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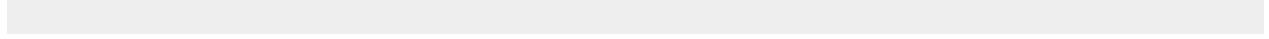
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How to evaluate the Temple

Surprisingly it is quite simple.

First, nothing here is intended to cause the member to ever rely upon the achievements or failures of other members to judge the Teachings.

You are always expected to verify everything for yourself.

Second, there is no race or rush.

There are no hidden secrets suddenly revealed at the higher Graded Circles. Revelations covers just about everything and all five Bibles are still even available to members of the public.

The only person you can fool here is yourself.

The only person you can really rely upon here is yourself.

Others may try to help you, (and I am proud to say do so very often) but in the end this ultimately is a 100% self-help religion.

So if you are trying to judge the value of the Temple for yourself then stay grounded in what you yourself verify as real.

I write this without any hidden meaning or agenda.

I just want to be as clear as I know about this issue.

It is important.

And it is simple.

Do you want to know?

From time to time I read complaints from members that hearing the Nightside reports of others who are testifying to success with such things as the OBE, Communion validations, Magic, etc. is frustrating to them.

There are close to 7 billion non-members outside the Temple you can turn to in any effort to discount these things as real by huddling together with the ignorant.

That means nothing.

What is real is real.

In the Dayside forums we remove Nightside personal testimonies and reserve them for the Graded forums to not tempt any Dayside-only members to assume that they must accept these things on "faith".

This forum for essays allows for posting regarding generalized Nightside issues but is limited in scope as well for much the same reason.

So if you do learn from a member that they are having success with Nightside experiences your challenge is to not simply assume its all bunk.

Those who are certain that such things are all bunk belong to a different religion from ours. That religion pretends to omniscient certainty regarding anything they find inconvenient to their assumptions about what "must be" real.

They are "musterbators".

Those of you familiar with the work of psychotherapist Albert Ellis know how he warned about the use of the words "must", "should", "ought to", and "have to". He referred to such thinking as "musterbation". It is a demand that reality conform to your assumptions about it rather than you to conform to reality as it is.

The Temple has been consistent in asking all members to not simply believe anything but, instead, to keep an open mind when testing Nightside issues.

We have explained how proven psychological tendencies such as selective perception and cognitive consonance will actively block you from having Nightside experiences if you cannot let go of your prejudices against them possibly being real.

As often as possible we have pointed the members to objective evidence for the Nightside as well as enumerated rational arguments to better allow each member to challenge groundless disbelief about these issues.

Herd mentality believes that if most people think something is bunk then it is bunk.

People cluster together to have other people assure them that their beliefs are true.

They look at other people who disagree with them and castigate them with naming calling. "Pseudo-science!" "Heresy!" "Stupidity!"

But what is, is.

And that is why the Temple expects you to take action and test the Nightside.

Testing requires honest testing, not prejudiced disbelief masquerading as testing.

Real testing consists of first assuming there could be something to it, not discounting it as impossible.

Real testing then consists of doing the work required to get results.

Real testing requires enough maturity of mind that you will drop disbelief and do the work.

The evidence for the Nightside is actually quite overwhelming.

If you become acquainted with this evidence you will be encouraged.

Hopefully that will better enable you to discount the religious debunkers who are defending their group fantasies as opposed to what the Temple asks you to do: validate what is real.

The Temple is an intelligence test.

The easiest way to fail it is to simply go with the popular opinions of the crowd. There you will find endless support for your faith in their beliefs and endless time-consuming battles with the other true believer groups they disagree with.

Such things will comfort you and speed your days with a sense of meaning.

They will however not advance you in any manner. They will leave you as ignorant as the day you were born.

The Nightside. Do you want to know it?

Then stop pretending you already do.

Open your own mind.

Do your own work.

Get your own experiences.

Then you will know.

Context is Everything.

Most day to day questions are easy to answer.

What is your name?

Where do you live?

What is your favorite color?

The really important questions in life are not always so easy or simple.

In fact, the truly fundamental questions about reality itself still stump the best physicists in the world.

Three hundred years ago, most scientists assumed that the current scientific view of the world, Newtonian classical physics, was virtually complete and only a few small mysteries remained to be solved.

Then the validation of quantum mechanics combined with the verification of nonlocality (Bell's Theorem) demonstrated that the fundamentals of reality were so strange that some physicists wondered if it was even possible for the human mind to understand them.

Whereas the Newtonian view was that you could measure an objective reality and predict absolutely what will happen with enough information, quantum mechanics demonstrated that you cannot separate the act of observation (measurement) from the universe at all. Perfect objectivity is not possible.

When you observe something (measure it) you have caused it to "be" a certain way.

Additionally, Newton's view of the universe completely rejected the "spooky" idea of things being influenced without touching. (When asked about gravity, Newton refused to even comment!).

Yet, Bell's Theorem has been proven to be correct and this means that there does exist instant influences on things that can occur with no contact at all.

(For a truly excellent overview of this see Nick Herbert's popular book Quantum Reality).

So some questions that common sense would suggest answers to are simply wrong.

"Is a single light photon a particle or a wave?"

There are three correct answers:

1. It is a particle.
2. It is a wave.
3. It is both.

"Does the universe consist of matter and energy separated by space or is the universe a single thing with no separation at all?"

There are three correct answers:

1. It is made of separate things.
2. It is all one thing.
3. It is both.

The Temple has taken the fact that there are some questions that require multiple answers, some seemingly contradictory in nature, very seriously.

That is why we offer a triune metaphysics.

Metaphysics is that branch of philosophy that deals with questions about the nature of reality.

Our metaphysics consists of three perspectives: Dayside, Nightside, and Twilight.

Each perspective needs to be applied in the correct context to be of any use.

The Dayside perspective deals with a more common sense, everyday view of reality that Isaac Newton would have felt fairly comfortable with.

The Dayside assumes that space and time exist, and that cause and effect can be potentially measured. This is the usual view of reality of the average person.

The Nightside perspective assumes, at a minimum, that there is an additional "force" at work in the universe which can be manipulated which we call Liferforce, and that this force may be involved with a number of ordinary and so-called "paranormal" experiences.

The Twilight perspective assumes that time and space may be illusions, much as time and space in a dream at night are illusions, and that awareness of the fact can alter events as well as change one's self-perception (the Dragon).

However, what is "true" from one perspective is not always "true" from another perspective.

And the amazing discoveries in physics over the last century have demonstrated that observation (perspective) can evidently alter the nature of what you experience as reality.

For example, if you attempt to take a Dayside perspective of quantum mechanics experiments you can discover that the events do happen and your Dayside perspective knows this cannot be true.

It is important to understand this to grasp why the Temple looks at reality in three different ways.

Any one perspective will not allow you to usefully deal with all of reality. Just one viewpoint is inadequate.

This is the conundrum of many scientists, especially in psychology, who continue to deny the evidence for so-called "psychic" phenomena. They are assuming that the Dayside can explain all that is and "obviously" events that defy the Dayside perspective (precognition especially) cannot be real.

On the extreme flipside, mystics who would assume a Twilight perspective alone, such as found in East Indian Vedanta which denies that there is anything other than "oneness" making up everything, commonly find that dealing with the ordinary world does not work well at all.

The Temple suggests that the only reasonable answer is to apply the perspective that is appropriate to the context.

If you are dealing with the ordinary, day to day world of cars, people, money, government, etc. then the Dayside perspective is almost always the most effective perspective to take.

If you are striving to deal with "paranormal" issues such as ESP, the OBE, etc. then the Nightside perspective is most usually the most effective perspective to take.

If you are wanting to penetrate to the core of who you really are and gaining a sense of secure mastery over your experiences then the Twilight perspective is usually the best choice.

However - AND THIS IS CRITICAL TO UNDERSTAND - you need to keep each in context to get the correct results in each category!

So the pursuit of the OBE allows for the idea that other people could be effectively using the OBE. Hence the Temple suggest the value of attempting to "Commune" with these "Undead". That is a Nightside perspective.

But if you are asked in a Dayside context, "Are the Undead real" and you reply from a Nightside perspective "Yes", then your answer is incorrect from the Dayside perspective even if it is correct from the Nightside.

Or if you are asked in a Dayside context, "Do you believe in ghosts, UFOs, alien civilizations, ESP, etc.?" and you reply "Yes" to any of those from a Nightside perspective your context is wrong and therefore so is your answer.

One of the main reasons we stratified this message board with the Dayside open to all, and the Nightside and Twilight restricted to the five Graded forum categories was in recognition of this fact.

This is also a major reason why members are required to not discuss the Temple in public or with those who are not active members.

The "public" expects that there is only one "true" answer to any question.

THIS IS SIMPLY INCORRECT.

It requires quite a bit of intelligent effort, testing, and experience before someone can begin to understand what we are talking about here without trying to jam it into a single viewpoint, usually a Dayside viewpoint.

The subject of this article is covered in far greater depth in Revelations but I just wanted to add one more very important point.

We do not have to know which theoretical perspective in physics will turn out to be the "correct" one.

All we need to recognize is that reality cannot be adequately described as it is with only the Dayside perspective AND that we choose which perspective best describes what is real based upon the context.

If you are speaking to a non-member and are asked a question, remember that context is everything.

And if you, yourself, are asking yourself a question, the same thing applies.

Context is everything!

Orders of reality.

The organization of the Bibles is, indeed, progressive.

For example, reason is extolled in The Vampire Priesthood Bible to demonstrate a series of classical arguments for the rational impossibility of an omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent God (such as Jehovah) while the following book The Vampire Sorcery Bible offers a model of reality that permits the application of higher orders of reality that can supersede the application of reason in the lower orders.

To continue the example with the existence of "God", the Third Circle Teachings demonstrate the use of reason to acquire knowledge within a given order of reality, and the Fourth Circle Teachings offer ways to extend what the member can accomplish to higher orders of reality which can offer what appears from lower orders to bypass what reason at those lower levels would dictate.

A parallel example of this kind of thing is to compare classical Newtonian physics to quantum physics. Newton's physics works extremely well for most orders of reality at the human level such as establishing an orbit or landing on the Moon or Mars. However in dealing with issues of nonlocality such as seeming faster than light "communication" between entities, Newton's application of reason fails.

It is all the same "reality". It is entirely an issue of how we can and do look at reality that determines which order of reality we are working with and, as strange as it may seem, this also determines which level of the application of reason will be effective and which will fail.

So if a member skipped over the Third Circle material and went to the Fourth Circle, they could end up sounding just like standard mystics. However, building upon each Circle results in a comprehensive grasp of the situation as best as has been found to express in words up to this point in time.

Finally, since the intent is always not merely mental "word" understanding of these things but direct experiences for the member to achieve, jumping over any steps is like trying to climb a ladder by skipping the rungs! This usually only results in slipping all the way back down the ladder.

I hope this helps clarify better why it is advisable to work through the Higher Teachings in the order suggested.

It is not a matter of deciding you dare not read them. It is only a matter of recognizing that what is offered as "true" at a lower level may no longer be "true" at a higher level.

The problems arise when the progressive chain of hierarchy of orders of reality is ignored.

Could you be be wrong?

The true followers of this religion are not merely those who come to our door.

They are those who actively challenge and take action to protect themselves from the suicidal, anti-individual beliefs of our human culture.

The universe rewards action.

If the actions you take are suicidal YOU WILL DIE.

If the actions you take are intelligent and survival oriented you MIGHT become IMMORTAL.

But what it all boils down to is being realistic and not immature.

Every individual who rejects the chance for physical immortality is being controlled by the social pressures of a world filled with human lemmings.

The end result?

They die and stay dead.

I see some who come here, leave, and never have the courage to question their own blithe assumptions.

The critical question they do not ask themselves is:

COULD I BE WRONG?

Reality is an IQ test.

It is pass/fail.

Please do not fail.

Be wise.

Your very survival depends on it.

Another year passes in eternity.

This Temple was founded for the express purpose of finding those with the potential for taking the next step in human evolution.

The next step in human evolution is a revolution in consciousness.

While there are many dramatic improvements in store for physical existence such as reversal of aging, smart immune systems, enhanced sensory capabilities, superhuman strength and speed, electrical nervous systems, etc., these still pale in comparison to the improvements in our states of consciousness.

Most people on this small planet still continue to live lives "of quiet desperation". Most people on Earth assume that they must struggle to merely survive but remain, at best, doomed to age and die. Most people alive continue to live in emotional straight-jackets of anxiety, depression, anger, rage, jealousy, and fear.

We live in a mortal culture dominated by self-defeating philosophies and religions that do not promote human happiness. The iron fist of social control instills guilt and fear to control the individual as a slave to "the greater good".

We reject all of that.

"Enlightenment" is a word that has been hijacked by mystics who advocate death and the destruction of the individual self as virtues. What the Temple Teachings point to in contrast are a series of increasingly practical and purposeful stages of true enlightenment.

To see the light you must open your eyes.

Everything we do in this Temple is dedicated to increasing this experience of eye-openings to the reality that actually is, as opposed to the delusions held to be "real" by the milling masses of humanity.

We begin with the fundamental fact that there is no "humanity". There are no "groups". There is no "society".

There are only individuals.

We therefore place the individual in the correct context.

The individual is more important than any group and this is true because there are no groups. There are only individuals.

That is the first awakening to true enlightenment.

"God" for the Temple is not a supernatural entity with a white beard sitting on a throne in the clouds. "God" is recognized as ultimately nothing more and nothing less than the most important person in your life. The Temple states that that person is YOU.

This does not deny that there are others so important to you that you would be willing to die to protect them. But this is a simple recognition that you remain the most important person in the universe because you are at its center and if you did not exist then you would not care for others since you would not be there to do so.

The universe exists to serve you. You are the center of it all. Without you there is nothing. Realizing the truth of these words is another level of Temple enlightenment.

At each stage of our continuing enlightenment we become more aware of what is the nature of reality and we leverage these facts instead of fighting against them.

The river of life can take you to where you truly wish to be going and at the same time it is equally true that life is the journey and not the future destination.

Yet we do not merely "go with the flow" of this river of life. We steer our passage and look ahead to where we are going. We set goals and determine how to achieve them. Yet we do not live only for these destinations as we enjoy the journey that we are on toward those goals.

In this moment, this very second, you have all that you need to enjoy what is in your experience. If this moment has pain, you have tools to reduce and remove that pain. If this moment has pleasure, you have tools to allow you to truly enjoy that pleasure.

As we increasingly become enlightened to the nature of what is real we also increase our capacity for joy and happiness while reducing the incidence of sorrow and misery, which remains the lot of the masses at this time.

We have all of us been brought up in a mortal culture filled with incorrect perspectives on almost every important issue in life. We are surrounded by bad advice, stupidity, and self-defeating ignorance.

Everything we find in this Temple allows us to see through the lies, delusions, and self-deceptions that improperly guide the rest of the world.

With each new stage of enlightenment we then have the opportunity to act on it to own it as our own.

Insight is not enough.

To remain awake one must act upon what one has achieved.

The stages of enlightenment from the Dayside all the way through the Nightside and into the Twilight are like the dreams we remember upon awakening. If we do not act upon them such as by writing them down then we fall asleep again and forget what we learned.

Life is a process. You must continue to breathe, to eat, to sleep, and to awaken. It is never a finalized accomplishment.

Life is dynamic and ever flowing.

Life is a choice we continue to make into eternity.

Life is wonderful!

So to all true followers of this Temple I wish you well as another year passes into eternity.

Stay Strong!

Live without fear.

We do not prepare because we live in fear.

We do it to live without fear.

When we fasten a seatbelt we don't do it because of fear.

We do it to drive without that fear.

Everything we do in these Dayside Secrets is to face a possible fear and remove it from our lives.

Most of these actions only require doing once.

Create a bug-out bag once and it is done.

At most you only need to then replace batteries, etc. over time.

Same with money. Same with immortality. Same with all six Dayside Secrets.

Get the job done and it is finished.

Live without fear.

Is reality an IQ test?

The film "The Matrix" brought the concept into popular attention.

Individuals who acquired the skill of learning to awake in their dreams ("lucid dreaming") have directly experienced it.

Those individuals with the best track record for predicting the future of technology are predicting it will happen soon.

What is it? Virtual reality.

And I am not referring to a virtual reality that is "pretty good" such as the most current forms of video games.

I am referring to a simulation of reality that is so complete, so perfect that it cannot be distinguished from non-virtual reality at all.

To anyone inside "the Matrix" it is perfectly real, just as real as real can be.

Within the standard history of our own species it is assumed that modern human beings have been around for some 200,000 years. Yet we only have records that go back a mere 6,000 years.

The chances are very, very good that in the previous 194,000 years human beings developed technologies which were much more advanced than our own today. All of our most ancient stories make that claim.

And at this point in history better telescopes in space are detecting hundreds of other planets. The best speculations being drawn from this are that there are probably billions of planet like Earth upon which life could thrive and evolve.

And over billions of years the chances just in our own galaxy alone that not one of these other worlds could not have developed technological civilizations incredibly more advanced than our own is laughable.

Now consider for a moment what technology tries to do. It is the use of tools to better control reality. The technology of fire enabled human beings to survive better, have light to extend their days into the night, to cook foods to reduce disease, and to eventually forge better tools from metal. Technology advances to increasingly give you control over your world.

