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Early humanity personified and deified the unknown nature forces which were feared and revered. The Adept Teachers of humanity, Who knew, taught and spoke in allegories, metaphors and symbols, relating to the the origin, nature, and destiny of our universe. Traces of those Teachings have survived. In is now for us to unravel these exceptional excerpts on Shemesh, from *The Secret Doctrine* (Senzar Stanzas of Dzyan). The added boldface and [brackets] are for study pointers.

Shemesh is the Solar Logos. In Greek, *Logos* means the "Word" [of Creation]. The physical universe is born as stars come into being. Watch for the Hebrew root word, *Shem*, relating to divinities of Shamas

or Shamash to Shamans.

1 • "It [Shemesh] was the most ancient worship of all, that of the third Race of our [4th] Round [of Chain 4], the Hermaphrodites [Androgynes], to whom the male-moon became sacred, when after the "Fall" [in Genesis] so-called, the sexes had become separated [during the middle of the Third Root-race]. "Deus Lunus" [Lunar God, representing Nature] then became an androgyne, male and female in turn; to serve finally [unfortunately], for purposes of sorcery, as a dual power [of

polarityl, to the fourth Root-race, the Atlanteans.

2 • "With the Fifth (our own, [present Root-race]) lunar-solar worship divided the nations into two distinct, antagonistic camps. It led to events described aeons later in the Mahabharatan War, which to the Europeans is the fabulous, to the Hindus and Occultists [Inward Seekers] the historical strife between the Suryavanshas and the Indovanshas. Originating in the dual aspect of the moon, the worship of the female and male principles respectively, it ended in distinct solar and lunar cults scultures.

3 • "Among the Semitic races, the sun [Solar Logos] was for a very long time feminine and the moon masculine—the latter notion being

adopted by them from the Atlantean traditions.

4 • "The moon [Globe D, Planetary Chain 3] was called "Lord of the sun," *Bel-Shemesh* before the Shemesh worship.

Footnote to *Bel-Shemesh*: "During that period which is absent from the mosaic books—from the exile of Eden to the allegorical Flood—the Jews worshipped with the rest of the Semites *Dayyanishim*..., "the Ruler of Men," the "Judge," or the SUN. though the Jewish canon and Christianism have made the sun become the "Lord God" and Jehovah in the Bible, yet the latter is full of indiscreet traces of the androgyne Deity, which was Jehovah the *sun*, and Astoreth the moon in its female aspect, and quite free from the present metaphorical element given to it. God is a "consuming fire," appears *in*, and is "encompassed *by* fire." It was not only in vision that Ezekiel (viii,16) saw the Jews "worshiping the sun." The *Baal* of the Israelites (the **Shemesh** of the Moabites and the Moloch of the Ammonites) was the identical "Sun-Jehovah," and he is still now "the King of the Host of heaven," the Sun, as much as Astoreth was the "Queen of Heaven"—or the moon. The "Sun of Righteousness" has become a *metaphorical* expression *only now*."

5 • "The ignorance of the incipient reasons for such a distinction. and of occult [inner truth] principles, led the nations into anthropomorphic idol-worship. But the religion of every ancient nation had been primarily based upon the Occult [InnerTruth] manifestations of a purely abstract Force or Principle now called "God."

6 • "The establishment of such worship shows, in its details and rites, that the philosophers who evolved those systems of nature, subjective and objective, possessed profound knowledge, and were

acquainted with many facts of a scientific nature.

7 • "The ancients taught the, so to speak, auto-generation of the Gods: the one divine essence, unmanifested, perpetually begetting a second-self, manifested, which second-self, androgynous in its nature, gives birth in an immaculate way to everything macro- and microcosmical in this universe. This was shown in the Circle and the Diameter, or the Sacred [Number] 10 . . ." -H.P.Blavatsky, The Secret Doctrine (S.D.), 4th ed., 1947 (Covina, CA: Theosophical University Press), vol. I, p. 397-398. For more, see: Shem a Titan, II, 359, 411; Shemites, II,

8 • "There is a tradition of the "Beni Shamash" - the "children of the Sun"-concerning the Eastern allegory, with far more minute details in its triple version, than one can get either from the Book of Enoch, or the far more recent Revelation of St. John about the "Old

Dragon" and his various Slayers . . ." - S.D. vol. II, 506. 9 • "The Gnostic amulets and talismans are mostly the emblems of the apocalyptic allegories. The "seven vowels" are closely related to the "seven seals"; and the mystic title Abraxas, partakes as much of the composition of Shem ha-Mephorash, "the holy word" or ineffable name, the name called: The word of God, that "no man knew but he himself," . . ." -H.P.Blavatsky, Isis Unveiled (I.U.), vol. II, 147. For more, see same vol. II: Noah and Shem, 434; Sim is Shem in Hebrew, 217.

