

TASKS OF THE NINE SEED GROUPS

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Introduction

Group work has always been a fact on the physical plane. Most of the work done by these groups however is of an ego-centric nature. And while lip-service is given to the mutual benefits to be gained through working together, more commonly they are at core, battlegrounds for power and control by some selfishly ambitious members, with a view towards domination and imposition of their ideas.

In the new age, real group work will operate under the laws of the soul, and they are to be testing grounds for the spiritual integrity of the aspirants and disciples who pledge themselves to the upliftment of planetary consciousness. Spiritual evolution can only take place within a greater context and we are told that the Hierarchy, in 1931, sanctioned the starting of experimental seed groups. These new groups will be focal points of training for group integrity and cohesiveness. The Tibetan has outlined the purpose of these groups, and the following paper is a novice's interpretation of the major tasks to be accomplished by nine of these seed groups.

First Seed Group - Telepathic Communicators –Working through the head, heart and throat centre this group works primarily on the mental plane with thought matter. Having transcended the worlds of maya and glamour, they are clear channels for the reception and direction of thought currents. Their three tasks may be summarised as:-

1 Reception to impression from the Masters – telepathy is the method of communication between members of the Hierarchy. They are *'held together by an inner structure of*

thought' (TEV:1) and with minimal effort can be in direct communication when the need arrives. Telepathic communicators emphasise and establish an attunement to this higher vibration as well as an understanding of the symbolic import of hierarchical impression. Consequently a direct link is created between Hierarchy and other seed groups.

- 2 Custodians of group purpose – they hold the vision and see with clarity how the Hierarchical ideals for each group might emerge on the lower planes. In collaboration with members of the other seed groups, they cultivate a comprehensive understanding of the meaning, purpose and techniques of establishing telepathic rapport; essential for the unfolding success of the seed groups. Developing this mode of communication creates a sensitivity to and reception of, impressions from each other.
- 3 Founding of Schools of Telepathy on the inner planes – telepathic communication is possible at any stage of egoic unfoldment, and as humanity becomes more focused on the mental plane they become increasingly sensitive to new ideas: even if it is an unconscious process. Working on the plane of mind, this first group works at facilitating this new way of communication whereby speech is eventually transcended, thus enabling direct intercourse from soul to soul or mind to mind.

Second . Group – Trained Observers – Working through the head, heart and solar plexus centers they provide a channel for the Hierarchical intention to free humanity from the snare of their self-created thought forms: products of over-active imaginations fed by lower psychic forces. As the sacral and solar plexus energies are raised to the heart and throat, humanity will eventually free themselves from this psychic impression.

- 1 Dissipation of World Glamour – they act as conduits for the Light and Love from the Heart of Hierarchy to flow, hence

this group of disciples is responsible for throwing '*light into dark places*' (EOH:38), and consequent illumination of the unreality of the astral matter. Working with light and wrestling with world glamour is potent work, thus group endeavour with fixed intent is essential to offset any feeding of personal glamour.

2 Acting as bridges for forces seeking etheric expression – those who work at freeing themselves from glamour and are learning to walk amongst men as Sons of God, will in time, be attracted to the influence of this group. A triple fold unfoldment can then ensue – '*i) those who thus approach the group will find their efforts to live free from glamour greatly helped and intensified by group assistance ii) they will swell the number of those so working and hasten the process of dissipation iii) the Hierarchy will be enabled then to work more closely upon earth and to approach much nearer to mankind.*' (EOH:40)

3 Evoke Spiritual Responsibility – the genesis of glamour is in Atlantean times when the left hand and right hand paths came into being; where the material forces and spiritual forces first came into conflict. Right observation is essential as the Path is traversed. Using fundamental principles such as discrimination, dispassion, discipline and decentralisation one develops more clarity and understanding of events, thus right choice can be made.

Third Group – Magnetic Healers – Working though the head, heart and ajna centres they are given the challenging responsibility of standing steadfast as a group in the light of the Soul on the physical plane; directing healing energies through the etheric vehicle with the intent of facilitating healing in all aspects of the personality nature. This is a threefold process including:-

1 Psychological healing – it is the Soul which is the real healer and it is the work of this group to bring the personality of the individual into alignment with the Soul. This involves a

consequent readjustment to the world of higher values and the development of true perspective on the physical plane. As the personality comes under the influence of the Soul, their capacity to live a vital, magnetic and more meaningful life increases.

2 Psychic healing – the healing energy of this group excludes the astral plane, thus avoiding an increase in the astral turmoil of the patient. The astral plane has no intrinsic reality and distortions of lower psychic nature of the individual are unravelled as they develop a healthier, more loving relationship with themselves and their environment. It is from the standpoint of Love that all true healing occurs.

