

## A VISION OF THE ARCHETYPAL JOURNEY TO ECOLOGICAL CIVILIZATION

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We will reach a critical mass where enough of us are aware of and understand the essence of the *Universe Story* that humankind will start pulling in the same direction: Toward Becoming an Ecological Civilization.

### From Dreams to a Vision

- Our visions are manifestations of our dreams for the future
- Dreams originate in our unconscious self

### The Viable Human from *The Great Work* (paraphrased from *The Great Work* pages 69–71)

- The archetypal journey of the universe can be experienced as the journey of each individual.
- In the collective unconscious, an obscure region of our unconscious, primordial archetypal symbols function as ultimate controlling factors in human thought.
- Archetypal symbols experienced now in a time-developmental mode of consciousness, constitute a psychic resource of enormous import for establishing ourselves as a viable species in a viable life system on the planet Earth.

the Journey



the Great Mother



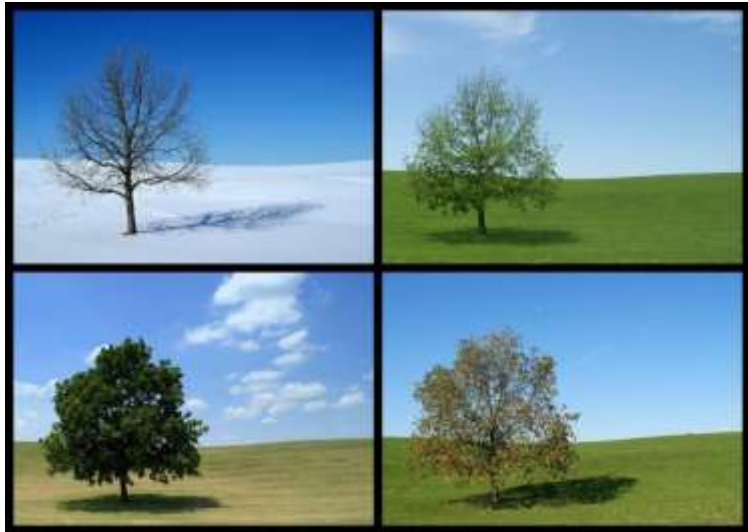
the Sacred Center



**the Tree of Life**



**the Death-Rebirth symbol**



### **Primal Instinct archetype: Climate Change Survival**

Around 3 million years ago in the time of “Lucy” (her fossils found in Hadar, in northeast Ethiopia), the “earliest bipedal hominid species” learned the advantage of chasing down prey as a group. They lived in a time of climatic fluctuation from dryer to wetter and from cooler to warmer. In reaction to repeated floods and droughts a small group of these hominids banded together to survive and left their valley.

### **Tapping into the Primal Instinct Climate Survival Archetype**

A Primal Instinct Climate Survival archetype symbol is buried in our collective unconscious. These powerful archetypal symbols when tapped into will provide energy as drivers for establishing ourselves as a viable species as part of a viable life system on the planet Earth.

### **100th Monkey Phenomenon: When enough of us are aware of something all of us become aware of it**

In 1952, on the island of Koshima, Japan, scientists were providing monkeys with sweet potatoes dropped in the sand. The monkeys liked the taste of the raw sweet potatoes, but they found the dirt unpleasant.

An 18-month-old female named Imo found she could solve the problem in a nearby stream. She taught this trick to her mother. Her playmates also learned this new way and they taught their mothers, too. Between 1952 and 1958, all the young monkeys learned to wash the sandy sweet potatoes to make them more palatable.

In the autumn of 1958, a certain number of Koshima monkeys were washing sweet potatoes—the exact number is not known. Suddenly almost everyone in the tribe was washing sweet

potatoes before eating them. A most surprising thing observed by these scientists was that the habit of washing sweet potatoes then jumped over the sea. Colonies of monkeys on other islands and the mainland troop of monkeys at Takasakiyama, Japan, began washing their sweet potatoes! \*

**Education and religion** grounded in *The Universe Story* have the opportunity to awaken in the young

- an awareness to the world in which they live
- how it functions
- how the human fits into the larger community of life
- the role that the human fulfills in the great story of the universe and
- the historical sequence of developments that have shaped our physical and cultural landscape

**A Vision: When enough of us are aware of something all of us become aware of it**

- With primal archetypes imbedded in our collective unconscious
- The adoption of religious and educational postures grounded in the story of the universe
- Events triggered by global warming spread awareness of the fragile nature of human life and of our mother earth

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\* Ken Keyes, Jr., *The Hundredth Monkey*, [https://www.resist.com/Onlinebooks/The\\_Hundredth\\_Monkey.pdf](https://www.resist.com/Onlinebooks/The_Hundredth_Monkey.pdf) (accessed June 20, 2018).