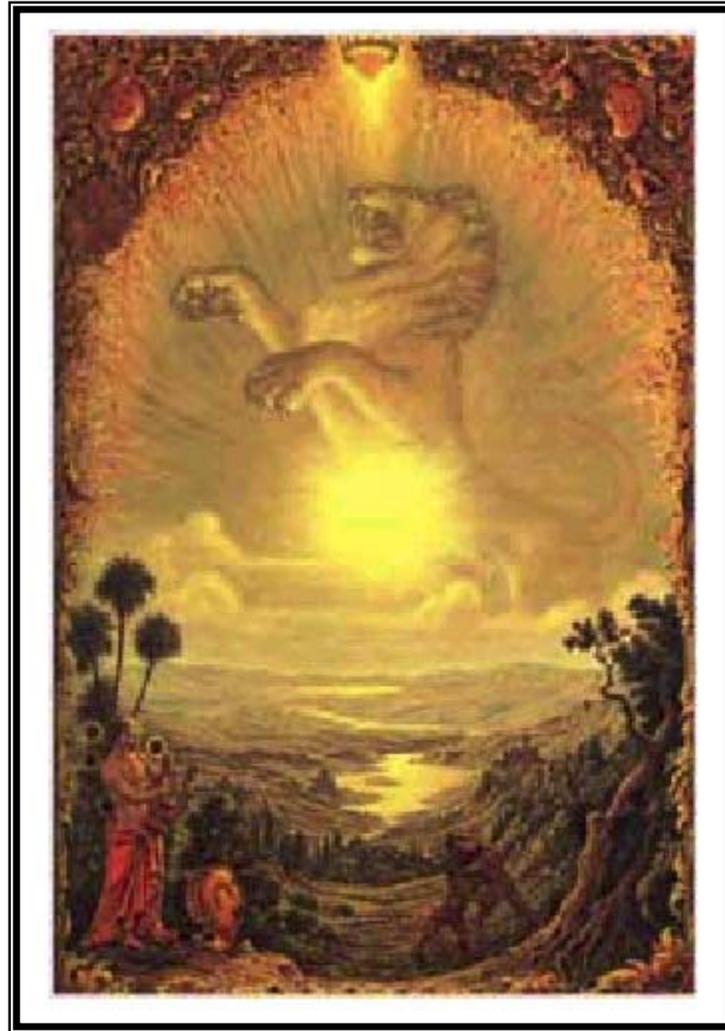


THE GOLDEN TOPAZ
OF RADIANT LIGHT
A THELEMIC BUDDHIST RITE OF THE SUN



*O Glory be to thee,
O God my God; for I behold Thee in the Lion Rampant of the dawn:
Thou hast crushed with thy paw the crouching lioness of Night,
so that she may roar forth the Glory of Thy Name.
O Glory be to Thee, O God my God;
for I behold Thee in the lotus-flower within my heart:
Thou hast emblazoned my trumpet with the lion-standard,
so that I may blare forth the Glory of Thy Name.*

Amen,
and Amen of Amen,
and Amen of Amen of Amen,
and Amen of Amen of Amen of Amen.

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¹[Editorial: The Golden Topaz is an adaptation of the Diamond Sapphire Gem of Radiant Light originally written by Gregory H. Peters. The Golden Topaz is a reflection of those elements that best reflect the inner nature of the Sun and is intended as a ritual for the laity as a means of communication with one's Holy Guardian Angel.]

O. PREPARATION

[In the East, the Stele of Revealing hanging above all other items. On the altar a single white candle or source of light and heat (Geburah), a small bowl or chalice of consecrated water (Chesed), and incense (Tiphareth), frankincense or related solar incense preferably. These items to be arranged in a descending triangle (single point to the west), with the candle at the top left angle, water at the top right angle and the incense at the bottom (middle). Within the triangle should be placed some visible image of the Great Work, such as a statue of Ra Hoor Khuit or Buddha, as symbolic representations of the Holy Guardian Angel. Additionally, on the altar may be placed any images of the Teacher (i.e. Guru/Lama), fresh flowers, and fresh food offerings.]

After the Altar is prepared and all is ready, perform the purging of the stale breath followed by the Thelemic Rousing of the Citadels.

