

“The Grades of Initiation into the Golden City Eschillion”

0. Soldier, the equivalent of a Neophyte Grade.

The first “grade” of this system I have decided to call “Soldier”. Not much is required of a Soldier other than a dedication to overcoming ego weakness. That no oath is sworn is intended as a precursor to transcending pride-bound logic’s tendency toward instinctive certainty, and to promote an anarchist theme of No Rules.

That the Kid is the initiator can be taken to encourage the childlike innocence of the “Beginner’s mind” mentioned in Zen Mind, Beginner’s Mind by Suzuki. A mind that is without stored stubborn expectation and proud belief.

1. Serpent Power, corresponding to Malkuth

This grade is intended to peak the fascination of the student with the system of initiation, and progress, as well as to trigger the beginnings of a great kundalini awakening of internal chi. A connection is established between the initiate’s psychic energy and visualizations of the golden city Eschillion.

2. Dreamer, corresponding to Yesod

This initiation is intended to inspire an interest in the subconscious psyche, and data only subconsciously retained and understood. Important mysteries are provided the initiate without any attempt to awaken an accurate understanding of their meaning, so that they begin to sink in, and may be awakened to consciousness later.

3. Route Practitioner, corresponding to Hod

The important material of the Individuate Church is established as firmly in memory as is pragmatic, before further progress takes place.

This is so that the initiate will have a thorough grasp of the material when finally awakened to Understanding, and a diverse range of interests.

4. Far-out Deep Thinker, corresponding to Netzach

This stage of progress is intended to teach the use of love toward unlocking symbolic puzzles and other mysteries.

5. Prince of Light, corresponding to Tiphareth

Two major lessons are intended to be taught at this stage of progress: 1) the unity between Self and Environment, that they may be perceived as one, and that the rhythm necessary to adapt to the environment to attain what one most wants be achieved. 2) that love may be used to create target emotional states when assisted with lines, character sheets, props, and the intention of an actor.

6. Lord of Passion, corresponding to Geburah

Initiate is expected to become perfect in emotional control.

7. The Good King, corresponding to Chesed

Initiate is intended to purge hir psyche, via the emotional control previously learned, of all trauma, all fear and insecurity, so that hir every action be accomplished with perfect confidence.

Initiate is also offered the option of attaining an ideal emotional state, immune to sorrow and prone to increase love spontaneously.

8. The Contemplative, corresponding to Binah

Utilizing the love control and perfect confidence learned previously, initiate is expected in a single attempt to permanently shut off impulsive internal reason. Awareness of the present apart from distraction and conceptualization should be attained, so that nothing is Understood. ‘

The mind ceases moving, ceases reflecting. The exact circumstances of the present are processed without distraction – but that is all that is processed.

9. The Lord of Time, corresponding to Chokmah

A stage up from “transcending beliefs” is perfect, prideless, love-driven, non abstract causal processing. The ability to prophesy, and to travel back in time to any historic event (mentally - one does not physically leave the present, one perceives the past), and to understand the meaning behind philosophies, and to track down within the time stream the sum total of what the whole of one’s psyche actually wants & how to obtain it.

10. (left blank until humanity is ready)

A state of being discussed in the writings the initiate will by now have read, but not necessarily possible to obtain.