

the Holy Spirit, implicit in the Mutable Cross, is closely allied to the previous solar system, and the energy of that divine aspect is practically entirely occupied with manipulating the forces inherited from that system and inherent in the very nature of substance itself. This divine aspect is to the whole general divine manifestation what the lower nature (form life or personality in the three worlds of human evolution) is to the soul where an individual human being is concerned. As regards these three Persons of the divine Trinity, we might say that:

1. Aries is the focal point of the expression of the first aspect of divinity, the will aspect.
2. Leo is the focal point for the expression of the second aspect, the love-wisdom or consciousness aspect. This, primarily where humanity is concerned.
3. Virgo is the focal point for the expression of the third aspect, that of active intelligence. In that sign the highest function of matter is symbolized.

The four signs--Aries, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius--are related to the following stars which are not numbered in the twelve signs of the zodiac; they constitute another field of relationships:

Aries to one of the two stars, found in the constellation, the Great Bear, which are called the two Pointers.  
 Leo to Polaris, the Pole Star, found in the Little Bear.  
 Scorpio to Sirius, the Dog Star.  
 Aquarius to *Alcyone*, one of the seven Pleiades.

There is little that I can tell you in connection with the energies pouring into the four zodiacal signs from these distant though potent points of outgoing energy; they are part of the life expression of an Identity, immeasurably su-

Sirius--The Star of Sensitivity--governing the Hierarchy.  
*Alcyone*--The Star of the Individual--governing humanity.

You can see from the above how the entire plan of this Treatise is gradually unfolding. It was necessary for me to indicate to you the nature and the purpose of the three divine centers--Shamballa, the Hierarchy, and Humanity--before I could make this part of the teaching clear to you, or before I could point out the nature of the energies pouring from distant constellations and zodiacal signs into our planetary scheme.

Scorpio is the great constellation which influences the turning point both in the life of humanity and the life of the individual human being. For the first time in the history of both mankind and disciples the energy of Sirius, pouring into the seven groups which form our planetary Hierarchy evokes a response. I would remind you of a basic fact in the evolutionary process which astrology will eventually prove scientifically and past all controversy. This is the fact that energies and forces are pouring upon our system and our planetary lives ceaselessly, potently and cyclically. Yet they are only regarded today as existing when definite response is evoked. They come from all kinds of sources, extraneous to our system and planetary schemes, but until man responds and registers them both scientists and astrologers fail to recognize them and they are as if they were not. This is a point to bear in mind as I continue to teach you, for I may indicate some sources of active energy which may as yet be unknown to you as playing upon our system and its contents. The difficulty will not be because of my inaccuracies but will be owing to the lack of sensitivity in the mechanism of response which mankind and disciples are at present utilizing.

*Aquarius* relates humanity to the Pleiades and therefore to Taurus in an unusual manner. The key to this relation is to be found in the word *desire*, leading, through the transmutative processes of life experience, to aspiration and finally the relinquishing of desire in Scorpio. *Aquarius*, *Alcyone* and Humanity constitute a most interesting triangle of force. *Alcyone* is one of the seven Pleiades and is called the "star of the Individual" and sometimes the "star of intelligence." It was potently active during the previous solar system wherein the Third Person of the Trinity was peculiarly omnipotent and active, just as today the cosmic Christ, the Second Person of the Trinity, is peculiarly active in this solar system. The energies coming from *Alcyone* impregnated the substance of the universe with the quality of mind. As a consequence of this most ancient activity, the same force was present at the time of individualization in this solar system, for it is in this system, and primarily upon our planet, the Earth, that the major results of that early activity have made themselves felt. Two of our planets, the Earth (non-sacred) and Uranus (sacred), are directly the product of this third ray activity. This is of great importance to remember. I would also ask you to link this thought with the teaching that through the divine center of intelligent activity which we call humanity, the fourth kingdom in nature will eventually act as the mediating principle to all the three lower kingdoms. Humanity is the divine Messenger to the world of form; it is essentially Mercury, bringing light and life to other divine manifestations and of this all divine world Savors are the eternal symbols.

This coming process of planetary service through the third divine center is only truly effective when *Aquarius* rules and when our sun is passing through that sign of the

zodiac. Hence the immense importance of the next 2000 years. Therefore, only when a man is a world server and becoming group conscious can this desired objective of manifestation begin to demonstrate. It is beginning to happen today for the first time in planetary history. It is one of the first fruits of initiation and only in the next root race to our present Aryan race will we begin really to understand the significance of the process and the true nature of the energies to be released through the medium of humanity upon the planet. It is for this reason that Jupiter and Uranus (expressions of the second and the seventh rays) are the exoteric and esoteric rulers of *Aquarius*.

You have, therefore, the following line of force to study:

1. *Alcyone*--in the Pleiades, the mothers of the seven aspects of form life and the "wives of the seven Rishis of the Great Bear." They are connected with the Mother aspect which nurtures the infant Christ.
2. *Aquarius*--the World Server, the transmitter of energy which evokes magnetic response.
3. Jupiter and Uranus--planets of beneficent consummation. The second ray of love and the seventh ray which fuses spirit and matter "to the ultimate glory" of the solar Logos are in the fullest eventual cooperation.
4. Humanity--the focal point for all these energies and the divine distributor of them to individual man and later to the lower three kingdoms in nature.

