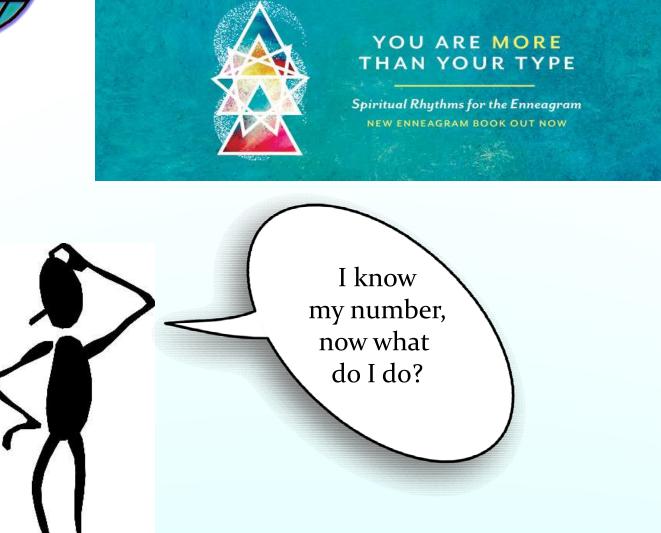


# WELCOME ...

#### ENNEAGRAM-AS MIRROR TO THE SOUL Month Two

With Richard Groves

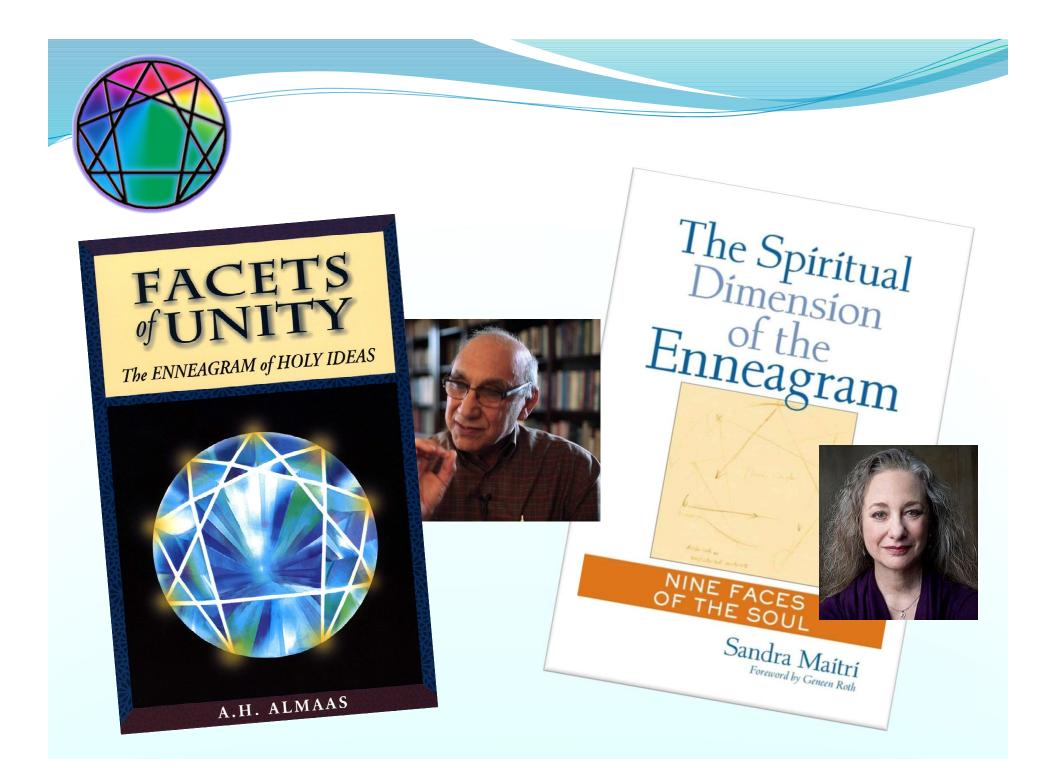




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# KNOW THYSELF

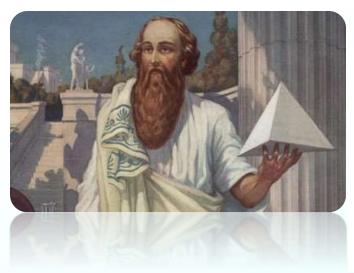
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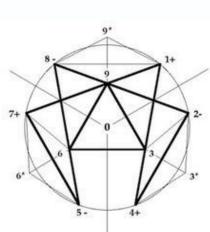


# Soul Self

# True Self







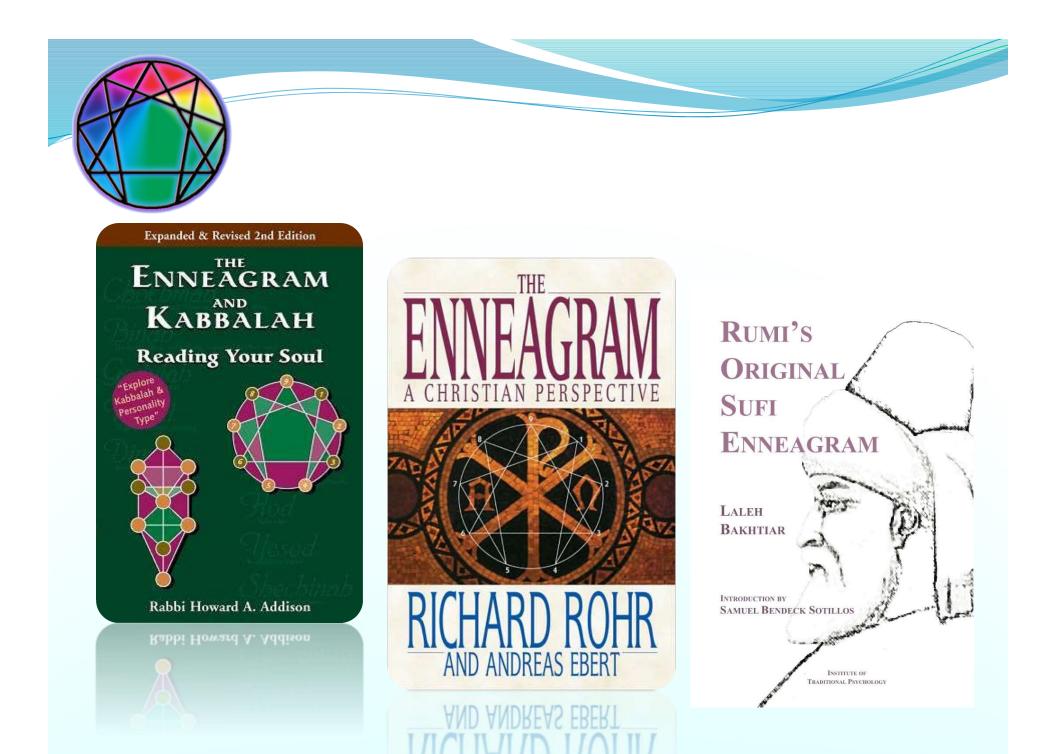
#### PYTHAGORAS 500 BCE



ACCORDING TO PYTHAGORAS THE ULTIMATE NATURE OF REALITY IS NUMBERS.

