The Seven Rays

- There is nothing in the whole solar system, at whatever stage of evolution, which does not belong and has not always belonged to one of the seven rays.
- All kingdoms in nature are conditioned by the seven rays, but the human kingdom provides most interesting and complex depiction.
- Every individual vibrates to some particular measure; every unit of the human race is on one of the seven rays. Therefore, one colour predominates, and one tone sounds forth.

Discover the Self through the Seven Rays

Every human being is swept into manifestation on the impulse of some ray, and is coloured by that ray **<u>quality</u>**, which determines his form and indicates the way that he should go.

- A ray confers physical conditions, the quality of the astral nature, as well as the mental nature.
- Each ray governs a particular centre/chakra, giving a predisposition to certain strengths and weaknesses.
- The **personality** shifts from ray to ray, from life to life, until all **qualities** are developed.
- While this process of soul control is being perfected, the ray types of the personality vehicles steadily emerge, the ray of the personality begins to control, and the **soul** ray begins finally to dominate and subdue the personality.

For most people

the mental body is governed by rays **1**, **4**,or **5** the astral body by **2** or **6** the physical body by **3** or **7**

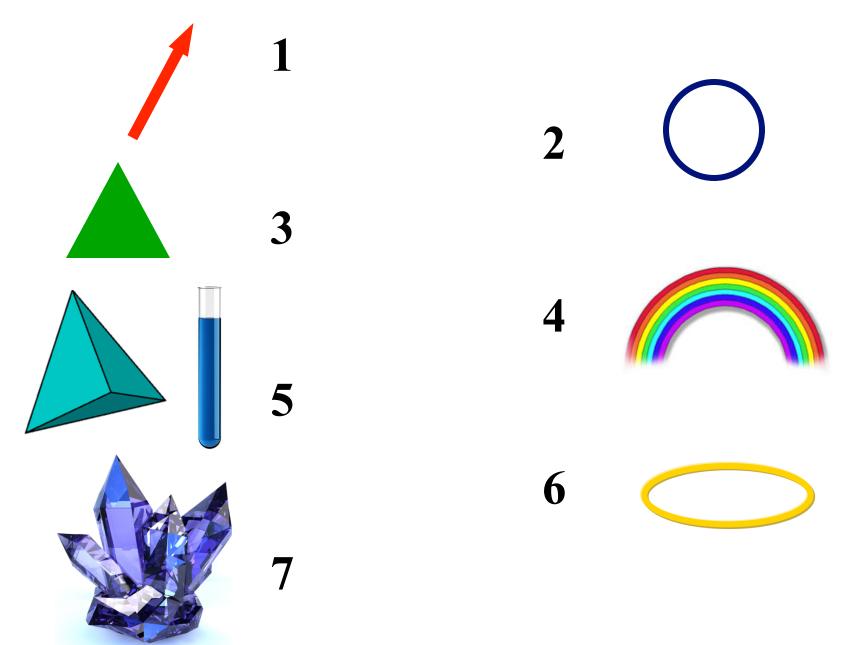
Advanced souls, disciples, occasionally will choose a different ray for a particular body/vehicle.

E.g. Ray 1 astral only available to disciples for rounding out, bringing energies into balance, especially if all the other rays are on the soft side.

The **personality ray** finds its major field of activity in the **physical body**. That ray determines its appearance, purpose, life trend and occupation.

The **soul ray** has direct action upon the **astral body**; hence the battlefield of life is ever on the plane of glamour.

SYMBOLS FOR HARD LINE RAYS VS SOFT LINE RAYS





Choices and Legacy Rays

- Only disciples have the freedom to choose specific rays for particular purposes.
- The soul knows that the rays chosen can be an asset or liability.
- Legacy Rays can also influence choices
 - From a previous incarnation, usually personality ray. Usually several lives with this ray and hence an influence.
 - Can also be previous mental ray. Has an overriding influence.
 - It has a strong connection with the mind (mental unit) which is the integrating principle and the personality.
 - Many times when we incarnate, we come in identifying and recognizing the powerful previous ray, which influences our habits and thoughts of the present incarnation.

- The *personality ray* fosters a *separative attitude* with a consequent *attachment* to the *form side* of manifestation.
- The soul/egoic ray fosters group consciousness and detachment from external forms, causing attachment to the <u>life side</u> of manifestation and the subjective whole.
- When the personality ray becomes pronounced and dominant, and the rays of the three bodies are subordinated to it, then the great fight takes place between soul and personality ray.

- The DUAL life or the battle between the pairs of opposites

• Eventually, the soul ray becomes the dominating factor, and the rays of the lower bodies become sub-rays of this controlling ray.

