

SESSION THREE

SESSION POINTS

The structure of the Tree of Life

- The Tree of Life is a simple model of a complex system.
- In Kabbalah, a system known as Pardes, meaning 'orchard', details the breaking-down of each of the Sephiroth into further Trees of Life.
- Thus, we get the "Tiphareth of Binah of Yesod of Malkuth ..."
- In modern science, the mathematics of fractal systems details a similar process.
- An example of such iterative systems is Gematria, an analysis of Hebrew letters.
- Gematria should be applied to Hebrew words.
- Hebrew letters are unique in having a meaning, a value and a spelling.
- An example of this is Aleph, meaning "ox" and having the value of 1 and the spelling of ALPh (Aleph, Lamed, Peh).
- The Hebrew word "Kether," applying to the first Sephirah means "Crown," and is spelt Kaph, Tau, Resh.
- These letters have the corresponding Tarot cards of the Wheel (Kaph), the Universe (Tau) and the Sun (Resh).
- A method of interpreting these cards is that the source of the universe, Kether, generates fortune, or the entire future of the system, the total material of the system, and the energy of the system.
- A method of applying this teaching to everyday life is the way in which any image or object can be linked to another, until the entire universe can be seen in a grain of sand. This can be done through the Kabbalistic meditation on the permutation of letters, their constant re-arrangement until their unifying nature is perceived.

Work Points

Take one of the names of the Sephiroth and spell it in full using the Hebrew letters. Also note which Tarot cards correspond with the letters (as the example of Kether, above).

READING MATERIALS

Chapter Three of the Magicians Kabbalah.

ON LINE LINKS

<http://www.psyche.com/psyche/links2.html>

EXERCISES

Meditate in any fashion or utilize the energies discovered by an analysis of the Tarot cards attributed to the letters of one of the titles of the Sephiroth.

DISCUSSION AREA

Templum Group on Yahoo (not linked in this free sample)

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