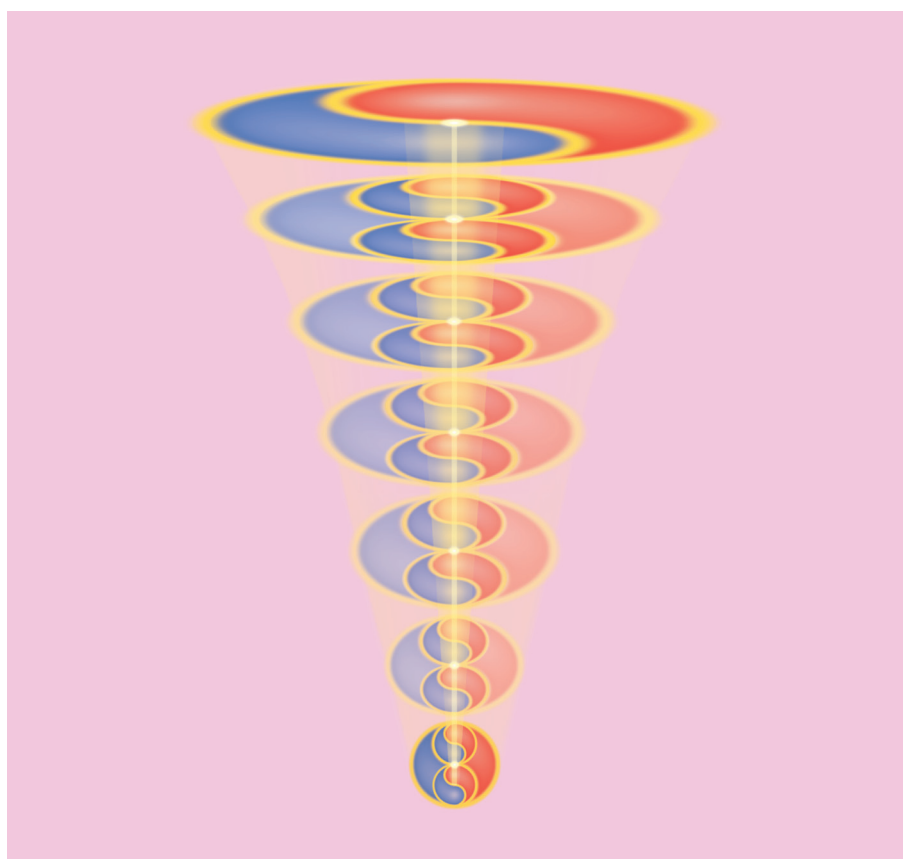


Divine Love

In previous chapters the large cosmic landscape was described. The Divine energy flow through the structure of 7 dimensions maintains a balanced system which operates to certain cosmic laws. The knowledge of these laws can help us to make conscious choices, choices between reacting or staying calm, between fighting or acceptance and surrender. There are a lot of moments when you are able to look at your life from a distance, to *watch it all*. But there are also moments when you are caught up in strong emotions (when intense karma is worked out). Then you are not able to stay in 'the watcher'. Then you stand alone. This is essential for your karma: that you 'work it through' in solitude. Yet, **you are never alone** when you are 'down'. There is always help if you ask for it. That help comes from God. Divine Compassion is always there for everyone.



The 7 dimensions are a balanced system that is maintained and nurtured by an energy flow going up and down through the dimensions (Ch3). That energy flow is the Breath of God or the **Love of God**. That Divine flow of Love can reach you when you are in a crisis situation. If you sincerely ask for help, it will come. Karma is about the intent of your actions. When you created your karma you turned yourself away from the larger whole, the Divine harmony. If you sincerely have the intention to return to the Divine Plan, back to God, there will be an answer, always. You can feel the Divine Compassion *in* yourself. It is a feeling, an inner experience. That feeling is easier perceived in your Heart than in your head. In this chapter the following topics will be discussed:

- the difference between human love and Divine Love.
- the Divine Love manifested *in* us as the Christ Consciousness.
- the Divine Love active through the Guardian Angel.

What is love?

In popular music, opera, literature or movies there is one main subject: love. That one girl feels something special for that one boy, or that one man needs to be with that one special woman. A beautiful story in which you can easily lose yourself. We like to move *into* that one person and imagine feeling that love. But in almost all stories, movies and songs, there is always something that can *never be*, something in that love is unattainable. Probably you know from experience that perfect love can seldom be found in one partner. Still we hope that it might be possible. In the most intense moments of exchange it can be there, unconditional love, the sense of connection, of togetherness, of timelessness. It never lasts long. You will always wake up in the reality of imperfection. How come?

