The Divine Plan

There is a divine plan for our planet and for the role of humanity on it. Its source is in the divine councils of the universe, and it is implemented by the highest three kingdoms of Life on our planet.¹ We humans have a role to play in cooperating with this plan to help bring about the ascension of the whole.

Divine Purpose

The ultimate purpose for humanity is unknown, as we are simply conscious cells within larger cosmic wholes. We would need to know the divine purpose of these many integrated "gods", and hence of God Itself. However, masters and seers have suggested that the immediate purpose of our Planetary Logos is to create a planetary synthesis of all seven kingdoms of Life, with fully integrated systems, in order to bring about a tremendous solar revelation.² This is the planetary equivalent of the integrated personality uniting with soul, freed of material attachments, and then uniting further with divine Will. In both human and planet this level of attainment is the fourth initiation of crucifixion and resurrection, marking the ascension out of one kingdom into the next, higher kingdom of Life.³

Cosmic beings cooperating with the will of the Planetary Logos manifest this process. They set the parameters of the Earth system to guide all aspects of planetary life, including the growth of human free will. Our will develops within the limits of their parameters, guided by karma, reincarnation and grace. It eventually leads, as a result of this learning, to a personal decision to unite with the will and purpose of the Planetary Logos, the Father, to be as one.

So we can ask, as cells within larger organisms, where are we going? We are like stem cells that are primal yet have the potential to evolve into a variety of specialized cells. It is the environmental conditions, epigenetic factors, that direct the cells' potentials into the various specializations. Our personal histories are guiding us there now, and when the ascension revelation ultimately expands our being, we will consciously cooperate with the higher Purpose in choosing our individual, special contribution to the greater whole. According to Ken Carey's source, we are the prototype of a new and universal species, half spirit and half matter, bringing a second stage of universal creation into form, a new and unprecedented cycle of divinity.⁴ As such, our potential variety is unlimited and profound. Some idea of the possibilities follows.

Divine Panarchy

The first thing to remember is that we are all part of an immense ecological garden of mutual, interactive evolution. This is the garden of our space-time universe, with its many spatial organs of galaxies, etc., and its many esoteric levels of Being. This is the Divine Panarchy. The modern science of panarchy details the process where biological ecosystems go through cycles of growth, conservation, collapse, reorganisation and growth again, at various geographic and time scales.⁵ This occurs in Divine Panarchy through cycles of spiritual evolution and development, the crises of collapse being periods of

¹ There are seven kingdoms, the human kingdom being the middle kingdom.

² R&I, p.717.

³ See <u>http://www.progressions.info/Articles.htm</u>, The Fourth Initiation of Earth, and see R&I, p.602-641.

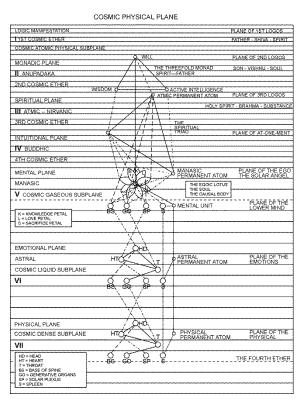
⁴ Ken Carey, *Vision*, p.3-4, and *The Third Millennium*, p.7.

⁵ Gunderson and Holling (eds), *Panarchy: Understanding Transformations in Human and Natural Systems* Island Press, Washington 2002. Further good treatment is in Thomas Homer-Dixon, *The Upside of Down*, Island Press, Washington, 2006, ch 9. The first chapter of Gunderson and Holling can be read at www.resalliance.org/593.php.

transformation such as initiations and lesser moral decisions. These require the destruction of old ideas and acceptance of the new. It is organized through its spiritual levels of awareness and its cosmic councils of consciousness. They influence the space-time systems of energy and consciousness exchange that impacts our solar system and all Life within it.⁶ When the larger cosmic entities experience these changes it affects all of their subsystems and Beings. Such cosmic changes are now affecting planet Earth and its inhabitants, requiring expansions of our Divine Plan of development. What the cosmic beings do affects us, and what we do, as part of their organic being, affects them. We are part of their purpose and plan, and they are part of ours, because we are one evolution, one ultimate purpose, with many interdependent participants. New and powerful energies are now stimulating humanity, to either ascend in our awareness or descend to more basic levels of living.

