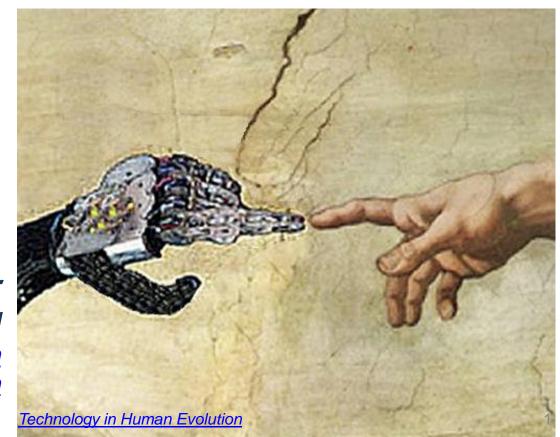
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# TECHNOLOGY'S ROLE IN HUMAN EVOLUTION

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#### TO GRASP THIS ROLE WE MUST COMPREHEND

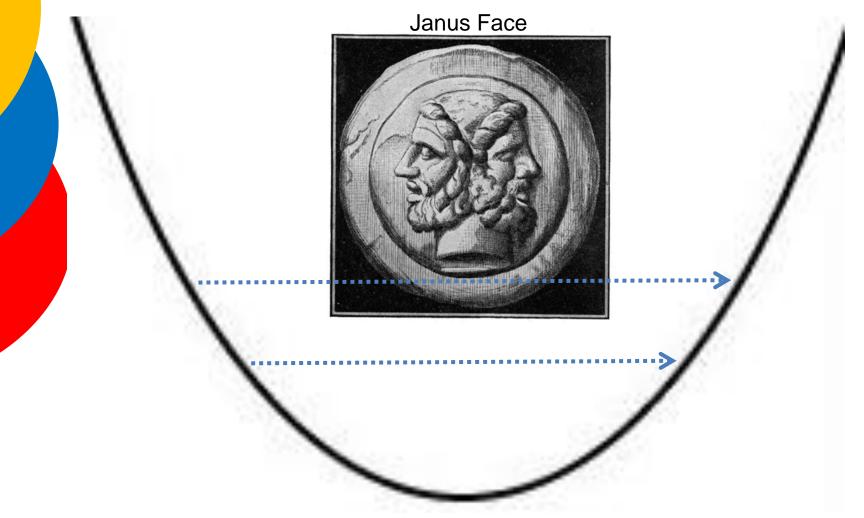




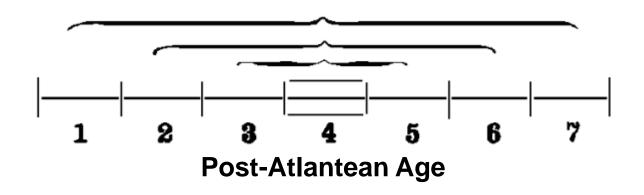
- 2. Human bodily constitution as 4-fold
- 3. Human procreation
- 4. Human interaction with cosmic beings
- 5. Human integration with Cosmic Evolution: Moon



#### **FULFILLMENT OF CULTURAL AGES**



#### REPETITIONS AND COMPLETIONS OF AGES



"I have thought deeply upon the Solar System. It has revealed to me its secrets; I will carry over the sacred ceremonial vessels of the **Egyptians** into the modern world." and

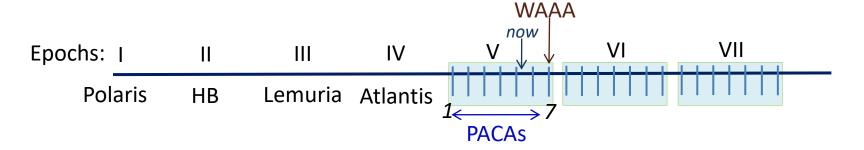
"I have stolen the golden vessel of the **Egyptians** to make from them a tabernacle for my God far from the confines of the land of **Egypt**. If you forgive me I shall rejoice; if you are angry, I shall bear it."

Johannes Kepler,

#### CHANGING RELATIONSHIP TO OUR BODY

- "At fifty, a member of primeval Indian culture no longer said: I am walking. If expressing his own feelings, he would say: My body is walking. He did not say: I enter through the door; but instead: My body carries me through the door. For he experienced his body as something related to the outer world, to the earth.
- A member of the Persian civilization felt that speech came forth by itself, that he had it in common with his whole surroundings. At that time, people all over the world did not live in such an international way as today, but as members of definite folk communities. They felt how speech became alienated from them; how, if expressing their real feelings, they could say: 'It is speaking within me.'"
- -- Man's Being, His Destiny and World-Evolution, 20May1923, Kristiania, GA 226
- Egypt: 'It is thinking in me'
  - Stages of a child: walk, speak, think/remember