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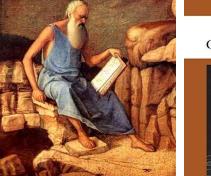
# HAGIA SOPHIA



# Why do you stay in prison when the door is so wide open?

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#### **EVAGRIUS PONTICUS**

The Praktikos 📽 Chapters On Prayer

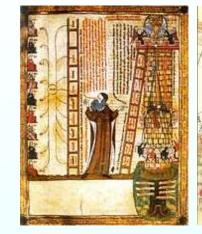


4<sup>th</sup> century A Guide for Seekers



Harmonizers

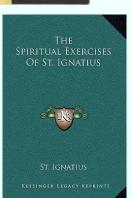
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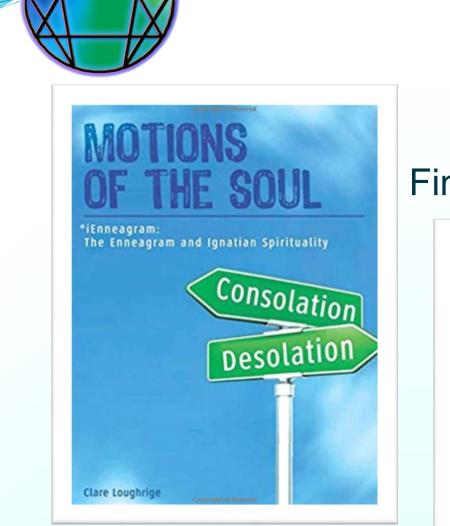
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#### Ignatian Spirituality Finding the Divine in all things...



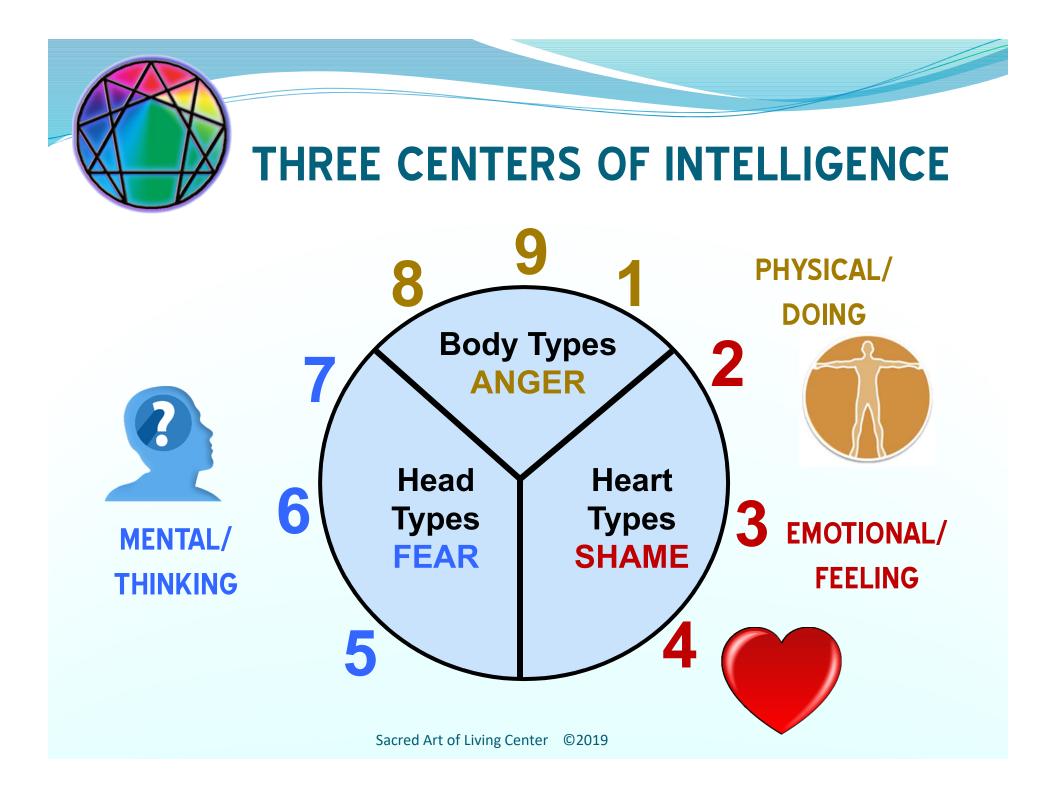


## SPIRITUALITY OF THE ENNEAGRAM

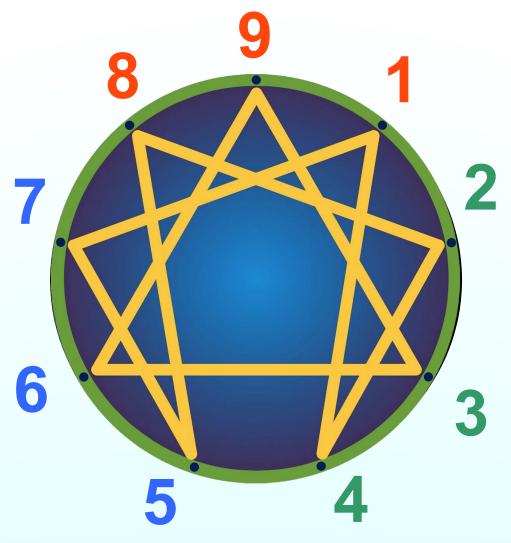
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2. SOUL CHILD AS MAP FOR AWAKENING

