The Mystery of Judgment

The understanding of Purgatory discussed above involves the notion of a Judgment after Death. The theological origins concerning it are usually presented in two stages:

- 1.The Special Judgment
- 2. The General Judgment

To better understand this thesis, we must reconsider the subject in the light of initiatory elements which highlight "the Truths" which were originally hidden in the first centuries of Christianity because of their Persian origin.

For Christian teaching on the Judgment after Death to impress converts, this teaching had to be reduced to its simplest expression.

However, this Mystery is not that simple. The fear of Judgment is buried deep in the Human consciousness. Psychoanalysts almost always find it at the bottom of neuroses, feelings of guilt, complexes of all kinds, etc...

In Eastern beliefs and philosophies, judgment undergoes numerous definitions, according to the School Writings of Thought. But, in general, Brahmins and Buddhist monks teach that Judgment is automatic (although presided over by YAMA, God of Death).

The Sage, "the Enlightened One" is liberated and passes into NIRVANA (beyond Births and Deaths), while the soul still attached to earthly desires must return to the "Wheel of Causality" through successive incarnations until to its complete perfection.

According to the opinion of ancient Egypt, Earthly Life was only a preparation for the future life. His entire spiritual ethics was based on the initiatory Knowledge of life beyond the grave.

After Death, the 42 assessor Gods listened to the confession of the deceased (in 42 declarations). The soul of the dead was weighed on a scale with the feather of Truth on the opposite scale. He had to tell his life in every detail. TOTH, the scribe of the Gods inscribed it on tablets.

"The most fully developed description of the Hall of Judgement is found in the Book of the Dead, in particular in Spell 125. This complex, and lengthy, text contains the Negative Confession in which the deceased asserts (first to Osiris and then to forty-two other judges) that they are worthy by listing the crimes and offenses they have not committed. Then the heart of the deceased was weighed against the feather of Ma'at. (The Goddess that personified the concept of morality and truth) Spell 30 of the Book of the Dead is testament to the pragmatism of the Egyptians. It ensures that the heart would not speak out against them when they were being judged! They could also appeal to Thoth for his help in gaining a positive outcome in the Hall of Judgement (Spell 20 of the Book of the Dead).

Ancient Egypt on Line.

According to this analytical confession, the scales tilted to one side or another, giving the decision. The pure soul passed in the "Barque of a thousand years" to the Paradise of Osiris; the corrupted soul was thrown to the destructive God with the head of a hippopotamus.

The Judgment was final at least for one solar cycle. There was never a General Judgment.

Among the Hebrews there is no indication of the particular judgment. It is said in the Talmud that the soul of an Israelite must be reborn if he has not left a son, so that the race of Israel may not perish. There is no mention of reward or punishment except with the Moses Law.

On the doctrine of the General Judgment, the Old Testament and the Talmud are categorical. It is a Judgment exclusively in favor of Israel and of a material turn. ISRAEL will dominate the world, Jerusalem will be the sole capital and "the uncircumcised" will be thrown to final destruction!!! The Apocalypse according to Saint John is one of the many descriptions of this Final Judgment.

The Ancient Persian religion was very clear regarding the particular Judgment. This very dualistic belief, which I spoke about in the previous chapter on Purgatory, was based on two principles of equal value: ORMUZD, God of Light, AHRIMAN, God of Darkness.

However, "Good" must always dominate.

In the final judgment, ORMUZD was to descend from Heaven surrounded by fire, the good souls accepted into its light, the wicked condemned forever. Earth and Sky would be reunited, and "Evil" AHRIMAN chained for Eternity.

The theology of the first centuries of Christianity based its eschatology on Persian teaching.

This rapid historical examination in the evolution of religious thought to allow us to better understand the occult understanding of the Mystery of Judgment.

Death, as we have said, is not an alchemical transmutation, but the "continuity of Life" on other planes. Science itself admits, in its own way, the idea of parallel universes. It is difficult to use terrestrial words to designate non-spatial regions where time and space no longer have the same meanings. We are in another dimension where thought moves at the speed of Light. Those who have made outings in the Astral will have an approximate idea of this Beyond.

The sensation of the newcomer in this "no man's land" is undoubtedly the non-gravity and the solitude of this more or less illuminated twilight region... The Initiates who have the knowledge of this Beyond, who have conquered the "Guardian of the Threshold" during their earthly life, cross this region without lingering there, to enter the kingdom of "the Silver Plain" where we already receive the reflections of the Divine Light more or less distorted.

It is a purely symbolic topography; but most immediately find themselves in the place of their preconception (beyond their own creation). Due to that last thoughts. are those which are engraved on the Mental Body, they are powerful in their effects. Those who directed their last thoughts towards relatives, friends they loved, find them for a time in the Beyond, welcomed by them on the edge of this twilight region. This Principle is also true for those who plan to see the Angels, the Saints, the Virgin or Our Lord.

However, be careful, these semblances are only "thought forms" which will have to dissolve.

Anyway, in most cases, meeting or greeting seems short-lived; weak souls will cling to it, of course, but unconsciously will approach the "Dormitories of the second sleep". This infinitely variable period can be measured by weeks, years... The spiritual fatigue of an entire earthly life sometimes requires a long rest. Although it is the famous Dreamless Sleep, the Mind nevertheless resumes its activity without disturbing the resting Astral Body, and takes up each action and each word of each day spent on Earth, organizes them, classifies them. He digests all the knowledge acquired. Freed from all material and carnal desires, the mental

Body sees "Its Life" again, in the True Light of truth. The first stages of Judgment will begin.

Insensibly, "Dreamless Sleep" will become less deep, and the personality prepares to become "CONSCIOUS" again, while remaining asleep (we experience this in sleep). A recent television program scientifically demonstrated to us the different phases of sleep which are curiously related to those of "Survival". The vast treasuries of the Unconscious will open, not in the unusual overflow of dreams, but disciplined by the Conscious and the Supra-Conscious.