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# The Writings of Abraham

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## Chapter 1

- 1 Revelation given 21 day, 1 month, 1979 (5/1/76) Valley of Ephraim, Utah.
- 2 Behold my son, Samuel, I have caused to come into thine hands a fragment of the writings of Abraham in which he hath left a record of his sojourn among men and of the blessings of the Lord unto him. This I have brought to thee that thou mightest take the stone which is in thine hands and restore that which is lost that the fullness of the record in its original purity might be found again among the sons of God.
- 3 Behold, these things are sacred, wherefore, send them not forth unto the children of men but let them be for the edification of the elect that your hearts may be turned unto the Fathers and ye may draw close to them and they to you.
- 4 Thus will the veil be withdrawn and ye will commune with the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn and shall even be ushered back into my presence.
- 5 Go to now and do this work which I have placed in thine hands. Amen.

## Chapter 2

- 1 I, Abraham, was born the son of Terah who was Prime Minister to Nimrod who reigned in Ur of the Chaldees.
  - 2 Now this Nimrod was a wicked man and an idolater and my father was led to follow after his abominations.
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- 3 Moreover, Nimrod was a man of mighty power for he was Master Mahan and had in his hands the secrets of the ancients as they had come down from Cain wherein he knew the words of power and the signs for using them and he had the holy garments which had been given unto Adam in the garden in which was great power.
- 4 All of this power did Nimrod use to get gain after the manner of the secret combination.
- 5 With his power he had set out to build a tower which would reach to heaven, even the city of my Father Enoch which had been taken up, that he, Nimrod, might depose God from his throne for God had taken up his abode among the people of Enoch.
- 6 But God frustrated the plans of Nimrod by confounding the language of him and his people that they could no longer remember the sacred words and they scattered forth over the face of the earth.
- 7 At that time Nimrod came and established the city of Ur which is the City of Light for he yet retained his determination to build a city to rival the city of God that the light and power might center in him.
- 8 And through the ministration of Satan he did receive again some of the words of power and did reorganize the secret combination among his people but he had not power as at the first for the fullness of the pure language was not restored to him according to the decree of the Most High God.
- 9 Now, in all the wickedness of Nimrod, my father stood by his side for he was deceived by the subtle cunning and power which Nimrod possessed.

## Chapter 3

- 1 My father Terah was the son of Nahor and Nahor was the son of Serug and Serug was the son of Reu and Reu was the son of Peleg in whose days the earth was divided.
- 2 Peleg was the son of Eber who was the son of Salah who was the son of Arphaxad the son of Shem who was Melchizedek which by interpretation is king-priest, for he was a king and a priest of the Most High God.
- 3 Shem was the son of Noah who was preserved through the great flood by the hand of God.

## Chapter 4

- 1 Noah was the son of Lamech, the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, who was taken up with his city that they might minister unto those in the flesh who sought a higher law than was available to them on the earth.
  - 2 Now the birth of Noah was after this manner: While his father Lamech was journeying toward his home from preaching the gospel among the sons of men, most of whom had rejected his testimony, an angel of the Lord appeared unto him and saluted him, saying, Hail Lamech, thou favored one of God, for according to the promise of the Lord God to thy Father Enoch thou hast been chosen to be father to him through whom the seed of the Gods will be preserved through the great flood which the Gods will send upon the earth in judgment, for all the sons of men have gone astray through the corruptions of those angels who fell from among the Gods and mingled their seed with the daughters of men and begat sons of great strength and mighty in wickedness.
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- 3 Yea, these have caused all flesh to corrupt their way before the Lord; wherefore they shall be destroyed, save thy son who shall be the seed of the angels.

## Chapter 5

- 1 The mother of Noah was also the daughter of Methuselah for Lamech and his wife had the same father but different mothers.
- 2 And when Noah was born, his body was full of light, which thing caused great consternation to his father and mother and his father's wives and children and all his house.
- 3 Moreover, the child stood upon his feet when he had come forth from the womb and his tongue was loosed and he did sing praises unto the Lord saying, I will praise thee,
- 4 Nevertheless, though thou art a God who is long-suffering in judgment, the sins of the children of men have come up before thy face and thy fury hath waxed strong and will be visited with judgments upon the earth.
- 5 Thy mercies, O Lord, are beyond number, but thou art a God that visiteth wrongdoing upon the children of men when the fullness of their iniquity hath come upon them.
- 6 Therefore shall the earth be destroyed according to the word of God which cannot fail.
- 7 For the waters of the flood shall come upon the earth and all things shall perish from before thy face, O Lord.
- 8 Nevertheless, in thee do we put our trust for in whatsoever thou doest, O Lord, thou hast ever done justly. Amen.

## Chapter 6

- 1 These things were a source of amazement and concern unto Lamech who thereupon went unto his Father Methuselah, and finding him in the temple he said, My Father, this day did my wife, thy daughter, bear a man-child.
- 2 And at his birth the room was full of light so that we could not look upon him and when we could look upon him, behold, the child's hair was white and fire seemed to come from his eyes and then he stood upon his feet and sang an hymn of praise unto the Lord and lo, he seemed to have the tongue of an angel.
- 3 Tell me now the meaning of these things and how can I raise such a son?

## Chapter 7

- 1 Hearing these words, Methuselah too was troubled and said, Fear not, my son, for although I know not the meaning of these things, I will go unto my Father Enoch, for he is privy to the angels and he will be able to explain all things to us.
  - 2 Whereupon, Methuselah traveled to the top of the highest mountain whence he could speak unto his Father Enoch and he said unto him, My Father, my daughter, who is the wife of my son Lamech, hath this day brought forth a man-child.
  - 3 And at his birth the room was full of light so that they could not look upon him and when they could look upon him, behold the child's hair was white and fire seemed to come from his eyes and then he stood upon his feet and sang an hymn of praise unto the Lord and lo, he seemed to have the tongue of an angel.
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- 4 Thus saith my son Lamech and he is greatly perplexed as to the meaning of these things and how he can raise such a son.

## Chapter 8

- 1 Hearing this report, Enoch comforted his son Methuselah saying, Fear not, my son, nor fret thyself about this matter for did not an holy angel visit thy son Lamech and tell him that this should be the seed of the angels? and was it not so?
- 2 For this cause have these things happened but on the eighth day when the child is circumcised he shall be covered and shall appear as other men except that his hair shall remain white as a token that through him the Lord will do a mighty work.
- 3 This word did Methuselah return to his son Lamech and he was comforted.

## Chapter 9

- 1 And on the eighth day when the child was circumcised, he was covered that he became as other men except that his hair remained white and they called his name Noah, which by interpretation is comfort because, Lamech said, mine heart is comforted to know that my seed shall be preserved through the great flood.

## Chapter 10

- 1 And the child grew and waxed strong in wisdom and mighty in the power of the Priesthood for he was initiated into the order of the Ancients in his childhood and learned the rites and ordinances and the powers of
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the Priesthood with the signs and tokens and key words wherewith he could call upon the powers of heaven to combat the forces of the adversary.

- 2 And when he was come of age, he took twelve wives and begat many sons and daughters who grew up in righteousness and served the Lord all their days and some died and others were caught up unto the city of Enoch.
- 3 But in the next generation, they corrupted themselves for the daughters of Noah's sons did go forth and lay with the sons of men, which thing was an abomination in the eyes of God.
- 4 Wherefore, the Lord said unto Noah, Behold, the daughters of thy sons have sold themselves, for behold, mine anger is kindled against the sons of men, for they will not hearken to my voice; wherefore, all those who go in unto them will be destroyed with them.

## Chapter 11

- 1 And when Noah was four hundred and fifty years old, he begat a son and he called his name Japheth.
- 2 Forty-two years later he begat another son of her who was the mother of Japheth, and he called his name Shem.
- 3 Eight years later Noah begat a son of his wife Naamah, who was of the seed of Cain, and he called his name Ham, for he said, Through him will the curse be preserved in the land.

## Chapter 12

- 1 Now Noah had taken a wife of the seed of Cain, and she was a righteous woman; nevertheless, the curse remained with her seed according to the word of God.
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- 2 And Noah took her on this wise: For the word of the Lord came unto Noah, saying, Take unto thyself Naamah, the daughter of Lamech, who dwelleth here in the city of thy fathers, for she hath been faithful to my gospel, wherefore I shall preserve through her the seed of Cain through the flood.
- 3 This Lamech who was the father of Naamah was of the seed of Cain being the son of Methusael, the son of Mahujael, the son of Irad, the son of Enoch, the son of Cain.
- 4 Lamech had married Adah and Zillah the daughters of Cainan, the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of Adam. Adah bare children unto Lamech, but Zillah was barren until her old age when the Lord opened her womb, and she conceived and bare a son and a daughter.
- 5 Her son she named Tubal Cain saying, After I had withered away have I obtained him from the Almighty God.
- 6 Her daughter she named Naamah saying, After I had withered away have I obtained pleasure and delight.

## Chapter 13

- 1 While Naamah was yet a child, great consternation fell upon the seed of Cain, for Irad the son of Enoch, the son of Cain had become a member of the secret combination and was privy to all its secrets until one night when the Lord appeared to him in a dream saying, Irad, thou hast done evil instead of good and hast followed after Satan rather than God; wherefore I shall destroy thee and thine house when I send in the floods upon the earth.
  - 2 But Irad was pricked in his heart and pled with the Lord to show mercy and preserve his seed through the great flood.
  - 3 Seeing that his penitence was true, the Lord said to
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him, Irad, if thou wilt repent and reveal the evils of the secret combination unto the sons of Seth, I will have mercy upon thee and I will join thy seed unto the seed of Seth that it may be preserved through the great flood.

- 4 Wherefore, Irad went forth and began to reveal the secrets of the sons of Cain unto the sons of Seth.
  - 5 Lamech, being Master Mahan at that time, found Irad sitting in his garden with Joram, the young son of Irad, and slew him.
  - 6 Thus Lamech slew Irad for the sake of the oath of the secret combination and he slew Irad's son with him.
  - 7 But Tubal Cain, the son of Lamech, had followed him and viewed his evil deed which he had committed and he revealed it unto his mother Zillah and she unto her sister Adah.
  - 8 Wherefore, Adah and Zillah confronted Lamech with his evil and cursed him in the name of the Lord for having slain Irad who had repented of his wickedness from among the sons of men.
  - 9 And Lamech said unto his wives Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice, ye wives of Lamech; hearken unto my speech, for I have slain a man to my wounding and a young man to my hurt.
  - 10 If Cain shall be avenged seven-fold, truly Lamech shall be seventy and seven fold.
  - 11 Lamech's wives, therefore, feared to confront him further, but Lamech repented not of his evil deeds and finding his son Tubal Cain at prayer he slew him for having revealed his murders.
  - 12 When Adah and Zillah, the wives of Lamech, learned of this, they took their remaining sons and daughters and went unto their father Cainan's city and revealed the remainder of the secrets of this evil combination among the sons of Adam.
  - 13 Thus did Naamah come to dwell among the sons of Adam and she grew up before the Lord in righteousness and was known for her tender care toward the sick and the unfortunate.
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- 14 Nevertheless, she had no husband because she was of the forbidden race.

## Chapter 14

- 1 When the word of the Lord came unto Noah saying, Take unto thyself Naamah, the daughter of Lamech who dwelleth here in the city of thy fathers, for she hath been faithful to my gospel, wherefore I shall preserve through her the seed of Cain through the flood, Noah went unto his father Lamech to inquire concerning this matter and Lamech went unto his father Methuselah.
  - 2 Methuselah inquired of the Lord and returned this word unto his son Lamech: Verily, thus saith the Lord, Mine handmaiden Naamah have I given unto my son Noah that the seed of Cain might be preserved through the great flood which I will send upon the earth.
  - 3 Wherefore, let not my son Noah fear to take her to wife, for in so doing he shall be blessed for through him will come all nations.
  - 4 Wherefore, say unto him, Noah, my son, I have looked upon the evils of the sons of men which have come up before me, for they have corrupted the whole earth save only this city in which thou dwellest.
  - 5 Therefore, I will send in the floods upon the earth but thou and thy seed will I preserve through the flood, for I will send mine angels to Instruct thee in the building of an ark wherein ye shall be saved.
  - 6 Behold, I shall establish thy seed before me forever and I will spread them abroad over the earth as numerous as the sand upon the seashore.
  - 7 Thy seed shall not cease as long as the earth shall stand but through thee and thy priesthood which will be preserved in thy seed shall all nations be blessed.
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## Chapter 15

- 1 When Lamech returned this word to his son, Noah rejoiced and praised the Lord saying, I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, for thou hast been unto me a strong wall against all that would seek my destruction.
- 2 Yea, thou hast promised to shelter me from the disasters which are coming upon the earth, that the floods shall not come in upon me to destroy my seed from the earth.
- 3 Thou hast set my foot upon a rock that the sons of men shall not prevail against me.
- 4 Yea, I will walk in the way of the ancients; in the paths which thou hast appointed will I spend my days for thou art my Shield and my Deliverer and in thee will I trust all the days of my life. Amen.

## Chapter 16

- 1 Thus did Noah take to wife Naamah, the daughter of Zillah, the wife of Lamech of the seed of Cain and she bare him a son whom he named Ham and thus was the curse preserved in the land through the great flood.
  - 2 For when the patience of God was ended in which he did grant a space of time for repentance unto the sons of men, the floods came in upon the earth and destroyed all flesh from off the face of the earth save eight souls only for Noah and his youngest wife Adah and his three sons Shem, Japheth and Ham and one of each of their wives were preserved in the ark which the angels had instructed Noah in building.
  - 3 The remainder of the righteous had died or been caught up into Enoch's city prior to the time of the flood and these eight were saved.
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## Chapter 17

- 1 Now when the flood had abated and the ark had come to rest upon the top of a mountain, Noah and his family descended the mountain and after offering sacrifices unto the Lord and dedicating the land, they began to till the ground and raise all manner of crops.
- 2 And when the grape harvest was come in, Noah made wine and drank of the new wine in his tent and his heart was made glad and he rejoiced before the Lord for the bounty which the Lord had given him.
- 3 And it was upon the Feast of Pentecost when Noah drank of the new wine before the Lord and lay down naked in his tent to sleep.
- 4 When Ham, the son of Noah, entered the tent he saw his father sleeping naked upon his bed with the sacred garments which had been given to Adam in the garden of Eden laying nearby.
- 5 Ham knew that he and his posterity could not bear the priesthood because of the curse of Cain which was upon them and knowing there was great power in the sacred garments, he stole them from his Father Noah and hurried to his tents.
- 6 Rousing his family, Ham instructed them to strike their tents and led them away to the plain of Shinar where he dwelt and where Ham died.
- 7 Now Ham's wife was named Zeptah and she was also of the seed of Cain and they had a daughter named Zeptah.
- 8 This daughter, after the death of Ham, led a body of his people westward until they reached a body of water in the land of Zeptah which is Egypt where they settled and as the waters receded from off the land they spread out and built many cities and temples.

## Chapter 18

- 1 Before the death of Ham, the sacred garments were given secretly by him to his son Cush.
- 2 Cush also kept them hidden and in his old age gave them unto his son Nimrod and when Nimrod was twenty years of age, he put on the garments and he derived great strength and power from them.
- 3 Moreover, Nimrod was instructed in all the secrets of the evil combination by his father Cain, for Cain had not perished in the flood.
- 4 Wherefore, Nimrod became a mighty man among the sons of men and established his kingdom and grew stronger and stronger in wickedness after the order of the secret combination which was from the beginning, for Nimrod spread his dominion over all mankind save those in the city of Shalom.

## Chapter 19

- 1 Shem ruled in the city of Shalom and he was called Melchizedek for he reigned as king under his Father Noah and was a priest of the Most High God.
  - 2 After the departure of Ham from the presence of his Father Noah, Shem and Japheth dwelt together in peace under the benign rule of Noah, but in time conflict arose among them and Noah led the seed of Shem to a new land which the Lord showed him where they built a city which they called Shalom, the City of Peace.
  - 3 Noah invested his son Shem with authority to reign as Prince of Shalom, the Prince of Peace, and Noah devoted his days to instructing his people after the order of the ancients.
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- 4 And his people dwelt in righteousness and worshiped the Lord their God and served him.
- 5 They established the order of heaven among them and sought after the City of Enoch and the Lord came among them and ministered to them and those who sought for the gain of this world went out from among them, for they held all things common after the order of Enoch and no man had above his neighbor.

## Chapter 20

- 1 Among those who went forth from the city of Shalom was Peleg who traveled to the northwest and established a city after the order of his father Noah, for Peleg was the son of Eber, the son of Salah, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, and his people sought after the heavenly order and obtained it for they were caught up like the City of Enoch.
- 2 But Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, followed not after the ways of his fathers, for he sought after gain for himself; wherefore, he led those who were of a like mind with himself out from the City of Peleg and they journeyed even unto the land of Shinar and became confederate with Nimrod.
- 3 Under the direction of Nimrod, Serug and his companions entered into the secret combination and became men of power and wealth in Nimrod's kingdom.
- 4 In the land of Shinar, Serug begat Nahor, and Nahor begat Terah, my father.
- 5 And Terah became great in the eyes of Nimrod, and Nimrod elevated him over all his people to stand at his right hand and advise him on all matters.

## Chapter 21

- 1 Now, my father Terah took many wives and begat many children.
- 2 And when he was sixty-five years of age, he took to wife Amthelo, the daughter of Cornebo, the son of Serug, and she was a young woman of fifteen years.
- 3 And when Terah was seventy years old, his wife Amthelo conceived and bare him a son whom he named Abram, which by interpretation is Exalted Father, for he said, Nimrod hath raised me on high over all his host, wherefore, my seed shall reign as gods forever.
- 4 Now this prophecy he spake, not knowing that it was of the Lord God.

## Chapter 22

- 1 On the night that I was born, there were great signs in the heavens, and when Nimrod's astrologers saw them, they were astonished and they spake evil of me to the king saying that surely I should overthrow his kingdom.
  - 2 Wherefore, they counseled the king to purchase me of my father that they might slay me and thus frustrate the plans of God.
  - 3 King Nimrod thereupon sent for my father Terah and spake unto him of the words of the astrologers and asked for his son in return for a great sum of gold and silver.
  - 4 But the Spirit of the Lord wrought upon my father that he was loathe to give me up to the king.
  - 5 On the night that I was born, a son was also born unto one of my father's concubines and this child my father
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took unto the king and the king slew him in my stead, for thus had God ordained that I might grow up to serve him, the only wise and true God, and strive to establish his order in the earth all my days.

## Chapter 23

- 1 Thus was my life saved by my father Terah, and he took me with my mother, Amthelo, and my nurse Edna unto a cave hidden in the mountains some distance from the city of Ur where he secreted us and visited us each month at the New Moon.
- 2 For my father thus informed the king that he went each month on the New Moon to a spot sacred to his family to worship his family deity.
- 3 For in the kingdom of Nimrod each man worshiped gods of his own make, gods of wood and stone, each after the imagination of his own heart.
- 4 Thus did I dwell in the cave with my mother Amthelo and my nurse Edna and knew no other man save my father Terah and my elder brothers Haran and Nahor who accompanied my father on his visits.

## Chapter 24

- 1 When I was three years of age, the Lord visited me in a dream of the night and he said unto me, Abram.
  - 2 And I said, Here am I.
  - 3 And he said unto me, Abram, I am the God of thy fathers Peleg and Shem and Noah.
  - 4 It is I who preserved thy life when the wicked king Nimrod would have destroyed thee for I softened the heart of thy father that he should hide thee away.
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- 5 This I did for I have a mighty work for thee to do in establishing mine order upon the earth and verily I say unto thee, In the end, through thee shall this wicked Nimrod be destroyed from off the face of the earth.
- 6 Behold, thou shalt remain in this cave with thy mother and thy nurse for yet seven years and at the end of that time thou shalt depart and I will send mine angel to guide thee unto the city of thy Father Noah where thou shalt be instructed in the way of life.
- 7 And from that time forth the Lord instructed me often in dreams of the night that my mind was opened to the ways of his kingdom.

## Chapter 25

- 1 When I was ten years of age, I departed from the cave by night while my mother and my nurse slept and the angel of God met me and led me to the city of Shalom where Noah and his son Shem dwelt and no man knew where I was.
- 2 And I dwelt with Noah and Shem for thirty-nine years, being instructed in all the ways of the Most High God.
- 3 And finding great happiness and peace and rest therein, I sought for the blessings of the fathers and I received, under the direction of Noah and Shem, those instructions whereby I might enter into the order of the ancients and I became a rightful heir, an high priest holding the right belonging to the fathers. For I was ushered into the Church of the Firstborn and tasted of the fruits of heavenly life.

## Chapter 26

- 1 In my fiftieth year, Father Shem called me into his presence and instructed me to return to the house of
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my father, for there were many there now who were seeking after light and truth for they had seen the foolishness of worshiping idols of wood and stone, but they knew not where to find the true God.

- 2 And Father Shem blessed me saying, Blessed art thou Abram of the Most High God for he hath looked upon thee and found thine heart right before him.
- 3 For this cause, the Most High shall visit thee and thou shalt stand at the head and be the father of a multitude, for many nations shall spring forth from thy loins.
- 4 Behold, in thy father's house dwelleth she to whom the promises belong, for she is a princess in the house of the Most High and shall reign as a queen over thy posterity forever.
- 5 Seek after her and take her to wife for she will be the mother of the promised seed.
- 6 The blessings of the God of Noah attend thee, my son, as thou journeyest on thy way for from this time forth thou shalt be a wanderer in the earth until thy seed shall come in to inherit this land by the power of God and the sword of his might.
- 7 Be faithful always, preach the truth in soberness and be valiant in the cause of God and thou shalt be blessed forevermore. Amen.

## Chapter 27

- 1 With this blessing resting upon me, I gathered together my family, for I had taken seven wives in the city of Shalom who had borne me fifty daughters.
  - 2 And although I had no sons of mine own flesh, yet I had adopted twelve sons of those who were faithful to the order of the ancients and foremost among these was Eliezer of Damascus who had come to the city of Shalom seeking after the blessings of the fathers and had remained as my son.
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- 3 Him I appointed as steward over all I possessed for this journey, for he stood as mine heir for I loved him as my son and brother.
- 4 But Father Shem said unto me, Eliezer is a good and righteous man and he shall be greatly blessed in time and in eternity, but he shall not be thine heir, for another shall be thine heir who shall come forth from the womb of thy wife whom thou shalt take in the house of thy father for she is ordained to be thy queen of queens and the mother of thine heir.
- 5 Wherefore, as I have said, I gathered together my wives and my daughters and my adopted sons and their wives and children and I said unto them, Hear my words, beloved, and hearken unto my speech for I have been sent with a mission unto the house of my father in the land of Shinar to gather out the pure in heart who are seeking after the true God.
- 6 Gather together all your goods and make you tents in which to dwell and saddle your asses to travel upon for the Most High God hath declared that we shall be wanderers upon the earth from this time forth until our seed shall come in to inherit this land by the power of God and the sword of his might.

## Chapter 28

- 1 Then commenced they their preparations and on the appointed day all was in readiness for our departure.
  - 2 And when Father Shem came forth to bless us, Father Noah came also with him.
  - 3 Now Father Noah dwelt in the temple in the heart of the city of Shalom and seldom came out of the holy place, for I had never seen him without its sacred precincts.
  - 4 But he came forth at this time and lifted up his hands and blessed us in the name of the Most High God and we departed from his house.
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## Chapter 29

- 1 We journeyed slowly for the sake of the women and children and we journeyed not upon the Sabbath day nor upon any of the holy days for we thought it better to worship the Lord our God according to the pattern of heaven than to proceed rapidly upon our way, and we did know that the Lord prospered us in our journey and protected us from the power of all our enemies because we did faithfully serve him and worship before his throne according to the divine pattern.
- 2 But at length we did arrive in the land of Shinar at the city of Ur.
- 3 Now the size of this city was immense.
- 4 Its buildings were grand and beautiful with gardens upon the rooftops and rivers of water running down from level to level.
- 5 The streets were wide and smooth and the inhabitants wealthy, dwelling in luxury.
- 6 Merchant caravans continually entered and left her gates and the great of all nations came here to pay homage to the mighty King Nimrod.
- 7 Nevertheless, the wealth of this great city was built upon sin for the people served many idol gods and offered upon their altars men, women and children after the same manner as the Egyptians.
- 8 And they had numerous slaves who were kept down in bondage and poverty and were driven like dumb beasts to provide the luxury in which their masters dwelled.
- 9 Behold, the inhabitants of the city did delight in whoredom and adultery and murder and all manner of evil whereby they might get gain.
- 10 And the anger of the Lord was kindled against them.

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- 11 Nevertheless, he did let them go on that they might be fully ripened in iniquity before the fullness of his wrath should fall upon them.
  - 12 All of these things did the Lord God show unto me in a dream on the night before we entered into the city of Ur and he said unto me, Abram, this city is vile and corrupt, but in it are some few souls who have not bowed the knee to their idol gods and it is because of their prayers that I have brought you here that they might be taught to worship the true God after the order of heaven and be led out from wickedness and bondage.
  - 13 Wherefore, go unto thy father's house, for thy mother hath sorrowed for thee these many years, and I have softened the heart of thy father toward thee that he shall make thee welcome and will protect thee against the anger of the king such that thou shalt be able to accomplish thy mission.
  - 14 Behold, Abram, I am the Lord God of thy Fathers Shem and Noah and of all the righteous Fathers back to Adam.
  - 15 Wherefore, I will remain with thee and confirm upon thee all the blessings of the Fathers and thou shalt stand at the head of a multitude. Amen.

## Chapter 30

- 1 In the morning before entering the city, I gathered my family together consisting of my seven wives, my fifty daughters, my twelve adopted sons and three hundred and fifty menservants whom Shem had sent with me with their families, being in all six thousand three hundred and seventy souls.
  - 2 And I said unto them, Behold, this great city is steeped in wickedness and sin for the secret combination which was from the beginning doth here hold sway.
  - 3 Wherefore, ye shall remain here under the direction of
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Eliezer while I go alone into the city unto my father's house for the Lord God of Shem and of Noah hath promised me that he will protect me against the anger of the king such that I shall be able to accomplish my mission.

- 4 I led my family in prayer before the Lord, kissed them all and departing from them entered into the city.

## Chapter 31

- 1 Being led by the Spirit of the Lord, I found my father's house and entering the gate addressed the guard who was standing there saying, Behold, I am Abram, son of Terah, who hath spent these forty years in the house of Shem.
  - 2 Take me now to my father.
  - 3 The guard stood as one dumbfounded knowing not what to make of such a greeting, but at length called a boy whom he dispatched to locate my father.
  - 4 At length the lad returned followed closely by my father who was greatly surprised to see me, but who recognized me as his son by the inspiration of the Spirit of the Lord.
  - 5 By this time my arrival had caused great excitement throughout my father's household which was very large and my mother, having heard of my coming hastened to the place where we were, weeping and rejoicing for she had thought that I had wandered from the cave and been slain by wild beasts in the wilderness.
  - 6 At length she led me away to her chamber to talk with me and I told her of all that had transpired with me since my leaving the cave—of my being led by the angel to the city of Shalom, of being instructed under the direction of Shem, of the increase of my family and of the mercies of the true God of heaven exercised in my behalf.
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- 7 I talked to her of the futility of worshiping idols of wood and stone made by men's hands which have no power in them and of the order of the ancients which was preserved in the city of Shalom under Noah and Shem which I had been sent to proclaim in the great city of Ur.

## Chapter 32

- 1 My mother heard all my words and rejoiced in them for she was one whose heart had been turned from the worship of dumb idols to the worship of the unknown God.
- 2 Moreover, a small body of like believers numbering about one hundred souls met secretly in my father's house to worship the unseen God and pray for further light concerning his ways, among whom were my brother Haran with his son Lot and his daughters Milcah and Sarai and my brother Nahor.
- 3 Now, when my mother had heard my words, she bade me remain with her until evening when the believers were to meet in her rooms.
- 4 Wherefore, that night I met with those who had rejected the idolatry of their fathers and they were all of the seed of those who had come out from the city of Peleg.
- 5 Wherefore, I rehearsed unto them all the things I had told unto my mother and they likewise rejoiced therein.
- 6 But unto my father I spake not of these things at this time for he was yet privy to Nimrod and was steeped in his evil ways.

## Chapter 33

- 1 When I had dwelt in my father's house for seven days teaching the word of life unto the believers, I went unto my father as he sat in his outer court with his servants attending to affairs of state.
- 2 And when he would hear me, I said unto him, Father, where is the God who created heaven and earth and all the hosts of them?
- 3 My father Terah answered me and said, Behold, my son, those gods who created all things are here with us in the house.
- 4 My lord, show them to me I pray thee, I exclaimed.
- 5 Whereupon my father Terah led me unto a chamber in the center of his house wherein were twelve great idol gods and numerous smaller ones.
- 6 And my father said unto me, Behold, my son, these twelve great ones are rulers among the gods and this largest one is ruler above all and these others were their assistants in creating all things.
- 7 And my father Terah bowed down and worshiped before his idol gods and we departed from them.