3. TRANSFORMATIONAL PRACTICES

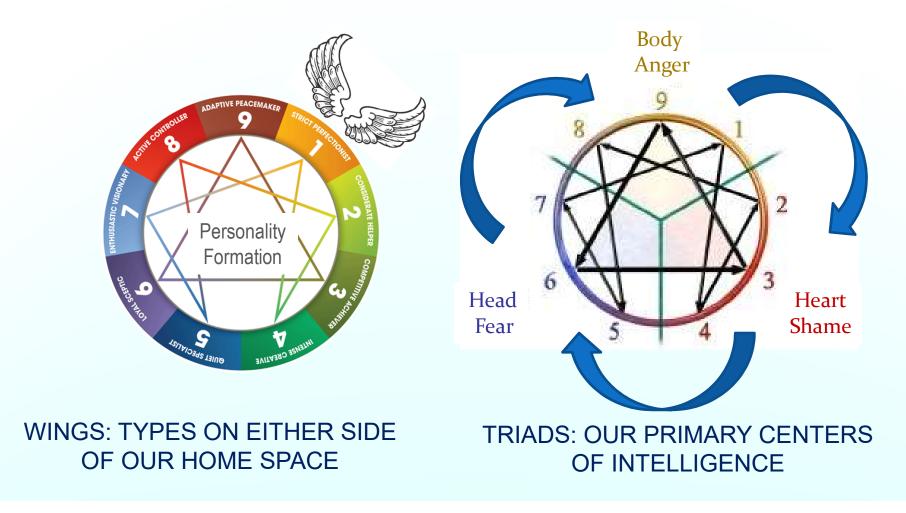


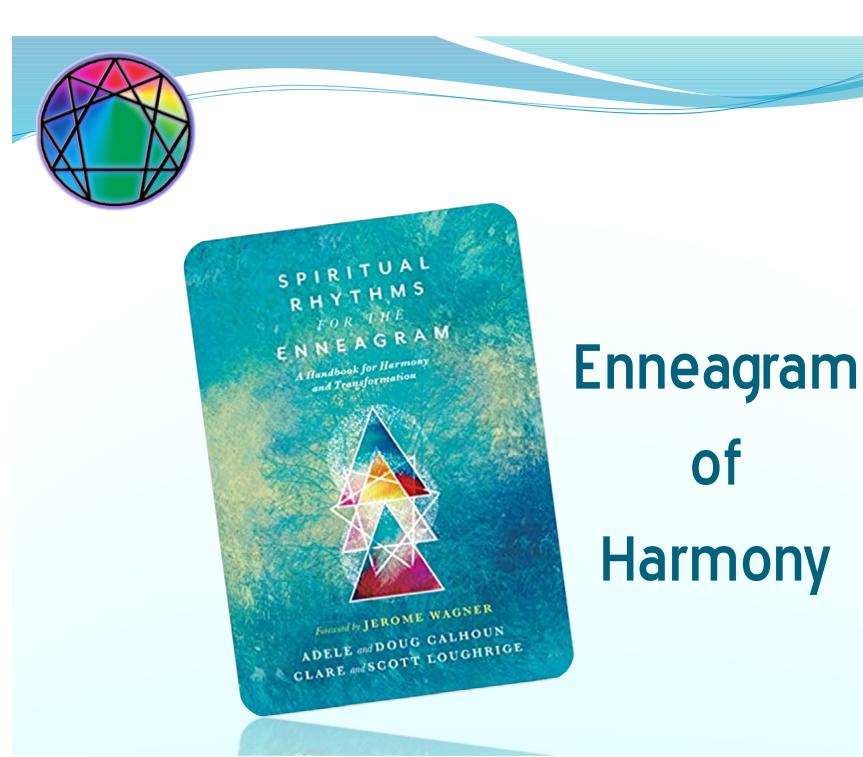
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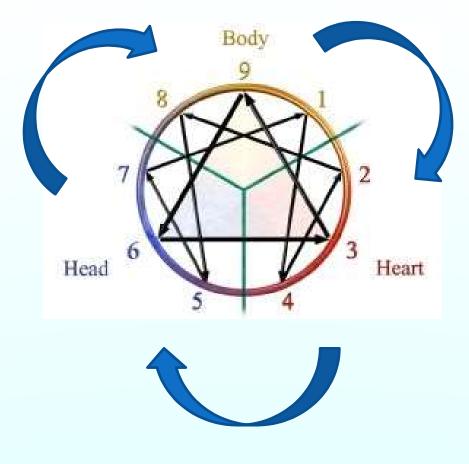
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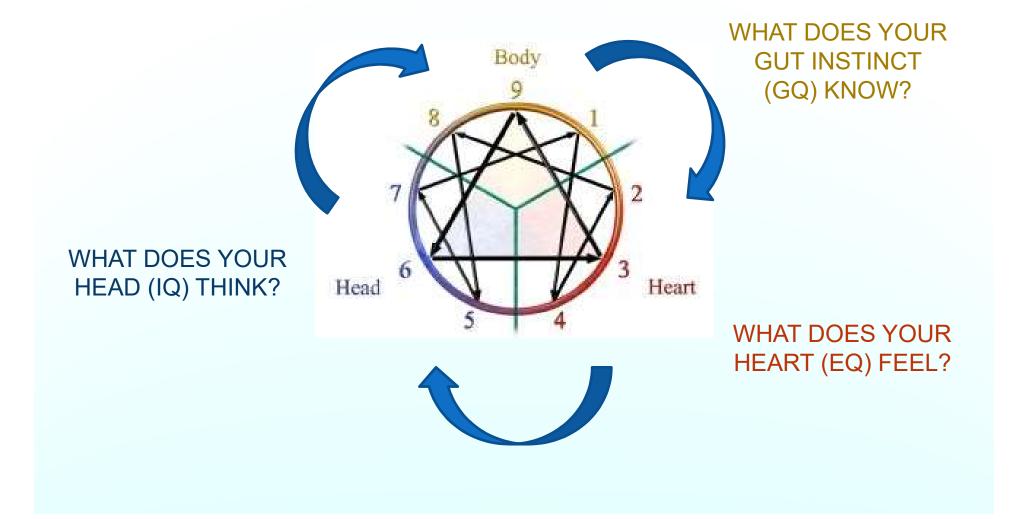




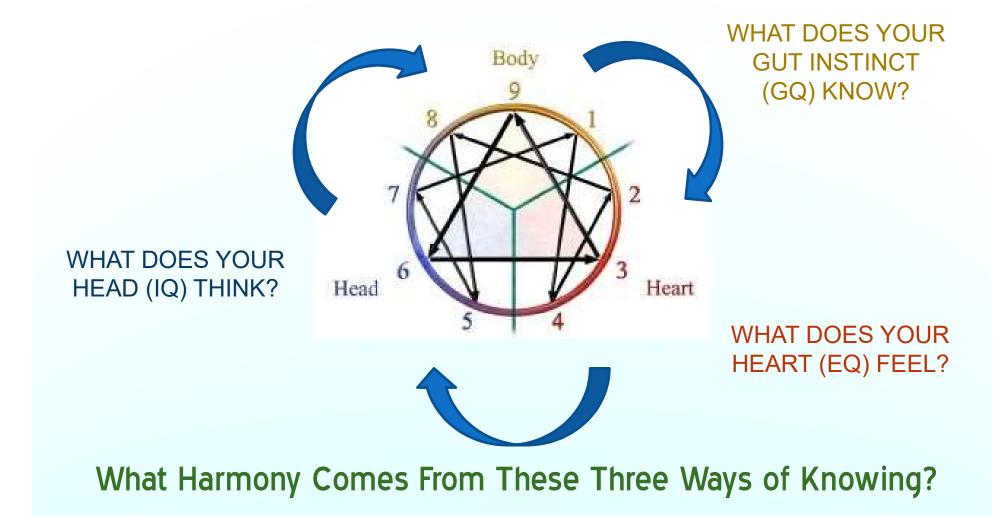
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#### SACRED QUESTIONS



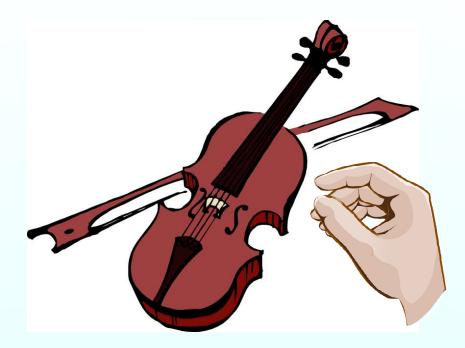
#### **ENNEAGRAM OF HARMONY**



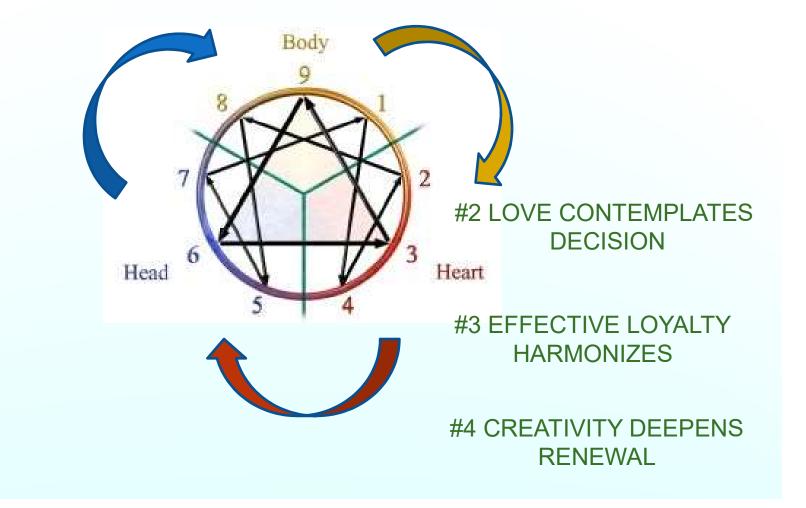




## HEART SPACE METAPHOR



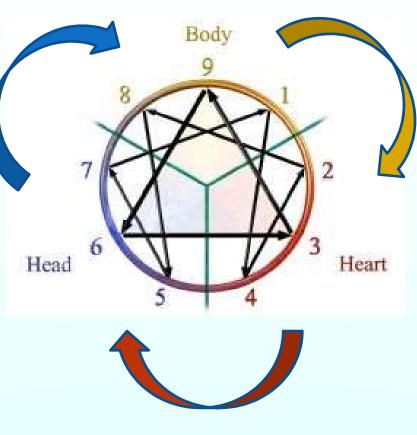
#### HEART SPACE HARMONY



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3) Once the mind and heart are no longer in opposition, the personality finds refuge in the Body Center where Reality transcends mere feeling and thinking...