#### SEVEN EPOCHS WITHIN EARTH-CONDITION



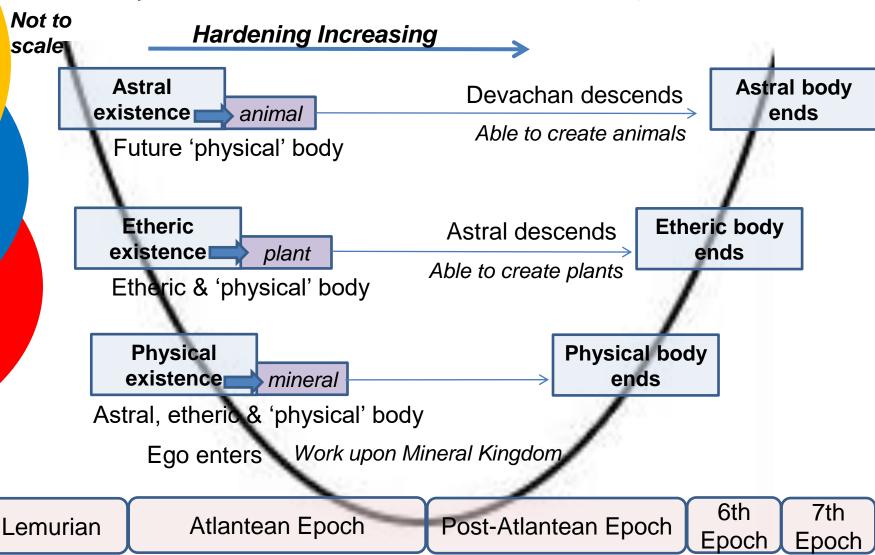
- "In the 7<sup>th</sup> PACA of civilization, this War of All Against All will break out in the most terrible form
- "Great and mighty forces will be let loose by the discoveries, turning the whole earth-globe into a kind of [self-functioning - editor] live electric mass
- "In a way that cannot be discussed, a tiny handful will be protected and preserved"
- R. Steiner, *The Atom as Coagulated Electricity*, GA 93, 24 Dec. 1904

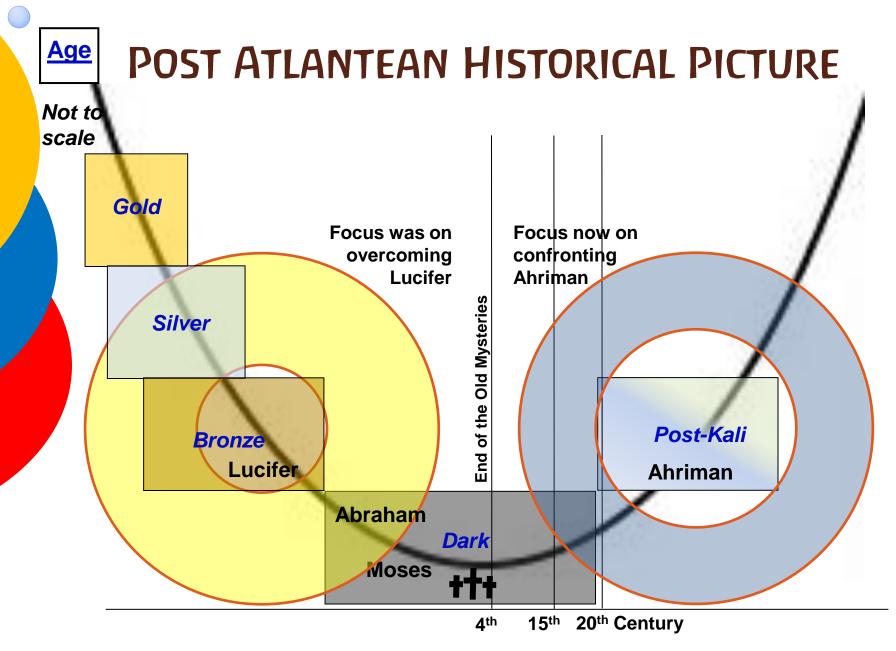
#### **FUTURE CULTURAL AGES AND EPOCHS**

- 6<sup>th</sup> PACA (Russian) survivors will found civilization after WAAA
  - Founds the civilization in Revelations called the 7 Seals
    - As the 5<sup>th</sup> Atlantean race founded the PA cultures, so the 6<sup>th</sup>, not 7<sup>th</sup>
    - Western Path: Taking on Evil (Mission of Mani)
- 6<sup>th</sup> **Epoch**: Will live in a **Descended** Astral World (7 Seals)
  - Current images, expressions, manifestations
  - Unable to hide anything
    - Show good and evil in their faces but what will be our face?
    - Evil man will express his evil, a good man will express the good
- 7<sup>th</sup> **Epoch**: Will live in a **Descended** Devachan (Heavenly)
  - Impossible to hide what is in one's soul even in speech
    - Thought no longer remains dumb becomes Word
  - Goal: All earthly beings become an astral heavenly body
    - Physical substance will be 'dissolved' as Archai achieve Atma
    - Countenance and words of beings as expression of Christ