## Chapter 34

- 1 When I departed from the presence of my father, I went unto my mother and said unto her, My Mother, there is a great evil in this place for my father keepeth a room full of idols in the center of his house which thing is contrary to the commandments of God, wherefore the wrath of God shall not depart from this house until they are destroyed.
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- 2 Let one of the young men be sent, therefore, to fetch a kid of the goats and make thereof savory meat for therewith shall I destroy these idols in which is neither life nor power.
- 3 My mother, therefore, summoned one of the young men who was with her in the house and sent him to fetch a kid of the goats whereof she made savory meat.
- 4 When it was prepared, I took the savory meat from her and went unto the room where by father kept his gods and I prayed there unto the Lord my God saying, O Lord God of Shem and of Noah, look upon me here in my weakness and strengthen mine arm that I may destroy these false gods and give me the wisdom and strength to go through all that follows and endure unto the end in service unto my God.
- 5 When I had said these words, the Spirit of the Lord fell upon me, even the Spirit of prophecy, and I was led to exclaim, Woe unto my father and this wicked and corrupt people among whom he dwelleth, whose hearts are all inclined to vanity, for they serve idols of wood and stone, the workmanship of their own hands, which neither eat nor smell nor hear nor speak, for there is no power in them and those who serve them shall likewise be powerless to escape when the wrath of God shall overtake them in a day they think not.

## Chapter 35

- 1 At this time the Spirit of God fell upon me in mighty power to strengthen mine arm, and picking up a hatchet which I had brought with me for that purpose, I destroyed all my father's idols, both wood and stone, by the power of God which was in me, except for the largest in whose hands I placed the hatchet.

- 2 Then going to my father I said unto him, My Father, I have seen a wondrous thing for my mother did make me savory meat this day to offer before the gods who created all things.
- 3 And when I took the meat in unto them, they all reached forth their hands to partake thereof.
- 4 When the one who is ruler above all saw their works, he being angered left the room and returned with an hatchet wherewith he destroyed the other gods, both wood and stone, and behold, he standeth there even now with the hatchet in his hand and the savory meat before him.

## Chapter 36

- 1 Hearing these words, my father hastened unto the room of his gods and found it even as I had said, and his anger was kindled against me and he said, This is an idle tale thou hast told me and false.
- 2 Why hast thou done this thing and lied unto me?
- 3 These gods have no life in them to do these things for they are wood and stone and, behold, I myself have had them made by the craftsmen.
- 4 Why hast thou then come into mine house to destroy my gods?

## Chapter 37

- 1 The Spirit of the Lord fell upon me at this time that I should answer my father and I said unto him, How is it that thou servest these idols of wood and stone, the handiwork of the craftsmen in which is neither life nor power to act?
  - 2 Can these which cannot deliver themselves from the hatchet deliver thee from the power of the enemy?
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- 3 Can they hear thy prayers when thou callest upon them from out of the midst of thine afflictions?
- 4 Surely it is an evil thing that thou and thy people should serve these false gods for the Lord Jehovah, he is the God who created heaven and earth and all that in them is, and he hath commanded all men to worship him only and to serve him all their days.
- 5 Behold, your fathers in the days before the great flood worshiped false idols after the same evil combination into which ye have entered and because of their perversions they were destroyed.
- 6 Will ye also go on in their wickedness to bring down the wrath of the Most High God upon you that ye too should be destroyed from under heaven?
- 7 Nay, my father, but repent of this evil and turn unto the Lord thy God and live.
- 8 So saying, I took the hatchet from the hands of the remaining idol and smote him with it until he was destroyed

## Chapter 38

- 1 My father, hearing my words and seeing what I had done, increased in anger against me and hastened from his house unto the king, for he had access to King Nimrod both day and night.
- 2 When he had entered the king's presence, he bowed down before him and he saith unto him, My lord king, fifty years ago a man-child was born unto my wife Anthelo, and when he was ten years old, we went on the New Moon to worship our ancestral god when my son wandered off into the desert and was lost.
- 3 But he was found by the people of the desert and raised by them and he hath recently found his way back into my house and I have received him with honor as my son.

- 4 Notwithstanding this, he did this day enter into the room of my gods and destroy them and hath spoken against our gods and against that ancient order which hath been handed down from our first father whereunto we are called.
- 5 Now, therefore, my lord king, send for him that he may be judged according to our law that this evil may be put away from among us.
- 6 The king thereupon sent three of his mighty men who fetched me from my father's house and brought me before the king.

## Chapter 39

- 1 When I appeared before King Nimrod, he was seated upon his throne in all his glory but it was as darkness to me.
- 2 At his right hand sat my father Terah and around them sat the princes and noble ones of his realm.
- 3 And the king said unto me, What is this thing that thy father saith unto me that thou didst this day enter into the room of his gods and destroy them and that thou hast spoken against our gods and against that ancient order which hath been handed down from our first father whereunto we are called?

## Chapter 40

- 1 I answered the king sayings Why dost thou go on in wickedness to worship these dumb idols in which there is no power even to save themselves?
  - 2 Not only this, but thou hast led others to worship them and to enter into that order which is most abominable in the eyes of the Most High God, for your father
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whence it cometh is the devil and it is full of lies and blasphemies and all manner of evil that men should lie and murder to get gain.

- 3 Why wilt thou not serve the Most High God who created all things in heaven and on earth, who hath created thee and holdeth the power to sustain thy life or to destroy thee?
- 4 O foolish, ignorant, wicked king, woe shall be unto thee forever and ever for thou art the son of Perdition for it is he who is thy father.
- 5 Thou hast corrupted the earth with thy sins and with the sins of thy people who follow thee.
- 6 It was for entering into this wicked combination to get gain that your ancestors were destroyed in the flood when only eight souls were saved.
- 7 Wilt thou and thy people follow in their paths?
- 8 Then the wrath of the Most High God will descend upon thee to smite thee from before his face.
- 9 Now put away these evil ways and turn unto the Most High God and serve him that there may be hope for thee.
- 10 But behold, I see that thine heart is hardened in iniquity that there is no repentance for thee, for the evil one hath sealed thee his; wherefore all thy ways shall come to naught and thou and thy people shall be destroyed from off the face of the earth.

## Chapter 41

- 1 Then I lifted up mine hands to heaven and prayed saying, O Lord God, thou who seest all the ways of the wicked and will bring every evil deed into judgment, look upon these evil ones and destroy them that the whole earth be not corrupted by them and brought to destruction.
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## Chapter 42

- 1 When the king heard my words and the prayer which I uttered, he ordered me to be cast into the prison house until he had determined what to do with me.
- 2 And after ten days, the king gathered together all his counselors and rehearsed unto them all things concerning me.
- 3 And when he had rehearsed all things unto them, he asked them, saying, What judgment shall such an one receive who hath reviled the king and our gods and our holy order?
- 4 And they returned judgment unto him saying, The man who revileth the king should be hanged from a tree until he is dead and the tree then felled to the ground while all the people shall shout, Thus shall it befall him who revileth the king.
- 5 But this man hath not only reviled the king but also our gods and our holy order and according to our law such an one shall be cast into a furnace of fire until he be consumed that naught remain of him in the earth.
- 6 Let therefore the fire be increased in the king's furnace which is in Casdim where the king's bricks are made and let this blasphemer be cast into the fire that he be consumed.

## Chapter 43

- 1 The king so commanded and for three days and three nights was the fire preparing in Casdim and at the end of that time I was brought forth from the prison to be cast therein.
  - 2 Nevertheless, while I was in the prison the Lord sent his angels to minister unto me and to comfort me and
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they said unto me, Fear not, Abram, for thy work is not yet finished for thou shalt yet become the father of many nations and thou shalt preach the gospel in far places, even in the land of Egypt shalt thou declare the mysteries of thy God.

- 3 And though they cast thee into the furnace, is not the Lord able to deliver thee therefrom?
- 4 For through thy deliverance shall many be brought to bow down and worship the Lord thy God and forsake the evils of Nimrod.

## Chapter 44

- 1 Therefore, I came forth from the prison confident in the power of my God and in his promise that I should be delivered from the fire.
- 2 But as I came forth, the astrologers of the king looked upon me and by the power of Satan they recognized me, for they saw me clothed in light.
- 3 And they cried out unto the king saying, O king of all the earth, surely this is the man of whom we spake unto thee fifty years ago that he should rise up to overthrow thy kingdom.
- 4 Wherefore was he not slain?

## Chapter 45

- 1 Hearing these words, the king was greatly troubled, and calling my father Terah before him, he exclaimed, Is this then thy son who was to have been slain?
  - 2 And what child then did I slay at his birth?
  - 3 Speak now the truth and thou shalt go free; but if thou speakest not the truth, thou shalt die with thy son.
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- 4 And Nimrod caused my father to swear concerning the matter.

## Chapter 46

- 1 And my father answered the king saying, My lord king, I am guilty.
- 2 For because of my tender feelings toward my son, I did substitute for him the son of my concubine who was born on the same night.
- 3 The king's wrath mounted and in his anger he cried, Who advised thee to do this thing?
- 4 Surely that man shall die.
- 5 My father, being terrified at the king's anger said, It was my son Haran who so advised me.
- 6 Now Haran had not advised my father of anything, but the Spirit of the Lord had wrought upon my father that he was loathe to give me up to the king.
- 7 Nevertheless, Haran was privy to what my father had done and Haran was one of the believers in the true God of heaven, but his heart was not firm nor his faith sure.
- 8 Wherefore, Haran said in his heart, If Abram be delivered from the furnace, then shall I know that the God of Abram is indeed the true God.
- 9 Wherefore, Haran wavered in his faith and his confidence waxed not great in the Most High God, but my confidence was secure, for I knew that it rested upon the Rock of my salvation and that the word of God faileth not.

## Chapter 47

- 1 Now when the king heard the words of my father, he
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caused that Haran should also be taken with me and leading us to the vale of Casdim they stripped us of all our clothing and bound us with cords and cast us into the fire.

- 2 Now Haran, because his faith was not perfect in the Lord his God, was consumed in the fire that no trace of his body remained, but my faith remained firm in the Lord and he sent his angels to sustain me and release me from my bonds and I was three days and three nights in the furnace with the angels conversing with them and being instructed by them.

## Chapter 48

- 1 After the third day, the king sent his servants to govern the fire that it might again be used for making bricks.
- 2 But when they came up to the furnace, behold, I was sitting therein conversing with the angels whom God had sent.
- 3 Therefore, the servants of the king being greatly astonished, went and told him of this matter, but he would not believe them.
- 4 However, when the men persisted in their tale and showed great consternation, King Nimrod himself came unto the furnace, but the angels had departed and I sat alone in the flames.
- 5 When he saw me therein unconsumed, the king cried out in alarm, O Abram, art thou a sorcerer greater than ours that thou shouldst live in the flames unconsumed?
- 6 But I answered him, Not so, O king, but the God of heaven who is the true God above all hath sent his angels unto me and hath preserved me from this fire.
- 7 Being much amazed the king exclaimed, Come forth then from the fire for I see that no power of mine can harm thee.

## Chapter 49

- 1 Whereupon, I ascended from the furnace and stood before the king and his counselors who examined me closely but, behold, even mine hair was not singed.
- 2 Wherefore, the king caused garments from his own wardrobe to be brought and I was clothed therein and he caused me to be seated upon a throne at his right hand where my father was wont to sit and he said unto me, What of Haran thy brother who was cast into the furnace with thee?
- 3 Did the angels carry him away to some far place that he might be saved?
- 4 But I replied unto him, Nay, but the faith of my brother was not perfect in the Most High God; wherefore he was consumed in the flames.
- 5 Upon hearing this, the king marveled and permitted me to speak in his court concerning the Most High God and the redemption which should be wrought in behalf of those who believed on his name.
- 6 Nevertheless, the heart of the king was not changed, for he gloried in power and he thought to learn of my power by permitting me to speak.
- 7 But about three hundred men of those who sat in the king's court were converted unto the Lord and followed no more after the evil order of Nimrod; wherefore, they were cast out of the king's presence but as for me, the king gave me many gifts and sent me away in peace and many were joined unto the believers in the Lord from that day.
- 8 For having heard of my salvation from the fire, multitudes came to my father's house to hear of the God who could do such mighty things and many were converted unto the truth.

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## Chapter 50

- 1 Now, among the believers were Lot, the son of Haran, and Haran's daughters, Milcah and Sarai.
- 2 Milcah was fair, but Sarai was beautiful above all women.
- 3 Her face was as that of an angel filled with light, her cheeks as two roses in full bloom, her hair as spun gold which men treasure above all, her eyes as pools of blue reflecting the glory of God's sky, her nose delicate and lovely and her countenance truly was fair as the sun.
- 4 Her breasts like two mountains rising above the plain of Shinar were fair to behold, and her complexion truly like the clouds in purity.
- 5 Her arms were comely, her hands perfect and delightful to behold, always in the service of those in need and quick to hasten to the service of the Lord her God.
- 6 Her palms were lovely, unmarred by her constant labor, her fingers long and slender.
- 7 Her feet were comely and always set in the path of truth.
- 8 Her thighs were well-rounded and soft, yet never failing to sustain her in her labor of love in behalf of the servants of God.
- 9 Truly no maiden was fairer than Sarai, the daughter of Haran, for her beauty was greater than all other women's and she excelled them all.
- 10 But with her beauty was great wisdom and perfect faith in the Lord and constant service in behalf of the saints for her hands never ceased from blessing the people of God.
- 11 Wherefore, my brother Nahor took Milcah, the daughter of Haran, to wife, but I, Abram, took Sarai at the direction of the Lord and I found great joy in her.

## Chapter 51

- 1 But, behold, Satan was not content to have me continue to disrupt his kingdom in peace; wherefore he sent a dream unto King Nimrod in which the king did see that I should be the destruction of himself and of his kingdom.
- 2 Moreover, it was shown the king in his dream that three of his own household, even Zeptah, Lilith, and Nefritiri, daughters to Onitah, the son of Nimrod, who were virgins had joined the believers of the Most High God.
- 3 When the king awoke from his sleep, he was angry and he caused that I with these three virgins, Zeptah, Lilith and Nefritiri should be seized and bound and carried to Potiphar's hill at the head of the plain of Olishem to be sacrificed unto the god of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.
- 4 And these three virgins did the priest of Pharaoh offer up upon the altar and they died singing praises to the Lord and bearing witness to the truth, wherefore, they shall be blessed forever for they have entered into the rest of the Lord.

## Chapter 52

- 1 And when these virgins were slain, the priests of Pharaoh took me also and laid me upon the altar to slay me. But I cried unto the Lord my God for I knew that my mission was not yet ended.
- 2 And the Lord heard my voice and sent his angel to loose the cords wherewith I was bound.
- 3 And I saw the Lord seated upon his throne and he said to me, Abram, Abram, behold, my name is Jehovah, and I have heard thee and have come down to deliver

thee and to take thee away from thy father's house and from all thy kindred into a land which is unknown to thee, a land which I have promised unto Noah should be an eternal inheritance unto the promised seed.

- 4 Behold, I will lead thee by mine hand and will put upon thee my name that thou shalt bear the priesthood of the fathers and the power thereof.
- 5 As it was with Noah, so shall it be with thee that through thy ministry and the ministry of thy seed bearing this priesthood, my name shall be known in the earth forever, for I am thy God.
- 6 And the Lord broke down the altar of the idol gods by an earthquake and smote their priests that they were all destroyed.

## Chapter 53

- 1 But I hastened to my father's house where all the believers were gathered fasting and praying for me and I said unto them, Up, for this day we shall depart from this city that the Lord may visit it in wrath and vengeance.
  - 2 Wherefore, all the believers gathered together and followed me out of the city to my camp.
  - 3 And we struck out tents and departed from the land of Shinar to go to the city of Shalom to confer with Father Shem.
  - 4 And my father also, seeing that the king's face would be set against him, gathered together his goods and followed after me.
  - 5 We journeyed slowly, for I had with me many souls, both women and children and women with child.
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## Chapter 54

- 1 When at length we arrived at the city of Shalom, Father Shem came forth to greet us bearing bread and wine which he blessed and gave to us and he said unto me, Blessed art thou, Abram, for the Most High God hath multiplied thee and behold, thy seed shall be even as the sand upon the seashore without number.
- 2 Go to now with this great multitude into the land of Canaan for unto thee and thy seed will I give this land for an everlasting inheritance, saith the Lord God Almighty. Amen.

## Chapter 55

- 1 Thus we departed from the presence of Shem and moved to the vicinity of Ludor which city we denominated Haran.
- 2 And we dwelt in the suburbs of Haran for three years for there was much pasture there and a space large enough for the multitude which accompanied me.
- 3 And I preached the gospel in Haran and many souls were added unto the faithful in that place.

## Chapter 56

- 1 And there was a famine in the land, but the land of Haran was blessed for our sakes that the famine there was light.
  - 2 But at the end of three years, the famine abated throughout the land; wherefore Lot, my brother's son, and I went before the Lord in prayer after the manner of the ancients, and in answer to our prayer the Lord
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appeared unto me and said, Arise, Abram, and take Lot with thee and all who follow after thee, for I have purposed to take thee out of Haran and to make of thee a minister to bear my name in a strange land which I will give unto thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession when they hearken to my voice.

- 3 For I am the Lord thy God.
- 4 I dwell in the heavens; the earth is my footstool for I shall surely walk upon it when I come to redeem my people from their sins.
- 5 My name is Jehovah and I know the end from the beginning; therefore, my hand shall be over thee and I will make of thee a great nation and I will bless thee above measure and make thy name great among all nations and thou shalt be a blessing unto thy seed after thee that in their hands they shall bear this ministry and priesthood, even the priesthood of the fathers after the holy order of God, unto all nations.
- 6 And I will bless all them, even as many as shall receive this gospel, through thy name for they shall be called after thy name, even the seed of Abram, as though they were the seed of thine own flesh, and they shall rise up and bless thee as their father.
- 7 For I will bless them who bless thee and curse them who curse thee.
- 8 In thee, through the priesthood which thou bearest, and in thy seed, through thy priesthood which they shall bear which cometh down from the fathers, shall all the families of the earth be blessed with the blessings of the gospel which are the blessings of salvation, even of life eternal.
- 9 For I give thee this promise, that thy seed shall sprinkle all nations that through them the right to this priesthood may encompass all mankind, that all may be brought into the covenant through obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel.

## Chapter 57

- 1 Now when the Lord had ceased speaking with me, I praised the Lord saying, Thy servant hath sought thee earnestly; now have I found thee.
- 2 Thou didst send thine angels to deliver me from death many times; shall I not do all things which the Lord my God requireth of me?
- 3 Blessed art thou, O Lord, who bestowest thy love without measure upon the righteous but hatest all iniquity.
- 4 But I have kept thy statutes to walk therein and have received thine ordinances unto myself, where thou hast blessed me with the Spirit of knowledge and truth.
- 5 For my part, I will love thee freely with all my heart and soul.
- 6 I will cleave to thine holy law to not turn aside therefrom in all thou hast commanded.
- 7 I have learned through the gift of thine Holy Spirit that no man is able to choose his own way nor direct his own steps for all such will fall into the pit.
- 8 In thine hand is the shaping of each man's soul which thou hast foreordained to conform to the image of thy Son.
- 9 Wherefore, I will embrace the Son and call upon God for mercy for evermore. Amen.

## Chapter 58

- 1 Therefore, I took Sarai and Lot and all my family and all Lot's family and all the souls who had joined us in Ur and in Haran who would come and we departed out of the land of Haran unto the land of Canaan.
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- 2 But my father had departed not from his idolatry; wherefore he remained in the land of Haran and Nahor also remained with some others who departed not from the truth of the living God.

## Chapter 59

- 1 When we had come into the land of Canaan, I built an altar in the plains of Moreh and offered sacrifice unto the Lord.
- 2 And the Lord appeared unto me and said, This is the land which I will give unto thee and to thy seed after thee forever.
- 3 I will make thy seed like the stars of heaven and will give unto them for an inheritance all the land which belongeth unto the Canaanites for surely I will destroy them from off the face of the land when their wickedness is full.
- 4 Wherefore, I praised the Lord for his mercy and we departed from that place and journeyed toward Bethel.

## Chapter 60

- 1 And when I reached Hebron, I tarried there for two years, but the famine again waxed great in the land.
  - 2 Hearing that there was no famine in Egypt, I determined to journey into that land, remembering the word of the Lord unto me in Ur that I should declare the mysteries of my God in the land of Egypt.
  - 3 And, behold, the Lord blessed us on our journey that it was made light unto us and we journeyed until we reached the Kirmyon, one of the branches of the river of Egypt, where we rested from our journey for a season, for here the famine was not so severe.
  - 4 But remembering the word of the Lord my God unto
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me, when we were recovered from our journey, I determined to move forward across the seven branches of the river of Egypt into the heart of the country of the Egyptians.

## Chapter 61

- 1 But on the night before I entered into Egypt, I dreamed a dream.
- 2 And behold, in my dream I saw a cedar and a palm tree and the branches of the palm tree were wrapped around the cedar.
- 3 Suddenly, a group of men approached, seeking to cut down the cedar and leave the palm tree to stand alone.
- 4 But the palm tree cried out saying, Cut not down the cedar for whosoever seeketh to fell it shall find the curse of God resting upon him.
- 5 So the men desisted and the cedar was spared by the act of the palm tree.

## Chapter 62

- 1 When the dream was ended, I awoke from my sleep and wondered at it.
  - 2 Wherefore, I went before the Lord in prayer and besought him saying, O Lord, show me the interpretation of this dream which I have had this night.
  - 3 And the Lord said unto me, Behold, Sarai thy wife is a beautiful woman to look upon above all the women of the earth.
  - 4 Therefore, it shall come to pass that when the Egyptians shall see her, they will say, She is his wife, and they will seek to slay thee for the sake of obtaining thy wife.
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- 5 Let Sarai thy wife, therefore, say unto them, He is my kinsman, and thy soul shall live.
- 6 For thou art the cedar, O Abram, and Sarai is the palm tree and this is the interpretation of the dream; for through the act of thy wife thou shall be saved and the way will be opened for thee to preach the mysteries of godliness in the court of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, for these Egyptians are thy kindred of the seed of Eber, and it is my will that the truths of the everlasting gospel should be brought to them.

## Chapter 63

- 1 Now I had heard while I dwelt in Haran that some of the seed of Eber had entered into Egypt and driven the seed of Ham to the south and taken possession of the land.
- 2 But these followed not after the God of their father Eber, but worshiped idol gods, even as did my father Terah, but they followed not after the abominations of Nimrod.
- 3 Now these Hebrews were of the seed of Hadoram, the son of Joktan, the son of Eber.
- 4 And Joktan was the brother of Peleg.
- 5 And Eber was the son of Salah, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem.
- 6 Wherefore, the Lord had sent me to preach the gospel unto these who had departed from the God of their fathers.

## Chapter 64

- 1 Wherefore, I awakened my wife Sarai and I said unto her, I have had a dream of the Lord.
  - 2 Tell it to me, she said, that I may know what it is.
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- 3 Therefore, I related unto her the dream and all that the Lord had said to me concerning it and I added, When the men of the land shall inquire of thee saying, Who is this who accompanyeth thee, say unto them simply, He is my kinsman.
- 4 Thus shall my soul live and the Lord will use their love for thee as a means whereby the gospel shall be preached among them.
- 5 Fear not to do this thing for they will neither defile thee contrary to thy covenants nor slay me, but all shall come to pass to the glory of our God.

## Chapter 65

- 1 Sarai, my wife, was fearful when she heard of the danger through which we must pass and wept that night before the Lord, but she placed her trust in him and was comforted by his Holy Spirit.
- 2 The next day we moved on across the seven branches of the river and proceeded toward Zoan where Pharaoh dwelt.
- 3 But I kept Sarai hidden until we reached Foan, for it was in the home of Pharaoh that the Lord purposed to use her great beauty to open the heart of Pharaoh unto the word of God.
- 4 When we reached the city of Foan, three of Pharaoh's officers met us and I brought Sarai forth to sit at my right hand while I gave them audience.
- 5 And according to the word of the Lord, while I attempted to explain unto them our having come there because of the famine in the land of Canaan and that we had means wherewith to support ourselves while we sojourned among them, they kept bestowing compliments upon Sarai for her great beauty and wisdom and the luster of her countenance.

## Chapter 66

- 1 When the men departed from me, they went directly into the presence of Pharaoh and when they had eaten with him, he had good wine brought forth.
- 2 While they drank together, they began to speak unto him of what had transpired, but all they could speak of were the beauties of Sarai.
- 3 How beautiful is the woman Sarai, they said, who sitteth at Abram's right hand.
- 4 How comely is the shape of her face; how delicate and finespun are her tresses.
- 5 How beautiful her eyes. How delicate is her nose and the whole luster of her countenance.
- 6 How fair are her breasts and how comely withal is her complexion.
- 7 How comely too are her arms and how perfect her hands.
- 8 How pleasing are her hands to behold; how lovely her palms; how long and slender her fingers.
- 9 How comely are her feet. How well-rounded her thighs.
- 10 None of the maidens and none of the brides that enter the bride-chamber are fairer than she.
- 11 Her beauty is greater than all other women's and she excels them all.
- 12 Moreover, along with all this beauty, she hath great wisdom and the workmanship of her hands is fair indeed.

## Chapter 67

- 1 When he heard these words, Pharaoh lusted after Sarai and he sent his servants to fetch her to him.
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- 2 Knowing it to be the will of the Lord, I let her go although mine heart was grieved within me.
- 3 When Pharaoh saw her, his lust grew within him, for he was overcome by her beauty and he took her into his household as his wife and sent men to slay me that I might not rise up to claim her.
- 4 But Sarai, seeing these things, said unto Pharaoh, He is but my kinsman; wherefore, Pharaoh called back his men and my life was spared.

## Chapter 68

- 1 But Lot and I and all our household spent that night in prayer before the Lord for Sarai that she might accomplish her mission and that she might not be defiled contrary to her covenants.
  - 2 And I stood with mine arms stretched out toward heaven after the holy order of God and I said, Blessed art thou, O Lord the Most High God, Lord of all worlds and Lord and Ruler over all things.
  - 3 I know that thou dost rule over all the kings of the earth, executing judgment upon them in righteousness even as thou didst save me from the evil designs of the mighty King Nimrod.
  - 4 Now do I complain before thee concerning Pharaoh of Zoan, king of Egypt, who hath violently abducted my wife Sarai from me.
  - 5 Wreak justice upon him in my behalf and let me behold thine hand wax mighty against him and against all his household and let him not be able this night to defile my wife contrary to her covenants.
  - 6 Let them come to know, O Lord, that thou art the Lord of all the kings of the earth and the Ruler of all men, for for this cause did I suffer Sarai to go among them according to thy counsel.
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## Chapter 69

- 1 And God hearkened unto my prayer and withheld his Spirit from the Egyptians that none of them were able to come at their wives that night.
- 2 In the morning, consternation reigned throughout the land of Egypt, for no man had been able to lie with his wife all that night.
- 3 Pharaoh also was greatly perplexed for although his lust toward Sarai had grown throughout the night, he had been unable to satisfy that lust because of the curse of God which rested upon him.
- 4 Therefore, he summoned all of his wise men and the physicians of his household, but none could heal him and all had suffered the same affliction.

## Chapter 70

- 1 Then the Spirit of the Lord fell upon Sarai and she said, My lord, it is indeed a sad matter that this affliction should be upon thee.
- 2 My kinsman Abram is a man full of wisdom and of the Spirit of our God.
- 3 Send for him, therefore, and he shall tell thee how to be delivered from these bonds that thou mayest freely take me to thyself.
- 4 Now this she said at the direction of the Lord our God and the Lord softened Pharaoh's heart that he hearkened unto her words and he sent Shulem, one of-his chief ministers, unto my camp.

## Chapter 71

- 1 When Shulem arrived in camp, he was, according to my directions, led to the tent of Lot and when he had entered the tent, he bowed before Lot and said, My lord Pharaoh and all the males of the land of Egypt have been cursed that they are unable to come at their wives.
- 2 But it hath been told Pharaoh by his handmaiden Sarai that her kinsman Abram is a man full of wisdom and of the Spirit of your God.
- 3 Let him therefore come and lay his hands upon my lord Pharaoh and pray for him that he may be healed and live.
- 4 But Lot said to him, As long as his wife Sarai remains with the king, my uncle Abram will not be able to pray for him.
- 5 Be off thou and tell the king to release the woman to her husband.
- 6 Then he will pray for him and he will be healed.

