



8 Interfaith “Altars” at EarthStar

Our Reality is a Diamond, & we have studied the following facets of knowledge the most ... It is through this study that we have concluded that our one & only altar could just as easily be LOVE & its many manifestations ... Earth is full of loving religions/philosophies, & we have only highlighted 8 facets of God/Life which resonate the most with us ... And we have concluded that God/Creator resides in every belief system ... It is up to us to find the Love in every thought, word & action ~ BE LOVE.





#1: BUDDHISM is a philosophy of spirituality that brings logic, calm & peace to the Spirit ... We find the true nature of our being as we contemplate the Oneness of the Universe & strive to embrace the eternal cycle of life ... In allowing our peaceful natures to evolve, we search for the presence of Buddhahood, recognizing the enlightenment within all beings ... We can recognize the difficulties in life & remember that all things are impermanent ... Life is ever-changing ... We can flow with that concept, striving to enlighten ourselves as we live life every day ... Living in the "Now" is how we honor each moment of life – appreciating the magnificence in everything ... Buddhism teaches us to have a loving understanding for all people, all things, all the time . . . COMPASSION.

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#2: CHRISTIANITY provides a common ground of spirituality since most of us were influenced by a Judeo-Christian background ... As a Christian, we believe that Christ is a living being who is one of the greatest examples of love & compassion ... Christ is a Guide, Ascended Master, Teacher, Healer & Counselor ... Through following Jesus' teachings, we can choose to love one another & allow the Christ within us to be expressed in our every action ... Christ taught us to believe in our hearts, love God & our neighbor as ourselves ... The Greatest Commandment, John 15:12 - "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." ... Be the Christ within ... LOVE.



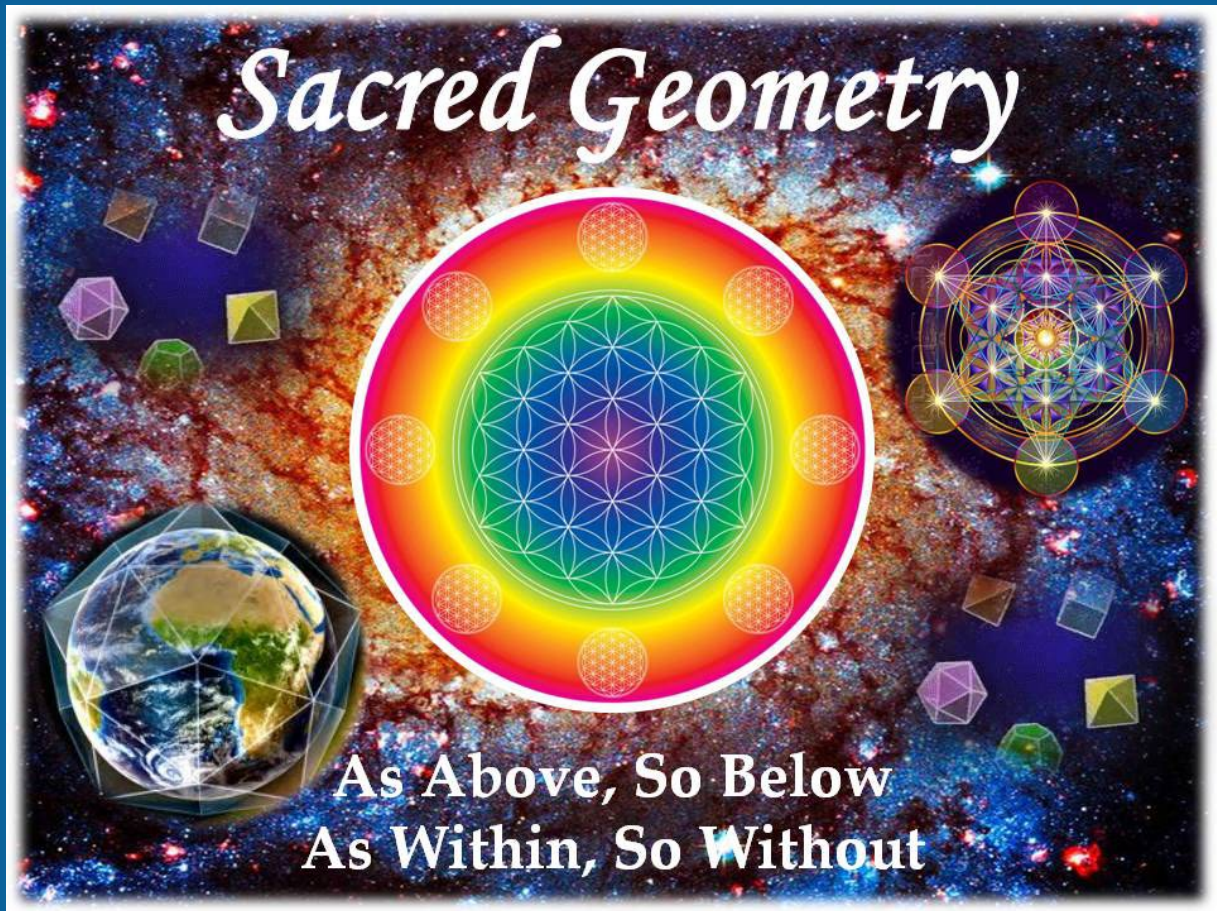
#3: GODDESS/DIVINE FEMININE calls out to all of us, for we are all born of woman ... This perspective speaks to the feminine spark within—Creation ... The caretaking, nurturing & healing aspects of our Spirit beckon to serve & nourish each & every soul upon the Earth plane ... We have only to recognize that each of us possesses this aspect of Mother Goddess ... These teachings have survived for centuries as the Goddess Energy creates life anew in minds, bodies & spirits ... It is our choice to empower ourselves with this aspect of the Great Creator, creating a new era of respect, love & relationship with our Divine Feminine Selves ... Allow your Goddess self to be expressed in everything you do with beauty, strength, wisdom & courage ... Thank the Goddess each day for She has created a beautiful world ... CREATION.



