

“Esoteric Science”

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Online resources:

<http://www.laurency.com> – All that has been translated into English is available here.

The Basic Esoteric Dictionary, The Explanation, Knowledge of Reality, all good starting points

<http://www.lucitrust.org/> - The writings of the Tibetan, Dwal Khul, via Alice A. Bailey

<http://theosophical.org/> - The Theosophical Society, the first reintroduction of esoterics to the public.

<http://onepurelove.com> - Stanton’s website; talks and handouts are there with other things

Books:

Laurency: Only two Laurency books are available in print in English (though all are in print in Swedish). Both are available at Quest bookshop, or can be ordered from the Laurency website mentioned above.

Knowledge of Reality - a review of Eastern and Western philosophies, contrasted with Hylozoics

The Philosopher’s Stone – cosmology, evolution, the stages of humanity, higher worlds

The other Laurency books mentioned in the quotes below, are available online.

Also, mentioned in today’s talk:

The Science of Spirituality, Lee Bladon – good overall view from the Esoteric side, and the only book of its kind that refers to Laurency.

The Dancing Wu Li Masters, Gary Zukov – A very readable and classic overview of quantum physics

Science Set Free, Rupert Sheldrake – Enjoyable read about where science is still far from figuring things out, with examples of the many mysteries.

The Holographic Universe, Michael Talbot – Full of fascinating stories about what is beyond physical reality, the “implicate order” as referred to by David Bohm.

The Biology of Belief, Bruce Lipton – A best seller told from his perspective as a physician, about how we have much more influence over our bodies than we are told, among other things.

Ongoing:

Rainbow Bridge meditation group - 6-8 PM Tuesdays in Port Townsend - stanton.k.stevens@gmail.com

Alice A. Bailey study group – Led by Karen Johannsen: ksjohannsen@gmail.com

Quotes

“Truth is so obscure in these times, and falsehood so established, that, unless we love the truth, we cannot know it.”

== Blaise Pascal

Esoteric Healing, Alice A. Bailey, p. 412

The growth of etheric vision and the largely increased numbers of clairaudient and clairvoyant people is steadily revealing the existence of the astral plane and the etheric counterpart of the physical world. More and more people are becoming aware of this subjective realm: they see people walking around who are either the so-called "dead" or who, in sleep, have dropped the physical sheath.

Esoteric Psychology I, Alice A. Bailey, p 183

THE PROBLEM OF IMMORTALITY

The third area of doubt,—doubt as to the fact of immortality—will be solved before long in the realm of science, as the result of scientific investigation. Certain scientists will accept the hypothesis of immortality as a working basis upon which to base their search, and they will enter upon that search with a willingness to learn, a readiness to accept and a desire to formulate conclusions based upon reiterated evidence. These conclusions will, in their turn, form the basis for another hypothesis. Within the next few years the fact of persistence and of the eternity of existence will have advanced out of the realm of questioning into the realm of certainty. The problem will have shifted further back. There will be no question in anyone's mind that the discarding of the physical body will leave a man still a conscious living entity. He will be known to be perpetuating his existence in a realm lying behind the physical. He will be known to be still alive, awake and aware. This fact will be demonstrated in several ways. The development of a power within the physical eye of a human being (a power which has always been there, but which has been very little used) will reveal the etheric body, the "double," as it is sometimes called; and men will be seen occupying that body in some definite spatial area whilst their dead or disintegrating physical body has been left behind. Then again, the growth in the number of those people who have the power to use the "single eye," sometimes called the "reawakened third eye," will also add to the demonstration of the truth of immortality, for they will with facility see the man who has discarded his etheric body as well as his physical body. By the very weight of their numbers, and by the reputability of their position, they will carry their point. Through a discovery also in the field of photography, now being investigated, will the fact of survival be proven. Through the use of the radio by those who have passed over will communication be eventually set up, and reduced to a true science.

The Knowledge of Reality, Henry T. Laurency

Chapter 5 An Esoterician's View of the History of European Philosophy

THE HYLOZOIC PERIOD

5.3 *Pythagoras*

5 The scientists maintain that "everything is matter". The subjectivist philosophers of the West and the East assert that "everything is consciousness". The nuclear physicists now eagerly advocate that "everything is energy". The observable physical matter dissolves before their eyes into "nothing", or energy phenomena, and they at once conclude that "matter dissolves into energy". Only the esotericians know that it dissolves into matter that is invisible to the physicists, the energy effect of which matter is enormously greater because it is of a higher molecular kind.