2) In the Head Space the personality finds relief in the gifts of the Feeling Center which allow the space to move from reactivity to patience and wisdom.



4) Finally the personality returns home with an ability to love out of Truth without expectation or attachment.

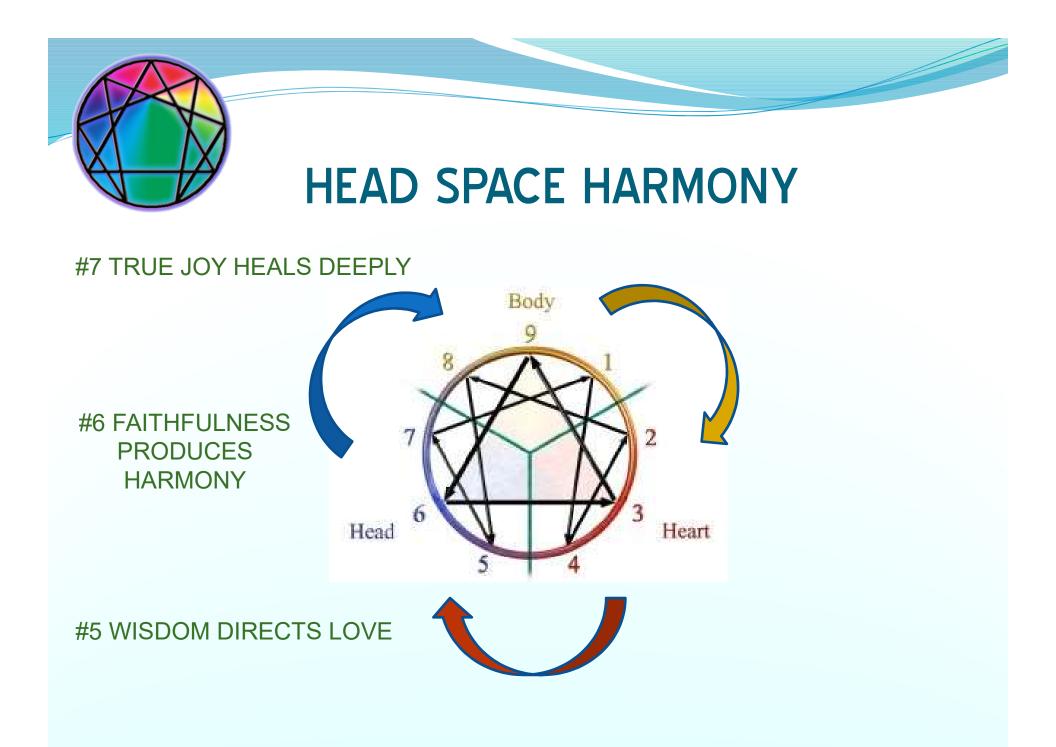
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### HEAD SPACE METAPHOR



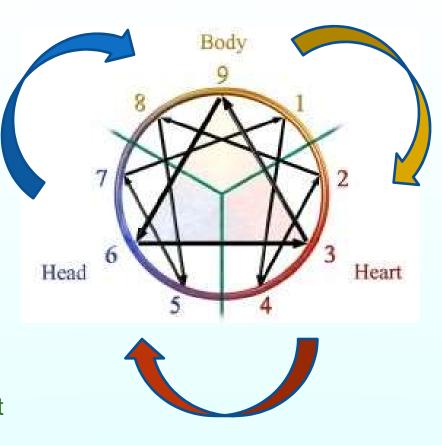




#### HEAD SPACE HARMONY

1) Moving from the Head Center to the Gut Center begins to ground the intellect in reality; you cannot find this harmony by staying in your home center

4) Finally, the Head Space personality returns home having experienced Great Mind which allows for the gifts of the intellect to be clear, focused and of service



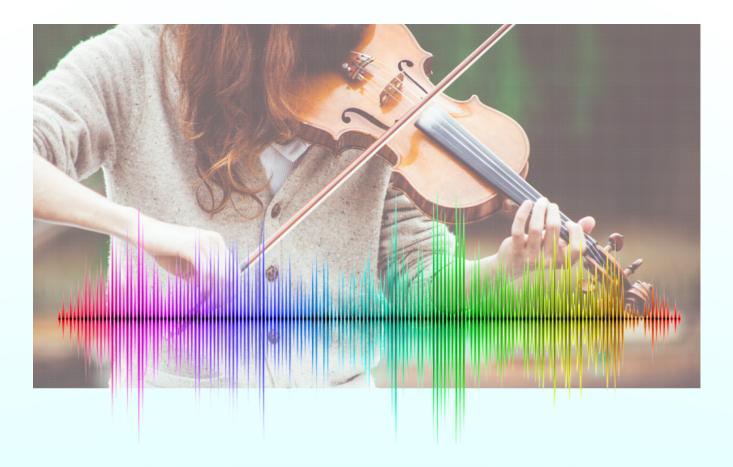
2) Once the mind is stabilized in the body clearer, more objective thinking can result...

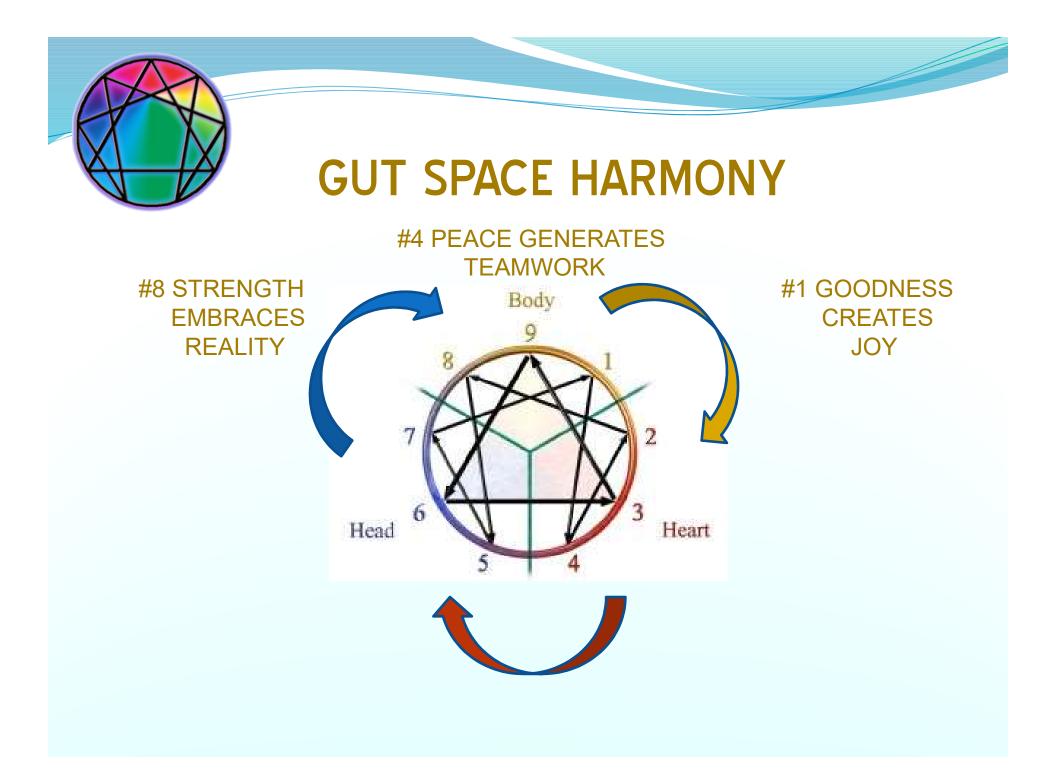
3) Then, the movement to the Heart Center can expand the limited self to begin including all essential relationships



