

# THEOSOPHY IN CONTEXT OF DIALOGUE OF CULTURES AND OF CULTURE OF DIALOGUE

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Theosophy, analyzing it as a system of philosophical ideas about the world, that makes internal basis of all known to humanity teachings of Ageless wisdom, and is expounded in the basic books of Helena Blavatsky, is defined as Synthesis of science, religion and philosophy. It is syntheticity, as a basic feature and characteristics of this system of philosophical ideas about the world that is a basis or foundation of its dialogic ability.

The main redline of HPB's books lies in comparison of various teachings of ancient traditions, such as hermetism, hinduism, buddhism, christianity, teachings of Plato, Pythagoras and others, from the point of view of presence there of identical ideas about the universe, but which might be expressed by different terms and through different symbols and allegories. Such a comparison helps to deeper understand each of these philosophical systems separately, as well as to obtain skills of synthetic perception of all the totality of traditions as the only ageless source of cognition of Truth. Both at Blavatsky lifetime and later on there have been lots of memoirs of many prominent representatives of separate philosophical schools and religious teachings who were grateful to Blavatsky for her books which gave them an opportunity to get to know the very depths of her teaching, which is not taught in any special educational institutions.

Also a hard fact is that before the curious eye of universe secrets explorer such works of Blavatsky as "Isis Unveiled" and "Secret Doctrine" appear to be the unsurpassed specimen of science, religion and philosophy dialogue filled with huge number of references, quotations and comments.

Thus, to approach the synthesis of certain verges of culture, a careful and detailed dialogue that leans upon the confessed authorities and upon conclusions tested by centuries old practice is needed. All this occupies the greater deal of thick book volumes that came out from under Blavatsky pen. This global dialogic ability of Theosophy is not less expressively manifested in separate scientific and cognitive spheres.

Let us analyze some of its features.

1. The first example is a scientific sphere. Dialogue in the certain fields of science, as well as in the wide range of interdisciplinary studies. It is known that physical science during the last two centuries made a lot of prominent discoveries which partially were foreseen by Blavatsky in her book «Secret Doctrine». To realize, to achieve a certain level of these discoveries interpretation the dialog and comparison of these discoveries with Theosophical ideas have been of great importance. All of us are aware of the conversations held between J. Krishnamurti and the famous physics Devid Bohm about Albert Einstein's and Werner Heisenberg's interest in Theosophy. It led out today's physical science onto a high world view level.

Theosophy enriched the idea about man's nature, having confirmed the conception of his multi-dimension or multi-levelness. It gave an opportunity to make a great breakthrough in such scientific sphere as psychology. Great authorities of this science, such as Carl Gustav Jung, Roberto Assagioli, Abraham Maslow, were well acquainted with the Ancient Wisdom and leaned upon existence of the thin Plans of the human being. Today this science has an opportunity to better formulate the subject of its study – human soul – and considerably widen and deepen its competence and spheres of influence. And it is possible to consider psychiatry, pedagogy, policy and business to be the spheres of psychology influence.

2. Knowing the Theosophy gives an opportunity to carry out interdisciplinary studies which confirm the idea of knowledge synthesis as well as the Great Hermetic Principle of Correspondence: "As it is above, so it is below; as it is below, so it is above" – exists only One Law. A good example of this type of studies is the book of Natalia Staikova titled "Alive Universe", in which she, leaning upon the modern scientific studies, shows correspondence of the galaxies birth process, as it is described by modern astronomy, and the process of human's germ development within the maternal womb, as it described by modern embryology. This is a practical implementation of the world structure concepts synthesis by forming a new picture of the world.

3. Another sphere of the cultures dialogue is a religious sphere. Position of Theosophy towards the religions is that all the religions of the world have a common loop, the only source of Wisdom, and they came to the different nations, in different times, through different Prophets, Heralds and Teachers. In the first years of its existence the Theosophical society

initiated launching of the World Parliament of Religions with the aim to productively hold the inter-religion dialogue for the sake of spiritual needs of humanity. This idea is alive till now, but this dialogue needs the farther development, as according to the statistics more than half of military conflicts in the world in XX century broke out on the religious ground. It's worth to note, that for effective practical functioning, this institution – World Parliament of Religions, must stand at above-religious level, it can't be trusted for running to any particular religion, because in this case it will be much more difficult to achieve the uniting results. And exactly the role of Theosophy as a platform for dialogue is the most profound one.

4. And here we can talk about Theosophy as the basis of dialogue culture. For need in dialogue arises exactly when there are different points of view, different approaches and concepts. To successfully run the dialogue, it is necessary to be able to rise above the own vision, own ability of generalization, to take the participants of the dialogue as equal in rights partners in the common search for Truth. Exactly this position has to be demonstrated by Theosophist in order to master the knowledge of ever wisdom, which is out of control by time, space, vital circumstances and so on.

5. The culture of dialogue is laid down in the basis of Theosophical society creation as an idea of forming the model, standard, core of Fraternity, without distinctions of sex, religion, caste, color of skin, educational level and the like. Thus when we, as human beings, do not pay attention to what distinguishes us, disconnects, oppose each other, then we can have an effective dialogue, that might give positive outcome in deciding the problems which we constantly face with all the time. Such level of dialogue culture is socially needed, timely, and is even healing to cure illness of opposing and aggression. This list might be continued. Theosophical society was launched to be a channel for building of new human relations, relations of Fraternity, and thus – trust, collaboration, mutual support, mutual assistance and understanding. Our members live on different continents, in different countries, speak in different languages, but this is not an obstacle, and even vice versa – this allows us to bring these ideas and their practical implementation to all the people of our planet. We do hope that Theosophists of the world will be such the planetary citizens, such employees of light, which will become the carriers of the dialogue of cultures and the culture of dialogue. Herein is what is sharply need at present! Idea of the dialogue for the sake of mutual understanding and trust, supported by selfless and dispassionate search for

Truth, which has never belonged to someone alone, is the basis of internal coexistence of all members of the Theosophical Society. Maybe once it will grow up so, that to convincingly demonstrate this to the others.

And at the end I would like to note that a dialogue always means participation at least two sides and success of the dialogue envisages certain bilateral commitment. Success of the dialogue do not always depends on one of the sides only.