Ray Types

Ray 1	Will-Power. Purpose. Destruction.
Type A	Persistent. Never gives in. Depended upon <u>by</u> others. Leader.
Type B	Destroys conditions which prevent free expression of life force.
Ray 2	Love-Wisdom. Inclusive. Coherence. Magnetism.
Type A	Magnetic, radiant, sharing, compassionate, empathetic, loving understanding.
Type B	Emphasis on wisdom, not knowledge. Dispassionate understanding.
Ray 3	Active Intelligence. Adaptability. Creativity.
Type A	Philosopher, theorist. Emphasis on abstract ideas.
Type B	Business acumen. Extremely practical. Manipulative, gamesmanship.
Ray 4	Harmony through Conflict. Beauty. Unity. Sensitivity.
Type A	Ability to bring harmony out of conflict. Sensitive to discord. Mediator.
Type B	Colourful character. Strong contrasts. Artistic. Volatile. Tends to force.
Ray 5	Concrete Science. Science. Analysis. Mind.
Type A	Researcher. Intellectual. Descriptive, Accurate. Documents. Clarity.
Type B	Technician. Applies technical intelligence. Practical in applications.
Ray 6	Devotion or Abstract Idealism. Persistence.
Type A	Receptive. Passive. Loyal. Tranquil. Worshipful. Gentle influence.
Type B	Fiery zeal. Devoted striving toward ideals. Strong aspirations. Aggressive.
Ray 7	Ceremonial Order. Group magic. Organisation.
Type A	Highly organised. Plays by the rules. Meticulous in action.
Type B	Emphasis on creative process. Manifests ideas into forms. Creative.

Planets, Colours, & Chakras of the Seven Rays

Ray	Rulers	Colour	Chakra/Gland
RAY 1- Will – Power	Pluto/Vulcan	Red	Crown/Pineal
RAY 2 – Love Wisdom	Sun/Jupiter	Indigo	Heart/Thymus
RAY 3 – Active Intelligence	Earth/Saturn	Green	Throat/Thyroid
RAY 4 – Harmony/ Conflict	Moon/Mercury	Yellow	Base/Adrenals
RAY 5 – Concrete Science	Venus	Orange	Ajna/Pituitary
RAY 6 – Abstract Idealism	Mars/Neptune	Silvery Rose	SolarPlexus/ Pancreas
RAY 7 – Ceremonial Order	Uranus	Violet	Sacral/Gonads

Rays sharing Similar Qualities

Principled	1
Truth	1, 2, 3
Light	2, 5
Mental	3, 5
Motion	3, 4, 6
Relational	2, 3, 4
Wholes	1, 2, 3, 4
Parts	3, 4, 5

Opposites

The 1 st Ray's Will, Power, Isolation, and Fearlessness	are opposite to	The 2 nd Ray's Love, Inclusion, and Sensitivity
The 2 nd Ray's "wise use of slow action"	is opposite to	The 3 rd Ray's busy-ness and speed
The 3 rd Ray's calculatedness, deviousness	is opposite to	The 4 th , 1 st Rays' honesty
The 4 th Ray's emotional displays	is opposite to	The 1 st , 5 th Rays' lack of emotion
The 5 th Ray's mentality is concrete, practical	is opposite to	The 3 rd Ray's flexibility and abstractness of mind and 4 th Ray's intuitiveness
The 1 st Ray's directness	is opposite to	The 3 rd Ray's circularity
The 2 nd Ray's smothering love	is opposite to	The 1 st Ray's independence

Clarity on the 6th Ray

USA is a 6th ray country.

It is the dominant ray astrally for most of humanity.

Majority of people will have 6th ray somewhere in their constitution.

Sixth ray needs moderation, realism, practicality, clear thought, self-honesty.

Weaknesses	Strengths	
Reactive, strong and visceral	Abstracting (mystic), Denial	
Denies and seeks escape (hater of forms)	Redeeming (purifying)	
Ray of immediacy (interrupts, interjects)	Uplifting, Inspiring, Fun	
The measuring stick born out of the ideal – not good enough, self-negation	High Ideals	
Overwhelm which puts us into shutdown	6th ray is a divine energy – depends on how it's appropriated	
Extremes, no moderation – All or Nothing		
Make promises to one's self Immediate sensitivity leading to personalization Procrastination	6th ray rules the astral plane – glamour is of the astral plane. Since the majority of humanity is astral almost always we must learn to handle our emotions.	

