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The essence of the moon

Jakob Lorber describes the word "monad" as an atom of light. In common parlance, it is interpreted as an "innumerable unity" or "soul". This is a specific in which the intelligences dwell. (Earth, ch. 28:5) Infinity is filled with the ideas of Deity, even in the smallest atom. (Earth, ch. 46:4, 52:7)

The word "monad" can be related to "month" as they have the same consonants. Month, in turn, is derived from moon. On the far side of the moon, which is more like an earth, there is life. They are tiny people (60 cm tall) and life there must be terribly boring and monotonous (**monotone**). On the side visible to us (the real moon!) live lunar spirit beings.

In Swedenborg, the term "human" means "**hu-mana**". The human mind reflects the human spirit, because both are actually human beings. The English word "mind" is reflected in the French word "mental". The mentality or disposition characterizes the HUMAN (MONAS).

In the very distant past, the rebellious nature spirits or nature beings created enormous pressure inside the earth. They caused a huge eruption and a large part of the earth's interior was hurled thousands of kilometers into the air. Along with this huge lump of matter, which later took the shape of a moon, countless rebellious creatures were also hurled. The Earth had given birth to a child. It was "Mona" or what we now call "Luna". Her weight was much heavier than that of her mother. (GJE4-107:1)

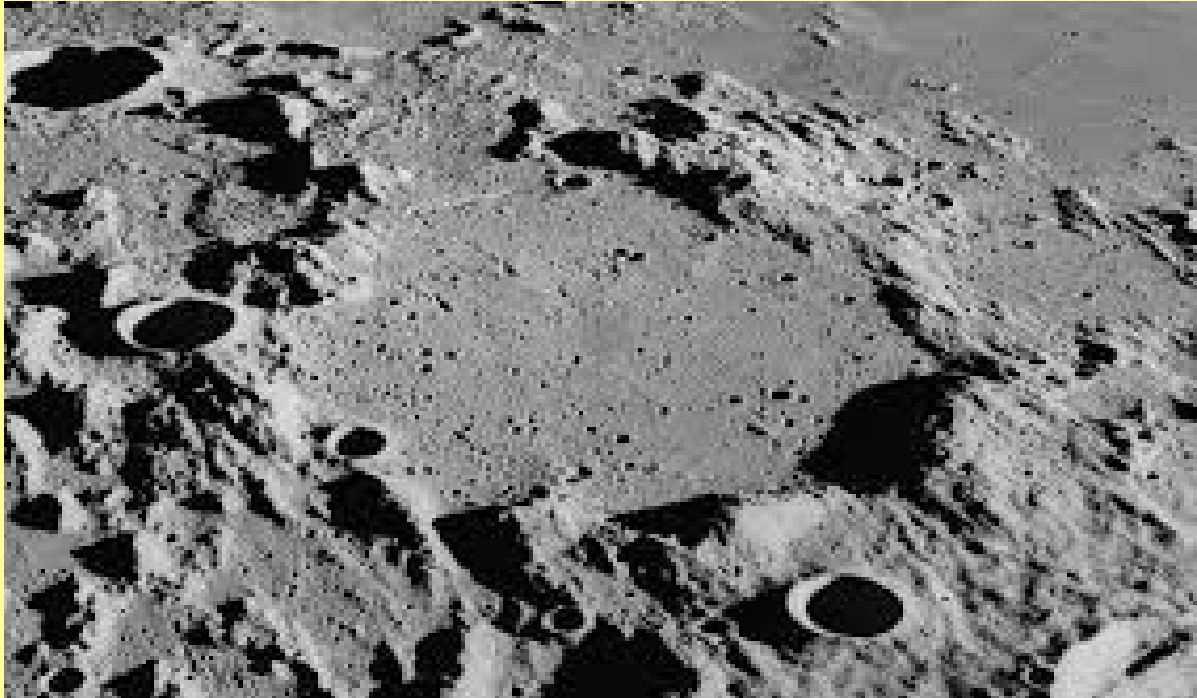
It was hurled almost 400,000 kilometers into the air, an unimaginable height. What a driving force that must have been. This happened with the permission of the deity. From this huge rock-hard mass, a liquid lump of matter erupted from the earth, which came apart at the seams and also swept away the banished primordial spirits that had been trapped in the hardest part of the earth's matter when Lucifer fell. This severe volcanic eruption in the lowest part of the earth once took place where Tahiti now lies on the Great Pacific Ocean. The liquid mass became firmer and rounder over time. According to Lorber, our moon is a great school of learning for rebellious spirits who were very sensual and materialistic in their previous life on earth. They must now learn to transform their pride and insensitivity into humility and receptivity. They can remain here for up to thousands of years. Often under very miserable conditions.