Rudolf Steiner, The Apocalypse of St. John, Lectures on the Book of Revelation, 12 lectures from 17 to 30 June 1908

#### EARTHLY EVOLUTION OF MANKIND





#### MID-POINT CHANGING OF THE GUARD

- Spirits of Form led until 15<sup>th</sup> Century
- Now Spirits of Personality (Archai) begin to ascend to Exusiai level
- They do not intercede but wait for us to rise to them
- Freedom
- Michael



#### **EVOLUTION OF CONSCIOUS AWARENESS**

Not to scale

Spiritual world full of beings

Sentient Soul 3rd M BC

**Ancient Mysteries** 

Intellectual Soul 8th C BC

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End of the "Earth" (4th C)

7893 End of 7th PACA

8<sup>th</sup> M Moon returns

War All v All

American Cultural Age

7<sup>th</sup> M Women infertile

5733 End of 6th PACA

Russian Cultural Age

1413 5<sup>th</sup> PACA Consciousness Soul Culmination

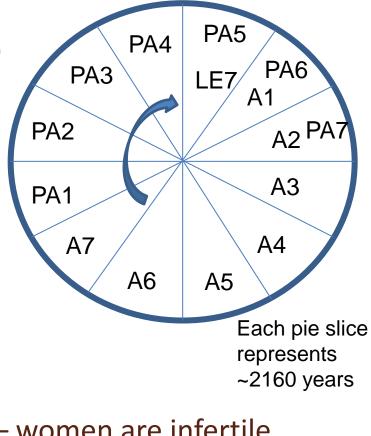
Who needs religion?

3573 End of 5th PACA

End of 20<sup>th</sup> C Meeting with Sp. Beings

#### BODY AIDS SOUL DEVELOPMENT BY AGE

- Lemuria (moon separated)
- Atlantis (phys incarnation)
- Post-Atlantean
- I. 56 49 earth
- II. 49 42 speech
- III. 42 35 stars
- IV. 35 28 33 Christ
- 1879 V. 28 21 Today 27
- VI. 21 14 Year 4,000
- VII. 14 7 Year 6,200 women are infertile Year 8,300 moon returns



#### REUNIFICATION WITH THE MOON

- "Now you know that one day the moon will reunite with the earth
  - The point in time when this reunion of moon and earth will occur is placed by astronomers and geologists who live in abstractions, many, many thousands of years in the future; that, however, is an illusion
- In reality, we are not so very far away from that point in time
- As you know, humanity, as such, is becoming younger and younger
  - At the time of the death of the Christ when the event of Golgotha took place, mankind in general was capable of physical and soul development until age 33
  - Today, people are able to develop only until age 27
  - 4<sup>th</sup> M: human beings will be capable of development only until age 21
- 7<sup>th</sup> M: bodily nature will be capable of development only until 14
  - Then, women will cease to be fertile
  - An entirely different form of living on earth will come about
- Then the moon will be incorporated into it"
  - R. Steiner, Materialism and the Task of Anthroposophy, Lecture 14, Dornach, 13May1921, GA204

#### IMPACT OF MOON'S RETURN

- "The moon once separated from the earth; the moon will reunite with the earth again"
  - With what impact?
- "We will still be inhabiting the earth then as human beings
  - But we shall no longer be born in the ordinary way
  - Connected with the earth in a way other than through birth
  - We shall have evolved in a certain manner by this point
- We must now learn to connect what is happening today —
  the increasing shadowiness of the intellect with what will
  occur one day in earth evolution as an incisive event, namely,
  the moon's whirling back into earth's matter."

Materialism and the Task of Anthroposophy, Lecture 14, Dornach, 13May1921, GA204

#### WHY DID THE MOON LEAVE?

- Earth would have cracked & crumbled into lumps of dust
  - When the earth has fulfilled its task, it will crumble into cosmic dust
  - Earthly matter will be dissolved in cosmic space as cosmic dust when man has passed through his evolution upon it
- Earth was saved from early dust by the withdrawal of the moon
- Jahve imprinted this moon-earth-dust into the human body
  - "Jahve-Elohim formed man of the dust of the earth"
- Genesis, Lecture 9

#### **ENDING OF PHYSICAL BODIES**

- "In a time not all that far ahead, possibly as early as the 7<sup>th</sup> millennium, all women will be infertile on earth
  - Due, in part, to the withering and crumbling of human bodies
  - The fact is that women will no longer be able to have children, even before the earth has gone through all its stages
- If the relationships that can only come into their own between the inner life & the physical body were to continue unchanged, people would no longer find anything to do on earth
  - Human beings therefore have to find a different way of relating to earthly existence – the final stages of earth evolution will make it necessary for them to do without physical bodies and yet be present on earth"
  - R. Steiner, Fall of the Spirits of Darkness, lecture 5, 7Oct1917, GA 177

#### THIS IS A LONG WAY OFF, RIGHT?

- How many physical incarnations left (to resolve my karma)?
  - 100s?
  - -1000s? ((6500-2015) / 2160) \* 3 = 6!

