



Esoteric Christianity

Part 6:
Being Born Again

John 2: Jesus Cleanses the Temple

¹² After this He went down to Capernaum [כפר kaphar – ‘expiation’ of sin], He, His mother, His brothers, and His disciples; and they did not stay there many days.

¹³ Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem [ירושלים Yerushalayim, “foundation of peace”]. ¹⁴ And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves [περιστέραις peristeras, יונה jonah], and the money changers doing business. ¹⁵ When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers’ money and overturned the tables.



John 3: Being Born Again

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.”

³ Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly [ἀμήν, amen, ἡνῶν], Truly [ἀμήν, amen, ἡνῶν], I say to you, unless one is born again [ἄνωθεν, anothēn, ‘from above’], he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

⁴ Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?”



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⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly [ἀμήν, *amen*, אמן], Truly [ἀμήν, *amen*, אמן], I say to you, unless one is born of water [ὕδατος, *hydatos*, מים *mayim*] and the Spirit [Πνεύματος, *Pneumatos*, רוח *ruach*], he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ Giving birth through the flesh [σάρξ, *sarx*, בשר *bashar*], flesh is. Giving birth through spiritual means, spirit [Πνεύματος, *Pneumatos*, רוח *ruach*] is. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again [ἄνωθεν, *anōthen*, ‘from above’].’ ⁸ The wind [πνεῦμα, *pneuma*, רוח *ruach*] blows [πνεῖ, *pnei*, נפח *nephach*] where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”



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⁹ Nicodemus answered and said to Him, “How can these things be?”

¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? ¹¹ Truly [ἀμήν, amen, אמן], Truly [ἀμήν, amen, אמן], I say to you, We speak what We know and testify [*martyria*: testify, martyr, עד od] what We have seen, and you do not receive [*lambano*, קבל kabal] Our witness [*martyria*: testify, martyr, עד od]. ¹² If I have told you earthly [ἐπίγειος, epigeios, ערֶץ erets] things and you do not believe [*pistis*: powerful comprehension, based on experience or witnessing], how will you believe [*pistis*] if I tell you heavenly [ἐπουράνιος, epouranios, שמים shamayim] things?



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¹³ No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. ¹⁴ And as Moses [מֹשֶׁה *Moshe*] lifted up the serpent [ὄφις, *ophis*, נָחָשׁ *nahash*] in the wilderness [ἐρήμος, *erémos*, מִדְבָּר *midbar*], even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes [*pistis*] in Him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever has faith [*pistis*] in Him should not perish but have everlasting [αἰώνιος, *aiónios*, *aeonic*] life. ¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Salvation & The Gift of God

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the Gift of God [**Theos Dóron** / **Donum Dei** / **מתיה** **Mattaiah**], not of works, lest anyone should boast." - Ephesians 2:8-9

¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the Gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

¹⁵ The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."

¹⁷ The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." -John 4

Esoteric Meaning of 'Amen'

א Aleph

א Aleph: 1st letter of the Hebrew alphabet. Symbolizes 'air.' Made with three iods: top right, transversal, and bottom left. Aleph is the breath of life, the spiritual winds of creation. The letter of the Father.

מ Mem

מ Mem: 13th letter, related to values 40 and 4. Symbolizes 'water.' Mem is the creative waters from which all creative things emerge. The letter of the Holy Spirit.

נ Nun

נ/נ Nun / Nun Sophit: 14th letter, related to values 50 and 5. Symbolizes 'fish.' The fish swims in the waters. Related to the Son.

Wind & Breath: Three Souls

נשמה Neshamah
Spiritual Soul

- Spiritual, objective perception. The inner light. That which sees God.
- Literally: 'breath'

רוח Ruach
Thinking-
Emotional Soul

- Ethical perception; discernment; rational consciousness; objective or subjective
- Literally: 'spirit', 'wind', or 'breath'

נפש Nephesh
Animal Soul

- Appetites; instinctive impulses; the foundation of life; animal consciousness
- Literally: 'vitality', 'life force', 'blood', 'breath of life', 'soul', 'appetite'

“But there is a spirit [רוח ruach] in man [enosh]: and the breath [נשמה neshamah] of the Almighty [Shaddai] giveth them understanding [Binah].”

– Job 32:8

And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath [נשמה neshamah] of life; and man became a living soul [נפש nephesh]

– Genesis 2:7

Serpent of Brass

And the people spoke against the Elohim, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul [נפש *nephesh*] has been weary of this light bread.

And יהוה *Jehovah* sent fiery serpents [נחשים השרפים *nahashim seraphim*] among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against יהוה *Jehovah*, and against thee; pray unto יהוה *Jehovah*, that he take away the serpents from us.

Serpent of Brass

And Moses prayed for the people. And יהוה Jehovah said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent [שרף seraph], and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looks upon it, shall live.

And Moses made a serpent of brass [נחשת nahash nahashoth], and put it upon a pole [נס nes: signal, sign], and it came to pass, that if a serpent [נחש nahash] had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass [נחש נחשת nahash nahashoth], he lived.

Numbers 21: 5-9



Esoteric Meaning of 'Moses (Moshe)'

מ Mem

מ **Mem**: 13th letter, related to values 40 and 4. Symbolizes 'water.' Mem is the waters from which all created things emerge.

ש Shin

ש **Shin**: 21st letter, related to values 300 and 3. Symbolizes the Triple Flame of Life, Three Wicks of one Fire, the Spiritual Flame.

ה Hei

ה **Hei**: 5th letter. Symbolizes 'womb.' The second letter of the Holy Tetragrammaton (יהוה).

משה **Moshe**: Born of the Water and Fire

The Secret of Transmutation

The apple tree symbolizes the sexual force of Eden. When humanity ate of the prohibited fruit, they were cast out of paradise. [...]

The door of Eden is sex. Eden is sex itself.

The human being departed from paradise through the door of sex. Therefore, we can re-enter paradise only through this door.

The entire secret is found in the lingam-yoni of the Greek mysteries.

The great secrets of the universal fire of life are contained within the union of the phallus and the uterus.

There must be a sexual connection, but the semen must not be ejaculated [neither orgasm nor ejaculation of both man and woman].

The refrained desire will transmute the semen into light and fire.

The refrained desire will fill our sacred chalice with the sacred wine of light.

Samael Aun Weor, *Igneous Rose*

There must be sexual connection, yet without even one single drop of semen spilling out.

Refrained desire will make our seminal liquid to rise upwardly, towards the head. Thus, this is how our Beings are transformed into omnipotent gods of the universe.

Thus, this is how we lift our seven fiery serpents and set them upon a pole, as Moses did in the wilderness.

Samael Aun Weor, *Christ's Will*