They have to die thousands of times, and when they die they always have the feeling of being lost forever. Fortunately for them, a return is still possible after a very long period of time determined by God.

The spirits living there were humans who had lived on earth. **But there are also male and female beings living on the moon, although they were not created there by an angel until 1,000 years after Adam.** (Moon, ch. 2:1)

What the Bible calls "eternal" does not mean that this eternal misery lasts uninterrupted, because "eternal" means "many centuries", enclosed in thousands of years, which cannot be counted by the senses in terms of duration, but will one day become transient again.

The craters on the moon are visible to the naked eye from Earth. They can be up to several kilometers deep. Why does the moon have so many craters? Lorber writes that their function is to balance the magnetic fluid for the Earth.



The black spots that are clearly visible from Earth are craters, and there is still air at the bottom of these craters, but it cannot escape. We will never get to see the far side of the moon. There is a lot of water, air, ice, snow and rivers on this side. It can be extremely hot and cold there. According to Jakob Lorber, there is neither water nor moisture on the front side. It is dead calm there and there is no wind. There is also no oxygen. It is impossible and dangerous to live there as a human being. All it takes is a single leak in the spacesuit and an astronaut would implode immediately. And then an oxygen bottle at such a high altitude? It's amazing why no research has ever been carried out with robots on the far side of the moon.



According to Lorber, it is not possible for a human being to stay on the moon from Earth. However, robots can be sent there to take photos, take samples and carry out geometric calculations. The moon is 98,000-100,000 hours away from the earth. Once Lorber writes 98,000 hours, another time 100,000 hours and later a little more. This has to do with the variable distance, because one time the moon is closer to the earth than another time.

Jesus discussed with His disciples the origin of the moon, its nature and its inhabitants and said: 'And that was also good, so that its too stubborn spirits can enjoy how good it is to be in a matter that is driest and close to all nourishment. And at the same time, since this earth has been inhabited by humans, this part of the moon (for the lump we are talking about is our moon) also serves to ensure that the most worldly human souls are sent there and from there, provided with an airy-material covering, can look at their beautiful earth from a distance of **over a hundred thousand hours** for several thousand years and feel sorry for themselves that they are no longer its stingy inhabitants. But that they cannot come down to earth again, despite all their desires, is already very well taken care of. But several aeons of earth years (*indefinite duration*) will gradually bring even the most stubborn to their senses!'

[GEJ.04_107,04]



If you look at the earth from the moon, its color is blue. From a height of 385,000 kilometers, you can see the earth as a beautiful blue sphere. On the visible side of the moon live spiritual beings who do not know that they are on the moon, but live in the lunar sphere. Their sphere of life is also very limited.

The lunar creatures on the far side of the moon can be compared to the dwarves or goblins in northern Norway. They have a double stomach, which they use like an air conditioner in cold or hot weather.

The moon has no future and feeds on the past. Spiritually, it is the summary of all limitations and obstacles in order to give the soul the strength it needs. Both the moon and the earth are connected. The mother protects her child and the child needs the mother. The moon also transfers its magnetism to the earth.

As already mentioned, the moon is condemned to keep pace with the earth. It is more dead than alive, and its radiation is not beneficial for humans, but it is useful for nature. Since the moon is more of a corpse, its influence on the earth is especially helpful in cemeteries. The grass and plants that grow around it are remarkably lush and luxuriant in cemeteries.



The earth: two imaginary animals facing each other, as it were

It is estimated that the Earth took 4.5 billion years to form. Before that, it was still a liquid mass. The moon has very high mountains, especially on the far side with many caves and caverns. It is said to consist of 85% craters. The moon also consists of iron and regolith. The bottom of the moon is yellow, grayish.

Its gravity is 1/6 that of the Earth. You would therefore weigh six times less on the moon. The average speed of the moon is 1 km per second, or 3600 km per hour.

The elements of nature

What are elements? They are spirits of nature. When people work well with them, there is peace in heaven, on earth and in water. Hildegard von Bingen writes that heaven (atmospheric air) and earth weep over man! And why? Because unrest and wars disturb the work of the spirits of nature. Man creates a vibration in the sky and this is received by the spirits of nature.

'When the moon "grows" in its fullness, it multiplies the blood in man.