It is actually quite clear that ultimately any truly advanced technology will be finally capable of perfectly simulating physical reality in a virtual reality. Further more this is an inevitable step for several reasons. In a perfect virtual reality you would immediately have total control over your environment, which is the ultimate goal of any technology. And, as a subset of that fact, anyone "living" in a virtual reality would be free of disease, disaster, aging, pain - you would live as an immortal God with all the powers attributed to a God.

So what do we know from these simple ideas?

We know that in the last 200,000 years it is highly likely that human beings attained this level of technology to be able to create a perfect simulation of reality.

We also know that on the billions of other worlds and billions of previous years for those other worlds the chances are that at least one succeeded in developing the ability to perfectly simulate reality.

We also know that we are only a few years from being able to do this ourselves anyway.

And finally we also know that since all advancements in technology point to attaining this ultimate goal that the overall chances that THIS reality is NOT a simulation are statistically so close to zero as to simply be zero.

It is almost perfectly certain that this world is a simulation.

Are there clues that this might be the case? There are.

The so-called paranormal events that happen to just about everyone - precognition, psychokinesis, telepathy, deja vu, clairvoyance - are all exceptions to the seeming "normal" functioning of this simulation's programming. And then we have the clinical evidence for near death experiences in which people die, and have a flood of paranormal events (such as the out of body experience), and finally leave this world through a tunnel into another timeless "dimension".

These events might simply be clues.

They might simply be attention-getters to cause those who are mature enough to recognize them AS clues to wonder, "Is this really reality?"

In other words, these "exceptions to the norm" might very well be an IQ test. A test to determine if you can wake up to the possibility that this world is not what it seems to be.

As long as you assume that this is all there is to reality then you cannot pass the test. You remain a true believer in the "Matrix" as all there really is.

But the paranormal events happen all the time.

The clues are all around you.

This concludes your instructions for this test.

Now pick up your pencil.

The test begins now.

Good luck.

What Do Vampires Really Do?

We have many treasures in this Temple to reward the mind, body, and emotions.

The Vampire as our symbol is one who takes in life.

We do not passively just "kill time" waiting for something that may or may not happen.

We do not wait for permission to enjoy life, to live life, to feel fully and completely alive.

We actively and consciously take in life - all of its diverse and healthy pleasures - which is also what the romance of the Vampire is all about.

I still find it amusing that Hollywood keeps missing this fundamental theme. They continue to portray the Vampire as a pathetic, doomed murderer and yet none of that is really why the Vampire has such popular appeal.

The attraction of the Vampire is "never having to say die" while continuing to say "Yes!" to life. The attraction of the Vampire is to enjoy living first and foremost!

And this Temple simply recognizes that if an individual chooses to Vampirize life by working to gain control and eventual mastery of six critical issues in life (self-control, social-control, survival, health, wealth, and defeating death) then there is SO MUCH MORE that opens for the enjoyment of life.

Most people are defeated by life. You see them all around us. They are miserable in their complaints. They suffer from their fears of loss. They commonly seek to blame others, whether that's the government, their parents, their children, the other drivers on the road, whatever.

But if you awoke one morning to discover that your life was exactly the most perfect way it could be, if you had a miracle happen and you could live without nagging fears, grinding anger, or depressive pessimism, what would that feel like?

And how would you behave differently on such a morning? How would you hold yourself? What would you do? How would your relationships be different?

This Temple is devoted to enabling every member to wake up on that morning and experience that kind of life.

We are Vampires. We actively take in life.

That is what Vampires do.

And we love it.

The Herd's love of the Zero Sum Game.

A zero sum game is a game in which the winnings are fixed and limited, such as a poker game in which the money the players bring to the table is all that can be lost or won. So in a zero sum game there is no growth, no production of additional rewards. If someone gets something then someone else has to lose it.

The belief in the world as a zero sum game is the primary faith of the herd of mankind. Six examples drawn from the Six Dayside Secrets can demonstrate this.

Immortality.

The religious beliefs of the herd always assume that if someone wants to stay alive forever that this will only come at the expense of others as well as one's own happiness.

If you live long enough they believe that the amount of happiness you could experience will be used up so that you will inevitably face a life filled with boredom and despair.

Of course my usual reply to that nonsense is to ask someone when their next sexual orgasm will be "boring"!

Only God or Allah or Big Juju is allowed to be immortal and not suffer for it. If you want to live forever that is obviously against what God intended. After all, if God wanted you to fly he would have given you wings. (Just ignore all those aircraft flying all over the world at this moment).

And, of course, this zero sum game with regard to immortality is reflected in all of the popular vampire fiction we see today. The only way you can live forever is by killing other people, they say. And they say it over and over again.

Survival

If you want to protect yourself and those you love from disasters or muggings or starvation then the herd will condemn this as well.

After all, if you store food and water to survive an emergency then that is "hoarding". The food and water you stored over time was obviously stolen from other people. You bastard!

If you are attacked by some low life dirtbags and you kill them with a handgun there are many, many people quick to condemn you as having planned a premeditated murder. After all guns (and knives, and any other item that can be used as a weapon) kill people. If you had not bought a gun then that poor underprivileged moron who attacked you would have lived on to perhaps find a cure for cancer.

Sure.

After all there is only so much life to go around and if you killed someone to save your own life that is murder (and if they do it to you that is God's will or fate).

Money

If you are rich you had to steal it from poor people.

The herd is 100% into Robin Hood as a hero and people who build businesses as evil thieves who want to twirl their mustaches while laughing at widows and orphans dying homeless in the winter snow.

When it comes to private property (which is what wealth is all about) the herd thinks that what you own should be redistributed equally to all.

They have no conception of how productivity increases wealth. The business owners they hate and believe are stealing from them are the same people that create jobs so that they can have a salary at all!

The masses believe that capitalism is a zero sum game and that anyone who is rich took it from the poor.

Of course the opposite is true. If someone invents a better tool such as the smartphone then the wealth of the entire world increases exponentially. Things that people could not do suddenly they can do, such as people at jobs in Nigeria who used to have to take two days off each week to carry their paycheck home every month but now can simply use internet banking. (See the book Abundance for numerous such examples).

Health

The herd assumes that if you can afford the best health care then you are depriving others of that option. This reflects the zero sum game view applies to money but the fact remains that if you have enough money you can still buy better care than if you are poor.

However it certainly does not deprive anyone else from doing the same thing. Doctors have to eat too and if they were forced to offer their services without pay there would swiftly be very few doctors left anywhere.

But the masses have this fantasy that there is a zero sum game with regard to health care. After all there are only so many hospitals, doctors, and other medical personnel in the world.

Of course, this assumes that nothing can ever get better than it is. Lab-On-A-Chip can perform thousands of lab tests in minutes ...without requiring more than one person to do it. This technology already exists and is only one example.

The fact is that the health care "pie" is growing faster than the eaters. But the whining herd does not want to admit that

Interpersonal

This is where the herd psychosis of the zero sum game goes off the charts.

The herd believes that if you have a close relationship that you can only maintain that relationship by demanding unswerving loyalty no matter how both of you may change over time.

In most parts of the world adultery is punishable by death, and I do not just mean legally, but in active practice. The man who kills his girlfriend or wife as well as her lover (or suspected lover) is not an unusual crime and you need merely look at the newspaper where you live for daily examples.

Jealousy stems from a zero sum game view of life. After all, that is why it is called "cheating". For the herd a committed relationship is not one which comes from appreciation for the values of the partner and they are always ready to assume that they will be "cheated on" since after all there are only a limited number of people in the world they could love.

Of course, for those rare few who learn how to build a relationship based on mutual respect, this issue of a zero sum game in relationships seems silly at best.

Intrapersonal

Willpower, self-determination, free will. The herd assumes that you only have so much of that to use.

If you want to quit smoking and can't do it the herd will tell you it is because you don't have "enough willpower". Why, if those damned cigarette companies didn't create those addictive things then you would not be tempted beyond what you can resist.

After all, you can only have so much strength to resist such things and if someone tricks you with clever advertising they are really stealing your limited supply of willpower, right?

Sure.

Realizing that you can build in an unlimited fashion all the self-mastery you wish rather than assuming you only have some much to use up opens the door to an unlimited game called "How To Master Your Life".

And while the herd finds ways to blame others for individual failures of will, which plays into the zero sum game once again, the fact of the matter is that you can always learn and improve given enough time.

Which returns us to immortalism versus deathism once again.

If you assume you have a limited life span the the ideas about a life being a zero sum game seem true.

If you assume that because you are, you always shall be then the infinite riches of the universe open to you.

Then you get to play the Infinite Sum Game of Eternity.

And that is a game worth playing.

Glory in who you are!

In a world of mediocrity, in a world filled with sad, frightened, bored people who trudge through life with little hope for anything but the relief they expect from death, you are different!

By asserting yourself in membership in this Temple you have rejected a lesser life and asserted yourself as your own God on Earth.

You have chosen life over death, joy over sorrow, strength over weakness, wisdom over stupidity.

You have thrown in your lot with those who say to the emotionally impoverished slaves of the world, "I am Vampire! Bow down before me!"

So for those of you who proudly wear our Symbol, glory in who you are.

For those who keep their affiliation secret, glory in who you are.

For those who reveal themselves to the world, glory in who you are.

Test Everything.

Believe Nothing.

Verify what is so.

Never deny what you verify.

Live in the knowledge that you are at the cutting edge of the human species, transitioning to the next stage in evolution by the force of your own Will.

I am honored to be with all of you.

Stay strong.

Glory in who you are!

The importance of D-Day.

68 years ago an Allied invasion force landed on Normandy beach in France to defeat one of history's most anti-individual forces, Hitler's Nazi occupation of Europe.

While in later years Communism under Stalin and Mao, respectively, outdid the murder, cruelty, and suffering imposed on individuals by the Nazis this was a clear-cut example of group versus individual ethics taken to a worldwide scale.

For Vampires the ethical issues have always been clear:

We believe the value of the individual is superior to that of any group or tribe or nation or species.

In everything we do, we believe in challenging the power of anything opposing individual freedom.

The way we do this is by empowering individuals to achieve independent control over their lives through wealth, health, personal power, and unlimited life extension.

We created a worldwide organization with proven methods for making this possible. For more than twenty years we have been active doing so.

Today please remember that the future is ours as individuals.

However also think about those who died for us to allow this future to unfold.

A salute to the brave men and women who have served our cause past, present, and future.

Are you whining or winning?

From time to time I hear about members who feel frustrated in their attempts to apply the Temple Teachings, Dayside or Nightside.

I seldom if ever hear from these members directly.

I have been told this is because they are afraid of some kind of retribution or chastisement from me.

Folks, I don't do that and I don't need to do that.

Reality will always kick your bottom harder than I ever possibly could.

Reality will always thrust its face up against yours and shout, "Guess what! I am in charge here!"

So here is my message to all those here who are not taking actions on their own behalf and are grouching about how the Temple is not meeting their expectations:

Why are you doing this to you?

If you are not happy with your current job, what have you done today to look into the Dayside Money Secrets to find a better career?

If you are not happy with your current state of health then what have you done today to improve it?

If you are not happy with your current relationships with others whether social or romantic then what have you done today to apply the Interpersonal Secrets with those already around you?

If you are not happy with how your life seems to be limited and frustrating then what have you done today to secure physical immortality for yourself so that your life become unlimited?

If you are not happy with your current Nightside experiences with Lifeforce, lucid dreaming, the OBE, Communion, or Magic then what have you done today to attain these masteries?

When I used to teach street self-defense I used to ask my students to distinguish between when their bodies were complaining or just whining.

If your body is complaining that is often a warning that you are nearing injury and need to back off.

If your body is whining that is usually best dealt with by renewed effort.

The same is true for your mind and emotions.

For example, if your mind is complaining with acute fears then it is wise to deal with the possible cause of those fears.

However if your mind is just whining it is wiser to take charge and do it anyway.

The universe rewards action.

The universe ignores whining.

In this Temple we have proven methods to revolutionize your life and enable you to operate as a God.

These are all tools that can and will work ...if you apply them.

All around us are approximately seven billion whiners. They complain about everything that is wrong and seldom if ever do anything about it.

They complain about the weather ...instead of preparing for it.

They complain about their jobs ...instead of finding better ones.

They complain about their health ...instead of eating and exercising better.

They complain about life itself being unfair ...instead of securing physical immortality.

They complain about other people ...instead of taking action themselves in the areas of life over which they do have control.

No, folks, I am not the person to worry about when it comes to such things.

You are.

So try this.

For the next week every time you are about to complain about something ask yourself, "Is there anything I can do about it?"

If there is then do it.

If there isn't then stop complaining about it.

Just stop.

Watch how much the power of your own Lifeforce increases directly in your own experience when you follow this simple plan.

Are you whining or winning?

I urge you to start winning.

I will help if I can.

Now what can you do **today**?

Walpurgesnacht, Beltane, The Light Season.

Now the Pleiades rise on the distant horizon just before the Sun rises as well.

This marks the traditional time for the season of Light for the Northern Hemisphere and the opposite for the Southern Hemisphere.

The traditions also indicate that the classical Underworld was the Southern Hemisphere where the seasons were inverted, rather than a physical underground world.

This night marks a Nightside remembrance of the welcoming of the Gods, the Fae, Who would arrive from the Underworld (the Southern Hemisphere) to enjoy the longer days and milder weather at this time.

And when the Pleiades would rise at sunset marking the turning of the days, the Gods would be celebrated again when They left for the Underworld to enjoy the longer days and milder weather there for the other half of the year.

Like Apollo, the Greek God whose chariot was the Sun, wherever the Gods went the days were long and the seasons mild. Like modern retirees in North America who travel South in the winter (called "snowbirds") the Gods lived in eternal comfort, unlike those of mortalkind who endured the seasonal winters of death.

So this time is one of remembrance to us to remain dedicated to mastery of the world. As we, each of us, gain more control over our freedom and power then, like the Gods, we live longer and better and in more comfort.

Walpurgisnacht and Halloween. Nightside holidays to mark and remember who we are, what we aspire to, and where we came from.

Temple Speed Bumps.

We have many Dayside members who are quite satisfied with not entering Graded membership.

I still contend that all of the Temple goals can and will be accomplished through Dayside technology in time.

The Nightside is also always available for those who wish to pursue it even without any Grade.

It is simply that the attraction for discussing the Nightside goals with others with the same interest also opens the door to potential social problems.

Some members in the past simply go "verbal". They read the books, ask hypothetical questions, get verbal answers, and then skip over the entire purpose of words - getting personal experiences to validate the Teachings.

We have had a few members rush up through the Grades and become what is referred to sometimes as "paper Adepts". These are members who used words to fool themselves into this substitution of word descriptions for personal experience.

There is no perfect method to prevent this. Our "paper Adepts" usually then quit and go off to blame the Temple for "lying" to them (which always astounds me).

In any case, the true Temple Mission requires deep honesty. We continue to try to warn all members to avoid the word-substitution trap but there is only so much that can be done since, after all, the Temple is by definition an experiment in using conscious learning for attainment rather than the Old Ways which are not dependent upon conscious understanding, personal choice, or comfort.

So please know that the barriers between and around the Circles are there to not act as enticements but as "speed bumps". The careful driver on the Temple roadway will reach his destination if he does not try to speed. At the same time no one has to just park their car either.

The choice is always entirely up to you.

Beyond faith to knowledge.

"Test Everything, Believe Nothing."

The Temple's motto reveals how everything in this religion is based on personal validation of experience and is not faith-based.

Faith-based religions are the common norm. In faith-based religions you are given specific beliefs you are expected to accept as true ...without evidence or personal experience.

For example as we approach Christmas we are reminded of the common beliefs of the various Christian religions. The Nicene Creed is just such a group of beliefs which include the claims that Jesus is the only son of God, the creator of everything, who came from heaven through a virgin birth, was killed, rose from the dead, returned to heaven, and will return in the future to earth to judge everyone who has ever lived.

So to follow this version of this faith-based religion you need to believe all of these things (and more) because you are told to. Not because you have any evidence these things are correct. Not because it feels good to believe these things. No, you are expected to just believe they are true because that is what a faith-based religion requires.

Interestingly enough, most efforts to convert someone to a faith-based religion are not based on telling you this. Usually there will be many reasons offered for why you should believe these things. These reasons will often include the threat that if you don't then you will go to hell or suffer in some manner. Another reason commonly offered is that other people have had miracles in their lives that "prove" that these beliefs must be true. There are numerous such reasons offered but at heart a faith-based religion is based on faith that what they tell you to believe is true and you simply must choose to believe it.

We don't do that.

To the contrary, the Vampire religion asks you to look at the Nightside ideas that we suggest are true - the existence of Lifeforce, the reality of the out of body experience (The OBE), the reality of advanced practitioners of the OBE (the Undead Gods), the reality of magic, the reality of your Innermost Self (the Dragon) - and then acquire personal experiences to verify that these things are correct.

We don't argue with people about why they should accept these ideas as real. We do offer evidence to help those interested in testing these ideas with us to be more inclined to follow through and do so.

For example, we commonly point out that the experience of Lifeforce and the taking of Lifeforce (Vampirism) is found under many names and throughout history. We note how the OBE is also a common experience mentioned over and over in the medically-documented reports of near death experiences (the NDE), deathbed visions of the dead, and so forth.

However these numerous examples offering evidence are not intended to convince anyone to "just believe" in these things. Instead, we ask all followers of the Nightside of this religion to prove it to themselves.

