

## The Enneagram & The Kabbalah

*Sefirot* (plural) are the manifestations of the Divine Personality, ie, the Enneagram types; *sefirah* is singular.

8 **Yesod** – it's not merely exerting and confronting. It's the righteous **Life Force** of the Divine\*; the powerful, generative energy and vitality of God, which can appear as *tsadik* ('righteous': to be anchored within God's own aliveness) when seeking to redress perceived injustices, both of others and ourselves. It's surrendering ego-driven forcefulness and vengeance so that we might be anchored in Truth and emotional genuineness and innocence that are the foundational Aliveness of God.



9 **Schechinah** – it's not merely mediating. It's the **Presence** of God; the profound, undeserved, and accepting Presence, which takes in and mediates all the perspectives and energy of the other *sefirot*. It's surrendering inertia, resistance and resignation so that we might be receptive to Divine love, guidance and right action in the engagement of the unitive Presence of God.

1 **Chochmah** – it's not merely perfectionism. It's the **Wisdom** of God; the internalized Supernal Father, *Abba*, whose wisdom encompasses the potential perfection of all the *sefirot* (types). It's surrendering resentment and anger so that we might serenely behold the flawless perfection of God's Wisdom embodied in all creation and all reality, in this exquisite moment, for all time.

2 **Binah** – it's not merely caregiving. It's the **Understanding** of the Beloved; the internalized Supernal Mother, *Ima*, whose understanding nurtures and responds according to all individuals' needs and realities, including our own. It's surrendering pride, arrogance and separation so that we might lay bare the humility and willingness to listen and hear with God's Understanding of all of the needs of all of God's creation.

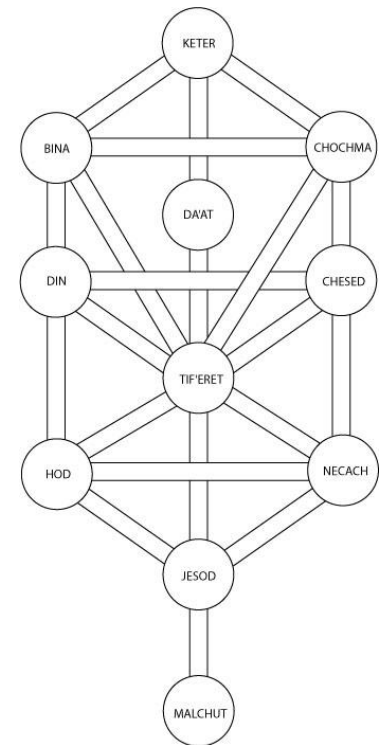
3 **Gedulah** – it's not merely achieving. It's the **Greatness** of the Divine; seeing the expansive, Divine urge for bold, radiant greatness in every single one of God's creations. It's surrendering unlovableness, unworthiness and ego created images so that, in hope and with authenticity, we might grasp the profound grandeur and Greatness of God.

4 **Tiferet** – it's not merely romanticizing. It's the **Beauty** of Spirit; the mystery, depth and yearning for completeness in our seemingly disheartened world and selves. It's surrendering envy and longing so that we might be open to spaciousness and completeness in the Beauty, wonder and awe of God and God's creations.

5 **Din** – it's not merely observing from a safe distance. It's the **Discernment** of God; the energy to enclose, categorize, and set appropriate boundaries and limits. It's surrendering scarcity and withholding so that we might release ego attachments and know the abundance and discerning perceptiveness and Judgment of the Divine.

6 **Netsach** – it's not merely loyalty and guarantees. It's the **Steadfastness** of Source; a humbling faith in God's enduring nature. It's surrendering fear and angst so that we might walk courageously with sacred connection and faith in God's unfathomableness and Life's uncertainty.

7 **Hod** – it's not merely options and venturing out there. It's the **Splendor** of the Divine; seeking the freedom and magnificence within all of Life right here, right now. It's surrendering escapist planning and unquenchable appetites so that we might embrace sobriety and fullness that are the infinite Splendor of God.



\*God, Goddess, Ground of Being, Beloved, Divine, Absolute, Spirit, Source, Godhead, by all names