## Chapter 72

- 1 When Shulem heard these words, he was amazed and he went straightway to the king.
  - 2 My lord king, said he. This curse hath come on account of Sarai the wife of Abram.
  - 3 Let Sarai be but restored to her husband Abram and this curse will be lifted from off all the males of Egypt.
  - 4 Upon hearing these words, the king asked Sarai saying, Is this thing so?
  - 5 Yea, my lord, she replied, and it is done that thou mightest behold the power of God.
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- 6 For when thine heart lusted after me, thou shouldst have asked and not taken me by force.
- 7 But this is done that the glory of God might be revealed that thou shouldst turn from the worship of dumb idols to the worship of the true and living God.

## Chapter 73

- 1 Hearing these words, Pharaoh summoned me to him and when I entered his presence he asked, What is this that hath been done?
- 2 For I have taken Sarai to wife while she was yet your wife and for this thing a curse hath fallen upon me and all the males in the land of Egypt.
- 3 Therefore, pray for me that this curse may be removed from us.
- 4 According to Pharaoh's request, I laid mine hands upon him and prayed over him and he and all the males of Egypt were healed.

## Chapter 74

- 1 When the king had been blessed, he saw that he had recovered and he praised the Lord for his recovery.
- 2 Wherefore, I took him into his garden and baptized him in the name of the Lord and all his household with him.
- 3 And when I had blessed him again, Sarai came before him and he knew that he had been healed for the Spirit of God fell upon him with this testimony and the witness thereof was sure.

## Chapter 75

- 1 Then Pharaoh arose and praised the Lord and proclaimed to all his people that they should worship the Most High God who had healed them.
- 2 And he desired to enter into a covenant of eternal brotherhood with me that I should be his father and he should be my son.
- 3 Wherefore, I said unto Pharaoh, Put forth thine hand upon my thigh and I will make thee swear before the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that thou shalt be true to me and thine heirs to mine heirs forever, and I shall receive thee unto myself to be my son and brother to inherit all the blessings of mine house and to bear my priesthood forever.
- 4 Wherefore, Pharaoh put his hand upon my thigh and swore to me according to this oath.
- 5 And when he had sworn, Lot sealed him mine that he should be my son in time and eternity and Pharaoh rejoiced therein.

## Chapter 76

- 1 And the king clothed me in his own robes and seated me upon his throne, placing his own crown upon my head and his scepter in mine hand.
- 2 And I did teach him and his people in all the mysteries of godliness from first to last.
- 3 For Pharaoh did introduce me into the temple which had been built by the fathers, commenced by Father Seth and completed by Father Shem after the great flood and therein I did officiate in the rites and ordinances of the house of the Lord.

- 4 And Pharaoh made all matters right with Sarai, and he blessed her with the outpouring of his spirit and she was blessed in his presence.
- 5 And he gave unto her Hagar, his own daughter, also, to be her companion and to Hagar he gave many gifts.
- 6 And I was seven years in the land of Egypt teaching the gospel and administering unto Pharaoh and his household and all the Egyptians the blessings, rites and ordinances of the gospel with the power thereof.
- 7 And I established among them the order of the Fathers and the priesthood thereof until the name of Jehovah was glorified throughout the land of Egypt.
- 8 And I taught the people the nature of the heavens and of the earth and the plan of salvation and the blessings of the Lord unto those who serve him in purity of heart and to believe on the Son of God who should come to make an atonement for their sins.
- 9 And so great was the power of God among us that in time all of the Egyptians had turned from their idolatry to the worship of the true God and I and my people had cause to rejoice in the fruits of our labors.

## Chapter 77

- 1 At the end of seven years, the Lord visited me and he said unto me, Blessed art thou, Abram, servant of the Most High, for thy joy shall be great in my mansion with this multitude which thou hast brought unto me; wherefore, thy name shall no more be called Abram but Abraham shalt thou be called, which is by interpretation, Father of a Multitude.
- 2 Moreover, thy wife Sarai shall no longer be called by that name, but Sarah shall she be called which signifieth a Queen.

- 3 For Sarah have I chosen and appointed to be thy queen of queens for from her shall issue the promised seed, even him who shall be thine heir.
- 4 Behold, the day cometh when the seed of Ham shall again rule in this land and at that day thy seed shall be in bondage to them, but I will raise up a prince from among the Egyptians who shall lead them out of bondage and they shall inherit the land of Canaan, even that land which I have promised unto thee and to thy seed after thee for an everlasting inheritance.
- 5 Moreover, from the loins of thine heir shall proceed the Messiah, even the Son of God, who shall walk upon the earth ministering to the poor and lowly, who shall be lifted up that the price might be paid for the original sin of Adam and for the sins of all mankind, that all who will believe on his name and receive his ordinances and keep his commandments should not perish but inherit everlasting life.
- 6 Moreover, in the last days I will raise up out of the loins of thine heir a choice seer through whom the fullness of my gospel shall be restored to the earth and all things shall be restored as in the beginning.
- 7 For upon him shall rest the priesthood of his fathers and he shall commence the organization of that holy order which was in the beginning of the world which shall be consummated before the Son of God shall walk again upon the earth.
- 8 These promises are thine, my son, and I say unto thee, Thou shalt be exalted and dwell with me in the mansion of my Father.
- 9 Now take thy people and return into the land of Canaan for there have I a mission for thee and there shall the promises come to pass in thy behalf.

## Chapter 78

- 1 When I had received this word of the Lord and he had departed from me, I went unto Pharaoh and told him that I must depart from his realm as the Lord had a work for me to do in the land of Canaan.
- 2 Though he was loathe to see me go, Pharaoh bowed to the will of God and appointed men from his own bodyguard to escort me to the borders of Egypt and he gave me gifts of cattle and silver and gold and fine cloth and precious jewels of every kind.

## Chapter 79

- 1 So I went up out of Egypt and Lot accompanied me who had taken three wives while in Egypt, namely, Jennifer daughter of Eliezer of Damascus, Deborah daughter of Kumen who had come out of the city of Ur and Asterah daughter of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

## Chapter 80

- 1 Traveling slowly and stopping often to camp upon our way, we eventually reached Bethel, where yet stood the altar that I had built there at the first.
  - 2 I restored it to its perfect form and offered sacrifices thereon to the Most High God.
  - 3 And I called there upon the name of the Lord of all worlds and offered praise to the name of God and blessed God and gave thanks before him for all the possessions and prosperity which he had bestowed upon us and for the many souls we had won in Egypt and for having brought us back safely to that land.
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## Chapter 81

- 1 Now after our departure from Egypt, a faction arose among our people upon seeing the great wealth which Pharaoh had entrusted to us, for they desired property which they could call their own.
- 2 Lot also was among them, which thing grieved me greatly, but seeing they would not be reconciled, we gave unto them a portion of the common property and they departed from us under Lot's direction and settled in the Valley of the Jordan River.
- 3 There they went from place to place as their flocks needed pasture until they reached the city of Sodom where they mingled with the inhabitants and became one with them.
- 4 Lot also built a house in Sodom and settled there, but of all that company that went out from us, only Lot maintained his integrity and did not violate the covenants of his priesthood nor bow to heathen idol gods.
- 5 Nevertheless, Lot did not walk perfectly in the way of the Fathers for he dwelt not among the people of God but built his own house and he coveted his own property that he should govern it rather than holding all things common with the saints.
- 6 Nevertheless, Lot did continue to serve the Lord and the Lord loved him and his family and his property grew very large.
- 7 But I was grieved in my heart that Lot had parted from me for he had stood at my right hand and had been instructed in a better way.

## Chapter 82

- 1 Meanwhile, I with my people dwelt in Bethel where we did worship the Lord our God after the order of the Ancients and did strive diligently to establish the holy order of God among us in ever increasing perfection.
- 2 Wherefore, we did banish from among us all contention, all covetousness, all selfishness, and we were of one heart and of one mind and dedicated in all our service unto the Lord and held all things common for no man called anything his own.

## Chapter 83

- 1 One night God appeared to me in a vision and said, Go up to the top of Razor and lift up thine eyes and gaze eastward and westward and southward and northward and behold all this land for, behold, unto thee and to thy seed after thee shall I give it for an everlasting inheritance.
- 2 The next day I ascended Razor as the Lord had commanded me and I gazed upon all the land from the river of Egypt unto Lebanon and Shenir, from the Great Sea unto Hauran, the whole area of Seir as far as Kadesh, the whole of the great wilderness which lieth east of the Hauran and the region of Shenir as far as the Euphrates.
- 3 And as I beheld the land, the Lord my God spake in mine heart saying, Blessed Abraham, I have chosen thee to stand at the head of a multitude.
- 4 Wherefore, unto thee and to thy seed after thee I will give this land, even all that thine eye beholdeth, that ye may possess it forever.

- 5 And I shall multiply thy seed like the dust of the earth, for even as no man can count the dust of the earth, so shall thy seed be without number.
- 6 Rise up, now, and compass this land.
- 7 Behold the length of it and the breadth of it, for I will give it unto thee and to thy seed after thee forever.

## Chapter 84

- 1 Even so, I, Abraham, descended from the high place and set out to behold all the land.
- 2 I commenced at the river of Egypt and came to the shore of the lake beside which I traveled until I reached the mountain of the ox.
- 3 Thence I turned from the great lake which is by Sodom and walked across the breadth of the land until I reached Euphrates.
- 4 Thence I journeyed even unto the Red Sea which I followed unto its head.
- 5 Thence I went onward to the river of Egypt again, having compassed the whole land according to the command of the Lord.
- 6 When I had completed my journey, I bowed down and praised the Lord and returned safely unto my family where I found everyone well.

## Chapter 85

- 1 Not many days thence under the direction of the Lord, I departed from Bethel and settled in the plains of Mamre on the northeast of Hebron and there I built an altar and offered an offering unto the Most High God and dedicated that land unto the Lord.
  - 2 And I held a great feast unto the Lord for the time of
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the Passover had come and together with all the men of mine household I invited Mamre, Aneram and Eshcol, my friends who were wanderers in the land as we were and who had joined the believers in the Most High God, into the Solemn Assembly.

- 3 And after this all my people ate and drank together with me before the Lord.

## Chapter 86

- 1 At this feast the Spirit of the Lord fell upon me and laying aside my garments, I danced before the Lord and sang unto the Lord a new song saying, Blessed art thou, O Lord, who hast given unto man knowledge of thy ways that he might understand thy wonders and discern thy truths and see thine abundant mercies.
- 2 Blessed art thou, O God, who art full of compassion and grace, for the greatness of thy power, the abundance of thy truth, the profusion of thy mercies over all thy works.
- 3 Rejoice the soul of thy servant in thy truth and through thy righteousness make me clean before thee.
- 4 Blessed art thou, O Lord, for thou hast placed in the mouth of thy servant the sacred words of power that I might stand as thy minister continually that I may confer thy grace upon thy children and that I myself may return to thy presence.

## Chapter 87

- 1 Sarah also rose up, full of the Holy Ghost, and danced and sang before the Lord.
  - 2 And this is the song of Sarah: In thee, O Lord, will my soul be raised up for thou hast bestowed upon me thy
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grace whereby I am restored to thy presence for I have entered into thine holy house and received the sacred rites of thy presence.

- 3 Surely in my tent at night I will sing songs of joy unto the Lord as I am overshadowed by the priesthood and lifted up in the foreshadowing of eternity.
- 4 Surely in receiving thy Spirit through the overshadowing of the priesthood I have received salvation.
- 5 Wherefore, in the midst of thy people, those who reverence thine holy name, I will praise thee and glorify thy name forevermore.

## Chapter 88

- 1 My wife Kadar also arose and proceeded to dance and sing before the Lord.
- 2 And her song was: Bless the Lord, O my soul; exalt his name among the people.
- 3 I will praise thee, O Lord, upon my bed when the wellsprings of my joy are opened up.
- 4 I will praise thee at all times and seasons.
- 5 When the sun riseth upon the earth, I will praise thine holy name.
- 6 When in its ordered course day reacheth its turning point at the meridian I shall not fail to praise thee.
- 7 Again in the evening when the daylight departeth, I will marvel at thy wonders and glorify thy name.

## Chapter 89

- 1 Then rose up my wife Judith who danced and sang, saying, Praise the Lord who hath shown me the wonders of his ways.
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- 2 For as I lay upon my bed enwrapped in the ecstasies of the Holy Spirit, when the Spirit rushed into me I saw the vision of the Almighty and heard that which is unlawful to be spoken.
- 3 Yea, O Lord, thou hast visited me and I have heard thy wondrous secret and I know that it is true. Through thine Holy Spirit, through the rites of thine holy priesthood, through the glorious inner vision to which thou didst open my mind in the moment of passion, thou hast caused a spring of knowledge to well up within me, a fountain of strength and power, of loving kindness and glory in my God.
- 4 Thou hast put an end to the darkness of the world in me and the splendor of thy glory hath become in me an eternal light.
- 5 Wherefore, I will praise thy name forever and give myself unto thee.

## Chapter 90

- 1 When Judith had finished her song, all the congregation, being filled with the Holy Ghost, arose to their feet and began to dance and sing and praise the Lord and to prophesy in his name.
- 2 Some saw holy angels in our midst and others saw the heavens opened and beheld God seated upon his throne and all were filled with his Spirit and shouted praises to the Lord in joyous lays until dawn.
- 3 Then we all rose up before the Lord and praised his name for this great outpouring and worshiped him all that day.
- 4 And we rejoiced in the grace of the Lord our God.

## Chapter 91

- 1 Previous to this time, Amraphel, son of Nimrod king of Shinar, Chederlaomer king of Elam, Arioch king of Cappadocia and Tidal king of Goyim in Mesopotamia, had waged war against Bera king of Sodom, Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinah king of Admah, Shemeber king of Zeboiim and the king of Bela.
- 2 They assembled for combat in the vale of Siddim and the king of Shinar and his royal allies overcame the king of Sodom and his confederates and imposed tribute upon them.
- 3 For twelve years they paid their tribute to the king of Shinar, but in the thirteenth year they revolted against him.
- 4 In the fourteenth year the king of Shinar led forth all his allies and they went up along the way of the wilderness attacking and plundering all who were confederate with the king of Sodom.
- 5 But the king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela came forth to battle and met Amraphel and his allies in the vale of Siddim.
- 6 However, Amraphel and his allies prevailed against them and Bera king of Sodom turned and fled and Birsha king of Gomorrah fell into the slime pits which were in the vale of Siddim and perished there.
- 7 The remainder of the kings fled unto the mountain which was called Hanabal and tarried there in great fear.

## Chapter 92

- 1 Thereupon, the king of Shinar and his allies overran the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, seizing the inhabitants thereof captive and plundering all their goods and proceeded back toward the land of Shinar.
- 2 With them also they took Lot, my brother's son, who had settled in Sodom together with all he possessed.

## Chapter 93

- 1 But one of Lot's servants who dwelt in his house escaped and came to me in Hebron and told me that Lot, my brother's son, had been taken with all his possessions but that he yet lived.
- 2 He showed me, moreover, the route which the kings had taken toward the land of Damascus.
- 3 When I heard this news, mine heart melted within me for Lot who had stood at my right hand had been as a brother to me in the place of my brother Haran, who had been slain in the Land of Shinar.
- 4 Oh that Lot had stayed among the body of the saints of the Most High God, I thought, and not gone off to possess his own property apart.
- 5 Then these circumstances would never have befallen him that he should be in the hands of Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar and his hosts.
- 6 But as I thus mourned over Lot, the word of the Lord came unto me saying, Up, arouse thee, O Abraham, take three hundred and eighty of the young men of the strength of thine house and also thy friends Aneram, Eshcol and Mamre each with one hundred and five of the strength of his house and also Eliezer of Damascus

who is with thee in the tent and pursue after Amraphel, son of Nimrod king of Shinar, for truly I shall deliver his hosts into your hands.

## Chapter 94

- 1 Wherefore, we did according to all that the Lord had commanded me, having in all seven hundreds of men and we pursued after them even unto the valley of Dan where we found them encamped.
- 2 And falling upon them by night from all four directions, we commenced the work of death and continued wreaking slaughter among them and discomforting them all that night.
- 3 And with the rising of the sun, they fled from before us until they reached Hobah which is situated to the left of Damascus where we did again overtake them and conquer them.
- 4 There we did strip them of all that they had taken as plunder and loot and likewise of all their own goods.
- 5 Lot also and his family we rescued from their hands and restoring to him all his possessions and all that they had taken from him as spoil, we restored him to his home in peace.

## Chapter 95

- 1 When the king of Sodom heard that I had returned from the conquest of Amraphel son of Nimrod king of Shinar, he came forth to meet me at the valley of Shaveh which is west of the city of Shalom where Noah and Melchizedek dwelt.
  - 2 And Melchizedek brought forth bread and wine from the city of Shalom unto the valley of Shaveh where we were encamped.
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- 3 And he being the high priest after the order of the Most High God brake the bread and blessed it and he blessed the wine also and he distributed them unto me and those who were with me, and we partook and were filled.
- 4 And Melchizedek lifted up his hands to heaven and blessed me, and said, Blessed Abraham, thou art a man of the Most High God, possessor of heaven and of earth, wherefore, his name and priesthood shall not depart from thee and thy seed after thee while the earth shall stand and even in eternity shall it remain with thee.
- 5 And blessed is the name of the Most High God and almighty his power, which hath delivered thine enemies into thine hand.
- 6 And I, Abraham, gave into the hand of Melchizedek, tithes of all I had taken, for he was the presiding high priest after the order of the Most High God, the first of the fathers unto me, and he reigned under his father Noah.

## Chapter 96

- 1 And when the king of Sodom had come unto me, he said unto me, My lord Abraham, give me the persons who are not thine but who are with thee whom thou hast rescued from the hand of Amraphel, son of Nimrod king of Shinar, but let all the property be left with thee.
  - 2 But I said unto him, This day do I, Abraham, lift up mine hand before the Most High God, before his holy angels and before these witnesses who are with us and declare that I will not take even so much as a thread or a shoe's latchet which is not mine, lest thou shouldst say that all Abraham's wealth cometh really from thy possessions.
  - 3 Only that which the young men who are with me have
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eaten and that which Aneram, Eshcol and Mamre, these three stalwarts who went with me, have received as their share shall be excepted of all that I took from Amraphel, son of Nimrod king of Shinar that was thine.

- 4 The rest I return freely unto thee.
- 5 Now go thy way in peace.
- 6 Thereupon, I returned all the possessions and all the spoil and gave them unto the king of Sodom and I released all the captives and sent them away rejoicing.

## Chapter 97

- 1 And when I had done this, Melchizedek again lifted up his voice and blessed me saying, Blessed art thou, Abraham, for the Most High shall visit thee and shall bestow upon thee riches and honor and lands for an everlasting possession because thou hast been true and faithful to the covenants which thou hast entered before him.
- 2 Wherefore, thou shalt continue to increase, worlds without end, and the glory of the Lord shall never depart from thee. The blessings of thy Fathers shall rest upon thee and thou shalt stand at the head and in thee and in thy seed after thee, those who shall bear thy priesthood, shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.
- 3 Therefore, depart in peace.

## Chapter 98

- 1 Therewith, I departed from Melchizedek, rejoicing in his blessing, for he was a man of faith who wrought righteousness and when a child he feared God and by his faith he stopped the mouths of lions and quenched the violence of fire when those of the evil combination sought to destroy him from off the face of the earth.
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- 2 Therefore, having been approved of God, he was ordained an high priest after the order of the covenant which God made with Enoch which is after the order of the Firstborn, even our Father Adam.
- 3 For this holy order came not by man nor the will of man, neither by father nor mother, neither by beginning of days nor end of years, but of God.
- 4 For it was established in the beginning of the earth by the Ancients of Days, wherefore it is called the Order of the Ancients, and it was delivered unto men from the beginning by the calling of God's own voice according to his own will through the voice of his Priesthood, unto as many as believed on his name and were faithful until they had obtained.

## Chapter 99

- 1 Behold, these could transcend the veil, according to the will of God, and commune with the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn in heaven and many were caught up to be with them.
- 2 For God had sworn unto Enoch and unto his seed with an oath by himself that everyone being ordained after this order and calling should have power by faith to break mountains, to divide the seas, to dry up waters, to turn them out of their course, to put at defiance the armies of nations, to divide the earth, to break every band, to stand in the presence of God, to do all things according to his will according to his command, subdue principalities and powers, and this by the will of the Son of the Only Begotten of the Father which was from before the foundation of the world.
- 3 And men having this faith and coming up unto this order of God could be translated and taken up into heaven.

## Chapter 100

- 1 Now Melchizedek was a priest after this order which is the holy order of God; therefore he obtained peace in Shalom and was called the prince of peace.
- 2 And his people wrought righteousness and obtained heaven for they sought for the city of Enoch which God had before taken, separating it from the earth, having reserved it unto the latter days or the end of the world.
- 3 For God hath said and sworn with an oath that the heavens and the earth should come together again and the sons of God be tried even by fire.
- 4 And thus Melchizedek, having established righteousness, was called the king of heaven by his people or, in other words, the king of peace.
- 5 And they communed with those in the city of Enoch and in the city of Peleg and had access to them and were blessed all their days.

## Chapter 101

- 1 After these things God appeared to me in a vision and he said unto me, Behold Abraham, it is ten full years since thou earnest into this land from Haran.
  - 2 Two years didst thou remain then in the land, seven years wast thou in Egypt and one year hath passed since thy return from Egypt.
  - 3 Now, number all that thou hast and see how it hath increased to double that which went out with thee in the day thou earnest forth from Haran.
  - 4 Therefore, fear not, for I am with thee and will be thine help and the source of thy strength.
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- 5 I will be thy shield and thine exceeding great reward and thy wealth and thy possessions shall I increase exceedingly.

## Chapter 102

- 1 And I said unto him, My Lord God, truly my wealth and my possessions have increased but, behold, Eliezer of Damascus standeth as mine heir whereas prior to my departure from the city of Shalom, Father Shem said unto me, Eliezer is a good and righteous man and he shall be greatly blessed in time and in eternity, but he shall not be thine heir, for another shall be thine heir who shall come forth from the womb of thy wife whom thou shalt take in the house of thy father for she is ordained to be thy queen of queens and the mother of thine heir.
- 2 Wherefore then doth Sarah remain barren, having neither son nor daughter?
- 3 Nay, replied God, fear not, for none shall be thine heir save he that shall come forth from the womb of thy wife Sarah for she is ordained to be thy queen of queens and the mother of thine heir.
- 4 Therefore is her name called Sarah.

## Chapter 103

- 1 And the Lord took me out of the camp and he said, Look now toward heaven and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them.
- 2 And he said unto me, So shall thy seed be.
- 3 And I said unto him, Lord God, how wilt thou give me this land for an everlasting inheritance?
- 4 And the Lord replied, Though thou wast dead, yet am I not able to give it thee?
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- 5 And if thou shalt die, yet thou shalt possess it, for the day cometh that the Son of Man shall live but how can he live if he be not dead?
- 6 He must first be quickened.
- 7 And the Lord touched the eyes of mine understanding that they were opened and I beheld the days of the Son of Man, for I beheld him ministering unto my seed, teaching them the law of God, healing the sick, casting out devils and doing many wonderful works.
- 8 I saw also the Son of Man lifted up upon the cross for the sins of men; wherefore I wept for the wickedness of man which could crucify the Son of God.
- 9 Nevertheless, I saw also that he should rise again from the dead, wherein mine heart did rejoice and my soul found rest in the knowledge that though I should die, yet again in the flesh should I see God and dwell in the land of mine inheritance.
- 10 For I saw also the days of the coming of the Son of Man upon the earth in the last days when he shall descend with ten thousands of his saints according to the prophecy of Father Enoch and the earth shall be cleansed by fire.
- 11 Then all shall rise to stand before God, both the just and the unjust, to be judged according to their works.

## Chapter 104

- 1 And the Lord said unto me, I, the Lord thy God, saved thee from the fire in the land of Shinar and from the hand of the wicked priest and from all the evil intentions of king Nimrod and I brought thee into this land that I might give it to thee as an everlasting inheritance.
  - 2 Now, I knew that the word of the Lord was true. Nevertheless, I desired to know more of this inheritance which the Lord had promised me.
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- 3 Wherefore, I said, Lord, how shall it be that I shall inherit this land wherein I am a stranger?
- 4 And the Lord said unto me, Take me an heifer of three years old and a she goat of three years old and a ram of three years old and a turtle dove and a young pigeon.
- 5 Divide each of these in the midst and lay one half on each side of an open place, except the birds thou shalt not divide but lay one on each side.
- 6 Wherefore, I went and did according to all that the Lord had commanded me and when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, I drove them away.
- 7 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon me and lo, in the sleep was a great horror of darkness .
- 8 And I cried unto the Lord saying, O Lord, what meaneth this great horror of darkness?
- 9 And the Lord said unto me, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land which shall not be theirs and shall be in bondage to strangers, even to the seed of Ham who shall again overrun the land of Egypt.
- 10 And thy seed shall be afflicted and serve them four hundred years.
- 11 But at that time, I shall judge the seed of Ham and thy seed shall come up out of the land of Egypt with great substance.
- 12 And as for thee, thou shalt die and go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.
- 13 But in the fourth generation thy seed shall come higher again for the iniquity of the Canaanites is not yet full.

## Chapter 105

- 1 And it came to pass that when the sun was down and it was dark, behold, two personages passed between those pieces which I had divided.
  - 2 And their countenance was as fire such that I could
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hardly look upon them and the one said to me, Behold, of thy seed shall the Messiah come who shall redeem all those who believe on his name and walk in his footsteps.

- 3 Wherefore, repent and call upon the name of the Son all thy days that in the end thou mayest dwell with me in my mansion.

## Chapter 106

- 1 Now when Sarah saw that she bare neither son nor daughter, it grieved her heart.
- 2 And she said unto me, Take therefore Hagar, daughter of Pharaoh, to be thy wife, for she is a woman now.
- 3 And let her come into my bed and let her womb be unto thee in the place of mine to raise up seed unto thee.
- 4 Hagar also was willing to enter this covenant and it was according to the voice of the Spirit of God; wherefore Sarah gave Hagar to be my wife and Sarah and Hagar were as one wife unto me that the seed of Hagar might be also the seed of Sarah.
- 5 For Hagar had been raised by Sarah and been taught by her and had followed Sarah in ways of righteousness.

## Chapter 107

- 1 And when I came in unto Hagar in Sarah's bed, she conceived.
  - 2 And when Hagar saw that she had conceived, she rejoiced greatly and began to be lifted up in pride and to despise Sarah and she taunted Sarah saying, Surely I
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am better than thee for in all the years thy lord hath lain with thee, thou hast not conceived, but lo, in this short time, I have conceived from the seed of my lord.

- 3 And Sarah was grieved in her heart and she said unto me, Surely Hagar hath wronged me and thou also hast contributed to her wrong, for she hath spoken despitefully to me in thy presence, yet thou hast done nothing to correct her.
- 4 But I replied to Sarah, Surely Hagar is thy child for thou hast instructed her from her youth.
- 5 Correct her therefore as seemeth thee good.

## Chapter 108

- 1 However, when Sarah attempted to correct Hagar, Hagar grew angry and determined to return unto her father's people; wherefore she departed into the wilderness.
- 2 But an angel of the Lord met her by a well where she stopped to rest and he said unto her, Hagar, daughter of Sarah, who gave thee unto her husband Abraham and took thee into her own bed that thou mightest raise up seed unto her, why art thou thus fleeing into the wilderness from the camp of Abraham?
- 3 And Hagar replied, I am returning to the land of my father for it grieveth me to be bound to Sarah.
- 4 And the angel of the Lord said to her, Return unto Sarah and be subject unto her for she is given to thee to be a mother unto thee and this seed is hers as well as yours.
- 5 The Lord will multiply thy seed exceedingly so that it shall not be numbered for multitude and thou shalt bear a son and shall call his name Ishmael, because the Lord hath heard thy prayers and answered them.

- 6 He will be a man of the desert and a man of war; nevertheless, many shall join themselves unto him and his people shall be great.

## Chapter 109

- 1 Hagar replied, What shall I say is the name of him who beareth these glad tidings.
- 2 And the angel replied, Beer-la-hai - roi, for know thou that God seest thee in all places whithersoever thou shalt be.
- 3 And Hagar said, I know that God seest me, for he hath this day sent his angel to minister unto me.
- 4 Wherefore, Hagar returned unto the tent of Sarah and at the appointed time she bare unto me a son and I called his name Ishmael according to the word of the angel.
- 5 And I was four score and six years old when Hagar bare Ishmael unto me.

