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Branch Letter-- A.

Course XIX.

Branch of Science-- Organic Alchemy.

Part I. The Ceaseless Surge of Life.

Examination Questions.

1. How numerous are the life-forms that find expression on our planet?
2. In what way does life have its parallels in light?
3. What are the plankton?
4. Of what are the pyramids of Egypt constructed?
5. In what sense are innumerable hosts of living entities already close to the earth, ready to incarnate in physical forms?
6. What is the real distance which separates things?
7. Under what conditions does an entity from the astral move in and take possession of a physical form?
8. What evidence is there that whenever the physical conditions are right, there is always an intelligence present to make itself known?
9. In what way does physical life propagate itself?
10. Explain from whence comes the intelligence which takes charge of the new plant when a cutting of a geranium is planted?
11. Why does an organism offer opportunity for the expression of an intelligence higher than the soul of a single cell?
12. Upon what depends the kind of an organism occupied by an evolving soul?
13. What determines which of several intelligences of similar basic vibratory rate will be able to move in and take charge of a fertilized seed?
14. Has the soul which takes charge of a germinating walnut ever had previous experiences in building or occupying the body of a walnut tree?
15. Does the progress of a plant or animal cease when it leaves the physical body until it again occupies another physical form?
16. What is the most obvious thing about life, and does it cease at the death of the physical?
17. How does the soul know how to direct the life-processes of an organism composed of millions of subordinate cell-intelligences?
18. Explain how the principle of assimilation and reorganization is illustrated by the individual who takes a vacation from some activity and finds when he returns to it that during the vacation he has made a marked stride in skill?
19. Explain how the business man makes use of the principle of assimilation and reorganization when he ceases to think about a problem and permits it to "stew in its own juice."
20. In what manner does this same principle of assimilation and reorganization carried out by the unconscious mind operate with the life-form which passes from the physical to the astral plane through physical death?
21. Explain how an organism operates, as directed by the soul having it in charge.
22. In what way are the workmen of an organism paid for their cooperation?
23. In what way is the boss of an organism, the soul, paid for its endeavors to direct the organism successfully?
24. Why are the physical steps by which a soul ascends the ladder of evolution rather long?
25. Does the ascending soul animate the form of any species of life more than once?



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Branch of Science-- Organic Alchemy.  
Part II. Every Life-Form Manifests a Soul.

Examination Questions.

1. Why do certain spirit mediums require that the messages they give must come from some historically important person?
2. What mental urge offers the greatest resistance to relinquishment?
3. Why does man cling to the idea that the earth is the one place of supreme importance in existence?
4. Why is it so hard for the ordinary man to realize there are other planes of existence where life functions quite as vividly as on the physical?
5. Does the Eastern notion of Nirvana or the Western notion of Heaven and Hell take into consideration that all things continue to progress?
6. How are the notions of the Law of Karma, and the notions of Heaven and Hell bound up with the demands of convention and the Church?
7. How does man's desire to seem important influence him to set himself apart from other life-forms, as being the one type of life possessing a soul?
8. What constitutes a soul?
9. Does intelligence ever express, even through an amoeba, except there is a soul?
10. What is the ego?
11. Does intelligence ever express except behind it there is an ego?
12. What are a few of the chief problems common to all life-forms?
13. In any species of life which can be observed are the opportunities or the abilities of the individuals the same?
14. Illustrate how certain birds, for instance, of the same species, undergo markedly different fortunes.
15. Illustrate how certain plants of the same species have markedly different opportunities and fortunes.
16. Illustrate how certain insects have markedly different fortunes from other insects of the same species.
17. Is this difference in fortune between one individual of a species and another individual of the same species due to some transgression of the moral code, either in this life or a past life?
18. Illustrate how chipmunks, or some other form of animal life, exhibit the basic characteristics that we observe in man.
19. In what ways is man similar to all other forms of life on the earth?
20. Do other creatures than man undergo suffering?
21. If we are to believe the sufferings of man are due to punishment by Jehovah for transgression of moral laws, to what must we logically attribute the sufferings of all other creatures?
22. If we are to believe that man's successes and joys in this life are due to his conformity in a past life to whatever moral code his tribe holds, to what must we attribute the joys and successes of creatures other than man?
23. If we believe the suffering of man in this life is due to sins committed in a previous life, to what must we attribute the suffering of creatures other than man?
24. Is man set apart from other living things, as a special creation subject to special laws?
25. Are there different dispensations for each species of life, or do all life-forms, including man, come under one uniform and universal law?



Examination Questions

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3. Why does man cling to the idea that the soul is the one place of supreme importance in existence?
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5. Does the Eastern notion of Nirvana or the Western notion of heaven and hell take into consideration that all things continue to progress?
6. How are the notions of the law of Karma and the notions of heaven and hell bound up with the bounds of conventional Christianity?
7. How does man's desire for some important influence lead him to eat himself apart from other life-forms, as being the one who is alone possessing a soul?
8. What constitutes a soul?
9. Does reincarnation ever express, even through an ameba, except there is a soul?
10. What is the ego?
11. Does reincarnation ever express except behind it there is an ego?
12. What are the chief errors common to all life-forms?
13. In any species of life-form, is there any one who is superior to the others or the inferior of the others?
14. Illustrate how certain birds, for instance, of the same species, undergo markedly different fates.
15. Illustrate how certain plants of the same species have markedly different opportunities and fates.
16. Illustrate how certain insects have markedly different fates from other insects of the same species.
17. Is this difference in fortune between one individual of a species and another individual of the same species due to both transgression of the moral code?
18. Illustrate how organisms, or some other form of animal life, exhibit the basic characteristics that we observe in man.
19. In what ways is man similar to all other forms of life on the earth?
20. Do other organisms have the same characteristics as man?
21. If we are to believe that man is a material being, we must logically attribute the following two transgressions of the moral code to him:  
a. The transgression of the moral code by which man is logically attributed the suffering of all other life-forms.  
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23. Will we believe the suffering of man in this life is due to sins committed in previous life, to sins committed in this life, or to a special creation subject to special laws?
24. Is man not apart from other living things, as a special creation subject to special laws?
25. What are the chief errors common to all life-forms, or do all life-forms have the same errors?
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Course XIX.

