

# EMERALD TABLET VII:

## The Seven Lords



Hark ye, O man, and list to my Voice. Open thy mind-space and drink of my wisdom. Dark is the pathway of *Life* that ye travel. Many the pitfalls that lie in thy way. Seek ye ever to gain greater wisdom. Attain and it shall be light on thy way.

Open thy *Soul*, O man, to the *Cosmic* and let it flow in as one with thy *Soul*. *Light* is eternal and darkness is fleeting. Seek ye ever, O man, for the *Light*. Know ye that ever as *Light* fills thy being, darkness for thee shall soon disappear.

Open thy soul to the *Brothers of Brightness*. Let them enter and fill thee with *Light*. Lift up thine eyes to the *Light of the Cosmos*. Keep thou ever thy face to the goal. Only by gaining the light of all wisdom, art thou one with the *Infinite* goal. Seek ye ever the *Oneness* eternal. Seek ye ever the *Light* of

the goal.

*Light* is infinite and *Light* is finite, separate only by darkness in man. Seek ye to rend the Veil of the Darkness. Bring thou together the *Light* into *One*.

Hear ye, O man, list to my *Voice* singing the song of *Light* and of *Life*. Throughout all space, *Light* is prevalent, encompassing *ALL* with its banners of flame. Seek ye forever in the *Veil of the Darkness*, somewhere ye shall surely find *Light*. Hidden and buried, lost to man's knowledge, deep in the finite the Infinite exists. Lost, but existing, flowing through all things, living in *ALL* is the *Infinite Brain*.

In all space, there is only *One* wisdom. Though seeming divided, it is *One* in the *One*. All that exists comes forth from the *Light*, and the *Light* comes forth from the *ALL*.

Everything created is based upon *Order*. *Law* rules the space where the *Infinite* dwells. Forth from equilibrium came the great cycles, moving in harmony toward *Infinity's* end.

Know ye, O man, that far in the space-time, *Infinity* itself shall pass into change. Here ye and list to the *Voice of Wisdom*: Know that *ALL* is of *ALL* evermore. Know that through time thou may pursue wisdom and find ever more light on the way. Aye, thou shalt find that ever receding, thy goal shall elude thee from day unto day.

Long time ago, in the *Halls of Amenti*, I, *Thoth*, stood before the *Lords* of the cycles. Mighty, *They* in their aspects of power; mighty, *They* in the wisdom unveiled.

Led by the *Dweller*, first did I see them. But afterwards free was I of their presence, free to enter their conclave at will. Oft did I journey down the dark pathway unto the *Hall* where the *Light* ever glows.

Learned I of the *Masters* of cycles, wisdom brought from the cycles above us, knowledge brought from *Infinity's All*. Many the questions I asked of the *Lords* of the cycles. Great was the wisdom they gave unto me. Now unto thee I give of this wisdom, drawn from the flame of *Infinity's* fire.

Deep in the *Dark Halls* sit the *Seven*, units of consciousness from cycles above. Manifest *They* in this cycle as guide of man to the knowledge of *All*. Seven are they, mighty in power, speaking these words through me to men. Time after time, stood I before them listening to words that came not with sound.

Once said *They* unto me: "*O man, wouldst thou gain wisdom? Seek for it in the heart of the flame. Wouldst thou gain knowledge of power? Seek ye it in the heart of the flame. Wouldst be one with the heart of the flame? Seek then within thine own hidden flame.*"

Many the times spoke *They* to me, teaching me wisdom not of the world; showing me ever new paths to brightness; teaching me wisdom brought from above. Giving knowledge of operation, learning of *Law*, the order of *ALL*.

Spoke to me again, the *Seven*, saying: "*From far beyond time are We come, O man. Traveled We from beyond the Space-Time, aye, from the place of Infinity's end. When ye and all of thy brethren were formless, formed forth were We from the order of ALL. Not as men are We though once We, too, were as men. Out of the Great Void were We formed forth in order and by Law. For know ye that that which is formed truly is formless, having form only to thine eyes.*"

And again, unto me spoke the *Seven*, saying: "*Child of the Light, O Thoth, art thou, free to travel the bright path upward until at the last All Ones become One.*

*Forth were We formed after our order: Three, Four, Five and Six, Seven, Eight—Nine. Know ye that these are the number of cycles that We descend from unto man. Each having here a duty to fulfill; each having here a force to control. Yet are We, One, with the Soul of our cycle. Yet are We, too, seeking a goal. Far beyond man's conception, Infinity extends into a greater than All. There, in a time that is yet not a time, we shall*

*ALL become ONE with a greater than ALL. Time and space are moving in circles. Know ye their law, and ye, too, shall be free. Aye, free shall ye be to move through the cycles—pass the guardians that dwell at the door."*

Then to me spoke *He of Nine*, saying: "*Aeons and aeons have I existed, knowing not Life, and tasting not death. For know ye, O man, that far in the future, life and death shall be one with the All. Each so perfected by balancing the other that neither exists in the Oneness of All. In men of this cycle, the life force is rampant, but life in its growth becomes one with the All. Here, I manifest in this your cycle, but yet am I there in your future of time. Yet to me, time exists not, for in my world time exists not, for formless are We. Life have We not but yet have existence, fuller and greater and freer than thee. Man is a flame bound to a mountain, but We in our cycle shall ever be free. Know ye, O man, that when ye have progressed into the cycles that lengthen above, life itself will pass to the darkness and only the essence of Soul shall remain."*

Then to me spoke the *Lord of the Eight* saying: "*All that ye know is but part of little. Not as yet have ye touched on the Great. Far out in space where Light reigns supreme, came I into the Light. Formed was I also but not as ye are.*

*Body of Light was my formless form formed. Know I not Life and know I not Death, yet master am I of all that exists. Seek ye to find the path through the barriers. Travel the road that leads to the Light."*

Spoke again to me the *Nine* saying: "*Seek ye to find the path to beyond. Not impossible is it to grow to a consciousness above. For when Two have become One and One has become the All, know ye the barrier has lifted, and ye are made free of the road. Grow thou from form to the formless. Free may thou be of the road."*

Thus, through ages I listened, learning the way to the *All*. Now lift I my thought to the *All-Thing*. List ye and hear when it calls.

"*O Light, all pervading, One with All and All with One, flow thou to me through the channel. Enter thou so that I may be free. Make me One with the All-Soul, shining from the blackness of night. Free let me be of all space-time, free from the Veil of the night. I, a child of the Light, command: Free from the darkness to be."*

Formless am I to the *Light-Soul*, formless yet shining with *Light*. Know I the bonds of the darkness must shatter and fall before light.

Now give I this wisdom. Free may ye be, O man, living in light and in brightness. Turn not thy face from the *Light*. Thy soul dwells in realms of brightness. Ye are a child of the *Light*.

Turn thy thoughts inward not outward. Find thou the *Light-Soul* within. Know that thou are the *Master*. All else is brought from within. Grow thou to realms of brightness. Hold thou thy thought on the *Light*. Know thou are one with the *Cosmos*, a flame and a *Child of the Light*.

Now to thee give I warning: Let not thy thought turn away. Know that the brightness flows through thy body for aye. Turn not to the *Dark-Brightness* that comes from the *Brothers of Black*. But keep thine eyes ever lifted, thy soul in tune with the *Light*.

Take ye this wisdom and heed it. List to my *Voice* and obey. Follow the pathway to brightness, and thou shalt be *One* with the way.