6 This, the only correct conception of reality, Pythagoras called hylozoics (spiritual materialism), thereby doing away with the antithesis of spirit and matter and explaining that "spirit" is the indestructible consciousness of the atoms.

7 Pythagoras realized that anyone who in the physical world wishes to acquire as accurate a conception of reality as possible, must start from the matter aspect of existence as the inevitable basis of scientific research. This has been confirmed brilliantly. Natural science has demonstrated its superiority not only in technical respects, but also in the fact that it has presented the least number of errors. Anyone who has acquired the common sense sense of reality in the physical world does not so easily fall a victim to

the illusions of emotional imagination, the fictions of mental activity, and the ideologies of the ignorance of life as up to now.

The Way of Man, Henry T. Laurency

Chapter 4 The Physical Being of the First Self

4.11 Physical Consciousness

4 Just as all kinds of natural forms, not just organisms, are surrounded by etheric envelopes, so is this the case also with our planet. According to data from the planetary hierarchy, so-called atomic explosions have damaged that protective envelope of our planet. Science will eventually recognize this when it has discovered the existence of the etheric envelope. Warnings against atomic explosions have certainly been voiced, but the politicians thought they knew better. And mankind must take the consequence of these as well as other follies it thinks out.

4.12 Physicalism

6 Science has still not been able to explore more than three sevenths of the matter of the physical world. Science will never reach the physical atom, never be able to explore more than the two lower etheric molecular kinds (49:3,4). The hypotheses and theories of atomic researchers will never agree with reality unless they start from the esoteric descriptions of that reality. They will be forced to do so though probably not before 2025 when they must condescend to examine the matter with the aid of people having etheric vision. Medical science, researching the organism, and psychological science, researching consciousness in the organism, deal with functions that are automatized by etheric energies, but have no idea of the essential in this, namely the energies that have made it possible and still make it possible for organisms to exist.

4.19 Health

7 The custom of burying human corpses with all their germs of disease, as well as the custom of manuring the earth with human excrements, has had the effect that the earth is thoroughly poisoned. Nowadays also the water is poisoned since faeces are flushed out into lakes. Plants assimilate germs of disease and pass them on, and fish as well. When, some time in the future, science has realized this fact, cremation will be made compulsory and human waste be neutralized in special factories. Cultivated earth with its germs of disease will be disinfected. Many hundreds of years later we may expect that the diseases brought to us through the vegetable life will be eradicated.

Knowledge of Life Two, Henry T. Laurency

Chapter 9 Esoteric Philosophy

9.4 The Hylozoic Mental System

4 Our modern philosophers and scientists are not in a position to understand the importance of hylozoics as a working hypothesis. It is not intended for them. When research has advanced so far, however, that the existence of a particular physical etheric world has been recognized and the existence of an etheric envelope attached to the organism has been discovered, so many other discoveries and so many confirmations of the facts of esoterics will follow suit that many people will accept hylozoics as the best working hypothesis. We may expect a revolutionary discovery to be made around the year 2025.

Knowledge of Life Three, Henry T. Laurency

Chapter 7 Yoga

7.7 Hylozoics is Superior to Yoga

8 Indian yoga philosophy develops the individual into a personality, which means that the mental controls the emotional, and the emotional controls the physical. Yoga philosophy cultivates the

consciousness aspect. But it neglects the matter aspect, which Westerners explore and learn to control more and more with scientific methods. These researches will lead to the development of physical etheric objective consciousness and the discovery of the existence of the etheric envelope, a thing of which yogis have very vague ideas. The scientific studies of light and colour will bring about a revolution in cultural respect as well. The study of sound as a source of energy will demonstrate the right method of so-called nuclear fission and solve the problem of energy.

Knowledge of Life Five, Henry T. Laurency

Chapter 2 Science

20.11 Medical Science is on the Verge of a Revolution

1 The greatest discovery of medical science still lies in the future. The esoterician knows that there will be a complete revolution in all the fields of this discipline the day when physicists and physiologists combined will discover the existence of the etheric envelopes of organisms.

2 This will be its greatest discovery because the etheric envelope is the very principle of physical life, the vehicle of vital energies, of the true functions of life, and a necessary condition of the existence of all human, animal, and plant organisms. The material energies of the etheric world are the source of all physical activity in all physical kingdoms. The organisms are mere automata. The knowledge of etheric energies and of their modes of action was called “magic” by the ancients.

3 When medical science has discovered the existence of the etheric envelope, it will understand also that disease mostly originates in the etheric envelope. Medical science will then direct its efforts at the right activation of the etheric envelope. An immense field of research will open up as they seek all the medicines hidden in the vegetable kingdom. In contrast, the medicines that can be derived from the mineral kingdom are not the most suitable ones. When man’s diet has been “etherized” thanks to vegetable food, the greater part of disease will disappear automatically.