#### ENDING OF THE EPISODE OF BIRTHING

- "At the departure of the moon: physical birth commenced
  - The human being began to be born of woman
  - So in the future, the human will no longer be born of woman
  - Only a passing episode in the whole of cosmic evolution
- This episode is bringing to man the feeling and consciousness of freedom, the integrated wholeness of individuality and personality
  - Episode not to be disdained, necessary in the whole cosmic process
  - But it must not be retained
- Past: looking up to an abstract divine principle
  - Now: concretely behold all of evolution
  - For they can attain a true **inner revitalization** of the whole soul-spirit being only if they comprehend that great period of time — but in its concrete evolutionary configuration — through which they will live in successive earth incarnations"

R. Steiner, Materialism and the Task of Anthroposophy, Lecture 14, Dornach, 13May1921, GA204

#### PROCREATION IN 6<sup>TH</sup> AND 7<sup>TH</sup> PACAS

- In the 6<sup>th</sup> PACA, the human fertility which depends on the powers of light for its impulses will gradually **come to an end** 
  - The powers of darkness will have to intervene so that the affair may continue for a time
- We know the seeds for the 6<sup>th</sup> Post-Atlantean Age of civilization [PACA] lie in the East of Europe
  - The East of Europe will develop powerful tendencies which do not allow physical human reproduction to continue beyond the 6<sup>th</sup> PACA
  - Let the earth enter into a form of existence in soul and spirit
- The other impulses for the seventh Post-Atlantean Age of civilization, in which procreation will be guided by impulses from the cast-down Angels, will come from America
  - What kind of bodies are these?
- R. Steiner, Fall of the Spirits of Darkness, lecture 14, 28Oct1917, GA 177

#### LIFE IN THE 8<sup>TH</sup> MILLENIUM

- Infertility will last nearly 2000 years!
  - Begins now! Problem for > 4000 years
  - Larynx procreation comes much later
  - Will all babies be "test tube" babies?
  - Or will we inhabit robots?
- War of All Against All
  - Destruction of our avatar/surrogate existence out of egoism
- Our thoughts today become the earth's new reality
  - What has no reality today will become reality then
  - Because we can think only of the material:
  - New beings arise between mineral and plant kingdoms
    - Resemble automatons
    - Over abundant intelligence
    - Connected network like spiders

The Automaton Talos, ca 4<sup>th</sup>C B.C., Archaeological National Museum, Jatta



#### PREPARATION FOR MOON'S RETURN

- "To cultivate Spiritual Science means to open the doors to those influences from beyond the earth which have been seeking to come down to the earth since 1880
  - Cultivation of Spiritual Science is in very truth a cosmic event
- Now and then there arises in human beings of our time a kind of foreboding of what will come about in the future
  - Foreboding if men continue to cultivate shadowy thoughts
- Whole span of time from the separation until the return of the moon
  - Separated in order that man might become a free being
- But this period of time must be utilized by man in such a way that he
  does not prepare the material which, with the re-entry of the moon
  into the earth-sphere, would combine with the moon-substance to
  produce that new [spider] kingdom
  - "For their destiny then will be that in hideous shape they will be caught up by the forces of the moon-existence as it comes down into the sphere of the earth and will become one with the brood of spidery creatures"

<sup>-</sup> Source: R. Steiner, A Picture of Earth-Evolution in the Future, Dornach, 13May1921, GA204

#### FROM AN OUTLINE OF OCCULT SCIENCE

- "The transformations in the things of the earth existing outside the human being occur with a certain relationship to humanity's own evolution.
- After the 7<sup>th</sup> cultural age has run its course, the earth will be visited by a catastrophe that may be likened to what occurred between the Atlantean and post-Atlantean ages, and the transformed earth conditions after this catastrophe will again evolve in seven time periods.
- Human souls who will then be incarnated will experience, at a higher stage, the union with the higher world experienced by the Atlanteans at a lower stage.
- Only those human beings, however, in whom are incarnated human souls that have developed in a manner possible **through the influences** of the Greco-Latin PACA and the subsequent 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> PACAs of evolution will be able to *cope with the newly formed earth conditions*.
- The inner being of such souls will correspond to what the earth has then become."

#### FROM AN OUTLINE OF OCCULT SCIENCE

- "Other souls will then have to remain behind, whereas previously they would have had the choice of creating the conditions for advancement.
- Souls who will have **created the possibility for themselves**, in the transition from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> PACA, of **penetrating supersensible knowledge** with the **forces of intellect and feeling**, will have the maturity for the corresponding **conditions following the next great catastrophe**.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> periods are, so to speak, decisive. In the 7<sup>th</sup>, the souls who have reached the goal of the 6<sup>th</sup> will develop correspondingly further; the other souls, however, will, under the changed conditions of the environment, find but little opportunity of retrieving what they have neglected.
- Only at some future time will conditions appear again that will permit this. - Evolution thus advances from age to age."