I. OPENING

[All participants are seated in meditative postures. When ready, the Adytum should be opened by whatever ritual methods the Officiant sees fit. At a minimum, the Star Sapphire, Diamond Mandala or LBRP should be performed. Then:]

Officiant: *[Faces East and performs prostrations (3x) three times. Invokes the Divine One as appropriate for attuning to the current of Thelema, and takes Refuge in the Triple Gem of Buddhism by whatever formula is desired.]*

Officiant: **Nu is my Refuge *[raising arms slightly]***
 As Hadit my Light *[continuing to raise arms]*
 And Heru-Ra-Ha is the Strength, Force, Vigour of my arms. ²

[Arms are now raised outstretched. Cross arms over chest, right over left. When complete, turns to face the assembly:]

*[Strikes tingsha/Bell once *]* **Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.**

All: **Love is the law, love under will.**

[Chant (3x):]

**A KA DUA
TUF UR BIU
BI A'A CHEFU
DUDU NER AF AN NUTERU**

¹ Taken from *Liber Pleides*, by James A. Eshelman

II. REFUGE AND DEDICATION OF INTENTION

Officiant: We take refuge in the Buddha, Hadit!

All: I am the flame that burns in every heart of man, and in the core of every star. I am Life, and the giver of Life, yet therefore is the knowledge of me the knowledge of death.

Officiant: We take refuge in the Dharma, Nuit!

All: I am known to ye by my name Nuit, and to him by a secret name which I will give him when at last he knoweth me. Since I am Infinite Space, and the Infinite Stars thereof, do ye also thus. Bind nothing! Let there be no difference made among you between any one thing & any other thing; for thereby there cometh hurt. I give unimaginable joys on earth: certainty, not faith, while in life, upon death; peace unutterable, rest, ecstasy; nor do I demand aught in sacrifice.

Officiant: We take refuge in the Sangha, Ra Hoor Khuit!

All: Abrogate are all rituals, all ordeals, all words and signs. Ra-Hoor-Khuit hath taken his seat in the East at the Equinox of the Gods. I am the Hawk-Headed Lord of Silence & of Strength... There is a secret door that I shall make to establish thy way in all the quarters, so that thy light is in me; & its red flame is as a sword in my hand to push thy order.

Officiant: I am the Snake that giveth Knowledge & Delight and bright glory, and stir the hearts of men with drunkenness. Beauty and strength, leaping laughter and delicious languor, force and fire, are of us.

All: Lord secret and most holy, source of life, source of love, source of liberty, be thou ever constant and mighty within us, force of energy, fire of motion; with diligence let us ever labour with thee, that we may remain in thine abundant joy. – (Liber XV—Collects)

Officiant: Then in the might of the Lion did I formulate unto myself that holy and formless fire, which darteth and flasheth through the depths of the Universe.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh the earth melted into a liquor clear as water.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh the water smoked into a lucid air.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh the air ignited, and became Fire.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh, O Lord, the Fire dissipated into Space.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh, O Lord, the Space resolved itself into a Profundity of Mind.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh the Mind of the Father was broken up into the brilliance of our Lord the Sun.
At the touch of the Fire Qadosh the Brilliance of our Lord was absorbed in the Naught of our Lady of the Body of the Milk of the Stars.

Then only was the Fire Qadosh extinguished, when the Enterer was driven back from the threshold.
And the Lord of Silence was established upon the Lotus flower. -- (Liber ARARITA, 7, O-9)

All: We call upon Thee, O Living God, radiant with illuminating Fire. O Unseen Parent of the Sun! Pour forth Thy Light giving power and energize thy Divine Spark. Enter into this flame and let it be agitated by the breaths of thy Holy Spirit. Manifest thy power and open for me the Temple of Heru Ra Ha which is within this Fire! Manifest Thy Light for my regeneration, and let the breadth, height, fullness and crown of the Solar Radiance appear, and may the God within shine forth! -- FROM THE COMTE DE GABALIS *modified

III. FORMULATION OF THE LIGHT

Officiant: **This shall regenerate the world (+) the little world my sister, my heart & my tongue, unto whom I send this kiss.**

All: **Within the embrace of Light, Life, Love and Liberty that is the Law of Thelema, beneath the Starry Canopy of Heaven that is Nuit, until attaining the Heart of Enlightenment, we aspire towards the accomplishment of the Great Work, the Knowledge and Conversation of the Holy Guardian Angel.**

