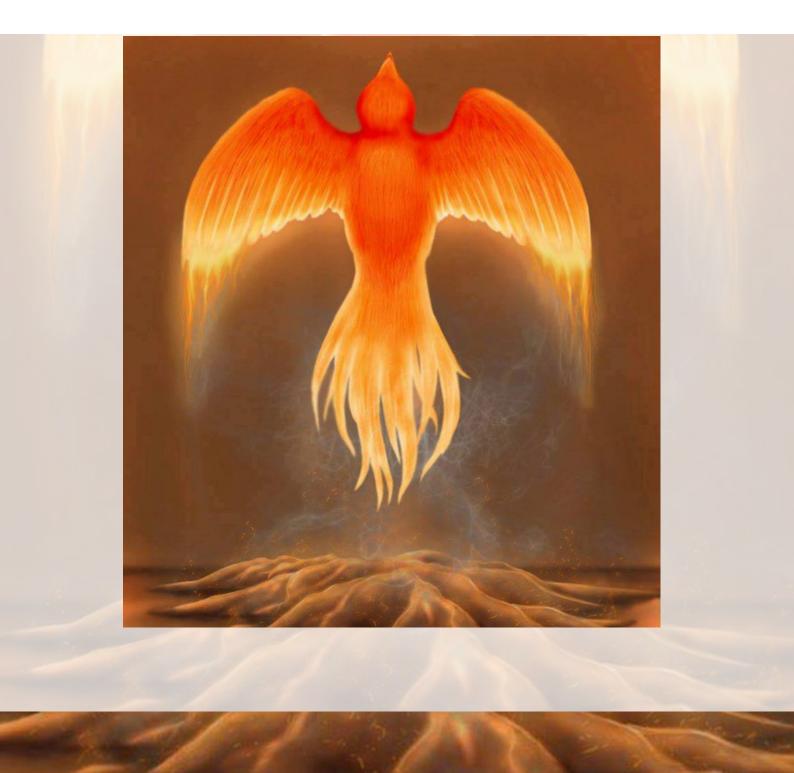


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The deepest and most basic desire in every human being is his desire for light; the light of true knowledge. It is this desire for light that elevates man above other living creatures, but which is at same time the cause that man feels existentially unhappy in the world in which lives.

Hermetic Gnosticism as taught by the School of the Golden Rosycross, encourages humanity to search for essential values. No plea for religion, but an intelligent inquiry into nature, an examination carried out with all the faculties man possesses: his heart, his mind, his reason and his intuition. An examination into the great Nature where he finds himself, and into the small nature, which is his own inner self.

Whoever investigates as to the essential nature of things frees himself from limited, crystalized thinking and learns to discover his own true greatness. Whoever does so, makes his first inner steps into the Eternal.

Why should we continue to live with an ignorant mind and blindness of the heart? Isn't it time we examined the wisdom of the head and the depth of the heart, the two greatest treasures which afford us our state of being humans?

Because, when mind and matter are referred to as being two poles of one and the same Being, are we not then spiritual beings regarding to our deepest essence? What then could be called spiritual within us and what then is linked to the spiritual essence in others?

What is the mind? And who am I really?

When I decide to take responsibility for others, for the world, for the cosmos, I approach the essence of existence in the Big Cosmos, the eternal Nature, as well as in the small world, the microcosm.