

# **The Emerald Tablet**

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A fundamental truth, without error, perfect and complete.

As above, so below; the lesser and greater; microcosm and macrocosm: they are the same. Following this principle, all things were made from the One.

And as all things arose from a thought by the One; thus all things were formed as an adaption of the One. This is the fundamental principle.

Its father is the Sun, its mother is the Moon, it is carried by the wind, it is nursed by the earth.

Its power is complete if it can be turned into earth.

Seperate the earth from the fire, the subtle from the dense, the light from the heavy, with care and wisdom. It repeatedly ascends from earth to heaven, and then descends from heaven to earth, thus receiving power from both the high and the low.

Then you will have the glory of the whole world. All ignorance will flee from you.

It is true force and the most powerful, for it conquers all subtle things and penetrates all solid things.

This is how the world was made.

Each level is a reflection of the one above; the microcosm is in accordance with the macrocosm. Now you know how all things are made through adaption from the One.

This is the path of knowledge. Hence I am Hermes Thrice-Great, having three parts of the philosophy of the whole world.

I have said all that is needed concerning the operation of the Sun.

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