# GUT

## **GUT SPACE METAPHOR**



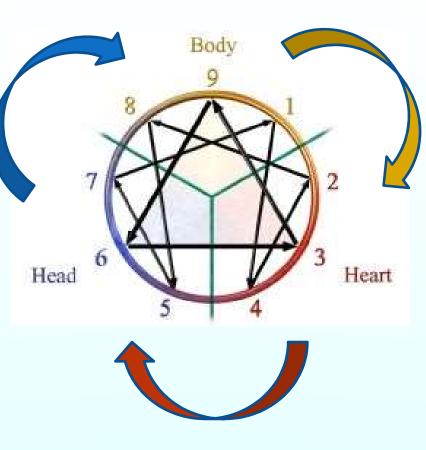




#### **GUT SPACE HARMONY**

4) Finally, the Gut Center returns home with the strength and stability to engage the world and self with trustworthy instincts.

3) In the Head Space the personality finds the need for a different kind of wisdom that is neither arrogant or controlling.



1) Moving from the Gut Center to the Heart Center begins the process of moving the personality away from stubborn control and unproductive anger.

> 2) In the Heart Space the personality learns that empathy and peace only develop in relationship with others.



## SPIRITUALITY OF THE ENNEAGRAM

**1. THREE CENTERS OF INTELLIGENCE** 



3. TRANSFORMATIONAL PRACTICES

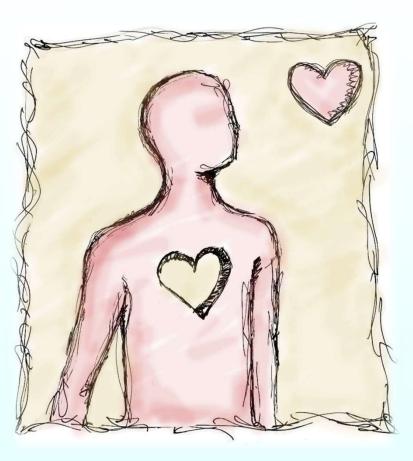
# Our Essential Self

## ESSENCE

An intelligent living force that underlies our conditioned personality... Who we innately were/are before exterior impressions influence us



#### **EMBRACING OUR SOUL CHILD**



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The Soul Child is not simply a younger version of ourselves as we are now.

It is the part of us that was not held, fully allowed and supported as children

Its qualities (which reside in the Heart Point) were not acceptable in our childhood environment so we learned to suppress these aspects of ourselves...



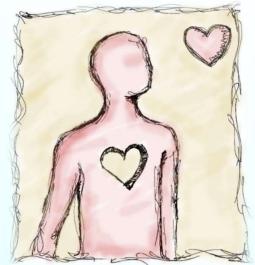


#### **OUR HEART POINT**

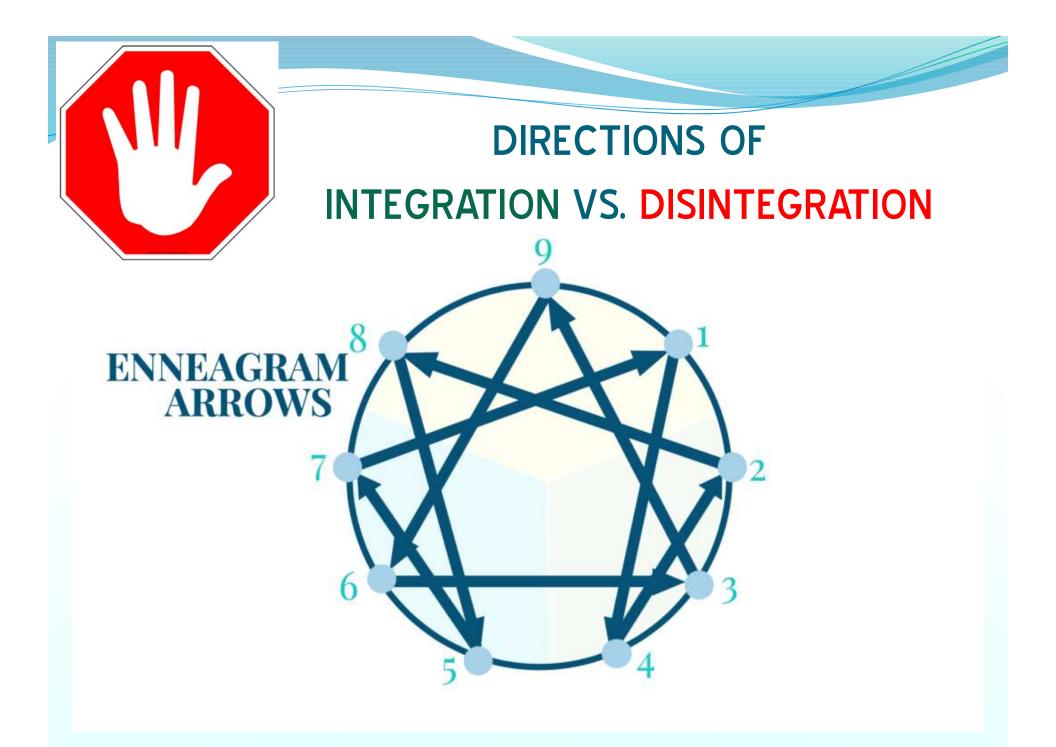
The nature of the Heart Point correlate to one of the most problematic structures in our soul called the Soul Child (Almaas/Diamond Approach)