- 10 "Shem, Ham and Japhet are traced in the divinities Shamas of Assyria, Kham of Egypt, and Iapetos the Titan. Seth was god of the Hyksos, Enoch, or Inachus, of the Argives; and Abraham, Isaac and Judah have been compared with Brahma, Ikshvaku and Yadu of the Hindu pantheon. Typhon tumbled down from godhead to devilship, both in his own character as brother of Osiris, and as the Seth, or Satan of Asia. Apollo, the god of day, became, in his older Phoenician garb, no more Baal-Zebul, the Oracle-god, but prince of demons, and finally the lord of the underworld. The separation of Mazdeanism and Vedism, transformed the devas or gods into evil potencies. Indra, also in the Vendidad (a contraction of Vidaevo-datem, ordinances against the Daevas) is set forth as the subaltern of Ahriman, created by him out of the materials of darkness, together with Shiva (Surya) and the two Ashvins. . . ." - I.U., vol. II, 487-488.
- 11 "The Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, is but a series of historical records of the great struggle between white and black Magic [Esoteric Malpractice], between the Adepts of the right path, the

Prophets, and those of the left, the Levites, the clergy of the brutal masses. Even the students of Occultism [Inner Truth], though some of them have more archaic MSS. and direct teaching to rely upon, find it difficult to draw a line of demarcation between the Sodales [Fellowship] of the Right Path and those of the Left. The great schism that arose between the sons of the Fourth Race, as soon as the first Temples and Halls of Initiation had been erected under the guidance of "the Sons of God," is allegorized in the Sons of Jacob. That there were two schools of Magic, and that the orthodox Levites did not belong to the holy one, is shown in the words pronounced by the dying Jacob."

-S.D., vol. I, 211. 12 • In the cosmogonic work of the Logos, "Each Cosmic Monad is "Svayambhuva," [the Self-manifested] the SELF-BORN, which becomes the Center of Force, from within which emerges a planetary chain (of which Chains there are seven in our system [each Chain having 7 Globes, each Globe with seven Root-races]), and whose radiations become again so many Manus Svayambhuva (a generic name, mysterious and meaning far more than appears), each of these becoming, as a *Host*, the Creator of his own Humanity." -S.D., vol.II, 311. • The various expressions referring to **Shemesh** or the Solar Logos:

Ain-Soph, the Ineffable or Absolute Reality; the One Ray; the Emanation; the Demiourgos; Ishavara, the One whose divine vision sees no other than its own; Brahma, the Creator; the Light Bringer; the Light of the Logos as the Madhyama form, its beginning and ending are unknown, also relating to infinitude and the division of time; the Supreme Buddha or Vajradhara [Central Power], also Dorjechang, the Absolute; Plato's original and eternal IDEA; the Heavenly Man; the Collective Creator of the universe; the Synthesis of Creators; the Creative Deity; the Second God, the First being the Unmanifest; the Great Unseen; the Mirror reflecting Universal Mind; the "Bull" symbol of the Egyptians, the "Cow" being a symbol of the passive generative power of nature; the Logos of the Gnostics; Hermes, the Divine Interpreter; the "Word" by mouth; the LOGOS, or VERBUM.

• The most misunderstood meaning of all: "the Logos—Who is WISDOM, but Who, as the opponent of ignorance, is Satan or Lucifer, the Lightbringer, at the same time. This remark refers to divine Wisdom falling like lightning on, and quickening the intellects of those who fight [vanquish] the devils of ignorance and superstition."

-S.D., vol. II, 230.

13 • "Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber ..."

- Bible: Gen. 10:22.

14 • Also, the real name of Jesus—Yehoshuah Ben-Perahiah—who took the secret key ... of Shem ha-Mephorash to perform miracles.

15 • Moses' other name is Osarsiph, the Egyptian priest, hierophant of Hieropolis, of the sun-god Osiris (who, originally was Shemesh).

- I.U., vol. II, 201-202, & 555.

16 • "Even Ophir, ... sought in the India of the days of Hiram, is made a descendant of **Shem**." -I.U., vol. II, 217.