Officiant: *[Strikes tingsha/bell 1x]*

All: **Thou that art One, our Lord in the Universe the Sun, our Lord in ourselves whose name is Mystery of Mystery, uttermost being whose radiance enlightening the worlds is also the breath that maketh every God even Death to tremble before Thee--By the Sign of Light (+) appear Thou glorious upon the throne of the Sun. -- (Liber XV)**

[The Assembly gathers around the altar and intones Pranava (AOM), visualizing the radiance of the supernals descending upon the Altar. When finished:]

Officiant: **Unity uttermost showed!
I adore the might of Thy breath
Supreme and terrible God,
Who maketh the gods and death
To tremble before Thee: —
I, I adore thee!**

IV. THE GOLDEN TOPAZ OF LIBERATION

Officiant: *[strikes tingsha/bell 1x]:*

**The unsurpassed, profound, wonderful Law
Is rarely to be met in myriads of aeons.
Now we are about to see, hear, receive, and keep it.**

[Announces the liturgical/dharma reading. This is a selection from any of the canon of the Thelemic Holy Books, as well as any pertinent Buddhist texts. Also, japa recitation of the Aka Du A mantram 666 times can be substituted for the reading.

Then silent meditation is directed towards the extension of Light for healing. On each inhalation, participants should visualize streams of radiant white light pouring into their bodies, cleansing and empowering them. On each exhalation, the light is transformed into rose-gold radiance at the heart center and then projected back out into the universe in all directions, cleansing, healing, and inspiring all sentient beings. The meditation should be no less than 5 minutes. When done:]

Officiant: **I have burnt within thee as a pure flame without oil. In the midnight I was brighter than the moon; in the daytime I exceeded utterly the sun; in the byways of thy being I inflamed, and dispelled the illusion.--(Liber 65, V, 9)**

Every breath, every word, every thought, every deed is an act of love with Thee. -- (Liber Liberi Vel Lapidis Lazuli, V,22.)

V. FINAL BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF MERIT

Officiant: I believe in one secret and ineffable LORD; and in one Star in the Company of Stars of whose fire we are created, and to which we shall return; and in one Father of Life, Mystery of Mystery, in His name CHAOS, the sole vice-regent of the Sun upon the Earth; and in one Air the nourisher of all that breathes. And I believe in one Earth, the Mother of us all, and in one Womb wherein all men are begotten, and wherein they shall rest, Mystery of Mystery, in Her name BABALON. And I believe in the Serpent and the Lion, Mystery of Mystery, in His name BAPHOMET. And I believe in, Light, Life, Love and Liberty, the Word of whose Law is Thelema. -- (Liber XV)

All: O secret of secrets that art hidden in the being of all that lives, not Thee do we adore, for that which adareth is also Thou. Thou art That, and That am I. -- (Liber XV)

To this do we dedicate merit for ourselves and the benefit of all sentient beings.
May we attain to the perfect intention of Love under Will.

Officiant: *[Goes to East of altar, facing West, over the altar elements, and invokes:]*

Thou who art I, beyond all I am,
Who hast no nature and no name,
Who art, when all but thou are gone,
Thou, center and secret of the Sun,
Thou hidden spring of all things known
And unknown, thou aloof, alone,
Thou, the true fire within the reed
Brooding and breeding, source and seed,
Of Life, Love, Liberty and Light,
Thou beyond speech and beyond sight,
Thee I invoke, my faint fresh fire
Kindling as my intents aspire.
Thee I invoke, abiding One,
Thou, center and secret of the Sun,
And that most holy mystery,
Of which the vehicle am I.
Appear most awful and most mild,
As it is lawful, to thy child!

[Officiant partakes of Eucharist by first dipping right middle finger in the water and anointing forehead, then holding hands over the candle flame or source of heat and light, and finally smelling the incense while making a final silent dedication and prayer.]

All: *[Each person in turn is invited to say a prayer or give offerings at the altar, and partake of the Eucharist. When done:]*

Officiant: **May the Lord of Light, Life, Love and Liberty bring all sentient beings to the accomplishment of their True Wills, the Great Work of Enlightenment, the Summum Bonum, True Wisdom and Perfect Happiness.**

All: (Intone once) **ABRA-HAD-ABRA**

Officiant: ***So mote it be !***