Warring

Similarities	Ray 4	Ray 6
conflict	Projects, plays devils advocate, arbitrary	Irking others
warriors	Intuitive sense about what it's warring about	For causes, blind followers

Isolation

Ray 1	Ray 2	Ray 4	Ray 6	Ray 5
Doesn't need any one	protection, insulation because of overwhelm	because it's too much, identification with all	driving themselves and irking others – pushing others away	separating, isolating via science

Similarities between Ray 1 & Ray 4

Similarities	Ray 1	Ray 4
Initiatory, spontaneous	Initiatory	spontaneous
Intuitive	Source	Substands, resonance to buddhic plane
sees the big picture	Bird's Eye View	 spectrum, width, sees both sides
Justice oriented	The law	Harmonization (mediator), conflict is injustice
Standing	Stands	Takes a stand
Breath, life expression via breath	ls the breath itself	Breathes it and is breathed by it - sighs, heaviness
Brings together	Synthesize	At-ones
First	1 st of Rays of Aspect	1 st of Rays of Attribute

Similarities	R2	R4
Sensitivity, Overwhelm	Sensitivity, overwhelm	Identification
Inertia	Because of depth of entirety	 Innate within ray is harmony (equilibrium-sattva) and no movement – at-one (highs – lows) doesn't have within itself the momentum to get going (depression); the bottom of the pendulum
Absorption/sponge	Includes	Sponge, absorbs via identification
Need to be loved/ appreciated	Reticence to cause conflict - the pleaser, doormat	Through entertainment, noticed dramatization, see me, love me
Compromise	For pleasing and being loved	For harmony, maintaining equilibrium, status quo
Peace	Radiates peace, is peace Innate through comfort zones	Combative to reach harmony, strives for it

Ray 3	Ray 5
Theorizing and speculating	Linear, sequential thinking
Planning and strategizing	Developed powers of analysis and discrimination
Abstract thinking	Keen and focused intellect, linearity and concreteness
Understanding of relativity, abstract	"Sense-bounded"
Modifying and qualifying for the sake of accuracy in thought	Verifies through experimentation
Tangential, circuitous	Plods, step by step
Vague and overly-complex thought	Accurate based on facts
Perplexity and confusion	Clarity - Lucidity of explanation
Inaccuracy in practical detail	Accuracy and precision in thought
Circumvents the truth	Discriminates truth from error
Broad – seeing the entire	Narrow

Many people think they have a 3rd R mind, but usually it is a 3rd ray brain as a result of 3rd ray physical body.

Similarities and Differences between Rays 1 and 6

Similarities Diffe		Differences	
Ray 1	Ray 6	Ray 1	Ray 6
Moves in straight line	Moves in straight line	Independent	Dependent, co- dependent
Fearless	Fearless – only when fighting for a cause	Impersonal, detached	Personalize, attached
Strong one-pointed focus	Strong one-pointed focus	Leader	Needs to be led, guided
Willfulness	Willfulness	Largemindedness	Narrow
Destructive – unnecessary	Destructive – when loss of control	Impersonal reactions	Very personal reactions
Anger and violence	Anger and violence	Cool, cold	Warmth, hot
		Control and suppression	Lack of control, reactive
		The truth	My truth
		Non-Emotional	Emotional
Many peo	ple confuse having 1 st R	R for 6 th R. One is will, Six	is self-will.

Rays and Cycles

- Rays in time produce the world pattern
- When a ray begins to pass out of manifestation, it brings a crystallising cycle, requiring destruction and producing mental conditions of a set and static nature.
- The history of the world is based on the emergence of ideas, their acceptance, and their eventual superseding by the next imposition of ideas.
- Five ray energies are presently manifesting: the 6th, 7th, 2nd (always present), 3rd , and 1st.
- These five energies together will determine the trend of world affairs, we're told.
- **Ray 5** cycled in 1775 led to Industrial Revolution, the technology world. Hierarchy has said that humanity exceeded the expectation that it had for the use of the 5th R during this cycle. However, Aquarius is a 5th R air sign.
- The 2nd ray has the longest cycle, producing a "crisis of love". 2nd R system
- The 3rd ray cycle is also very long because intelligence must be stimulated in even "the lowest of the sons of men". Was the dominant ray of previous solar system.

- The 3rd ray influence is seen in money, which is the concretized expression of the spiritual energy of intelligence.
- The 1st ray expresses as a destructive element.
- 1st ray energy streams from Shamballa and lies behind the present world crisis, for "It is the Will of God to produce certain radical and momentous changes in the consciousness of the race which will completely alter man's attitude to life", Alice Bailey said.
- Up till now human intelligence has served materialism, but this hopefully will change if humanity responds rightly to the clash of energies created by an outgoing ray (the 6th) and an incoming one (the 7th).