Branch of Science-- Organic Alchemy.  
Part III. The Universal Law of Soul Progression.

#### Examination Questions.

1. From what orthodox conception did Newton release the mind of man?
2. What must be done to release the minds of men from similar orthodox notions regarding the soul?
3. Are there special laws applicable to each chemical substance which specially governs its reactions?
4. What is Einstein's contribution to human knowledge?
5. As in all other realms of science nature is observed to operate uniformly, are we to suppose that there is no uniform and universal law governing the various intelligences in the universe?
6. Are there environments other than the earth suitable for the vivid expression of a life-form?
7. Are intelligences of other life-forms vastly different in kind from the intelligences occupying the bodies of men?
8. Indicate how, as families expanded to embrace tribes and nations, that the moral conceptions also expanded to embrace the members of these larger groups.
9. Did a Blackfoot Indian consider it immoral to do an injury to, or even to kill, an Indian of some other tribe?
10. Did the Ten Commandments of the Israelites apply with equal force to their treatment of the people who owned the land they coveted?
11. Even today is it common for men to consider that the moral code extends in full force to the peoples of some foreign and less cultured nation?
12. Did the moral code of the Pilgrim Fathers extend in full force to the Indians whose land they settled upon?
13. Illustrate that what is considered right in one locality is often considered wrong in another locality.
14. Through what process does it come to be believed by a group that its moral standards have been God-Decreed?
15. In the real sense can a thing which is right to one people be wrong to another people, or is a principle which is right for one nation also right for all nations?
16. Is it safe to accept the popular conception as to what God wants?
17. What is the best way to find out what God wants?
18. Indicate how the human conception of justice might indicate that all souls should be educated to perform the same functions, and all have similar experiences.
19. What are the things which man commonly considers when he thinks of reward and punishment?
20. What is the present view of the more advanced people as to whether or not criminals should be punished?
21. Is it likely that God has less intelligence in His conception of reward and punishment than the more progressive of our prison wardens?
22. Just what is the function in nature of pleasure and pain?
23. Why has man conceived that God meets out punishment as a matter of vengeance for disobeying His orders, and rewards with pleasure those who live according to conventional standards?
24. Instead of punishing a criminal, what should be the attitude toward him?
25. What are the four terms of the formula which expresses the universal Law of Soul Progression?



Course XIX  
Branch of Science--Organic Philosophy  
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10. Did the Ten Commandments of the Israelites apply with equal force to their treatment of the people who owned the land they coveted?
11. How long is it common for a man to live after he has been sentenced to death in all lands to the people of some foreign and less enlightened nation?
12. Did the moral code of the Egyptian Pharaoh extend in full force to the Indians whose land they settled upon?
13. Illustrate that what is considered right in one locality is often considered wrong in another locality.
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Course XIX.

Branch of Science-- Organic Alchemy.  
Part VII. Discerning God's Great Plan.

Examination Questions.

1. In what way is an atom built on the plan of a solar system, and a solar system on the plan of a galaxy?
2. In what way does astrology prove the correspondences between the movements of the heavenly bodies and the movements of mental factors within the finer body of man?
3. In what way do single cells correspond to organs and those to groups of people in human society?
4. How do bands of angels correspond somewhat in their behavior to the behavior of certain organs?
5. Upon what broad principle does the cosmos function?
6. How do orders given by suggestion reach and influence the activities of certain cells in the human body?
7. In a similar manner how can man learn what the guiding intelligence of the universe wishes him to do?
8. Do blood cells within the blood stream of a watchmaker know anything about what he is trying to accomplish?
9. Can man on earth be expected to know anything about the ultimate purpose of the cosmos?
10. While we cannot know the details of how certain work on higher planes is performed, what can we know about it?
11. How do dominant ideas tend to warp man's perceptions of what God wants him to do?
12. Why is it inadvisable to place undue confidence solely in what we apprehend by tuning in directly on the Universal Mind?
13. How do people's thoughts also tend to reach us and warp our conception of what God wants?
14. Why is it hard for most to believe that wild animals have any rights?
15. Are there any souls in the universe that do not have rights that should be given some consideration?
16. How does really benefitting any soul in the universe affect God's Great Plan?
17. What is the most accurate general conception of the cosmos and its manner of management?
18. Is any soul, so long as it is still in existence, really lost?
19. Do you think the General Manager of this organization which we call the cosmos is pleased to observe any of His workmen in sorrow and distress?
20. Do you think the General Manager of the Universal Organization, having started a new employee at running errands and educated him up to a point where he is head of some department, or at least doing some important work, then demotes him and starts him in running errands again?
21. Do you think that the General Manager of the Universal Concern seeks merely blind obedience from His employees?
22. Can those who work in the Cosmic Organization know too much about it and the way it is run?
23. Instead of being run under the plan of favoritism, under what plan is the Cosmic Organization, or any other efficient organization, run?
24. For the best type of work what should be the relation between the different types of workmen in this Cosmic Organization?
25. What can we do which will enable us best to assist in the performance of the work outlined in God's Great Plan?



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8. How do cells within the blood stream of a watermelon know anything about what he is trying to accomplish?
9. Can man on earth be expected to know anything about the ultimate purpose of the universe?
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