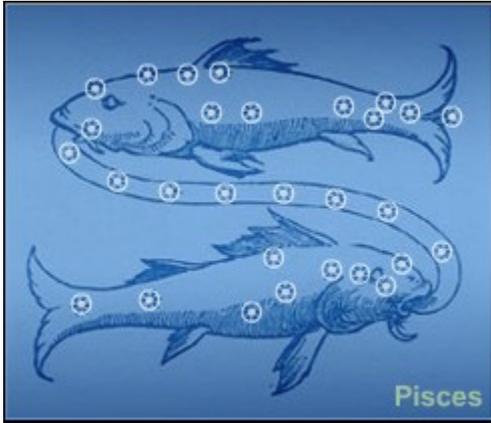


The Festival of Pisces



Keynote – Pisces:

“I leave the Father’s home and turning back, I save. ”

I = Soul

“ It should be borne in mind that the soul itself is of the nature of form from the standpoint of the Monad, though it is a form far subtler than any that we know in the three worlds of human evolution.... first of all the soul renounces the life and light of the Monad, its source (symbolised by the words “the Father’s home”), and descends into the ocean of matter; then, reversing itself, the soul renounces the life of form, the personality centre. The soul detaches itself (in consciousness) from the Monad, the One, and functions from its own centre, making its own new and material attachments. Then, upon a reversal of the wheel, it proceeds to detach itself from the personality and reattach itself in consciousness to the One Who sent it forth. Such is the climaxing story of Pisces. The Lords of Will and Sacrifice come down into manifestation, sacrificing their high position and opportunities upon the higher planes of manifestation, in order to redeem matter and raise the lives by which it is informed (the lower Creative Hierarchies) to the status of Themselves in so far as They constitute the forth Creative Hierarchy. ”

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At this full moon Festival in Pisces, we complete our brief consideration of each of the twelve Festivals which opened with the Easter Festival in the sign of Aries. The work with energy possible to us month by month, whether the Festival is one of the three major or nine lesser Festivals, is based on an overall theme of great significance to humanity. This is the theme of the indwelling soul in man, the Christ principle, and its gradual emergence and release into full expression as the controlling influence in daily life.

To realise this possibility, it is necessary to understand the basic occult premise that "even the smallest atom of substance contains within it that which can respond to spiritual stimulation". When we add to that premise the occult fact, now being scientifically confirmed, that all is energy, then we find that all human life on the physical plane consists of an inherent and potential spirituality, plus the one factor — **energy** — which can stimulate that divinity in us from latency into potency. The extra-planetary energies available at these full moon Festivals, cosmic in origin and of universal application, supply the energy stimulation the soul needs in its struggle for liberation and control within the human personality. Pisces has played a large part in this evolutionary process over the past 2000 years for it is the sign, and therefore the energy influence, which has governed this period of history. The well known symbol of Pisces is that of two fishes linked together by a connecting band. This signifies the bondage existing between the soul and the personality of an individual. For long ages the soul is the prisoner of the personality. Eventually, under the constant impact of spiritual ener-

gy, and as the result of experience in the valleys of the personality-centred way of life, a reversal becomes possible which, as it proceeds, enables the soul to control the personality.

The orientation of humanity to the world of higher values has been the main objective of the Piscean age which is ending now and of the sixth ray influence which is so rapidly passing out. Though there has never been a time when this basic orientation has not been going steadily forward, it is of value to bear in mind that during the past two thousand years a much higher, rarer and more difficult process of orientation has been held before humanity and for the following reason: the fourth kingdom in nature has been definitely attracted upward towards the emerging fifth kingdom and this has made necessary also the shift of attention away from the three worlds of human endeavour and expression into the higher world of soul consciousness. It has necessitated likewise the refocusing of the instinctual and intellectual attention which are the main factors in the unfoldment of divine awareness. This awareness can be instinctual, intellectual and therefore human, and also spiritual. But all three are equally divine, which is a point often forgotten. The redemption of matter and the raising and expanding of consciousness is the subjective purpose of incarnation. The redemptive process liberates the indwelling life into a higher state of consciousness. This is, and has been, the task of all world saviours. Hence the appearance of the Christ as world saviour at the opening of the Piscean age 2,000 years ago. He established the principles on which the necessary growth and development could be based during this period. Humanity needed to build in the soul principle of love, the faculty of devotion, and the capacity for service and self-sacrifice. These were outstanding aspects

of the Christ's teaching, and of his own way of life. He exemplified what he taught, and so demonstrated the need for theory, or theology, to become a practical way of daily life.

The energy released through Pisces and available to us in meditation stimulates our innate spiritual sensitivity. In its early stages this sensitivity is often psychically polarised, as an intensely self-centred emotional force. This produces a tendency to fanaticism, and to carry needed ideals or ideas to such an extreme that they become a limitation and a hindrance to growth, and to the liberation of the soul. We have seen the effects of this tendency in religious fanaticism, for example, which exalts the Teacher above the teaching; or condones the use of military force and torture in the name of religious conversion.

On a higher turn of the spiral, the energy of Pisces generates the warmth of love and compassion, needed for world and human salvage. This influence transforms life in the human kingdom. The tendency to psychism becomes transformed into spiritual perception and inspiration; acquisitiveness into renunciation; self-preservation into selfless world service; self-pity into compassion, sympathy and divine understanding; devotion to personal need into a sensitive response to the needs of humanity; attachment to the personal environment and conditions into detachment from form and an ability to identify with the soul. These are qualities and values we still need to build into our way of life, even as we leave the Piscean era behind us and move on into Aquarius, the age of the world server and universal brotherhood. All that is best and finest in each age in human history and in every stage along the evolutionary way becomes the foundation for new growth. Nothing

of value is ever lost or discarded. It has been the steady impact of Piscean force which has at long last brought humanity, the world Disciple, to the very door of initiation.

For over 2,000 years, Piscean influence has been playing upon humanity; it has brought about the demand for world adjustment; it has developed the international spirit and has led to the formation of groups in every department of human living and so laid the foundation for the future synthesis in Aquarius. Pisces brings in two dominant types of energy, the first ray energy of will or power, and the second ray energy of love and wisdom. Purpose and Plan have therefore become woven into the consciousness of the human race - for it to interpret and reveal them through its own awakening heart and mind. The fusion of heart and mind creates a world saviour, or a world server. And it is said that the fusion of heart and mind in a human being, and within the planetary life, is basic to the evolutionary process in this solar system.

The salvation of humanity, and service of the Plan, are the selfless objectives of the disciple influenced by Pisces. This influence has built its potency soundly and well into human consciousness during the past 2,000 years. So the disciple today can truly say "I leave the Father's home and turning back, I save." This is the keynote of the disciple in Pisces which should form the seed thought for meditation at this Festival.

With the completion of the zodiacal round and the work of the twelve Festivals, let us salute the cosmic source of all life and energy and affirm our responsibility within.

Full Moon Meetings - Pisces -

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Keynote: “I leave the Father’s home and turning back, I save”
The **Pisces** full moon occurs on **Tue 3rd March** at **11:39 am**

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