3 Physical healing – *The healer (by an act of will), absorbs prana and vitality from the ethers, and then breathes it out again upon the object to be healed by an act of compassionate healing* (TOCF:859). The etheric body is the transmitter of all energies to the physical apparatus, which in turn responds automatically to this inflow of energy. It has no life of its own per se, being energised solely through the etheric web. All disease is the result of blocks to the flow of Soul energy, and the health and vitality of the ‘Temple of the Spirit’ is indicative of the rapport that the individual has with Life.

Fourth Group – Educators of the New Age – Working through the head, ajna and throat centres, this group is a *direct intermediary between the higher and lower mind* (DINA 1:38). Their emphasis is on training the mind of humanity; teaching people how to think; with the view of building the group antahkarana, creating thus a link between the kingdom of Souls and three-fold Personality of mankind. There are three streams of education, directed respectively to three classes of people.

1 Educating the most cultured – this includes all advanced thinkers, disciples and aspirants already in process of building their ‘individual’ antahkaranas. They will be

educated on the importance of humanity's position as a bridge between the three lower and spiritual kingdoms. The significance of soul powers, the correct use of energy and the development of superhuman consciousness will be emphasised (TWM:334). This class of people will embody the wisdom of humanity, demonstrated through meditation and service.

2 Educating the middle classes so they can become moulders of public opinion – this comprises the educated and intelligent masses, who have risen above their instinctual nature and demonstrate varying capacity to use their intellects. They will be reorientated to a higher set of spiritual values, and ultimately will be the cultural expression of the new age. This new set of standards will then be used to mould public opinion, intentionally raising the overall vibration of humanity.

3 Educating the illiterate masses and still savage races – this group of human beings are slowly waking up to their human status, with consequent aspiration to ameliorate their current conditions of living. The shared benefits of civilised society will be recognised through basic education.

Fifth Seed Group – Political Organisers – Working through the head heart and base centres they will provide a channel through which the will of God may flow. They will primarily use the energy of ray one, directing it into world governments to bring about international understanding. They also have the challenging enterprise of correct implementation of a stratum of authority which is recognised and accepted by the different races and nations. Essentially they will be working comprehensively on the foundations of civilised societies, focusing on the educational, legal and governmental systems.

1 Government/Statesmanship – ‘Where there is no vision, people perish.’ Statesmen are mandated to hold the vision and also to enact the will of the populace. As the collective

vision of higher spiritual values becomes more of a reality, governments will be stimulated to ensure that current legislation is directly reflective of society's current values. They will also be held strictly accountable for their actions, by a more extensively educated public. It is also to be expected that relationships between different nations will be respectful of diversity, whilst embracing a common purpose.

2 Legislators and law enforcers (judiciary, army, police) – At present, implementation of the law is largely imposed on a relatively uneducated, unthinking and sometimes unwilling public. As the evolution of humanity proceeds they will be progressively educated in the livingness of Divine Law; that current law is protective of their evolutionary growth. This will engender an attitude of goodwill and a more cooperative spirit.

3 Education to raise political understanding and awareness – see above commentary.

'There must eventually be a closer tie-up between the educational system, the legal system and the government, but it will all be directed to an effort to work out the best ideals of the thinkers of the day.' (EOH:52/53)

Sixth Seed Group – Workers in the field of Religion – Working through the head, heart and solar plexus centres they will provide a channel through which the inspiration of Christ, and the second ray influence can flow into the hearts and minds of those groups dedicated to expanding and enriching the divine nature of humanity. A universal religious creed will be formulated around the full moon periods, with the May and June full moons becoming major festivals on the religious calendar.

1 Transcendental Mysticism – the transcendent and immanent nature of God will become a demonstrated fact and people will develop an understanding of the laws of the soul. Recognition that the liberation from the trammels of matter involves 'knowing' the God within and without will be

forthcoming in the new world religion.

2 Transcendental Occultism – the relationship of all forces in nature will be understood to be the embodiment of Divinity, and ultimately are to be used for divine rather than selfish purposes. As this understanding deepens there will likewise be a lessening of the cleavage between the inner reality and outer manifestation.

3 Transcendental Religion – this involves Humanity understanding they are an expression of Divinity, and aligned with this will be new methods of teaching and techniques to bring them into closer relationship with the planetary Hierarchy.

The underlying impetus to these three tasks is the creation of a synthetic understanding of the brotherhood of humanity, whose nature is Love; and a realization of the purpose of the soul-in-incarnation.