## Chapter 110

- 1 At the end of thirteen years, the Lord appeared unto me and he said unto me, Abraham, Because thou hast been faithful in all things unto me from the time thou wast three years old, and behold, now thou art ninety and nine, therefore I will establish my covenant with thee for with thee I shall commence a new dispensation of the gospel that from this time forth all those who would be sealed into me must be sealed into thee.
  - 2 Wherefore, I will send Noah unto thee in the tabernacle, and he will bestow upon thee the keys of this priesthood, for the city of Melchizedek will I take up from off the earth and there will be a new beginning in thee.
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- 3 For I will greatly multiply thy seed and I will make them my ministers that through thy priesthood all the peoples of the earth shall be blessed.
  - 4 Therefore, from this time forth shall every male child among you be circumcised in that his foreskin shall be opened in token of the opening of his heart to the light of the gospel.
  - 5 And on the eighth day shall ye do it that ye may remember that on the eighth year they shall be baptized that the blessings of the gospel may come upon them.
  - 6 This is according to the covenant I made with Adam in the garden of Eden, but I instructed Noah and Shem not to administer this covenant unto thee that thou mightest receive it in token of this new covenant which I make with thee.
  - 7 Although I gave these ordinances in the beginning unto Adam, yet the sons of men have continually gone astray from my precepts and have not kept mine ordinances which I gave unto their fathers.
  - 8 They have neglected the ordinance of baptism which I commanded unto them in token of the burial of the natural man and have ceased to receive the anointing whereby they become kings and priests unto me.
  - 9 Yea, they have turned from my commandments and changed mine ordinances and have replaced baptism with the washing of children which they call baptism.
  - 10 But, behold, this is no baptism for I will atone for the fall of Adam; wherefore, little children are innocent until they reach the age of accountability.
  - 11 But the sons of men have rejected mine atonement wherein I will offer mine Only Begotten Son for the sins of the world, for they say that the blood of righteous Abel was shed for sins, thereby rejecting me as their Savior.
  - 12 But thou hast upheld mine ordinances. Therefore, thy seed shall sprinkle all nations, for thou shalt be a father of many nations.
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- 13 And thou shalt be fruitful and many nations shall come of thee and kings of nations shall be of thy seed.
- 14 Moreover, ye shall not cut yourselves in your foreskins after the manner of the heathen, for this is the lesser law and applyeth only to those who have had part of the gospel cut off from that which they have received.
- 15 But your hearts are opened to the fullness of my gospel wherefore your foreskins shall be opened.
- 16 For if it were profitable for you to be without a foreskin, then would your father beget you in your mother without a foreskin.
- 17 Take not ye away what God hath given.
- 18 But let your foreskins be opened, for this is the true circumcision and it will be profitable unto you as a covenant written in your flesh which shall be an everlasting covenant.
- 19 Your daughters also shall be circumcised upon the marriage bed when the matrix is opened by the entrance of her husband, for this is an holy ordinance, and it is completed at the birth of her firstborn; wherefore it is written that the firstborn which openeth the matrix is holy because it is an instrument in the performance of an holy ordinance.
- 20 Now, go into the tabernacle and fast and pray until Noah cometh to bestow upon thee the keys of which I have spoken.

## Chapter 111

- 1 When the Lord had departed from me, I went into the tabernacle and I remained there fasting and praying for three days.
  - 2 And at the end of that time Noah came to me and he said, Hail, Abraham, for thou art highly favored of the Lord.
  - 3 Behold, I come to thee from the city of Enoch my father
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to bestow upon thee the keys which I received from Enoch many years ago, for thou shalt stand at the head and thy posterity shall be without number and in thee and in thy seed after thee shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

- 4 When Noah had departed from me, I rose up and was circumcised by Eliezer and all the males of mine house were circumcised with me including my son Ishmael who was thirteen years old at this time.
- 5 And I conferred upon my son Ishmael the Priesthood of Elias and ordained him to be a priest that he might minister before the Lord.
- 6 But Ishmael did not honor his priesthood, taking it to be a light thing, which thing was a grief of heart unto me for I knew that in heaven he was counted as having no priesthood because he honored it not; wherefore, I did not call upon him to act in the priest's office.

## Chapter 112

- 1 And the Lord appeared unto me in the plains of Mamre and he said unto me, Behold, Ishmael shall not be thine heir neither Eliezer, for Sarah will I bless and I will give thee a son of her.
  - 2 She shall be the mother of nations and kings and people shall be of her.
  - 3 Then I fell upon my face before the Lord and I rejoiced and I said unto him, O Lord, it is a wondrous thing that this promise should be fulfilled when I am an hundred years old and Sarah is ninety.
  - 4 And the Lord said, Prepare thine heart to receive it, and he told me many secret things concerning the conception of the child which are great mysteries to the unenlightened, but the elect shall know them, and I rejoiced therein.
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## Chapter 113

- 1 When the Lord had told me these things, I thought of my son Ishmael and I prayed, O God, grant that Ishmael might live uprightly before thee.
- 2 And the Lord God replied, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son and thou shalt call his name Isaac and I will continue in him the covenant which I have established with thee to be an everlasting covenant with his seed after him.
- 3 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee.
- 4 Behold, I have blessed him and will make him fruitful and will multiply him exceedingly.
- 5 Twelve princes shall he beget and I will make him a great nation.
- 6 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac whom Sarah shall bear unto thee at this same time in the next year.
- 7 Then God left me and I saw him ascend up into heaven and mine heart rejoiced in the promises of the Lord unto me.

## Chapter 114

- 1 Three months later the Lord sent unto me three of his ministering angels who were holy men of God from the city of Enoch.
  - 2 For I was sitting at the door of my tent and I lifted up mine eyes from my meditations and, behold, three men in the distance were walking toward our camp.
  - 3 And the Spirit of the Lord whispered unto me that they were holy men of God who had a blessing for me; wherefore, I rose up and ran to meet them; and, bowing down before them, I led them unto Sarah's tent.
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- 4 Taking water from Sarah, I washed their feet and spreading a carpet under the tree which was at the door of Sarah's tent, I spread cushions upon it and caused them to sit down there.
- 5 And I called Eliezer and instructed him to send one of the young men to fetch a young and tender calf and supervise the preparation of it.
- 6 Sarah also supervised the young women in preparing cakes and milk and cheese, mutton and beef to eat until the calf was prepared.

## Chapter 115

- 1 When they had eaten, one of the holy men said unto me, We shall return to thee nine months hence and, behold, at that time Sarah shall bear a son.
- 2 Now, Sarah was listening at the door of the tent, and when she heard these words, she laughed within herself, knowing that she was past the age of bearing and I also was very old.
- 3 But the holy man of God rebuked her saying, Is anything too hard for the Lord?
- 4 Surely when we return here nine months hence, thou shalt bear a son.
- 5 Whereupon the three holy men of God entered with me into Sarah's tent and blessed her.
- 6 And the Holy Spirit fell upon Sarah in mighty power in the blessing and she conceived according to the word of the man of God.

## Chapter 116

- 1 Then the three holy men of God departed from our camp, and I walked with them to bring them on their way toward Sodom.
- 2 And the one who had before spoken, said unto me, Abraham, we are from the city of Enoch and are ordained after the holy order of God.
- 3 We have come not only to bless Sarah that thou mightest have seed raised up unto thee out of her, but also on a mission which bringeth us sorrow.
- 4 Nevertheless, the word of the Lord came unto me saying, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I will do?
- 5 Nay, surely for his integrity he shall know what I am about to do.
- 6 Wherefore, Abraham, hast thou looked upon the iniquities of Sodom and her sister cities?
- 7 For they have provoked the Lord with their abominations .
- 8 For four times in each year they gather together to sing and dance before their idol gods and when they are dancing every man layeth hold upon the wives and daughters of his neighbors and lieth with them and this they do without authority from God which thing is an abomination in his sight.
- 9 But, behold, this is the least of their sins.
- 10 For no man is safe who entereth their city, for when a stranger entereth there, they will take from him his goods by force and they will abuse his body, for both men and women will they bind and crowds of the Sodomites will gather about them and lie with them by force until every one who desireth to lie with them hath done so.

- 11 Now it is a wicked thing that men or women should be forced to lie with another against their will, but here the whole city uniteth to force this wicked thing.
- 12 Moreover, when they have stolen a man's goods and abused his flesh, they will torture him and when they tire of torturing him, they will leave him naked and without food or water to die in the streets of their city and it is forbidden by the law for anyone to help such an one by giving him food or drink.
- 13 Moreover, the people of these cities have numerous idol gods before which they practice every kind of abomination without authority.
- 14 Wherefore, the Lord hath sent us to gather the righteous out of the cities before they are destroyed.
- 15 So saying, the three embraced me and kissed me and went on their way toward Sodom.

## Chapter 117

- 1 But I remained a long time where they had departed from me thinking on the things they had said, for it grieved mine heart that these great cities with all their inhabitants should be destroyed.
- 2 Wherefore, I too, went down to the vicinity of Sodom and I called upon the name of the Lord there.
- 3 And when he answered me out of heaven, I said unto him, O Lord God, merciful and kind, wilt thou destroy the inheritances of the righteous because of the wicked?
- 4 Nay, O Lord, far be it from thee to do this thing. Wilt thou not spare the inheritances of the righteous?
- 5 Peradventure there may be fifty righteous in the city, wilt thou in thine anger destroy the city and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous that are in it?
- 6 Surely thou wilt not destroy the inheritances of the righteous because of the wicked.

- 7 Such a judgment should never be passed according to the justice of thine holy law which is in thy bosom.
- 8 And the Lord said, If I find in these cities fifty righteous who keep the laws and precepts of God and have not partaken of the abominations of the Sodomites, then surely I will spare the whole country for their sake.

## Chapter 118

- 1 Nevertheless, I ventured to speak before the Lord again, for I know that all his ways are just.
  - 2 And I said unto him, O Lord, suppose there shall lack but five of the fifty righteous. Wilt thou destroy the whole land for the lack of five men?
  - 3 And he said, If there be forty-five righteous in the land, I will not destroy it.
  - 4 And I spake unto the Lord again, saying, O Lord, I know that I am yet but dust and ashes, for although I am, by the testimony of thine own mouth, declared to be a son of God, yet I am not yet glorified to be like thee.
  - 5 Nevertheless, be not displeased with me when I plead in behalf of the righteous; for suppose there shall be forty righteous in the land?
  - 6 And he said, I will not destroy it if I find there forty.
  - 7 Then I said, O Lord, thou hast been patient indeed with thy servant; wherefore, I shall speak yet again before thee, Suppose there shall thirty righteous be found there?
  - 8 The Lord replied, I will not destroy it if I find thirty there.
  - 9 Then I spake again saying, I have ventured to speak before the Lord; shall I now cease lest the righteous be destroyed with the wicked?
  - 10 Suppose there shall be twenty righteous found in the land?
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- 11 And the Lord said, I will not destroy it for the sake of twenty.
  - 12 Finally I said, Oh, let not the Lord be displeased and I will speak only once more.
  - 13 Suppose ten righteous shall be found there?
  - 14 And he said, I will not destroy it for the sake of ten.
  - 15 But thou, Abraham, remain here in prayer and fasting until my messengers return unto thee, for if ten righteous be not found in the land, I shall gather out those righteous who are found there and thou shalt be caught up off the earth to call down fire and brimstone upon the land by an holy ordinance inasmuch as thou art a priest and a king forever after the order of the Most High God, having the right of the Firstborn which hath come down from the fathers to exercise absolute authority over thy posterity, even the right of life and death under the direction of the Holy One.
  - 16 Nevertheless, remember that this authority can only be exercised under the direction of heaven, for when any man exerciseth his priesthood contrary to the will of heaven, his priesthood is forfeited, his authority passeth away and he can call upon the powers of heaven to accomplish no work from that day forward.
  - 17 Wherefore, let all men repent of the exercise of unrighteous dominion and turn unto the Lord their God, that they be severed not from the rights of his House.
  - 18 So saying, the Lord departed from me and I remained in that place in fasting and prayer, awaiting the return of the three messengers.

## Chapter 119

- 1 This is the account which Lot told unto me, Abraham, concerning the coming of the three messengers unto him in Sodom.

- 2 For Lot was sitting in the door of his house in the city of Sodom conversing with two of his sons-in-law who were Sodomites, when he saw three men approaching down the street of the city.
- 3 And the Spirit of the Lord whispered unto Lot, Behold, these are my messengers who bring tidings of salvation.
- 4 Lot, therefore, rose up to meet them and bowing down before them, said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house and tarry all night that I may wash your feet and anoint your heads and feed you, and in the morning ye may go on leaving only a blessing upon the head of your servant.
- 5 And they said, Nay, but we will abide in the street tonight for we have heard that it is not safe to enter into the house of a Sodomite lest we be abused and tortured and killed and our property stolen from us.
- 6 But Lot replied, Not so, my lords, for I am no Sodomite, but a true worshiper of the Lord Jehovah and I know that ye are his messengers for his Spirit hath shown me this thing.
- 7 Then, when Lot had confessed his faith in the Lord Jehovah, the angels entered with him into his house and he did set before them a feast with unleavened bread and wine and they blessed it and partook thereof and Lot's family also partook and were filled.

## Chapter 120

- 1 When Lot's two sons-in-law saw him take the strangers into his home, they went straightway unto the magistrates of the city for it was unlawful in the city of Sodom to entertain a stranger in your home.
  - 2 Wherefore, the people of Sodom surrounded Lot's house, both young and old, all the people of the city.
  - 3 And one of them called to Lot and said, Where are the men whom thou tookest into thine house tonight?
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- 4 Behold, thou knowest that it is contrary to our laws to thus entertain strangers.
  - 5 Nevertheless, we will forgive thee for thou art a mighty prince among us; therefore, bring forth the men unto us that we may lie with them and do unto them according to all the desires of our hearts.
  - 6 But Lot went out the door to the front of his house and securing the door behind him, he confronted the Sodomites.
  - 7 And Lot said to them, I pray you, my brethren, do not these wicked things, for it is contrary to the law of the Most High God who is king over all, to force anyone to lie with another.
  - 8 Repent now, therefore, that the wrath of the Most High God fall not upon you and ye with your city be destroyed .
  - 9 But they were angry with Lot and they cried unto him, Stand away from the door lest we take thee also.
  - 10 Thou hast come in among us and partaken of the good of our land and we have treated thee with honor although thou wast a stranger. Dost thou now make thyself a judge over us?
  - 11 And their anger increased against Lot and they said unto him, Behold, we will deal worse with thee than with them.
  - 12 Wherefore, we shall take thee and thy daughters and the men who have come in unto thee and any others in thine household who shall please us and we will do with you according to all our desires.
  - 13 But Lot replied, Behold now, I have two daughters who have not lain with man.
  - 14 Let me, I pray you, plead with you that ye take them not according to this wickedness and abuse them according to your abominations, for the Most High God will surely destroy this city if ye repent not.
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- 15 Wherefore, ye shall do nothing unto me nor my daughters nor the strangers that are within my gate nor any of mine household, for God will smite you in the attempt .
- 16 And their anger increased yet more against Lot and they came near to break down the door, but the messengers of God who were holy men bearing the power of the priesthood after God's holy order, put forth their hands, pulled Lot into the house and shut the door behind him.
- 17 Then they smote the people of Sodom with blindness so that they could not find the door.

## Chapter 121

- 1 And one of these holy men said unto Lot, Take now all that appertaineth unto thee, whether persons or goods, out of this city, for the wrath of God is upon this place and tomorrow it shall be destroyed because the cries of those who have been abused here have risen unto the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth and the abominations of the Sodomites have come up before his face.
- 2 Wherefore, surely upon the morrow the vengeance of the Lord shall fall upon Sodom that neither root nor branch shall be left here for the fullness of their iniquity hath come upon them and in the fullness thereof they shall be cut off.
- 3 Therefore, Lot went forth at that time and spake unto his sons-in-law and his married daughters and all who had gone forth with him from our camp, saying, Up, get you out of this place for on the morrow the Lord will destroy this city.
- 4 But his words were as foolishness unto them and they mocked him.
- 5 And Lot returned unto his house in sorrow.

## Chapter 122

- 1 When morning came, the men of God hastened Lot saying, Arise, take thy wives and thy daughters who are here with thee in the house and depart hence lest ye be consumed by the wrath of God which shall be visited upon the iniquities of Sodom.
- 2 And while they were preparing to depart, Lot's heart being full of sorrow at leaving his daughters and his daughters' children to be destroyed, the men of God took him by the hand with his wives and his daughters, for the Lord had mercy upon Lot because of his integrity, because he had not bowed down unto false gods nor entered into the abominations of Sodom.
- 3 And Lot thought to dwell in Zoar; wherefore, he hastened there, but his wife Ado turned back unto the city of Sodom.
- 4 Ado was the daughter of Eli, the son of Eliezer, which Eli had accompanied Lot to Sodom.
- 5 And when Ado thought upon her parents and her daughters who remained in the city, her heart was pained within her and she turned back unto them and was lost.
- 6 But Lot entered with the rest of his family into Zoar and was there when the cities of the plains were overthrown.

## Chapter 123

- 1 Then the three holy men of God came unto me, Abraham, where I was fasting and praying nigh unto Sodom, and they lifted me up into the heavens and
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taught me the ordinances—the key words and the signs—by which I might call down fire and brimstone upon the cities.

- 2 And I did as I was commanded by the angels of God and the cities were destroyed.
- 3 And when I saw the destruction of the land, mine heart was sorrowful, but the Lord said unto me, I have had mercy upon Lot and have sent him out of the city that he was not destroyed, for he was the only righteous man in all the cities.
- 4 Wherefore, mine heart was comforted.

## Chapter 124

- 1 And when the destruction was over, Lot feared to continue dwelling in Zoar lest it also should be destroyed.
  - 2 Wherefore, he took his family and went unto the cave of Adullam and dwelt there.
  - 3 And the word of the Lord came unto Lot saying, Go in now unto thy two daughters who are with thee who have not known man, for they shall conceive by thee that thy posterity shall not be cut off from the earth.
  - 4 So Lot went in unto his two daughters and lay with them and they conceived by him.
  - 5 And the firstborn bare a son and called his name Moab.
  - 6 And the younger also bare a son and she called his name Benammi.
  - 7 And Lot dwelt in the cave for five years and after that he took his wives and his daughters and his sons whom his daughters had borne unto him and dwelt on the other side of Jordan.
  - 8 And the Lord blessed him and prospered him and he dwelt in safety.
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## Chapter 125

- 1 After the destruction of the cities of the plains, I, Abraham, journeyed to the south to the land of Gerar.
- 2 Now the king of the land of Gerar was Abimelech, and he was one who worshiped the Most High God and he was just and upright in all his ways.
- 3 And Abimelech had entered the holy order of God and was a priest and a king after the order of the Most High God and had received the rites and ordinances of the gospel.
- 4 As a youth he had dwelt with me in the city of Shalom and he was as a brother unto me and we shared all things.
- 5 When Sarah and I went in unto Abimelech to commune with him, the Spirit of the Lord fell upon Abimelech and he blessed Sarah in great outpourings after the order of the ancients and anointed her that she might bear holy seed and we rejoiced in the blessings of the Lord unto Sarah through the three holy men from the City of Enoch and through his servant Abimelech.
- 6 And the Spirit of the Lord fell upon me also and I blessed her and anointed her that the Spirit of the Lord might fall upon her in a greater outpouring to the sanctification of herself and her seed.
- 7 And we rejoiced together for three nights and two days and worshiped the Lord our God and were filled with joy and peace in the blessings of the Lord unto us.
- 8 And we were magnified in the Lord.

## Chapter 126

- 1 The next night, after Sarah and I had returned to our camp, Abimelech was seated upon his throne praying when a sleep from the Lord fell upon him and he slept there all that night.
- 2 And while he slept, he dreamed a dream in which an angel of the Lord with a drawn sword in his hand came and stood above him.
- 3 And Abimelech was frightened at the angel, but the angel said unto him, Fear not, for because thou hast faithfully entered into the rites and ordinances of my gospel and hast walked an holy walk before me and didst uphold Shem and Abraham after him in the work which I have called them to do in maintaining mine holy order in the earth, behold, I am sent to stand by thy side and shall protect thee against all the power of the adversary.
- 4 For thy sins are forgiven thee and thine exaltation is sure and thou shalt dwell forever in the presence of thy God.
- 5 So saying, the angel departed from the vision of Abimelech, but he felt his presence near him from that time forth and the adversary thereafter exercised no power over him.

## Chapter 127

- 1 We had dwelt in Gerar nine months when the three holy men of God again visited us and Sarah gave birth to a son.
  - 2 And on the eighth day he was circumcised according to the commandment of the Lord to me and I called his
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name Isaac. The child grew and when he was three years old he was weaned and I made a great feast on the day he was weaned.

- 3 And Melchizedek, king of Shalom, with Eber his heir and Abimelech king of Gerar with his son Abimelech and Pharaoh king of Egypt, father to Hagar and Ishmael, and all the mighty princes of the land came to the feast which I prepared, for these were the men whom I loved, with my brethren Aneram, Eshcol and Mamre.
- 4 My father Terah also and my brother Nahor came unto the feast having heard that Sarah had borne a son. And we all rejoiced before the Lord for many days that my son Isaac had reached the age of weaning from his mother.
- 5 And from that time forth Sarah and I introduced the lad into the tabernacle and began to instruct him in the mysteries of godliness that he might be prepared in his youth to enter into the Holy of Holies and be instructed there.
- 6 For Shem had instructed me in the city of Shalom that children should be instructed in the temple from the age of weaning which is three years old, that they should be instructed in the Holy of Holies from the age of puberty which is twelve years old, and that they should be endowed with power from on high from the age of maturity which is fourteen years.
- 7 But inasmuch as I had not journeyed unto the city of Shalom until I was ten years old, I was prepared for the blessings of the Lord's House in only a few years.

## Chapter 128

- 1 My son Ishmael I did not introduce into the Lord's House in his childhood because he was not spiritual in his nature, but he was a hunter proficient in the use of the bow and other instruments of death.
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- 2 Nevertheless, the Lord was with Ishmael and blessed him for my sake in all to which he put his hand.
- 3 When Isaac was five years old, he was sitting with Ishmael at the door of Hagar's tent where Ishmael was sharpening his arrows, for Ishmael was sixteen years old at this time.
- 4 As they thus sat at the door of Hagar's tent, Isaac picked up one of Ishmael's arrows and brake it.
- 5 Seeing this, Ishmael grew angry and taking another arrow, he fitted it to his bow intending to slay Isaac, but the Lord touched his heart so that he did not slay him.
- 6 But Sarah saw this thing which Ishmael had intended to do to Isaac and she was grieved at it.
- 7 That night when I entered the tent of Sarah, she said to me, Let Hagar and her son be sent to dwell apart, for this day did Ishmael seek to slay Isaac.
- 8 Now these words caused me great sorrow for I did not desire to see my family divided.
- 9 But that night an angel of the Lord came unto me in a dream, saying, Hearken unto the words of Sarah, thy wife, and let Hagar and her son Ishmael dwell apart lest harm come upon thy son Isaac who shall be thine heir.

## Chapter 129

- 1 Therefore, I arose early in the morning and took Hagar and my son Ishmael into the deserts of Arabia where dwelt a people who were friendly unto me.
  - 2 And there I built with Ishmael a temple unto the Lord our God that his seed might always be kept in remembrance of the Lord.
  - 3 And Hagar and Ishmael dwelt among the people of the desert and were content and Ishmael was a mighty hunter with the bow among them.
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- 4 And every year at a certain time I went and dwelt with my wife Hagar and with my son Ishmael.
- 5 And when Ishmael was twenty years of age, his mother asked my consent to take him to the house of her father in Egypt for she longed to see her family again.
- 6 Wherefore, I gave them my blessing and they departed into the land of Egypt where they remained one year.
- 7 And while they were in Egypt, Ishmael took to wife Meribah daughter of Phanes, son of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.
- 8 And after he had taken Meribah to wife, they remained in the land of Egypt yet ten years and Meribah bare unto Ishmael four sons and two daughters.
- 9 After this time Ishmael took his mother and his wife and his children and returned to the deserts of Arabia.
- 10 And the Lord blessed Ishmael for my sake and increased him in flocks and in herds and in good things.

## Chapter 130

- 1 When Ishmael had returned from the land of Egypt, I went as was my custom to stay with my wife Hagar and my son Ishmael.
  - 2 And when Ishmael was away hunting, his wife Meribah spake disrespectfully to me and complained of my being in their tents.
  - 3 Moreover, she abused her children and when I chastised her for this thing, she rose up in anger against me.
  - 4 My wife Hagar saw all these things, and when her son Ishmael had returned from the hunt, she complained unto him of the actions of Meribah toward me.
  - 5 And Ishmael came unto me and said, My father, what shall I do with such a wife who abuseth my father and my children and speaketh evil of me, for she had spoken against her husband Ishmael also.
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- 6 And I said unto him, Such an one is not fit to be thy wife nor the mother of thy children nor to dwell in thy tents; wherefore, give her a bill of divorcement and send her back to the home of her father in shame and find another more worthy than she to be thy wife and the mother of these children.
- 7 So Ishmael gave unto Meribah a bill of divorcement and sent her back to her father Phanes in the land of Egypt and his mother Hagar raised his children until he took another wife.

## Chapter 131

- 1 The next year Ishmael came to my camp and when he had kissed me and we had eaten together, he said unto me, My father, according to thine instructions I did give unto my wife Meribah a bill of divorcement and sent her back to the home of her father in shame.
  - 2 Now, therefore, I come unto thee to seek thy counsel concerning obtaining another in her place.
  - 3 Now, it pleased me that my son Ishmael had come to me regarding choosing a wife.
  - 4 Therefore, I sought among the women of my camp and found two who were desirous of being wife to Ishmael, even Zola the daughter of my wife Peliliah and Naomi the daughter of Kemuel the son of Kish, who had been among the believers who met in the room of my mother in the city of Ur
  - 5 And I was pleased to give them unto my son Ishmael because he had come to me for counsel and because he had begun to magnify his priesthood for he did worship the Lord our God and sought to overcome his weaknesses.
  - 6 And Ishmael and his family dwelt with me a long time in Gerar and after that when I moved my camp to Beersheba which is by Hebron.
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## Chapter 132

- 1 And Sarah and I continued to teach our son Isaac and instruct him in the ways of the ancients that he might be initiated into the holy order of God and receive the blessings of eternal lives.
- 2 And Isaac did know the Lord and the Lord was with him and did bless him greatly because he was full of faith and love and did good to all he met.

## Chapter 133

- 1 When Isaac was thirty-seven years old, he was one day talking with his brother Ishmael.
- 2 And Ishmael was boasting of his righteousness saying, I was thirteen years old when the Lord spake to my father to circumcise us, and from that time I have consecrated my soul unto the Lord and kept his commandments as they have come unto me from my father.
- 3 But Isaac answered him saying, Why dost thou boast in thy righteousness, for none of us are without sin and all mankind is as nothing before the Lord.
- 4 And we must be prepared to be offered upon the altar as a sacrifice to our God with joy that we can glorify him before our calling and election is made sure.

## Chapter 134

- 1 This saying of Isaac's pleased the Lord and the Lord visited me, saying, Thy son Isaac have I seen and his heart is right before me and he is clean and pure, an acceptable sacrifice unto the Lord.
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- 2 And the Lord touched the eyes of mine understanding that they were opened and I saw the sons of God gathered in council with the Father and Lucifer also was among them.
- 3 And the Lord said to Lucifer, Surely thou hast been abroad in the earth trying the hearts of men.
- 4 Whom hast thou found standing in his integrity who should be further tried to know whether he be thine or mine?
- 5 Lucifer replied, Hast thou considered Abraham and Sarah and Isaac? for I am unable to lead them into sin in whatever matter I place before them.
- 6 They are united in perfect bonds of love and purity and even Abraham hath united all his family again which was divided.
- 7 Surely they should be tried to know whether they are faithful only in their prosperity or whether they will be faithful also in adversity.
- 8 And the Lord said unto Lucifer, Were I to say unto Abraham, Bring up Isaac thy son unto the high place and offer him as a burnt offering unto me, he would not withhold him from me nor would Isaac refuse to be offered.
- 9 And Lucifer answered the Lord, Speak now unto Abraham as thou hast said and we shall see whether his heart is perfect with the Lord or whether his end shall be in my kingdom.

## Chapter 135

- 1 With these words, the vision was closed to my mind and the Lord said unto me, Abraham, take now thy son Isaac whom thou lovest and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there for a burnt offering upon the mountain upon which thou shalt see the glory of the Lord resting as a cloud.
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- 2 And the Lord departed from me and left me to consider these things.

## Chapter 136

- 1 Now Sarah's heart was knit unto Isaac's insomuch that she did keep him by her side whenever possible and he did sleep upon her bed at night.
- 2 Wherefore, I thought, How shall I separate Isaac from his mother Sarah for such a journey lest her heart be grieved and she die in her grief?
- 3 So I went in unto Sarah and comforted her and afterwards I said unto her, Our son Isaac we have taught these many years and I feel now that I should take him unto Shem and Eber his son where he can be instructed by the ancient ones in the mysteries of the ancients that he may become a perfect servant of the Lord our God.
- 4 Sarah replied, Thou hast spoken well, my lord. Go to now and do all as thou hast said, only let the lad remain not too long apart from me for my soul is bound to his soul with a perfect love from God.
- 5 And I answered Sarah saying, My daughter, let us pray to the Lord our God that we may yield to his will in all things and that all things will work together for our good.

