

Infernal Union

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Magick, like Alchemy is all about the Union of Opposites. The LHP seems especially true to this view of the nature of magick. The general method of the masses in establishing their place and role in this world is to categorize, segregate, and divide according to pre-conceived ideas of 'self', only to be re-immersed in the vast ocean of energy they originated from. While the divisionary behaviour resulting from this deep psychological mind-set is one cause of a lot of much weakness in society, it also has problems theoretically. The polarities of any single being can only be recognized fully in conjunction to their opposite. The simplest example perhaps being that of light and darkness. Just as the normal path of being fails, in the magickal viewpoint, so it's opposite succeeds. By uniting all opposites, the true essence of self, or the True Will is discovered and the best possible place for the individual is found and developed. In the end, separation by virtue of a person having had become a complete being, dissolution is not a threat to a continued existence. Something more lasting has been found worthy of the process of crystallization.

On the Luciferian path we work with darkness instead of banishing it from our consciousness. One might ask whether there are polarities that can be discerned apart from the obvious, that of darkness with light. The answer is found in the essences of the Witch-King and Queen, Samael and Lilith. Their sexual union produced the original spawn of demons and succubi. Their continued union through us produces or brings to our awareness, the timeless treasures of knowledge and strength hidden only by our previously ignorant minds.

Samael is according to legend, the fallen angel taught by Belial. He is also known as Asmodeus or Ashmodei, the Yezidi archangel Ashamdon, and is the solar aspect of Ahriman it seems, whose other name is Ashmedai. He is the Male Serpent who possessed Adam in the Garden of Eden in order to copulate with Eve. In the Christian Apocalypse, and in Thelema, he is the Beast and the mate of Babalon. In the Kabbala, Samael is the Prince of the Qlippoth, the Inverse side of the Tree of Life and mate of Lilith the Queen of the Qlippoth (Lilith and Babalon being the same). He is the Infernal Sun(Night and Fire) and She is the Moon. Samael is the source of all demonic energy. His title Samael the Black refers to his sinister nature and is connected to the sinister nature of nature itself. Though it would be a mystery to some, he like Shaitan is so intimately involved in nature, that the manifestation of his creative will, his essence, is that of both creation and destruction; the Sun, of Fire and Force. These qualities are eluded to by the number that Samael shares in common with both Pan and Baphomet, 131. The references to sex and death in Liber OZ refers to this very

essence, OZ as it is called .His gift is that of wisdom and knowledge of the Earth (said by Kenneth Grant to be the Reverse Hierophant in this regard).

In our practice, Samael is the King of Witchblood, the guardian of the gateway which is access to all other fallen angels and Watchers. He is the Sub-prince or Shadow and Fire of Lucifer in the East being Air.

Lilith is in Jewish folklore, the first Eve or wife of Adam. She refused Adams' advances and attempts to subvert her power, independence and inherent equality. She would not lay beneath him in sexual congress by instead called upon the secret names of "God" and fled to the caves in the shores of the Red Sea where she mated with demons and spawned the Lilim or Lilitu, the succubi or sexual vampires.[It has also been said that Lilith, Adams' first wife was the astral image of his desire...(which apparently was more than he expected)(pg.270)]. The Lilim were widely feared by the Jews, patriarchic or not. Mirrors were considered to be a possible point of access to the darkness of the place where Lilith resides (apart from this occult reference, a very feminist point may be taken from this itself as young girls were warned against using mirrors too much and falling into Liliths' "trap"). Charms were created to protect against the threat of succubus attacks (Lilith is in the Qlippothic sphere, "Lust") and infants from being killed by Lilith or her children.

Her earlier origins are somewhat vague though she appears to have always been related somewhat to being a goddess/spirit of the night/air whether in Sumerian/Assyrian/Babylonian or Cainanite mythology.

Lilith is the Queen of Demons and the wife of Samael, from whom came the succubi. She is the Infernal Moon and Queen of the Infernal Sabbat. She does have a "lighter" side as well, that of being a protectress to mothers and children. Her nature is that of feminine fertility, seduction ,the cycles of the Moon, and perhaps one of the reasons she is considered "evil" being her ability to seduce, to take what she wishes, and disregard those who displease her. She is feminine strength and individualized focus. As Samael is considered, according to gender, to be the Daemon of Wizards and Warlocks, Lilith is the Patroness and Queen of Witches. Through Lesser Black Magick as well as Dream Magick (Dayside and Nightside respectively) allows them to seduce and command their wills. Her various aspects include Az (related to Death,Blood and Darkness),that of Lilith as the Goddess of the Earth, Lilith –Hecate(or Lucifera) as Air or the Bride of Lucifer, and of Babalon(also Sekhet or Sekhmet) who is Fire, Death, Blood, Passion and Life. Lilith has an angelic aspect as well as a bestial one. She was depicted by the Hebrews as a beautiful woman from the waist up, but from the waist down covered in animal- hair or flame, and with birds' feet. Her animal is the Screech Owl and the connections to various other names (masks) by which she has been called throughout history may be traced by the owl representation of the nature of these goddesses. Finally, she is the Queen Mother of Vampires, which is entirely in keeping with all the above references to

her. She was in this aspect in the tale of the Egyptian Sekmet, the blood-drinking goddess of the south (and may be related to Seker in this aspect).

