

# Welcome to the

**MORYA FEDERATION**  
ESOTERIC SCHOOLS OF MEDITATION



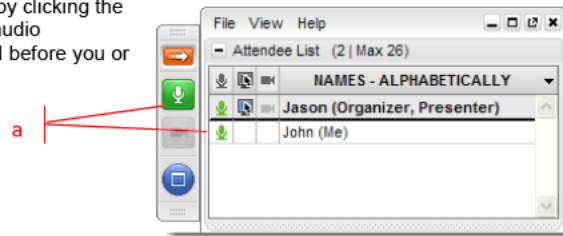
# Student webinar series on The Labours of Hercules

# Webinar Noise Protocols

- Everyone is generally muted to minimize background noise
  - You will be unmuted when you are cued to introduce yourself
  - At other times when you wish to speak, please “raise your hand”

## Mute Your Audio

You can mute/unmute your line from your Control Panel by clicking the microphone or telephone icon (a). If you dialed in to the audio conference via telephone, you must enter your Audio PIN before you or the meeting organizer can mute you.

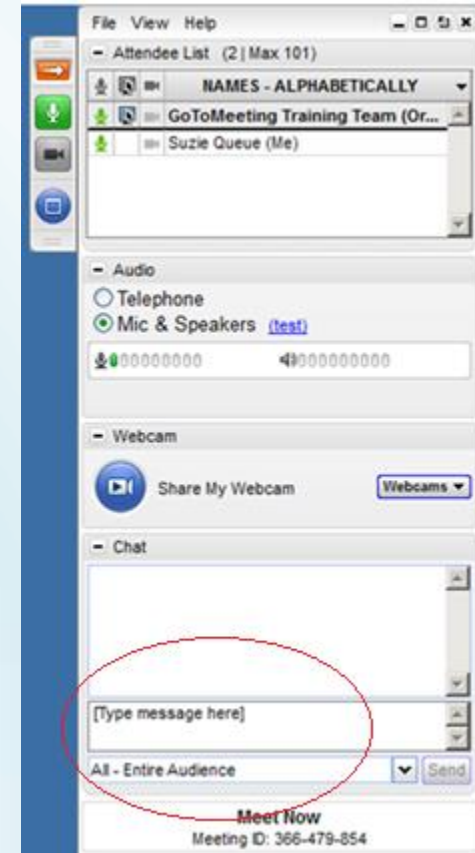


- The staff will assist the presenter in watching for raised hands
- Please make sure to unmute yourself when it's your turn to talk



# Some Admin Notes:

- Please expect a brief pause after being addressed
  - There can be a delay based on our internet connections
- If you are having problems with echoes or interference
  - Mute yourself first, to see if that helps correct the problem
  - If not, use the questions or message function to alert the staff you are experiencing problems



# Mantra for Group Fusion

*I am one with my group of brothers and all that I have is theirs  
May the Love that is in my Soul pour forth to them  
May the strength that is in me lift and aid them  
May the thoughts which my Soul creates reach and encourage them*



# The Labours of Hercules

An Astrological Interpretation

BASED ON ARTICLES BY ALICE A. BAILEY

FIRST PRINTED IN *THE BEACON* 1957-1958

(*THE LABOURS OF HERCULES* BOOK WAS PUBLISHED IN 1974)

MORYA FEDERATION  
ESOTERIC SCHOOLS OF MEDITATION



# Why Study the Hercules Myth?

*“The progress of a world disciple is illustrated in the heavens by the Labours of Hercules through the zodiacal signs. It is as though God had pictured in space his Plan for the working out of the evolution of the human spirit back to its source.”*



*The presiding One spoke to the Teacher of the man whose light shone forth among the sons of men, who are the sons of God.*

*“Where is the man who stood with power before the Gods, received their gifts and entered through the first wide open Gate to labor at his task?”*

*“He rests, Oh, great presiding One, and ponders on his failure, and mourns for Abderis, and seeks for help within himself.”*

*“It is well. The gifts of failure guarantee success, when rightly understood. Let him proceed to labor once again, enter the second Gate, returning with dispatch.”*

*The second Gate stood open wide and, from the light which veiled the distant scene, a voice emerged and said: “Pass through the Gate. Proceed upon thy way. Perform thy labor and return to me, reporting on the deed.”*



# Labor II - The Capture of the Cretan Bull

## ♉ Still sad, Hercules embarked on his 2<sup>nd</sup> labor

- To find and lead the sacred bull to the Holy Place
- To navigate the maze & save the bull from sacrificial death
- He was guided by the gleaming star on the bull's forehead

## ♉ This task he did alone

- At times he rode the bull, at times he carried it on his back
- Taking it to the three Cyclops in the Holy Place
- Walking in the light
  - ✓ The star on the bull's forehead represented Aldebaran
  - ✓ The eye of the bull, illumination





# Labor II - Meaning of the Myth

- ♈ In working out the Plan, desire follows thought impulse
  - Mental consciousness is succeeded by sensitivity
  - The potency of desire is tested here, a lesson of proportion & restraint
    - ✓ For a long time the disciple fails and is ridden by the bull of desire
    - ✓ Before rising above desire into the guiding light of the Soul
- ♈ The key is right understanding of the Law of Attraction
  - The law of magnetic force & coherence of forms
  - It produces stability & the persistence of forms
    - ✓ Between positive & negative, Spirit & matter, the Self & not-self
  - Concerns the interrelation between the builder & the form
    - ✓ The bull represents the creative force



# Labor II - The Journey

- ♈ **The strong urge and potency of attraction**
  - Produces the great illusion
  - But can eventually become the cause of illumination
  
- ♈ **Hercules has to learn the nature of desire**
  - To transmute it into aspiration
  - To dominate sex
    - ✓ The lowest expression of the Law of Attraction
  - And use it rightly (capture the bull)



<b>Taurus:</b>	<b>the Bull</b>
<b>Element:</b>	Earth sign (as are Virgo and Capricorn)
<b>Quality:</b>	Desire, for the mass of men; will or directed purpose, for the disciple.
<b>Polar Opposite:</b>	Scorpio, a water sign (conflict of duality, desire overcome; triumphant discipleship).
<b>Rulers:</b>	Exoteric, Venus; Esoteric Vulcan.
<b>Keywords:</b>	
<b>form angle:</b>	Let struggle be undismayed.
<b>soul angle:</b>	I see and when the Eye is opened, all is illumined.



# Progress through the Signs

## ➤ The 4 preparatory signs:

he is equipped with the faculty of mind in Aries  
with desire in Taurus

arrives at his essential duality in Gemini

enters the Human Kingdom in Cancer

## ➤ The 4 signs of physical plane struggle:

self-consciousness & individualism emerge in Leo

nurturing of the Christ within in Virgo

trying to balance the pairs of opposites in Libra

overcoming illusion in Scorpio

## ➤ The 4 signs of achievement:

going straight for the goal in Sagittarius

scaling the mount of initiation in Capricorn

becoming the world server in Aquarius

and the world savior in Pisces



# From the Faculty

**MORYA FEDERATION**  
ESOTERIC SCHOOLS OF MEDITATION



- Thank you for participating, we hope you enjoyed the webinar
- This is a marvelous opportunity to establish group cohesion and foster discussion among your fellow students
- We appreciate your patience and persistence, and welcome any feedback you might have
- The next Labors of Hercules webinar will be on 1 June