Hermetic Initiation IV

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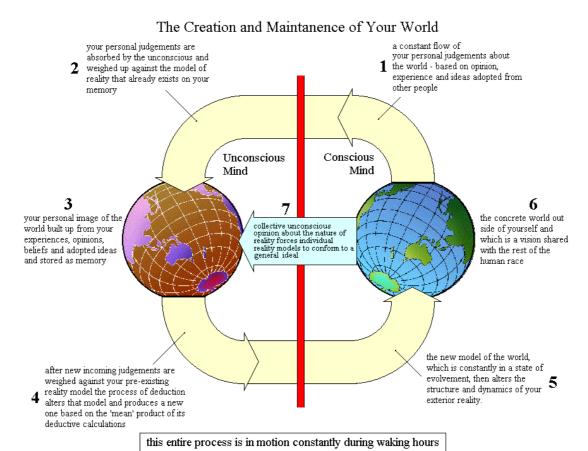
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Part Six

The Mind Machine

(The third important concept about incarnation)



an error in judgement, a lie or deception about reality that creeps in at point '1', especially if it is often repeated and never questioned properly, will travel around the entire cycle, effecting the nature of ones reality, and if serious enough, eventually causing death.

Our collective view of life in general is such an error and it is from that error that the general effect of death itself springs

We have looked at the cosmic laws and conditions that lay behind the created universe. We have looked at the way in which the human mind grows. Now we need to look at how the mind functions on a daily basis, and its relationship with the process of creation.

The objective function (Ruach) was taught by your close family how to analyse the world what to *think* about the world. At seven years of age (roughly) we began to add, to the original model of the world we inherited, our own opinions about the world. These personal opinions arise mainly from two areas of activity. First, conclusions drawn from our observation of external phenomena. Secondly, conclusions drawn from internal concepts (our thoughts about the world.) It shouldn't be forgotten though, that both of these sets of conclusions are heavily coloured by our original inherited worldview. What we were taught by our immediate family, or what we weren't taught by them, shapes everything we later think for ourselves.

So now, as adults, we walk around our every day world with our objective consciousness chattering away in our head almost constantly. Its chatter is almost entirely comprised of judgements about what we experience in our world. It's saying things like ... "there's a car"

... "there's a woman" ... "I don't like that kind of sandwich" ... "I agree with that persons opinion" ... and so on. We can say, therefore, that in order to uphold our view of the world our conscious mind has to keep telling us what is in the world and what we believe about those things.

Now, all of the information that is produced by the analytical factor slides back, in a steady stream, into the unconscious. There, each idea, concept or judgement is recorded, sorted and filed away in memory. But, because we don't keep a constant conscious focus on our internal chatter one of the things we rarely realise is that many times in every day we make judgements, expound and reinforce beliefs that contradict other judgements and beliefs we have or will produce. So the unconscious must *digest* (or decompose) all of these beliefs and judgements about the world, compare each judgement with the essential conclusions of every other one we have made, and *deduce* an average concept of what we as individuals believe the world is ... or should be.

For example, (and this is a gross over simplification) if in any particular day my objective faculty tells me four times 'I like red cars', and one time that 'I hate red cars', after that information is digested and reduced to an mean-average by the unconscious, its conclusion will be that red cars are ok. This is because I said 'ok' more times than 'yuk'. Nevertheless, the unconscious will record a note to the effect that there is a conflict here, for some reason I said 'yuk' once, and that is not consistent with the conclusion (the mean-average) that I like red cars. This note will, it should be understood, interfere with the way in which I deal with red cars in the outer world in future.

If we stop for a moment and think, for example, how many times we have formed an opinion about television in our lives, and that every time we register another opinion about it that that opinion must be checked against all the previous, so that we can readjust our overall opinion about television, we can get a clearer idea of what the unconscious is up to. Now take that small example and consider that our unconscious is doing this with countless 1000's of opinions and beliefs every day.

Now we get to the important part. The mean-average conclusion about every opinion we have had about the world is the blueprint from which our world is created.

Literally, the judgements we are constantly making about the world are filtered through the unconscious and the unconscious actually produces our world, in every detail, from the conclusions it draws from those judgements.

Because we are using software for judging the world that is programmed with faulty concepts, the world our unconscious mind produces is faulty. Mostly the faults are very small and subtle things. But it is an accumulation of these small subtle faults in judgement that eventually contribute to our deaths ... in the same way that small faults in a computers operating system (like Microsoft Windows) will eventually cause the operating system to choke, crash, and fail to function. Ultimately this will mean we will have to format our hard drive (die) and reinstall the operating system (reincarnate) in order to have, again at our disposal, a properly functioning operating system. But because our hard drive (consciousness) is partitioned (lower personality vs transcendental mind), enabling us to install our operating system (ruach/nephesch) on one partition, and our data files (memory of experiences) on another, if we have to format the partition that holds our operating system and reinstall the operating system, we haven't lost our data (memories) and we can carry on with the work we were doing previously.

Before I sum up all of the preceding ideas, in order to fit the process of initiation into this worldview, let us just go back to the concept of dysfunction in order to see where it fits in to the process of the mind machine.

As I have just pointed out, one of the important jobs of the unconscious is to pull apart all of the conscious mind's judgments, and compare them to previous judgments, in order to reach conclusions about what we believe the world should look like. Now if, as we move through life, we come across an experience, or thing, that we don't understand (fail to analyse to our satisfaction) then that thing or experience and our failure to judge it is also recorded by the unconscious. Because the unconscious can't then perform its task of deciding where that experience fits in the greater picture, it throws the experience, and a note that it is marked by an inability to understand it, in the 'dysfunctional' box for later assessment.

Every now and then the unconscious will sort through the dysfunction box and try to get some of the problems solved. "Do we have a solution for this problem yet?" it says as it sorts the memory banks for something that might *throw some light* on the problem. The longer a dysfunctional memory remains unanswered the more dysfunctional it becomes, because the mind has to conclude that, after many years of life, and a huge store of experiences, if this one thing remains unexplained then it must be scary or super-weird.

This judgement, digestion of opinions, and creation of our word from the conclusions drawn, is a constant ongoing process. This means that our world is in a constant state of creation moment by moment as we think.

Since, as I have already pointed out, our human personality is almost entirely composed of these dysfunctions (internal tensions arising from internal conflicts) we can then safely assume that our personalities are simply a machine devised solely for the purpose of witnessing and recording experience and for solving problems. The long view of this system is that humans are machines who's purpose is the gathering of experience used to create a worldview where everything, in the long run, is known and understood.