Circle of Life

CHAOS

I am the archetype of CHAOS.

The beginning and ending of all things in shape or form are found in Me, yet I have no shape or

form of My own.

I am the undifferentiated void, the wellspring of every possibility, yet I am nothingness itself.

You can see My activity, which is constant change, in the churning waters of a rushing river, or

the crashing of waves, as I am the flowing-togetherness of the currents, streams and eddies.

I am the Uncertainty Principle, quantum probability, the maelstrom of mystery preceding each

new moment.

I have manifested Myself as Tiamat in Ancient Mesopotamia, I wedded Father Uranus in Ancient Greece bearing Gaia as My child.

I was the Waters that God glided over before the Creation, and I shall be there when the Creation

is finished.

BIRTH

I am the archetype of BIRTH.

I am the first of all things, as I am always a beginning. I am the Original in all things, and I am eternally new.

I am the Seed.

I have manifested as Adam and Eve, Purusha's Sacrifice, the Big Bang, Zen Mind, and the Word of God.

I was with the signers of the Declaration of Independence, just as I am witness to each newborn

babe's arrival.

Each new life has Me as their first companion in the trials they will encounter, and I appear to

them in the face of each new challenge.

I am with each new movement, thought, event or occurrence at its' inception, because I am the initiation which brings expansion into forever.

GROWTH

I am the archetype of GROWTH.

I am the expansion of life as it takes on ever-greater forms of existence.

You can see Me in a tree or a shrub, or in a human being.

I am Evolution itself, as I am the pattern of increase and development.

I am Spring.

I have manifested in Demeter of Ancient Greece, and in the Industrial Revolution.

I have been called Progress, Invention, and even Life itself, or else the evidence for life.

I am the bud becoming bloom, and the child becoming adult.

I am Becoming.

I am the urge within Aspiration, and I find Myself in each creature's striving to become

something more.

SUMMIT

I am the archetype of SUMMIT.

I am the peak of achievement.

I am the most outstanding level one can reach.

I am victory and accomplishment, and I am the Ordered Ideal all things are striving towards.

I am Summer.

I am the King, the Queen, the Lord, and I rule.

I am the apex of civilization and culture.

I have manifested Myself as Zeus, Yahweh, and Indra, and My servants known to you as

Confucius, Moses, Jesus, Mohammed, Buddha and others have told how to live with Me rightly,

and how I might be brought to fruition.

I am the fruit on the branch, and the perfume of the flower.

I am the heights that one may reach, I am the Mountain Top.

I am the Sun.

There is nothing greater than I.

DECLINE

I am the archetype of DECLINE.

I am in Autumn and in Dusk.

I am there as the light is fading away, as the sun falls beneath the horizon.

I have manifested as the decay underneath the surface of things, which is not cleaned up until its

too late, eventually bringing about the end.

You hear of My emergence in Ancient Atlantis, when that which was great began to fade.

I emerged in Rome after Constantine, in Christianity after the Scientific Revolution, and in

Native American culture after the Europeans arrived.

I am the dulling of brilliance on old jewelry, and the wrinkles of old age.

DESTRUCTION

I am the archetype of DESTRUCTION.

I am the end of all things.

I am Death, I am darkness, I am winter.

I destroy the old forms, so the quality within may be liberated, and in time construct a new form.

I have manifested as Shiva, as Hades, as Kali, as Satan, and as Mahakala.

I am the Leviathan, and none shall escape my reach.

I am terrible to behold and horrific to contemplate, and yet I can be as gentle as dew falling on grass, eradicating the dryness that was there before.

I am All-Powerful, and even the mighty mountains, Sun and Moon are not beyond my domain,

for Time is My inexorable and unstoppable servant, which none can resist.

All shall eventually be consumed by Me, the Form-Eater.

But, just as the plow grinds and crushes the dirt, it creates a place for new life to grow.

So in this regard, I am ultimately beneficial, despite the almost universal hatred for Me.

Celestial

How can people look at the universe and not see its transcendent wonder?

Gold has been exalted as the symbol of the divine

And from where should come?

From the most dazzling light in the heavens

When a star explodes as brilliant as an entire galaxy.

HAIKUS

Students:

Laziness as art

Masters of calm resistance

The young mind at school

Einstein's Dream:

Infinite Spacetime

Galaxies in a proton

Relativity.

Supernovae:

Balls of gas and dust

Cores of nuclear fire

Twinkle in the night.

At the Beach:

The horizon line

Connecting the infinite

Divides sea from sky