## Chapter 137

- 1 And Isaac slept with us that night and Sarah kissed and embraced him and instructed him until morning.
  - 2 And she said to him, O my son, how can my soul separate itself from thee?
  - 3 And she still kissed and embraced him until the time of preparation had come.
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- 4 Then Sarah took a beautiful and costly robe from among those which Abimelech had given her, for Abimelech had loved Sarah greatly and had given her many precious things, but his love toward her was pure in the sight of God and according to the laws of heaven.
- 5 With this robe which had never been worn, Sarah clothed Isaac and put a turban upon his head in which she wrapped a precious stone.
- 6 And she said unto him, Even as this stone art thou precious unto me, my son.
- 7 Nevertheless, I would have thee so conduct thy life that when the Lord shall come to gather up his jewels, thou wilt be among the number.

## Chapter 138

- 1 Thus, taking provisions for our journey, we started out and Sarah and others of our people accompanied us upon the road.
  - 2 And when the time of parting had arrived, Sarah wept bitterly and I also wept with her as did Isaac our son and those who accompanied us.
  - 3 And Sarah caught hold of Isaac and held him in her arms and embraced him and kissed him and wept over him and Sarah said unto him, Who knoweth if after this day I shall ever see thee again?
  - 4 Nevertheless, our hope is in the Lord Jehovah in whom is life.
  - 5 Therefore, if I see thee not again in this veil of tears, yet surely we shall again embrace before the throne of God.
  - 6 God bless thee, my son, and keep thee secure in his ways and I will be close to thee all thy days.
  - 7 So saying, Sarah kissed Isaac again and turned back to the camp with all who had accompanied us.
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## Chapter 139

- 1 As we proceeded upon our journey, Satan came to me in the form of an aged man, humble and contrite who said unto me, How canst thou think to do so unto thy son?
- 2 Did not God give thee this son by an holy conception after the order of the ancients and dost thou think so little of this precious gift that thou wilt take his life as thou wouldst slaughter a dumb beast and thus cut off thine only hope of a royal posterity in the earth?
- 3 What evil hath he done unto thee that thou shouldst do this thing?
- 4 Dost thou not understand that this thing cannot be from the Lord?
- 5 Behold the Lord delighteth not in human sacrifice.
- 6 Did he not smite the priest of Nimrod for seeking to take thy life in like manner?
- 7 Surely thou shouldst repent of this thy purpose and return thy son unto the bed of his mother Sarah.
- 8 But I knew that this was the word of Satan seeking to prevent my obeying the word of the Lord; wherefore I commanded him to depart by the authority of the holy priesthood in the name of the Lord, and he departed from me in haste.

## Chapter 140

- 1 A short time later, Satan came again, appearing to Isaac in the form of a handsome and pleasing young man.
- 2 And he said unto Isaac, Dost thou not understand that thine old father in his foolishness bringeth thee to be slain today for no purpose?

- 3 Now therefore, my brother, go not with him for it is the foolishness of his old age that doeth this.
- 4 Therefore, let not thy precious life and thy beautiful body be lost from the earth in such a manner, but come with me and I will introduce thee to the pleasures of the earth and thou shalt take pleasure therein all thy days.
- 5 When Isaac heard this, he saith unto me, My father, surely this is Satan come to dissuade me from obeying the word of the Lord for thus doth he appear and thus doth he say unto me.
- 6 Wherefore, my father, rebuke him in the name of the Lord that he shall cease from troubling me for I know that thou art a servant of the Most High God and that it is to fulfill the will of the Lord that we are come unto this place.
- 7 Wherefore, I, Abraham, rebuked Satan in the name of the Lord Jehovah, the God of Noah and of Shem, and he departed from us in fear.

## Chapter 141

- 1 As we continued on our journey, we entered a narrow ravine with high walls.
  - 2 When we were in the midst of it, we heard a mighty rumbling and the earth shook beneath our feet.
  - 3 Looking back, we saw a great wall of water coming down upon us bearing trees and boulders in a mighty flood.
  - 4 Mine heart was moved within me for my son Isaac and he sought also to protect me, but, raising mine hands to heaven I called upon the name of the Lord and the Lord heard me out of heaven and stopped the flood until we had ascended from the ravine.
  - 5 Thus did Satan seek to destroy us that we might not offer an acceptable sacrifice unto the Lord our God but
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the power of our God is mightier than that of Satan; wherefore, Satan can do no harm unto the children of men except the Lord God allow him to do it.

- 6 Therefore, do all things, whether they be good or evil, work together for the good of the saints of God who serve him and keep his commandments.

## Chapter 142

- 1 And on the third day, we saw the place afar off which the Lord had appointed for the sacrifice of my beloved son Isaac.
- 2 And I knew the place because the glory of the Lord was there as a pillar of fire and a glorious cloud.
- 3 And when I saw the place, I said unto my son Isaac, My son, dost thou see aught upon yonder mountain?
- 4 And Isaac replied, Yea, my father, for the glory of the Lord resteth upon it as a pillar of fire and a glorious cloud.
- 5 Then I rejoiced that my son was found worthy to see this sign also and we bowed down there and worshipped the Lord our God.

## Chapter 143

- 1 As we approached the mountain, Isaac said unto me, My father, we have with us the fire and the wood, but we have no lamb to serve as a burnt offering unto the Lord.
- 2 Explain now unto me the mystery hidden in this thing that I may be obedient unto all which the Lord thy God requireth of me.
- 3 Then I rejoiced, for I knew that the Lord had revealed in the heart of my son Isaac that which we must do.

- 4 Therefore, I said unto him, Isaac, my son, the Lord hath chosen thee to be a perfect burnt offering unto him instead of a lamb.
- 5 And this thing is a type of the Lord of spirits who is our first Father and his Only Begotten Son who is the Lamb slain from before the foundation of the earth.
- 6 For surely God will offer his only Son as a sacrifice upon the cross to atone for our sins and for the sins of all mankind, that all men might be redeemed from the power of death and be brought to stand before the judgment bar of the great Jehovah to be judged according to their works, that every man might receive a righteous and just judgment and that mercy might have claim upon the penitent, the price of their sins having been paid by the Son of God.
- 7 Yea, surely, my son, we have been chosen to represent the Father and the Son in this thing, and though I grieve to think of losing thee, my beloved, yet I rejoice that we are honored thus to represent God.

## Chapter 144

- 1 And Isaac said unto me, I will do all that the Lord hath commanded thee, my father, with joy in mine heart that I am chosen to represent the Son of God in this sacrifice, and I have this hope in me, that if we are faithful to all the commandments of the Lord our God, I shall yet stand in the flesh with thee and my mother before the throne of the Ancient of Days and receive from him the promise of exaltation and eternal lives.
  - 2 When I heard this answer, I rejoiced in my son Isaac whose heart was pure and upright before the Lord.
  - 3 But the Spirit of the Lord constrained me to test him further, and I said unto him, Hast thou any thoughts or feelings which would prevent thy being offered as a perfect sacrifice before the Lord?
  - 4 For if thou dost in any way doubt the efficacy of this
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sacrifice, which is in the similitude of the sacrifice of the Only Begotten of the Father which is full of grace and truth, it is not meet that thou shouldst be offered as a sacrifice before our God.

- 5 But Isaac answered me saying, O my father, as the Lord liveth and as thou livest as an holy man of God, I know that thou art a servant of the Most High God and that thou dost hold the keys of the fathers.
- 6 Thou hast never asked me to do anything which was not of God but thou hast taught me by precept and example to serve the Lord thy God in every act of my life.
- 7 Shall I then shrink from being offered by thee as a sacrifice unto the Lord thy God?
- 8 Nay, but I shall rejoice forever to have been so honored.
- 9 Blessed is the Lord thy God who hath this day chosen me to be sacrificed as a burnt offering before him.

## Chapter 145

- 1 Thus we came unto the place which the Lord had appointed for the offering of my son, rejoicing in the glory of our God.
- 2 Yet I did weep at the thought of losing my beloved son Isaac and at the knowledge of the pain this would bring to his mother Sarah, for their souls were united as one.
- 3 Nevertheless, my heart rejoiced that I was chosen with my son for this holy ordinance that we might thereby magnify the name of the Lord.

## Chapter 146

- 1 After kneeling in prayer unto the Lord our God, Isaac and I constructed an altar before the Lord and I laid the wood in order upon the altar which we had built.
- 2 And Isaac lay upon the altar and I bound him there and he said unto me, Bind me securely lest I move beneath the force of the knife and profane the offering before the Lord.
- 3 So I bound him securely that he could not move upon the altar.
- 4 And I wept as I prepared my son for the sacrifice and Isaac wept with me, yet our hearts rejoiced to have been found worthy of this great blessing.

## Chapter 147

- 1 When all was prepared, I picked up the knife, kissed my son Isaac, and prepared to offer him as a sacrifice unto the Lord my God.
  - 2 But the voice of the Lord came unto me saying, Abraham, slay not thy son, for I have tested you in this manner that I might know that your hearts are perfect before me.
  - 3 Now I know that ye fear the Lord your God in that thou hast not withheld thine heir from mine altar and he hath willingly lain thereon to be a sacrifice of a burnt offering unto the Lord.
  - 4 Therefore, lift up thine eyes and behold the ram that was chosen from the beginning to stand in the place of thy son Isaac as a burnt offering before me.
  - 5 And I looked up and saw a ram caught by his horns in a thicket.
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- 6 For as the ram had advanced to the sacrifice, Satan had caught him in the thicket that he might not be offered in Isaac's stead.
- 7 But I went and freed him from the thicket and releasing my son Isaac, I placed the ram upon the altar and offered him in Isaac's place, that his blood might be considered as the blood of Isaac before the Lord.
- 8 And the Lord accepted the sacrifice of the ram as if it had been Isaac and the Lord appeared unto us and blessed me and my seed on that day.
- 9 And we rejoiced in the Lord.

## Chapter 148

- 1 When all things were finished, Isaac and I returned to our camp rejoicing in the Lord our God.
- 2 But when we reached the place we found that Sarah was not there, for the agents of Satan had come to her saying, Behold, dost thou not understand that Abraham goeth to offer thy son Isaac as a burnt offering unto the Lord his God?
- 3 Surely he doeth this because he is jealous of thy love for thy son Isaac.
- 4 Go, therefore, and stop this thing lest he to whom thine heart is knitted be destroyed from off the face of the earth.

## Chapter 149

- 1 But Sarah said, Surely the heart of my lord Abraham is right with the Lord his God for he walketh before him in all his ways.
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- 2 Nevertheless, shall my son Isaac be offered as a burnt offering and I not be there to weep over him and strengthen him and pray for him that he be an acceptable offering unto the Lord God of Abraham?
- 3 Nay, but I shall go to him.
- 4 And Sarah departed with her men-servants and her maid-servants and went as far as Hebron but found us not.
- 5 Therefore, Sarah rested in Hebron and sent her young men to find us, who searched all the land round about and even in the city of Shalom but found us not.
- 6 Then Sarah prayed unto the Lord saying, O Lord God of Abraham, Surely I know that all things are in thine hand, and I do not fear for my son Isaac for I know that mine husband Abraham is an high priest after thine holy order.
- 7 Nevertheless, it is my desire to be with my son at this holy hour that I might share his joy and his sorrow before the Lord our God.

## Chapter 150

- 1 Then the word of the Lord came unto Sarah saying, Surely I have accepted the offering of Isaac and have provided a ram prepared before the foundation of the earth was laid to be offered in his place; wherefore, thy son liveth and is with his father Abraham and even now searcheth for thee.
- 2 When Sarah heard these words, her heart was filled with joy so that she could not contain it and her spirit was lifted up to see the Paradise of God and she exclaimed, Behold, I have seen my Redeemer and it sufficeth me, and she gave up the ghost.

- 3 Thus did Sarah die in Hebron being one hundred and twenty-seven years old and she died having seen her Redeemer and having received from him the promise of eternal life.

## Chapter 151

- 1 Then was word brought unto us, that Sarah was gone unto Hebron, wherefore we journeyed there and found that Sarah had died.
- 2 But having inquired after the manner of her death, we rejoiced that she went with the promise of exaltation and that she died knowing of Isaac's salvation and his acceptance with God.
- 3 Then we took Sarah unto a cave which I purchased of Ephron the Hittite for that purpose and we buried her there and we wept over her, yet we rejoiced in her righteousness before God.
- 4 And all the people of the land came to honor Sarah with Pharaoh who came from Egypt and Abimelech from Gerar and many others who honored and loved Sarah.
- 5 For she was truly an handmaiden of the Lord and ministered unto many in the name of the Lord in love and charity and was greatly loved by all for her kindness and meekness and her great wisdom in godliness.

## Chapter 152

- 1 Thus, I, Abraham, began to be old having seen one hundred and thirty-seven years.
  - 2 Wherefore, I write this record of my life that others might benefit from the workings of the Lord my God with me.
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- 3 And I bear this witness that the Lord liveth and reigneth in the heavens, and he is the Most High God over all the earth.
- 4 He hath led me since first he appeared to me in a dream when I was three years of age, even unto this time when I am old and bowed down with years.
- 5 He hath done only good to me and not evil all the days of my life.
- 6 Surely I will love him and serve him forever and ever and will magnify his name on high before all peoples. Amen.

## Chapter 153

- 1 After Sarah's death, I sent my son Isaac unto Shem and Eber to learn more perfectly the ways of the ancients and he remained there three years before returning to my camp.

## Chapter 154

- 1 In the one hundred thirty-eighth year of my life, my brother Abimelech, king of Gerar, died being one hundred and ninety-three years of age.
  - 2 Wherefore, I took my people and journeyed to Gerar where we mourned over Abimelech for he was a good and holy man who walked in perfectness before his God and had made his calling and his election sure.
  - 3 Therefore, we rejoiced in knowing of his end.
  - 4 Nevertheless, we sorrowed to be parted from him, but I knew that I should soon go to him, which knowledge comforted mine heart.
  - 5 And his son Abimelech was chosen to reign in his stead.
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## Chapter 155

- 1 The following year Lot, my brother's son, died being one hundred and forty years old.
- 2 He, too, was a just man and accepted of the Lord, although he did not walk in all the ways of the ancients, for he had coveted his own property and separated from the community of God, therefore he must receive a just reward.
- 3 Nevertheless, the Lord loved him because he maintained his integrity, even in the midst of wicked Sodom, wherefore the Lord saved him and those of his household who would be saved from destruction and the Lord made of him also a mighty people.

## Chapter 156

- 1 Now, when my son Isaac was about to return unto me from the city of Shalom, the word of the Lord came unto me saying, Behold, in the city of Haran dwelleth Bethuel the son of thy brother Nahor who is dead.
- 2 Unto Bethuel hath been born Rebekah, who at this time is ten years of age.
- 3 Send now and fetch her as a wife to thy son Isaac, for thus have I appointed that she shall bear unto him the chosen seed.

## Chapter 157

- 1 So I called unto me Eliezer, my trusted companion who had been with me since we had come out of the city of Shalom, and I said unto him, Put now thine hand under my thigh and swear unto me before the Most
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High God that thou shalt go unto the city of Haran and bring thence Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel son of Nahor my brother to be a wife unto my son Isaac according to the word of the Lord, but if the maiden refuse to come with thee, thou shalt be free of this thine oath.

- 2 So Eliezer sware before the Most High God and departed from me in peace.
- 3 He also pursued his journey to Haran and found Rebekah, even as I had said, and returned with her after the return of my son Isaac from the city of Shalom.
- 4 Thus Isaac took Rebekah to wife when he was forty years old, he having four other wives; but Rebekah he took to wife in the tent of Sarah.
- 5 And Rebekah bare no children; wherefore I knew that the Lord should work a marvelous work in her even as in Sarah before her.
- 6 Therefore, mine heart rejoiced in Rebekah, the wife of my son Isaac, for she was pure and virtuous like unto Sarah my beloved who had proceeded me into the rest of the Lord.

## Chapter 158

- 1 This same year I took to wife Keturah, the daughter of mine old friend Abimelech king of Gerar who was dead.
  - 2 Keturah bare me six sons so that in all I received of the Lord eight sons and three hundred and twenty-eight daughters, being in all three hundred and thirty-six souls.
  - 3 Thus did the Lord increase me greatly besides the many sons who were adopted to me.
  - 4 And thus I increased continually before the Lord.
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## Chapter 159

- 1 After nine years my son Isaac brought unto me his wife Rebekah for she was yet barren.
- 2 And she said unto me, My father, surely I know that my mother Sarah was barren for many years before she bare Isaac unto thee.
- 3 Wherefore, pray for me, that I, like Sarah, may conceive.
- 4 Therefore, I prayed over my daughter Rebekah, and I said unto Isaac, Thy mother Sarah bare thee after she received a blessing from my brother Abimelech king of Gerar.
- 5 Abimelech, son of Abimelech, reigneth now in the place of his father in Gerar, and he, too, is a mighty man of God.
- 6 Go ye in unto him that he may bless Rebekah and she shall conceive and bear unto thee two sons and the younger shall rule over the elder, but in the elder shall the word of the Lord also be fulfilled for through him shall I slay wicked Nimrod even as the Lord foretold at my birth.
- 7 So Isaac took Rebekah and went unto Gerar, unto Abimelech, son of Abimelech, who blessed her after the order of the ancients, and she conceived and bare unto Isaac two sons, even as I had said.
- 8 And on the eighth day, Isaac brought the lads unto me to be named and the elder I called Esau, for he was covered with hair and I said, Surely he shall be a mighty hunter before the Lord.
- 9 But the second I called Jacob, for I said, Surely the elder shall serve the younger.

## Chapter 160

- 1 When my youngest son Shuach, whom Keturah had borne me (for she bare Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak and Shuach) was fifteen years of age, I called all of my sons unto me and instructed them in the ways of the Lord and blessed them and gave unto each wives and a goodly inheritance of property according to the instructions of the Lord and sent them away to inherit lands which the Lord had prepared for them.
- 2 Then I rested in peace knowing that I had done all the will of the Lord and that soon I should be gathered unto my fathers to be with Sarah and the righteous in the Paradise of God.

## Chapter 161

- 1 Behold, I am Isaac, the son of Abraham, and I finish my father's record.
- 2 For when the end of my father's sojourn among men had come, he called me unto him and said, My son, according to the commandment of God unto thee, I have appointed thee to be mine heir that all the authority I possess should rest with thee.
- 3 Thou knowest that the Lord is God in heaven and earth and we serve only him.
- 4 He hath many times preserved me from destruction when the evil ones would have destroyed me, for I always placed my trust in him.
- 5 He brought me unto this land and said unto me, to thy seed will I give all this land and they shall inherit it

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when they shall keep my commandments, my statutes and my judgments that I have commanded thee and which I shall command them.

- 6 Now therefore my son, hearken unto my voice and keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, even as thou hast been instructed by me and by thy mother Sarah and by Shem and Eber.
- 7 Depart not from the holy order of God in any particular and remember always the mercies of our God and his blessings will never depart from thee.
- 8 Teach these things also unto thy children and thy children's children that they may receive the like blessings with us for all those who obey the law of the fathers will be blessed with the fathers.

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- 1 Then I covenanted with my father to do all things as he had said and to walk always in his ways.
- 2 And my father blessed me and mine house and he took my son Jacob into his tent, he being fifteen years old at this time, and instructed him for seven days and nights in the ways of the Lord.
- 3 Thus did my father end his days and he died, being one hundred and seventy-five years of age.
- 4 And Ishmael and his other sons returned unto me and we did bury our father with Sarah my mother and all the inhabitants of the land did mourn over him for he was a righteous man who did good unto all.
- 5 And truly this was his testimony, that the Lord is God over all and those who serve him shall inherit peace in this life and eternal joy in the life to come. Amen.



# The Book of the Order of Elijah the Prophet

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## Introduction

¶ When Moses had led the children of Israel through the wilderness to Mount Sinai, he went before the Lord seeking a revelation of that holy order by which the Lord would have his people governed.

When Moses had petitioned the Lord for this revelation, the Lord instructed him to administer certain of the ordinances of the House of the Lord unto the people that they might be sanctified, preparatory to receiving his holy order. (Exodus 19:10-11)

Only when this had been accomplished did the Lord call Moses up into the mountain to receive the fulness of his law, for that people which receives God's holy order must be a sanctified people, pure and holy, without spot before the Lord.

"And the Lord called unto Moses out of the mountain, saying, Come unto me, for I would give thee the Law for thy people, which shall be a covenant for the Children of Light. And Moses went up unto God. And God spake all these words, saying, I am the Law, thy God, which hath brought thee out from the depths of the bondage of darkness. Thou shalt have no other Laws before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any image of the Law in heaven above or in the earth beneath. I am the invisible Law, without beginning and without end. Thou shalt not make unto thee false laws, for I am the Law, and the whole law of all laws. If thou forsake me, thou shalt be visited by disasters for generation upon generation. \* \* \* And Moses heard the

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voice of the Lord, and sealed within him the covenant that was between the Lord and the Children of Light. And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tablets of the Law were in his hand. And the tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tablets." (*Essene Gospel of Peace* 2:25, 28)

¶ While Moses was upon the mountain learning the covenants and commandments pertaining to the holy order of God, the children of Israel, growing impatient at his absence, turned to the worship of the idols of Egypt—the golden calf.

When Moses descended the mountain and saw the people participating in the abominations of the Egyptians, he threw the tablets which the Lord had given him upon the ground, breaking them into small pieces which he subsequently ground into powder, mixed with water and required the people to eat as a testimony against them.

"And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people. Ye have sinned a great sin, ye have denied thy creator. I will go up unto the Lord and plead atonement for thy sin. And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Lord, thou hast seen the desecration of thy Holy Law. For thy children lost faith, and worshipped the darkness, and made for themselves a golden calf. Lord, forgive them, for they are blind to the light. And the Lord said unto Moses, Behold, at the beginning of time was a covenant made between God and man, and the holy flame of the Creator did enter unto him. And he was made the son of God. \* \* \* And the Lord spoke, saying, Only the Children of Light can keep the Commandments of the Law." (*Essene Gospel of Peace* 2:28-29)

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Hew thee two other tables of stone, like unto the first, and I will write upon them also, the words of the law, according as they were written at the first on the tables which thou brakest; but it shall not be according to the first, for I will take away

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the priesthood out of their midst; therefore my holy order, and the ordinances thereof, shall not go before them; for my presence shall not go up in their midst, lest I destroy them.

But I will give unto them the law as at the first, but it shall be after the law of a carnal commandment; for I have sworn in my wrath, that they shall not enter into my presence, into my rest, in the days of their pilgrimage." (Exodus 34:1-2)

"And Moses hid the invisible Law within his breast, and kept it for a sign to the Children of Light. \* \* \* And the broken tablets of the Invisible Law lived hidden in the breast of Moses, until it came to pass that the Children of Light appeared in the desert, and the angels walked the earth." (*Essene Gospel of Peace* 2:29)

¶ The principles of the holy order—the invisible law—Moses taught to Joshua and Caleb and those of the younger generation who prepared themselves to receive them.

These were passed down as a sacred treasure from generation to generation and those who were prepared to live after the holy order of God were called forth and organized into communities, called the Sons of the Prophets because they were instructed by and sealed into the line of the prophets.

Such a society is mentioned in connection with Samuel (I Samuel 10:5, 10; 19:20), Elijah and Elisha (II Kings 2:3,5; 4:1,38; 6:1-17; 9:1-2) and others (I Kings 20:35-42).

Elijah was particularly active in organizing such communities and the Lord revealed through him many principles by which they should be governed.

At length it was revealed to Elijah that he was to be caught up to the City of Enoch.

Previous to this event he wrote down the principles by which the Order should be governed and left this book for his heir Elisha to assist him in administering the law to the Sons of the Prophets.

This book, which was found by Elisha after Elijah's translation, is the Book of the Order of Elijah the Prophet.

¶ These communities of the Sons of the Prophets were perpetuated until the time of Christ.

They called themselves by various names including the Children of Light (cf. John 12:36; Ephesians 5:8; I Thessalonians 5:5), Essenes, meaning People of the Spirit, and Qumran, meaning Latter-day Saints (cf. Nibley, *Since Cumorah*, p. 21).

It was to them that the mother of John the Baptist fled after her husband was martyred in the temple at Jerusalem so that John grew up in the desert among the Essenes. (cf. *Times and Seasons* 3:902)

Jesus also was a familiar figure among them and some of his greatest teachings were preserved in their libraries, while Paul's epistle to the Hebrews was written to these Essene Hebrew saints.

¶ During the interim stretching from the translation of Elijah to the destruction of the Qumran communities in the first century A.D., the Book of the Order was many times transcribed with resulting alterations, additions and deletions.

Its name was changed to the Manual of Discipline, reflecting the position which it had taken among the people.

When their communities were threatened by invading Romans in the first century A.D., the Essenes buried their libraries which remained undisturbed in the earth until the twentieth century, long after the Lord revealed through Joseph that the Book of Mormon was the first of many ancient records which were to come forth. (cf. *Book of Commandments* 5:11-12; 7:1; 8:1)

When a copy of the Manual of Discipline fell into our hands, its importance to any people seeking to live after the holy order of God was evident.

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Desiring to know of its accuracy, we inquired through the Stone of Ephraim whereupon the Lord gave us the following translation, both the Hebrew and the English characters appearing in the stone.

¶ We take the restoration of these holy writings to be a pearl of great price given to us as a test of our desires to live after the holy order of God.

If we incorporate the principles contained herein into our lives, surely the Lord will bestow yet further light upon us, but if we fail to heed Elijah's instructions, surely we will fall under the same curse as those who received the Book of Mormon but did not obey its teachings.

To these the Lord said, "And your minds in times past have been darkened because of unbelief, and because you have treated lightly the things you have received, which vanity and unbelief hath brought the whole church under condemnation, And this condemnation resteth upon the children of Zion, even all; and they shall remain under this condemnation until they repent and remember the new covenant, even the Book of Mormon and the former commandments which I have given them, not only to say, but to do according to that which I have written, that they may bring forth fruit meet for their Father's kingdom, otherwise there remaineth a scourge and a judgment to be poured out upon the children of Zion: for shall the children of the kingdom pollute my holy land? Verily, I say unto you, Nay." (K.D.C. 4:8)

¶ Let us be wise stewards that the Lord may continue to use us to lay a foundation for Zion that the day may be hastened when our Lord will return with ten thousands of his saints to reign personally upon the earth.

## Chapter 1

- 1 The record of Elijah the Tishbite which he wrote for his disciple Elisha whom he called from his field in Abelmeholah unto the holy order of God.
- 2 Behold, I, Elijah, write this record with mine own hand and no man shall see it until I have ascended into heaven.
- 3 Then shall mine authority and the keys of my Priesthood which is the Priesthood of the Fathers pass to my son Elisha by right of lineage and obedience.
- 4 This Priesthood came down to me from the Fathers by lineage, for I am a descendant of Joshua the son of Nun who was descended from Ephraim the son of Joseph through whom the rights of the Firstborn descended in Israel.
- 5 These rights I received when I was but a lad from my Father before he was martyred for the testimony of Jehovah and, according to the word of the Lord, I have appointed Elisha, who is mine adopted son, to be my successor in bearing off this work.
- 6 Nevertheless, not all of my rights shall rest upon him, for the Lord hath said, Behold, my servant Elijah shall not die but shall bear with him the keys of his ministry unto the heavenly city until the last days when I shall send him unto one of his seed whom I shall raise up to bear the fulness of this ministry again among the sons of men.
- 7 But he shall leave with Elisha those keys necessary to continue his work in organizing the Schools of the Prophets and the Order of Enoch that the sons of the prophets may continue to live after the holy order of God.

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## Chapter 2

- 1 Therefore, my son Elisha, I leave for thee this Book of the Order by which thou mayest govern the Order of Enoch, for I have organized and governed this Order according to the revelations of the Lord to me and under the direction of his Holy Spirit I give thee these instructions.
  - 2 Everyone who desireth to enter the Order of Enoch must be one who loveth the Lord his God with all his heart, might, mind and strength and one who loveth his fellowman as himself, according to the word of the Lord through Moses.
  - 3 He must covenant to live the law of consecration and to hold all things common with his brethren according to the pattern set by our First Parents, for when they came forth from the garden they divided not up the land but held it in common until their posterity through wickedness began to lay claim to it for themselves.
  - 4 Behold, this private ownership of the property came to pass through the teachings of that evil combination which was organized by Cain that men might get gain for themselves because the love of God and man is not in them.
  - 5 He who entereth the Order must be one who is dedicated to seeing the face of God and receiving from him the promise of eternal lives.
  - 6 He must keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord his God, to do what is good and upright in the sight of God according to that which he commanded through Moses the lawgiver and through his servants the prophets.
  - 7 He who seeketh to enter the holy order of God must be one who loveth that which the Lord loveth and hateth that which the Lord hateth.
  - 8 He must keep all evil far from him and love to do good,
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that his works may bear testimony of his righteousness before God and man; he must be governed by the principles of truth, righteousness, and justice in all he doeth while in this tabernacle of clay, having repented of his inclination to follow after the dictates of the flesh, no longer doing evil according to the selfishness and jealousy and contentious spirit which dwelleth in the natural man.