The moon is a purifier and removes the dirt and impurities in the air. The moon has a volatile nature. In a way, the moon influences the psyche and health of humans and animals. If everyone stopped using pesticides, the insects (flies, bees) would recover faster and that would bring the environment back into balance and with it the temperatures. The flies in the sky moderate the sunlight.' (see booklet: "The Fly" - Jakob

Lorber).

The Lord has thus decided that the moon influences the earth via the air (plants and animals!). The moon is mentioned in several places in the Bible. Swedenborg emphasizes that the luminosity of the moon corresponds to the "true faith" and the "love of man". In the Bible, the "blood of the moon" also means "the goodness of love". All of Swedenborg's and the Bible's statements about the moon refer to the correspondences (as symbolism) of the moon.

Nature and moon spirits



In the book *Moon and Earth* by Jakob Lorber it says: 'Areas in which they prefer to live must be remote and quiet; in such an area it is also not advisable for anyone to shout or whistle loudly, still less to curse and rebuke, because this could stimulate the spirits still imprisoned in matter and make them rebellious, which could then harm those who have already become freer in their ideas'.

'To prevent this, they try to frighten hikers in such areas with all kinds of phenomena so that they want to leave the area as quickly as possible. They are particularly tricky in the mountains, especially in tunnels and shafts, where they have often caused the greatest misfortunes for those working in the mountains. Here and there a sudden collapse of shafts and tunnels, bad air in them, often sudden flooding, the disappearance of metal loaders and other such crazy things are all the work of

such spirits, just as landslides and large snow avalanches on high mountains are usually caused by these fiends.

'When these spirits sometimes wish people well in something, or at least have nothing bad in mind to do them, they usually appear in a dwarf form, either in a very dark, gray, blue or green color. This small form indicates that they degrade themselves to humans in order to do them good, because they pity the banished spirit in them in a certain way.

But when a person then behaves improperly towards such spirits, they often grow to a tremendous size, in which form it is then no longer good to stay near them - and certainly not without invoking My name.

'The fact that such spirits exist has already been shown in the last communication. The only question that remains is whether or not such spirits will also travel the path of the flesh.

'If they show themselves to be very useful and active on earth, their flesh may well be forgiven them on earth; but instead they come either to the moon or to another planet, where they must nevertheless accept an incarnation, and usually accept it more willingly, because the incarnation on the other world bodies is usually more fleeting and easier.' [Earth, Chapter 34:7-11].

The sun would burn much on the earth if the moon did not resist it, for the moon softens the sun's glow through its cold cavities. Therefore, the sun and moon are so arranged for mankind by divine decree that they bring health or infirmity to people according to the nature of the air and the air current. Thus it is known that the sun radiates from the brain to the heel. The rays of the moon go from the eyebrows to the ankles. When the moon increases, the brain swells, as does the blood in humans.

When the moon is waning, the fluid in the brain decreases, as does the blood in the person. When the moon is full, the brain is full and the person is healthy. (Interestingly, it could be investigated in people with dementia what their "light days" are!) However, when a person is empty, the human brain is less receptive. Human sensory perception is then somewhat reduced. (Hildegard of Bingen)

According to Psalm 104:19, God places the moon in our solar system as a sign of the times, because the moon must nourish all times, just as a mother nourishes her child. First with milk, of course, then with solid food. When the moon is waning, the moon is weaker than a minor planet, and therefore the moon nourishes itself with milk throughout the ages. When the moon is waning, the moon feeds on solid food.

Forced to work on the moon

The sun is part of our planetary system, and the sun is the first place where the spirits enter the solar atmosphere after they have shed their bodies at work. But closest to the earth is the moon. On the moon, however, these spirits exercise more of a punitive than a free teaching ministry.

So these spirits here are roughly what your elementary teachers are, who, in addition to the textbook, also hold a rod of discipline in their hands. We can read in Lorber why such a thing is necessary. (Spiritual Sun-2, chap. 122:1-3)

Because what does the moon look like and why does it look the way it does? What relationship and what disposition does the moon have with its inhabitants, and how are these spirits taught? Very often, usually after thousands of years, such spirits end up in the realms of other planets. Often those closest to them... The spirits, it is assumed, only enter the spiritual realms of these planets. So the question arises, is this the usual path that all spirits must take to eventually reach heaven? (GZ-2-122: 3 e.v.)

