

"The secret book of antique initiation was not unknown to Homer, who outlines its plan and chief figures on the shield of Achilles, with minute precision."

Eliphas Levi, *Le Grand Arcane*

"The wisdom that flourished in ancient Mexico is the same as in Egypt; it is the same as in millenary India, the sacred land of the Vedas; it is the same as in Samothrace, Troy, Rome, Carthage..."

Samael Aun Weor, *Lecture*

"If we have the Gnosis of the great ancient mysteries, it is because some very holy people thanks to their doctrinary loyalty did manage to approach the revealing dynamism of the being."

Samael Aun Weor, *La Doctrina Secreta de Anahuaac*

"Really, 'civilisation' is the culture of the being, the achievements of the being. When science, philosophy, art, and mysticism, are intelligently combined, civilisation appears."

Samael Aun Weor, *lecture*

AGEAC (Gnostic Association of Anthropological, Cultural and Scientific Studies) is a not-for-profit society of friends that organises cultural activities worldwide. Its members are united by an interest in disseminating the eternal, universal principles of ancient knowledge that are as valid today as they might have been 4,000 years ago. Samael Aun Weor (1917-1977) founded a Gnostic association with the purpose of studying and making widely available the initiatic knowledge that used to be reserved to an elite.

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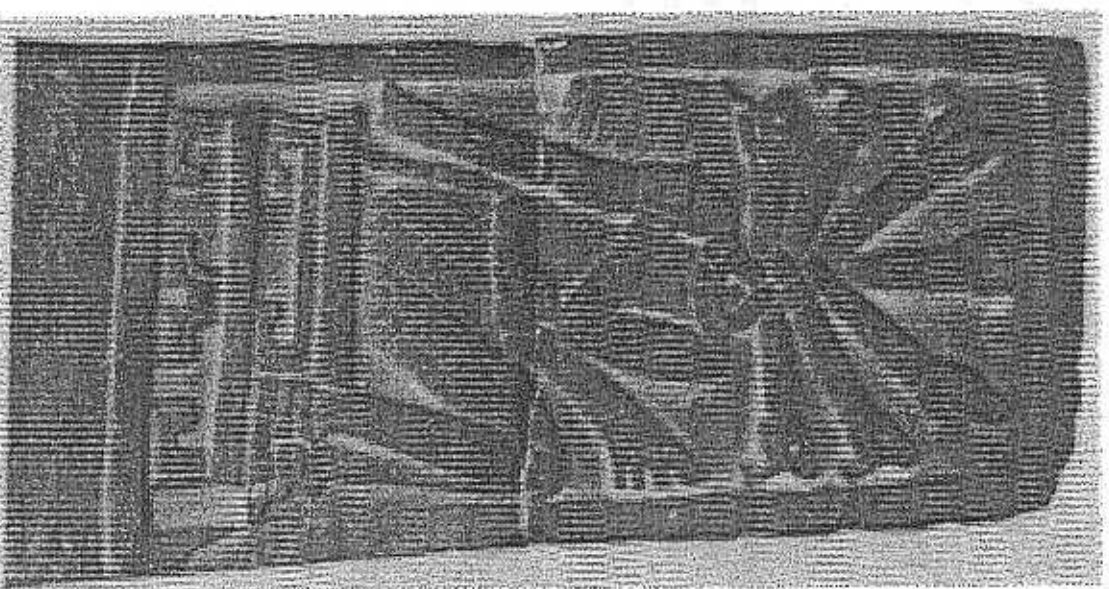


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ancient wisdom for today



Lecture 10th September 2003 6.30 pm Committee Room, 2nd Floor, Manchester Central Library, St Peter's Square, M2 5PD

The Four Pillars of Wisdom

Gnosis, the universal Gnostic wisdom, is a golden thread running through the art, philosophy, science and religion of the great civilizations of ancient. Could their insights be useful to us now?

No charge - All welcome

This lecture will provide an introduction to Gnosis and an opportunity of progressing on to the courses run by AGEAC, which are not-for-profit and include topics such as:

Spiritual culture of ancient civilisations:

What did the ancient know which we have forgotten? If their wisdom remains occult in esoteric symbols, how can it be accessed?

Avatars, prophets, ascended masters, saints, initiates:

All ranks of enlightened people have taught mankind humanity through the ages. Is there an identical process they all had to go through?

Astral unfoldment:

What is conscious astral projection? Who can do it and how? Is it natural?

Energy levels:

In a person there is a lot that remains unknown by modern scientific knowledge. How can one directly conduct those different energies?

Consciousness and individual identity:

What are we? Who is "I"? To what extent are we aware of ourselves?

The inner world:

One's intent, thoughts, emotions, and feelings are often too subtle to be conveyed. Yet these make up our lives. Is there a wisdom that can help us with those aspects so important for happiness?

Dreams:

Are dreams to inspire or delude? What can we learn from our dreams? Can we train ourselves to have useful dreams?

The meaning of life:

Life is precious, but why? What is the value of being? Is there a higher purpose to existence?

Destiny:

Are we in control of our lives? Is karma inescapable? Can we learn to manage our credit and debit to the universe?

The courses give background esoteric information, but their orientation is definitely practical. It is intended that those who follow the sequence of courses through will on completion have learned how to develop their awareness, relaxation, concentration, meditation, and other skills.

If you would have liked to attend the lecture but could not possibly make it, please send us an email so that we can inform you if more lectures are organised in the future.

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