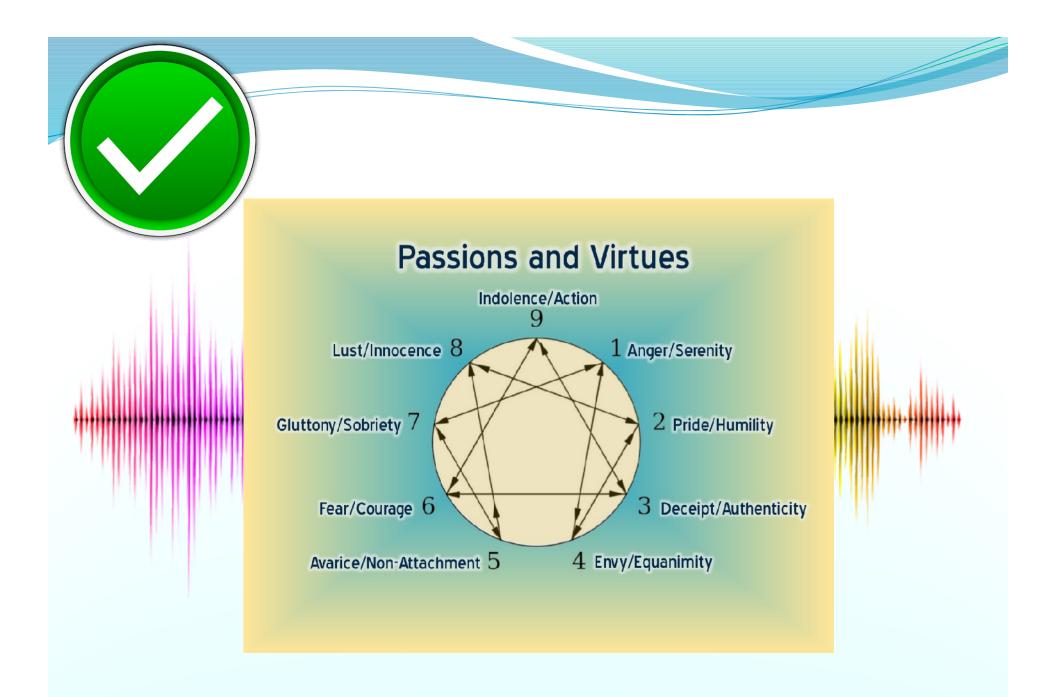
Our soul child is a part of our consciousness that was arrested when we were very young

The Soul Child feels to the Ego-self like it is a part of us that is still a child...









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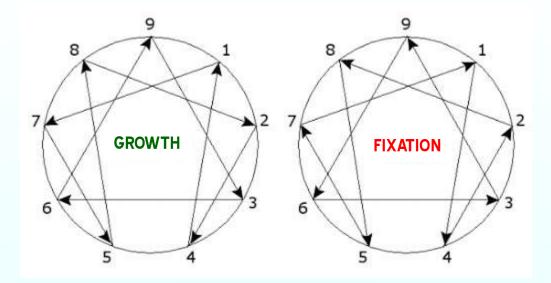
# Your gift overly attached to becomes your suffering...

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#### **INNER FLOW OF THE ENNEAGRAM**

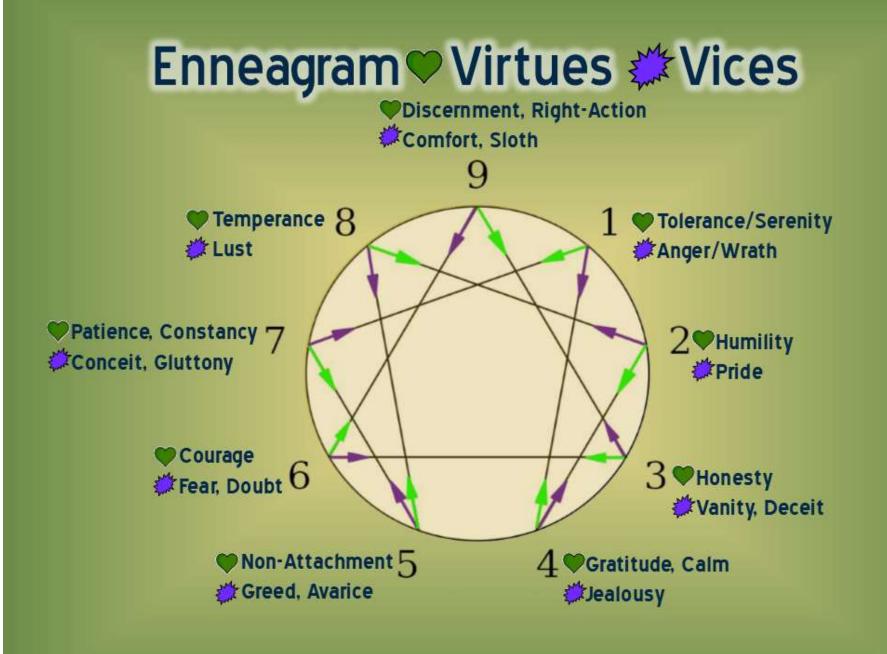


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#### OUR SOUL'S ESSENCE

#### IMMATURE QUALITIES





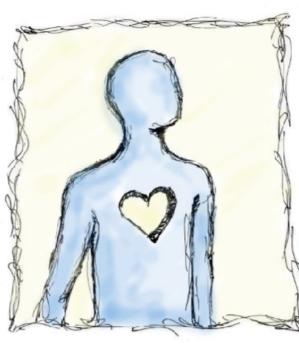


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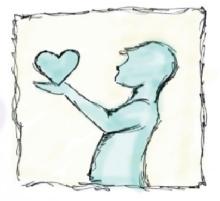


DILIGENCE (Strength) SLOTH (Challenge/Passion) CONFLICT (Avoidance)



COURAGE (Strength)
 FEAR (Challenge/Passion)
 DEVIANCE (Avoidance)

SOBRIETY (Strength) GLUTTONY (Challenge/Passion)



NON ATTACHMENT (Strength) AVARICE (Challenge/Passion) EMPTINESS (Avoidance)



# SPIRITUALITY OF THE ENNEAGRAM

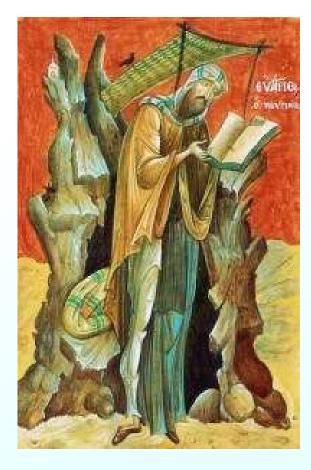
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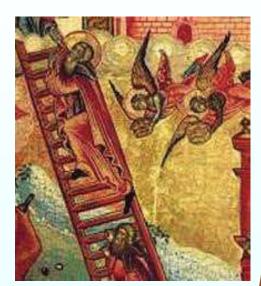
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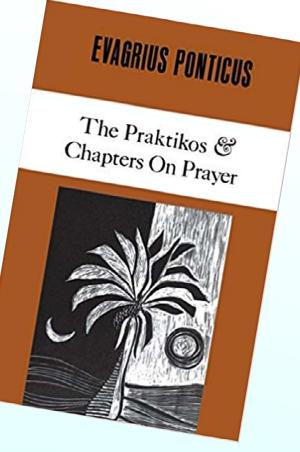