Ebb and flow

Do high and low tides have anything to do with the moon? **According to Lorber, ebb and flow are not caused by the moon.** That would not even be possible. In the book "Earth and Moon", Lorber explains through the Lord "that the lungs of the earth" cause this with the inhalation and exhalation of the earth. Lorber compares this to a bathtub full of water. If you lie down in it and breathe in and out deeply, you can clearly see how the water rises and falls like the ebb and flow of the tide. Every six hours, the earth rises slightly and evenly, and this is particularly noticeable on the seashore as an ebb and flow. "This is therefore not caused by the moon and has a deep and spiritual meaning and relates only to the earth. (Earth and Moon, ch. 52)

'And the sun was over them both (the earth and the moon) with the rays of his light of the warmth of love in God, and that like a 'hen over her chicks', and made the earth ripe, and separated the moon from the breast of her mother earth'. (A beautiful quote from 'The household of God, part 1, ch. 7,2).

'A chief child of the earth, conceived in this way, is the moon, the eldest child of this telluric woman.

'Does she not have several similar children? - Oh yes, a considerable number of comets, some of which are born and orbit in the vast etheric space, but some of these children are the so-called shooting stars that appear almost daily and mostly around the equinoctial times. The fact that they are nothing other than small, comet-like planets newly born from the Earth is proven by their elliptical orbit and their round shape when they come so close to the Earth that people can see their diameter with their eyes. These little planets, however, are fed up again by the earth, as are all their other procreations, similar to the fable of Saturn, who devoured his children.

'Then from where and from what are these children born from the earth? - The earth has a countless number of such birthing channels. The main birth canal on earth, however, is located in the middle of the still great world ocean, not far from the equator, namely in the area of the archipelago of the so-called Taiti and Otahaiti; from there the moon was separated from the earth, and even afterward quite a number of still existing comets.

'This is therefore a main birth canal of the earth. Other birth canals are a number of lakes, swamps and caves in the mountains, from which such planets are not infrequently thrown out to a considerable height by a polar force. But since they

have too few bodies, their small wealth is consumed by the opposite polarity through the predominant polar force of the earth, and they are drawn back to the earth, onto which they soon fall as slag-like masses, sometimes also as stones; but they only come down again as stones when they have first exploded in the etheric space and then fall down as parts of the whole.

'This is a kind of procreation in which the earth appears merely as woman. Next we will consider the far more remarkable thousandfold procreation, where the earth is active as man and woman at the same time'. [He.01_013, 09-13].

The moon as a secondary earth

In the Gospel of James, Jonathan asks Jesus about the moon. The Lord tells him that the moon is a 'secondary earth' on which there are also mountains, valleys, fruit, animals and people. 'A part of the moon that we cannot see with the naked eye resembles the earth. Its light comes from the sun, and its light changes due to its position, which changes every minute due to the Earth's rotation. The spots we see on the moon are deeper and darker places of affliction'. (Remains of extinct volcanoes) (The Youth of Jesus, ch.174)

Now you may only count the countless stars - if you can - and you will immediately have the myriad of simple specifics in your atmospheric air. Everything that is physically present on earth and in the earth is all the mutual effect of the stars, and that is because I, the Creator, have set up the great world mechanism in this way.

Astronomers on earth have already made two very important observations. The first is that previously existing celestial bodies have completely disappeared, so that the specificity they caused on earth must also have disappeared and with it those beings that could enter physical existence through them.

Another discovery made by astronomers is that light from very distant stellar regions will reach the earth for the first time either now or sometimes only after many years. According to this phenomenon, new specifics must then also appear on the earth and, according to them, new formations on the earth, which either have a favorable or a detrimental effect on the previously existing beings, depending on whether the star from which the specific emanates is a good or an evil one; **for there are good and evil stars, just as, according to them, there are good and evil plants and good and evil animals.** [Er.01_021,08 et seq.]

When the moon is under the woman's feet, as it says in Revelation 12:1, it is talking about faith and a new church both in heaven and on earth. **Every time the moon is mentioned in the Bible, it stands for faith.**

Thus it says in Matthew 24:28-30: *"If the moon no longer gives its light, then there is no more understanding or faith among men." Faith corresponds to the light of the moon in an analogous sense.*

When the moon no longer sheds its light, it means that the church is in a bad state, approaching its end and calling down judgment on itself. Then, as a rule, there is no charity towards one another. In such a situation, the church can no longer

sustain itself, and this is why it is called the "day of affliction or visitation". (*Note: the moon still gives its light, but the church is already in this bad state...*)

We have our "months" because of the moon. They stand for the time and the times according to Psalm 104:1,2,19 and 20. The moon stands for "insight" and the "sun" for wisdom. Some people wonder, when Joshua brought the moon and the sun to a standstill in the valley of Ajalon (Joshua 10:12,13), whether this actually happened. **Swedenborg says 'no', because if the sun and moon had really stood still, the world would have ended.** According to Swedenborg, this is not a story, but a prophetic statement. He refers to the prophet Jashar, who is not mentioned in any of our Bible books, but who really existed as such. The Bible refers to this in 2 Sam. 1:17-18.

