Hochzucht*]. That is why all pure Young Men and Women went into Marriage. Our Ancestor’s Moral-Strictness gave rich, healthy blessings to their Children.

The Marriage-Rune [*Ehe-Rune*] is the great Love-Rune [*die große Liebesrune*], which will also bring us (in future Times) the Zenith or 'Peak-Time' of Humanity [*Hoch-Zeit der Menschheit*].

“Marriage is the Sanctuary,
Because Love [is] pure Divine-Force (or God-Power).
Avoid despicable Acts,
[When] Love is Mastered [it] creates Nobility.”

*Die Ehe sei dir Heiligtum,
Weil Liebe reine Gotteskraft.
Vermeide lasterhaftes Tun,
Beherrschte Liebe Edles schafft.*

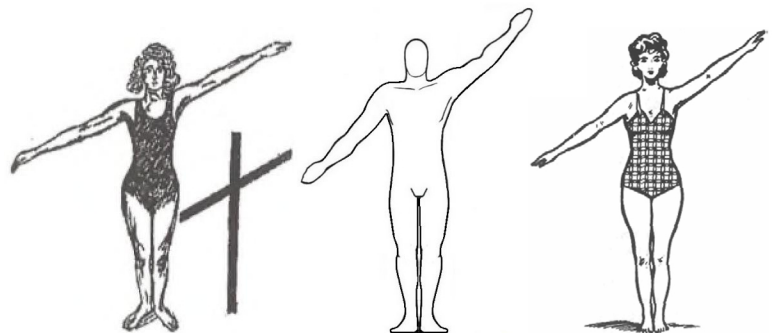
The Demonic of the Marriage-Rune [*Ehe-Rune*] ✠ is the *Not*-Rune ✠

✠ My Fate/Destiny [*Schicksal*] is self-created Need/Hardship [*selbstgeschaffene Not*], that is to say: it is Compulsion-of-Fate/Destiny [*Schicksalszwang*].

✠ Marriage is the great Legal-Root [*Rechtswurzel*] of the Aryan [or Solar Human Being].

Full Body Rune Exercise(s):

The Student takes up the *Ich*-Rune-Position, does the Breathing-Exercise and then takes the same Position as in the *Not*-Rune, except that they stretch their left Arm diagonally upwards and the right Arm diagonally downwards and, in addition, they hum the "e-e-e-e-e" in this Exercise.



Here, the Process is similar to that of the *Not*-Rune, except that one absorbs more Waves-of-Universal-Love [*All-Liebeswellen*] and thus, in one’s Marriage or Love-Life [*Liebesleben*], one learns to love more consciously, purely, nobly, and spiritually.

Also, in this Rune-Position the Student receives the magical Force [*magische Kraft*] to protect oneself and one's Love-Partner from Infidelity and Betrayal.

The consciously performed *Eh*-Rune frees the Practitioner from all low-sensual Drives/Urges and Passions [*niedrigsinnlichen Trieben und Leidenschaften*], driving the Practitioner from the Two to the spiritual One.

Pure, free or unrestrained in their Love-Life, the Student will receive high Universal-Waves [*hohe Allwellen*] in this Rune-Position which will awaken in them a pure Thought- and Wish-Life. This, in turn, becomes a part of their Waves which resonate with a noble, ideal, pure, beautiful Sister or handsome Brother, and awakens in them a Longing, so that they (even unconsciously) come to the Practitioner.

The Student will thus enter into a true Marriage, which will bring them infinite Blessings [*unendlichen Segen*].

Dear Brother, dear Sister: practice this Rune consciously and purely, then you will also find your Twin-Soul [*Zwillingsseele*]. Then thank your All-Father and yourself. Hail unto thee [*Heil dir*]!

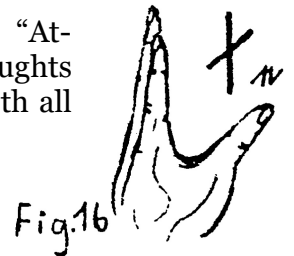
Whosoever practices this Position with low sensual, egotistical Drives/Urges, will attract demonic Beings who will make their Life a Hell. This is a warning.

The divine Mystery/Secret of this high Rune cannot be pronounced, not even imagined. Dear Brother, dear Sister: seek, dig and wish; "knock, then it shall be opened unto you", said a great Master of the Mysteries.

Hand Rune Exercise ('Mudras' or "Rune-Grips"):

The Rune Practitioner should take up the *Ich*-Rune-Position (Military "At-Attention"); this is followed by a deep Breathing-Exercise three times, with thoughts directed toward physical and spiritual purification; which must be observed with all the Rune-Grips. Figure 16 shows the *Eh*-Rune-Grip.

This Grip is performed with the left hand, similar to the *Ka*-Rune-Grip, except that the Thumb is spread somewhat further outward. Its Sound-Formulas are: "e-e-e", and "E-h-e".



Remember that each Rune-Grip must be repeated three times (for 3 Minutes each, followed by a short Pause in the *Ich*-Rune-Position between sets), since otherwise no satisfactory Collection of Subtle-Force [*Feinkräfte*] can be reached in the Hand-Centers.

The inner Thoughts are focused on pure Love [*reine Liebe*]; spiritual, soul Union [*geistige, seelische Verschmelzung*]; on Liberation from low-sensual Drives/Urges and Passions [*niedrigsinnlichen Trieben und Leidenschaften*].

Afterwards, a conscious-willed [*willensbewußt*] Circulation through the whole Body should not be forgotten.

This Grip creates a pure, noble Thought- and Wish-Life [*reines, edles Gedanken- und Wunschleben*]. With this Grip a subtle Swirl-of-Light [*feiner Lichtwirbel*] can be observed around the entire Hand.

The astral Color is yellow by Day, yellow-green by Night.

Additional Note: Kummer's Advice for Further Progress

To become more receptive, more sensitive, the student rubs Herbal-Ointments after Bathing. Eucalyptus-Oil is also highly recommended. The Oil or Salve must be rubbed into the pores.

Particular Value should be placed on the Pit-of-the-Stomach [*Magengrubengegend*], the Soft-Tissues between the Thighs, the Vertebral-Column, the Chest and the Temples. The Rubbing is done in circular Movements.

The Student must override any Discomfort immediately; one must not send out negative Thoughts, because these would bring them only further Worries and Discomforts. One must learn to be above everything Physical and Material.

One has to attribute, for the most Part, their still-disordered Thought- and Wish-Life to Unfavorable Effects and Bad Influences such as Anger, Sorrow, Worry, Suffering, etc.

When one's Higher-Development has sufficiently progressed, then there is only a pure feeling of Harmony and Happiness, culminating in Universal-Knowledge and Universal-Love [*Allwissenheit und Allliebe*].

One will then know one's Garma [or Karma] and consciously remove it gradually with Joy. One then knows what Life is, what Love is and feels the holy Three [*heilige Drei*] within themselves.

To comprehend a lot means to forgive a lot, to endure a lot. There is a great Force in Enduring, which the Student should constantly develop.

The Student always says to themselves before Going-to-Sleep: "In the Morning I will remember all the Dreams of this Night." They write down every Dream with the Date into a Book. They try to interpret Symbolic-Dreams and write the Interpretation afterwards.

Furthermore, the Student should practice influencing their Dream-Life by consciously Willing [*bewusstem Willen*], before Going-to-Sleep, to dream about a certain high Ideal.

If the Successes do not come immediately, then one keeps in mind that only Patience and Perseverance [*Geduld und Ausdauer*] can lead to the Goal; one also intensifies their Thoughts and Wishes in this regard.