

Introduction

This event took place halfway through the Third Root Race, known as the Lemurian, and was accompanied by great devastation, chaos and destruction of a large part of the existing animal life of the third kingdom. According to Phillip Lindsay in the 'Hidden History of Humanity', the 108 Kumaras or Lords of the Flame came from a chain within the Earth scheme, associated with the planet Venus. Their presence created an energy, so powerful that a mighty storm destroyed much of life on Earth.

The Great Sacrifice

The Solar Angels or Solar Pitris were the Devic builders of the Causal body....."the endowers of Man with his conscious immortal Ego – the Lords of persevering, ceaseless devotion".....(SD2 p88). The word Pitris means Fathers and they were like fathers to the infant humanity whose minds were not yet awakened. The Secret Doctrine tells us that these Lords of Mind (Manasa Dhyanis) underwent their evolutionary development on a Planetary system prior to the Lunar Chain and represent the evolutionary power of Intelligence and the mind; the link between Spirit and Matter in this the 4th Round. Their great sacrifice enabled humanity to use the mind principle and become individualised.

The Root races

There are seven great Root races, each with seven sub-races. Humanity is now in the 5th sub-race of the Fifth Root Race. Each Root race develops another sense and a more developed level of consciousness.

1 The First Race

This root race was Astral and known as the Chhaya race, meaning shadow. Their forms were very large with a low level of consciousness and they were referred to as the Mindless ones because mind was still unawakened. Its special developmental phase was centred on bringing into functioning activity the first sense. At the end of the First Race the sense of hearing and its organ had been perfected. This race had no rigid or boney structure and HPB referred to it as the 'pudding-bags' It's home was known as the 'Imperishable Sacred Land' as it was not physical and has not suffered the same fate as the other continents. It is said that.... "it is the cradle of the first man and the dwelling of the last Divine mortal"...(sD2p6) This land is also known as the 'White Continent', 'Mount Meru' and in the Secret Doctrine, 'The land of the Gods under their chiefs the Spirits of this Planet'

2 The Second Race

3 The Third Race

This root race was called the Lemurian,



It is believed that Easter Island in the Pacific Ocean, is a remnant of Lemuria and is famous for its gigantic stone heads, which have recently been excavated to reveal their buried torsos also.





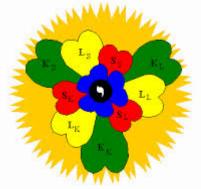
The Lemurian Race's special developmental phase was centred on bringing into the functioning activity the third sense, the sense of sight. This race was denser with a boney structure and the first race to be physical and more human than the first two. The early sub-races were still Sweat – Born, then they became known as the Egg Born. It was also during this period of the 1^{st} and 2^{nd} sub-races that the separation of the sexes took place, and the human form ceased to be an hermaphrodite...... "The relationship between sight and mind is a very close one, and must not be lost from sight,"...(TCF: 351)

It is in the middle of this third Root-Race that man was endowed with Manas. (SD1 p293) This was the single most important stage of development in the whole History of Humanity, known as Individualisation,

Individualisation

This process took place over vast periods of time, and the new forms with superior brains, evolved between 21 million to 18 million years ago. Individualisation is the point when a being leaves the animal kingdom and enters the human. This took place when the Solar Angels began the work of building the causal body and planted the Spark of Mind. This gave humanity consciousness of 'self'. Unlike the lower kingdoms, only man can know 'that he is a man'. Man now had an individual Soul, rather than a group one and had the potential to be able to express creative intelligence through the form nature.

......"The sons of God shot forth like arrows from the bow. The forms received the impulse and lo! a God was born. - The tiny babe knew not the great event."....(TWM 441)



The Causal Body - Petals of Knowledge, Love, and Sacrifice

The Egoic Lotus

The Egoic Lotus is created on the 3rd sub-plane of the Causal body where the Solar Angel constructs the 9 petals of the Lotus, this is the home of the Soul. When the work of building the form has taken place, the Buddhic energy creates a further 3 petals in the centre which are known as the 'Jewel in the Lotus' Through vibration a triangle of fire is produced between the manasic permanent atom, the centre of the lotus and man's lower mind on the 4th sub-plane. There are three permanent atoms within the lotus which are linked to the intellect, emotion and will, and it is through these force centres that the lower bodies are developed and the egoic petals of knowledge, love/wisdom and will/sacrifice, gradually unfold through the initiation process during countless lives. This, first part of the Antahkarana, is built by the aspirant as he/she works over many lifetimes, purifying the lower nature and becoming more and more soul-infused. This bridge then connects the lower man with his Divine nature.

......"A God walks on earth, veiled by the fleshly form, the desire nature and the fluidic mind. He is a prey temporarily to the illusion of the senses, and dowered with a mentality which primarily hinders and imprisons but which finally releases and liberates"......(EP 11 p9-10)

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