

Incarnation Trilogy.

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The First Disruption – Creative Love.

Creative Love hovers 'round the infinite Chaos,
Comes to its edge wondering, seeking, needing,
"Chaos, darkness! Dark Chaos has no love."

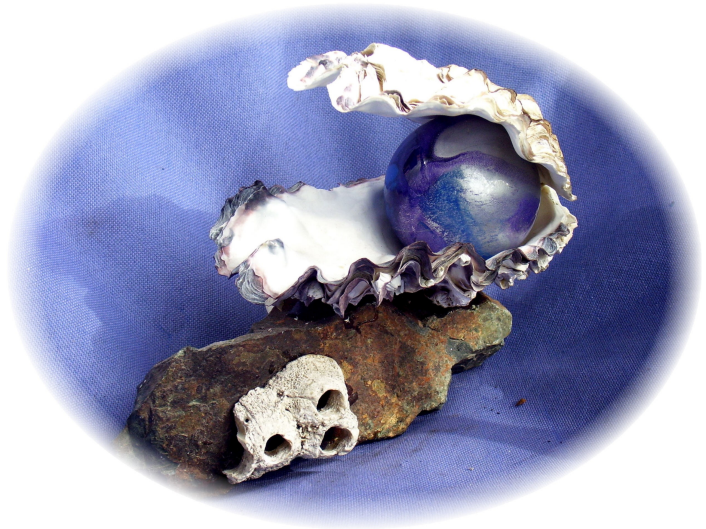
And the Word comes forth from Creative Love,
and brilliant, holy Light fills the Chaos
and the Universe - is ...
infused with Sacred Love.
It is Good!

Then, out of the Chaos, by that same Word,
spinning, swinging, flashing -
stars, black holes, planets, and novas,
whirling suns and moons and asteroids -
time and energy and matter - are ...
all infused with Sacred Love.
It is Good!

And on one and millions of other orbs
atoms and molecules combine
and green and purple and red moving things appear,
grow, reproduce and have their being
all infused with that Sacred Love.
And that too is Good!

And it is told that on one jewel shining
green and blue in that which was the Infinite Chaos,
Creative Love bends down and gathers dust
and fills it with its Breath and Light -
holy and pure
and forms humanity.
And it is good.

And filled with the Breath of the Creative Love,
they who are dust stand wondering,
gaping at the awesome,
dazzling beauty of the world,
stars and sun and moon,
water, rocks and birds and fish, trees,
monsters and crawling things -
all infused with Sacred and Creative Love.
And it is all so Good!



2. *The Second Disruption - the Word made Flesh Anew.*

So what is this new intrusion
into the middle of our history,
when Creative Light and Love
at the heart of all that is, seems so diffused?
What is this disruption at the beginning
of what now is called "The Common Era?"

What is too "common" about our era -
it seems to me,
is that the fighting continues as it always has,
and rudeness, greed and self-centeredness
appear to rule the destiny
of people, corporations, tribes and nations.
The Light that brought Creation
up from Chaos seems so dimmed -
maybe that is "common".

But what is this so exceptional disruption
of the night by the angel song,
and shepherd's rush to see a baby -
some say born of a virgin in a barn?
What is the meaning of the star and wise men
ushering in the 'Common Era'?"

There is nothing 'common' about him:
He ushers in a renewal of Creation and
laughs and dances with children,
weeps with widows,
touches lepers,
and eats and drinks with sinners.

There is nothing 'common' about him:
He is the Sacred Light
for those who know they walk in darkness;
The Sacred Salt
for those whose life has lost its savour;
The Sacred Word
for those who long to hear the words and songs of Love;
The Sacred Salve
for a cosmos needing healing;
The Sacred 'Bread of Life'
for those hungry for justice and peace,
And Sacred 'Water'
to people thirsting for hope.
He is Creative Sacred Love come home to us -
Nothing common about that.



But that uncommon fleshy Word, that earthy Love,
that dusty Light,
Also exposes the well-ordered chaos of the ones
who see themselves as "righteous",
who are the 'Keepers of the Law',
and who decode the Law of Love
into measurable rules and mandates,
by which the sinners may be judged.
And that is "common".

And these 'common' ones take
the fleshy Word
Condemn him, nail him ...
and kill him.



3. *The Third Disruption - The Word Among Us.*

They thought they'd killed him,
but it seems he's still around.
Silly people, thinking they can kill the Spirit,
the Light, the Word,
the fleshy Sacred and Creative Love
that fills the universe.

It's still around, though scarred now:
That sacred Word and Light and Love,
Infusing all at the beginning -
is still deep within all that is
and still intrudes
into our often comfortable chaos.

This scarred and sacred Word of Love
now speaks a new Creation
to and in our scarred
and broken hearts,
still infused with all that's good:

"Walk forth* you in whom the Spirit is humble,
for yours is the kingdom of heaven.

"Walk forth you who weep and mourn,
for you shall be consoled.

"Walk forth, you gentle and humble ones,
for you shall inherit the earth.

"Walk forth you who starve and thirst for
justice and righteousness,
for you shall be satisfied.

"Walk forth you compassionate ones,
for you shall receive compassion.

"Walk forth you of pure heart,
for you will see God.

"Walk forth you who are peacemakers,
for you shall be called children of God.

"Walk forth you who are persecuted for justice's
sake,
for yours is the kingdom of heaven!"

And a new way of creating is announced:
Creating peace from justice,
a way of compassion and of gentleness,
of walking with head high.

Come, Creative Spirit, come
Intrude into our common lives,
disrupt our common ways,
and give us life!



* this rendering of "Blessed ..." is based on Jean-Yves LaLoup's interpretation as found in his *The Gospel of Mary Magdalene*.