#### WILL WE RECEIVE HELP?

- Now non-human beings are descending (since 1880) to earth from other planets
  - The Great Teachers of Humanity from the Moon
  - The Vulcan Super-Heroes
  - They depend on entering into human relationship to further their own existence – found in one's inner life
  - Spiritual Science arises through the help of these beings
- More and more of such beings will move among us
  - We need to understand them, they will aid us
  - Transform our 'shadowy' intellect to living thinking → Imagination

#### SUPER-EARTHLY BEINGS TO THE RESCUE

- We read in "Occult Science" that human souls at one time left the earth for other planets and later returned to earth existence
  - In turn those from Mars, Jupiter and the other planets returned to the earth [during Atlantean times up to 1879]
- The intellect is becoming more and more shadowy
- If man does not resolve to absorb what is to descend from the spiritual world, he will **pass completely over to the shadowy side** of his intellect [and into oneness with those spidery beings]
  - The intellect is now only able to understand the mineral kingdom
  - Plant life is a deep riddle to it, animal life is more so, human life is completely opaque
- The formation of images devoid of reality will continue unless man resolves to develop Imagination
  - If he does this the shadowy pictures will be re-animated by Spiritual Science, and become not merely human events but cosmic as well
  - R. Steiner, Evolution of Human Freedom and Personal Consciousness, Dusseldorf, 19Jan1905 (no GA)

#### SUPER-EARTHLY BEINGS TO THE RESCUE

- Since 1879 Vulcan beings descend into earthly evolution
  - They are the first, Super-earthly Beings to bring messages
  - To them we owe Spiritual Science
- The human race does not welcome these Beings
  - As a whole we ignore them
  - This will bring the Earth into a tragic condition ultimately
- They will continue to descend, but man will not understand their speech except by understanding Spiritual Science
  - These Vulcan Beings, from between the Moon and Mercury, are trying to obtain a foothold in earthly existence
- They seek to be the fore-runners of the end of the earth and the return
  of the moon
  - Our shadowy intellect must be re-animated by Spiritual Science
- Shock after shock will arise and the earth will dissolve into chaos if these Beings meet with opposition from humanity

R. Steiner, Evolution of Human Freedom and Personal Consciousness, Dusseldorf, 19Jan1905 (no GA)

Question: why Vulcan? Hephaestus

#### DRAMA AT THE FOUNDATION MEETING

• "The fortunate one for the progress of the Movement has actually come about. It may now be said that ever since the new Foundation of the Anthroposophical Society at the Goetheanum last Christmas, those Spiritual Powers from whom our revelations are received have showered upon us even greater grace than before" (published in "Appendix" in Cosmic Christianity and the Impulse of Michael; 1953).

#### ROSICRUCIANISM AND SCIENCE

- "So the ancient seed laid down in the Egyptian period re-appears, not merely as a repetition, but differentiated and upon a higher level. ... We have seen how paths separate and again unite;
- The time will come when science and Rosicrucianism will also unite
- Rosicrucianism is both a religion and at the same time a science
  - Firmly bound to what is material
  - These two must be united science and that which is spiritual
- This will come to pass when, through Rosicrucian wisdom, spirituality is intensified, and itself becomes a science
  - when it once more coincides with the investigations made by science."
- Universe, Earth and Man, lecture 11, The harmonizing of Egyptian remembrance, 16Aug1908, Stuttgart, GA 105

#### ROSICRUCIAN SCIENCE

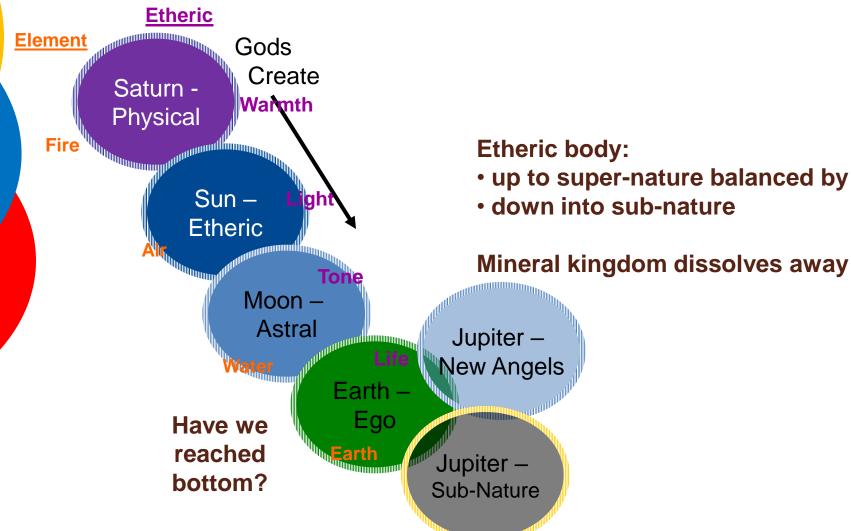
 Rosicrucian science explains the role of Lucifer in the world: "Know, O man, that through thy being flows a current which ascends and a current which descends"