And when you do so, you go beyond mere "faith" or "hope" and attain something far more important - knowledge.

For example, the first time you stand fully conscious outside of your physical body the impact this has on your view of what is real can, by itself, be a life-changing experience. When you also obtain objective evidence that the OBE actually happened (by acquiring evidence you can check) then you are operating from validated knowledge.

There are many such tests to be performed to validate the Nightside claims of the Temple but the critical issue is this: we are not operating from faith, but from validated experience.

To flip this over for perspective, consider the viewpoint of the person who thinks that all such things are "bunk". What is the point in arguing with such a closed mind? If you have verified these things for yourself and validated their objectivity it really does not matter what the cynic thinks, does it?

Do you realize that the cynic who claims to "know" that the OBE is "bunk" is doing so based on faith! When you have proven to yourself that the OBE is real, and he is busy proclaiming that it "can't" be real, the cynic is having to ultimately base his disbelief on faith in his reasoning. You are basing your knowledge on personally validated experience.

So those who follow faith-based religions include those who claim to be "certain" that things you have proven to yourself to be real, are not real.

In other words, when you encounter anyone who denies as real what you have already proven to be real, you are dealing with someone who is a member of a faith-based perspective.

We base all that we do here in our Nightside on the rock-solid base of personally validated experience.

This is not a faith-based religion.

This is a religion based on what is verifiable.

There is no need to try to argue with the true believer or the true disbeliever.

Verify what is so and then you will know.

How well it works!

It is truly pleasing to me to see the evolving structure that the Temple has assumed in promoting these Teachings.

On the outermost borders where our Temple touches the outside world the interested individual can invest the princely sum of \$10 per month to read our primary text and commentary and even get practical answers with regard to those instructions.

Those who cannot afford \$10 go away as they should. We are uninterested in tempting the destitute or those unable to understand what is offered!

Then those who wish to do something real with their lives and enter into direct contact with other members need only afford \$75 to both receive the Tome of Dayside Mastery and three months of access to these incredible forums.

At the end of 90 days those who are still not willing to take action are escorted out. Those who remain have further options and have a sense of real accomplishment to encourage them.

Then in our Graded forums we open the door progressively to deeper and deeper realizations of self-verifiable truths until, finally, if the members have made the correct efforts and proven to be truly elite, they can enter the Priesthood.

And even that is not the endpoint.

I have seen over the years the pointless posturing and hubris of the would-be "master of magic" who cannot always pay the rent each month. I have read the fantasy-driven drivel of the dreamers who confuse Hollywood blood-drinking corpses with the peerless reality we offer here.

And all I can say now is how well it works!

Each gate to be entered is also a screening device.

Ten dollars stops the casually curious and destitute.

\$75 stops the pretenders and the mere dreamers.

It is amazing to me how the simple screening device of charging small sums of money removes over 90% of those who do not belong here from ever crossing the threshold.

And then the simple need to "walk your talk" which follows to enter Grade and move up in Grade further winnows out the remainder such that we remove some 99% by Third Circle.

It is not (yet) a perfect system. We have had the neurotic posers who slipped through these simple filters before however, as inevitably happens, they eventually reveal their self deceptions or lies in general.

But how rare this has become! And how satisfying it is to see the Temple Mission grow and the end result so solidly successful!

The Temple is breaking new ground every day and everything we do here is new to this world. Despite the simple fact that the essence of our Teachings can be found in the oldest writings of the world, how we are reaching out with this new experiment - conscious learning - is as new as the communication mediums we now use to convey it.

All I can say with no small degree of pride and satisfaction is to note how well it works!

If you are reading these words you are why this is working.

Thank you for making history here as we continue forward.

Stay Strong!

Why we do it this way.

The Nightside and Twilight can come in a fury and involve experiences that are immediately comprehensible to you even if you find that afterwards you lack the words to describe what happened.

And meeting in person with an advanced practitioner of our religion can sometimes bypass the sequential steps we follow otherwise. Cabal can sometimes be very good in this respect. Gatherings in dream states even more so. In fact, much more so.

But even if you rocket up above the usual earthly atmosphere this does not mean you will achieve a stable orbit. Often in this respect what goes up must come down ...and sometimes comes down hard.

This is why we place so much initial emphasis on the Dayside. People in general at first really have Dayside reasons for being here even when they think they are really only here for the Nightside.

This becomes obvious when a member dodges doing such things as studying the very straightforward instructions on what financial independence is and how to achieve it, for example. This is the most common stumbling block for the new member here because money problems very often (not always) are at the root of almost all of their real issues. I would venture to suggest problems with money are the number one cause of problems with personal relationships, developing health problems, emotional issues, etc.

I commonly will privately point this out to members who have what they see as non-money issues by asking, "If you won the lotto would this still be a problem?" The honest answer is usually (not always) that the problem would vanish.

So we have seen a regular stream of members enter the Temple looking for Nightside magic to solve their Dayside problems and then leave the Temple when trying to build that pyramid upside down causes it to finally collapse on them.

And once the Dayside plans are put in place and placed on "automatic" it is almost jaw dropping to see how swiftly members then discover that they can advance in their Nightside activities.

But there are still sequential steps to all of this which, if ignored, can block such progress.

For example, there is the issue of recognizing and dealing with disbelief at each Circle. It is not uncommon for a member to enter First Circle and assume that they are open to the discovering if Lifeforce is real only to realize that they really are still assuming that it is only a fantasy.

To progress with the Nightside it is really necessary to "Believe Nothing" in order to be able to "Test Everything".

A belief is an assumption that something is real.

A disbelief is only a belief that something is not real.

Both beliefs and disbeliefs have to be dropped in order to "Believe Nothing".

Then and only then can you "Test" the issue at hand.

So we have members who need to agree to stop disbelieving in Lifeforce to enter First Circle where they are going to attempt to validate it.

This is exactly the same thing a true scientist must do. The scientist cannot assume in advance that electricity does not exist in space if he intends to test for it. He must drop both his belief in it and any disbelief in it as well to not color his expectations and possibly self-sabotage his efforts.

We do exactly this in the Nightside Circles.

So at First Circle we try to restrict assumptions about the Undead Gods because those in First Circle have not necessarily validated the reality of such advanced practitioners.

Therefore to enter Second Circle you agree to drop disbeliefs in the Undead for that reason - to enable you to also drop blinding yourself to any evidence you might obtain or be exposed to.

This is not saying "believe".

This is saying stop disbelieving. Drop any assumptions that X is not true and then you might be able to find out if it is true.

It is just that simple.

It is also just that necessary.

I hope this better explains why we do here what we do.

The Transhuman and the Vampire

Recently I received an email from a Dayside member who decided to leave the Temple after about a year since he decided that we were emphasizing "transhumanism" too much.

Statements like this cause me to first laugh out loud and then to wonder how anyone can be so unaware of what the Temple is really all about.

Since the Temple of the Vampire was publicly established in 1989 we have had a regular stream of questions as to why we use the word "Vampire" since we don't drink blood and are not superstitious fools.

Of course, "Vampire" was the term used by human beings to describe the actions of their former Gods when those Gods were neglected by Their Priesthoods. For example, the so-called "Egyptian Book of the Dead" describes the actions of the Gods who would come forth from the tombs when the priesthood no longer offered regular sacrifice to them. Over time, one of the oldest names given to the Gods Who would return from the dead to take life energy from the living was "Vampire".

So as a means to filter out those who would cling to a deathist perspective, who would not make the decision that life was better than death, this Temple chose the name "Vampire" both as a descriptive term and a screening device.

But, of course, no name exists for a God which does not have some negative connotations depending upon the context. The Gods of former ancient religions all too often are condemned as the demons of the newer religions, or diminished in size or importance or both as with the Faerie and other so-called "supernatural" entities.

So, too, "Vampire" carries the baggage of B-plot Hammer films from Hollywood as well as more "modern" adaptations with television shows such as "Buffy The Vampire Slayer" and, of course, the teenage heartthrob romance "Twilight" films.

And so the Temple endures its share of those whose grasp of history is limited to a sixty-second sound bite as well as those who have trouble distinguishing between the fiction of coffin-sleeping dead people who drink human blood versus the reality the Temple offers.

And, this too, has offered a form of screening to filter out the truly ignorant or stupid from our company.

However there is another term which we have often used synonymously with "Vampire" in describing the goal of a serious member of the Temple: "Transhuman".

Of course you can look up Transhumanism on Wikipedia for an overview of that word's use from at least the time of the Western Enlightenment, but even there an initial mention is made of "The Epic of Gilgamesh", a Sumerian tale of a king who sought physical immortality as a result of his personal lineage as half-human and half-God by birth.

The term "Transhuman" can be narrowed in its meaning to refer primarily to the modern effort to defeat aging and attain eternal youth along with expectations that such a longer life can lead to increased wisdom. In its most modern use this is assumed to all rely upon technological breakthroughs and applications with regard to biology as well as materials engineering.

However, the bottom-line, universal binding concept that the word "Transhuman" points to is identical to that of "Vampire" - immortality.

How immortality can be achieved can vary from the purely scientific approach in which the word "Transhuman" is often now used, but the what remains the goal of living forever.

Here in the Dayside we focus upon this aspect with our suggestions for health, wealth, and two scientific approaches to immortality. In the Nightside we build upon that base to extend into the steps required to maintain conscious life even following death, and how to remain "Earthbound" as a positive and life-affirming choice.

Thus the Dayside description of the Temple could just as easily be the "Temple of the Transhuman" as even the Nightside is the "Temple of the Vampire".

Yet there is something more to the name "Vampire" that the name "Transhuman" still only points to. Transhuman points to the "Posthuman". The "Posthuman" is in this context used to refer to what we become when we no longer are mortal striving for immortality, but are immortal.

And that is what the name "Vampire" directly implies. The Vampire is the immortal being who has risen from the human state of mortality, and has become a new being, one who is no longer subject to death.

The Vampire is condemned in myth and fiction as a monster but ultimately this condemnation always stems from the "arrogance" that we have to assume the primary attribute of the Gods - immortality.

[talking about Dracula]

Lucy Seward: You dare try to confuse me! Tormenting him who is the saddest, the kindest of all!"

Prof. Abraham Van Helsing: Kind? If I could send his soul to everlasting, burning hell I would!

And the source of the condemnation?

Count Dracula: Lucy, come! Come to me!

[Lucy runs into Dracula's arms, and he embraces her]

Count Dracula: Now, you must go on a bit longer as a creature of this earth. Only until we have left behind those who would destroy us.

Lucy Seward: And then?

Count Dracula: Then you will join me on a higher plane feeding on them. We will create more of our kind, Lucy.

(The source of these quotes is from the film "Dracula" starring Frank Langela).

The Transhuman will come and perhaps is already here. He will outlive and come to utterly control the lesser human in time. A superior species is superior and will always triumph.

And when the Transhuman becomes the Posthuman his correct name will still be here to describe him:

Vampire.

The Key

The real key is more communication here on the board.

Members who are either finding that they are stumped on what to do or having some trouble finding the time or energy to do it could benefit directly and enormously by posting about these issues as they come up.

The message board is intended to be a communication tool, not an archive of perfected wisdom!

Those members who use it, benefit from it far more than those who come here, just read - read- read - but then fail to take advantage of the assistance that is a few keystrokes away.

If you haven't made a post in a week or more, I am speaking to YOU!

Those of you who read these words and have not posted about your concerns, your questions, your frustrations, your successes - you are missing the boat and slowing your progress.

If you hesitate to post because you are fearful of what others think about you - STOP THAT!

In such a case you are allowing a personality weakness undermine your reasons for being here.

Stop feeding that weakness. Oppose it. Post!

I have said this before many times and I will continue to say it over and over:

Express yourself here. USE the board.

If you are shy, post anyway.

If you are concerned whether others will agree with you or not, post anyway.

If you have a problem with applying Temple Teachings, post those problems.

If you have a success in dealing with Temple Teachings, post those successes!

We are not here just as a social club but that certainly does not mean that we cannot enjoy each other socially. The Casual Conversation forum exists for really no other reason! A place to chit chat for the pleasure of doing so with other Vampires. Apart from Cabal there are few places in the world where you can really just "be yourself".

But there is so much more I am referring to here than just socially sharing your feeling and thoughts with other members.

You directly benefit through personal interaction here.

The lone wolf is not "strong". He is the one who gets to be the meal for a bear.

You have come here to benefit from tested ideas and experiences to become more than merely another human.

So engage with this powerful tool!

Post!

So that is my primary message to the Temple as a whole.

Silence is NOT "golden".

It is a waste.

Post!!

Thank you.

My thanks to all of you who assist the Temple Mission and especially those of you who do so by finding a specific potential candidate and suggesting that they look at the Temple website.

I still feel that offering a personal recommendation is the best way to assist the Temple Mission. If only once a year every member found only one other person who belonged here, the Temple Mission would explode geometrically.

I am quite certain there are very few who belong here out of the vast population. So many are entrapped within social circles that reject anything that does not agree with their current perspective on reality.

And, after all, we ask new members to actually do something in the real world to improve their lives within the first 90 days of membership!

Gad! How incredibly evil of us!

So that rules out all the lazy daydreamers who want to merely wave a magic wand and then have everything drop into their laps without any personal effort (beyond waving that incredibly heavy magic wand!).

What we do here is the true rebellion against the norm since the norm consists of finding something to believe in and then falling into a lock-step slave obedience to those beliefs.

Instead, we seek out those very few who are the true elite in this world. The true elite are those who are willing to challenge the beliefs they have been told are "true" and to be so selfish as to decide to take serious steps to control their lives.

Deeds. Not just words.

Actions. Not just promises.

Results. Not just daydreams.

Hence our Dayside emphasis on taking active steps to defeat death, acquire wealth, maintain health, communicate more effectively, and even dare to rework our own inner emotional habits and attitudes for greater self-control.

Hence our Nightside emphasis on seeking to verify the reality of Lifeforce, learning Its control, and moving increasingly into that paranormal realm that so many people consider either forbidden or unreal, and which we consider attainable and verifiable through hard-sought experience.

There are now about 7 billion people on the face of the globe. How many of those teeming masses are at the cutting edge of human evolution such that they meet our criteria for belonging here? One out of a hundred? One out of a million? A hundred million?

So what you do when showing someone the Temple and allow them to begin to see what we are doing here is offering the supreme test of that person. Few will join. Fewer are those who join and remain.

However those who do join and stay are the highest example of human potential on this planet.

And by such action they attract the attention of Those Who have preceded us down this path.

You are a Vampire.

I bow before you.

You can master your life.

Often when members tie in to the Dayside Secrets checklists they discover that one successful accomplishment leads more and more rapidly to another. Things that seemed hard become easy. Things that seemed out of reach become believable. They become charged with enthusiasm for actually mastering their lives. Then they look back and wonder why this was not already all obvious to them before.

I think that what often happens is that we get bogged down with large goals in which we can see little progress over time. But when we break these down into smaller, "bite-size" tasks, then we are more inclined to just do them. Then, when we see that doing these smaller tasks actually leads to the accomplishment of larger goals we are encouraged and further motivated to do more. We live in a society that overall assumes the opposite. We are surrounded by people who assume that there is no way out of their current situation.

They assume they will always have to work to make money to survive. The idea they could actually accomplish financial independence rather than, at best, a retirement pension, is unreal to them.

They assume that they will grow old and feeble, mentally and/or physically. The idea they could actually maintain or even improve physically and mentally is unreal to them.

They assume that they cannot find happiness without first changing other people, and groups, and governments. The idea that they could actually find happiness without having to change what others think or do is unreal to them.

They assume that in a life-threatening survival situation they must depend upon assistance from others such as police, government, etc. The idea that they could be prepared for most immediate survival situations themselves is unreal to them.

They assume that death is inevitable and permanent. The idea that they could actually beat death by taking specific actions on their own now is unreal to them.

In a world in which people as a whole feel so powerless, with their fate in the hands of others they cannot control, little wonder that the message of the Temple that you can have tremendous autonomy and control over all of these critical issues is unreal to them. It is important to remember that they do not understand these things. This message board and the Tome of Dayside Mastery have been set up to demonstrate that you can accomplish these goals and offers the small steps in doing so in the checklists we provide here.

When a new member arrives we attempt to guide them to explore and understand the power they can fairly rapidly attain to gain control over their lives through these plans.

But remember this, all around us are masses of people who assume that such things are totally hopeless. Pessimism is the inevitable result of assuming that things can never get better. Optimism rises when you can see how they can!

The Choice: Zero Sum Game or Infinite Potential.

There are many, many choices we have in life. In fact, from the moment you awaken each day your time is filled with choices.

Do I open my eyes? Do I get out of bed? Then what? These are all choices. But how do we decide what choices to make?

There can be many influences on our decisions such as how we feel physically (vibrant, so-so, in pain, etc.) and events that trigger associations with past decisions (What? Another traffic jam?!)

However, and this really is the point of this little post I am making, your underlying assumptions will determine most of the decisions you make and the decisions you make will determine most of what will happen for you in life.

I specifically wanted to address a popular assumption that is the most personally self-defeating one I know after deathism.

(Deathism is number one because it will kill you and others around you. Deathism is the assumption that death is inevitable and somehow "good". The Temple is based on a total opposition to the assumption that Deathism is correct or useful).

The other popular assumption is summarized as assuming that everything in life is a Zero Sum Game.