Seventh Seed Group – Scientific Servers – Working through the head, throat and sacral centres they are eventually to reveal the spiritual nature of all scientific research. Emerging from their deepening understanding of the material world, will come recognition of the soul nature of all things. This will occur when etheric vision is more widespread, and when current modes of thinking become obsolete. They are to form a channel of communication between the building forces of the universe and the soul of mankind. All form is an expression of the Word of God, and eventually all form will be made sacred. Their three primary tasks are:-

1 Formulation of advanced hypothesis – *‘they will take the most advanced inferences of the workers in the field of science, and will formulate the new hypotheses upon which the next immediate steps forward in any particular scientific field will be founded.’* (EOH:57)

2 Telepathic and intuitive sensitivity – this seventh seed group is strongly linked with the sixth group of religious workers. Perhaps they will become more attuned to the most

beneficial and practical manner in which the forces of nature can be blended and utilised for the greater good. They become sensitive to the spiritual aspiration of humanity and will perhaps quantify the influence of incoming forces of the time, thus creating a determinant effect on cultural standards.

3 Practical service for furtherance of the Plan – essentially scientists are motivated by love of humanity and generally (though not always) work in a ‘unified field’. The results of their research are to be brought into service for the spiritual upliftment of humanity and overall welfare of the planet. The new way of thinking will also create greater understanding and greater respect of the interrelationship and interdependence of all kingdoms in nature.

Eighth Seed Group – Esoteric Psychologists - Working through the head, heart, solar plexus and throat centres their primary function is to elucidate a new psychology; one based on understanding the broader implications of the soul nature. Owing to the complexity of this undertaking it will be one of two interlocking groups, comprised of members from the other groups. Advanced occult knowledge, the domain of this group, will therefore be built upon the preparatory work undertaken by the other groups. The three issues which this group focuses on are:-

1. The intermediary role of the human kingdom – there will be major focus on *‘the relation of the human soul to the subhuman kingdoms in nature and the place of the human kingdom as an intermediary between the three higher kingdoms and the three lower.’* (EOH:58)
2. The quality of subhuman consciousness – understanding the diffuse nature of the spirit and its animating effect on all life. This eighth group will be empowered to increase humanity’s sensitivity to the soul nature of the sub-human kingdoms, in particular the plant and animal kingdoms. From a Soul level, this will engender

appropriate responses to the needs of these kingdoms – working with the nature of things and not against it.

3. Revelation of a new psychology – based upon the seven ray types and soul-centred astrology; the relationship and interplay of energy between all forms of life. They will also play a role in the illumination of group thought and the assimilation and transmission of these ideas between the groups. Additionally, through a study of the Plan they will track the unfolding divinity within mankind. Knowledge already set down in current esoteric texts i.e. The Secret Doctrine and Treatise on Cosmic Fire will be the foundation of their teachings.

Ninth Seed Group – Financiers and Economists – Working through the head, heart, throat and sacral centres this group will deal with the Law of Supply and Demand, as it plays out in the commercial world. They will oversee the spiritualisation of money and the direction of it to the common good, rather than having it appropriated for materialistic purposes. This involves an understanding of the rhythm and flow of energy; *‘the great principle of Sharing which ever governs divine purpose.’* (DINA I:39) The threefold nature of their work will be directed towards:-

- 1 Understanding the nature of prana or of vital etheric energy – this necessitates an understanding of the three qualities of energy i.e. tamas (inertia), rajas (activity) and sattva (rhythm), and their cyclic activity in relation to the karmic propensity of the kingdoms in nature. Ultimately, humanity is to witness the magical process of allowing energy to ‘simply’ flow, rather than creating points of congestion or over-activity in the planetary etheric web.
- 2 A study of the processes whereby money has been steadily deflected from personal uses, both in the good and evil sense – an overall study of the motivation behind the utilisation of material resources with a view to directing the energy into more constructive channels.
- 3 A study of the Law of Supply and Demand – in order that

world disciples can avail themselves of this knowledge and appropriate resources for the greatest spiritual benefit. Purity of motive and selflessness are given requirements for this task.

Conclusion

The study of these tasks highlights both the enormity and scope of real service. It is definitely not a sentimental work designed to palliate personality sensitivities, nor is it for the faint-hearted.

True service as a natural expression of the soul, requires great strength, courage, total commitment and dedication to the task at hand, humility and love. Disciples are asked to give all they have; where personality interests are subordinated to the soul purpose of the group in which they find themselves.

Manifestation of the Divine Plan lies in the future, but it is the vision of the future which pulls us forward; inch by inch, step by step, quantum leap by leap. Our task as individuals is to recognise our place within the greater context and serve with joy and harmlessness. 'Myriad are the sparks, and yet the flame is One'.

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