This is a system of initiation I designed after noticing tenuous attributions for the Golden Dawn system's grades that I thought would be extremely effective, were they intended. I asked around, and everyone seemed to think I was far off concerning what the grades actually stood for, even the initiates of the Golden Dawn tradition or Thelemic Brotherhood.

This system is intended to be simple, & easy to perform in a short period of time. I have attempted to connect my Qabalistic projections onto the Golden Dawn degrees with my pre-existing Individuate cosmology.

If these meditations do not manifest as actual visions or astral voyages, there is no need for concern. If they do, all the better.

# First Initiation, Becoming a Soldier of Heaven

Initiate, if has not already done so, reads the mythology in the role playing section of this website, including the history of the Pit and Eschillion Key. Required reading also includes the brief writings connected to the Fairness and Loyalty paper in the Essays section.

Once one's reading has been accomplished,

Meditate silently, eyes closed, in a quiet, pitch black room, in a comfortable sitting posture, & visualize the following:

You are on a canoe rowing through still waters toward a large island with a glittering golden city. Your canoe hits the sands of the island, red and grainy. You leave the boat and the oars and you ascend a sandy path to an unlocked golden gate guarded on your side by the Kid.

The Kid asks you, "Are you prepared to forsake the delusions and temptations of pride, and join the ranks of the Eschillion military, as has every citizen of this fair city?" If you answer, Yes, the Kid continues, "All oaths should be adhered to with dedication and success, or they should not be sworn. If one is not certain one can meet the terms of an oath, one has no right to swear it.

"I am only the Kid, but I am not certain of anything, and cannot request certainty of others.

"Pledge only to intend to attempt with one pointed and unwavering devotion to transcend the delusions and temptations of pride, and you are officially accepted as a soldier of the military of Eschillion."

If you follow the Kid's instructions precisely, or even just to the best of your ability, the gates of the golden city open to you,

Ending the initiation.

### Second Initiation, Awakening One's Inner Serpent

Required reading includes, from the Essays section, "City Building" and "How to Turn Invisible, and Related Psychic Powers". Anything one wants to explore concerning the concept of raising kundalini would also be considered useful, but not necessary.

Initiate enters the Sphere of Malkuth as the Sphere of Samuel Johansin, an earthy deity.

Reading accomplished, returning to one's preferred sitting posture and location, visualize:

You are standing on the inside of the gates of Eschillion. You are carried by a compelling energy to a secluded part of the city, with the exception of a vast brown sphere of a glowering quality. The energy carries you to its near center.

In front of you, at the actual center of the sphere, stands Samuel Johansin. He looks you in the eyes and says, "Eschillion awakens a magical current within all of its citizens. Channel this current to the balls of your feet and the base of your spine, and feel it explode."

You should visualize glowering bronze energy in the balls of your feet and the base of your spine where you are actually sitting and simultaneously where you are visualizing yourself. Visualize this energy exploding into a golden spray of sparks, then bronze once more, traveling across the duration of one's skeleton and muscles.

Try to utilize the energy to awaken and extend as much emotional excitement as you can. Visualize the energy transition into a bright gold, then expand outward from your body as a golden sphere. Visualize it expanding as far as you can, and extend that emotion of excitement as much as you can into the golden sphere.

Let the golden sphere collapse back into your body, and look to Samuel Johansin.

He says, "You are fueled now, and throughout the rest of your journey, by the flame that keeps afloat Eschillion."

#### Third Initiation, Confronting the Mysteries

Required reading is the first 33 pages of <u>Finnegan's Wake</u> by James Joyce, recommended reading is the whole damned book. Also recommended is a re-reading of the Eschillion Myths (not Eschillion Key), without in any way attempting to understand them.

Also required reading, any copy of the Gateless Gate collection of Zen koans. There is a free copy available <u>here</u>. These koans should be read without any attempt being made to understand them.

Reading accomplished, return to one's room and posture of sitting in darkness. Return to visualizing:

The energy from before carries you above the golden city, then down into another sector of the city obscured by a sphere of energy. This sphere is purple. When you near the center, as before, you are confronted by another entity: Regular Joe.

Regular Joe says to you, "There is a God, whom is not real. Him only is worthy of worship.

"You are a puzzle piece that completes the cosmic picture.

"There is something in my hand, if I am lying, that cannot be spoken without killing it."