- Source: http://wn.rsarchive.org/Lectures/GA094/English/SGP1978/19060527p01.html

#### A TASK OF SPIRITUAL SCIENCE

- "Christianity must lift man out of his deepest entanglement with matter
- And it will raise man out of this entanglement
- Man's ascent from matter begins again
- The task of spiritual science is to help in this ascent into the spiritual world" Theosophy and Rosicrucianism, Lecture 11, Progressive Development Through the Different Cycles of Culture, 26Jun1907, Kassel, GA 100
- 6<sup>th</sup> Epoch: Our lowest member is our etheric body
  - Will this include the "fallen" ethers?

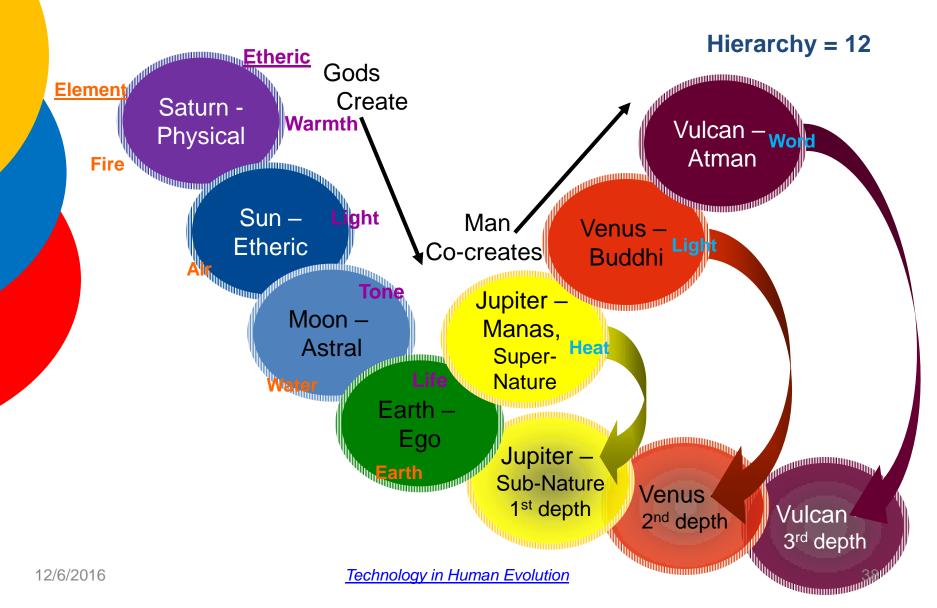
## PREPARING FOR THE NEXT COSMIC STAGE OF THE HUMAN CONDITION



#### JUPITER (FROM OCCULT SCIENCE)

- "The good humanity will through its development acquire the use of the moon forces and thereby so transform the evil part also that, as a special realm of the earth, it may participate in further evolution.
- Through this work of the good humanity, the earth, united with the moon, will be able, after a certain period of evolution, to reunite also with the sun and the other planets.
- Then, after an intermediate stage, which presents itself as a sojourn in a higher world, the Earth will transform itself into Jupiter.
- Within this state, what is now called the mineral kingdom will no longer exist; the forces of this mineral kingdom will be transformed into plant forces. The plant kingdom, which in contrast to the present plant kingdom will have an entirely new form, appears during the Jupiter state as the lowest kingdom. To this a higher kingdom is added, the transformed animal kingdom; above it there is a human kingdom, which proves to be the progeny of the evil community that arose on the earth; above all these are to be found the descendants of the good community of earth men, a human kingdom of a higher order." (2, pp. 360-361)

#### 7 STAGES OF HUMAN CONDITION



### THE POWER OF THE HUMAN SOUL (BACK IN OUR TIMES)

- The automobile and extension of touch sensation
  - This experience will vanish soon self driving cars
  - What does it mean when one gets a "feel" for their car?
- The telephone and the extension of the soul over space
- Can a machine think?
- Can a machine influence thought?
- Can our soul operate 'within' a robot? Avatar?
- What role does our soul have? Emanations?
  - Al detecting your emotions with wireless signals
  - Al detecting whether or not you are a criminal

#### WHERE DO WE FIND ROBOTICS

- Everywhere!
- Wearable
- Prosthetic
- Farming and gardening
- Transportation
- Medical
- Lobbies
- Rescue
- Security/Military