A zero sum game is the idea that in any situation there is a limited amount of value to be divided up between people. A poker game is a zero sum game. Each player brings a certain amount of money to the table to gamble. The winner takes the money from the losers. Another example of a zero sum game is a pie. There is only so much pie to be divided between the pie eaters. If I get a bigger piece that you do then you get a smaller piece.

One shadow still being cast across the world was a popularization of the zero sum game by Karl Marx. There have always been versions of this set of assumptions but Marx popularized the idea that the goodies in the world are limited and that the "rich" are depriving the "poor" (anyone who isn't "rich") of the goodies. In other words, Marx believed that the world was a zero sum game.

Is this true?

No, it is not.

The reason this is not true is because production creates more wealth.

A quick example.

Take away everything that is produced by modern technology and find yourself "in nature", such as in the middle of a forest, naked and without any tools. If you survived you would still find that most if not all of

your waking hours would be devoted to just staying alive. (Ask anyone with wilderness survival training about this to verify what I am saying).

Now add more people and the possibility grows that you can have some people devote more specialized time to doing things that can extend your group survival ability. Some of you can start to try and plant food to grow and store instead of having to only gather and hunt.

This is the beginning of civilization. Specialization of work with the development of better tools to increase production.

Are you still with me?

If not, here is the simpler version.

Production makes the pie grow bigger.

In other words, the zero sum game is a crock.

Now what has this to do with the choices you make? Well, remember that I am suggesting (strongly!) that the assumptions you make about what is true will guide the choices you make.

If you buy into the zero sum game of Karl Marx then you will not tend to be optimistic about doing what you need to do to succeed yourself.

You will see wealthy people as your enemy instead of as your goal.

You will resent people who have more than you do because you will assume that because they have those things, they "stole" it from you!

For example, here is a typical news item:

Two girls who took part in Monday night's riots in Croydon have boasted that they were showing police and "the rich" that "we can do what we want"

This perspective totally misses the reality of production - the creation of more wealth.

It comes from a sense of futility, frustration, and envy.

The choices that result are self-defeating and result in self-fulfilling prophesy such as, "I cannot win because the rich are oppressing me."

This is simple delusion.

But more importantly it prevents you from making choices that can work for you.

The locked Money Secrets forum and the Tome of Dayside Mastery are entirely about actions you can choose to take to empower your self and master your world.

However they are all based upon the simple assumption that production produces.

"Rich" people commonly invest in businesses. Businesses are involved in producing goods and services. Businesses hire people to perform production. Employees would not have jobs if there were no businesses hiring them to produce more goods and services.

Employees do not have to "just work" forever and never progress beyond their weekly paycheck. By choosing a good career (one that fits you) and then reducing debt and investing over time, anyone can become financially independent and then, if they choose, actually join "the rich" themselves.

The universe for all practical purposes is not a zero sum game.

The next time you are out at night and the sky is clear, look up.

Just in this galaxy alone there is more wealth to be tapped than you can possibly imagine.

So what is the most basic choice?

It is between assuming that your world is a zero sum game or has infinite potential.

One will depress you and defeat you.

The other one can enlighten you and empower you.

That is the choice.

Choose.

Attention new members. How do you eat an elephant?

How do you eat an elephant?

One bite at a time.

We have checklists for the Dayside Secrets to allow you to complete them one bite-size piece at a time.

The simplified checklists for squaring away your Dayside are listed here.

Each item on all six checklists has been broken down in terms of estimating the time required to accomplish, plan, set goals, or make intentions.

The total estimated time required for everything is 20 hours.

That means that if you spent just half an hour every weekday (Monday through Friday) attending to setting up your Dayside you would be essentially completed in 8 weeks.

Actually many of these steps have been overestimated. Most require simply reading and understanding different ideas and ways of behaving.

Most should be quite fun to do and the sense of accomplishment is meant to give you a feeling for what it really means to have a mastery of your life.

Please remember that the Mentor Program exists to enable you to benefit from direct guidance from members of the Priesthood in completing your Dayside Secrets.

The difference between a human and a Transhuman really only boils down to a willingness to take intelligent action.

The human procrastinates until it is too late.

The Transhuman eats the elephant one bite at a time beginning now.

Welcome to now.

Bon appetite!

Wake up!

"You can't have good things without bad things."

This is a belief that runs like a raging sewer just below the awareness of most people.

It justifies their acceptance of pain and horror in their lives.

It justifies their failure to take action to improve their lives.

It justifies giving up, giving in, and feeling hopeless about living.

It is incorrect. It is also everywhere.

You need to recognize it and rip it out of your viewpoint if you want to be free of its poisonous effects which darken your world and lead to pain, frustration, sadness, and its ilk.

The wider assumption usually goes like this:

"You cannot have great happiness without first feeling great pain."

"You cannot have more joy in your life without having its opposite sadness or grief or despair or suicidal thoughts or a total sense of the utter futility of ever enjoying life".

This is utter crap.

(I hope I am not being obscure!)

It seems to make sense at first glance. After all, if you have nothing to compare it to how can you know what happiness is? How can you feel deeply about pleasant things if you have not felt deeply about unpleasant things?

We see entire religions and philosophies based upon this assumption. They proclaim that you cannot have heaven without hell, the day without the night, the good without the bad, etc.

It all sounds reasonable enough.

However it is still crap.

It is incorrect.

It is wrong.

How can you experience something without also experiencing its opposite?

YOU DO IT ALL THE TIME!

Ask yourself this:

Do you first have to eat doggie doodoo before you can enjoy an ice cream cone?

Do you first have to have someone slap your face before you can enjoy a comfortable massage?

Do you first have to step on a nail barefoot before you can enjoy a sexual orgasm?

You don't have to first feel horrible in order to feel really good.

Your experience of reality is not just black OR white. It is a spectrum of all "colors" ...and shades, and contrasts.

You can enjoy one flavor of ice cream and then discover that you can enjoy another flavor even more!

You don't have to eat dog doodoo at all!

You can enjoy experiences that feel good and those pleasant experiences can be used to set the contrast to enjoy even better and more pleasant experiences.

You don't have to feel bad to feel good.

You don't have to feel pain to feel pleasure.

You don't have to feel sick to feel better.

Instead, you can go from one good experience to even better ones.

Now this all has to do with how you are willing to look at your experiences.

If you are dedicated to the "crap" hypothesis which is the foundation behind all the deathist religions and philosophies then you will rationalize and justify the mental laziness that allows you to live in a world of doom and gloom, angst and despair.

This will allow you to justify to yourself and others that the reason you procrastinate about doing things to improve your life is because you "wisely" know that the "bad" things are necessary first.

Of course this is crap.

What is worse is that deep down you already know that this is crap.

You already know that what you most really want from life is to feel happiness. Everything else you do is intended to get to that state.

And you also already know that slumming around in your darkest feelings of hopelessness is not really "being realistic". It is an excuse.

It is simply choosing to continue to think the same way you have always thought and refusing to break some very bad habits of thought that only justify why you shouldn't have to.

And there are all those people to agree with you!!

There are almost six billion people out there to nod in agreement with you and tell you that you are right to assume the worst is true. They agree with not making goals to achieve because you will only feel "disappointed" later. They agree that it is pointless to look on the bright side of things because that is "naive".

They are all part of the deathist trance.

WAKE UP!

They are all full of crap!

They all need an extensive enema!

They are constipated with the nonsense of believing that "life is pain" (Gautama Buddha), "Only God is good" (Jesus Christ), and on and on from both ancient and modern "wisdom".

Utter crap.

As easy to disprove as deciding to smile right now (Just do it!) and noticing how the simple act of merely smiling makes you feel better without having to first feel any pain at all!

Experiences in life are not "all or nothing".

Life is a spectrum of experiences.

You don't suddenly go from feeling full after a big meal to instantly feeling starvation.

Night does not drop in an instant to become day.

There are incremental variations in everything.

So here is your enema if you need it:

Stop assuming that your happiness requires that you first must plumb the depths of pain and despair.

Stop assuming that the only way you can extend the depth of your enjoyment of life is by first going as deeply into the horrors of life.

Stop feeding yourself crap!

Tell yourself the easy-to-verify truth:

You can enjoy things more and more.

You don't have to first have a poke in the eye with a sharp stick to enjoy looking at something beautiful.

WAKE UP !

The Big Picture. Keep it simple.

All too often we forget about seeing the forest for all of the trees and it is often refreshing and invigorating to step back and gain perspective once again.

What do we have in the Temple?

We have tools.

None of these tools require blind faith as we see so commonly in other groups and religions. None of these tools require that you bow down before some "Toolmaker" or single person who is the "God" of this religion.

To the contrary.

The Temple offers these tools and says "Test them! Put them to use! See the results! And only then you can draw conclusions based upon what you have discovered."

"Test Everything. Believe Nothing."

Not just pretty words but a clear guideline to follow to build reliable knowledge about anything.

So when a new member arrives here there is no need to just accept any view, any plan, and perspective. Instead the member is offered tools to apply to a number of critical categories for personal success in the world.

We refer to these tools as the Dayside Secrets and have devoted forums to each of them here as well as having bound them together in the Tome of Dayside Mastery for off-line convenience. We break the Dayside world down into six categories: Intrapersonal, Immortality, Interpersonal, Health, Survival, and Money.

What I find fascinating about this level of Temple membership is that it requires no Nightside (magical) involvement whatsoever to be effective. Quite literally an individual could join the Temple and treat all of the Nightside (magical) and Twilight (esoteric) Teachings as pure metaphor and achieve all of the intended goals promoted by the Temple.

All of these goals revolve around promoting individual freedom.

Intrapersonal tools are intended to create a better understanding of how you think and make decisions, with the clear intention of strengthening your willpower. Interpersonal tools are intended to allow you to communicate more effectively with other people by better understanding how they think and make decisions with the object of acquiring their cooperation in achieving your goals.

Immortality tools (we currently have two Dayside versions) are intended to do through science what has usually been the purpose of most faith-based religions - raising you from the dead, if you should die. Health

tools are intended to improve the physical quality of your life and perhaps even extend your life beyond the current normal lifespan.

Survival tools are intended to help you avoid getting killed or injured in accidents, emergencies, and attacks on your person. Money tools are intended to show how you can achieve reliable income with work you can enjoy, reduce debt, and build investments that can pay your bills for you - financial independence.

Individual freedom on the Dayside level actually requires all of these different areas to come under your personal control and all of these tools are an effort to enable this to happen for you. This becomes clear if you consider how much freedom you lose if any of these areas fail for you.

If you cannot control yourself and you cannot obtain cooperation from other people you are not free. If you are dead or are extremely ill you are not free. If you are killed or cannot pay your own bills you are not free.

Individual freedom begins with the tools of the Dayside and another great thing about these tools is that once you set up your plans, once you understand and employ these tools you are freed from many former concerns that lurked at the edge of your awareness and were robbing you of your zest for life. Most people push forward blindly through life trying to ignore these issues and, as a consequence, you see the frustration and despair in their faces.

Individual freedom does not therefore require mastering all of these tools. It only requires understanding what they are and then putting them to use. Once you have your plans in place, you will feel the relief that results. Sometimes, the relief is a surprise as the individual did not even realize the tension that was there!

This is why the Temple recommends reading and applying these tools. By themselves given time, they can fulfill all of the Temple promises for personal freedom and empowerment. And they also free up the mind for consideration of the Nightside and the Twilight.

I do not mean to suggest that members cannot simply ignore the tools of the Dayside secrets. That is a personal choice as well. However, to the extent that a member's personal Dayside is out of control that will drain his attention away, which from the Nightside is a draining of needed Lifeforce.

Any member, active or not, can pursue the Nightside, of course. The Vampire Bible's first chapter is involved with the Nightside ritual of the Calling of the Undead Gods, after all. However, to get results that are reliable and lasting, the Nightside instructions are quite clear as well with regard to what is required there and if one's Dayside is in trouble then success in the Nightside is going to be far more problematic.

In looking at Graded membership, the big picture remains clear as well. When a member is serious enough to be willing to accept guidance in the Nightside rather than just working in isolation, there is the First Circle. When the member has verified that treating Lifeforce as real is truly more useful than assuming otherwise the Second Circle opens. And when the member has verified that treating the Undead as real is truly more useful than assuming otherwise, the Third Circle opens.

At the Second Circle the member needs to have put into place the Dayside plans. At the Third Circle the member needs to have demonstrated a commitment to life over death and a fundamental trust that the

Temple has Guidance. At the Fourth Circle the member needs to have testified to the reality of magic. At the Fifth Circle the member needs to have grasped the reality of the Dragon and what that implies.

In short, the big picture for Graded membership is self-honesty and loyalty to what one has proven to one's self. Self-honesty because what you testify to having accomplished and accepted as true is necessary to avoid self-deceit. Loyalty to what you have discovered because the peer pressure of the outside world can and will attempt to undercut that wisdom.

Life is a continuous process. You must continue to breathe, to have your heart pump blood, to eat and drink, and more. The same is true for what you learn. It is necessary to remind yourself of what you have discovered, especially when surrounded by the ignorant who will deny it.

Maintaining your own view of the big picture is critical. Just discovering what is true is not enough. You must not let yourself forget what you have learned either.

And how to do this?

Trust your own experience and ignore what others claim or say when that opposes your own experience.

You do not need to debate with anyone the presence of the sun at noon. See it. Accept it. And when it is night do not assume that the sun no longer exists. Remember what you saw at noon.

"Test Everything. Believe Nothing."

And do not deny what you verify.

Keep it simple.

Internet Impersonation and the Tar Baby

This Temple is based upon the simple fact that we do not ask you to blindly believe anything suggested but, instead, expect you to personally test Temple claims and verify these claims for yourself.

You may have noticed that we never argue or debate with anyone about such things.

The Temple does not use evangelism in the sense of trying to persuade others or argue with them at all.

We don't go door to door with the "Good News" about the Temple, trying to talk people into joining us.

Arguing with someone about the Temple claims goes against this, our fundamental approach to candidates for membership, which is for anyone to make the effort required to discover the truth for himself or herself.

We only point to the Temple Door.

They have to walk through it.

This is one reason why every member here has promised to not discuss the Temple with others.

Yes, you can reveal your Temple membership to others though this is not usually recommended.

Yes, you can let others know about the Temple by pointing to the Temple website through business cards, email signatures, approved Temple banners, Temple YouTube videos, Bridge pages, The Vampire Test, etc.

However we do not discuss the Temple in public with others and I am personally proud at how well the members keep this simple promise.

However what can you do when someone impersonates you in public, putting words into your mouth that you would never say?

And why would someone do this?

The reason is simple: to get you to respond directly to them, to try and draw you in so that they can attract more attention to themselves.

In other words, to trick you.

Please consider reading "Brer Rabbit and the Tar Baby: A Georgia Folktale" for a classic example of this kind of trick.

In brief, Brer Fox finally caught the elusive and clever Brer by creating a "tar baby". Brer Rabbit asked the tar baby who he was and what he was doing but the tar baby remained silent. Angry at this insulting behavior finally Brer Rabbit decided to strike the tar baby which only trapped him in a pile of sticky tar. But when Brer Fox arrived smacking his jaws Brer Rabbit begged him to do anything but throw him into the

horribly thorny briar patch. The Fox did just that and the Rabbit ran away laughing. His home was in a briar patch all along.

So when someone impersonates you on the internet and is making it look as though you are breaking your promise to not discuss the Temple, they are trying to trap you with a "Tar Baby".

If you respond directly in any way at all then you will get increasingly "stuck", playing into the trap being set for you.

If the impersonation is on a site like Facebook sometimes you can get the organization to remove the impostor directly. There may be other legal recourses you can follow as well.

However, it is pointless to argue with the impersonator directly. Just like Brer Rabbit you will only get more and more "stuck".

So what else can you do?

Jump into the "briar patch" by ignoring the impersonator otherwise. If you do not feed the problem it cannot grow without you. Trying to get you to respond is the main reason the impersonator is doing the impersonation.

Nothing in the Temple depends upon arguing or debating.

Everything depends upon the individual member applying, testing, and validating instructions.

So do not waste your time with what others believe.

As Bruce Lee once said when he was being criticized in public, "They only chase the guy with the ball."

Don't be drawn in by the Tar Baby.

Enjoy the comforts of the Briar Patch.

Being "authentic".

How many times just today alone have you heard someone saying that they have to be "authentic"?

What are they really saying? What do they mean by being "authentic"?

Usually we hear this when someone is asked why they are wallowing in some powerfully unpleasant emotion such as despair or anger.

You commonly hear them say something like, "That's just how I feel! I'm being authentic!"

Or maybe they come across more defensively and say something like, "I do feel angry/jealous/depressed. Do you want me to not be authentic?"

So "authentic" seems to mean that if you feel a certain way you must express that or you are not being "authentic".

But let's dig deeper.

What exactly does that mean?

I feel a certain emotion. If I do not express that emotion to others then I am being "untrue" to myself in some way. If I do not act angry when I feel angry, if I don't act depressed when I feel depressed then I am not being "real", I am not being "authentic".

Now one hundred years ago when steam engines still powered the world it was popular to assume that emotions worked like steam in your body. If you got angry you had to "let off steam" or you might explode, just like a steam engine.

The assumption was that your emotions operated according to the laws of hydrodynamics. Any feeling had to be released or it would just build up inside you until it would finally explode outward.

