

Last nite while munching on a piece of cold chicken, I began to ponder the ten commandments of the Hebrews & to wonder how closely they corresponded to the Tree of Life. Wonder of wonders, they seemed to fit perfectly, & in a way which shows some esoteric understanding of sex as well. I shall put my thoughts down here so they are not lost.

1. I am the lord thy god; thou shalt have no other gods before me. Admonishment that Kether is the godhead, not

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Chokmah as the jews would have it, nor Tiphareth as the Jesus-freaks preach.

2. Take not the name of the lord thy god in vain.

Chokmah is force. Taking the name of god is invokation; ie force.

3. Remember thou keep holy the day of the lord. Traditionally the sabbath was saturday (saturn's day).

Marking time is also saturnian, ie Binah.

4. Honor thy father & thy mother; thy sister & thy brother; and all those in authority over thee. Obviously Jupiter & Gedullah.

5. Thou shalt not kill. Gebburah without question.

6. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Here is where things get a bit esoteric. Normally I would have thought that sex would be linked to Netzach (the protestants have renumbered the commandments to reflect this), but the implication is clear — the religious use of sex (ie the secret of the Rose & Cross) should not be abused. It is not a rule about women as chattel or even an exhortation to monagamy, but a warning to those who would abuse the mysteries.

7. Thou shalt not steal..Netzach is desire. Stealing is the logical outgrowth of desire.

8. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. Oaths, bearing witness, legalities are all a part of Hod.

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9. Covet not thy neighbor's wife. Similar to #7, but not acted upon. More lunar in nature. Conducive to astral happenings such as incubi &/or succubi.

10. Covet not thy neighbors goods. The malkuthian aspect of #9. Desire of wealth, but not grounded in striving, only ~~wasted energy~~ energy wasted through jealousy.