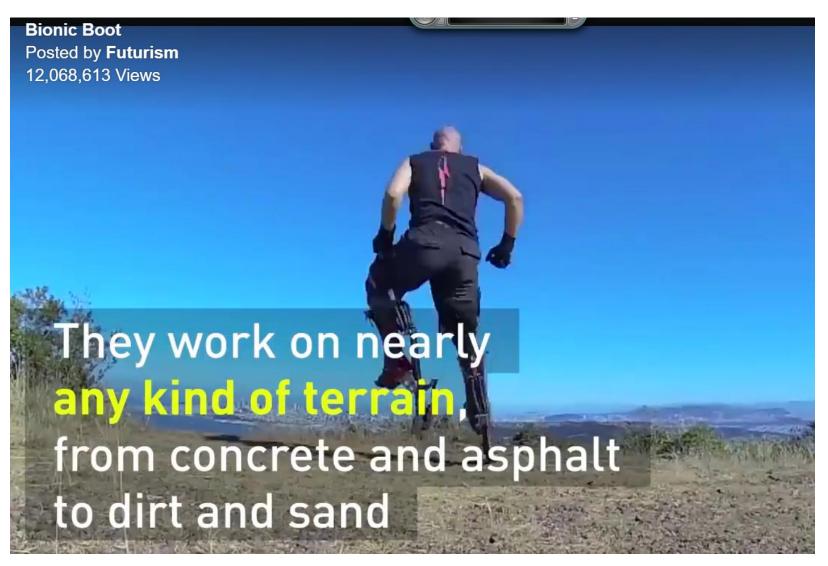
### HOW IT BEGINS: GIVING PARAPLEGICS A NORMAL LIFE

- EEG skull cap
- Monitors activity
- Signaturesaction



Source: https://futurism.com/experimental-brain-implant-lets-a-paralyzed-woman-communicate/

# THE DESIRE TO BE SUPER-HUMAN



# **WEARABLE ROBOTICS**

- "I'm getting quite a few questions lately regarding one of my favorite companies, Ekso Bionics Holdings Inc.(OTC:EKSO).
- "As you know, the company is tied into one of the most dynamic Total Wealth Trends of all - and potentially the most profitable, too - Human Augmentation. So I thought we'd revisit EKSO and, in the process, update some of the interesting stuff that's going on."
- www.totalwealthresearch.com
- http://futurism.com/paralyzedmonkeys-able-to-walk-again-withbrain-implant-human-trials-are-next/

Technology in Human Evolution



http://eksobionics.com/ekso https://www.newscientist.com/a rticle/2112562-first-home-brainimplant-lets-locked-in-womancommunicate/

### CHANGING THE PHYSICAL BODY

- "Man will bring about the future form of his body
- Inasmuch as the human being becomes softer and softer, inasmuch as he separates himself from the hard parts, he is approaching his future
- An age comes when man will live above his earthly portion as it were, as in time gone by
- This condition, which is comparable to your present sleep-condition, will then be replaced by another when the human being will be able to draw his etheric body out of his physical body at will
- Rudolf Steiner, Theosophy of the Rosicrucian, Lecture 13, The Future of Man,
   5Jun1907, Berlin, GA 99

### CHANGING THE PHYSICAL BODY

- "It will be as if the denser part of man were here below on earth and the human being will make use of it from outside like an instrument
- Man will no longer bear his body about and live within it, but will float above it, the body will itself have become rarefied and finer"
- Rudolf Steiner, Theosophy of the Rosicrucian, Lecture 13, The Future of Man,
   5Jun1907, Berlin, GA 99
- Avatar time?

## TODAY'S COMMON VIEW OF TECHNOLOGY

- Technology makes us inhumane
  - Derives from Ahriman
- Anything using electricity is evil
- We have become addicted to technology
- We need to stop technology ASAP to save our world
  - It's worse than climate change



### HOW EASY IT IS TO BECOME CONFUSED

- The gods hate the engine Ahriman has made on earth
  - With every engine, with every mechanical device we create a starting point for demonical beings
- Electricity when used has far more demon magic
  - "Wherever electricity is used, there is demon magic
    - Demon magic signifies progress we should not oppose progress"
      - R. Steiner, Karma of Vocation, lecture 9, GA 172
- Electricity has the "peculiar power of leading down from Nature to Sub Nature. Only man himself must beware lest he slide downward with it."
  - Anthroposophical Leading Thoughts, Mar 1925

### **TECHNOLOGY: SPIRITS OF BIRTH & DEATH**

- "Until now, the elemental spirits of birth and death have been guided by the gods, influence has been limited to the coming into being and passing away of humans at the physical level
- But the civilization of our own and future ages has to be such that these spirits can be active in technology, industry, commerce, and so on
- They will also have to become used to the idea that progress in civilization will gradually make it necessary for us to use the elemental spirits of birth and death
- And in doing so, humanity will have to live with the fact that a destructive element becomes part of human evolution
- The elemental spirits of birth and death are, of course, messengers of Ahriman
- The **iron necessity** of world evolution **forces the gods** to use Ahriman's messengers **to control birth and death**"
- -- The Fall of the Spirits of Darkness, lecture 4