The Self-Revealing Plan

There are two ways to know the Divine Plan. The first is self-revealing through deep meditation, and the second is by analysis of the principles governing the coming Age of Aquarius. Both are considered here and a description of the first of these follows.



Through meditation our consciousness can penetrate to the spiritual triad to reveal the plan for humanity.⁷ This requires good motive, love and patience. With patience and firmness our consciousness then becomes polarized in alignment to divine purpose, to humanity and to all the kingdoms of Life. We then can use all relevant energies to materialize our own part of the Divine Plan as an agent of Light.⁸

This outline is given more substance in Zachary Lansdowne's comparison of the writings of Alice Bailey and Lucille Cedercrans about the Technique of Integration for the Seventh Ray.⁹ This Technique is vital for self-revelation as the 7th ray is the governing ray of the Aquarian Age, and integration is the major principle of the Aquarian Age.

The first part of the Technique of Integration for the Seventh Ray is having an aspiration to unite the spiritual with the personal. This creates a magnetic field between spirit and personality, precipitating higher ideas into the

Figure 1. The Planes of Being

mind and creating thoughtforms. We then choose whether to use these for self or for the whole, thus choosing the path of white or black magic. When we choose the influence of the divine will, we seek to

⁶ Details of the Divine Panarchy are at <u>http://www.progressions.info/Articles.htm</u>, articles on Ecology of Spirit and on Divine Panarchy.

⁷ Figure 1 shows the spiritual triad in relation to the soul, higher Spirit, and lower personality (TCF, p.817).

⁸ Detailed in DNA II p.259-62.

⁹ At <u>www.esotericquarterly.com/issues/EQ11/EQ1101/EQ110115-Lansdowne.pdf#page=1</u> (*Esoteric Quarterly Magazine*, Spring 2015, p.39-63).

manifest it for all the planes of figure 1 from higher through to the physical. We are then able to create forms (mental, social and physical) that serve the Divine Plan.

The second part of the Technique is the conscious use of soul and spirit powers in expanded awareness, which transmute our lower nature through Love and Truth. We become aware of self and selfishness, of the dangers of ego, of the subtle glamours of working with the Divine Plan and of personal potency. These make true working with the Plan difficult to achieve. However, as we become more aware of the issues of our own nature we invoke divine guidance.

The third part of the Technique is overcoming the desire, glamour and pride we experience in doing spiritual (magical) work. We eventually learn that true love of the Divine Plan leads to the creation of a comprehensive, concrete science that helps build a new Heaven and Earth. We know that spiritual vision leads to growth of the Christ Consciousness in people, which is essential for the reappearance of the Christ.¹⁰ Consequently we have renewed focus on our own role in the great work for the spiritual evolution of the whole.

In the fourth part of the Technique our consciousness is stabilized in the soul's frequency in order to avoid astral contamination. The soul directs the personality intuitively, both focused now in divine Light. We work from this centre in creating enlightened material forms.

In the fifth and last part of the Technique of Integration for the Seventh Ray our consciousness remains in soul alignment until a deep vision of the Divine Plan is received. We learn to work from external need to inner cause, and to then use our higher understanding to assist the external need, transforming the mental, emotional and physical levels of being. In this way we implement our part of the Divine Plan.

Aquarian Age Principles

The first thing that can be said about the Aquarian Age is that the vague mystical idealism of the Piscean Age will be replaced by a clear-headed scientific organization of spiritual energy and awareness. Idealism will remain, as it is the manifestation of spiritual contact. It will simply take the form of a scientifically spiritual understanding and practical application.