According to John 3:19-21 and Gen 8:22, people love darkness more than light. Night here refers to "evil" and day to "good". The "evil" is the work of the night and the "good" is the work of the day. In the Bible, darkness means the untrue. According to Swedenborg, the sun and moon are not darkened in real life, but in spiritual life, which corresponds to faith.

When Lorber mentions something about the moon, such as the waxing or waning moon, it means self-love. Spiritually speaking, the moon symbolizes love of the world and self-love. Human souls who have once landed on the moon are usually loveless and have to spend a very long time there in order to be purified. That is why the moon is a strict institution of correction. (*Of course, this does not apply to Armstrong and others!*)

We read in H.v.Bingen that the moon irradiates our eyebrows and ankles. Consequently, the eyebrows are protected from seeing by God's arrangement and the ankles from being worn.

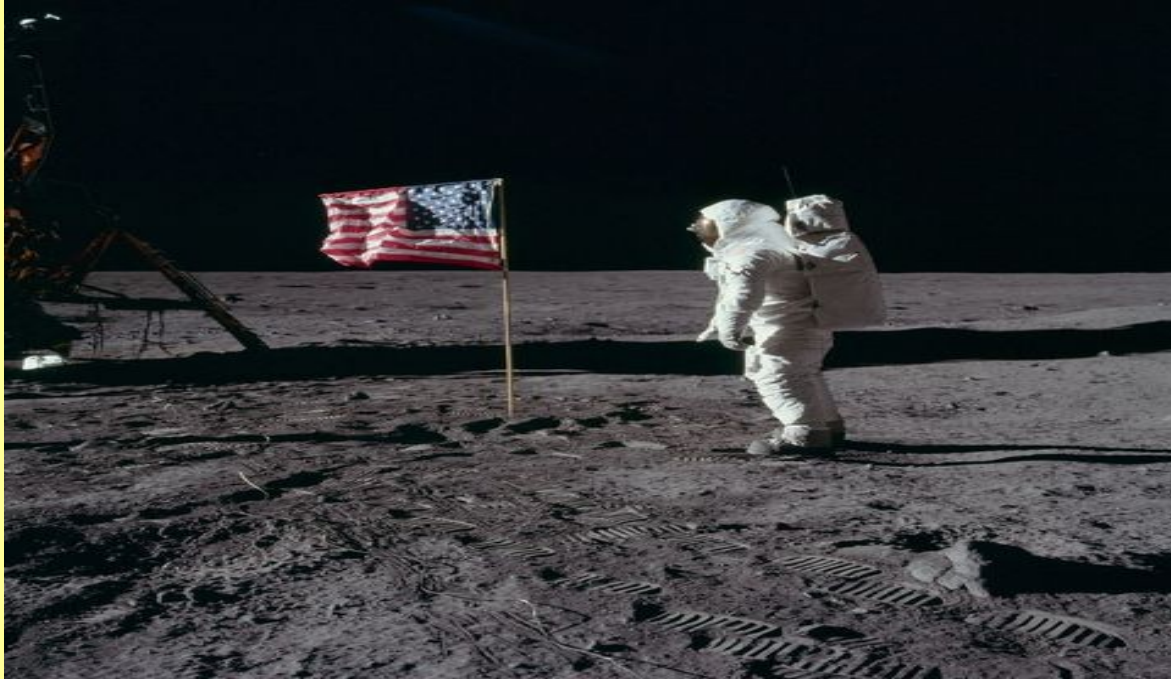


In orbit, an astronaut takes a look outside the command module



Could these have been wheel tracks on the moon? What do the "made" holes mean?

Many questions arise as to whether there really was a moon landing. Although Nasa's photos are razor-sharp, not a single star can be seen on them. And then there is the raining flag, while there is no wind on the moon. If you look at the photos, it looks like the end of the day and dusk. But on the moon there are 14 days of light and 14 days of darkness. The shadows always seem to have been taken from the same field of view.