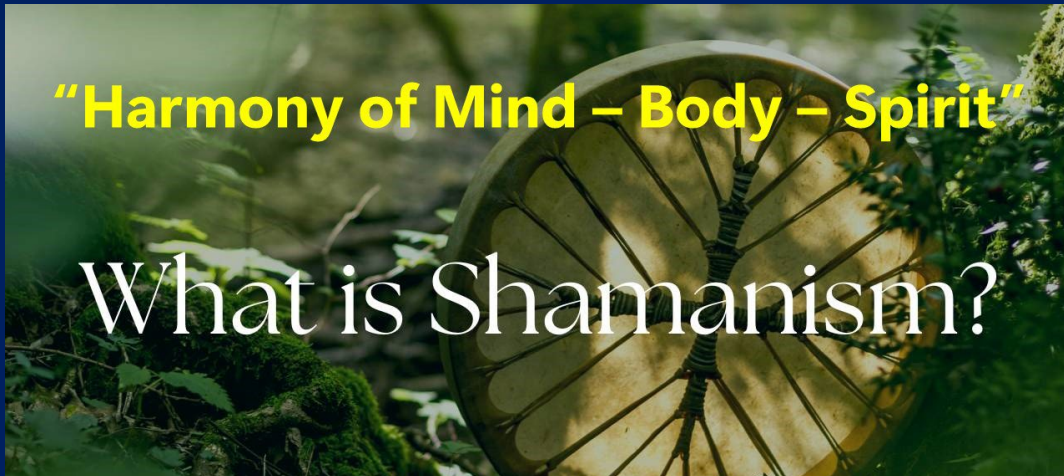
#4: MOTHER EARTH is alive ... This sacred viewpoint respects & embraces the living forces of Mother Earth: people, animals, minerals & plants ... Healing, nurturing & supporting are words to describe our Sacred Mother, similar to our physical mother ... We can have a relationship with the Elemental Archetypes of Fire, Earth, Air & Water or their elemental associates: Dragons/Salamanders—Gnomes—Faeries/Sylphs—Undines to nurture our planet ... Celtic & Druid philosophies intertwine the Goddess teachings with the magic of life & love of Mother Earth ... We honor the majestic peaks, blue oceans, deserts, fertile plains & life everywhere ... Life on Mother Gaia is willing to work with us to create heaven on earth ... We can behold the beauty & feel the love that surrounds us with every view of nature ... Nature is our teacher ... Mother Earth is Alive ... NURTURE.