"Steam engine" psychology justified people treating their emotions as undeniable forces that had to be expressed. Sigmund Freud looked at the libido force behind emotions in the human being as if he were observing fluid mechanics. Psychoanalysis was built entirely around these steam engine assumptions.

Unfortunately it turns out that none of that was correct. What we have learned is that if you express an emotion you simply learn to get better at expressing that emotion. It doesn't reduce the "pressure" of the feeling. It trains you to get better at doing it.

So if you get angry and you lash out with angry behavior you get better at getting angry and lashing out with angry behavior.

If you get depressed and withdraw from life you get better at feeling depressed and withdrawing from life.

"Practice makes perfect."

The more you do something the better you get at it - including self-defeating emotional feelings!

Think about that!

So when someone justifies flying off the handle by stating that they are just being "authentic" they are really only making an excuse for training themselves to wallow in a certain emotional pattern of feeling and behaving.

Get that?

It's an excuse, not a reason.

You are not a steam engine.

And you have choices about what you choose to do when you feel a certain way.

If you feel anger you can allow the anger to dictate what you will say and do ...which will teach you to get better at acting like an angry person. Or you can step back from the anger and ask what you want to do, not what the anger wants you to do.

If you feel depressed you can allow the depression to dictate what you say and do ...which will teach you to get better at acting like a depressed person. Or you can step back from the feelings of depression and ask yourself what you want to do, not what the depression wants you to do.

This all implies that you can step back from the feelings to experience what it is that you are feeling and to make a judgment about that feeling.

If you judge the feeling to be useful and good and act on it you will get better at feeling it and acting on it.

In this way people train themselves to "become" angry people or depressed people or hopeless people, etc.

They don't mean to do that but this is what is going on whether they realize it or not.

Your mind and body is a learning machine. You are learning all the time and you are either learning things that will help you or screw things up for you.

The good news is that the choice is yours.

The bad news is that the choice is yours.

It is good news because this understanding means that you can remake your character. If you have been chronically unhappy you can learn to reverse that and start really enjoying life ...and without having to first change the rest of the world!!

It is bad news because this insight also means that you can't remain unhappy and just claim that you are being "authentic".

Being "authentic" in this sense then is just a cop out to not be willing to be mature and choose to take control of your emotional life.

Frankly there are very, very few mature adults out there. We do live in a world filled with immature, juvenile whiners.

What I am describing here is not popular, but it is true.

You are not your emotions - good or bad.

You can feel your emotions and that means that there is you, the person who can feel the feeling and there is the feeling.

Anything you can see, hear, taste, smell, or feel can't be you.

There is you and what you can know about.

Since you can know about emotions you cannot be your emotions.

This is known as the Deidentification Process and it is very useful to understand what it is and how to correctly use it.

So guess what?

It is IMPOSSIBLE to "be authentic"!!!

Why?

Because you are not any of these feelings of "authenticity".

You are not what you feel.

Period.

Fact.

Truth.

Reality.

Self-verifiable anytime you want to look at it.

So let's sum this all up.

Being "authentic" turns out to be words that are used as an excuse to continue to practice certain emotional feelings that are unpleasant.

The more you practice any emotion the better you get at feeling it.

The more you act on any emotion the better you get at expressing it.

This is how some people train themselves to express anger. They start with learning to get good at yelling and glowering and then with sufficient training can elevate to physical violence and perhaps even murder.

Now that's "authenticity"!

However what the Temple recommends instead is to "Test Everything, Believe Nothing". Test whether the emotions you are feeling are helping you or hurting you. Test whether practicing better feelings expands your sense of feeling better. Test whether emotions that are painful and self-defeating when not practiced tend to reduce their impact on you.

Believe nothing I have suggested here but simply check it out for yourself.

You can't be "authentic".

But you can become happier, healthier, and wiser.

See for yourself.

A religion of science.

The real problem for those attempting to find fault with the Temple is that they first assume that none of this could be real, and neglect the fact that we have never expected anyone to just believe anything we offer.

Always we have simply pointed out things to do and test for personal validation, both Dayside and Nightside.

Those who do so have the possibility of validating these things, but there are no guarantees. I suspect that some people simply are Muggles, whether by choice or personal defect I do not know.

In any case selective perception rules.

If you come to this work with the intent of finding that it can work then that is the key that might open the lock to these open secrets.

However if you come to this work with the assumption that it is false you will only prove to yourself that it is false ...for you.

Others not taking that prejudiced view will still be free to discover that it is true after all for them.

I can extend this issue to include all of the Six Earthly Secrets as well.

If you assume that nothing can ever free you from debt, that all investment approaches are "rigged to fail", then I can assure you that you will never achieve financial freedom from your personal efforts. Same with survival techniques, health suggestions - anything at all.

There is a vast, vast difference between believing something (faith) and suspending disbelief in something to test it (science).

This is really a religion of science in that sense.

Getting new members (and sometimes old members) to grasp this is not always easy. But usually most do finally get it.

Respect commitment.

If you are an active member then this is for you.

This means that you (at a minimum) obtained an authorized copy of The Vampire Bible from the Temple, submitted a copy of photo ID to prove you are a legal adult, and subscribed to this service.

As a consequence of your commitment you can engage other members for meetings worldwide through the Cabal service, you can study and apply the Dayside Secrets from those forums here, you can ask "how to" questions concerning the instructions in The Vampire Bible, you can post and reply to dozens and dozens of topics or interest, education, and entertainment, and you can even request one-on-one guidance from a Priesthood member in our Mentor program.

However those who are not active members do not have these privileges ...even if they are basic members.

Basic members do not have the right to discuss the Temple with you. *

Basic members do not have the right to be mentored by you.

Basic members have simply not made the same commitment that you have.

If a basic member asks you for any active membership privileges just suggest to them that they need to make the commitment to become an active member.

"But Nemo," you might say, "what if the basic member can't join active membership because they are under 18?"

Exactly. The Temple does not permit adult members to mix with minors for your protection. As a religious organization the Temple would not have a problem with permitting minors to be involved but, legally, every adult member so involved with be at high risk for all kinds of legal grief.

So active membership is for adults only.

And only for adults who are willing to make the same commitment that you have.

"But Nemo," you might ask, "what about the member who can't afford \$75?"

Exactly. Any member who cannot afford \$75 needs to be looking for a means of making a living 100% now and not spend one moment on any other Temple issue.

"Survival is the highest law" and in modern society that equates to being able to pay your bills.

So, again, this all comes down to respecting commitment.

Respect the commitment other active members have made.

Respect the commitment you have made.

If a basic member asks you for a benefit only available to active members ask him to respect these commitments also and to simply subscribe to the service on his own.

If he understands that this is only right he will follow through.

If not, you were wasting your time anyway,

The so-called "paranormal" does not require belief

As a member of the Temple you really do not have to believe in the paranormal at all for two reasons.

First, if you choose to operate primarily from the Dayside then the so-called paranormal does not matter anyway. Given enough time and a little luck all of the Temple claims can still be achieved through the Dayside alone.

Second, the paranormal does not require belief at all. It only requires investigation and a willingness to give up an irrational stance of a fundamentalist true believer of one kind or another.

The evidence for what we today call the paranormal is not small. It is overwhelming.

All cultures throughout all of recorded history indicate that people have had paranormal experiences throughout.

To pretend that all of this by itself could simply be hallucination, hoax, and self-delusion actually requires faith that billions of people for thousands of years have all been fools or insane or both.

That by itself seems to be an extraordinary claim that lacks any meaningful evidence, to paraphrase the late Carl Sagan.

Then we simply need to look at what more modern scientific evidence has offered in looking at these things.

Dean Radin examined through meta-analysis (the same scientific method used to verify that aspirin reduces heart disease) the evidence for the paranormal over the last one hundred years of scientific study and determined it has been proven to exist. This was summarized in his book *The Conscious Universe*.

Finally, despite this accomplishment, the failure of parapsychology to succeed in moving beyond statistical proof to authentic control of such phenomena has been due to some fundamental errors of protocol. Scientists have been guilty of asking the wrong kinds of questions to advance scientific understanding of the paranormal.

This issue is described in depth in Lawrence LeShan's book *The World of the Paranormal: The Next Frontier* which is partially available through Google Books for reading here.

Frankly, and this is stated without rancor but as simple fact, anyone who actually assumes that the paranormal requires belief has simply not looked at the evidence and proofs that demonstrate that it is most assuredly very real.

So you do not need to believe in the paranormal at all. You need to "Believe Nothing, Test Everything" and the testing in this case can be as simple as investigating the documented evidence I have mentioned here.

Making the Higher Teachings available again.

After more than eight years the Temple is making available all five of the Vampire Bibles to any active member as well as the general public.

I remember back in the late 1990s when all five Bibles were available to the general public on Amazon.com .

Then, when the Lifeforce Message Board was launched it became quite clear that we needed to set aside special forums for Graded members from First through Fifth Circle to prevent confusion. This simple step allowed those who had satisfied themselves about different levels of the Nightside to discuss and work with deeper Nightside issues without utterly confusing those who had not done so yet.

We also decided back then to restrict the Higher Teachings (the other four Vampire Bibles required for application for the different Grades) to what was required for each Grade.

Part of the reason for this was that active members would read an advanced Teaching and, without the necessary experiences involved in verifying it, would sometimes assume they "understood" the Teaching.

The Teachings are all intended to be instructions for obtaining experiences. Without getting the experiences, these remain "open secrets" described in words.

With the publication of *Revelations* many of these Teachings were discussed from the perspective of The Vampire Bible and, due in part to the successes of the Mentor Program and clarifications regarding Temple epistemology (how we know what we know, we have become confident that the published Teachings can now be made available to active members and even the general public once again without creating confusion.

Everything in this Temple is required to prove itself, however.

This offering of all five of the Vampire Bibles will only continue as long as we see that it actually serves the Temple Mission and aids in empowering the individual members.

The Temple is dedicated to enabling every member to achieve greater personal freedom.

It is a pleasure to open the doors once again to everyone to read the Higher Teachings.

Where to look during Communion?

There is no wrong way to do this.

Generally you will find your attention is drawn in different ways at different times.

Often while your focus may be on some image in the mirror, your attention needs to expand to the sides of your vision to note anything that might move or appear there.

Our conscious focal point tends to wash out unusual phenomena whereas our peripheral vision is more generally inclusive.

In my own opinion, feeling is more important than looking.

Usually you can feel when One is standing behind you, which is a common way that They approach a celebrant.

There is a Darkness behind you that you can never look into.

This Void is commonly where They will enter your presence.

Merging other rituals with the Temple's

Vampirism is not Satanism.

This religion is not that one.

Neither is this religion any other whether you think of Roman Catholicism, Tantric Buddhism, Taoism, Islam, Southern Baptist Christianity, etc.

That aside, when it comes to ritual in order to be effective there are a certain behaviors and perspectives that universally can work.

Go into a ritual without suspending your disbelief and you have cut yourself off from the very "language" that the part of your mind you are trying to work through to establish communication actually uses.

It is as if you went to Germany but only spoke Swahili. You could whisper, shout, dance, and scream, but if you did not use German your chances of having useful communications in booking a hotel room or getting the right meal at a restaurant would drop close to zero.

The elements of effective ritual are universal to the human nervous system. The language of the limbic system, the physics of dreaming - these "rules of the game" determine what works and what doesn't.

The instructions in The Vampire Bible and the Higher Teachings elaborate on learning to use this language, this physics, in order to establish the communication in the ritual we call Communion.

To the degree you work from a more "pure" form of this approach you can expect better reception and other outcomes from your efforts.

In Germany, speak German and not Swahili.

"Satan" is a fictitious fantasy. So is "Jehovah" and "Allah".

Those you wish to communicate with in Communion are not fictitious. Or at the very least you should not assume that to be the case as explained on page 5 of The Vampire Bible.

Start right to end right.

Just think it through and you should not have a problem.

And yes, even people who only speak Swahili in Germany can eventually get served food and book hotel rooms. It's just much harder to get what you want doing it that way.

Problems with consistent Vampirism

When you are out of balance in the Dayside then the Nightside suffers.

You will need to attend to your Dayside priorities first to restore balance.

Application of the Vampiric Will is sometimes required to say attend to doing critical Dayside actions every day.

"Work first. Play later."

This is a good rule to follow every day.

Procrastination in the Dayside can kill Nightside efforts.

The Houdini Trap

It is just fine to be a real skeptic but a real skeptic does not have a previous agenda to defend.

The prerequisite for success in Vampirism and Communion as explained in The Vampire Bible is to drop disbelief.

How to do that?

Stop assuming that if you can explain something with a normal Dayside explanation that that proves it cannot be Nightside.

I call this the Houdini Trap. Houdini used to claim that if he could duplicate a phenomena then that proved the phenomena was a fake.

Does it?

If I use a box with a hole in front and play with hand puppets for you to see does that prove that television sets are a fake with moving figures visible in those boxes like my hand puppets?

If I paint a picture of a skeleton does that prove that all medical x-ray pictures are fakes?

Of course not.

So your need for successful Nightside work is to follow the instructions in The Vampire Bible.

Unless you are the Lord God Jehovah with an all-knowing mind (omniscience) then you really do not know what is actually "impossible".

So you need to get past the hubris that prevents you from performing the Nightside actions with an open mind.

Otherwise you will not progress.

It is just that simple and hard.

It is simple to be honest and say "I do not know".

It is hard to give up pretending you already do.

Wisdom begins when ignorance is acknowledged first.

Just Pretend...

Just pretend... that the Teachings are authentic.

If that is true then your beliefs about them are not relevant. What is, is.

Just pretend... that the Teachings are precise instructions.

If that is true then following the instructions as they are written would make sense, right?

After all, if you are not getting results doing it part way, why not try doing it the way it is written?

If for some time you have "pretended" (believed) there was really nothing to this I see that as having dug a hole you first must climb out of before you can climb the ladder to a higher level.

I think you are remarkably strong to allow evidence to reverse your previous assumptions. Pseudo skeptics like Susan Blackmore and Richard Dawkins will go their graves with closed minds no matter what they experience.

Disbelieving in such things as Liferforce and the OBE and NDE is not reversed in a day. It requires honesty and intelligence and a willingness to not be "dead right and buried six feet".

It is very pleasing to throw off the chains of authority and actually look at reality as it is and not as religious fanatics would simply tell us it is!

These things are real.

When you align yourself with reality, things can happen!

Sometimes we like to try and take a shortcut when we assume we already understand something.

If you get results with a shortcut, great! If not, try to follow the precise instructions and see if that doesn't work better.

The Twilight Vampire

Anyone who follows the Vampire religion is a Vampire.

A "Living Vampire" is simply a Vampire who is alive. It is not a Title or Grade.

A Dayside Vampire is a subscribing active member of the Temple.

A Nightside Vampire is a Graded member of the Temple (such as Initiate, Predator, Priest, etc.).

We do not have "Twilight Vampire" as a formal Title.

The Dayside is the common sense view of the world shared by most people.

The Nightside view of reality includes all of the so-called "paranormal" things such as telepathy, or the out-of-body experience.

The Twilight is a view of reality that happens after much success with the Nightside.

The Nightside and the Twilight depend upon Communion to be effectively achieved.

Immortality is a goal for any member of this religion at any stage.

Communion experiences.

Be sensitive to what you feel above all else.

It is especially common to first feel that you are not alone in the room. Often this comes as a sense that someone is directly behind you.

However, and this really cannot be emphasized enough, the purpose of Communion is to be changed by it. It is as if you are entering a place of mutating healthful radiation.

We do Communion to be changed.

This can be felt.

If you are doing anything to take yourself out of your bodily feelings (which is how you can feel these changes going on) and, instead, are living "in your mind" instead of in your body, then these experiences may evade you.

Be where you are!

You do the Calling.

Then you pay attention to what you experience.

Your skin will know first what is going on. Your eyes and ears may or may not ever achieve that. The mind is the last to usually "get it".

Why do I need The Vampire Bible?

Yes, you need to have obtained an authorized copy of *The Vampire Bible* from the Temple for several reasons:

(1) The only way you can be certain you do have an unadulterated version of any of the Temple literature is to obtain it from the Temple. There do exist tampered copies out there that can lead one astray. Beware!

(2) Buying *The Vampire Bible* from the Temple is a small but real gesture of positive intention. Those who obtain unauthorized copies elsewhere are demonstrating the opposite intention. You know yourself in your own heart whether you are being honest with the Temple or not.

No, you do not have to have a copy of *The Vampire Bible* present for Communion ...but it can help as a reminder of what you are doing.

Understand this. The entire point of the Calling is to communicate with Beings Who are able to read your mind. If you don't think They exist there is no point in calling to Them. If They do exist and you have ignored Their instructions then why should They help you at all?

The Vampire Bible is a book. It is nothing more than words on paper (or with PDF copies words on a screen). The book does not necessarily have any special qualities and is really a set of instructions.

Communion is an effort to achieve two-way communication with advanced Vampires. It requires Their cooperation in order for this to happen. That means that you need to approach this communication with the correct attitude or you will at best be ignored.

Pretend that you were trying to telephone someone but you owed him money or had been speaking against him to others or had otherwise treated him poorly. He sees you are trying to call him through Caller ID. Should you be surprised if he ignores your call?

On the other hand what if you had taken the opposite approach? What if you had always treated him with respect when mentioning him to others and were responding to his instructions on when to try and call him at what telephone number? He sees when you call by Caller ID that it is you and so he picks up and you communicate.

Does this start to make more sense ?

