

Part 2:  
Christ, the  
Universal  
Origin of  
Activity

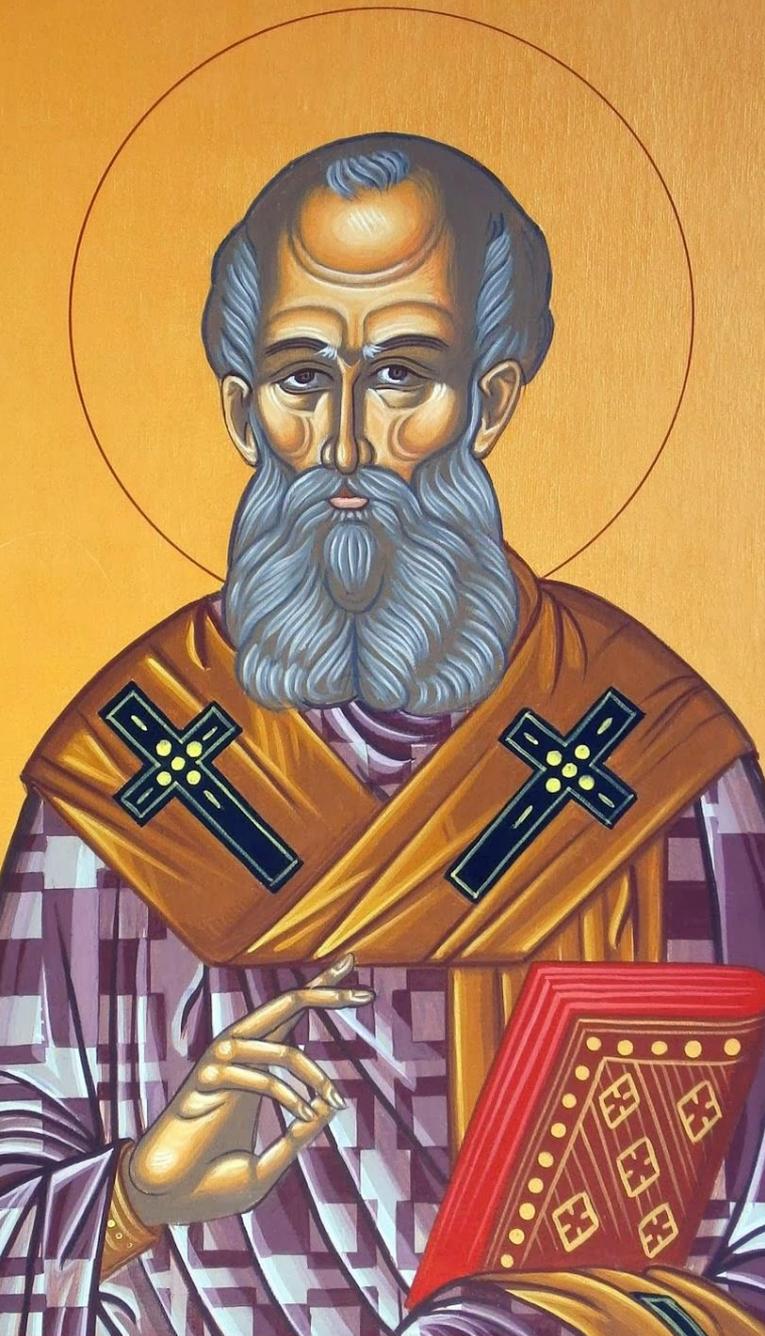
# Esoteric Christianity

γνῶσις (gnosis): knowledge

ΓΝΟCIC  
gnosis  
γνῶσις

“Gnosis is the flame from which all religions sprouted, because in its depth Gnosis is religion. The word “religion” comes from the Latin word “religare,” which implies “to link the Soul to God”; so Gnosis is the very pure flame from where all religions sprout, because Gnosis is Knowledge, Gnosis is Wisdom.”

- Samael Aun Weor, *The Esoteric Path*



# Theosis or Divine Incarnation

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He [Christ] was made man that we might be made God.

– Saint Athanasius of Alexandria, *De incarnatione verbi*, sec. 54.3 (circa 318 AD)

# Christianity Before The New Testament

The very thing which is now called the Christian religion existed among the ancients also, nor was it wanting from the inception of the human race until the coming of Christ in the flesh, at which point the true religion which was already in existence began to be called Christian.

– St. Augustine, *Retractiones*  
(427 AD)



# Analogies to the History of Christ

And when we say also that the Word, who is the first-birth of God, was produced without sexual union, and that He, Jesus Christ, our Teacher, was crucified and died, and rose again, and ascended into heaven, we propound nothing different from what you believe regarding those whom you esteem sons of Jupiter.

Justin Martyr, *First Apology*, ch. 21 (circa 155 AD)



ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ  
Χριστός  
christos  
Christ

Χριστός (Christ): Christos, “the Anointed One,” and Krestos, whose esoteric meaning is “fire.” The word Christ is a title, not a personal name.

“I [Christ] am come to send fire on the earth...” —Luke 12:49

Jesus [Christ] said, “I [Christ] have cast fire upon the world, and see, I am guarding it until it blazes.” —Gospel of Thomas

# John 1: 1 - 5

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

<sup>2</sup>The same was in the beginning with God.

<sup>3</sup>All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

<sup>4</sup>In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

<sup>5</sup>And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

# John 1:1

En arch Hn o logos...

EN ARCHE ĒN O LOGOS...

IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD...

IN ARCHE WAS THE LOGOS...

WITHIN ARCHE IS WISDOM...

WITHIN THE ORIGIN IS ACTIVITY...

# John 1: 1 - 5

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning [*arché, origin*] was the Word [*Λόγος, Logos, primordial activity*], and the Word [*primordial activity*] was with God [*Θεός, Theos*], and the Word [*primordial activity*] was God [*Theos*].

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ΑΡΧΗ  
arche  
ἀρχή

*Arché*: beginning, origin

*Arch-Angel*: principal or chief angel;  
original angel

*Archetype*: “primordial molds”