

EMERALD TABLET VI:

The Key of Magic



Hark ye, O man, to the wisdom of magic. Hark to the knowledge of powers forgotten. Long, long ago in the days of the first man, warfare began between darkness and light. Men, then as now, were filled with both darkness and light; and while in some darkness held sway, in others light filled the soul.

Aye, age old is this warfare, the eternal struggle between darkness and light. Fiercely is it fought all through the ages, using strange powers hidden to man.

Adepts have there been filled with the blackness, struggling always against the light; but others there are who, filled with brightness, have ever conquered the darkness of night. Where e'er ye may be in all ages and planes, surely ye shall know of the battle with night. Long ages ago, the *Suns of the*

Morning, descending, found the world filled with night. There in that past time began the struggle, the age old battle of darkness and *Light*.

Many in that time were so filled with darkness that only feebly flamed the light from the night.

Some there were, masters of darkness, who sought to fill all with their darkness; sought to draw others into their night. Fiercely withstood they, the masters of brightness; fiercely fought they from the darkness of night. Sought they ever to tighten the fetters, the chains that bind man to the darkness of night. Used they always the dark magic, brought into man by the power of darkness; magic that enshrouded man's soul with darkness.

Banded together in as order, *Brothers of Darkness*, they through the ages, antagonists they to the children of men. Walked they always secret and hidden, found yet not found by the children of men. Forever they walked and worked in darkness, hiding from the light in the darkness of night. Silently, secretly, use they their power, enslaving and binding the souls of men.

Unseen they come and unseen they go. Man in his ignorance calls Them from below.

Dark is the way the *Dark Brothers* travel, dark with a darkness not of the night, traveling o'er Earth they walk through man's dreams. Power have they gained from the darkness around them to call other dwellers from out of their plane in ways that are dark and unseen by man. Into man's mind-space reach the *Dark Brothers*. Around it, they close the veil of their night. There through its lifetime that soul dwells in bondage, bound by the fetters of the Veil of the night. Mighty are they in the forbidden knowledge, forbidden because it is one with the night.

Hark ye, O man, and list to my warning: be ye free from the bondage of night. Surrender not your soul to the *Brothers of Darkness*. Keep thy face ever turned toward the Light. Know ye not, O man, that your sorrow only has come through the *Veil* of the night? Aye, man, heed ye my warning: strive ever upward, turn your soul toward the Light. For well know they that those who have traveled far towards the *Sun* on their pathway of Light have great and yet greater power to bind with darkness the children of Light.

List ye, O man, to he who comes to you. But weigh in the balance if his words be of Light. For many there are who walk in *Dark Brightness* and yet are not the children of Light.

Easy it is to follow their pathway, easy to follow the path that they lead. But yes, O man, heed ye my warning: *Light* comes only to him who strives. Hard is the pathway that leads to the *Wisdom*, hard is the pathway that leads to the *Light*. Many shall ye find, the stones in your pathway; many the mountains to climb toward the *Light*. Yet know ye, O man, to him that o'ercometh, free will he be of the pathway of Light. Follow ye not the *Dark Brothers* ever. Always be ye a child of the Light. For know ye, O man, in the end *Light* must conquer and darkness and night be banished from *Light*.

Listen, O man, and heed ye this wisdom; even as darkness, so is the *Light*.

When darkness is banished and all *Veils* are rendered, out there shall flash from the darkness, the *Light*.

Even as exist among men the *Dark Brothers*, so there exists the *Brothers of Light*. Antagonists they of the *Brothers of Darkness*, seeking to free men from the night. Powers have they, mighty and potent. Knowing the Law, the planets obey. Work they ever in harmony and order, freeing the man-soul from its bondage of night. Secret and hidden, walk they also. Known not are they to the children of men. Yet know that ever they walk with thee, showing the *Way* to the children of men. Ever have *They* fought the *Dark Brothers*, conquered and conquering time without end. Yet always Light shall in the end be master, driving away the darkness of night.

Aye, man, know ye this knowing: always beside thee walk the *Children of Light*. *Masters* they of the *Sun* power, ever unseen yet the guardians of men. Open to all is their pathway, open to he who will walk in the *Light*. Free are *They* of *Dark Amenti*, free of

the *Halls* where *Life* reigns supreme. *Suns* are they and *Lords* of the morning, *Children of Light* to shine among men. Like man are they and yet are unlike. Never divided were they in the past. *One* have they been in *Oneness* eternal, throughout all space since the beginning of time. Up did they come in *Oneness* with the *All One*, up from the first-space, formed and unformed.

Given to man have they secrets that shall guard and protect him from all harm. He who would travel the path of a master, free must he be from the bondage of night. Conquer must he the formless and shapeless; conquer must he the phantom of fear. Knowing, must he gain of all the secrets, travel the pathway that leads through the darkness, yet ever before him keep the light of his goal. Obstacles great shall he meet in the pathway, yet press on to the Light of the Sun.

Hear ye, O man, the *Sun* is the symbol of the *Light* that shines at the end of thy road. Now to thee give I the secrets: how to meet the dark power, meet and conquer the fear from the night. Only by knowing can ye conquer; only by knowing can ye have *Light*.

Now I give unto thee the knowledge, known to the *Masters*; the knowing that conquers all the dark fears. Use this, the wisdom I give thee. Master thou shalt be of the *Brothers of Night*.

When unto thee there comes a feeling, drawing thee nearer to the dark gate, examine thine heart and find if the feeling thou hast has come from within. If thou shalt find the darkness thine own thoughts, banish them forth from place in thy mind. Send through thy body a wave of vibration, irregular first and regular second, repeating time after time until free. Start the *Wave Force* in thy *Brain Center*. Direct it in waves from thine head to thy foot.

But if thou findest thine heart is not darkened, be sure that a force is directed to thee. Only by knowing can thou overcome it. Only by wisdom can thou hope to be free. Knowledge brings wisdom and wisdom is power. Attain and ye shall have power o'er all.

Seek ye first a place bound with darkness. Place ye a circle around about thee. Stand erect in the midst of the circle. Use thou this formula, and thou shalt be free. Raise thou thine hands to the dark space above thee. Close thou thine eyes and draw in the Light. Call to the *Spirit of Light* through the *Space-Time*, using these words and thou shalt be free: "Fill thou my body with *Spirit of Light*. Come from the *Flower* that shines through the darkness. Come from the *Halls* where the *Seven Lords* rule. Name them by name, I, the *Seven: Three, Four, Five and Six, Seven, Eight—Nine*. By their names I call them to aid me, free me and save me from the darkness of night: *Untanas, Quertas, Chietal, and Goyana, Huertal, Semveta—Ardal*. By their names I implore thee, free me from darkness and fill me with *Light*."

Know ye, O man, that when ye have done this, ye shall be free from the fetters that bind ye, cast off the bondage of the *Brothers of Night*. See ye not that the names have the power to free by vibration the fetters that bind? Use them at need to free thou thine brother so the he, too, may come forth from the night.

Thou, O man, art thy brother's helper. Let him not lie in the bondage of night.
Now unto thee, give I my magic. Take it and dwell on the pathway of *Light*.
Light unto thee, *Life* unto thee, *Sun* may thou be on the cycle above.