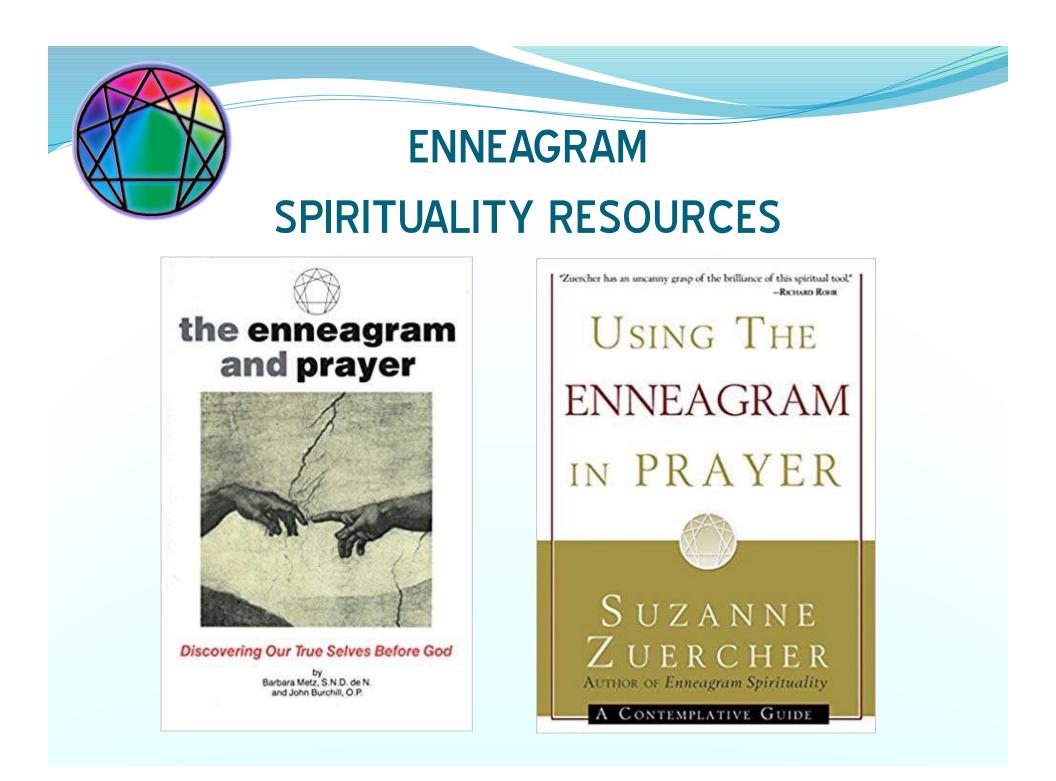


#### 4<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY MANUAL FOR SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT



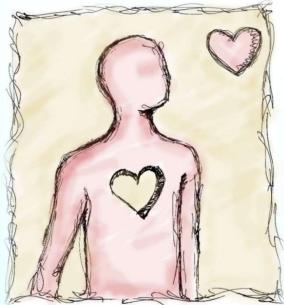






#### **OUR SOUL CHILD**

Since the aspects of our Heart Point were not acceptable, we developed other ones— (which move in the direction of the arrow next to our Type) since these characteristics were acceptable to our parents and/or our environment as we matured...



...While the Soul Child remained behind, gradually becoming hidden in our unconscious.

(cf. Sandra Maitri, Spiritual Dimensions of the Enneagram)

#### BEFRIENDING THE SHADOW "Life's Most Urgent Priority"



There are no exceptions. All of us have qualities we won't let anyone see, including ourselves-so they remain hidden in our shadow. The less this shadow is embodied in our conscious life, the blacker and denser it undermines even our best intentions.



#### HEART SPACE SPIRITUAL OBSTACLES

- > The outer world draws them away from True Self
- $\succ$  A struggle to be with themselves
- > An obsession with the opinions/practices of others
- Anxiety about being alone
- Unconscious fear of Self Intimacy

# HEART SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

#### "Expressive Prayer"

- Daily listening for the 'still, small voice within'
- Gratitude Journaling
- Trusting self expression in spiritual practice
- Allowing images to arise spontaneously
- Allow and explore doubts
- Explore dream content prayerfully

# HEAD SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES SPIRITUAL OBSTACLES

- Tended to be guarded & struggle to be in the world
- Live in their own inner world
- Have difficult accepting/giving affection
  - Need time to adjust to new realities
- Fear of the unknown and unexpected
  - Making sense of challenges and mystery

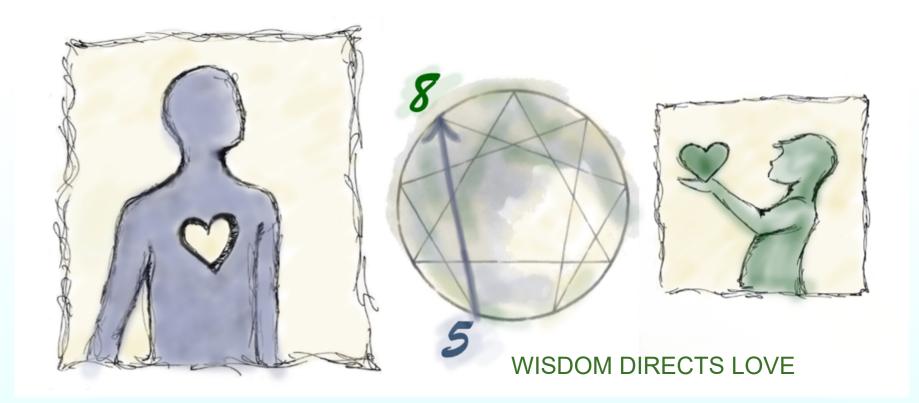
#### HEAD SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

#### "Focused Prayer"

Meditate with eyes open... where the mind can quiet
Movement from the universal to the particular
Speaking a mantra/using the senses
Creating mandalas as a focus
Finding and trusting a spiritual 'road map'
Childlike surrender to a spiritual director









# TRANSFORMATIONAL IDEA: GUIDANCE OF NATURE

How does re-membering my connection to nature embody wisdom that no longer hides from others?



#### CONNECTING WITH BODY AS NATURE



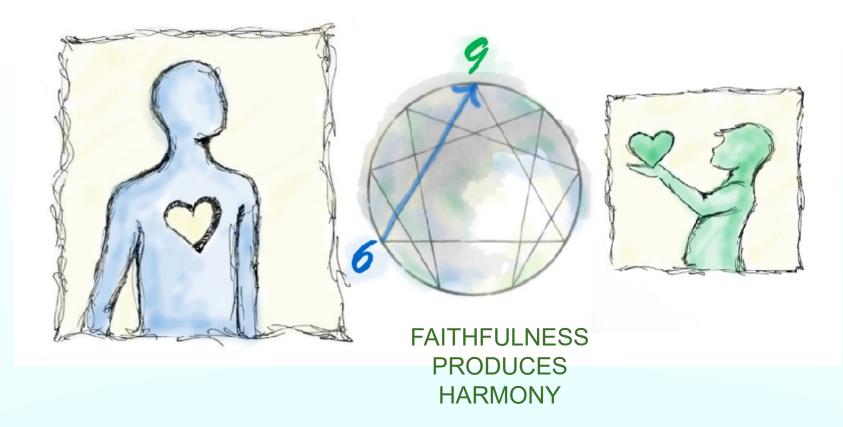


# "When you let people care for you and cry for you, it can straighten out your soul..."



Simone Weil







# TRANSFORMATIONAL IDEA: ALL EMBRACING TRUST

How does deep trust replace dread and generate vibrant, open hearted relationships?





"Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive and then go do that..."



**Pope Francis** 









# TRANSFORMATIONAL IDEA: CO CREATION

# How can 'less' create an opening for more healed relationships?





"There are moments when it is clear if I have eyes to see- that the life I am living is not the same as the life that wants to live in me..."



