

## THE AWAKENING OF SPIRITUAL AWARENESS (THE BOOK OF THE HIDDEN ABODE OR THE BOOK OF THE DEAD)

### Trespassing the Portal of Initiation

All symbolism related to the initiation in the Egyptian Mysteries is related to the trinity formed by Isis (Mother), Osiris (Father) and Horus (Son): Isis, representing the feminine aspect of divinity, the Mother, guides the initiate to Horus, the Son, and he, in turn, guides him back to Osiris, the Father, in the hidden abode.

Horus symbolizes the spirit or divine spark (the Son) within the initiate, that must be recovered in order to ascend back to the Abode of Osiris (the Father), in the great central sun or the Solar City of Ra (spiritual kingdom).

### Fight of the initiate against adverse forces

Before the initiate can walk through the path of light, he must achieve victory against the impure energies of darkness that exist within him. The Egyptians represented under the figure of the serpent Apep these dark energies. Before all else, it is important to conquer this serpent which symbolizes the impure and low passions for the initiate.

But, how to conquer the impurities and low passions that dwell within oneself? Through observation or clear vision of his inner self the initiate manages to separate the darkness (impurities and low passions) from the light (his spirit or pure being, the immutable vigilant that dwells within him). Each time in a more perfect way, he manages to identify with the <Being> that dwells within him. That's why the text says: <Go to his father Osiris (the pure spirit). Separate the darkness of his father Osiris... He has drilled the heart of Set (the non-being). He has done things for his father Osiris... He has advanced on his way>.

### Triumph of the initiate over adverse forces

Now the initiate, as a result of having triumphed over adverse forces, over the impurities and low passions within himself, awakens spiritually and remains in a state of imperturbable serenity. His true self is finally reached. This spiritual principle, sum of the soul (Ba: bird-intelligence) and spirit (Khon: luminous), is the one that will continue to live eternally in the Abode of Ra, when the physical body and the double (Kha) have died. Now he recognizes himself as an eternal breath or divine spark emanating from the great spiritual Sun, with which he is one.

### Ascension of the initiate to the Solar City

Here we see the triumphant initiate, he appears to be the hawk of Horus. He carries with him the magic whip, symbol of his power over the elemental forces. Now, symbolically, he has transformed himself into a hawk to trace his flight towards God. <A flight turned into a great sparrow hawk... I go back... I arrive and am admitted among those who are of divine essence>.

Now the barriers that stood between him and the supreme end of his noble desires have disappeared forever. He opens his innocent soul to the deity with the confidence of a son, worthy of such a father. It now appears in the form of a lotus flower, a symbol of full spiritual awakening: <I am a pure lotus, who emerged luminous. I am a pure lotus that sprouted in the Field of the Sun>.