Aquarius is ruled by Uranus, manifesting Ray Seven which has been called the Ray of Ceremonial Law or White Magic. It unites the polarities that we call spirit and matter, so enabling the mind to work wonders, apparent magic, in each. It does this by an understanding of the divine laws pertaining to each level of being. This enables a radical transformation of life systems through mentally directed spiritual energies and divine purpose. A major role of Uranus is to initiate a new order of life and conditions.¹¹ This comes about through the understanding of primal causes, the limitations of old ways and the desire to change these to new and more progressive ways of living. The scientific way of thinking leads to occult and divine knowledge, a spiritual consciousness and wisdom that brings awakening and initiation into a "reborn" expansion of being. The implications of this for the Aquarian Age are profound, for we are now about to undertake a similar process for the entire human race. We have the opportunity to

¹⁰ The Christ is a spiritual office, given various names by various religions, being the Son or Love aspect of the Trinity. In *Isis Unveiled* Helena Blavatsky wrote about Paul of Tarsus that "Paul meant by the word Christ …the abstract ideal of the personal divinity indwelling in man". The Christ Consciousness was defined by Edgar Cayce as the awareness of the soul's oneness with God imprinted as a pattern on the mind. Evolutionary Law brings each person into knowledge of God. ¹¹ EA, p.224.

make the radical transition to a new Heaven and a new Earth. This is a major task for the coming 2170 year period of Aquarius.¹²

Ray Seven, working through Uranus, is the energy of a spiritual drive to freedom and love, a spontaneous activity of evolutionary development. It embodies divine will, focus and leadership. It is immensely practical, stimulating great organizing power that precipitates the visioned ideal on to the physical plane, especially regarding the purpose and nature of the Divine Plan during the Age. In this manner Ray Seven complements Ray One of Divine Will and Purpose, which has the Shiva nature of destroying the old and enabling creation of the new. Because of this connection, the Aquarian Age will be infused with greater direction from Shamballa, which is the highest kingdom on Earth, the home of the Planetary Logos, Lord of the World. Shamballa is of Ray One (Shiva) quality and is the centre of divine Will and Purpose on Earth.

Uranus rules the occult way, in particular the immense transition needed on the final stages of the Path to achieve the death of the old and ascension into the new. This ascension to a new Heaven and a new Earth is not just for humanity, but for our entire planet as our Planetary Logos undergoes the fourth initiation.¹³ It is also for our solar system and beyond, as it appears that major changes in cosmic enlightenment are now occurring. We are interacting with these cosmic changes, having our own significant role to play in their unfoldment.

Ray Seven is also the ray of the Occident and now is the time of opportunity for the West through spiritual guidance of the organization of business, economy, governance, ecology and science.¹⁴ We now need a radical transformation of the management of our planet as an integrated and interdependent whole. We have the opportunity and the capability. It is only our motivation that needs enlightening.

Divine Plan in the Aquarian Age

Synthesis is the prime energy of the Aquarian Age, and it is of the tangible and the intangible. "Vertically" it integrates all levels of human consciousness and behaviour, and all kingdoms of Life, leading to high intuition and psychic abilities. As such it enables apparent magic, which is occult science. It also has the "horizontal" integration of yin and yang, and of all ethnicities and all times and places, leading to universal brotherhood. In turn all of these integrations lead to a profound oneness and an omniscient deepening of awareness.

Djwhal Khul (DK) has an enlightening comment that Ray Seven is the energy of Ray One that is manifest in form.¹⁵ Hence the leadership qualities of the Aquarian Age Ray Seven energies are those of the will and purpose of the Planetary Logos devolved through the Hierarchy (the 5th kingdom, of the masters) into a plan that is carried out by advanced humanity incarnate. We will be helped in this manifestation by master initiates of the 4th degree and above, both incarnate and discarnate.

In the coming Age the power of Rays One and Seven will stimulate human consciousness and behaviour to extremes of creativity and destruction, depending on our receptive level of consciousness. This most

¹² Year numbers are approximate. There is a 500 yr crossover period between the Age of Pisces and the Age of Aquarius. The influence of Pisces totally ends at yr 2125.

¹³TCF, p 384

¹⁴ IHS p.182-3.

¹⁵ EA, p.138.

likely will cause an initial division of behaviour into progressive and regressive, with a resulting great conflict. It will be enhanced by Ray Four's influence of conflict and harmony, beginning after year 2025 when its energies increase. The hope of the Age is an eventual resolution of conflict that creates harmony when all issues are resolved and all parties agreed. DK foresees world-wide cataclysms during the next 1000 years¹⁶, but with a new harmony of Heaven and Earth created by the end of the Aquarian Age. The Age brings a great human opportunity for expansion of consciousness, of love and wisdom, of divine illumination, and of universal brotherhood.¹⁷ The 2000+ years of the Piscean Age witnessed an amazing evolution of human civilization, education, health and spiritual awakening. The next 2000 years will see yet another quantum leap in our development into realms that we are yet unaware of.