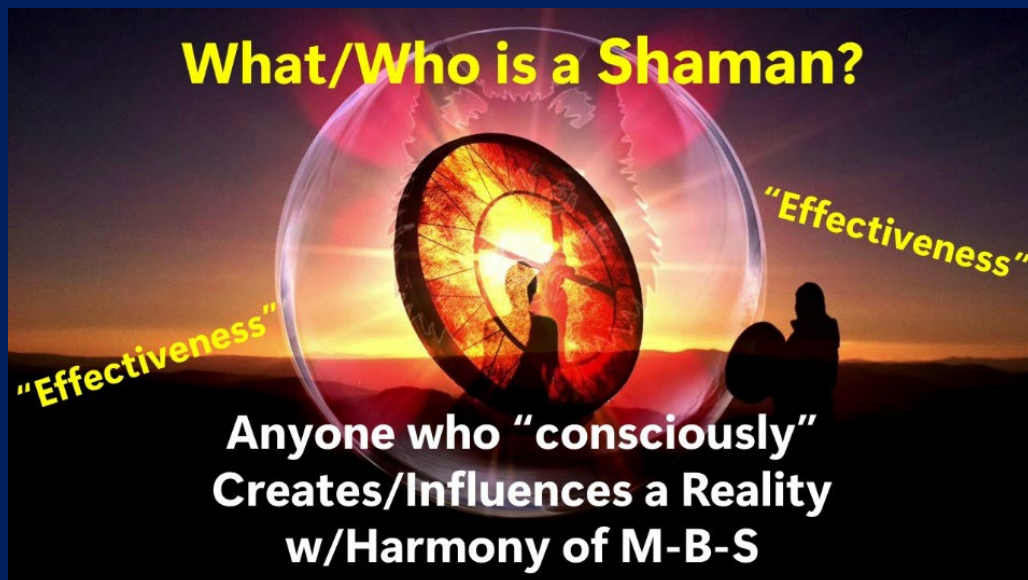
#5: NATIVE/TRIBAL (North/South American Indian, Mayan, Polynesian)
Native/Tribal cultures teach us to relate to Mother Earth as a living, breathing spirit that guides, teaches & provides for us ... Being in practice for over 10 millennia, the native/tribal teachings share the wisdom of honor, respect & thankfulness as we live within the embrace of Mother Earth ... The viewpoints of various cultures have one major theme: Connection ... We are all part of a greater family ... Through harmony & balance, we can respect the Earth & all of Her peoples as we gently walk the Full Circle of Life ... In Living the Way, we are guided by the lessons learned in the Sacred 7 directions of East, South, West, North, Above, Below & Center ... We are connected with all things, our relations in Aloha & in our hearts ... I am another you, & you are another me ... CONNECTION.



#6: SACRED GEOMETRY leads us to the zero point of Creation, the Tiny Space of the Heart ... As we embrace the Sacred Flower of Life image, we perceive the Sacred Geometry that structures our Universe, leading us always to the central point, the Heart ... Activating our Light Body or Merkaba is essential as Cosmic Shamans traveling the Universe ... Upon the Alpha-Omega/A- Ω initiation, we open our hearts to the Love of the Universe as we make a connection to the 144 Dimensions of our Universe ... A Merkaba is an interdimensional energy field/body of light ... Every galaxy, star, planet & person has a Merkaba ... When we energize our Alpha Spheres/Aloha Bubbles & chakras, we create a Rainbow Body for elevated consciousness, healing & meditation ... ASCENSION.



#7: SHAMANISM is the Harmony of Mind, Body & Spirit ... The MIND... DECIDES a pattern/thought ... The BODY REMEMBERS the pattern ... The SPIRIT INSPIRES/CREATES the pattern ... Energy or Life-Force (chi-ki-prana-mana) is given to each aspect to carry it along to the next step in creating a Reality ... Everyone is creating a Reality, happy/sad, poor/rich, etc. ... Shamans "consciously" create/influence a Reality for effective results ... The only rule in Shamanism takes a Taoist approach ~ "The only rule is there are no rules" ... only EFFECTIVENESS.





#8: TAOISM: The "Way" or Tao is all & the essence of Oneness ... The Taoist Way teaches the concept of duality, or opposites, creating a Whole ... It is in the formation of this whole that we have "Harmony" ... Everything has an opposite component, reflecting each other – Right/Wrong, Good/Bad, Male/Female, etc. ... The Yin/Yang symbol represents this Wholeness, as does the dragon & tiger, often depicted as the primordial nature of heaven & earth ... Taoism also teaches us to follow the natural rhythms of nature & to live life simply in the "Now" – as all time is in the Tao ... As we live each moment fully aware, unattached & without force, we can see the blossom opening to nature's timing ... We are a vital part of the Whole or Tao ... HARMONY.