Lilith is the Female serpent who latched onto Eves' brain centre in her union with Samael who possessed Adam. Their Union produced the first-born (or in some mythologies, the dark twin) male, Cain who through adversity was taught knowledge and wisdom by his True spiritual parents who he came into communion with. He became the Eternal Father of and the first in the Circle of Witchblood. Throughout history he has guided those who truly seek the flame of Luciferian becoming. Because he is the perfect union of both the Sun and Moon, he is therefore Baphomet. It is the sexual-magickal union of demonic opposites that is ritually re-enacted in the Rite of Infernal Union that we may become more fully developed as Baphomet and according to our own individual Wills.

The union of Samael and Lilith is made possible according to the Zohar by the presence of Tanin'ver or the Blind Serpent, Leviathan, who represents by its' nature the violence and chaos of the vast oceans of the unconscious, the depths of the mind touched upon in sexual union. Leviathan like the endless ocean is the immortal essence which joins the Sun and Moon in establishing the eternal perfection of the union and balance of both in the individual, the "Magickal Child" of this congress.

A poignant point of this union is the fact that Samael is the Daemon of Lust who resides within each individual, the Darkside from which all desire, positive or negative manifests. The creation-source of each individual from birth, to the manifestation of ones' Will. This focus is called OZ, referred to before. Lilith represents this force in a similar way but perhaps related more to the carrying out or individual "acting-up" of this deep desire of Will (the outward reception of an inner Will of manifestation). Both are the sources of entry into the ecstasies of the Infernal Sabbat. As well, Samael is the Earth and Lilith the Spirit. Lilith is the Mother of Abortions, and Samael is one of the original 'Abortions' or Nephilim, both "fallen from grace".

In practice, the uniting of the Infernal Feminine and Masculine within the self can be developed by exploring exactly why we perceive ourselves in certain ways, breaking down all gender stereotypes we may have been subconsciously programmed with, and finding our true sexual nature, the essence of our energy. As mentioned before, a study of Liber Oz is helpful as is experiments in temporarily adopting different mind-states/"identities" for the purpose of this exploration. I am in the process of creating the Mask of Lilith from Michael W. Ford's "Luciferian Sorcery" for meditation for this purpose. Meditation beyond and apart from intellectualization, as to what an individuals' sexual nature is, is a necessary part of this process.

The Ritual of Infernal Union found in "Yatuk Dinoih" (Michael W. Ford, 2002) is the actual solitary rite used in the TOPH to magickally join the opposite sexual polarities within the self. I performed this rite on Dec.31, 2003. Sometime before the ritual itself, I did a Tarot reading relating to my ongoing communion with my HGA. The results pointed very specifically to this ritual which I was about to perform, as my next step in finding My True Will. I had painted the Sigil of Infernal Union to my satisfaction and placed this over my usual Pantacle on my altar. I created a simple sigil for Lilith and set up my circle with red and black candles for the infernal aspects of these powers. In the North, I set up my painting of Babalon on the Seven-headed Beast with related sigils. I showered and put on "Nefilim-Zoon. Shut off at 11:15, banished, cast circle but without calling the Enochian angels. I started the ritual by my Declaration of Intent and followed this by a simple acceptance of my pure intention and use of intense imagination throughout. Manibus plenis, and a drop of blood on the Lilith sigil. Banished, dismissed. Put Cross of Malkuth in blood/semen over the third eye of Baphomet on the Sigil of Infernal Union. Went to bed though I didn't dream anything meaningful related to the ritual that I could remember upon awakening. The next night finished reading "The Compleat Vampyre". Several things became apparent to me, one of which was the type of vampire I found most meaningful to me, its' nature deeply related to other things in my own nature. As was mentioned before, Samael is the deep desire related to our True Will. I suddenly realized my deep sexual desire and how the incubus relates to this. Also in relation to accepted cultural norms of sexuality and the incubus in relation to The Law. I suddenly realized there is far more to my life. I realized the obvious connection to Lilith with whom I still hold a deep attraction in every way. With this new knowledge I perceived life from a different viewpoint, with more energy and intimate interest in all of life. I felt younger again with a different sense of self and balance. As to the sinister nature of Samael, I must say I had a quite unsettling thought cross my mind for a moment, I believe brought about by a new realization of my place of being on the edge of accepted standards, more antinomian in nature than what I had accepted before. I was cutting an apple and thought if I saved apple seeds and ground them up, they could be used to poison someone if I needed to. I immediately realized the criminal nature of this, and the need for control from now on. But it was the apparently external nature of the thought that bothered me (though it probably wasn't). The end result of these things was that I now have a better sense of "evil" in the LHP perspective and my potential for a more active involvement in life.

The results of this rite of sexual alchemy are in perfect accord to the purpose of the rite and the essence of the forces involved. To those who truly seek, Lilith and Samael will join in true union through the unconsciousness that is Leviathan. Through these serpent forces of darkness, Baphomet will arise. The treasure found deep within the earth if it is searched for.