

Glamour, a World Problem

Soul and Personality



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Freedom and Security

The world seems to be in **chaos**. Humanity does not know which direction it should go. We seem to have gained a lot of freedom but we won at the same time a lot of uncertainty.

These two concepts of *Freedom and Security* are great ideas that have been given a place as an **ideal** in the mind of humanity.

This ideal can only be achieved by means of the light of the soul, but this means struggle: giving up old habits; openness to **new influences** is a very slow process.

Freedom and Security

An example of a contemporary conflict:

Fundamentalism and the threat of terrorism.

This has its roots in the Age of Pisces. The 6th Ray is going out of incarnation, entailing the clinging to old crystallized patterns.

The sectarian aspect of the 6th Ray occurs not only in respect of religion, but also in science, business and politics.

Freedom and Security

The incoming *7th Ray* of the Age of Aquarius is focused on *cooperating* in groups and with different groups.

There is only one Humanity.

The *7th Ray* is the ray of the union of *spirit and matter*, which is the consciousness of the *Soul*.

We get an *opportunity to refocus*.

Old habits and characteristics such as pride, selfishness, manipulation, criticism and self-interest must be transformed.

Explanation of Root Races

The Esoteric Philosophy wants to express the following:

Although individuals or personalities, which together constitute a root may be new, these personalities are only outward vehicles of the *same Monad*, which used the former personalities during an era of revelation. The vehicles are gone, as are the old features of the old race.

This same Monad will again assume very different vehicles, which will be brand *new*, to continue their cycle of evolution into new countries and new circumstances in which they will form a new race, which will be completely different from the old Root Race.

Explanation of Root Races

The word Monad, as used here, refers to the Pilgrim, going through the Cycle of Necessity and living life after life on the Earth, making use of a vehicle specific to the Human Empire.

Technically, the Monad is Atma-Buddhi, which allows the immortal Pilgrim to reveal time and again on the Earth by means of the Higher Manas, and to use the human body as a vehicle.

Explanation of Root Races

A race may be considered as a major step on the ladder of evolution. The effort waves are like the waves on the sea coast. Each wave that breaks, is again included in the next wave.

The seven major phases of development, through which humanity evolves, are divided into seven smaller development phases, called *sub-races*.

Each of the seven Root Races has a special continent where it *belongs* and where it is going through its specific evolution.

INTUITION

Intuition is a function of the *mind*.

When the intuition functions completely, then we shall be able to act *promptly* and *precisely* because we are in contact with *the Plan* and this comes from the *Universal Mind*.

It always concerns impressions *that serve humanity and which contain no personal information*.

One of the goals of the Hierarchy is the *breaking and expelling of the world-glamour*.

Glamour, Illusion, Maya, The Watcher on the Threshold

Illusion: Pipe Dream or Chimera. Mental plane. The misunderstanding of ideas and thought forms.

Glamour: Self-deception, Optical illusion, Glare. Astral. Currently very powerful. Vast majority of men.

Maya: Uncontrolled complaints arising from prana and hidden forces of the substance itself. Comes to efficacy in deception or illusion, or both.

The Watcher on the Threshold: Always present. Comes into action on the path of discipleship (the consciousness of Illusion, Glamour and Maya, the integrated personality).

The Origin of Glamours during Human Evolution

Lemurian era: There was a dawning awareness of Maya, but there was no real glamour and illusion.

Atlantic era: Early Atlantic period: *glamour*. Late-Atlantic days and at the beginning of the Aryan race: *illusion* in the advanced people.

Aryan race in the present time: all these forms occur in all initiated people before their third initiation.

Causes of World Glamour

Planetarian causes

Causes as a result of human activity

Causes to which any individual has given rise, but that can be reduced to either of these factors.

Glamour on the Astral Plane

Glamour has a *very old rhythm*, as a result of activity of *human desire*. It is an inseparable part of its own energy kind of man and thus a great global process.

Zij is *Atlantisch* van aard en kan alleen *verdreven* worden door het Arische ras - *denkvermogen onder invloed van de ziel*.

Glamour is *Atlantic* in nature and can only *be driven* by the Aryan race – when bringing the *mind under the influence of the soul*.