- 9 Every member of the Order must be dedicated to bringing into a bond of mutual love all those who are striving to live after the holy order of God.
- 10 To live after the order of the ancients means that they must live in the community of God's elect, holding all things common and loving one another as themselves.
- 11 Yea, they must unite in one heart and one mind, for only thus can Zion be built up in its perfect order and the name of our God be glorified.
- 12 Those entering the holy order must have shown by their works their desires to live according to all that God has revealed, to keep all his commandments, to perfect their lives according to God's holy order that they may be sanctified by the blood of the covenant unto the renewal of their spirits and their bodies.
- 13 They must love all the children of Light, each according to his position in the House of God, for those who live the highest law are most able to be loved, and so forth, even unto the lowest law of God.
- 14 They must hate the works of darkness and avoid intercourse with the sons of Belial, each according to the measure of his guilt, for God will bring every work into judgment and those who associate with the wicked will be condemned with them.

## Chapter 3

- 1 He who loveth the truth and truly desireth to live after the order of heaven must declare his willingness to be
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united to the congregation of the Lord's elect and must consecrate by covenant all of his mind, all of his strength and all of his wealth to the community of God so that his mind may be purified by the truth of the Lord's precepts, his strength controlled by the Lord's perfect ways, and his wealth disposed of in accordance with the Lord's just design.

- 2 He must order his life according to the pattern which the Lord hath given, observing the hours of worship, the Sabbaths and the Holy Days to do them, neither omitting the feasts nor neglecting the fasts of the Lord.
- 3 He must be one whose heart is knit unto the ordinances of God's law, who will strive diligently to preserve them in purity, neither breaking the laws, changing the ordinances nor neglecting the everlasting covenants of our God.

## Chapter 4

- 1 When such a man cometh forward to present himself as a candidate for admission into the Order, he should be examined carefully by the elders of the community, and having been proven worthy, he must enter into a covenant in the presence of God, the holy angels, and his brethren of the Order by entering into the waters of immersion that he will do according to all that God hath commanded and not turn away from the service of the Lord through fear of wicked men or evil spirits nor through discouragement because of the trials which Belial shall send against him, for the Lord God of our Fathers hath appointed that all who seek to live after his holy order shall be tried and purified until their gold is pure and their dross consumed.
- 2 When a man hath entered into this covenant in the waters of immersion, the elders of the community are to lay their hands upon his head and bless him with the Holy Spirit of God.

## Chapter 5

- 1 At the end of each year, every member of the community is to be interviewed, from first to last, that the spiritual standing of each in the community may be determined .
- 2 This is needful so long as Belial continues to hold sway as the god of this world.
- 3 The object of this interview is that every man in Israel may be made aware of his status in the community of God's elect, that he may measure himself against the perfect, eternal society of heaven.
- 4 If any man finds that he is being governed by a law which is beyond his desires, then let him be placed among those who live after his own heart.
- 5 If any man will qualify himself to live a law higher than he is living, let the opportunity be given him to live that law.
- 6 Thus no man in Israel need be abased below his ability to qualify nor exalted above his desires to live after the heavenly pattern.
- 7 Thus all members of the community will stand, each in his proper place, according to a true evaluation of his standing before God.
- 8 Let those who judge in these matters, judge according to correct principle, in profound humility, being full of charity and equity toward their brethren and sisters that the society of heaven may flourish among you, being sanctified by love and unity in the Lord our God.

## Chapter 6

- 1 Anyone who refuses to live after the pattern of God's holy order, the perfect society of heaven, but persists in
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- walking after the stubbornness of his own heart and the vain traditions of his fathers, shall not be admitted into the community of God's elect.
- 2 For inasmuch as he has rebelled against the discipline required of those who are called to set their lives in order according to the precepts of the heavenly law, he cannot be counted among the saints of the Most High.
  - 3 The spiritual, mental, physical and material resources of such a man are of no value to the community of God's elect; therefore he shall not be permitted to enter into the Order of Enoch to live after the pattern of heaven.
  - 4 If he were honest in acknowledging his weaknesses before God, then would the Lord make his weaknesses to become strengths unto him, but inasmuch as his heart remaineth stubborn and he repenteth not, he shall remain in his sins.
  - 5 Such an one looketh upon the light of God's truth but seeth only darkness.
  - 6 He can never be sanctified because the light is not in him that he should be born again, a new creature in the Lord.
  - 7 Although he should offer numerous sacrifices in the similitude of the Lamb of God and be immersed in water any number of times and be washed and anointed after the order of the Messiah, yet he can never be cleansed from his sins except through contrition and repentance, wherein he rejecteth his former works and walketh in the path which our Fathers walked, which is the holy order of God.
  - 8 Unclean, unclean he remaineth so long as he will not be governed by the laws of God, neither submit himself to the ordinances; he shall never enter into communion with the heavenly hosts.
  - 9 It is only when the spirit of man hath been awakened to the light of God's truth that he can begin to direct his
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life according to those holy principles by which he can ascend into the presence of God and make his calling and election sure.

- 10 Only through obedience to those laws and that holy order which have been handed down from our Fathers who entered into the presence of the Lord and held communion with the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn can a man sanctify his life to commune with the Fathers who have gone on before.
  - 11 Thus can the blessings and rights and the priesthood of the Fathers descend upon their heads and they shall dwell in the courts of the sanctified in time and eternity.
  - 12 For only through obedience to the laws and ordinances of God, walking faithfully after his holy order and enduring unto the end therein can a man be redeemed from the Fall and gain a remission of all his sins so that his mind can be opened to gaze upon the true light of life.
  - 13 It is through obedience to the laws and ordinances of the Lord that a man receiveth the Holy Ghost which will lead him unto true and complete union with God and all holy men as his iniquities are lifted from him and his mind is expanded to receive God's truth that he may walk therein as one of the children of light.
  - 14 For the atonement of the Lamb of God cometh upon all those who are upright and humble and submissive to all the ordinances of God that their sins should be washed away in the waters of immersion and they be sanctified through the blood of the covenant and immersion in fire and in the Holy Ghost.
  - 15 Thus are they purified from all stain that they should be pure and holy, without spot.
  - 16 Only such an one can perfectly direct his steps to walk blamelessly through all the vicissitudes of life, never deviating from the ways of God, but keeping all the commandments without turning either to the right or to the left and without overstepping any of the bounds imposed by the word of God.
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- 17 Then indeed is he perfectly acceptable before God and a pleasure unto our Lord.
- 18 Then will his joy increase and he will enter by covenant into the community of the faithful to dwell with the Fathers who have inherited their thrones forever and ever.

## Chapter 7

- 1 Those who enter into covenant to hold all things common according to the Order of Enoch and faithfully adhere to the Order of the Ancients should be instructed that their minds may be opened to the vision of eternity and how the order of heaven can be established and perpetuated here on the earth.
- 2 He who is called to instruct the children of Light in these matters must understand and teach the disciples the true nature of man, the different influences which form his character, the meaning of his history and the reason that God at one time blesseth him bounteously and at another time afflicteth him dreadfully.
- 3 This is the hidden knowledge, the application of which redeemeth man from his natural state and ushereth him into the holy order of God where he can be prepared to enter into the presence of God himself and partake of the fruits of eternal lives.

## Chapter 8

- 1 The Lord is a God of knowledge.
- 2 By his word was everything made which was made and he governeth all things according to his infinite foreknowledge.
- 3 Even before he created the heavens and the earth, he counseled with the hosts of heaven and planned a plan

wherein the spirit of every man should have his appointed role, for the spirit of every man appeared before the Lord of spirits in the beginning and received a place appointed in the family of heaven and earth.

- 4 When a man filleth his appointed role, it is according to the glorious design of the Lord of spirits and thus, as each one functions according to the divine plan, the work of God is pushed toward its consummation.
- 5 The designs of God cannot be frustrated; in his hand lieth the government of all things and he sustaineth all the children of men in their needs, wherefore it becometh all men to worship the Lord God of Israel and be obedient to the divine plan which he hath ordained in their behalf.

## Chapter 9

- 1 Now, the God of the spirits of all men created man to rule the world and set before him the ways of life and death, truth and falsehood.
- 2 Thus was man made free, even from the beginning to choose for himself the good or the evil until the final judgment when the works of every man shall be made manifest and each shall receive a just reward according to his works requisite with the mercy of our God.

## Chapter 10

- 1 The origin of truth lieth in the Fountain of Light, the Holy One of Israel, while the origin of falsehood or evil lieth in the Wellspring of Darkness.
  - 2 All who practice righteousness are under the domination of the Prince of Lights and walk in the path
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of Light while those who practice evil are under the domination of the Angel of Darkness and walk in the path of darkness.

- 3 Yea, the Angel of Darkness is the Devil, that evil spirit who lieth in wait to entrap the souls of men and drag them down to misery and woe.
- 4 He lieth in wait at any opportunity to lead the unwary soul into sin and error so that through his evil influence, even the children of light are led to commit those things which are grievous in the eyes of God.
- 5 When men of their own free will choose to follow the influence of this enemy of all righteousness, they fall from the grace of the God of heaven and must repent of their iniquities that the Lord can visit them in his mercy and redeem them from their sins, that they may know to sing the song of redeeming love.
- 6 All the afflictions which befall the children of men, all their trials, all their sorrows result from the acts of this Prince of Evil.
- 7 He and all his hosts are dedicated to causing the children of light to fall from grace and become enmeshed in their snares.
- 8 Nevertheless, the God of Israel with all his holy angels is always nearby to assist the sons of Light and save all those who will call upon his name from the power of the evil ones.
- 9 The Lord God hath given unto man his agency to choose the good or the evil.
- 10 The Lord loveth righteousness and will for ever and ever and is always pleased with those who walk in paths of righteousness, but he hateth the evil and those who walk in paths of evil will be cast out of the presence of the Lord at the last day, for the Lord cannot look upon evil with any degree of acceptance nor can those who love evil dwell in his presence.

## Chapter 11

- 1 These are the fruits of the Spirit of God: enlightenment whereby a man can perceive the ways of God to walk therein, discernment to know the good from the evil, reverence for the name of Deity and consciousness of the approaching judgments of God, humility, patience, abundant charity, love of righteousness, vision, wisdom, trust, faith, confidence in the power of Almighty God, knowledge, self-mastery, sanctity, pure thoughts, abounding love for all who follow the truth, purity, modesty and the ability to hide within oneself the secrets of God which one has received.
- 2 All these things come unto men in this world through communion with the Spirit of truth.
- 3 All those who walk in that path which is set before them by the Spirit of truth shall receive health in their navel and marrow to their bones and shall find wisdom and hidden treasures of knowledge.
- 4 These shall inherit eternal lives, even the continuation of the seeds forever and ever, worlds without end.
- 5 Eternal shall be their blessings and everlasting their joy in the realms of glory, for they shall be crowned with light and robed in glory and shall dwell in everlasting burnings in the presence of our God.

## Chapter 12

- 1 With the wicked it is not so, for the fruits of wickedness are greed, malice, falsehood, pride, presumption, deception, guile, insolence, unrighteous anger, folly, arrogance, lewdness, unchastity, blasphemies, selfishness, blindness of the eyes, deafness of the ears, stiffness of neck and hardness of heart.
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- 2 Such men walk entirely in the ways of darkness and all their works are evil and abominable in the eyes of God.
- 3 Those who walk in the paths of evil shall receive a multitude of afflictions at the hands of the holy angels.
- 4 These are the sons of Perdition who are subject to the wrath of God through all eternity.
- 5 Eternal horror is their end and perpetual reproach, even the disgrace of final annihilation in the fire, for they shall dwell in outer darkness until their end which is extinction without remnant or survival and after this, their lot no man knoweth nor is it revealed to any man save those who are made partakers thereof.

## Chapter 13

- 1 Thus, O Elisha, are the ways placed before every man that he may choose the good or the evil.
  - 2 Thus is man free to choose for himself, for the Lord will force no man to choose the right and the devil cannot force him to choose evil.
  - 3 Between good and evil there is an eternal enmity; they cannot exist together in peace.
  - 4 But the Lord God hath appointed a time of judgment when he shall destroy evil forever.
  - 5 Then will truth emerge triumphant and shall cover the earth as the waters cover the seas.
  - 6 Then shall the sanctified, those who have been refined and purified from all evil and all the effects of wickedness through the immersion of fire and of the Holy Spirit, reign with the Lord upon the sanctified earth.
  - 7 These have been washed clean in the waters of immersion and received of the Holy Spirit unto the cleansing of their souls from all the abominations and filth of wickedness, that having been made pure and holy they might understand the hidden mysteries of
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the kingdom of God, those secrets which remain among the sons of Light, being endowed with the vision of the heavenly order.

- 8 These hath God chosen to be joint heirs in his eternal covenant that they should inherit his glory.
- 9 Then will the earth be redeemed; death and hell shall be no more and men shall dwell in the presence of God, those who have been sanctified, forever and ever, worlds without end.

## Chapter 14

- 1 Now, my son Elisha, having explained the influences which lead men to do good or evil, I shall give unto thee the rules of the Order which all the members of the community of God's elect are bound to obey.
  - 2 All such as shall have declared their desire to turn away from all evil and walk in obedience to every word of God according to the commandments which he hath given shall observe these rules.
  - 3 They are to keep apart from the company of the forward, having no intercourse with the inhabitants of the world except such as is required in the exercise of their stewardships and the preaching to them of the gospel of repentance.
  - 4 They are to be one with their brethren in the community of God's elect holding all their goods common according to the holy order of God and holding one faith and one doctrine.
  - 5 They are to abide by the decisions of the Presidency of the Order and the Family Council in all matters and be subject to the word of God as it is delivered through his prophets the Patriarchs in all matters doctrinal, economic and judicial.
  - 6 They are to be united in all their efforts and always practice veracity, humility, righteousness, justice,
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charity and decency with no one walking in the stubbornness of his own heart or going astray according to the ideas of his fallible human mind.

- 7 They are to unite their efforts in overcoming their carnal natures, that the flesh may be subjected to the spirit, putting off the carnal man, becoming spiritual in their natures.
- 8 They are to establish truth in Israel that falsehood should be banished from among them forever.
- 9 They are to unite with an everlasting covenant forming a bond of union which can never be broken.
- 10 They are to freely extend forgiveness to all who have enlisted in the cause of holiness and truth.
- 11 Thus shall they become united as one man before the Lord our God that they may be found acceptable in his sight.

## Chapter 15

- 1 Obedience to these rules can only be maintained through cultivation of the Holy Spirit which is received in the ordinances of God's House.
  - 2 Every one who seeketh admittance to the community of the Order must first be approved by the Presidency of the Order.
  - 3 He must then enter into a covenant of God in the presence of his brethren of the Order, binding himself by a solemn oath to consecrate all of his mind, all of his strength and all of his wealth to the community of God's elect.
  - 4 He who maketh this covenant is to keep himself apart from those who have not received the ordinances of God's House, except when acting in the strength of his Priesthood in the service of our God.
  - 5 Those who reject the ordinances of God's House cannot perfect their lives that they may be sanctified by the
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power of the Holy Ghost; therefore, they remain in their sins and their pride, being subject to the judgment of God, for surely he shall come forth in vengeance upon all those who have the Covenant revealed unto them but receive it not, until they shall be finally destroyed without remnant if they repent not.

- 6 No man can be purified except by the power of the Holy Ghost which is received in the ordinances of God.
- 7 Only thereby can men become holy if they repent of their evils, for without repentance, the reception of the ordinances is a mockery before God and shall result in a cursing and not a blessing.

## Chapter 16

- 1 When a man desireth to enter the Covenant and take upon himself the ordinances of God's House, thereby allying himself with the congregation of the saints, he is to be interviewed to determine his conduct in life, his relations with his fellowmen, and his adherence to correct principle and the true doctrines of heaven.
  - 2 He who is found acceptable shall then enter the Order of Enoch after the Aaronic order where, through obedience to the word of God and the instructions of those who preside over him in the Priesthood, he may progress from one degree to another until he entereth into the Order of the Father, the holiest of all.
  - 3 Moreover, every member of the Order is to be interviewed at the end of each year to evaluate his spiritual attitude and the performance of his duties.
  - 4 Thus by annual and other interviews, the standing of each man in the community may be made evident, that the righteous may be promoted by virtue of their increased understanding and the integrity of their conduct, while the froward shall be demoted for their waywardness.
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## Chapter 17

- 1 When any member of the community hath been offended by another or observeth another in wrongdoing, he is not to come against that erring one with a railing accusation, but is to approach him truthfully, humbly and humanely.
- 2 A saint of God must not bear hatred in his heart toward his brother.
- 3 If the offender will not hear his complaint, then he is to take with him two of the teachers to reason with him.
- 4 If the offender will not hear them, then he is to be called before the High Priest and his brethren who are set as judges in Israel.
- 5 Thus will all disputations be settled in order, without anger or emotion, that peace and harmony and unity may be preserved in Israel.
- 6 Furthermore, no man is to bring a charge publicly against his brother except he prove it by witnesses, for in the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every charge be established.

## Chapter 18

- 1 These rules should govern the affairs of the community.
  - 2 All those who have entered the holy order of God should be obedient to those who have been placed over them in the Priesthood in all matters, as especially those relating to the Order of Enoch.
  - 3 All the elect are to eat at a common table, assemble at every appointed time to worship the Lord their God and attend all councils to which they are invited.
  - 4 They are to attend the schools of the Priesthood where they can be instructed in the order of heaven.
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- 5 They are to neither eat nor drink that which hath not been blessed and sanctified.
- 6 They shall assemble at sunrise, high noon and sundown to praise the Lord their God and worship before his throne.
- 7 They shall meet together often to study the word of God and share the word of life.

## Chapter 19

- 1 The council of the Order is to be conducted according to the laws of God.
- 2 Every member is to have an equal opportunity to give his opinion in the council.
- 3 No one, however, is to interrupt while his brother is speaking nor to speak until he is finished.
- 4 Everyone is to speak in turn, as he is called upon.
- 5 No one is to speak on any subject which is not the concern of that council.
- 6 Thus by reasoning together will the council determine the will of God that all things in the Order may be done to the glory of the God of Israel.

## Chapter 20

- 1 Regarding the teaching of this order, O Elisha, no one is to engage in discussion or disputation with another concerning the Law of God nor is it to be discussed with those who are not sincerely seeking the truth.
  - 2 With those, however, that have chosen the right path, everyone is to discuss matters pertaining to the knowledge of God's truth and of his righteous judgments.
  - 3 The purpose of such discussions is to guide the minds
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of the members of the community, to give them insight into God's hidden wonders and truths, and to bring them to walk blamelessly each with his neighbor in harmony with all that has been revealed to them.

- 4 For this life is a time of preparation for meeting the Lord and a time when the elect must be careful not to mingle with the wicked lest they be led to turn aside from the way through the cunning craftiness of the evil ones.

## Chapter 21

- 1 Thus must the elect be careful to live by every word of God.
  - 2 Say unto those who are seeking the inner vision in these dark days, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Let mine elect keep no fellowship with the world for all their ways are evil before me.
  - 3 Leave them to pursue their wealth and profit, for they are slaves to their desires.
  - 4 Be ye zealous to carry out every covenant and commandment which ye have received in the ordinances of mine house or ye shall be in the power of the devil, and surely it shall be hard for you at the judgment bar.
  - 5 Faithfully exercise your stewardships according to the holy order of God which I have revealed unto you.
  - 6 Accept willingly whatever may befall you, for I, the Lord, have all things in mine hands and take your pleasure in nothing but according to the will of God.
  - 7 Speak only that which is acceptable before your God and lust not after anything which I have not commanded.
  - 8 Then shall your reward be sure and ye shall stand at the judgment bar without fear. Amen.
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## Chapter 22

- 1 Now, Elisha, my son, I shall soon leave to join my Father Enoch whose city I have sought all my days, but I shall leave with thee the keys which are necessary for thee to do the work which the Lord hath appointed thee.
- 2 My mantle also shall fall upon thee and the pure in heart will know thy voice and will follow thee.
- 3 Farewell, my son.
- 4 May the grace of God attend thee all thy days and may the peace of God be in thine heart. Amen.

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# The Communion

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## How to read the Communion

*These communion can be read or meditated upon by an individual or in a group setting. When a group wishes to perform the communion together, one person leads the recitation acting as the Priest or Priestess, and the others act as the Congregation. The paragraphs marked with ¶p are for the Priest or Priestess. The paragraphs marked with ¶c are for the Congregation. The paragraphs marked with ¶a are for all participants (both Priest or Priestess AND the Congregation together).*

## Preface to the Communion

- 1 ¶a: I want to and will do my best to live like the Tree of Life, planted by the Masters of the Holy Order of the Gods, being one with my Heavenly Father, who planted the Eternal Garden of the Universe and gave me my spirit, with my Earthly Mother, who planted the Great Garden of the Earth and gave me my body, and with my fellow disciples who are working in the Garden of our Lord.
- 2 I want to and will do my best to hold, every evening, my Communion with the Angels of the Heavenly Father and, every morning, with the Angels of the Earthly Mother, as established by the Masters of the Holy Order of the Gods.
- 3 I want to and will do my best to follow the Path of Peace, that Peace which passes understanding, which is found in perfectness only by those who have received a fullness of Light.

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- 4 I want to and will do my best to perfect my body in its acts, in its feelings, and in its thoughts, according to the teachings of the Masters of the Holy Order of the Gods.
  - 5 I will always, and everywhere, obey with reverence my Master, who gives me the Light of the Masters who have gone before.
  - 6 I will submit to my Masters, and accept their decision on whatever differences or complaints I may have against any of my fellow disciples working in the Garden of the Holy Order, and I will never take any complaint against a fellow disciple to the outside world.
  - 7 I will strive to live together with my fellow disciples in Love, that we may be united in all things.
  - 8 I will always, and everywhere, keep secret all the mysteries of the Holy Order of the Gods, which my Masters will tell me, and I will never reveal to anyone these secrets without the permission of my Masters.
  - 9 I will never claim as my own the knowledge received from my Masters, and I will always give credit to them for all this knowledge.
  - 10 I will never use the knowledge and power I have gained, through the rites and ordinances of the gospel, for material or selfish purposes.
  - 11 I enter the Eternal and Infinite Garden, with reverence to the Heavenly Father, to the Earthly Mother, and to the Masters, with reverence for the holy, pure, and saving teachings of the gospel, and reverence to the Brotherhood of the Elect.
  - 12 ¶*p*: When the Gods saw that their people would perish because they did not see the Light of Life, they chose the best of mankind so that they might make the Light of Life to shine before mortals, and those chosen were called Sons Ahman.
  - 13 They were chosen to teach the ignorant, heal the sick, and dispense Light to the seekers after Truth.
  - 14 And they gathered together often, filled with Light and Truth, to rejoice in the Lord.
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- 15 Earthly Mother, give us the Food of Life!
  - 16 ¶c: We will eat the Food of Life!
  - 17 ¶p: Angel of Sun, give us the Fire of Life!
  - 18 ¶c: We will perpetuate the Fire of Life!
  - 19 ¶p: Angel of Water, give us the Water of Life!
  - 20 ¶c: We will bathe in the Water of Life!
  - 21 ¶p: Angel of Air, give us the Breath of Life!
  - 22 ¶c: We will breathe the Air of Life!
  - 23 ¶p: Heavenly Father, give us your Power!
  - 24 ¶c: We will build the Realm of the Gods with the Power of the Heavenly Father!
  - 25 ¶p: Heavenly Father, give us your Love!
  - 26 ¶c: We will fill our hearts with the Love of the Heavenly Father!
  - 27 ¶p: Heavenly Father, give us your Wisdom!
  - 28 ¶c: We will follow the Wisdom of the Heavenly Father!
  - 29 ¶p: Heavenly Father, give us Eternal Life!
  - 30 ¶c: We will live like the Tree of Eternal Life!
  - 31 ¶p: Peace be with you!
  - 32 ¶c: Peace be with you!
  - 33 ¶p: To lift your eyes to heaven, when everyone's eyes are on the ground, is not easy.
  - 34 To worship at the feet of the Lord, when everyone worships only fame and riches, is not easy.
  - 35 But the most difficult of all is to think the thoughts of the sanctified, to speak the words of the sanctified, and to do as the sanctified do.
  - 36 ¶c: Give us, O Heavenly Father, the key to sanctification in your holy image.
  - 37 ¶p: The Heavenly Father says: "I am the Lord your God; you should therefore sanctify yourselves, and you should be holy as I am holy; you should not defile yourselves with downcast minds, false worship, or unclean thoughts."
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- 38 *¶c*: As a child inherits the land of his parents, so have we inherited a holy land from our Masters.
- 39 This land is not a field to be plowed, but a place within us where we can build our holy temple.
- 40 Even as a temple must be raised stone by stone, so will the Master give to us those stones for the building of the holy temple within us, even the stones of the hidden knowledge, which has been handed down from our Masters, since the beginning of time.
- 41 *¶a*: Grant us, O Heavenly Father, the keys of knowledge, that we may build, within, the holy temple of your Presence, for the Highest dwells not in temples made with hands, but in his sanctified will his dwelling be.
- 42 *¶p*: The holy temple can be built to perfection only with the ancient Communions, those which are spoken, those which are thought, and those which are lived.
- 43 For if they are spoken only with the mouth, they are as a dead hive which the bees have forsaken, which gives no more honey.
- 44 *¶c*: As the body without the spirit is dead, even so, faith without works is dead, being alone.
- 45 *¶a*: The Communions are a bridge between mankind and the Gods and, like a bridge, can be built only with patience.
- 46 Yes, even as the bridge over the river is fashioned stone by stone, as they are found by the water's edge, so is the bridge to the Gods fashioned step by step, as you learn and obey the mysteries of Godliness.
- 47 *¶p*: Whoever accepts the Light, to him will more be given, and he will have in abundance, for it is given to such to know the mysteries of godliness, and they will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.
- 48 *¶c*: Give us, O Heavenly Father, the mysteries of godliness, so that we can utter the secret things in holy places, through your divine name.
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- 49 ¶p: The Communion are fourteen in number, as the Angels of the Heavenly Father number seven, and the Angels of the Earthly Mother number seven.
- 50 Just as the roots of the tree sink into the earth and are nourished, and the branches of the tree raise their arms to heaven, so is each person like the trunk of the tree, with his roots deep in the breast of his Earthly Mother, and his soul ascending to the bright stars of his Heavenly Father.
- 51 The roots of the tree are the Angels of the Earthly Mother, and the branches of the tree are the Angels of the Heavenly Father.
- 52 This is the sacred Tree of Life, which stands in the Sea of Eternity.
- 53 ¶c: All things were before created, but spiritually were they created and made, according to the word of the Gods, when the Heavenly Father planted the Tree of Life in the middle of the Eternal Sea, and ordered the universe, with all things therein.
- 54 ¶p: My children, do you not know that the earth, and all that dwell therein, is but a reflection of the realm of the Heavenly Father? As you are suckled and comforted by your mother when a child, but go to join your parents in the fields when you grow up, so do the angels of the Earthly Mother guide your steps toward him who is your Father, that you may know your true home, and become true children of the Gods.
- 55 While we are children, we see the rays of the sun, but not the power which created it; while we are children, we hear the sounds of the flowing brook, but not the Love which created it; while we are children, we see the stars, but not the hand which scattered them through the sky as the farmer scatters his seed.
- 56 Only through the Communion with the Angels of the Heavenly Father, and of the Earthly Mother, will we learn to see the unseen, to hear that which cannot be heard, and to speak the unspeakable word.
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57 ¶: Give us, O Heavenly Father, eyes to see your glory,  
ears to hear your word, and mouths to utter your  
divine Name. Amen.