The sphere surrounding you, the city surrounding it, Simon Sade and everything

vanish to the blackness of your room of sitting as you return to yourself.

## Fourth Initiation, Is He Kidding?

Required reading results from the initiation itself. Posture and place of sitting, visualize...

You are carried from the presence of Regular Joe to another part of the city obscured by a sphere, this one orange and sparkling. When you reach your usual position near the center of the sphere, you are confronted by the mohawked form of the immortal twelve year old that met you at the gates: the Kid.

He says to you, "Read the Essays section of the Individuate Church website, and the Individuations on the front page, and study them vigorously, until you can recall the material without glancing at it - nearly or totally photographically.

"Your task is completed, if you cannot develop a photographic memory of the material, when you have re-read all the material a minimum of once per day for thirty days."

You return to your closed eyed posture.

## Fifth Initiation, Musings

Return to the Room of Pondering, and its sensory deprivation conditions. Enter the Position of Meditating (your usual sitting posture), and return to Eschillion:

The vibration of mystical initiation that has thus far guided your journey in Eschillion carries you once more into the heights above the city. You fly to a part of the city covered by a green glowing sphere. When you near the center, and are dropped, you face

Muse, and she says to you, "You are ready for open hearted contemplation of the mysteries. Think" She touches you in the forehead, and it glowers for a moment with greenness and compassion. She touches you near the center of your chest, and inside your heart a green flower of passionate love opens up.

While this energy of love fills and emanates from your being, she continues "when you revisit these initiations with a calm and curious mind."

Muse touches your forehead and chest again, in that order, and the glowering energy disappears but the love remains awakened within your psyche.

Muse says, "Revisit the Gateless Gate koans intent on penetrating the mystery they conceal, revisit Regular Joe's words to you, and ponder the meaning of anything concerning this system of consciousness expansion, the Essays and Myths and Individuations, that is yet to make sense to you.

"Spend one month or longer pondering the meaning of these things, then return for your next initiation. Worry not if much remains mysterious."

You return to your body, and cut on the lights.

#### Sixth Initiation: Awakening the Sun

Return to your position of meditating within the darkness.

Visualize the green sphere of the golden city, and yourself within it. Visualize the usual energy lifting you, carrying you into the air, and upwards, parallel a great hill of the city.

Find the golden sphere symbolic of Tiphareth at the top of the hill, let yourself fly into it and land comfortably on your feet. Before you at the center of the glowing golden sphere stands, towering over you, Izakiel Sturge.

Izakiel Sturge speaks,

"You stand where the sun stands, you are the center of the universe. You are the universe, there is no difference between yourself and God.

"Any act you accomplish, do it with the intention of manifesting the will of the universe, that your will be not considered different.

"The sun is your heart apart from attachment, in its simplest state. May it manifest in you the ability of the Creator to make new. "When you return to your body, recite these words from Romeo and Juliet, Juliet's lines, Act 2 Scene 2:

Juliet: Oh Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?

Deny thy father and refuse thy name,

Or, if thou wilt not, be but sworn my love,

And I'll no longer be a Capulet."

Izakiel Sturge, continuing, says, "Recite these words of Shakespeare until you can make yourself feel Juliet's love and longing, and distress, as deeply as if you were in her shoes. Then create a fictional character with pen and paper, one whom feels deep emotions, and write as many lines as Juliet of your character experiencing sorrow, as many lines as Juliet of your character experiencing great anger and pride, and finally as many lines as Juliet of your character awakening to the simplest state of love you can fathom that yet still has any co-existence with the character's pride.

"When you have made yourself feel the lines you have written for your character as vividly as the character, it is time for you to return to Eschillion to meet the brutal initiation of the Pit."

You return to awareness of your body, And begin your work of poet and actor.

#### Seventh Initiation: anger and anything.

Having successfully gained the abilities of an actor, sit still in your room of silence and darkness and return to Eschillion.

This time you are carried to a terrible red sphere, and made to stand before a man taller than Izakiel; it is his father, the Pit.

Pit right away says, "If I choose to manifest anger, I am enraged. I may carry this emotion to the point of obsession with violence.

"If I choose to manifest pride, I am pompous like few men can be. I may blot out my existence with this emotion.

"If I choose to manifest love, I am carried to the highest heights of heaven.