Four fundamental Recognitions and Impact of Glamour:

The *personal past*:

with *selfish* desires.

Family:

known by inherited and
psychological tendencies.

National illusions:

are usually recognized in
national and psychological
traits; very persistent

Glamour of the human race:

very old ingrained desires, for
example, *money and
materialistic value*.

Selfishness is the oldest delusion of mankind.

Glamours that keep humanity in their grip.

Materialism

Dedication

Pairs of opposites

Criticism

Feeling

The glammers of the Path

MATERIALISM

The *free market economy*, which makes the rich richer and the poor poorer. The desire for a *makeable world*, the *greed* that is infinite. We want to continue producing and consuming more but only 17% of the world-population takes its benefits.

We want to materialize everything: happiness (house, car, vacation) - experiences of God by means of expensive courses, alchemy etc.

Dedication

This glamour relates primarily *6th-Ray people*. Devotion to a teacher, a cause, a belief, a person is in itself an innocent desire, but it becomes dangerous when personal desire takes on the rhythm of the world-glamour.

The glamour is dangerous because of the *wonderful colour* that fog and mist embody.

Pairs of Opposites

These are caused by the *alternation* between *deep joy* of the *Soul* and moments of *gloom* and *depression* according to the disciple oscillating back and forth between these poles (between the 1st and 2nd initiation).

This lasts *as long* as the *focus* remains on the *feeling*. *Feelings* (emotions) belong to the astral plane and *not* to the level of the *Soul*; only when the *concentration* shifts to the *mental* plane, this glamour, causing *separation*, will be chased.

Criticism

To Criticize (3rd Ray) is in fact a projection of our own unrecognized glamour being therefore of astral nature due to a lack of self-knowledge.

Being critical is the analysis method (5th Ray), a mental activity, without a soul influence and leading to separation.

Perception is to see (know) what happens, but without judgment and with understanding (light of the soul) of the person or situation, and is therefore intuitive in nature.

Feeling

Love is for many people no real love but a mixture of desire to love and to be loved, and is based on affection.

The pseudo-love is focused on: I give you something, but I have to have something in return. This feeling imprisons most people and imposes obligations that do not exist.

The buddhic love (Soul) is based on love in service and in releasing the other.

The Path

At the *end* of the last century a *powerful* thought form of *destruction* held the thinking of millions of people in its grip.

Edgar Cayce and - some centuries earlier - *Nostradamus* have by *misinterpretations* of history and the *Bible* (i.e. by literally taking the symbols and by working astrologically with the small zodiac) created an image of an *apocalyptic end of the world*.

Nostradamus and Edgar Cayce were both *clairvoyant* in an early stage of *mental polarization*, but still subject to *astral influences*. Regularly certain sects still forecast a dooms day.

Difference between Glamour and Illusion

Development of humanity in the stage between *adolescence* and *adulthood* (esoterically between 14 and 28 years).

Through *self-thought* one is somewhat liberated from *imposed constraints* of an *orthodox* doctrine and a teacher, and thus free from domination.

One *gradually* learns to stand on his own, to make his own decisions, to self-identify his own *truth* and to choose his *own* path.

As long as there took *no* higher initiations place, one can become obsessed after a while with his freedom and come thus *under the influence of the glamour* of his *ideal of freedom* and as a result become the *prisoner of his freedom*.

Difference between Glamour and Illusion

Rejection of all forms of *domination*. Demanding the *right* to be *on his own*. One becomes so to say a sort of anarchist. It is a very *self-centred*, but *necessary* phase.

Evolutionary we are as human beings at different stages of puberty. This *independence* can make someone a *prisoner* in the fog of *freedom*.

People are not aware that they are *not* yet under the authority of the *Soul* and of that *Group of Souls*, to which one is karmically connected.

The Path one walks *together with others* (group-law). There are some *Road Rules*.

Spiritual Freedom and Security

There is *freedom of action* in the domination of the *personality*, but there is *never* any *freedom* possible under the *Law of Giving Service*. One makes this choice voluntarily, preserving individual potential in the service of the Plan.

Real Freedom means: standing in the *unobstructed light* of the *Soul*, which is basically and intrinsically *group consciousness*.

Truly group consciousness is acquired by consciously working on *world-glamour* and *illusion*.