The Lord says: 'But in order for you to fully understand the moon and its habitability, you must know that the moon is actually only "moon" on the side facing the planet; on the opposite side, however, it is not "moon", but a completely solid part of the earth.... This side of the moon is therefore not inhabited by any organic being, but its inhabitants are of a spiritual nature. These spiritual inhabitants were all world addicts during their physical life and are now banished there for improvement so that they can still sufficiently fill themselves with the world in this way. And when, after a considerable length of time, they realize that the worldliness is not bearing fruit and they listen to the teachers sent there, those who are willing to do so are immediately led from there to a higher, blissful level of freedom; those who are less obedient, however, are again clothed with bodies on the earth of the moon and have to eke out a very miserable and miserable existence there. For the first time they have to struggle with the great cold and darkness, but for the second time also with an unbearable heat; for the night lasts almost 14 full earth days and the day is just as long again. Towards the end of each night it becomes as cold there as on the earth at the north pole, and around the middle and towards the end of the day it becomes so hot that no living being can endure it on the surface.

The question is, how can the creatures with bodies survive there? This will be explained soon.

The inhabitants, like all other organic beings, live in the earth. In this subterranean dwelling they must spend half of the day as well as half of the night;

therefore there are no houses and cities there, as there are with you, but the dwellings are in the depths of the moon, here and there also in mountain crevices and caves. [Mo.01_001,10]

‘And so the whole moon is nothing other than a spiritual state of education under My personal guidance.’ [Mo.01_005,07]

The Lord makes a special statement about the flesh (the sensuality of the body), "which adapts itself for a time to the better, for punishment improves and orders the flesh for a time, but really not the soul and still less the free spirit. **Therefore, this act on the moon does not take place as a punishment, but as an expression of a more intimate, better love.**" [Mo.01_005.10]

When asked whether a journey from the earth to the moon is possible, the Lord replies: "On a solar planet, every human species is bound to its place by the natural planetary conditions and can no more leave it than you can leave the earth, even if you had so much desire to undertake a journey to the moon. Now, of course, you will ask again: How are we to understand this? **A journey to the moon is of course impossible, because it is separated from the earth and too far away from it**’. (The Natural Sun, chap. 9:9,10).

According to Lorber, all the deceased first enter the spiritual realms of the nearest planets. **The most stubborn** go to the nearest one, the moon. There the souls are dealt with harshly. (Spiritual Sun-2, Chapter 122:2)

This statement by Lorber is interesting: There is a saying in German: 'Ich könnte Dich auf den Mond schießen!' ('I could shoot you to the moon!') when one is very angry about someone's behavior. (Perhaps an archaic assumption of this truth, which is documented here...)

Bishop Martinus was allowed to take a look at the moon of our earth in the afterlife. The Lord spoke to him and said: 'O yes, behold, this is the moon of the earth. And these people are taken from the earth, just like the whole moon itself, which was then the worst part of the earth, but is now much better than the whole earth! That is why it has now also become a school for very worldly souls. For behold, better a lean, small world with a fat spirit than a fat, large world with a very lean spirit!'. [BM.01_049,06]

Robert Blum asks the Lord in the afterlife whether this dark world (the moon) is also part of the solar system! The Lord answers him: 'Oh no, that is the Earth's moon. See its dark land and there in the distance a small group of dwarfish human beings! These are the real inhabitants of the side of the moon that is always turned away from the earth. Their greatest delight is their females, whom they usually carry around on their shoulders out of pure love and tenderness. Above them you will see lively spirits floating around. These are the souls of deceased moon people! Their joy is to do good to their still mortal brothers and to protect them from various dangers. They mainly focus their attention on ensuring that the very material spirits who inhabit the bare side of the moon, which always faces the earth, cannot reach the

inhabitants of the vegetative side of the moon, where they would bring significant dangers to their house, which consists of an underground cave.' [RB.02_295,21].

The eldest daughter of Kishiona (near the Sea of Galilee in the mountains) asked Jesus what this moon really was, and she was allowed to see three moon spirits and question them. And they replied: 'Fair one! Your question to us about the moon is the same as when we asked you about the earth you inhabit. You do not know why it is dark on the earth and yet you do not ask about it; how can you ask about the moon, which is much further away from you than the earth that supports you? Behold, like your earth, our moon is also a world! Your earth is round like a sphere; so is our moon. Your earth is only half illuminated by the great sun; so is our moon. With you the night lasts on average only at about thirteen of your short hours, and just as long then also your earth day; but with the moon the night as well as the day lasts at fourteen day and night lengths of your earth, and therefore comes for your eye, seen from this your earth, the constant change of light of the moon, - and that is a strong difference between the moon and your much larger earth. But there is still a very powerful difference between your earth and the moon, and that consists in the fact that the moon is only inhabited on one side, but which you cannot see, by beings of my kind, while your earth is inhabited on all sides or is for the most part inhabitable.