So if you approach Communion with honesty and a positive expectation then the details of ritual become less and less important. What matters is your intentions, not the props.

The Vampire Bible along with all the Temple literature is only intended to help you accomplish specific goals. Like a ladder it is intended only to let you climb to the next level. Once you get there the ladder becomes unimportant.

Sacrificing Lifeforce in Communion

Be careful to not hyperventilate. The Sacrifice is aided by the breathing suggested but these breaths need to be slow and not fast. Be certain you are exhaling through the mouth. The suggestion of creating a hissing sound is intended in part to prevent rapid exhalation and therefore hyperventilation (although there are other reasons as well).

To assist you in feeling the flow of Lifeforce from your body I would suggestion placing your palms or your gently closed hands on your lower abdomen, just below or on the level of navel as if you were gently pressing on your pelvis. Don't place the hands over each other and avoid allowing them to touch each other.

Don't allow the elbows to rest on your sides. Instead, allow the elbows to "point" directly out to each side. This will keep the wrists straight. Bending the wrists to sense these feelings might be self-defeating at this stage. This will tend to place a certain degree of physical tension in your arms but should not be uncomfortable.

Usually this happens spontaneously on its own but if not, tilt your head slightly back so that if your eyes were open you would be looking slightly up at a little less than 45 degrees above the horizon. Do not allow yourself to become dizzy however. If necessary you can do this on your knees or even lying on your back.

If you are having some issues with sight, try closing your eyes for the Sacrifice and feeling Who is there in the same way you have probably sensed when someone was standing near you in normal circumstances when your eyes were closed.

When you inhale you will perhaps be more sensitive to what your hands and fingers feel there as the Lifeforce flows from your body to this area. Then exhale and feel the Lifeforce rising and exiting from your mouth.

Be careful to not "see" a picture of yourself in imagination doing this. Instead be in your body, inside your skin, and feel the flow of the Lifeforce through your body and out through your mouth.

Also please be aware of the feeling of Someone probably standing directly behind you, almost on top of you. It is not unusual to feel as if the Person is much taller and larger than you are as if He or She were an adult and you were a small child by comparison.

Finally, what sounds are you engaging to enhance your focus? If you are in a location where it is not reasonable for there to be drumming or thunderstorm recordings, consider using a small Mp3 player with earbuds. (Don't make the volume so great that you damage your hearing please!)

A careful reading of The Vampire Bible will point to all of the above suggestions by implication, by the way. And, of course, Revelations carefully offers much additional commentary and clarification.

Later, it all becomes much easier.

Study Guidance through the Temple Newsletter

Starting this month of April, 2013, those of you who are subscribing to the Temple newsletter by email will see that the primary article will begin with the first chapter of Revelations.

The intention is to use this as a focus for your personal efforts as well as guidance for topics to discuss in Cabal.

To receive our free newsletter simply email the Temple at administration@vampiretemple.com with the words TEMPLE NEWS UPDATE in the subject line.

Additionally, please keep the Temple updated on your correct email address. All too often these bounce back to us here and your newsletter subscription is automatically dropped.

New Grade requirements

The Temple has just established this June of 2011 a new set of requirements for attaining each Grade. You can look over the new structure in this thread in the Navigation Center.

There are three main shifts to be aware of, for those who were familiar with the previous requirements for Grade. First, the requirements are much more detailed in terms of what we want to see someone accomplish for the Grade in question. The intent is to make it vividly obvious what exactly you need to do in order to work on achieving the next Grade. We've also provided some guidance about exactly what to do to start working on each Grade requirement if you're not sure how to get started; see the same thread linked to above for details.

The second shift is that Grade will no longer solely represent what a member has verified. It will also indicate the level of **mastery over life and death** that we expect someone who has authentically verified that material to have achieved. For instance, someone who joins the Second Circle should have enough experience with and control of Lifeforce to use it in order to enhance rapport, so creating one-on-one rapport is one of the Interpersonal ("Social") requirements for entering Second Circle.

The third shift is that there are no longer time requirements for Grade. We expect a certain level of competence and, for the Inner Temple Grades, dedication. We'll be watching for those as we evaluate applications. It will take you plenty of time to authentically accomplish what each Grade holds in store for you. And be aware, we still reserve the right to ask you to wait a while before being admitted into the next Circle. We sometimes see things of critical importance that you might not know to look for.

We encourage you to read over the whole requirement set, including for Grades beyond your own. They were written as a coherent system to guide you to a high point of mastery in the basic Teachings of Vampirism. Seeing the overall path may help you to make sense of why we require the intermediate steps we do.

Also, please take special note of the grandfather clause. In short, your current Grade and Title will continue to be acknowledged; however, if you wish to advance, you'll need to "make up for" the Grade requirements you've inadvertently "skipped", at least as much as is logically possible.

Finally, be aware that we might update these requirements again, although probably not to quite this degree for quite some time. We'll continue to make tweaks as needed to best exalt our members to godhood.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

Thank you for your attention.

An important reminder about CABAL and Grade.

The Temple, like all organizations, is a collection of many different people, with different personalities.

We have assumed from the beginning that some people will not get along well with others since this is quite normal in all organizations.

The requirements for membership are very few and summarized as Temple Law.

Essentially we expect active members to behave as responsible adults avoiding crime and being courteous to each other.

That usually covers most issues where different members might disagree on different topics or run into personality clashes.

CABAL is the service intended to allow adult members to make contact and perhaps even meet in person.

CABAL is entirely voluntary.

Please remember that you do not have to meet with people you feel uncomfortable with ever.

If you are sponsoring a meeting and do not want someone to attend simply no longer invite that person.

If there is a meeting you have been invited to attend and there is someone there you do not feel comfortable with then you do not have to attend.

In essence, we active members are all adults here and the Temple expects you to behave as a responsible adult at all times.

This includes what I have just described with regard to meeting those you do not wish to. Simply do not do that.

I should also add that there should never be minors or non-active members present at any CABAL function.

Now there is a related topic I need to emphasize here and that pertains to Grade and Title.

We have six Titles (Dayside Vampire and the five Graded Nightside Titles).

Each one of these Titles is entirely based upon the testimony of the member which the Temple assumes to be truthful.

However that does not mean that the person with Title can always be assumed to actually not be in error with regard to their understanding on this or that aspect of the Temple.

You really have to judge everyone based upon what they do and say.

...which is actually true of all of life, isn't it?

The Temple really only makes one statement with regard to Grade and CABAL and that is if you are having a group Communion we insist that at least one person participating be a member of the Temple Priesthood. The only reason for this is to better insure a successful Communion.

It is still not a guarantee that that will be the result.

However, once again, it really is up to you to judge whether or not someone is walking their talk and living up to the Grade they have claimed.

You do not owe obedience to anyone in this Temple just because they may have a Title.

The Title is supposed to indicate what they have accomplished but cannot be relied upon.

In this Temple you are the Vampiric God.

It is your judgment that must be trusted and not outward Titles.

Courtesy in the Temple is required but respect must be earned.

In summary, let me offer this reminder.

CABAL can be very rewarding and pleasurable.

Do not subject yourself to meeting members you do not wish to.

Remember that while courtesy is required, you do not owe respect to anyone simply because they have acquired a Temple Title.

All organizations have problems from time to time with clashes between different members.

The Temple expects each member here to minimize such issues as they arise by following these simple and useful guidelines.

We active members are all adults here.

I know I can depend upon each one of you to play your part in being responsible for yourself and your judgments.

In this way, we will continue to rise above such all-too-human issues and get on with why we are all really here.

Thank you.

Behind The Eyes - Another View

Almost all human beings live in an ongoing daydream about what they are doing.

Their bodies are in one place and their minds are elsewhere.

They are divided, living in two places at the same time.

This divided attention reduces the intensity of their experiences.

It's like living in a fog.

When they think about what they are doing they tend to experience this as if they were watching a video of what they are doing.

In this video they are seeing themselves from a perspective that is outside the body.

It is exactly as if they were watching a movie about their life. They see their own entire body, including the head and face, in the movie.

Their point of view is from outside the body.

Going Behind The Eyes (BTE) is simply dropping that daydream and operating directly through your senses.

When someone is just daydreaming they are imagining what life is like from the perspective of someone outside their body.

When you go BTE you drop that hallucination of divided consciousness and are directly perceiving your life through your senses, from where your body is.

So BTE is a visual description of doing this.

Your sense of sight is through your eyes and when you remember where you really are located you can verify that you are looking at the world around you from a place that seems to be behind your eyes (BTE).

But you have at least four other physical senses as well.

You feel things from your skin (or internal to your skin such as breathing or your heartbeat).

You hear things from a place that seems to be located between your ears.

You smell things from a place that seems to be located also from within your nose.

You taste things from a location inside your mouth.

In point of fact just learning to wake up more by operating BTE can resolve many of the problems that plague people.

For example people who are overweight can discover that if they close their eyes and taste the food that is in their mouths when they are eating then they will be satisfied with usually less than half of what they normally used to eat. As a consequence they tend to feel satisfied with far less food and they lose the excess weight ...effortlessly.

There are many such examples that come to mind.

The Deidentification Process includes the undivided consciousness of BTE (and other methods for achieving that state of consciousness such as WTW).

In order to use Deidentification you have to be able to understand that you are not what you experience.

Those experiences can be thoughts as well as perceptions.

So to apply Deidentification you need to be able to identify at some point that you are not the experience, right?

By operating from the undivided state of BTE it is much easier to recognize that you are not anything outside of your skin.

That covers a lot of territory!

The average human being who lives divided between his body and his daydreaming about life is already confused on this issue.

It is therefore much more difficult for the human being to effectively apply Deidentification.

When you live in two worlds at the same time confusion about what you are and what you aren't is easy.

I hope this explanation helps you to better understand the interplay between these tools that alter consciousness to a more awakened state.

Be willing to look at the facts.

The Temple motto is "Test Everything, Believe Nothing."

This is intended to free you from simply deciding what is true and then spending years of your life (or all of your life) defending your assumptions rather than testing them to see what is actually true.

What you have assumed to be true may very well be emotionally comfortable to you. And because you may have already spent time defending your assumptions to other people you may be emotionally invested in being right more than in winning by aligning with what is factual.

It is sometimes very tempting to not go back and challenge something that you were "certain" about not only because you have to rethink what that means, but also because of a concern over how you will appear to others who knew how strongly you felt about this topic previously.

In other words it takes guts to be willing to "Test Everything, Believe Nothing."

The human herd doesn't do this. They "Test Nothing, and Believe whatever other people believe."

That works great when the other people are correct in their assumptions. It doesn't work well when they are wrong, however.

The problem here is with errors from global generalizations.

A fair number of Temple members are here in part because they became aware of how many different popular assumptions in our culture do not seem to be true at all.

For example, it is popular to believe that selfishness is wrong when, in fact, all human behavior is always motivated by selfishness which is nothing other than positive self interest. Even Santa Claus would not come down the chimney if it didn't make him ho ho ho!

When we see that so many popular assumptions are wrong we can fall into the error of assuming that anything that is popularly believed to be true must be false.

This global generalization can work against you just as easily as simply assuming that everything that is popularly believed is true.

That can make you into a "rebel without a clue"!

This goes back to the Temple motto.

Test Everything Believe Nothing.

I think we can agree that there are many popular assumptions are that incorrect. The common rejection of scientific alternatives for resuscitation in favor of "a decent Christian burial" is one obvious example. The

vast majority of people act as if they are in a trance on this issue and once you see the situation clearly you wonder how you could have ever thought otherwise.

However, just because someone is in error on one idea does not automatically mean they are always wrong.

Another example of this are the assumptions about the near death experiences (NDE). Evidence that someone can be conscious and report valid observations while they are essentially brain dead can be very threatening to you if you think this means that the local Baptist Church was right all along.

However this is an incredible leap and not a very rational one.

Let me explain.

The idea that you can function in what appears to be an out of body experience while your body is "dead" can only be a problem for you if you are emotionally "married" to ideas that might be threatened by such evidence.

Would this mean that all the faith-based religions are right and that you have an immortal soul?

Not at all.

However it would mean that the assumption that you must have a functioning conscious brain in order to experience things and be conscious yourself is not always true.

Let me offer a parallel example.

If you hold your breath and swim underwater this does not mean that you can live forever underwater, does it?

It does mean that at least as long as you can be sustained by the breath you took then you can exist underwater for a certain length of time.

The evidence from the NDE seems to indicate it is possible for some people to consciously continue to operate from an out of body condition for a certain period of time (minutes so far) even when the brain is evidently not functioning.

That's all it seems to point to with the evidence.

Assuming more than this is only an assumption unless you can test it.

But what do most people do?

They argue to defend their assumptions. The true believers in an "immortal soul" argue that this proves they are right (though it doesn't). And the true disbelievers argue that the evidence can't be trusted.

Neither camp is being really honest about this.

Neither side is actually following our motto to "Test Everything, Believe Nothing."

They are all too busy identifying with their assumptions.

They are all leaping to the conclusion that they want to be true instead of respecting the facts that can be verified and building any opinion on solid ground.

I saw a license plate frame the other day that had excellent advice in this regard:

"Bark less, wag more".

I want to suggest that if you find that you are getting tense over an idea that you don't agree with that you will do well to take a deep breath and let go of the need to defend your beliefs and, instead, come from the posture of strength.

And what is the posture of strength?

It is the sense of calm that comes from not feeling threatened by evidence that might disprove something you have already thought to be true.

Be willing to look at the facts.

Just a suggestion.

Intrapersonal Deidentification and Dayside Mastery

As explained in the *Tome of Dayside Mastery* as well as in *The Vampire Predator Bible*, the Deidentification Procedure is the Teaching that best leads to the development of Vampiric Will.

What has perhaps not been emphasized sufficiently is that the use of deidentification not only allows one to develop Will to overcome obstacles and achieve goals, but it also is the means by which you can overcome a wide range of inhibitions, fears, frustrations, self-doubts, apathy, anger, despair, grief, and other such limiting emotions that can otherwise block you from setting goals as well as taking steps to achieve those goals.

By discovering as an experience that you are not the feelings and thoughts that stop you, you will reduce them or dissolve them.

If you do this with careful attention you can completely dissolve any blocking thought or emotion immediately.

Look at the Dayside Secret that is the hardest for you to deal with.

Which one is it?

Now which part of it is the greatest problem?

How are you describing the problem?

Are you saying, "This just seems too complicated"?

Are you saying, "I just feel overwhelmed"?

Are you saying, "I will never be able to do this"?

Find out what words seem to describe the block.

Now does the block also have any feelings attached to it? Frustration? Anger? Exhaustion? Despair? Boredom?

Try to zero in on what the actual experience is that is this "block".

Please take the time to do this right now.

Now you should have an experience of what has been a block for you. You have words and some feeling or feelings.

Good.

Now apply deidentification.

Where do you feel this feeling? Is it in your throat? Your belly? Your face?

If you feel something you must feel it in your body somewhere.

So where is it?

Be certain you can find it as an experience.

Good.

Now just let it be there as you remember that this feeling is there and you are behind your eyes observing it, feeling it.

Notice how this feeling is not "you".

Be present behind your eyes and feel the feeling.

Do this right now.

Just let the feeling be there.

As you do this you will notice that the feeling changes.

It may change suddenly or slowly, a little at a time or greatly. It may even vanish.

However the most important thing you are doing is separating "you" from this experience.

Deidentification allows you to remove the power these blocks hold over you by recognizing that you are not them.

For example, if you say "I am frustrated" that implies that you are identified with the feeling and thoughts of frustration.

However, you have never really been frustrated. You have only felt frustration, just as you can feel any object in the world around you such as a telephone or a pen.

Experiencing this separation of "you" from a block is the very magical key to giving you easy power over that block.

Realizing as an experience that you are not the words and feelings of something that is holding you back allows you to discover that it never was holding you back at all!

The block never had any power to inhibit you.

Any power the block had was power you gave to it.

For example, if tackling the suggestions for investing seems to give you a feeling of "I can't do that stuff" - frustration - then understand that the frustration never stopped you.

You stopped trying only because you felt the frustration.

The frustration conned you.

It whispered in your ear, "You can't do this" and because you felt this was true, because it made you feel weak or tense or whatever feelings came with the words, you chose to give up.

So when you pay attention to the block, the words, the feelings while remembering that you are there behind your eyes, separate from the experience, the experience loses its ability to con you.

You realize that these are only words and feelings. Nothing more.

Once you experience this, then you realize that you have the freedom to choose what to do or not do.

You always did. It is a liberating feeling indeed to get this.

ALL BLOCKS CAN BE DIS-EMPOWERED AND DISSOLVED.

Many members come here with all kinds of beliefs and disbeliefs, assumptions and expectations.

Many of these can block you from actually applying the Teachings, from testing the Teachings.

For example, there is the concern for what others might think.

There is the concern that there is no Nightside.

There is the worry that you may be just fooling yourself.

Take each and every one of these ideas and assumptions and apply the Deidentification Procedure to them and you can remove their power and dissolve them from your awareness.

Let's take "What will other people think?"

We have some members who come here with strong materialist perspectives and do not want to look like fools to their skeptical friends.

What does that feel like? What would it feel like for someone you know to laugh at you for "being a fool"?

Do you feel that in your neck? In your chest? Where?

What are the words that describe this event? Embarrassment? Frustration? What?

Now go behind your eyes while you experience this concern with the judgment of others.