The influence of Ray 2 of Love-Wisdom has increased steadily since the 16th century, and is now a powerful stimulus for compassion and cooperation in the world. It has sparked the growth of Christ Consciousness to the extent that this is now a significant energy enabling the human outworking of the Divine Plan. Pure Love underlies and unifies the effective working of will and intelligence. As such it ensures the eventual reappearance of the Christ, incarnate in a new world of harmony and wisdom. This is an essential consequence of the Divine Plan in the Aquarian Age.

The nature of the Divine Plan for humanity will therefore derive from the process of synthesis, which is a characteristic of the Ajna and Crown chakra levels of human development.¹⁸ Consequently, the Plan for the Aquarian Age will focus upon the practical manifestation of the highest possible qualities of human development. It will take in the process of ascension to these levels, and also their global outworking in all areas of life. Some examples of this potential outworking are available¹⁹, but firstly an understanding of the psychology of the process will help explain the nature of the Divine Plan.

Psychology

The psychology of the Ajna and Crown chakras is integration and synthesis to oneness. What this means is that the entire person, the entire planet, and all forms and levels of Being are seen as one organic whole. In human society all people are one family, all kingdoms of nature are one family with us, and we are part of a greater family of higher dimensions of Being. What we do affects all the kingdoms of Life on our planet, and affects our cosmic family also. The effects are both tangible and intangible, as the higher levels of consciousness are more powerful than concrete thought and exist beyond time and space. As such they can influence a wide range of phenomena, incarnate and discarnate.

As all is one interacting whole, we become aware of our actions within the whole. We see the need on Earth to integrate and harmonise all that we do, in the areas of economics, ecology, human relations, science, religion and politics, as they are all interdependent parts of the one global system. We also see the need to integrate our consciousness and behaviour with that of our elder brothers in the next, higher kingdom of masters, and also with our cosmic relatives. Assisting in this process is our steadily expanding psychic nature, intuition and illumination. These go beyond the concrete mind, but still use intelligence and discernment in their use.

¹⁶ Because Ray 7 stimulates destructive effects in the lower three sub planes of any plane, and constructive effects in the higher four sub planes. Hence destruction of limiting forms in the physical, emotional and mental planes (TCF, p.467). ¹⁷ EA, p.149.

¹⁸ These are detailed in <u>www.progressions.info</u>, chapter 2, on Chakra Psychologies. The synthesis is of the trinity of will, love and intelligence, and includes the qualities of all seven rays.

¹⁹ Ibid, chapters 4,5 and 6.

Gone is any separativeness, materialistic desire and selfishness. In their place is a concern for the good of the whole, for equity and justice, and for the peace of resolved harmony and divine at-one-ment. The need is seen for these to be made practical in all areas of life.

Outworking

While the Divine Plan can be seen to be a synthesis of the whole, there are subdivisions and themes within it as follows.

1. Economics

The growth from a competitive (Solar Plexus chakra) to a cooperative (Heart chakra) culture will see the reduction of greed and an increase of sharing. Human equity demands this, as the destructive nature of economic and social inequality is a great threat to social and political stability.²⁰ Measures to benefit all sections of society will be promoted within countries, and there will be better international regulation of resources and finance. The economy will also become a subsystem of global ecology as we realize our profound interdependence on all the life forms and energy flows that comprise our planet. There is one whole planetary life and one "home economy" for the entire globe.²¹

2. Religion

Religion as currently practiced will be transformed into spirituality, individually and collectively experienced. It will be an understanding of the reality of the one life in all forms, times, places and dimensions. The understanding will be occult and gnostic, forming a world faith seeking to express the will and purpose of God. Inner enlightenment will be obtained through meditation and invocation of divine Being. The esoteric mysteries will be taught on a wide scale, with the knowledge that Divine Law applies to all equally, and that there is no thing that is not spiritual, nor outside the whole body and love of Divinity. Visioning the Way will become the practice of the Divine that is alive within.