20.15 There Are Consequences to the Crazy Mania for Experiments

1 Scientists assert that all the heat of the earth originally comes from the sun. Esotericians assert that science is not in a position to make statements on that problem.

2 Only two fifths of the heat of the earth comes from the sun. Three fifths are produced through magnetic vibrational interaction between the planetary etheric envelope (49:2-4) and terrestrial magnetism, a fact that science is unable to ascertain.

3 The so-called nuclear explosions disrupt the planetary etheric envelope. It should stand to reason that this has consequences for the earth’s ability to engender heat. Moreover it enables the penetration of kinds of matter that should have been absorbed by the etheric envelope. Since physical matters are not adapted to such energies they latter may have a destructive effect.

4 It is left to scientific research to discover eventually the consequences of this damage for organisms. Mankind will in due time experience the outcome of the crazy ventures of ignorance.

Chapter 5 The path to knowledge and Unity

5.14 The Fictions of Science

6 In the following, some of the many scientific fictions are enumerated which still haunt scientific literature like dogmas. The fact that several of them contradict each other is due to the fact that the new fictions of nuclear physics occur along with older fictions.

7 Hypothesis: Science has almost explored the nature of matter.

8 Truth: Science, reduced as it is to the visible physical world, can explore only about one per cent of the matter aspect of existence.

9 Hypothesis: Science has ascertained almost all the laws of nature and explored almost all the forces of nature. Therefore, science can determine a priori whether so-called unknown phenomena are possible or not, decide whether they “conflict with the laws of nature”.

10 Truth: Science still lacks a knowledge of approximately 99 per cent of all laws of nature and forces of nature.

11 Hypothesis: There are no laws of nature, there are only frequency phenomena or statistical laws.

12 Truth: The entire cosmos is one single continuous law-abidingness. There are laws in everything and everything is expressive of law.

13 Hypothesis: The visible physical world is the only world there is.

14 Truth: The cosmos is made up of a series of interpenetrating worlds of different degrees of density.

15 Hypothesis: There is no other matter than physical matter.

16 Truth: There is a long, continuous series of successively higher states of aggregation that form a series of different worlds each one of which has its own kind of matter.

17 Hypothesis: Physical matter consists of three states of aggregation: solid, liquid, and gaseous.

18 Truth: Physical matter consists of seven different states of aggregation, four in addition to the three ones just mentioned: etheric, superetheric, subatomic, and atomic.

19 Hypothesis: Nuclear physics engages in atomic fission.

20 Truth: The thing that nuclear physics calls the physical atom is the chemical atom, which esoterics calls an etheric molecule. The fission of the true physical atom yields 49 emotional atoms.

21 Hypothesis: Matter and energy are phenomena of two basically different kinds.

22 Truth: Matter and energy are one and the same thing. There is only matter. All higher kinds of matter relate to lower kinds as energy to matter. Energy is matter.

23 Hypothesis: Physical matter is indestructible.

24 Truth: Physical matter can be dissolved and changed into emotional matter. The same is true of higher kinds of matter. Only primordial atoms are indestructible.

25 Hypothesis: Matter dissolves into energy.

26 Truth: As has already been said, all energy is matter. There is originally only one energy: the dynamic energy of primordial matter.

27 Hypothesis: The cosmos is an eternally indestructible perpetuum mobile.

28 Truth: All manifested matter has once been formed out of primordial atoms and will some time return to the primordial atomic state, in which process all the primordial atoms (monads) will have acquired actualized active consciousness and omniscience in all the different worlds of the cosmos.

29 Hypothesis: Consciousness is a property of organic matter only.

30 Truth: All matter has either potential consciousness or some sort of actualized consciousness.

Everything is simultaneously matter, motion, and consciousness. None of the three can exist without the other two.

Chapter 23 The Black Lodge

5The planetary hierarchy foresees that if religions are not freed from fear and aggression, if they do not seek that synthesis which eliminates the mutual antagonism and competition of the nations, if the Vatican does not stop its political intrigues and its exploitation of the masses by keeping them down in ignorance, then this will in the future lead to a new world war, this time a religious war, which in its bestiality will supersede everything and will spell the annihilation of life on our planet. That would be the triumph of satanism. If so, it would not be the first one. Astronomers have observed that in the wide interval between Mars and Jupiter, instead of one planet, there are hundreds of asteroids (so far they have discovered more than 1700). They were once part of a big planet. Will Terra share its destiny?