Thus you see, that from a generalization re the exterior constellations (exterior to the zodiac and the solar system itself) we are becoming more specific, showing how certain stars in these constellations are definitely related by direct

humanity (and in a mysterious sense our Earth) will be functioning in perfect rhythm and will respond to the energies pouring in from *Alcyone*.

I cannot too strongly repeat that esoteric astrology is entirely concerned with the forces and energies which affect the *consciousness aspect* of the human being, and condition the personality life. This is the point which must be considered above all else. In other words, esoteric astrology is concerned with the soul and not with the form and, therefore, all that I have to say refers to consciousness, to its expansion, to its effect upon its vehicles, the form, and--in the last analysis (as will be later established)--with the Science of Initiation. This I have earlier pointed out, but the idea is so new and the approach so universal or cosmic, that it is not easy for those trained in modern exoteric astrology truly to comprehend the significance of this teaching. In considering the Triangles, which I have chosen to use as the theme in elucidating this immense subject, this emphasis upon the consciousness aspect must not be forgotten.

For the remainder of this section on the Science of Triangles, I shall take up those triangles which are *at this time* and in this world cycle producing effects in the human consciousness. These effects are of two kinds: those which are general, not so easily discernible and which affect the masses of men, and those which are more specific in their results, more tangibly effective and which serve to condition the consciousness of the world aspirants, disciples and initiates. Today, this dual movement of energies is going on, producing a slow, steady awakening of the mass consciousness so that individual self-consciousness on a large scale will be the result and the more rapid stimulation of

etary scheme concerned, then cosmic evil will be negated and a relative perfection achieved." (Cosmic Fire, 990.)

10. "Great waves of energy sweep cyclically through the entire solar system from the seven stars of the Great Bear. The strength of these vibrations depends upon the closeness of the connection and the accuracy of the alignment between any particular Heavenly Man and His Prototype." (Cosmic Fire, 1052.)

#### THE SEVEN SISTERS, THE PLEIADES

##### *References in The Secret Doctrine*

1. "The Pleiades are the supposed wives of the seven Rishis of the Great Bear. They are also the nurses of the God of War, Mars, the commander of the celestial armies." (II. 579.)
2. "The Pleiades are the central group of the system of sidereal astronomy
  - a. They are found in the neck of the Bull, the constellation Taurus.
  - b. They are therefore in the Milky Way.
  - c. They are thus considered (*Alcyone*, in particular) as the central point around which our universe of fixed stars revolves." (II. 582.)
3. "The number *seven* is closely connected with the occult significance of the Pleiades, the six present and the 7th hidden." (II. 654.)
4. "The Pleiades were at one time the Atlantides and connected with Atlantis and its seven races." (II. 811.)
5. "One of the most esoteric cycles is based upon certain conjunctions and respective positions of Virgo and the Pleiades." (II. 454.)

resolution for the minor four and eventually for all The Seven." (C.F. 370.)

14. "Sirius influences our entire solar system, via the three synthesizing schemes, Uranus, Neptune and Saturn." (C.F. 378.)
15. "Saturn is the focal point for the transmission of cosmic mind to our entire seven planetary schemes." (C.F. 378.)
16. "The Saturn scheme is esoterically regarded as having absorbed the 'frictional fires' of solar space." (C.F. 1154.)

THE PLANET--THE SUN  
*References in The Secret Doctrine*

1. "The sun is a central star and not a planet." (S.D. I. 126. Note.) (Therefore when it is included among the planets, as it is, it is simply because it stands for or veils a hidden planet.)
2. The sun is merely one of those suns which "are sunflowers of a higher light." It is "dwelling in the vehicle of a God or of a host of Gods, like milliards of other suns." (S.D.I. 319.)
3. "The sun is the storehouse of vital force which is the noumenon of electricity" (S.D.I. 579.)
4. "The sun was not a sacred planet." (S.D.II. 26.)
5. "The sun.....has its growth, changes, development and gradual evolution." (S.D.I. 667.)
6. "The sun is matter and the sun is spirit." (S.D.I. 820.)
7. "The sun is a great magnet." (S.D.I. 541.)
8. "The solar substance is immaterial." (S.D.I. 542.)
9. "The sun (i.e. the solar system) has **Alcyone** in the Pleiades for the center of its orbit." (S.D.I. 545.)

2. Taurus is regarded as the central group of the Milky Way.

NOTE: The Pleiades as the central group of the Bull and **Alcyone**, one of the 7 pleiades, is supposed to be the star around which our universe revolves.

VIRGO, THE VIRGIN--THE SIXTH SIGN OF THE ZODIAC  
*References in The Secret Doctrine*

1. "One of the most esoteric cycles is based upon certain conjunctions and respective positions of Virgo and the Pleiades." (II. 454.)  
"Virgo is inseparable from Leo and the Pleiades and the Hyades."

VENUS

In the second solar system, and in connection with the method employed therein, another point merits attention. This fire of mind has its source in a constellation until recently unrecognized by exoteric science as having any relation of an intimate nature to our solar system, owing to its tremendous distance away. *The sun "Sirius" is the source of logoic manas* in the same sense as the Pleiades are connected with the evolution of manas in the seven Heavenly Men, and Venus was responsible for the coming in of mind in the Earth chain. Each was primary to the other, or was the agent which produced the first flicker of consciousness in the particular groups involved. In every case the method was that of a slow evolutionary growth till the consciousness suddenly blazed forth owing to the interposition of force, apparently from an extraneous source.