### **TECHNOLOGY: SPIRITS OF BIRTH & DEATH**

- "When they [the gods] ask the elemental spirits to act on their behalf they do not allow the powers of these messengers to enter the physical world
- But as civilization goes into its decline, from the 5<sup>th</sup> PACA onwards, this element has to come in again, so that catastrophe may be brought about
- Human beings must use these powers themselves
- Ahriman's messengers are therefore an iron necessity
- They have to bring about the destruction that will lead to the next step forward in civilization
- This is a terrible truth, but it is so, and nothing will avail where this truth is concerned but to get to know it and to see it clearly"
- -- The Fall of the Spirits of Darkness, lecture 4

#### **FURTHER RESEARCH**

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- 1. Toronto: 4 lectures and workshop
- 2. Seattle: 4 lectures (next week: integration with robots)
- 3. NYC: lecture and workshop
- 4. Princeton: lecture
- 5. Kimberton: lecture
- 6. Holos University: lecture (mythology)

### **CONCLUSIONS**

- Prepare the future according to divine will
  - Technology has a god-willed role in human evolution
  - Other beings get their time
  - Role of the hindrances evil
  - Being ON TIME, do the right thing AT the right time
    - It is not the What but the How that matters
- Help to understand the Human Being how is it different from AI and Robotics?
  - Inner being, moral being, intention, fire
  - Robotics likely necessary for our future
- Learn to see the invisible world the spiritual-etheric
- Joining with other spiritual beings (e.g. Vulcan)
  - Hephaestus (= Vulcan) is the God of Technology & Smiths

## THE STARS ONCE SPOKE TO MAN

The Stars once spoke to Man.
It is World-destiny
That they are silent now.
To be aware of the silence
Can become pain for earthly Man.

But in the deepening silence
There grows and ripens
What Man speaks to the Stars.
To be aware of the speaking
Can become strength for Spirit-Man.

**Rudolf Steiner** 





"Out of desperate circumstances, the new Christ experience will evolve.

Trying outer circumstances will become inner soul trials.

Out of these soul trials, vision will be born." -- R. Steiner, For the Michael Age

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- What must we wrest from Ahriman?
  - As the East had to deal with Lucifer, so must the West deal with Ahriman
- What role do the Great Teachers of Humanity, as Moon beings, and the Vulcan beings play in the drama with Ahriman?
  - How do they help to prepare us?
  - Do they work with Lucifer to 'warm' technology?
  - Are they at work when we 'love' our devices?
  - What role do they have regarding the coming infertility?
- What will our connection to the physical Earth be in a millennium?
  - Will it be through avatars?
  - Will virtual reality be at a level 'below' the physical?
  - If without physical bodies, will all humans be here simultaneously?
  - Are those destined to be human on Jupiter to be given robotic bodies?
- Can we see the reunification with the moon as a step towards reunification with the sun (much later)?

## **HISTORY: SUN AND MOON SEPARATION**

- "The beings of the highest rank belonging to our solar system now adopted a new procedure. The most impermeable substances were extracted and separated from the earth; **the severance of the moon** was brought about.
- The result of this was that the forces that had remained behind were no longer frustrated in their evolution. But it was not until later that this moon became what it is today. The time had now come when the physical and etheric evolution of man could find the tempo befitting its stage.
- The forces both of the sun and the moon now worked upon the earth from outside, maintaining the balance. Gradually, while the moon was emerging, a kind of softening, an amelioration of the bodies of men, again took place. The period just described is called in occultism the Lemurian epoch, the epoch of the separation of the moon during the physical embodiment of the earth.
- The epoch when the sun left the earth is called the Hyperborean age
- The epoch when the sun, moon and earth were still united is the Polarian age
- During the whole period when the sun was separated from the earth and the moon produced a hardening process on the earth to begin with and then left the earth during the whole of that period, sublime beings were influencing the differentiation. Their most important servants were the Spirits of Form, called the **Exusiai** in Christian esotericism, also Spirits of Revelation, Powers."

## **HISTORY: SUN AND MOON SEPARATION**

- "On Saturn it was the Thrones, the Spirits of Will who made the sacrifice of pouring out from their own substance the material for man's physical body.
- On Old Sun it was the Dominions or Spirits of Wisdom [Kyriotetes] who
  provided the substance for the etheric body,
- On Old Moon it was the Spirits of Movement or Mights [**Dynamis**] who made possible the formation of the astral body.
- On the earth the Spirits of Form or Powers instill the ego, bringing it about that
  in this phase of evolution the ego enters gradually into what had come into
  existence, namely, man's physical body, etheric body and astral body. This is the
  work of the Spirits of Form. In order that an ego-man could come into existence
  at all as the expression of ego consciousness, and that this coordination of the
  physical, etheric and astral bodies could take place, everything that has now
  been described was essential.
- The separation of sun and moon from the earth was necessary; it was also necessary for man to undergo a process of hardening followed by a certain softening. This could take place because the wise beings who guided and directed these happenings undertook it all as probationary measures for the good of evolution. A great deal in the evolutionary process of the earth is still done today by the sublime beings concerned, as probationary measures."