"Go back to your room, remain seated in the darkness, manifest a little more aggression than you already carry, then let it go. A little more pride, then release it. Swim in an upswell of love until you are drunk. "Return to this practice of meditation at least once per day until you can create these three emotions reliably, and within the parameters of the quality I have requested.

"Begone!" You return to your room, You make your first attempt at manifesting raw emotion.

## Eighth Initiation: the Mercy and the Glory

Once more seated in silent meditation, you again visualize yourself in Eschillion:

You are carried in flight from the Pit to the merciful blue sphere of Chesed, and made to stand before the mighty telepath called Wave.

Wave says to you, "You are yet sane, I suspect; you should become saner.

"When you return to your place of meditation away from the golden city, focus at first on generating sorrow, then on releasing it, and along with it any sorrow lingering within your psyche. Next generate fear, then release it, and along with it any fear in your psyche.

"When you have successfully performed these two emotions through focus alone, and their release through focus alone, watch the most terrifying movie you have ever seen, and during the movie focus on generating peaks of fear as quickly as possible, and releasing that fear as efficiently as you can, through focus alone.

"Next, and this may take many attempts, return to your still posture of meditation in silence and darkness, and confront any emotions that, when looked for, assail one's psyche with fear or trauma, until you can face them without experiencing either emotion, having perfected releasing them both.

"Lastly, shape your pride and your heart. Root pride in nothing, program it to be unconditionally secure, yet small. Generate much love that needs no reason for existing, that embraces everything unconditionally but doesn't attach overmuch to anything.

"Then you will have achieved this degree of initiation." You return to your body.

## Ninth Initiation: Eureka!

As preparation for this initiation, before entering your room of solitude and lightlessness, re-read the Gateless Gate koans with an open mind. Inquisitive, if you like. Permit no emotion of desperation or distress to enter your psyche longer than an instant.

Meditate in the darkness and silence, visualizing a return to your progression through the spheres of the Tree of Life in Eschillion.

You are flown from the blue sphere of Chesed to a mountainous part of the city. You are dragged through the air so that you fly straight up a vast cliff, then at the top over the edge onto firm land, where you encounter a large black sphere.

You are carried into the sphere, set upon your feet, and the only thing that you can see is the form of Banshee Priestess, glowering with a purple energy that lights her features.

She says to you, "You are ready to release logic.

"Close your eyes, even in this place, your astral eyes, return to your body, and use the energy of your heart, your creativity, to release your verbal internal dialogue, and anything that distracts you from the present moment perceived for what it is.

"Meditate as long and as often as you can, until you can generate at will perfected understanding of the present moment. Return to meditating for hours, days, months, years. Or seconds.

"When it is effortless to perceive the present for five or more minutes at a time, and thirty or more minutes if in meditation in a silent room, without the intercession of an internal verbal dialogue,

"return to Eschillion for another initiation."

## Tenth Initiation: A time for all things

Return to Eschillion for another initiation:

You are carried to another mountain range in a far off part of Eschillion. When you arrive, you are close to the top of the mountains.

You are carried over the top of the largest mountain in the range, and into a silvery sparkling and chaotic sphere. You are made to stand before a figure dressed in blue robes, the ice wizard Jack Kale.

Jack Kale says to you, "You have tasted a comprehension of nothing.

"Discipline your mind so that it travels where you tell it.

"When you return to meditating, ask yourself, What do you really want if you are honest with yourself? Attempt mentally to travel to this information, by willing the mind to trace the causes to the source and then the answer resulting from that source.

"Attempt to travel into the present moment so that your awareness expands into a vast chunk of the present. Attempt to retain everything that is happening for within one hundred feet of one's person in every direction. Attempt to infer what will happen the next instant, then the next, then the next, within this chunk of causality.

"When you learn to prophesy anything you want to learn about five days into the future, return to the question, What do you really want if you are honest with yourself? Also ask, and infer the answer to, How do you obtain it?

"After exploring causality with seemingly omniscient accuracy for many years, you may perhaps be ready for your final initiation in Eschillion.

"Return to your body, and pursue the meditations I have directed until you have accomplished what you want."

#### Eleventh Initiation: Kalith Alur and the final secrets of enlightenment.

It is the opinion of the author that the vast majority of humanity is not yet ready for this initiation, that it is not yet possible to teach without being misunderstood, or without some other challenge interfering. Feb 13, 2024