6th vs. 7th Rays

- The past 2000 +++ years have been conditioned by the 6th Ray of Devotion and Idealism.
- The 6th ray is the ray of blind procedure; only one aspect of reality is seen at a time - and usually the least desirable. All else is sealed to the 6th ray types; they vision only one picture; their horizon is limited to only one point of the compass. To most of humanity, this vision has focused on the material world, material comfort, material possessions and material enterprises.
- When a ray cycle passes out, the **lower** manifestation of that ray lingers on longer than the higher expression.
- Thus, the 6th ray is expressing now through the reactionary forces, clashing with the progressive forces of the incoming 7th ray which are seeking to govern and which would take world civilisation in drastically different directions.

- 6th ray has become crystallized. 6th ray people are often the reactionaries, the conservatives, diehards and fanatics, who hold on to the past and hinder progress.
- 6th R era 2,500 years Piscean Age, + greater zodiacal cycle of 250,000 years are culminating.
- The 7th ray is steadily gaining influence. It aids and inaugurates the new age, based on spiritual drive and aspiration, mental freedom, loving understanding and a physical plane rhythm.
- A large number of 7th ray individuals soul or personality are coming into incarnation now, and to them is committed the task of organising the activities of the new age and ending the old methods of life and old crystallised attitudes.
- The result of the increasing flow of the 7th ray and the decreasing power of the 6th ray is to throw the millions of people who don't respond to either ray, into a state of bewilderment – a feeling of being entirely lost, for all that they hold dear is rapidly fading.
- Sense of life speeding up. E.g. running a race and the finish line

- The incoming 7th ray via Uranus (ruler of Aquarius) is coinciding with the greater 250,000 zodiacal cycle of ray 7.
- The incoming 7th ray plays through the planetary sacral centre, and then through the sacral centre of every human being.
- Therefore, we are seeing the increasing focus on sexuality not always a pretty picture.
- Because the 7th ray governs the fusion of spirit and matter (*the highest and the lowest meet*), surely it will lead to a wiser approach to sex.
- The higher expression of the 7th ray is white magic (working with the soul): the power of the trained worker to bring together the *"within and the without"* so that that which is below may be patterned on that which is above.
- The work of the 7th ray is the relating of life and form, but when the emphasis is laid upon the form aspect, the work of the black magician can begin.

- The incoming 7th ray expresses the power to organise, integrate and synthesise the great pairs of opposites, producing new forms of <u>spiritual</u> manifestation, but also new forms of <u>material evil.</u>
- Discrimination in thought will need to develop, leading to a truer sense of values emerging in consciousness. (*greater mental focus via airy Aquarius, rays 5 and Uranus* 7)
- The forces of the 7th ray work out on the seventh or physical plane – the plane whereon major changes in all forms are made.
 - E.g. etheric vision, incoming ultra-violet rays; new modes of healing working within the etheric web
- Because of this grounding effect, the 7th ray will foster the spiritual advancement of all grades.
- But it's important to remember that the 7th ray is the direct line along which 1st ray energy can travel, bringing the release of life into new and improved forms and the destruction of old ways of living.

- The inflow of 7th R environmental movement and the health and fitness movement --caring for the earth and our bodies as temples of the indwelling Spirit.
- Those under influence of the 7th R are innovators who work in practicality to create new cultural, economic and political forms, such as consensus-based decision-making, multi-stakeholder dialogues, socially responsible businesses, community supported agriculture, and the use of new participatory rituals to affirm the oneness of all life.
- Conflicts today both within and between nations are usually based on clashes between those who think things are fine the way they are and those who feel things are "out of order" and need to be put right. Many are working to "put things right" by working for justice and equity in allocating global resources or protecting and restoring the natural environment.
- The way forward is to combine the best of traditional values with the energy and impetus of the new, incoming life energies. This will create a higher synthesis that will open and expand consciousness, while maintaining enough stability to allow us to adjust to the increasingly rapid changes

The Seventh Ray and the Animal Kingdom

- Domestic animals constitute the heart centre in the life of the Entity Who ensouls the animal kingdom.
- The animal kingdom is the field of individualisation.
- The animal kingdom does not react strongly to the 7th ray.
- The human kingdom does, but the 7th ray will have three effects in relation to the two kingdoms and their interplay:
- a. It will refine the animal bodies. (Since Atlantis, the animals have been been occupied with the development of karma.)
- b. It will bring about a closer relation between men and animals.
- c. It will cause a great destruction of the present animal forms.
- We are very optimistic despite all the current problems we face, because we know that evolution is moving in our direction ---towards the Unity of all humanity-- and nothing--- absolutely nothing-- can stand for long against the tide of evolution.