'Oh, life on the moon is not as blissful as on your earth! O there is much cold and much unbearable heat, much hunger and often the most burning thirst! So don't long for that small but extremely hard world, in whose fields no wheat and no grain grows, much less wine! But on the side that you can always see from this earth of yours alone, there dwells no carnal being, neither animal nor man, but unhappy spirits who cannot help themselves easily or even at all. - And now you know everything you need to know. But have no desire to learn more about the moon, for such knowledge would make you most unhappy in the end! Stick only to love and forsake all wisdom; for it is better to dine at the table of love than to lick the scanty dew from the stone of the wise in the moon!' (GGJ-1-153:6-12)

The above fits very well with the fact that some unloving billionaires of our earth offer trips to the moon for a lot of money and want to 'conquer' it in the long run...

When very poor material people die, they will indeed come to an earthly sphere and have to endure all kinds of torment and pain to detach themselves from matter. Finally, they will be transferred to the moon. Only when they have passed through all the stages of self-denial will they be raised to a more perfect planet. (GEJ.02_140.05)

Jara overlooks the moon as a very sad, poor, small world meant for even smaller and poorer humans and other creatures. (GEJ.03_127.14)

Cyrenius explains about the earth and **the moon** that the moon **is** a celestial body that **is about 50 times smaller than our earth**. [GEJ.03_139.01]

Jesus, the Lord, gives a detailed explanation of the world of the moon and the characteristics of the lunar souls incarnated on earth in the 6th part of the Great Gospel of John, chapters 120,121.

He said to a priestess: 'It is quite certain that the moon, as the nearest star to the earth, has an effect on this earth; but in general it has no effect on people and animals, plants and minerals, but only in particular on what on this earth comes from it. Take care, especially you calendar makers!

*Remark: then 'Demeter products' would not be as valuable as assumed?
(Rudolf Steiner)*

(The Lord:) 'Now that you see and understand this, I can also tell you many things about the occurrence of the evil of lunar addiction. The inhabitants of the moon, as extremely simple and introverted people, have the gift of clairvoyance, especially at the time of their full fourteen-day-long night, which they usually spend sleeping in their underground caves. In this sleep, however, their souls remain fully awake and see everything far and wide around them, and therefore also this earth, to which they actually belong more or less, but which they can never see when they are awake because of the natural position of the moon during their long day; for the moon people only inhabit the part of the moon facing away from the earth, but not the part facing the earth, since the moon, as I have already explained to you, for quite natural reasons has no air and no water on the side facing the earth, and even if there is a kind of air here and there in the many depressions, it is nevertheless not sufficient to serve living beings in the flesh for the necessary inhalation, and is also not suitable for this, because it completely lacks the element of salt (oxygen).'

[GGJ.06_120,06]

The inner eye of Jesus' friends was opened and they saw the moon, its surroundings and its inhabitants. 'But now take heed, all of you! I will now forcibly awaken you inwardly for a few moments and let you see the moon as if you were on its ground! I wanted to do this, and everyone at the same time uttered a cry of horror, and Lazarus begged Me to take away his inner sight again, for the moon seemed too desolate, barren and empty to him. But I said: "Just take a closer look and you will discover beings similar to the people of this earth! Then they all strained their eyes even more, and lo and behold, there they discovered human beings, and on the side always facing the earth a kind of very airy-looking, almost completely transparent and yet very stunted-looking little human beings, of which they knew nothing to make; but on the opposite side of the moon they liked it a little better. Since they were able to observe them at the moon's fortnightly night time, they also found the people and the few animals in deep sleep for reasons that were quite natural to the moon.'

(GJE6-157:7-10)

Someone asked Jesus about this afterwards: "I said: 'Yes, yes, they are not very happy beings, and they carry much of the infernal within them; but they can and will nevertheless pass over to a better life in time - though not in a hurry. Those who have already been floating around on the surface of that moon earth and have attained a kind of transparency are already better off anyway.

But those who still live in the deep caves, holes and craters are still in a bad way, and it will take quite some time before they are in a better state of life.

You see, these are the souls of the people of this earth who, in their physical life on this earth, have gone beyond all measure into the most fantastic worldliness and self-love. These actually most material souls are given a kind of semi-material body out of themselves on the moon earth, through which they still perceive the bad

material impressions, such as those of cold, heat, as well as the light of the sun and the opposite light of this earth and the other stars; but they can no longer satisfy their greed with anything earthly. They see this earth quite well and also know that they once lived very well on its soil, where they possessed many goods and a great reputation and many people served them; now they are left to themselves alone, naked and have no food at all apart from the very thin air, even no water and even less wine. Their soil is pumice-like rock, and not a moss plant can be found anywhere.