Feel the feeling but be separate from it as you feel it.

You are in one place (behind your eyes) and the experience is somewhere else, perhaps in your body, perhaps in an imaginary situation, perhaps in a memory of a situation somewhere.

Just let the experience be there while you are there too - separate from it.

Do this until you actually "get" how you are not these feeling or thoughts or imaginings or memories.

It might take a minute. Just do it.

Now if you have done it, notice the change.

Has the emotional charge on that experience dropped down? Has it perhaps vanished?

If so then this issue will never again have the same impact on your own thought and feelings and actions ever again. You are now more free to choose what you want to do instead of what your older concern wanted you to do.

BREAKING FREE OF LIMITS

As you encounter more and more blocks and apply the Deidentification Principle to them you will discover that you are dissolving many problems that were actually being created and perpetuated by you.

You will increasingly discover that you can remove blocks, fears, inhibitions, doubts, disbeliefs, irritations, impatience, frustrations, and all manner of unpleasant feelings by simply following this simple procedure.

The human bows to the slavery of his mind and emotions. If he feels bad he is stopped in his tracks. If he feels guilt he runs to hide. If he feels fear he freezes. If he feels frustration he gives up.

We, the transhuman, the Vampire, take a different path.

Limiting thoughts and feelings become challenges to defuse and dis-empower. Fears are overcome. Frustrations bypassed. Doubts quelled. Disbeliefs discarded.

This allows us to then set goals and achieve them.

So the next time you find one of the Dayside Secrets causes you to feel bad instead of good, frustrated instead of challenged, please refer to this post and apply the Deidentification Procedure.

Your Innermost Self is the Dragon.

Allow the Fire of the Dragon to incinerate anything that stands in your way.

Stay strong.

The Ultimate Selfishness

This religion advocates deciding to choose yourself as God which, in this context, is the most important person or thing in your universe.

Most people today make many other things as their "God". Often this is defined as what you would be willing to die for. A patriot is willing to die for his country so his country is his God. Some individuals are willing to die for a specific person, or group, or religion, or viewpoint, etc. Whatever they are willing to die for is their personal "God".

The Vampire religion finds itself in the rather unique position of advocating that you choose yourself as God and demonstrate this by being willing to choose to live for yourself, instead of choosing to die for something or someone else.

In fact, we go beyond this and advocate that you choose to live forever!

We are immortalists.

But that only defines the baseline for living for yourself as your own God, as the most important person in your universe.

To go beyond this baseline we have to ask what you are wanting to experience as your own God as you choose to live eternally.

And this leads to the ultimate motivator for all human action: feeling good.

Feeling good is what it is all about. 100%

If you feel bad you first want that to stop, of course. If you are in pain, or in fear, or depressed you want the bad feeling to end. But that only takes you to neutral.

Most people live in neutral. They don't necessarily feel bad but neither do they feel good. If you ask them how they feel they usually respond with, "Okay, I guess."

And this is really another way of saying that they really are feeling nothing. They are in neutral. At least nothing bad is happening. At least they are not in pain right now.

However, feeling "okay" is not feeling good!

Living your life in neutral is not gearing up to drive forward with happiness, joy, excitement, or ecstasy.

So what is the ultimate selfish act?

Choosing yourself as your own God and choosing to live forever only gets you to neutral (although for the right reasons).

It does not take you into happiness.

It just avoids a lot of pointless self-defeating thoughts and actions.

No, the ultimate selfishness is to choose to feel good!

And make no mistake, it requires a choice to learn to feel good, to feel joy, to feel happiness.

It requires deciding that right now it is better to choose to feel good than to wallow in feeling bad because you are "right", or because other people are "wrong", or because you are frustrated with something, or because that is the way you have always been, or because of anything else you can come up with as an excuse.

Choosing to feel good takes you directly to the purpose of life which is ...feeling good!

As your own God you get to decide that it is okay for the most important person in the world to feel good, and that is you!

How is it possible to feel good if you have reasons to feel bad right now? Sometimes it may not be possible. Sometimes you may have to deal with a situation that is - right this minute - preventing you from feeling good. If you just stepped on a nail, you may need to deal with that painful problem first. If you were just told that someone you love has died you may have to recover from that shock first.

I am not suggesting that you are going to enter a nirvana-like condition that cannot be affected by outside circumstances and events.

What I am suggesting is that more than 99% of the time you are not in an emergency situation. In fact the chances are excellent that more than 99% of the time you could be choosing to feel good instead of feeling nothing or feeling bad.

Learning to choose to feel good is a habit.

To establish a habit you need to engage in the behavior.

In this case it consists of choosing to feel good.

Fortunately there is a very simple, mechanical step you can take to jump-start this feeling in almost any situation that is not a dire emergency.

Smile.

Yes, that's it.

Smile.

An excellent 60 second reprogramming meditation you can use with this is to close your eyes, smile, and try to expand the good feeling that you experience as a result.

Feeling good is a feeling. You feel things with your body. Your sense of touch is not just on your skin surface. You feel many, many things inside your body and emotions such as happiness and joy are also felt inside your body.

Even without having any reason for feeling good you can close your eyes, smile, feel the surge of feeling good that results, and learn to expand that feeling in intensity inside your body.

Learn to live your life not just in no-pain, not just in "neutral", not just in "feeling okay".

Practice the ultimate in selfishness as your own God.

Feel good more and more of the time.

Feeling good is its own reward.

Just a suggestions from one God to Another.

Conclusions about the Near Death Experience (NDE)

Having discussed the OBE with many people over a lifetime I commonly hear the claim:

"I had an out of body experience so I know there is a God!"

or

"I had an out of body experience so I know I am immortal!"

Not at all.

IF the OBE has been validated with some objective evidence THEN it is appropriate to draw the conclusion that the OBE is real.

It does NOT prove anything about "God" or eternal survival in an "afterlife".

Those are other issues that may or may not prove to be correct.

For example, our Nightside Teachings are explicit in stating that if you do not "Eat" after death then your astral body will die also, the traditional "Second Death".

Could this be incorrect?

The ONLY way to determine that would be to continue "Eating" (Vampirism) if you die.

Since this does no harm to the living and MIGHT be true, you have nothing to lose by ASSUMING it to be valid and following those instructions.

A Disease of the Mind.

In a recent news item on "Scientist Sees Aging Cured" I notice the assumptions popularly expressed by the public in the comments:

"We should die to make room for children.

"Science is opposed to God's or Nature's "plan".

"The future is doomed.

"You will always be poor and in pain.

"Life is already terrible.

"The "rich" will always suppress you."

Deathism is a disease of the mind!

Get vaccinated here with the Temple approaches to eternal physical life!

How to Know if it's Lifeforce or self-suggestion?

This question assumes something that is not true. This question assumes that Lifeforce can be objectively separated from your subjective perception.

However Lifeforce is mind stuff.

This is similar to a fish trying to separate the experience of swimming in water from breathing in water.

This is similar to trying to use a flashlight to see how the negatives are developing in a photographer's dark room. This is similar to asking, "Is my steak brown or is it hot?"

Let me suggest that if you were trying to validate the existence of air in a culture in which no one understood the idea of "air" or "atmosphere" or "invisible gases" how could you do that?

Well you could wave your hands toward your face and notice that you feel something.

You could discover that every time you did this you could feel something.

You might be able to wave your hands toward pieces of paper on a table and sometimes see them move.

The more skilled you would get at being able to repeat these tests the more you could draw the conclusion that "air" was a viable way to explain your experience.

However Lifeforce follows the dictates of your mind. In other words "self-suggestion" or "autosuggestion" is how you move Lifeforce.

So autosuggestion can be used to "explain it away" or you can understand that autosuggestion is part and parcel of moving Lifeforce in the same way that waving your hand can move air.

In First Circle you agree to assume that Lifeforce is real as a working hypothesis.

Why do we require that to enter First Circle? To engage your mind to produce the phenomenon.

If you choose to resort to Dayside explanations such as assuming Lifeforce is just autosuggestion then you are not going to get anywhere.

The Lifeforce then conforms to your assumptions of its nonexistence because of autosuggestion - your suggestion to yourself that you are only fooling yourself.

This is one area where you need to keep your promise to treat Lifeforce as real so that you can validate it.

Anything else is just kidding yourself and wasting your efforts.

The Ghost in the Machine.

This is a seemingly simple practice that can lead you to deeper experiences in addition to helping to validate Liferforce.

Think of your physical body as a machine or a hard hat diving suit.

Now think of yourself as being a Ghost that occupies the body just as a diver occupies the diving suit.

When you do this remember that you are located behind the eyes (BTE).

This is especially useful when walking or otherwise moving your body although, with attention, can be performed under any circumstances.

You are striving to feel identification with your astral body and this, by itself, can open your awareness to Liferforce as it moves in and through your astral body.

This simple exercise can also greatly aid you in your efforts to awaken in lucid dreams (by identifying with your dream body) and in achieving conscious out of body experiences.

With regard to this last goal (a Second Circle goal), the more you feel and identify yourself to be the astral body the easier it is to view the physical body as a covering or "diving suit", making the entire effort more natural to expect.

Finally, identifying with the astral body rather than the physical body simply makes it easier to not only feel and see (and hear!) Liferforce, but to manipulate it.

Contrasting astral vs. physical impetus

Go get a spoon from your kitchen. Toss it up into the air, and then try to catch it so that you're holding the handle with the bowl of the spoon being thumb-side (as opposed to blade-of-the-hand-side). Notice how your attempt to grab it feels while the spoon is spinning in the air *but before you actually reach out to grab it*. Try that a few times until you get the feeling.

Then try doing the same thing, but with a mental shift. You're going to focus on the level of that feeling you just learned to notice instead of trying to grab the spoon. Instead of getting that agitated, scattered sense, try just sending a feeling out in a physical anticipation of grasping the spoon correctly. When you send out that feeling, if your hand is relaxed you will feel a very subtle "tug" of your hand wanting to "ride" that feeling. *Just let it do so*. If you try to do so, you'll interfere with the process. You just need to keep your attention on the level of that feeling and let your hand ride the feeling so that it rapidly and gracefully grasps the spoon the way you intend.

Once you've succeeded in doing that, try switching back and forth a few times between those two modes. You want to convince yourself that you're not just getting better at catching the spoon, but that there's actually something deeper going on here.

Also, be patient with yourself. Self-critique interferes with the effort to engage directly with the astral side of things. Just observe the results without attachment.

One Way They Can Answer Your Calling.

In establishing communication with the Undead, it can be very useful to attempt to actually achieve verbal (language) communication.

Depending upon your own brain mapping make-up this may be relatively easy or next to impossible. Some may discover that unless they are in a lucid dream or out of body experience that obtaining word communication may simply not seem to work.

I will underline the importance of not assuming that this is a limitation on the part of the Undead. Rather, it is probably far more useful to assume that this is a limitation of the Living Vampire and may require building an adequate skill set for accomplishment.

At the same time it just may be that for some this option will not work well or at all.

When someone becomes deaf but then receives an artificial cochlear implant, at first it is common for the patient to not understand what he is "hearing". Perception is a matter of the brain being able to set up the correct "connections" for any perception to be ...perceived.

In other words, perception is invention.

Seeing is not believing, it is creation.

That stated, it is also important that when you do have perceptions, when you do have what seem to you to be communications from the Undead that you not just assume that these are correct.

All too many examples exist of individuals who hear voices, have visions with instructions that lead them to sell all of their belongings and sit on top of a hill somewhere waiting for the Space Brothers to swoop down to save them from the end of the world.

Don't do that!

Please.

One way to test any communication you ever seem to receive from the Undead is to determine if what you are told seems sane and safe.

I will ask you to not just take my word for this but to understand that this is the only intelligent manner in which to approach such things.

If what you are told seems supportive, useful, intelligent, and safe to execute then you may be receiving a true communication.

If what you are receiving seems unsupportive, irrelevant, stupid, and unsafe or anti-social, you should assume that this is not from Them.

Why?

Context is everything.

First, the support the Temple members have been promised by Them may not always be obvious and necessarily one of direct intervention (as any good teacher would tend to behave), however it is pointless to pay attention to any communication from anyone - imagined or real - that clearly does not have your best intentions in mind.

Just as you may have heard the suggestion with regard to testing a lucid dream with the words, "Always fly up. Never leap down!" so too does it make practical sense to not follow instructions that could possibly put you at some risk.

To paraphrase the usual argument from the parent to the child, "If someone spoke to you in your head and told you to jump off a cliff would you do that?"

Just don't do that.

Be intelligent about all of this.

Even if you fail utterly and finally assume that such things are just you talking to yourself, never give over the power of your judgment to anyone else.

Never.

Test Everything. Believe Nothing.

By now this must be sounding familiar.

Back to the issue at hand.

There may be as many methods for establishing communication with the Undead as there are candidates willing to do so. I know of some members who have not ever received words but do get a clear intention passed along to them. They have learned that this overall intention will flesh itself out into words in time, sometimes immediately and sometimes very slowly.

I compare that to the artistic inspiration where the artist suddenly "gets" what it is that he is going to paint or sculpt or write. Then in the course of translating that overall completed sense through the medium of brush or clay or pen or keyboard, the final message comes into being as a finished product.

I think it was Michelangelo who said that when he carved a statue he would simply remove the marble that covered the final work that already existed there. Those who "get" a completed communication that is not in words may have to find the words or images or sounds that reveal the actual final meaning.

I am reminded of the role Richard Dryfuss played in Close Encounters of the Third Kind in which he, along with many other UFO contactees, had this sense of the importance of a certain shape or image which later turned out to be the Devil's Tower in the film. Some contactees would make sketches and know when what

they created matched up and when it failed. Others like Dryfuss sculpted the entire mountain, knowing it was "important" without necessarily knowing why.

So this is one level of communication which can lead to words. Since, in actuality, all words only lead to direct experience (or should), then this kind of communication might be viewed as the more honest or sophisticated one, as opposed to word for word dialog. I have reason to believe that this is so, though I also find that verbal communication can be far more useful at least in the short run.

Asking "Where is the bathroom?" and receiving a global "explanation" without any specific instructions to follow can be frustrating.

So the more verbal kind of communication is really a matter of setting the stage for that communication and then recording your results to build the skill set that seems to be involved.

I would suggest that it can be extremely useful in Communion to pause and consider that if Someone were present with you and they had telepathic abilities, it would be entirely reasonable that you could hear them "speak" in your mind in much the same way that you, yourself, can "speak" in your own mind to yourself.

While words can be visual in nature (like the ones you are reading right now) most of our person to person communications remain auditory. You have had a lifetime of speaking out loud to other people and hearing them speak aloud back to you.

This is a skill that does not need to be developed, only utilized.

Now when you talk in your own mind without speaking aloud, you should be able to hear your own "voice" in your mind. If you are having any trouble doing this, here is a trick to prime your pump, so to speak.

Out loud sing, "Row, row, row your boat gently down the stream. Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily. Life is" (now listen with your mouth shut as you finish the song).

You can do this with any long memorized sequence of words or music. Just start it up out loud and then stop to "hear" yourself finish the sequence in your mind.

Once you get the hang of hearing your own voice in your mind (those of you who already do this easily, please bear with me as I assist others on this), what I am about to suggest testing can be much easier to do.

Here is what I would suggest that you try.

Have Communion but as you stand there it is quite simple to silently - in your mind - ask One of Those you hope are there, "Can you speak directly to me in this way?"

Then listen in your mind.

Listen in exactly the same way that you listened for your own voice to finish the Row Boat song or any other memorized piece.

Listen for the response.

And now you begin to grasp another reason for the exercise of Dead Stillness. It better enables you to be sensitive to such things.

If your mind is always racing, babbling on without stopping, it leaves no room for dialog.

You know how frustrating it is to try to speak to someone who never pauses, don't you? For a conversation to be carried on there needs to be a give and take, a question and space for an answer to follow.

So you need to speak and then listen.

At first you may hear nothing. Then again you may only hear what seems to be your own inner voice.

When this happens try not to leap to the conclusion that you are putting these words into your own mind.

It can be helpful if you can write them down as they come.

The trick here, I feel, is to allow for the idea that you are learning how to "hear" and this may be far, far easier to do than you ever imagined.

It is not uncommon to "see" where the intention is for the words and to anticipate them, rather than internally "hearing" them. That is just fine. Just as Michelangelo removed the bits of marble to reveal the statue that was already there, you may find that some of your words "fit" and some do not.

But I would encourage you to allow for the possibility that you can simply "hear" words being spoken to you in your mind.

As I have already mentioned this is something you already know how to do. It stems from a lifetime of experience.

As a related aside, the business of being able to read without having to speak the words aloud was considered in the Middle Ages to be a rare gift. Today it is almost a universal trait. Today, we also seldom just read the individual words "aloud" in our minds. Instead we have usually learned the trick of gathering the meaning of entire blocks of words at a glance. Hence it is possible to read faster mentally much faster than one can read the same words aloud.

In this, I am asking you to return to the reading "aloud" you originally did as a child, and to do this in your mind.

Again, if telepathy is possible, it is entirely reasonable to assume that words can be communicated mentally in exactly the same way speech is conveyed out loud - as words you can hear.

If you are fortunate you will note that the words that you do hear do not match the syntax or word choices you would make if you were just making this up.

You may or may not notice that the Voice you hear sounds different from your own voice when speaking aloud, however it is quite possible to note that the word choice, the grammar, even what is being said just strikes you as not being you.

