

SS AT TRANSITION PERIODS TO A NEW CYCLE

According to the H. P. Blavatsky's Works and Theosophical Tradition

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Everything that happens in the Universe, from the beginning of Mahamanvanthara, happens according to certain laws of the Universe. These Laws are an expression of Higher Consciousness. Everything that exists, from electron to star, is permeated by Consciousness. This Primary Reality is still beyond our perception, but sages and saints have always named it by contradicting terms. Many called it “God,” others called the Law, Heaven, the Great Architect, Evolution, Avalokiteshvara. Each person, in accordance with his character and experience, can determine his attitude towards this Consciousness, which directs everything in the manifested Universe. According to theosophical tradition and cosmogony, there is only a single Law in the Universe, “the law of harmony, perfect balance”¹⁵¹, which acts as a single energy through the Logos. And during Manvantar, the Logos has its own consciousness and its own individuality, which, in turn, first manifests itself as Light, or universal consciousness, and then as individual consciousness. The Trinitarian Logos acts through the Creative Hierarchies of spiritual plans, these are the plans of the Higher Consciousness on which the Logos unfolds the Universe, “supporting it during its existence and taking it into Itself at its completion”¹⁵².

At the stage of the manifested Universe, we can talk about cosmic consciousness, since the words Universe and Cosmos in this case are synonyms. H. P. Blavatsky says that cosmic consciousness exists on the following seven plans: “Atmic; Buddhic; Manasic Kama-manasic; Kama-pranic; Astral; Practical”¹⁵³. You can also refer to the corresponding

¹⁵¹ “Letters of the Mahatmas”; Collection; RIPOL classic; Moscow; 2006. P. 58; 245.

¹⁵² A. Besant "Study of consciousness"; REFL book, Wakler; Kiev; 1997. P. 17.

¹⁵³ H. P. Blavatsky “Instructions for the internal group students”; Sphere; Moscow; 2000. P.

diagram in *The Secret Doctrine*¹⁵⁴. The division into Plans must be understood correctly, because in infinite Space, all plans interpenetrate each other, representing different levels of spirit-matter.

These seven plans correspond to the seven states of human consciousness. The first two Plans are the Higher Consciousness Plans, accessible to understanding only by the Initiates, since they are still inaccessible to human intellect in its present development. On the next two plans – Buddhic and Atmic – special Initiates' evolution takes place. The evolution of an ordinary person happens on three lower plans: physical, emotional (astral) and mental. Each of them unfolds sequentially one after another, developing inside the previous one. Each plan has its own substance or matter of space, and therefore its own specific quality of consciousness.

Aware of the metaphysical nature of many of the mentioned plans of being, one can ask: “Do the presented diagrams and schemes give anything to the seeker?”, We find the answer in one of the *Secret Doctrine* writing goals: “to prove that Nature is not“ a random combination of atoms” and indicate to man his rightful place in the scheme of the Universe”¹⁵⁵. This means that for our rather limited human mind and the limited possibility of the five senses for knowing non-physical plans, schemes and diagrams can only help in creating the internal scheme of the universe. But for real awareness of even the plans of being, which constitute only our solar system, the knowledge of the ancient knowledge basics, and most importantly, for awareness and transformation in a special period of transition to the next cycle – the Age of Aquarius, an ordinary person in the West **needs to change his way of thinking**, which is consciousness expansion.

It is difficult to do this quickly, “for a person can think only along his usual rut, and if only he does not **have the courage** to bury it and build a new one for himself”¹⁵⁶. More developed Souls have always helped and supported humanity in its development, and especially during periods of trials. They and we have the common task of building a solid foundation for a new world of thought (new thinking). In the *Mahatma Letters* we find:

¹⁵⁴ H. P. Blavatsky “*The Secret Doctrine*”; Vol. 1; Theosophical Edition, Adyar, Madras, India;

1991.

¹⁵⁵ Ibid.

¹⁵⁶ “*Letters of the Mahatmas*”; Collection; RIPOL classic; Moscow; 2006. P. 5.

“Countless generations have built ... the giant Tower of Infinite Thought, where Titan lived and will, if necessary, dwell alone, leaving it only at the end of each cycle to invite selected people from humanity to cooperate with him and help him enlighten the superstitious person. And we will continue this periodic work; we will not allow to embarrass us in our philanthropic attempts until **the foundation of the new world of thought** is built so firmly that no amount of opposition and ignorant cunning ... can not be overcome”¹⁵⁷.

All the great changes of today's world are happening according to the divine plan of the Higher Consciousness. The transition to faster higher vibrations and the corresponding individual consciousnesses of people is only one of the transformation processes in a given period of transition into the next cycle, the next era. Sublime, positive thoughts just correspond to such fast high vibrations. And the thought enlightened by love is infinite and omnipotent. Man must change, since only individuals transformation can lead to a general humanity transformation.

Souls, individual consciousnesses, which have received more developed forms for the evolution on Earth passage – the body, have been coming during the last few years and these days. We can find inspiration in changing ourselves to help them and the whole of humanity move into the Golden Age of truth and purity.

“TRANSESTHETICS” AS AESTHETICS OF INFORMATIONAL CULTURE AND THE LOST IDENTITY

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Already in the first half of the twentieth century, it was obvious to T. Adorno that late-fashioned art, incorporated into mass production commercialization system, was subjected to profound anthropological shifts, changes its social functions, being changed internally. It lends itself

¹⁵⁷ Ibid. P. 15.