And so the moon earth is a very suitable place for such souls, where they become quite properly wasted and come to the realization that all earthly goods are highly deceptive and worthless, and they are finally seized by the longing to pass away completely and no longer be.

Many try to kill themselves, others to deprive themselves of all further worldview through a kind of sleep; but neither the one nor the other works. Then they begin to look for some way out of the pits and valleys of their suffering into some region where they might meet with wiser men to discuss with them the reason for their so very sad existence. And you see, it happens that they find a way out with a lot of trouble and effort. They come to great plains, climb very high mountains and also meet with wise spirits who teach them wisely and also say that there is an almighty, wisest and most good God in whom they should believe and whom they should love, and if they do so, they will soon be better off.' [GGJ.06_157,13-16]

'Thus, after many and long courses of time, such material people will also become pure and can enjoy a great bliss; but they can never get there, where one of the least of My children will get to'. [GGJ.06_157,18].

Said Lazarus: 'Yes, Lord, we now know that exactly, that is, as far as the side now facing us is concerned! But the other side seems to have more in common with our earth. We saw plants and water there, and we also saw clouds in the firmament. What is there there? I said: "Quite as natural people as for example in the deep north of this earth, but of course organized a little differently because of the completely different day and night conditions of that moon earth.' [GEJ.06_157,20,21]

The Lord showed a group of Romans the moon and its inhabitants and opened the inner eye in them:

'Then I let them take a look at the moon, and they briefly described this sad-looking barren world, in which they saw nothing except a few groups of sad-looking and gray-colored goblins. There were no trees, no grass and no animals to be seen. But what about the miserable moon? That it is a material world, that is clear, - but as bare, desolate and barren as the highest peak of Mount Ararat! Who are those miserable little gray goblins? They may have more or less the shape of a human being, but they seem to belong to an animal species of that worldly body, although in a way they may be more spirits than any material beings. For I noticed how such a goblin soon grew very large and soon became very small again. If such an imp were purely material, I think that it would not be able to enlarge and shrink its body so easily. - So, lord and master, what is it about the moon?' [GGJ.07_058,20-24]

The angel Raphael showed a Roman commander the front and back of the moon, and the commander was very astonished and the captain said: 'Compared to our earth, this must be a sad world! According to your explanation, the people who live only on this side cannot attain any great wisdom, because on such a small, extremely meagre world they can only gain a very limited view of what God has created, and because they can gain almost no time to observe even the little on this small world with attention, to study it, to make comparisons and to draw the necessary experiences from it. They must have the most resemblance to our apes?' [GEJ.10_014,11]

Rafael continued: 'The moon people, however, are strong in the inner, contemplative life, in which they also know you inhabitants of this earth very well, but only rarely take a liking to you, because you have distanced yourselves too far from the inner truth of life through your outer thinking and striving. They say of you that you are dead souls. But if it is so with the inhabitants of the moon, then they are certainly on a higher level of life than your earth monkeys.' [GEJ.10_014,14].

Peter warns and admonishes Martinus urgently about his sensuality and says to him:

But I pray thee for the Lord's sake, make a covenant with thyself at last, and never let thyself lust after that which is not worthy of thy spirit. Then the vision of your spirit will become ever brighter and you will always speak words of pure wisdom. But if you do not do this seriously, you will never come out of your stupidity. And the Lord will give you, instead of leading you higher, into the moon of the earth for 1000 years, measured according to the natural time of the earth!' [BM.01_159,08]

'It must be terrible to spend thousands of years on this dull, boring and ugly moon. What would the astronauts have had to do there, if they had been there at all? The Lord teaches us the following: 'But you must not think that such a journey through these containers is as easy and swift as you might expect it to be for spirits. At first it is very difficult, for as often as a spirit moves upwards, it must die in its former vessel, just as each of you on earth must die physically once. And this dying is also always more or less painful and always accompanied by the feeling of the possibility of eternal annihilation. Consider also that such a spirit often has to pass through several thousands of such cauldrons, and that it often has to stay in such a cauldron for a month, often half a year, indeed often a whole year and more, so you will also get an idea of the speed of such a journey!

Look, there are still spirits from the times of Abraham on this world body who have not yet finished their journey over three quarters! What can you think of those who get there while you are writing?' [Mo.01_004,12,13]



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