This is a useful indication that you are moving beyond the likelihood of your personal imagination and entering the possibility of actual Communication.

Another item than can clue you into that as possibly being the real thing is surprise. When the Voice does not even remotely answer you as you expected, you will feel a little (or sometimes not so little) jolt of surprise over the response that you do get.

Another similar clue is when the examples used in discussions with a Voice are just not the kind of examples you would ever use.

Another piece of the puzzle includes what I call continuity. If the Communications you receive carry the same assumptions, the same perspective over time, this can be another clue that you are having a Communication with Someone Who has a preconceived intent, and not just random words flushing up from your unconscious mind as in a normal dream, for example.

Another part of continuity can occur if you notice that a Conversation left off gets continued as if no time has passed, even if it has. If you discover a topic is continued that you broke off months or even years previously, this can be quite surprising and offer further evidence of an actual Communication.

And then there are what I have come to refer to as "personal memory reframes". If your Conversations become rich and complete, you may very well notice that they seem incredibly familiar to you. In time, you may discover that you remember incidents in your past going back to earliest childhood, school, etc. that might have seemed "strange" or puzzling.

I would definitely include seeming dream memories as a part of this, such as memories that you might have had where in retrospect you wonder now if that memory "really happened" or was really "only a dream". However, do not be too surprised if you discover that there are many other memories you have set aside that really were weird or strange or unusual.

The chances are high that those memories will have long ago been dismissed by you as just weird, or perhaps you assumed someone was playing a prank on you, or, again, you might have simply filed it under "strange temporary delusion or hallucination".

If your Communication is rich enough and authentic, you will very likely discover that this new perspective will cause you to discover meaning in many such events and that this meaning in itself has continuity to the present.

In other words you may very well come to realize that your past was actually entirely different than what you thought it was even if the visible "surface" events remain unchanged.

Examples of this I can offer from my own experience include the many, many situations when I would encounter a total stranger who would know my name and offer some cryptic statement. At the time, it just seemed weird. Sometimes I would wonder if I imagined it. But then, these pieces fit together in retrospect as an ongoing series of examples of the Teachings.

And if you consider how we educate children to prepare them for ordinary life, this approach makes sense.

The young child is told that Santa Claus will magically deliver presents on Christmas morning which instills in the child the memories of anticipation and joy at having such wonderful things happen. Then as adults they take on the role of Santa and play the same game to enliven their children.

Or the infant is given the game of Peek-a-boo, in which the adult hides his face and then suddenly reveals it with the words "Peek-a-boo". The child laughs and learns that surprises can be fun and not always threatening as well as that what you see can hide other things from being seen.

Or the young student is given the task of passing his grades or facing "failure". And this conveys the overall need to strive to accomplish things to a certain standard and be rewarded, or fail and be punished.

So the adult looks back on waiting for Santa, or playing Peek-a-boo, or studying hard to make the grade but sees it no longer as a child sees it. He sees it from the grander purpose. He understands better what his parents and teachers intended (even if they did not know it at the time!).

So, too, if the Communications you engage offer continuity and better control over your life now, do not be surprised if these insights cause you to see your own past with new eyes as if you have effectively rewritten your history to match what you now realize was actually going on.

You may even discover that you were actually brought up by the Family from within your own family.

That is an astonishing event when you realize it to be true.

Don't be too surprised to discover that it is true.

Contemporary examples of this can be found in Whitney Strieber's autobiographical writings such as *The Secret School: Preparation for Contact* in which he discovered that there were many years of childhood memories that he never lost but found bizarre at the time, only understanding these events better after his own experiences with Them as an adult.

The clarification of your own personal history, if you have this happen, can be truly a wonderful insight. At that point, if you have this unfolding, you will understand more fully why I emphasize that any Communication from Them that is real will only have your best interest at heart.

There is no need for any "leap of faith". There is no need to be "tested". Life itself is a test. A true Parent only wishes to help the child grow strong and pass that test.

And that is at the heart of any true Answer to the Calling of the Undead Gods - your betterment.

Deidentification and Validation of the Undead Gods

IT IS ALL A MATTER OF PERCEPTION

How do we know what we know?

I have to admit I am sometimes quite amused by some of those new members who come to the Temple full of complicated arguments, philosophical premises, verbal hairsplitting, and the like. They sit in classroom splendor, in well lit rooms, and spin out long and complicated explanations for what is possible and impossible, "rational" and "irrational", on and on.

But words do not touch experience.

Practically speaking we know what we know because we experience it. We either experience something so often that we no longer question it, or we experience it with such intensity that we can't question it.

I think of the fictitious example from Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* that reflects the experience of millions of people over and over again when Marley asks Scrooge, "Why do you doubt the evidence of your own eyes?" and Scrooge replies with a logical argument.

But then Marley rises into the air, screaming, banging his metal cashboxes together with ear piercing thunder, until Scrooge falls to his knees, begging Marley to stop and proclaiming that now he believes "absolutely!".

For those of us who have had this kind of Communion, there is no more room for words or opinions.

But for you who have not, there is the issue of how to acquire this knowledge.

The Calling is an invitation offered to Them by you. For your invitation to be actually answered requires that it be offered with correct intention.

They owe you nothing.

And unless you are offered the raw power of an experience that sweeps away your doubts, you will need to undercut, diminish, or remove your doubts - your disbeliefs - prior to Communion in order to actually perceive what is happening during Communion.

SELECTIVE PERCEPTION

This is a proven psychological reality.

In short, what you expect to experience enables you to experience it.

An extreme example of how far reaching your unconscious programming controls your perceptions can be found in clinical hypnosis. It is entirely possible to hypnotize someone such that will not be able to see another person in the same room. If the "invisible" person lifts a coffee cup the hypnotized subject sees a coffee cup floating in the air.

A simpler example can be demonstrated quite easily. Take a moment to look around you to see anything with the color blue. Notice as you look how blue things seem to almost jump out at you. Now switch to yellow and notice how yellow items leap up in your ability to spot them. Now do the same thing with red. Now anything red is immediately noticed by you.

But the blue items and the yellow items receded from notice as well.

What you see is not what you get.

What you look for is what you get.

What you do not look for recedes into invisibility.

What you do not expect to see may become completely invisible to you.

I will add here that camouflage is commonly used by predators to hunt their prey. The Undead are indeed presented to us as the predators of the human. That They would engage in camouflage of great sophistication should not be a surprise.

So one of the major issues in enabling you to successfully validate the Undead is to get you to come to Them "clean".

If your mind is "dirty" with disbelief, you will be unable to see them in much the same way that looking through a muddy windshield can blind you when trying to driving a car.

So how can you "clean" your perception?

How can you effectively remove your disbeliefs?

DEIDENTIFICATION

By applying the Deidentification Principle to your ideas and feelings of disbelief about the Undead, you can dissolve those disbeliefs and come to this issue with open eyes.

There are a wide range of such disbeliefs to be dealt with.

For example:

If I can't see Them then They can't be real.

Why should They come to me even if They were real?

I am all alone in a room doing this ritual.

If someone saw me they would think I am a fool.

I don't believe in ghosts, spirits, gods, or demons.

Why now? Why here?

If They are real why do I have to do this nonsense?

Who am I kidding? I can't be serious.

Nothing really special ever works for me.

Why should Gods come and see me? I am nothing.

And attached to any words you might come up with like the above or entirely different, there are many feelings you might have.

Embarrassment, fear, shame, anger, despair, boredom - probably any emotion you can imagine could be part of your disbelief structure.

So take one that is real for you.

Suppose it is a trepidation that you are simply fooling yourself and that nothing will ever happen.

Find the words that best describe what this is like.

Find the images that represent this.

Find the feelings that go with it.

Identify exactly what these words/images/feelings are.

If you can, determine where they seem to be located.

Especially the feelings can be pinpointed in your body somewhere.

If you feel something you feel it somewhere in your body.

Then, if you have not done so already apply deidentification.

Remember that "you" are behind your eyes and from that place observe where you feel the feeling.

Remind yourself with words that anything you can experience can't be you.

There is "you" and there is what you experience.

So if you have been experiencing a fear that you have been fooling yourself, remind yourself that you are not this fear!

Let the fear be "there" while you are "here", observing it.

Do not resist the fear. Do not fight the fear.

Just observe it with a certain curiosity, much as you might watch clouds passing through the sky of your mind.

If you can tackle the disbelief in the Undead directly, do so!

If you have to break that disbelief into pieces, do so!

As you cease to identify with the disbelief it will fade.

Then your expectations can be freed of belief or disbelief.

Freed of the need to assume one or the other is true beforehand, it will be remarkably easy for you to then test and discover what is so.

You will be able to perform the Calling and to do so with a clean mind, free of prejudice, free of blindness, free of prior assumptions.

This should make it much easier for you to accomplish this goal.

Do I Create The Undead Through My Imagination?

This is a great question.

If I left my body and came to you while you were doing Communion and after your Sacrifice of Lifeforce, Returned this Flow to you from my out of body condition then this would be an example of Communion with a Rain of Mercy.

What would your experience of this be like?

Perhaps you would see, hear, or feel absolutely nothing.

However, if you were more Evolved perhaps you would feel the Return Flow, the Rain of Mercy. This is fairly common.

If you were even more Evolved perhaps you would sense my Presence during the Communion.

If you were even more Evolved perhaps you would even be able to see me there. Hear me "speak" to you, mind to mind.

However, even if you are blind, deaf, and numb to the astral Presence you would still be Affected by the Return Flow.

If a hospital patient is sound asleep but is being given an intravenous drip of medicine into his bloodstream the affect of the drug will still help him.

If someone wanders into the Japanese reactor areas where there are still high levels of radiation that person will still be affected by the radiation even if they feel or see nothing.

You can be affected by things that are real that you do not perceive.

Our goal is to become Undead Gods ourselves. We have to undergo Vampiric Metamorphosis to do so. This is the true Alchemy. This is the creation of the true Philosopher's Stone.

Forget about "archetypes", "egregores", "tulpas" and imaginary creations that human "magicians" fool around with.

Transform yourself through Communion and Rise Above the human mortal condition.

Again in my example, if I leave my body and go to you during Communion I AM THERE. It doesn't matter to me what you are trying to do. It matters to you what I am actually doing to you.

By dropping disbelief you can stop blocking your own progress and perceptions of the astral, but the Rain of Mercy comes out of the Mercy, the Generosity of the Undead. Not the imagination of the member.

Is the Temple on Facebook?

No!

There are no other legitimate representations of the Temple anywhere else on the internet.

Only on the Temple website and message board can you find us.

Anything else you see or read elsewhere is fraud.

The Temple is not on MySpace, Facebook, Twitter, or any other form of social networking.

The Temple is not found on any other website or message board or email list.

Furthermore, Temple members do not discuss the Temple anywhere else on the internet.

If you see anyone, anywhere else pretending to be representing the Temple in any manner you can be confident that someone is trying to fool you.

Here and only here can you be assured of honest answers from the Temple itself.

Beware.

The Dragon Awake.

In First Circle you work to feel the Lifeforce through Vampirism.

In Second Circle you work to feel the Undead.

In Third Circle you work to feel the Flow of Lifeforce around you.

In Fourth Circle you work to feel the world as the Dragon and this we call Awakening the Dragon.

In Fifth Circle you work to make the habit of feeling the world as the Dragon permanent.

And this is accomplished by making the conscious effort to establish the habit until the habit becomes your natural state.

However since you always were the Dragon to begin with then you always already were in this state anyway, but your mind, your personality, was unaware of it.

And with this state, all possible worlds open before us.

This has been the promise given.

Stay the course.

Our Mission

The Vampire is the next step in human evolution.

If you are ready, the Temple is here to empower you.

We believe the value of the individual is superior to that of any group or tribe or nation or species.

In everything we do, we believe in challenging the power of anything opposing individual freedom.

The way we do this is by empowering individuals to achieve independent control over their lives through wealth, health, personal power, and unlimited life extension.

We created a worldwide organization with proven methods for making this possible. For more than twenty years we have been active doing so.

The Temple embraces only those aspects of the Vampire mythos that include a love and respect for all life, physical immortality, individual elegance, proven wisdom, civilized behavior, worldly success, and personal happiness.

The Temple rejects those aspects of the Vampire mythos that are negative including any that are anti-life, anti-social, deathist, crude, gory, self-defeating, or criminal.

The Vampire By Day

The Dayside is a basic and practical part of our religion and is summarized in The Vampire Creed.

Dayside membership opens the door to interaction with other members in three ways:

- Online conversation and discussion through our message board.
- In-person group meetings, conclaves, workshops and seminars.
- Direct instruction in proven methods for achieving success.

We have hundreds of active members worldwide who post regularly on our message board with over fifty forums in seven languages to discuss everything from current events and movies, to practical sorcery and the mastery of out-of-body experience.

The Temple's message board also has a special set of forums to allow you to arrange for confidential in-person contacts with other members. Additionally, the Temple commonly conducts international conclaves. In recent years we have had major live meetings in Australia, and all across North America and Europe.

Active Temple membership also offers you the opportunity to enter the Temple's Graded Hierarchy and pursue the Nightside Teachings. The Temple literature and especially The Vampire Bible and Revelations discuss these Teachings in some detail.

The Vampire by Night

The Nightside is the esoteric side of the Temple with a base in psychodrama, ceremonial ritual, the so-called "paranormal", and the conscious control of dream states as summarized in The Dragon Speaks.

Our Nightside teachings are found in five consecutive books beginning with The Vampire Bible and do not require Temple membership but do require a Nightside Connection.

The Nightside Connection enables you to tap into the wisdom, guidance, and skills of the truly advanced Vampire. This esoteric Connection is the source of power that makes the Temple completely unique.

Only through this Temple can this Connection be made.

When you receive an authorized copy of Temple literature from us you are obtaining more than just a book with instructions. You are also establishing an esoteric Nightside Connection which can permit those instructions to work for you.

Nightside Vampirism is not merely absorbing Lifeforce, the esoteric energy of life that all living things radiate. Vampirism is much more than just taking in more Lifeforce from others. That is a common ability.

The Nightside Connection

When you obtain an authorized copy of Temple literature from us you are receiving more than just a book with instructions. You are receiving more than a reliable and accurate copy that has not been tampered with or altered.

You are also establishing an esoteric Nightside Connection which can permit those instructions to work for you.

How is this possible? Why should just receiving a book from the Temple create such a Nightside Connection? Isn't a book just words, just information?

From a purely Dayside perspective this is true. From the ordinary, common sense world view of the Dayside information is just information and a book is just a collection of words.

However from the Nightside this is not true at all.

LIFEFORCE IS MINDSTUFF.

The Nightside is entirely involved with what we in the Temple refer to as Lifeforce. Lifeforce is mindstuff. Lifeforce is the container that "holds" the universe of your experiences and Lifeforce is also the "carrier wave" that can transmit your intentions to affect your reality.

So from the Nightside perspective what you think and know and feel about anything has a profound effect upon you.

When you receive an authorized copy of Temple literature from us you are offering a small sacrifice of money for our Nightside esoteric instructions. When you apply these instructions, you also know deep down inside that you have been truthful and honest with the Temple.

YOU CAN'T FOOL YOURSELF.

It is pointless to try and use the Temple's Nightside instructions without following the basic requirement of making the small gesture of obtaining those instructions directly from the Temple.

Again from the Dayside perspective this is all nonsense. A book is just a book. However if you wish to pursue and succeed in the Nightside of the Temple you must first achieve and then maintain this all important Nightside Connection.

A word to the wise.

Temple Law

Our Temple is an international church devoted to the Vampire Religion, legally formed in the United States in 1989 (not tax-exempt).

The Vampire religion requires that all members refrain from any and all criminal acts as defined by their respective governments.

To be a Vampire, a member of the Vampire religion, you are expected to behave in a responsible and adult manner within society. The Temple of the Vampire will remove from membership any who fail to do so.

We do not care what members do in private, provided such actions do not risk drastic public consequences. We simply require that Our members be sensible. To be explicit, We have two very straightforward rules for Our members:

Abide by the law.

We will not tolerate any member who commits or advocates crime.

Minor legal infractions that cannot result in imprisonment are not considered to be criminal acts and are not violations of this rule.

No physical blood drinking.

We wish to avoid exposing our Temple to criminal liability and what many consider cannibalism.

Drinking physical blood is a socially unacceptable behavior and reveals a deep misunderstanding of our religion.

One Life. One Chance.

To be elite requires that only a few belong. Not all are worthy.

It is the responsibility of each member to aspire to be and remain worthy of membership in this Temple.

The wise member will avoid questionable acts or affiliations to avoid risking expulsion.

We are a private organization and reserve the right to deny or cancel membership without notice or explanation.

History of the Temple

The Temple is the only authentic international organization in the world that represents the true Vampire religion. We have a worldwide membership and a dedicated Priesthood.

The Temple of the Vampire has been in continuous existence since its creation in 1989 when we formed our organization within the United States. We did this to allow our membership to benefit from the legal protections afforded to religion under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Membership grew slowly but steadily for the first few years, but then with the explosion of electronic communications, membership has made rapid growth over the last decade. Most members have come to the Temple through word of mouth however it is increasingly common for new members to find the Temple through social networks on the internet.

We are elitist for good reason and do not recognize any others who would make claims upon our heritage and authority. And we continue to grow internationally, offering members live support and training.

Tat Tvam Asi!

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This Completes Volume Four of Bloodlines.