You may experience love in much more than just partnership. You may experience love within your family. You may experience love in the attention you get from other people. Maybe your teacher in kindergarten was very sweet. The love between friends or girlfriends can be very strong and can be a bond for life. Love is a feeling, an experience. You feel intense love when you are 'in love'. Love can be experienced physically in sexuality. Love can also be experienced in nature: the promise of spring-time, being 'with the elements' during a mountain hike. You can also feel love in relation to animals. Love is a feeling of joy, of happiness that you experience in a particular situation.

When we look at it technically: love is an **energy exchange** between you and someone or something outside yourself. You experience *energy flowing through you*. If you receive love, you are charged. If you give love you are in a flow, you give a bit of yourself away. In that moment of energy transfer you are not alone, you are connected. Love can give you the feeling of **connectedness**, of oneness with a larger whole.

There are basically two experiences of Love, the **horizontal** experience and the **vertical** experience (in technical terms, the exchange *within* one dimension and the flow *through* the dimensions). All the above forms of love are about **horizontal** connections, about interactions *between* people (or nature). Because we operate from an isolated consciousness, our forms of love are often about dependency: 'I need you', 'Love me' - or about protection: 'I will always be there for you' - or about possession: 'You are mine', 'My girl', 'My husband' - or about solidarity: 'Together we are strong'.

There is also the **vertical** experience of love. That experience has nothing to do with your personal needs. That Love is about what you *are able to receive* and what you *are able to give out*. Actually this is a much larger exponent of Love. It is the great flow of energy by which you live. You seldom take notice of it. Think about the fact that you live, that you are able to feel, to sense, that you can breathe vitality, that after a good night's sleep you are charged again, the self-healing power of your body. These are all signs of a large nourishing power. The entire nature lives in and from that

power. God's love *is* there, every moment, every day. We are rarely aware of it. Our consciousness is focused on the personal forms of love and we take the larger flow of Divine Love for granted.

Thanks to the Divine vertical flow we are able to experience our personal forms of love. If you are only focussed on the horizontal experiences of love, you will also perceive everything within that balance: "I put so much energy in this and what do I get in return?" If you can experience your relationships in the awareness of the vertical flow (which *always* feeds you) you can give out energy and you don't worry about whether you get something in return or not.

We are dealing with two forms of love: the human love (circling around karma and dependence) *and* the Divine Love, the inexhaustible Love on all levels. We tend to mix up these two forms of love. We look subconsciously for the Divine Love in others. If we live within our personal expectations of love our partners may never meet our expectations. That is why we continue to listen to these songs: "I will always be there for you", while you know that this beautiful singer just started her fifth relationship.

We use the Divine Love (the flow of the 3rd creative principle) for our own needs and we create our own reality. The focus of our consciousness (towards ourselves) ensures that we don't perceive our life energy as love. The memory of our astral body keeps us trapped in the echoes of the past, we are held captive by our futile desire to be fulfilled on the horizontal level.

The flow of Divine Love

The Divine Love is everywhere, all the time. The Divine Love embraces us. The whole Creation is a joining of innumerable masculine and feminine qualities and expressions. It is one gigantic Love Game. The whole Creation is in a constant flow, in a constant love-chemistry. Everything in creation works with Divine Desire. That desire works in two ways, to create, to become form (matter) and to flow back, to 'dissolve' in the cosmic womb and to return home to 'the House of the Father'. The Divine Love is nourishing, electrical and embodying, magnetic. The Divine Love is very close. Your physical body is a (magnetic) expression of that Love. Your breath is an (electric) expression of that Love. Your own voice on your breath, can be an expression of Divine Love. You can use your body, your breath and your voice to feel the Divine Presence (Ch14.5-Ch17.6).

We can experience love **horizontally** between people, in a mutual giving and receiving of love, attention or care. A lot of karma can be dissolved when love flows horizontally. But the Divine Love comes **vertically**. When you are in balance (not busy with your inner dialogue) you can become aware of the energy-flow from the higher dimensions that flows *through* you. This is primarily an inner sensation, followed by a charging of energy. If you bring the vertical charging horizontally into your relationships, you will work within the plan of your Soul. In that state everything is in balance, the vertical axis flows through and the horizontal axis flows through, the cross is made and the circle is round.