3. Politics

In both politics and religion the houses must be cleaned of all corruption and transformed into places of equity and progress. World peace will come only when nations create the conditions for harmony within themselves.²² Only then can they reach peaceful and equitable relations with other nations. The need for inspired leadership and management of an integrated world will see a better federation of nations, with a sense of interdependence and responsibility for all. National sovereignty will be seen to reside within the global sovereignty of our one world, as our sense of international consciousness and universal citizenship increases. People will elect leaders of high spiritual and managerial competence freely, through recognition of their needed qualities.

4. Science

Eventually, as aspects of Divine Law, science, economy, religion and politics will be seen as the united outworking of the will and purpose of God. As our consciousness attunes to the Divine Plan, we come to understand how the thought meditations of divine Being convert to living incarnate systems of Life, within Divine Law. This opens up a vast new field of science, wherein our intuitions penetrate further

²⁰ Wilkinson, R, and Pickett, K, *The Spirit Level*, Penguin, London, 2009 explains the benefits of economic and social equality and the debilitating effects of inequality.

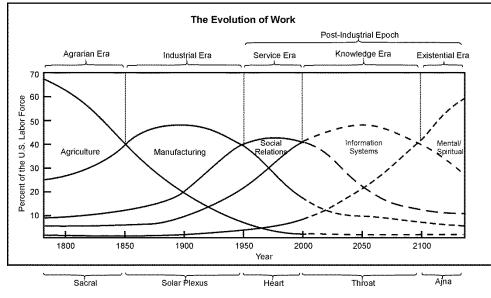
²¹ www.progressions.info, ch 5, p.11 on Ecolonomics explains the ecology-economics integration.

²² In turn this is dependent upon harmony within individuals.

into the Mind of God, into other dimensions of being, to reveal the splendors of Life and creativity. We will learn to work with and direct the frequencies of many dimensions beyond and within our spacetime. This will take our potential in cooperation with the greater Divine Plan beyond Earth, as we become conscious cooperators in cosmic evolution. Our capacity for creative science will be far beyond our present understanding, but we will work together to build the New Heaven and the New Earth. We will eventually assist in the integration of our planetary plan with that of galaxy and cosmos.

Chakra Stages of Development

Twenty years ago the polymath and futurist William Halal defined five overlapping eras of economic development (fig.2) showing modern economies to be currently dominated by information systems in the Knowledge Era.²³ He proposed a new era just emerging that he termed the "mental/spiritual" Existential Era. This era corresponds closely to the psychological evolution expected for the Aquarian Age. It is an outworking of the Ajna stage of human development as shown in figure 2.



A description of this Ajna era is given as "People are self-actualising and aligning all areas of their life to their highest vision. The previous emphasis on individual creativity and crafting of knowledge and information is now superseded (added to) by human self-development activities led by selfactualisation and transcendence, with their focus on integration of

Figure 2. Chakra Eras of Work

the self and others. They become the recognized technologies of self-catalysing evolution, applied to improve performance in all fields, and urgently needed to create harmony and integration for planetary life systems."²⁴ This analysis of recent economic developments has consequently led to a deep vision of an amazing future for humanity.

Is it Real?

The source of information about the Divine Plan comes from the 5th kingdom of the Masters and mostly from Djwhal Khul via Alice Bailey. However, there are other complementary sources including channeling and hypnotherapy, and correlations with past and present trends in human civilization. Esoteric astrology provides clues about the nature of the Aquarian Age and the potential for human crises and development. The highest possible outcomes of the Age may take a thousand years or more to manifest, yet they could match or exceed the rate of progress of humanity over the past two thousand years. The immense improvement in human behaviour needed to create a New Heaven and a New Earth

²³ Halal, William E, *The New Management*, Berrett-Koehler, San Francisco 1996

²⁴ In <u>www.progressions.info</u>, Chapter 5, page 14.

may seem by some to be beyond us, yet we are told that divine success is assured, if with crises and destruction of the old. We are now on the path of self-conscious development, and we have open to us the door of divine guidance should we wish to enter. Once we enter, an immense speeding of love and enlightenment can occur, a sure stimulus for a glorious and practical future for humankind and for our planet.

We are taking steps now. Let us continue in faith, in love, and in intelligent awareness.

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