**Selah**

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## First Communion

### *Communion With the Heavenly Father*

- 1 ¶p: The First Communion is with the Heavenly Father, who is, who was, and who ever will be.
- 2 ¶a: O Great Creator, you did create the Heavenly Angels, and you did reveal the heavenly laws.
- 3 You are my Refuge and my Fortress.
- 4 You are from everlasting.
- 5 ¶p: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
- 6 ¶a: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth, even from everlasting to everlasting, you are a God.
- 7 ¶c: Who has made the waters, and who makes the plants? Who to the wind has yoked the storm-clouds, that move swiftly through the heavens? Who, O Great Creator, is the fountain of Eternal Life within our souls? Who has made the Light and the Darkness? Who has made sleep and the zest of the waking hours? Who spread the noontide and the midnight?
- 8 ¶p: You, O Great Creator; you have made the earth by your Power; you have established the world by your Wisdom, and have stretched out the heavens by your Love.
- 9 ¶c: Reveal to me, O Heavenly Father, your nature, which is the power of the inhabitants of your holy realm.
- 10 ¶p: Immortality and the Holy Order have you given, O Great Creator, and the best of all things, your Holy Law.
- 11 ¶c: I will praise your works, with songs of thanksgiving, through all generations of time, and throughout all eternity.
- 12 With the coming of day, I embrace my Mother; with

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the coming of night, I join my Father; with the outgoing of evening and morning, I will breathe their Law, and I will not interrupt these Communions until the end of time.

- 13 ¶p: In the Heavenly Realm there are strange and wondrous works, for by the word of Ahman all things exist.
- 14 There remain hidden greater things than these which we see, for we have seen but a few of his works; the Heavenly Father has made all things.
- 15 ¶c: In the beauty of the heavens, the glorious stars give light to worlds unnumbered; sentinels of the Highest, they stand in their order, and never faint in their watches.
- 16 ¶p: Look upon the rainbow, and praise him that made it; very beautiful it is in the brightness thereof.
- 17 It encompasses the heaven about with a glorious circle, and the hands of the Highest have bent it; he has set it as a perpetual token of his Covenant with the descendants of Noah.
- 18 ¶c: By his Law he makes the snow to fall on the earth, and sends swiftly the lightnings of his power.
- 19 Through his will, the treasures of the earth are opened, and clouds fly above the earth as fowls.
- 20 ¶p: By his great power, he makes the clouds become rain, and the hailstones to fall on the earth.
- 21 ¶c: At his sight, the mountains are shaken, and at his will, the wind blows.
- 22 ¶p: The noise of the thunder makes the earth to tremble; so does the fierce storm, and the whirlwind.
- 23 As birds flying, he scatters the snow, and the eye marvels at the beauty of the whiteness thereof; the heart is astonished at the falling of it.
- 24 ¶a: So do the heavens declare the glory of the Gods, and the night sky shows their handiwork.
- 25 ¶c: Who has made the waters, and who makes the plants? Who to the wind has yoked the storm-clouds,

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that move swiftly through the heavens? Who, O Heavenly Father, is the Creator of the Holy Law within our souls? Who has made the light and the darkness? Who has made sleep and the zest of the waking hours? Who gave the recurring sun and stars their undeviating way? Who established that whereby the moon waxes and wanes?

- 26 ¶*p*: Who, save you, O Heavenly Father, has done these glorious things?
- 27 ¶*a*: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
- 28 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, you are the Law.
- 29 Your name is Understanding, Wisdom, Most Gracious, Unconquerable, He Who Speaks Truth, the All-Seeing One, the Healing One, Creator, Preserver, the Discerner, and the Spirit.
- 30 You are the Holy Law.
- 31 ¶*p*: These names were pronounced before the creation of the heavens and the earth, before the making of the waters and the plants, before the birth of our holy Master Enoch.
- 32 ¶*c*: Before the beginning of time, the Heavenly Father planted the holy Tree of Life, which stands forever in the middle of the Eternal Sea.
- 33 ¶*p*: High in its branches sings a bird, and only those who have journeyed there, and heard the mysterious song of the bird, will see the Heavenly Father.
- 34 ¶*c*: They will ask of him his name.
- 35 ¶*p*: And he will answer, "I am the Man of Holiness, even Ahman, the Eternal I AM."
- 36 ¶*a*: O Heavenly Father, how excellent is your name in all the earth; you have set your glory above the heavens.
- 37 When we consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have
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ordained, what are mortals that you are mindful of them? Yet, you have made a Covenant with the Children of Light, and they walk with your holy angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor; you made them to have dominion over the works of your hands, and gave to them the task of nourishing and protecting all that lives and grows on your green earth.

- 38 O Heavenly Father, how excellent is your name in all the earth.
- 39 *¶p:* Hear the voice of one who cries out to you, O Lord! Where can I go that your Spirit is not? Where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend up into the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in darkness, even there you are with me;-if I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there will your hand lead me, and your right hand will hold me.
- 40 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me," even the night will be light about me.
- 41 Yes, the darkness hides not from you, but the night shines as the day.
- 42 The darkness and the light are both alike to you, for your All-Seeing Eye beholds all things.
- 43 *¶a:* As the hart pants after the water brooks, so pants my soul after you, O God.
- 44 My soul thirsts for the living Heavenly Father.
- 45 Your Law is my Light and Salvation; whom should I fear? Your Law is the Rock and the Strength of my life; of whom should I be afraid? One thing have I desired of your Law; that I will seek after: That I may dwell in the House of the Law, all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Heavenly Father.
- 46 *¶p:* Those who enter the secret place of the Highest, and dwell in the bosom of Eternity, will abide forever under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 47 *¶c:* We will say of the Law, "You are our Refuge and our Fortress"; we will trust in the Holy Law.

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- 48 The Heavenly Father will cover us with his cloak, and under his wings will we trust; his Truth will be our shield and armor.
- 49 We will not be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flies by day, nor for the pestilence that walks in darkness, nor for the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- 50 ¶a: We will be strong and courageous, for by day we will walk with the Angels of the Earthly Mother; by night we will commune with the Angels of the Heavenly Father, and when the sun reaches its zenith at noontide, we will stand silent before the Lord our God, no evil will befall us.
- 51 Neither will any plague overcome our dwelling, for he has given his Angels charge over us, to keep us in all his ways.
- 52 The Heavenly Father is our Refuge and Strength; therefore will we not fear.
- 53 Though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the middle of the sea, though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake in consternation, yet will we stand firm in the power of our Gods.
- 54 There is a river which flows to the Eternal Sea.
- 55 Beside the river stands the holy Tree of Life.
- 56 There does my Father dwell, and my home is in him.
- 57 The Heavenly Father and I are One, he in me, and I in him, through Christ Jesus my Lord. Amen.

**Selah**



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## Second Communion

### *Communion With the Earthly Mother*

- 1 ¶p: The Second Communion is with our Earthly Mother, she who sends forth her Angels to be the roots of mortals, guiding them deep into the blessed soil.
- 2 ¶a: We invoke the Earthly Mother, the holy Preserver of our lives and our health, if we obey her laws.
- 3 ¶p: It is she who will restore the world.
- 4 ¶c: The earth is hers, and the fullness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein.
- 5 ¶a: We revere the good, the strong, the gracious Earthly Mother, and honor her Angels, who are bounteous, valiant, and full of strength, gracious, kind, and health-giving.
- 6 ¶p: Through her nourishment, do the plants grow up from the earth, from the never-failing springs of her strength.
- 7 ¶c: Through her power, do the winds blow, driving the clouds, and bringing the rains upon the earth.
- 8 ¶a: The Earthly Mother and I are One.
- 9 I have my roots in her, and she takes her delight in me, according to the Holy Law.
- 10 ¶p: Honor your Earthly Mother, that your days may be long in the land.
- 11 Your Earthly Mother is in you, and you in her.
- 12 She bore you; she gives you life.
- 13 It was she who gave you your body, and to her will you one day give it back again.
- 14 Happy are you when you come to know her and her realm.
- 15 If you receive your Mother's Angels, and if you live by her laws, you will be blessed with health in the navel and marrow in the bones.

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- 16 *¶c*: The power of our Mother is very great, for she has rule over the bodies of all humans and all living things.
- 17 The blood which runs in us is born of the blood of our Earthly Mother.
- 18 *¶p*: Her blood falls from the clouds, leaps up from the womb of the earth, babbles in the brooks of the mountains, flows wide in the rivers of the plains, sleeps in the lakes, rages mightily in the tempestuous seas.
- 19 *¶c*: The air which we breathe is born of the breath of our Earthly Mother.
- 20 *¶p*: Her breath is in the heights of the heavens, sighs in the tops of the mountains, whispers in the leaves of the forest, billows over the cornfields, slumbers in the deep valleys, burns hot in the desert.
- 21 *¶c*: The hardness of our bones is born of the bones of our Earthly Mother, of the rocks and of the stones.
- 22 *¶p*: They stand naked to the heavens on the tops of the mountains; they are as giants that lie sleeping on the sides of the mountains, as pillars set in the desert, and are hidden in the depths of the earth.
- 23 *¶c*: The tenderness of our flesh is born of the flesh of our Earthly Mother, whose flesh grows yellow and red in the fruits of the trees, and nurtures us in the furrows of the fields.
- 24 The light of our eyes, the hearing of our ears, both are born of the colors and sounds of our Earthly Mother, which enclose us about, as the waves of the sea a fish, and as the eddying air a bird.
- 25 *¶p*: Mortals are the children of the Earthly Mother, and from her, did the Son of Man receive his body, even as the body of the newborn babe is born of the womb of his mother.
- 26 You are one with the Earthly Mother; she is in you, and you in her.
- 27 Of her were you born; in her do you live, and to her will you return again.
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- 28 Keep, therefore, her laws, for none can live long,  
neither be happy, but he who honors his Earthly  
Mother, and lives by her laws.
- 29 Your breath is her breath, your blood her blood, your  
bone her bone, your flesh her flesh, your eyes and your  
ears are her eyes and her ears.
- 30 ¶: Always are we embraced by our Earthly Mother;  
always are we surrounded by her beauty.
- 31 Never can we part from her; never can we know her  
depths.
- 32 Ever does she create new forms; that which now exists,  
never was before; that which did exist, returns not  
again.
- 33 In her realm, all is ever new, and always old.
- 34 In her do we live, yet we know her not.
- 35 Continually does she speak to us, yet never does betray  
to us her secrets.
- 36 Ever do we till her soil, and harvest her crops, yet we  
have no power over her.
- 37 Ever does she build; ever does she destroy, and her  
workplace is hidden from mortal eyes.

**Selah**



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## Third Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Eternal Life*

- 1 ¶p: The Third Communion is with the Angel of Eternal Life, who brings the message of eternity to mortals.
- 2 ¶c: He, who walks with the Angels, will learn to soar above the clouds, and his home will be in the Eternal Sea, where stands the sacred Tree of Life.
- 3 ¶p: Do not wait for death to reveal the great mystery; if you know not your Heavenly Father while your feet tread the dusty soil, there will be nothing but shadows for you, in the life that is to come.
- 4 ¶c: Here and now is the mystery revealed.
- 5 Here and now is the curtain lifted.
- 6 ¶p: Be not afraid, O mortal: Take hold of the wings of the Angel of Eternal Life, and soar into the paths of the heavens; fly toward the Heavenly Sea and Eternal Life.
- 7 Yes, the promise of Eternal Life rests with the City of Enoch, for Enoch walked with the Gods, and he disappeared from the physical realm, for the Gods received him into the inner vision.
- 8 ¶c: Upon the earth was no people greater than Enoch's, for they were lifted up from the earth.
- 9 ¶p: A true follower of the Law was Enoch; a great healer, filled with wisdom, happy, glorious, strong was he, who drove back sickness, and drove back death.
- 10 ¶c: He did obtain a source of remedies to withstand sickness and to withstand death, to withstand pain and to withstand fever, to withstand the evil and infection which ignorance of the Law had created against the bodies of mortals.
- 11 ¶a: We invoke the memory of Enoch, a Master of Life, a follower of the Holy Order of the Gods, a man of the Law, wise with an Eternal Wisdom, a king and a priest of the Most High Gods, one filled with the glory of the

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Gods, one who was glorified with the Heavenly Father, whose every thought was good, who spoke only that which is good, whose Priesthood abides forever, a tiller of the soil of the Earthly Mother, who knew and taught the word of the Gods, and obedience to the Holy Law.

- 12 ¶p: To all the children of Light he gave the good things of Life.
- 13 ¶c: He was a teacher of the Law.
- 14 ¶p: It is written in the words of Father Enoch: "We sacrifice to the Creator, the Heavenly Father; we honor the bright and glorious angels; we look to the shining heavens, and consider the glorious, peaceful wisdom of the Ancients."
- 15 ¶c: Grant to us, Heavenly Father, the desire and the knowledge of your paths, the Way which leads to the Heavenly Order of Life, the Life of the Sanctified.
- 16 ¶p: As health is excellent, how much greater is Eternal Life, both flowing from the Heavenly Order, which produces goodness of the mind, and actions of life performed in devotion to the Creator, the Source of Eternal Life.
- 17 ¶c: We look to the Law, and seek after the heavenly realm.
- 18 ¶p: We look to the Eternal Holy Law, for truthfulness in thought, word, and deed, will place the soul of a faithful person in the Endless Light of Eternal Life.
- 19 ¶a: The Heavenly Father possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.
- 20 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, before ever the earth was created.
- 21 When there were no depths, I was brought forth, while as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the beginning of the dust of the world.
- 22 When he established the heavens, I was there; when he set a circle upon the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when the fountain of the deep became strong, when he gave to the sea its bounds, that

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the waters should not transgress his Law, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was by him, learning of his ways, and he was daily my delight, for I rejoiced always before him, rejoicing in his earth, which he had created, and my delight was with the children of the Gods.

- 23 ¶p: For eternity, the Heavenly Father reigns; he is clothed with majesty and strength.
- 24 He is from everlasting.
- 25 ¶c: The floods have lifted up, O Lord; the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.
- 26 ¶p: The Heavenly Father on High is mightier than the noise of many waters, yes, than the mighty waves of the sea.
- 27 ¶c: His name will endure forever; his name will be continued as long as eternity, and all the Children of Light will be blessed in him, and 'everyone will call him blessed.
- 28 ¶a: Let the whole earth be filled with the glory of the Heavenly Father, the Earthly Mother, and all the Holy Angels.
- 29 I have reached the inner vision and, through your Spirit in me, I have heard your wondrous secret.
- 30 Through the mysteries of your House, you have caused a spring of knowledge to well up within me, a fountain of power, pouring forth living waters, a flood of Love and of all-embracing Wisdom, like the splendor of Eternal Light.

**Selah**



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## Fourth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Earth*

- 1 ¶*p*: The Fourth Communion is with the Angel of Earth, she who brings forth corn and grapes from the fullness of the earth, she who brings children from the loins of husband and wife.
  - 2 ¶*c*: He who would till the earth with the left arm and the right, to him will she bring forth an abundance of fruit and grain, golden-hued plants growing up from the earth during the spring, as far as the earth extends, as far as the rivers stretch, as far as the sun rises, to impart their gifts of food to mankind.
  - 3 ¶*a*: This wide earth do I praise, stretching from sea to sea, productive, full-bearing, Mother of mankind.
  - 4 ¶*p*: Yes, I praise the lands where grow the plants, which serve as food for mankind, sweet-scented, swiftly spreading, the good growth of the Lord.
  - 5 ¶*c*: He who sows corn, grass, and fruit, sows the Law.
  - 6 ¶*p*: His harvest will be bountiful, and his crop will be ripe upon the hills.
  - 7 ¶*a*: As a reward for the followers of the Law, the Lord sent the Angel of Earth, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother, to make the plants to grow, and to make fertile the womb of woman, so that the earth will never be without the laughter of children.
  - 8 Let us worship the Lord, and rejoice in this gift.
  - 9 ¶*p*: We invoke the abundant earth, source of health and happiness, our Mother Earth, which is more powerful than all her creatures.
  - 10 ¶*c*: This wide earth do we praise, stretching from sea to sea, productive, full-bearing, Mother of mankind.
  - 11 ¶*p*: We praise the lands where grow the plants, which serve as food for mankind, sweet scented, swiftly spreading, the good growth of the Earthly Mother.
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- 12 ¶c: We praise the good, the strong, the gracious Angel of Earth, and rejoice in the dew of heaven, the fatness of the earth, and the abundant harvest of corn and grapes.
- 13 ¶p: We admire the high mountains, rich in pastures and in waters, upon which run the many streams and rivers.
- 14 ¶c: We desire the holy plants of the Angel of Earth, which grow up from the ground to nourish animals and humans, to nourish the Children of Light.
- 15 ¶p: The earth is the strong preserver, the maintainer.
- 16 ¶c: We praise the strength and vigor of the powerful preserver, the earth, created by the Heavenly Father.
- 17 ¶p: We honor the healers of the earth, they who know the secrets of the herbs and plants; to the healers has the Angel of Earth revealed her ancient knowledge.
- 18 ¶c: The Lord has created medicines out of the earth, and he that is wise will use them.
- 19 ¶p: Was not the water made sweet with wood through the knowledge of Elisha, so that its power could be demonstrated?
- 20 ¶c: And to certain of his saints the Lord has given skill, that the Law might be honored and fulfilled.
- 21 ¶p: Through sacred arts do they heal mortals, and take away their pains, and of their works there is no end; from them is peace to all who follow Truth.
- 22 ¶c: Then give place to the healers, and honor them, for the Heavenly Father has endowed them with knowledge and wisdom from on High; let them not leave you, for you have need of them.
- 23 ¶p: We honor the tillers of the soil, who work together in the Garden of the Lord, in the fields which the Lord has blessed.
- 24 He who would till the earth with the left arm and with the right, to him will she bring forth plenty of fruit, and wholesome green plants, and golden grain; sweetness and fatness will flow out from that land which is
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blessed of the Lord, and from those fields which he has sanctified; from them will come health, and healing, with fullness, and increase, and plenty.

- 25 ¶*c*: He who sows corn, grass, and fruit, sows the Holy Law; he makes the Law of the Creator become a physical reality on the face of the earth.
- 26 ¶*p*: When all the earth becomes a garden, then will all the bodily world become free from old age and death, from corruption and rot, forever and forever, yes, even in the Day of the Lord.
- 27 ¶*a*: Mercy and Truth will be met together in that day.
- 28 Righteousness and Peace will kiss each other; Truth will spring out of the earth, and glory will dwell in our land.

**Selah**



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## Fifth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Work*

- 1 ¶*p*: The Fifth Communion is with the Angel of Work, who sings in the humming of the bee, pausing not in its making of golden honey, in the flute of the shepherd, who sleeps not lest his flock go astray, in the song of the spinner, as she lays her hand to the spindle.
- 2 ¶*c*: If you think that these are not as fair in the eyes of the Lord as the loftiest of prayers, echoed from the highest mountain, then do you indeed err.
- 3 ¶*a*: The honest work of humble hands is a daily prayer of thanksgiving, and the music of the plow is a joyful song to the Lord.
- 4 ¶*p*: He who eats the bread of idleness must die of hunger, for a field of stones can yield only stones.
- 5 For him is the day without meaning, and the night a bitter journey of evil dreams.
- 6 ¶*c*: The mind of the idle is full of the weeds of discontent, but he, who walks with the Angel of Work, has within him a field always fertile, where corn, and grapes, and all manner of sweet-scented herbs and flowers grow in abundance.
- 7 ¶*p*: As you sow, so shall you reap.
- 8 ¶*a*: The disciple of the Gods, who has found his task, will not ask any other blessing.
- 9 ¶*p*: Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with a span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?
- 10 ¶*a*: The Lord, even Ahman, our Eloheim.

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- 11 *℣*: The sun arises, and the saints gather together; they go forth to their work in the fields; with strong backs and cheerful hearts, they go forth to labor together in the Garden of the Lord.
- 12 *℣*: They are the Workers of Good, because they work the good work of the Heavenly Father.
- 13 *℣*: They are the body of those who teach the Law, and who struggle for the Law.
- 14 *℣*: With the right arm and the left, they till the soil, and the desert bursts forth in colors of green and gold.
- 15 *℣*: With the right arm and the left, they lay the stones, which will build on earth the heavenly realm.
- 16 *℣*: They are the messengers of the Angel of Work; in them is revealed the Holy Law.
- 17 *℣*: O Heavenly Father, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all.
- 18 The earth is full of your riches.
- 19 You send the springs into the valleys, running down from the everlasting hills.
- 20 You give drink to every beast of the field, and cause the grass to grow for the cattle.
- 21 You set the mighty tree in their places, that the birds of heaven may have their habitation and sing sweetly among the branches.
- 22 *℣*: You give herbs for the service of mortals, that they may bring forth food out of the earth.
- 23 *℣*: In the hands of the saints, all your gifts bear fruit, for they are building on earth the heavenly realm.
- 24 *℣*: You open your hand; your saints are blessed with good things.
- 25 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created from the womb; together with your holy angels, they will renew the face of the earth.
- 26 *℣*: O Heavenly Father, you who are above all! Reveal, to the Children of Light, what is the foremost thing, in which the earth feels the greatest joy.
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- 27 ¶*p*: The Heavenly Father, answering, says, "It is the place in which the saints, who follow the Holy Law, step forth with their good thoughts, good words, and good deeds.
- 28 Their backs are strong in service, and their hands are not idle.
- 29 They lift up their voices in full accord with the Law.
- 30 That place is holy, in which the saints sow the corn, or grass, or fruit, where they water that ground which is dry, or drain the too wet soil.
- 31 For the earth has been given into the keeping of the Children of Light, that they may treasure and care for it, bringing from its depths that which is for the nourishment of the body and the enlightenment of the mind."
- 32 ¶*a*: Blessed are the Children of Light, whose joy is in the work of the Law, who labor in the Garden of the Lord by day, and join the Angels of the Heavenly Father by night.
- 33 From their lips is the story told, which serves as a teaching for mortals.
- 34 ¶*c*: "It is said that the trees went forth one time to anoint a ruler over them.
- 35 They said to the olive tree, 'You reign over us.' But the olive tree said to them, 'Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they honor Gods and mortals, and go to be promoted over the trees?' Then the trees said to the fig tree, 'You come and reign over us.' But the fig tree said to them, 'Should I forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?' Then said the trees to the vine, 'You come and reign over us.' And the vine said to them, 'Should I leave my wine, which cheers Gods and mortals, and go to be promoted over the trees?'"
- 36 ¶*a*: The disciple of the Law, who fulfills his tasks, does not need further blessings, neither does he seek dominion over his fellowman, but only to serve in the name of his Gods.
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## Selah

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## Sixth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Life*

- 1 ¶p: The Sixth Communion is with the Angel of Life, she who gives strength and vigor to mortals.
- 2 ¶c: Look, if the wax is not pure, how then can the candle give a steady flame? And if the body is not full of Life, how can the Light of the Creator shine through that one?
- 3 ¶p: Go, then, toward the high-growing trees, and before one of them which is beautiful, high-growing and mighty, consider these words: "Hail, O good, living tree, made by the Creator! 'Surely we are each filled with that Life which comes from above, which fills all things.'" Then will the River of Life flow between you and your sister the tree, and health of the body, swiftness of foot, quick hearing of the ears, strength of the arms, and the eyesight of the eagle can be yours.
- 4 Such is the Communion with the Angel of Life, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother.
- 5 ¶a: Jesus says: "I have come that they might have Life, and that they might have it more abundantly."
- 6 ¶c: Show us, O Lord, the mysteries of the higher life in communion with you.
- 7 ¶p: Be not ungrateful to your Creator, for he has given you Life.
- 8 Seek not the Law only in your scriptures, for the Law is Life, whereas, the scriptures are only words.
- 9 I tell you truly, Moses received not the greater Law from the Gods in writing, but through the living word.
- 10 ¶a: The Law is living word, of living Gods, to living prophets, for living mortals.
- 11 ¶p: In everything that has life is the Law written.

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- 12 It is found in the grass, in the trees, in the rivers, in the mountains, in the birds of heaven, in the forest creatures, and in the fishes of the sea, but it is found chiefly in yourselves.
- 13 ¶c: All living things are nearer to the Gods than the scriptures, which are without Life.
- 14 The Gods so made Life, and all living things, that they might, by the Ever-living word, teach the principles of the Heavenly Father and the Earthly Mother to mortals.
- 15 ¶p: The Gods confined not the words of the Law to the pages of books, but in your heart, and in your spirit, are they written.
- 16 Search the Light within, for the Law is written in your breath, your blood, your bone, your flesh, your eyes, your ears, and in every part of your body.
- 17 ¶c: The words of the Law are present in the air, in the water, in the earth, in the plants, in the sunbeams, in the depths, and in the heights.
- 18 ¶p: All these speak to you of the Law, that you may understand the tongue, and the will, of the Living Gods.
- 19 ¶c: The scriptures are the works of mortals, showing forth the inspiration of the Almighty, but Life, and all its hosts, are the work of the Gods.
- 20 ¶p: First, O Great Creator, you did create the heavenly hosts, and you did reveal the heavenly laws.
- 21 ¶c: You gave us understanding from your own mind, and you made our bodies to live.
- 22 ¶a: We are grateful, Heavenly Father, for all your manifold gifts of life, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, for the precious things put forth by the moon, for the great things of the ancient mountains, for the precious things of the Everlasting hills, and for the precious things of the earth.
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- 23 We are grateful, Heavenly Father, for the vigor of health—health of the body, quickness of mind, with swiftness of foot, quick hearing of the ears, strength of the arms, and eyesight of the eagle.
- 24 For all the manifold gifts of Life, we do glory in the Fire of Life, through the Father, the holy Light of Ahman, which reveals the Heavenly Order.
- 25 We do worship in the Fire, the Light from above, that Fire which is in the House of the Lord, flowing thence to the Children of Light.
- 26 ¶*p*: Behold, now, the Child of Light, who communes with the Angel of Life; see how his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the muscles of his chest.
- 27 He moves his legs like a cedar; the sinews of his thighs are knit together.
- 28 His bones are as tubes of brass; his limbs are like bars of iron.
- 29 ¶*c*: He eats of the table of the Earthly Mother; the grass of the field, and the waters of the stream, do nourish him; surely the mountains bring him forth food.
- 30 ¶*p*: Blessed is his strength and beauty, for he does serve the Law.
- 31 A sanctuary of the Holy Spirit is the body in which the Fire of Life burns with Eternal Light.
- 32 ¶*a*: We thank you, Heavenly Father, for you have put us at a source of running streams, at a living spring in a land of drought, watering an Eternal Garden of Wonders, in which grows the Tree of Life, mystery of mysteries, growing Everlasting branches for Eternal planting, to sink their roots into the stream of Life, which flows from an Eternal Source.

**Selah**



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## Seventh Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Peace*

- 1 ¶p: The Seventh Communion is with the Angel of Peace, whose kiss bestows calm, and whose face is as the surface of untroubled waters, wherein the moon is reflected.
  - 2 ¶c: I will invoke Peace, whose breath is friendly, whose hand smooths the troubled brow.
  - 3 In the reign of Peace, there is neither hunger nor thirst, neither cold wind nor hot wind, neither old age nor death.
  - 4 But to him that has not Peace in his soul, there is no place to build, within, the holy temple, for how can the carpenter build in the middle of a whirlwind? The seed of violence can reap only a harvest of desolation and from the parched clay can grow no living thing.
  - 5 Seek, then; the Angel of Peace, who is as the morning star in the middle of a cloud, as the moon at the full, as a fair olive tree budding forth fruit, and as the sun shining on the temple of the Highest.
  - 6 ¶p: Peace dwells in the heart of silence.
  - 7 Be still, and know that we are the Gods.
  - 8 ¶a: Glory to the Gods in the highest, and on earth Peace, Goodwill to mortals.
  - 9 ¶p: For the earth will be filled with the Peace of the Heavenly Father, as the waters cover the sea.
  - 10 ¶a: I will invoke the Angel of Peace, whose breath is friendly, whose hand is clothed in power.
  - 11 ¶p: In the reign of Peace, there is neither hunger nor thirst, neither cold wind nor hot wind, neither old age nor death.
  - 12 ¶c: In the reign of Peace, both animals and humans will be undying, waters and plants will be undrying, and the food of life will be never-failing.
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- 13 ¶p: It is said that the mountains will bring Peace to the people, and the little hills, Righteousness.
- 14 ¶c: There will be Peace as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.
- 15 ¶p: Peace will come down like rain on mown grass, as showers that water the earth.
- 16 ¶a: In the reign of Peace, will the Law grow strong, and the Children of Light will have dominion from sea to sea, even to the ends of the earth.
- 17 ¶p: The reign of Peace has its source in the Heavenly Father; by his strength he sets fast the mountains; he makes the outgoings of morning and evening to rejoice in the Light; he brings to earth the river of the Law, to water and enrich it.
- 18 ¶c: He makes soft the earth with showers; they drop on the pastures of the wilderness, and the little hills rejoice on every side.
- 19 ¶p: The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys, also, are covered over with corn; they shout for joy; they also sing.
- 20 ¶a: O Heavenly Father, bring to your earth the reign of Peace.
- 21 ¶p: Then will we remember the words of him who taught of old the Children of Light, even the Ancient of Days: "I give the Peace of your Earthly Mother to your body, and the Peace of your Heavenly Father to your spirit."
- 22 ¶c: Let the Peace of both reign among mortals.
- 23 ¶p: Come to me, all you that are weary, and that suffer in strife and affliction, for my Peace will strengthen you and comfort you.
- 24 My Peace is a fullness of Joy, in which is your Strength.
- 25 Therefore have you been taught to greet one another with a Holy Kiss, saying, "Peace be with you." You are always to so greet one another that upon your bodies may descend the Peace of the Earthly Mother, and upon your spirits the Peace of the Heavenly Father.
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- 26 Then will you find Peace also among yourselves, for the Realm of the Law is within you.
- 27 And to your fellowmen will you give Peace, also, by blessing them with the Joy which is within your power to give.
- 28 Happy are they that strive to obtain Peace, and to share it with others, for they will find the Peace of the Heavenly Father.
- 29 Therefore, share with everyone the Peace which is in you, even as I have shared my Peace with you.
- 30 My Peace is of the Gods, even the Peace which passes understanding.
- 31 Peace be with you.
- 32 ¶c: And with your spirit be peace.
- 33 ¶a: Amen.