The cross and the circle together is the astrological sign for the Earth. It symbolizes the energy movements of 'being in incarnation' (in carnio, in matter, in Earth). Awareness is at the intersection of the vertical and horizontal axis (Dg20h). In Earth, in incarnation, you have your connections to the world, to the people around you, in the horizontal axis. In the vertical axis you can move two ways: you can 'ground yourself' going downwards and you can connect upwards to the Divine Love. In moments of peace and tranquillity (meditation) you can charge yourself with the Divine flow of Love (in the vertical axis). After that you are able to spread your energy (love, attention, care, work) into your environment (in the horizontal axis). You 'breathe' in a great rhythm in the two axes: *up* to your Origin, the Source, and *around* you to your fellow man. The cross is also the symbol for the sacrifice of yourself for the greater. The circle is '**being**', the state of balance. Right in the middle of the cross is your **Heart**.



Living from your Heart

The entire Creation is an expression of Divine Love. Humanity lives by the flow of Divine Love. We can register that Love, *feel* that Love, *be* that Love in our Hearts. The Heart has its own intelligence and it does not work with thoughts or emotions. Your Heart knows and feels in a supra-personal way. Your Heart works like the 3rd creative principle. It can be active in an exchange of energies *and* it can be in the state of balance. Your Heart can give out and receive. It can also sense the *state of balance* of others. Your Heart can reach outside of yourself, it *connects you* with everything around you. It can resonate with harmony and beauty. Your Heart is *not* controlled by your personality, your ego (Ch12).

Your Heart has its own wisdom. It could also be called your conscience. If you witness dishonesty, you feel the impulse to act. If someone suffers discrimination or bullying for example, you *feel* for him. Sometimes you act, sometimes not, if the situation is dangerous. But you *do feel* it. Someone who responds immediately has his 'Heart on his tongue', or he 'speaks from his Heart'. When you are in a troubled situation you can 'listen to your Heart' if you temporarily retreat from the whirlpool of life around you (Ch14).

Your Heart is empathetically connected to the events around you. That is the horizontal quality. Your Heart can also feel the impulses from your Soul and your intuition (and even the potentials of the monad- Ch5.4). That is the vertical quality. You may perceive these impulses in your Heart as thoughts and emotions of compassion and commitment. Then your personal self-consciousness reacts to the wisdom of your Heart. Then your thoughts and feelings of compassion are a result of an active Heart centre. Your Heart is both 'electric' and 'magnetic'. The Heart works according the monadic principle: it can be 'electrically charged' with Divine Love coming from the higher dimensions. It can also be a magnet, a battery, which 'holds' Love for a while and spreads it when it's needed. Your Heart is directly connected to your Soul. The Soul *is* in the flow of Divine Love which is inexhaustible (Ch12-Ch19).

If you life from your Heart you can give unconditionally

The Christ Consciousness

In all major world religions the Divine Love is a central theme. The Western tradition refers to the possibility of a man getting in contact with the Christ Consciousness. Jesus the Christ was the total incarnation of Divine Love. In the flow of Divine Love he had access to the vertical connection with the Creative Hierarchies and he could perform miracles. In the East there were the great incarnations of Rama and Krishna, who brought the message of the Divine Love to the people. In Egypt it was Osiris. All great spiritual teachers like Zaratoestra, Buddha, Hermes Tresmegistres, Lao-Tse, Acnathon, Moses, Christiaan Rozencreuz and Mohammed worked from the inspiration of the Christ Consciousness and they all were connected in the Spiritual Hierarchy (Ch16.10). The Christ Consciousness is the expression of God's Compassion for all Creation. We use the term Christ Consciousness because Jesus of Nazareth was the latest and greatest incarnation who was flooded with the Divine Love Principle (Ch19). The Christ Consciousness is a universal state of consciousness and it is not limited to one nation or one religion.

The Christ Consciousness (living in an unconditional flow of action) is a reality for all Hierarchies. By living *in* that connection, they may, each at their own level, grow in love and wisdom (Ch5). Humanity is also a Creative Hierarchy. Everyone has the possibility to grow into the Christ Consciousness, to come to the realization of the infinite Divine Love that flows through him or her.

How can we get in contact with the Christ Consciousness? We must first be in balance. That means that our masculine and feminine qualities, our self- and subconscious minds should be in balance. Then our awareness can grow in experiencing the vertical flow. You can surrender inwardly to the Divine nourishment and be 'reborn' into a new identity (of a higher vibration). Your Heart plays an important role in this (Ch16.11). The development of the Heart is a topic in the chapters 14 and 19. How to technically balance yourself out is the main topic of chapter 17.