

St Augustine writes AD 340: What one now calls the Christian religion existed long before Jesus Christ appeared with the Ancients. The New Testament of the Christian Bible contains countless passages confirming the old "Christos" (Apollo, Mithras-, Sun-) cult, and which prove that the conception of the Mithras-Christos cult still formed the basis of the new Jesu teaching even after the foundation of the Christian-Nazarene Church. Christianity as created by the Church Fathers, which still prevails today, is not the Christianity of the original Christians, (the first Christians also called proto-Christians or gnostic Christians), but a pseudo-Christianity.

The Gnostic Templar-Christians (Neo-Christians, Primitive Christians, Neo-Gnostics) do not seek to found a new religion, but they only desire to clear away the debris which the reigning pseudo-christianity of the Church Fathers heaped on the original Christian religion, so that the true "Christos" doctrine and the religion of the original Christians, the Christian Gnostics, will once more come into its own.

The Gnostics are Johannite Christians, not so-called Nazarene Christians (Jesus of Nazareth).

The Gnostics condemn the doctrine of Original Sin. The Gnostics of the Neo-Christian Church, also called Brethren of the Light of the Seven Churches in Asia or Order of Oriental Templars, make known to misled and suffering humanity the glad tidings of FREEDOM, JUSTICE, LOVE.

Freedom in and before God, that is the liberation from original sin, through which the reigning Christian-Nazarene Church has enslaved to their priests humanity from birth.

Justice in existence on earth, that is the equality of all adult people who are able to work towards the common duty to work. Because every capable member of the gnostic-christian community has the duty to do a certain amount of work—suited to his capacity—every day. Lazy people, loafers and do-nothings can never become members of the Gnostic Church, because the purpose of life upon earth is devotion to duty.

Love is the crowning of the world. Love is the highest law. Love is God. Love is the reward for active selflessness, for active brotherliness, for the practice of strict self-control, for gaining iron self-discipline, which are the result as well as the *sine qua non* for liberation from original sin. The freedom of the gnostic Templar-Christians is not indulgence, licence and lawlessness leading to chaos, but: Greatest bond within the law! That means:

Highest development of a feeling of responsibility before God, equivalent to the laws of Karma.

A new civilization, a new system of morals will arise from the new Christianity of the Gnostic Templar-Christians. In order to carry through the above mentioned doctrines in practice the Church of the gnostic Neo-Christians seeks to found communities, existing on a co-operative basis, of sinless, i.e. freed from the Nazarene-

christian idea of original sin, people. For the formation of such gnostic "Christos" communities, only those are suitable who are convinced of the existence of a soul who enables us to gain resemblance to God; who are permeated by the understanding that selfish actions are the source of all human sufferings, and that we prepare our fate after death during our life on earth according to the laws of Karma; who are convinced of the truth of Manu's saying: "Only he who has understood the holy doctrine of sanctity of the God Organs is truly liberated and free from all sins."

Accordingly the Gnostic-Catholic Church is seeking a world-wide community of truly free people, of people liberated from original sin, free from sexual sin.

The gnostics recognize that humanity's "resemblance to God" consists in the fact that they are able to grasp and understand the divinity of the earthly act of procreation as a parallel of the divine act of original creation, by which they are distinguished from the animals. And in this sense, according to gnostic teaching, is to be understood this passage of the Bible: And God created man in His image, in His image created He them.

Therefore the act of love consummated under the control of the will of God is a sacramental act, a "Mystic Marriage with God", a communion, a union of self with God. The Holy Mass is a ceremonial, symbolical representation of a mystic union of man and God, a communion of man with God through the sacrament of the Mass.

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The Gnostic Catholic Church (Église Catholique Gnostique Universelle) pursues the aim of re-establishing the pure original Christianity, of making known to their adherents the unfalsified glad tiding of the true Christos, and of unveiling to some the secret holy miracle of the sacrament of the Eucharist. The Gnostic Catholic Church does not fight any of the other churches or religions. It respects every honest conviction. But it demands the same tolerance from adherants of the other churches and religions.

The Gnostic Catholic Religion is equally open to all. It knows of no difference of race, nation or class.

Conditions of admittance are adapted to each candidate's situation.

There are representatives in all parts of the earth.

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