**Selah**



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## Eighth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Joy*

- 1 ¶p: The Eighth Communion is with the Angel of Joy, she who descends to earth to give beauty to all mankind, for the Lord is not worshiped with sadness, nor with cries of despair.
- 2 Leave off your moans and lamentations, and sing to the Lord a new song.
- 3 ¶a: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 4 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad.
- 5 Let the field be joyful; let the floods clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the Lord, for you will go forth with joy, and be led forth with peace, in the service of your Gods.
- 6 The mountains and the hills will break forth before you' into singing and rejoicing before the Lord.
- 7 Angel of Joy, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother, I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my Gods while I have my being.
- 8 ¶p: The heavens smile; the earth celebrates; the morning stars sing together, and all the Children of Light shout for joy.
- 9 ¶a: Oh sing to the Heavenly Father a new song; sing to the Earthly Mother, all the earth.
- 10 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and let mortals be glad in the blessings of the fullness of Eternal Life.
- 11 ¶p: Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein; then will all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Holy Law.
- 12 ¶c: Sing to the Heavenly Father, all you heavens of heavens, and you waters that are above the heavens, all mountains and all hills, stormy wind fulfilling his word, fruitful trees and all cedars, beasts and all cattle,

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creeping things and flying fowl, rulers of the earth and all people, governors and all judges of the earth, young men and maidens, old people and children, let them sing to the Heavenly Father with joy.

- 13 ¶*p*: Sing to the Lord with the harp and voice of a psalm.
- 14 With trumpets and sound of pipes, make a joyful noise before the Angels.
- 15 ¶*c*: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the Lord.
- 16 ¶*p*: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands.
- 17 Serve the Heavenly Father and the Earthly Mother with gladness and joy; come before their presence with singing.
- 18 ¶*a*: The spirit of the Holy Law is upon me, because the Elders have anointed me to preach good tidings to the meek.
- 19 They have sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound, to comfort all that mourn, to send to them the holy Angel of Joy, to give to them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of Light for the spirit of heaviness, for weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.
- 20 ¶*p*: The people that walked in darkness will see a Great Light, and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, on them will shine the Light of the Holy Law.
- 21 ¶*c*: Drop down, you heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down happiness.
- 22 ¶*p*: Let the people of sadness go out with joy, and be led forth with peace.
- 23 ¶*a*: Let the mountains and the hills break forth before them into singing, that they might partake of the holy celebration, and eat of the fruit of the Tree of Life, which stands in the middle of the Eternal Sea.
- 24 ¶*p*: The sun will be no more their light by day, neither for brightness, will the moon give light to them, but the

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Law will be to them an Everlasting Light, and the Heavenly Father and the Earthly Mother will be their Eternal glory.

- 25 ¶c: Their sun will no more go down, neither will their moon withdraw itself, for the Law will be their Everlasting Light, and the days of their mourning will be ended.
- 26 ¶a: I will greatly rejoice in the holy Law.
- 27 My soul will be joyful in the works of the Gods, for they have clothed me in garments of Light; they have covered me with robes of joy.
- 28 ¶p: As the earth brings forth her bud, and as the garden causes its seeds to spring forth, so the Heavenly Father will cause the Holy Law to spring forth, with gladness and joy, before all the Children of Light.
- 29 ¶c: In the Garden of the Lord, all the earth shines with holiness and abundant joy, for there are the seeds of the Holy Law sown.
- 30 ¶p: The Law is the best of all good for the Children of Light.
- 31 It gives to them brightness and glory, health and strength of the body, long life in communion with the Angels, and Eternal and Unending joy.
- 32 ¶a: We will sing to the Heavenly Father, and to the Earthly Mother, and to all the Angels, as long as we live in the Garden of the Lord; we will sing praise to the Holy Law forever and ever.

**Selah**



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## Ninth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Power*

- 1 ¶*p*: The Ninth Communion is with the Angel of Power, who fills the sun with heat, and guides the hands of mortals in all their works.
  - 2 ¶*c*: Yours, O Heavenly Father, was the Power, when you ordered a Path for each of us, and all mankind to follow.
  - 3 ¶*a*: Through your Power will my feet tread the Path of the Law; through your Power will my hands perform your works.
  - 4 May the golden river of Power always flow from you to me, and may my body always turn to you, as the flower turns to the sun.
  - 5 ¶*c*: There is no Power except that which flows from the Heavenly Father, even the Light of Ahman.
  - 6 All else is but a dream of dust, a cloud passing over the face of the sun.
  - 7 ¶*p*: No mortal has power over the Spirit; neither has he power, in the day of death, to retain life to himself.
  - 8 ¶*c*: Only that Power, which comes from the Gods, can carry us out from the City of Death in the holy resurrection.
  - 9 ¶*a*: Guide our words and deeds, O Angel of Power, holy messenger of the Heavenly Father, that we may use that Power, which is generated in his Priesthood, only in the cause of good, and the blessing of mankind.
  - 10 ¶*p*: Blessing, and Glory, and Wisdom, and Thanksgiving, and Honor, and Power, and Might, belong to the Heavenly Father forever and ever.
  - 11 ¶*a*: Yours, O Heavenly Father, was the Power, when you ordered a Path for each of us, and all mankind to follow.
  - 12 ¶*p*: What is the deed well done?
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- 13 ¶c: It is that done by the Children of Light, who regard the Law as before all other things.
- 14 ¶a: The best of all gifts, therefore, do I beseech of you, O Best of Beings, our Heavenly Father, Lord of Spirits, that the Holy Law will rule within us, through the Angel of your Power.
- 15 I approach you, with my invocations that your great gifts of Power will protect your Holy Order, that we will be free to live after the heavenly pattern, and that the mind of the Anointed, the Light of Ahman, will rule within each one of us forever.
- 16 We extol you, Heavenly Father, Blessed Redeemer, Almighty King, and we will bless your Power forever and ever.
- 17 So long as we are able, and have the Power, so long will we teach the people concerning the deeds which are to be done by them, according to the Holy Law, with love toward the Heavenly Father, the Earthly Mother, the Holy Angels, and all the Children of Light, who till the soil of the Garden of the Lord.
- 18 Even so do we desire the coming of the Heavenly Order in perfection, that our spirits and our bodies may be purified, even as you are pure.
- 19 ¶p: Yours, O Heavenly Father, is the Power, yes, yours, O Creator of Love, for Love is the source of all Power in the Eternal Priesthood.
- 20 Through Love, we gain understanding and the inflowing of the Holy Spirit, through which comes all Power.
- 21 Yes, even knowledge is Power.
- 22 ¶c: Through your Power will we go to the people and teach them, saying:
- 23 "Trust in the Law, and walk in the ways of the Holy Angels; so will you dwell in the Land of the -Lord your God, and, truly, you will be fed from the feast table of the Earthly Mother.
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- 24 ¶*p*: "Delight yourself, also, in the Power of the Heavenly Father, and he will give you the desires of your heart in righteousness.
- 25 ¶*c*: "Let neither pride nor arrogance come out of your mouth, for the Heavenly Father rules by the Holy Law, and by his actions are weighed.
- 26 ¶*p*: "He brings us down to the grave, and lifts us back up.
- 27 ¶*c*: "The Power of the Law makes us poor and makes us rich; his Power brings us low and lifts us up.
- 28 ¶*p*: "He raises up the poor out of the dust, and lifts up the beggar from the dunghill, enabling him to inherit the throne of glory through his gifts.
- 29 ¶*c*: "Out of heaven will he thunder on the children of darkness; the Lord will judge, with Power, the ends of the earth."
- 30 ¶*p*: Hear the voices of the disciples who cry out in the wilderness and the barren desert:
- 31 "Prepare the Way of the Law; make straight the Paths of the Heavenly Father, and the Earthly Mother, and all the Holy Angels of the day and of the night.
- 32 ¶*c*: "Every valley will be filled, and every mountain and hill will be brought low; the crooked will be made straight, and the rough ways will be made smooth, and all flesh will see the Power of the Law."
- 33 ¶*a*: We extol you, Heavenly Father, for you have lifted us up.
- 34 O Lord, our Almighty, Powerful Father, we cried to you, and you have healed us.
- 35 From the grave, you have brought up the souls of your people; you have kept them alive, that they should not be thrust into darkness.
- 36 Through the power of your atonement, and the guidance of Light, you have saved us from the evil ones.
- 37 O Heavenly Father, you are the Law; early and late will we seek your Presence.
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- 38 Our souls thirst for the Law; our flesh longs for the Law.
- 39 *¶p*: A river of holy Power is the Law, in a dry and thirsty land where no water is.
- 40 *¶c*: Our lips will praise your Power while we live, O Ahman; we will lift up our hands in your name.
- 41 *¶a*: We will preserve, we will nurture, your Holy Order, through the fulfillment of your instructions.
- 42 We will invoke and praise, by day and by night, your holy Power, and that Power will come to help us; it will be as if there were a thousand angels watching over one person.
- 43 To you, Heavenly Father, belong all Power, and all Mercy, for the Holy Law renders to everyone according to his work.

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## Tenth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Sun*

- 1 ¶p: The Tenth Communion is with the Angel of Sun, she who comes each morning, as a bride from her chamber, to shed her golden light on the world.
- 2 ¶c: O Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Angel of Sun, there is no warmth without you, no fire without you, no life without you.
- 3 The green leaves of the trees do honor you, and through you does the tiny wheat kernel become a river of golden grass, moving with the wind.
- 4 ¶a: Through you is opened the flower in the center of my body; therefore will I never hide myself from you.
- 5 Angel of Sun, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother, enter the holy temple within me, and give me the Fire of Life.
- 6 ¶p: Come, rise up and roll along, you Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Angel of Sun.
- 7 Rise above the mountains and produce light for the world of mankind.
- 8 ¶c: Angel of Sun, you are the fountain of light; you drive away the darkness so that mortals can live.
- 9 ¶p: Open the gate of the horizon so that Light can flow to us from the Father and Mother of Lights.
- 10 ¶c: The Angel of Sun dwells far above the earth, yet her rays fill our days with life and warmth.
- 11 ¶p: The chariot of the morning brings the light of the rising sun, and makes glad the hearts of mankind.
- 12 ¶c: The Angel of Sun illumines our path with rays of splendor.
- 13 ¶a: Angel of Sun, dart forth your rays upon me.
- 14 Let them touch me; let them penetrate me.

- 15 I give myself to you and your embrace, that I may be blessed with the Fire of Life.
- 16 A molten flood of holy joy flows toward me from you.
- 17 Truly you are a fountain of life, O Angel of Sun.
- 18 ¶*p*: As no mortal can look at the sun with naked eyes, so no mortal can see the Gods face to face, lest he be consumed by the flames which emanate from their presence.
- 19 Our Gods are a consuming Fire, even the Source of all Life.
- 20 Study, then, the Holy Law, for the face of the Sun, and the face of the Gods, can be seen only by the one who has within him the revelation of the Law.
- 21 Do you think that death is an end? If so, your thoughts are foolish, as those of a child who sees dark sky and falling rain, and cries that there is no sun.
- 22 Would you grow strong in the Law? Be, then, as the sun at noonday, which shines with light and warmth on everyone, and gives freely and abundantly of her golden glory.
- 23 Then will the fountain of Light flow back to you, as the sun is never without light, for it flows freely, without restraint.
- 24 ¶*c*: And when the Sun rises, then the Earth, made by the Creator, becomes clean.
- 25 The running waters become pure; the waters of the wells become pure; the waters of the sea become pure; the standing waters become pure; all the holy creatures become pure.
- 26 ¶*p*: It is through brightness and glory that a person is born again, who listens well to the holy words of the Law.
- 27 That is the person whom Wisdom holds dear.
- 28 ¶*c*: In brightness and glory does the Sun go his way; in brightness and glory does the Moon go her way; in brightness and glory do the Stars go their way.
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- 29 ¶*p*: To the Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Sun, let there be dedication, with sacrifice and prayer to them who created her.
- 30 ¶*c*: When the light of the Sun grows brighter, when the brightness of the Sun grows warmer, then do the heavenly forces arise.
- 31 They pour their glory on the Earth, made by the Heavenly Father, for the increase of the Children of Light, for the increase of the Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Sun.
- 32 ¶*p*: He who is devoted to the Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Sun, will withstand the darkness, will withstand death, when it creeps in unseen.
- 33 He it is who worships the Heavenly Father, who honors the holy Angels, who offers up his own soul to the Lord, to him will these blessings come.
- 34 ¶*c*: He rejoices all the heavenly and earthly forces, who is devoted to the Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Sun.
- 35 The best of all friendships, is that friendship which flows between the Angel of Sun and the children of the Earthly Mother.
- 36 ¶*a*: I extol the glorious light, the strength and the vigor, of the Immortal, Shining, Life-giving Angel of Sun.

**Selah**



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## Eleventh Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Love*

- 1 ¶p: The Eleventh Communion is with the Angel of Love, whose healing waters flow in a never-ending stream from the Sea of Eternity.
- 2 Beloved, let us love one another, for Love is of the Heavenly Father, and every one who loves in Truth, is born into the Heavenly Order and will know the Angels.
- 3 ¶c: Without Love, a person's heart is parched and cracked, as the bottom of a dry well, and his words are empty, as a hollow gourd.
- 4 But loving words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul; loving words in a person's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring of Love as a flowing brook.
- 5 ¶p: Yes, it was said by the Ancients of Days: "You must love your Heavenly Father with all your heart, and with all your mind, and with all your deeds, and you must love your fellow disciples as yourself."
- 6 ¶c: The Heavenly Father is Love, and he that dwells in Love, dwells in the Heavenly Father, and the Heavenly Father in him.
- 7 ¶p: He that loves not is as a wandering bird cast out of the nest; for him the grass fails and the stream has a bitter taste.
- 8 ¶c: If a person says, "I love the Heavenly Father but hate my fellow disciple," he is a liar, for he that loves not his fellow disciple, whom he has seen, how can he love the Heavenly Father, whom he has not seen?
- 9 ¶p: By this we know the Children of Light: Those who walk with the Angel of Love are the Children of Light, for they love the Heavenly Father; they love their fellow disciples, and they keep the Holy Law.

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- 10 ¶c: Love is stronger than the currents of deep waters; Love is stronger than death.
- 11 ¶a: Thus have the Gods instructed from the beginning, that we should love one another.
- 12 ¶p: Love one another, for Love is stronger than the currents of deep waters; Love is stronger than death.
- 13 ¶a: Beloved, let us love one another, for Love is of the Heavenly Father, and everyone who loves, is born of the Heavenly Father, and of the Earthly Mother, and knows the Angels.
- 14 ¶p: You must love one another as the Heavenly Father has loved you, for the Heavenly Father is Love, and he that dwells in Love dwells in the Heavenly Father, and the Heavenly Father in him.
- 15 ¶c: Let them that love him be as the sun when he goes forth in his might, full of Light and Warmth.
- 16 ¶p: Beloved, you must all be of one mind, having endless Love and Compassion one for another.
- 17 You must not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you must love your neighbor as yourself.
- 18 ¶c: If a person says, "I love the Heavenly Father, but hate my fellow disciple," he is a liar, for he that loves not his fellow disciple, whom he has seen, how can he love the Heavenly Father, whom he has not seen? He who loves the Heavenly Father, loves also his fellow disciple.
- 19 ¶p: You must also love strangers, for you were-strangers in the Land of Egypt.
- 20 ¶c: It is said by the people, "Better a dinner of herbs where Love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.
- 21 Loving words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and health to the bones.
- 22 The loving words of a person's mouth are as deep waters, even the waters of baptism, and the wellspring of Love as a flowing brook.
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- 23 ¶*p*: What does the Law require of you, but to do justly,  
and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with the  
Angels?
- 24 ¶*a*: By this do we know that the Angel of Love does  
dwell in us, when we love the Heavenly Father and  
keep his Law.
- 25 O Gracious Love, O Creator of Love, reveal the best  
words through your Divine Mind living within us,  
even the Light of Ahman, the Eternal Sea.
- 26 Say to the Children of Light, who till the soil in the  
Garden of the Lord: "Honor everyone.
- 27 Love the saints.
- 28 Obey the Law."

**Selah**



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## Twelfth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Water*

- 1 ¶p: The Twelfth Communion is with the Angel of Water, she who makes the rain to fall on the arid plain, who fills the dry well to overflowing.
  - 2 ¶c: Yes, we do honor you, Water of Life.
  - 3 ¶p: From the heavens, the waters distill onto the earth, forming the never-failing springs.
  - 4 ¶a: In my blood, flow a thousand pure springs and vapors and clouds and seas, yes, all the waters that spread over the face of the earth.
  - 5 ¶p: All the waters the Creator has made are holy, if mortals do not defile them.
  - 6 ¶c: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the Gods of Glory thunder; the Lord is upon many waters.
  - 7 ¶a: Angel of Water, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother, enter the blood that flows through me; wash my body in the rain that falls from heaven, and give me the Water of Life.
  - 8 ¶p: From the heavens, the waters distill onto the earth, forming the never-failing springs.
  - 9 ¶c: To the dry and barren desert have the saints brought the Angel of Water, that she might bring forth a garden and a green place, tree-filled and fragrant with flowers.
  - 10 ¶p: Cast yourself into the enfolding arms of the Angel of Water, for she will cast out from you all that is unclean and evil.
  - 11 ¶a: Let my love flow toward you, Heavenly Father, as the river flows to the sea.
  - 12 And let your Love flow to me, Heavenly Father, as the gentle rain does kiss the earth.
  - 13 And let our love flow among us, that we may be one, that we may be your people, and you our God.
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- 14 *¶p*: As a river through the forest is the holy Law.
- 15 *¶c*: All creatures depend on it, and it denies nothing to any being who will obey it.
- 16 *¶p*: The Law is to the world of mankind what a great river is to streams and brooks.
- 17 *¶c*: As rivers of water in a dry place are the saints, who bring the Holy Law to the world of mankind.
- 18 *¶p*: In water you can drown, and in water you can quench your thirst.
- 19 Thus is the Holy Law a two-edged sword; by the Law you can destroy yourself, and by the Law you can see the Gods.
- 20 *¶c*: Heavenly Father, from the heavens flow all the waters that spread over the face of the earth.
- 21 So also does your bounty go on sending waters of Life, both physical and spiritual, in summer and winter, and in all seasons.
- 22 *¶p*: The water which you give, and the Light which flows from you, purifies the seed in males, the womb in females, the milk in females' breasts.
- 23 *¶c*: The water which you send, flows down, unrestrained, to the big-seeded grain fields, to the small-seeded pastures, yes, upon the whole earth.
- 24 A thousand pure springs run toward the pastures that give food to the Children of Light.
- 25 *¶p*: If any one will sacrifice to you, O Lord, to him you will send the Angel of Water!
- 26 *¶c*: To that one you will give both splendor and glory, with health and vigor of the body.
- 27 To him you will give a long enduring life, and a place with you thereafter.
- 28 *¶a*: We honor all the holy waters, which do quench the thirst of the earth, all the holy waters that the Creator has made, and all the plants which the Creator has made, all of which are holy.
- 29 We do honor the Water of Life, the Eternal Sea, the
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Light which flows from the Gods, and all waters upon the earth, whether standing, or running, or waters of the well, or spring waters which perennially flow, or the blessed drippings of the rains.

- 30 We do pray for the good and holy waters which the Law has created.
- 31 ¶*p*: Let the sea roar and all the waters, the world and they that dwell therein.
- 32 ¶*c*: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together.
- 33 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the Gods of Glory thunder.
- 34 ¶*a*: Heavenly Father, for your Angel of Water we are thankful, and we bless your name.
- 35 A flood of love wells up from the hidden places beneath the earth.
- 36 The saints are blessed forever in the holy Water of Life.

**Selah**



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## Thirteenth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Wisdom*

- 1 ¶*p*: The Thirteenth Communion is with the Angel of Wisdom, who makes mortals free from fear, of a believing and loving heart, and free conscience.
- 2 ¶*c*: Holy Wisdom, you give us the understanding that unfolds continuously, as a holy scroll, yet does not come through the learning of mankind.
- 3 ¶*p*: All wisdom comes from the Heavenly Father, and is with him forever.
- 4 ¶*c*: Who can number the sands of the sea, and the drops of rain, and the days of eternity? Who can find out the height of heaven, and the breadth of the earth? Who can tell the beginning of wisdom?
- 5 ¶*p*: Wisdom was before all things, for she dwells in the Gods.
- 6 ¶*c*: He who is without wisdom is like one who says to the wood, "Awake," and to the dumb stone, "Arise and teach." So are his words empty, and his deeds harmful, as a child who brandishes an adult's sword, knowing not its cutting edge.
- 7 ¶*p*: But the Crown of Wisdom makes peace and perfect health to flourish, both of which are the gifts of the Gods.
- 8 ¶*a*: I will cling to the Heavenly Order, so that I can receive the Angel of Wisdom.
- 9 I will worship the Heavenly Father, and honor the Light within me, so that I can put on the mind of the Anointed, and be one with my Lord.
- 10 ¶*p*: To follow the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and learning the ways of the Holy Ones brings understanding.

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- 11 Through observing the Law of the Highest, will your days be multiplied, and the years of your life will be increased through receiving his ordinances.
  - 12 All wisdom comes from the Heavenly Father, and is with him forever.
  - 13 Through the Holy Law, does the Angel of Wisdom guide the Children of Light.
  - 14 ¶c: Who can number the sands of the sea, and the drops of rain, and the days of eternity? Who can find out the height of heaven, and the breadth of the earth, and the deep, and wisdom?
  - 15 ¶p: Wisdom was before all things, for she dwells in the Gods.
  - 16 One can heal with goodness; one can heal with justice; one can heal with herbs; one can heal with the Words of Power through the Gift of Wisdom.
  - 17 Among all the remedies, the application of wisdom, as it dwells in the Light, is that which heals best.
  - 18 The application of Divine Wisdom, as it is revealed by the Light, is that which will best drive away sickness from the bodies of the faithful, for wisdom is the best healing of all remedies.
  - 19 To follow the Holy Law; is the Crown of Wisdom, making peace and perfect health to flourish, for these are the gifts of the Angels.
  - 20 ¶a: We would draw near to you, O Heavenly Father, with the help of your Angel of Wisdom, who guides us in the Heavenly Order, where we learn to act and to speak according to wisdom, that our whole lives may be a testimony of your Truth.
  - 21 Come to us, Heavenly Father; let us receive your mind into ourselves.
  - 22 As you are the Giver of every good and perfect gift, through your Heavenly Order, bestow on us the long-lasting Gift of Wisdom, that we may be the Children of Light, and spend our lives in your holy service, dwelling in the Garden of the Lord.
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- 23 Yes, even your mind is Light, and when the Light is kindled in us, we have the mind of the Anointed.
- 24 Then does Wisdom flow, from the Heavenly Order, to the Children of Light, so that we become heirs to the sacred Tree of Life.
- 25 ¶c: How is your Law manifested in our lives, O Heavenly Father?
- 26 ¶p: This is what the Heavenly Father says: "The Law is manifested in good thoughts, which produce deeds of righteousness.
- 27 The wisdom of the Child of Light is manifested in his deeds."
- 28 ¶c: What is the word well spoken?
- 29 ¶p: It is the word, spoken in wisdom, which blesses another.
- 30 ¶c: What is the thought well thought?
- 31 ¶p: It is that which the Child of Light thinks, for he thinks by the Light, and holds those thoughts, which come of the Light, to be of greater value than all other things.
- 32 So will the Child of Light grow, through meditation and communion with the Light within, that he may develop wisdom, and thus will he continue, until all the mysteries of Godliness, which lead even to the Tree of Life, will be revealed to him.
- 33 ¶a: Then will he say these victorious words: "O Heavenly Father, give me my task for the building of your divine realm on earth, through good thoughts, good words, good deeds, which will be, to the Child of Light, his most precious gift.
- 34 O Holy Father, let me dwell in the Heavenly Order forever.
- 35 Let me put on the mind of the Anointed.
- 36 I will worship the Light, through the Heavenly Father, forever, for the Light is of the Father, by whose power, the divine realm will roll forth, and the Holy Order ascend up on High forever and ever.
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- 37 *¶p*: Wisdom makes a person free from fear, of a believing and loving heart, and free of conscience.
- 38 Holy Wisdom, you give us the understanding that unfolds forever, continually, without end, and is not acquired through the study of the scriptures, but through the study of the Light.
- 39 *¶c*: It is ignorance that ruins most people, both among those who have died, and those who will die.
- 40 *¶p*: When ignorance is replaced by Holy Wisdom, then does sweetness and fatness come to our land and to our fields, with health and healing, with fullness, and increase, and growth, and abundance of corn and of grass, and rivers of Peace flow through the desert, where dwell the Children of Light.
- 41 *¶a*: Lift us up, O Gods, to behold the wisdom of the heavenly hosts, so that we can dwell forever in the Eternal Garden of the Lord.

**Selah**

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## Fourteenth Communion

### *Communion With the Angel of Air*

- 1 ¶*p*: The Fourteenth Communion is with the Angel of Air, who carries the perfume of sweet-smelling fields, of spring grass after rain, of the opening buds of the Rose of Sharon.
- 2 ¶*c*: We honor the holy breath of the Creator, which is given to mortals, for look, the space around us is filled by the air we breathe in, and the air we breathe out, and in the moment between the breathing in and the breathing out, is hidden all the mysteries of the Infinite Garden.
- 3 ¶*a*: Angel of Air, holy messenger of the Earthly Mother, enter deep within me, to fill me with Life, for with you I receive an infusion of Light, to the sanctification of my flesh, that I may learn the secrets of the Ancients, and the music of the Eternal worlds.
- 4 ¶*p*: Let us praise our Maker while we have breath.
- 5 ¶*c*: We will honor the holy breath of the Creator, which is given to mortals, for, look, the space around us is filled with his Light, that we may imbibe his Wisdom.
- 6 ¶*p*: In the middle of the fresh air of the forest and fields, there will you find the Angel of Air.
- 7 Patiently, she waits for you to quit the dank and crowded holes of the cities of mankind.
- 8 Seek her, then, and breathe deeply of the healing power which she offers you.
- 9 Breathe long and deeply, that the Angel of Air may be brought within you, for the rhythm of your breath is the key of knowledge, which reveals the Holy Law.
- 10 ¶*c*: The Angel of Air soars on invisible wings, yet you must walk her unseen path, if you would see the face of the Gods.

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- 11 ¶p: Sweeter than the finest nectar of honeyed pomegranate, is the fragrance of the wind in the grove of cypress.
- 12 ¶c: Sweeter still, the scent of the godly, who do revere and teach the Holy Law.
- 13 ¶p: Holy is the Angel of Air, who cleanses all that is unclean, and gives to all evil-smelling things a sweet odor.
- 14 ¶c: Even as the holy Angel of Air purifies without, so does the breath of the Heavenly Father purify within, to the sanctification of our souls.
- 15 ¶p: Prayers rise up from the valleys of the mountains, carried by the wind along the Trail of the Law, increasing the realm of Light.
- 16 ¶c: The Heavenly Father has made the earth by his power; he has established the world by his wisdom, and has stretched out the heavens by his will.
- 17 ¶p: At the sound of his voice, the waters in the heavens respond, and he causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; he makes lightning, with rain, and brings forth the wind, his holy breath.
- 18 ¶c: As the sea is the gathering place of the waters, rising up and going down, up the aerial way, and down onto the earth, and up again the aerial way, thus you must rise up and roll along! You, for whose rising and growing, the Heavenly Father has made the Eternal and Sovereign luminous space.
- 19 ¶a: No one can come before the face of the Gods, whom the Angel of Air does not let pass.
- 20 Your body must breathe the air of the Earthly Mother, as your spirit must breathe the Holy Law of the Heavenly Father, so that you will be full of Light, joining the holy ones in Eternal praise.

**Selah**