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This book gives a complete outline of the Western Wisdom Teaching as far as it may be made public at the present time. It contains a comprehensive outline of the evolutionary processes of man and the universe, correlating science with religion. Max Heindel, the author, received this Teaching personally from the Rosicrucian Brotherhood. It is their latest communication.

Part I is a treatise on the Visible and the Invisible Worlds, Man and the Method of Evolution, Rebirth and the Law of Cause and Effect.

Part II takes up the scheme of Evolution in general and the Evolution of the Solar System and the Earth in particular.

Part III treats of Christ and His Mission, Future Development of Man and Initiation, Esoteric Training and a Safe Method of Acquiring Firsthand Knowledge.

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Marco A. says

One needs to read it with the mind of 'a little child', unfettered by preconceived opinions and not imbued with an overwhelming sense of superior knowledge: being not an infallible exposition nor the last word on the subject, The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception (1st ed. 1909) is also not dogmatic, neither does it appeal to any other authority than the reason of the student. The Rosicrucian Brotherhood has the most far-reaching, the most logical conception of the World-Mystery of which the writer has gained any knowledge during the many years he has devoted exclusively to the study of this subject.

Online reading at TRF, <http://www.rosicrucian.com/rcc/rcceng...>

Online 1911 edition (various formats) at the IA, <http://archive.org/details/rosicrucia...>

AirWind says

I have read this book (paperback version) several times even before finishing HP Blavatsky's Secret Doctrine (SD). Obviously, Max Heindel is the better writer but it's a relief that his ideas remained loyal to that of the SD; as a matter of fact it made my reading of the SD easier. As what other writers said, Heindel was in fact a student of Rudolf Steiner, who was also a student of HPB. But Heindel claimed he got this knowledge from the inner Rosicrucian brotherhood. For me, it doesn't really matter so long as the teaching was not distorted in the process for no one person or group has monopoly over Truth. Even Blavatsky herself never claimed that the SD was her idea. She just compiled and written down the ageless wisdom or gnosis transmitted down the ages, for use of the modern world.

Very evident in the Rosicrucian Cosmo-conception (RCC) is the difference in writing approach from the SD. Aside from being well organized and readable, Heindel wrote authoritatively and speaking as if he was observing the events as they happened before his eyes, ie. the evolution of the planets and planes of nature. He claimed, in fact, that it was a product of clairvoyant research with the aid of the invisible Elder brothers of the Rosicrucian order. Whether valid or not, it was efficient as he was able to condense the 2 volumes of SD- both the Cosmogogenesis and Anthropogenesis into a total of 10 chapters! But the other chapters delved into the occult constitution of man, occult analysis of the Bible, and tips for hastening one's (soul) evolution, for a total of 19 chapters in all. HPB's approach, which made it very lengthy, was to compare every postulate or assumption she made to existing world scriptures, myths or literatures during her time to validate her point.

I particularly love his chapters on the scheme of evolution, and the path of evolution. The charts were amazing and easy to understand. The chapter on the earth evolution outlining the various root races were interesting read. He added allegories in world myths on the rise and fall of these civilizations. It's more of like the star wars series, really! Whether true or not, we can never validate it because no historical documentation can be gathered prior to the emergence of the Aryan race. Only in the realm of world myths and legends can it be discovered. (You can also read my thoughts on the SD about the controversy surrounding the Aryan race or the Teutonic-Anglo-Saxon and other root races: my thoughts on The Secret Doctrine).

It is just funny that some new agey people these days take so much pride in being "reincarnates" of Atlanteans or even Lemurians. In fact, the 4th root race comprising of the Atlanteans were very much backward than our present one (they were so emotionally focused that they got so drunk with power and would want to destroy each other...but the great flood got them first!); thus the reason why humanity as a whole moved forward to incarnate into the present 5th. root race. While as published in many books, the Atlanteans had superior technology than what we have at present, their so called technological "advancement" were only gifted to them, by super-humans coming from other evolutions. Atlanteans didn't have the capacity to think as their mental substances were not yet fully active at that time. Their highest attainment was the use of the astral or emotional nature.

The present 5th root race, while not yet comparable with their technology, has the capacity to use their minds and brains to come up with original inventions and technologies. Our best inventors and luminaries in science used their minds to come up with their original ideas; Atlanteans didn't, except for the gifts. And many of their technologies were said to be only stolen from the super-humans that visited the planet.

Those who would want to read from the original source, HPB' Secret Doctrine may want to try:

The Secret Doctrine, Vol 1 and 2 by Helena Blavatsky

If you are new into esoteric philosophy or occultism and would want something 'lighter' to start with, try:

Cosmos In Man by Torkom Saraydarian

Pythagorean says

Strange book that had a profound impact on my life.

Ritana says

Still reading it

Seraphim Veluvian says

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