Parker Palmer



### **JOURNAL TIME**

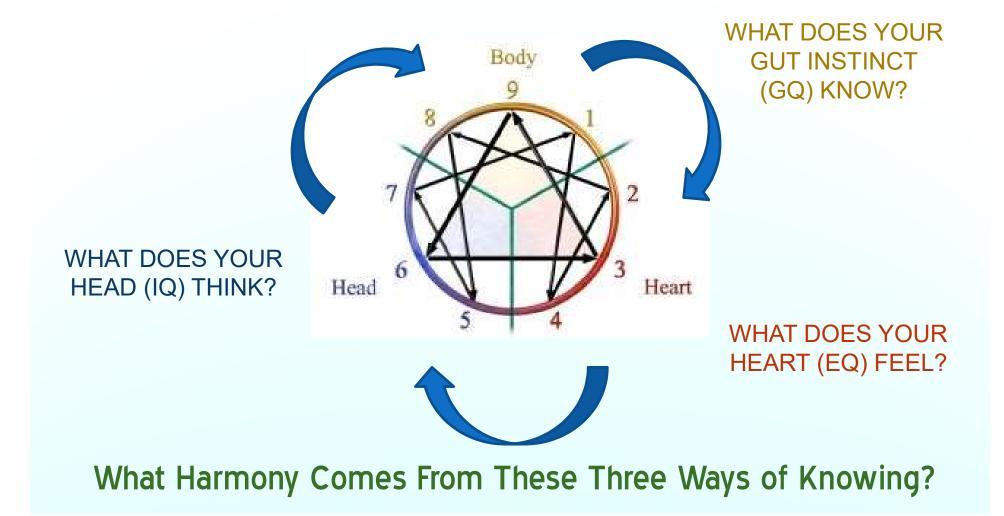
Identify a significant area of struggle, fear or anxiety in your life... that is, your 'Tragic Gap.'

Consult the Enneagram of Harmony and journal a question/s from each of your three Centers of Intelligence.

What harmony/new question/insight might begin to emerge from accessing all three ways of knowing?



#### **ENNEAGRAM OF HARMONY**



#### THE GUEST HOUSE

This being human is a guest house. Every morning a new arrival. A joy, a depression, a meanness, some momentary awareness comes as an unexpected visitor.

Welcome and entertain them all! Even if they are a crowd of sorrows, who violently sweep your house empty of its furniture, still, treat each guest honorably. He may be clearing you out for some new delight.

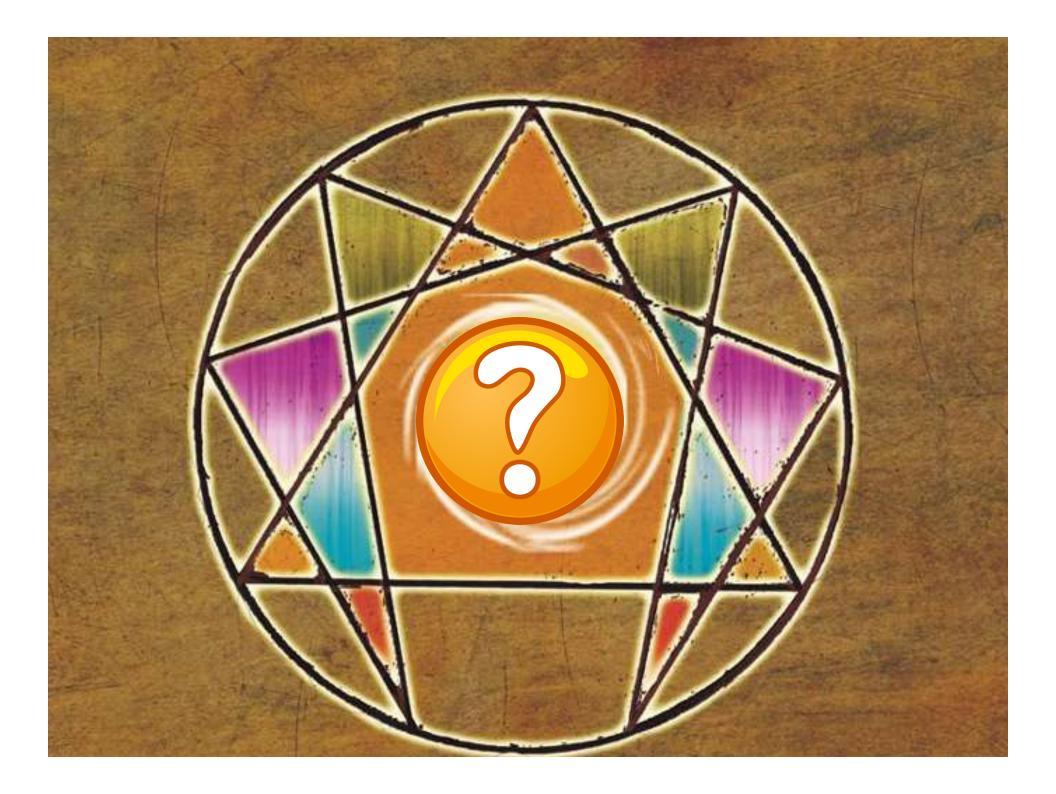
The dark thought, the shame, the malice. meet them at the door laughing and invite them in. Be grateful for whatever comes. because each has been sent as a guide from beyond.

> -- Jelaluddin Rumi, translation by Coleman Barks



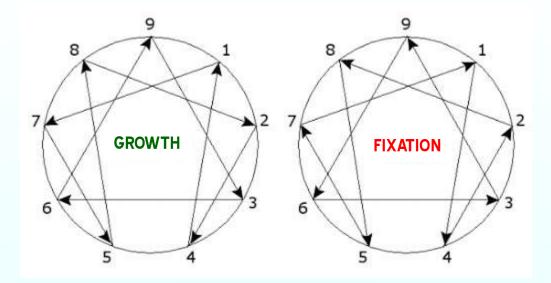
# **QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION**

- 1. What is your initial response to this poem?
- 2. Where does the image of a human being as 'guesthouse' land in you?
- 3. What is hard to welcome in your life?
- 4. What supports do you have to welcome everything?



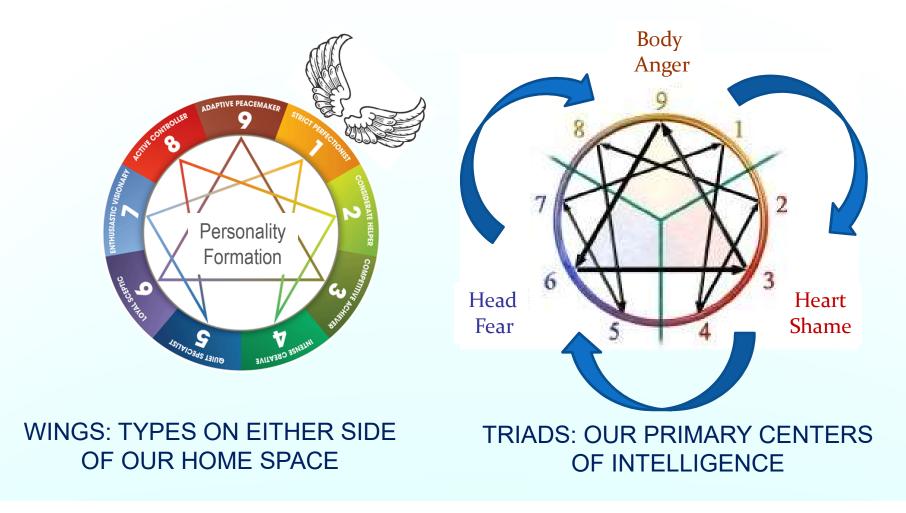


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#### OUTER FLOW OF THE ENNEAGRAM





#### **DISCOVERING OUR SOUL CHILD**



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#### **BEFRIENDING THE SHADOW**



Bringing the shadow into your consciousness drains its dark power... The Shadow wants to be heard and when it is received, can be a source of emotional richness, healing and vitality.

Carl Jung, 1958