



A Course In Astral Travel

(Supplementary Topic)

WEEK 7

General Dream Symbols

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Here is a guide to the meaning of some symbols that are given in the Astral and dreams; the starting point for it was found in the work of Samael Aun Weor who gave many symbols in his books. You can use it as a general guide only, because there are other meanings to many of the symbols. Much depends upon the particular circumstances of the experiences too and using your own intuition is vital.

Also bear in mind that objects that you see may or may not have a symbolic meaning, many things may be representations of the mind, and may have no value. Again your intuition will guide you if you have practiced enough and can use it.

There are no forums related to symbols, because they are for the dreamer to discover their meaning. Also because I don't want to spend my time as a dream guide, it is better for me to explain how to walk along the path, to give the tools to do so and for me to teach you how to learn to understand the meaning of your own dreams and astral experiences rather than to rely each time upon what someone else says. Esoteric knowledge is something personal to each individual and something that an individual acquires with their own efforts.

I have not included many things of the path (the three Mountains) because they have their own process, just general things that a beginner or someone just starting the work is likely to encounter although most things are still relevant to those who are on the path. Some of the things in the guide you will not have information about on this course, they will be made clearer by doing the esoteric course.

Where there is a description that says something simple or general, for example “how one appears internally”, you need to look at what is present in the dream and its context to get your own information on it.

Many incidents in dreams are the actions of egos or the representations/images of the mind and these need to be distinguished from situations where genuine symbols are given.

A

Age: If divine being talk about age in their places of learning in the higher dimensions they are talking about Initiations.

Amusement Park: The illusory life of the egos.

Angel: the presence of a Master.

Anger: manifestation of the ego. You cannot pass the initiation test of fire with this.

Aeroplane: represents how ones spiritual progress is going.

Ark: alchemy.

Army: There are armies of the White Lodge and of the Black Lodge, the egos also form the legion. A fight against an evil army represents the legion of egos, armies of darkness, enemies, egos. If you form part of a good army look at your grade in it, it represents the level of work of the dreamer.

Authorities of the Law: if they are against the dreamer it is divine justice in action, karma. In favour of the dreamer then the law protects him/her.

B

Balloons: An ordinary life, not on the path, mundane.

Banquet: a celebration of a spiritual progress.

Barriers: obstacles and difficulties.

Bathing: in pure clean water – alchemical cleaning. In dirty water – illness.

Beard: for a man it indicates power. Any anomaly in the beard is a bad sign. In a woman it indicates sexual degeneration.

Bicycle: how one is travelling spiritually.

Birds: in a cage means that there are elements that have come to fulfil a mission, but they are locked by the ego; with the death of the egos they are set free.

Blow (as in punching): to receive blows without a reason - attacks.

Body: can show the state of the physical or internal bodies.

Bread: Christic atoms.

A **Building:** represents where you are or where you need to reach with your spiritual work (transmutation), it is where you inhabit spiritually. A white one means purification, death of the egos.

Bull: The Masculine principle, but usually the ego.

Bullets: if someone is shooting them at you - insults directed towards you. If you are shooting them carelessly or wrongly - bad thoughts, there is a need to control the mental body.

C

Canal: the spinal column. A dry canal represents the absence of Kundalini in the spine.

Cane: the same as canal.

Car: symbolises the inner work one is doing in the physical and shows how it is going, a couple can ride in the car when people are married, then it related to them. Look at the type of car, its colour and condition, how you drive it, etc.

Castle: Fortress. Negative castle – stronghold of evil.

Cat: if it attacks – enemies. Black cat – black magic. On the positive side a cat can also be related to the sexual fire.

Catastrophe: related to the number 16. It is very bad and represents a fall or a decent.

Cave: a cavern of the mind, with all its darkness.

Century Plant. (Agave Americanas, Figue plant): You are being attacked by the forces of darkness and need to protect yourself.

Chains: to break chains – to free oneself.

Chalice: the brain, the female sexual organs.

Chicken: Frightened chicken – egos of fear and weakness.

Child: a spiritual part within.

Church: a spiritual place, look at the context.

Classroom: being taught in the internal worlds by Masters, look at your behaviour in the classroom.

Cliff: falling down a cliff symbolises an esoteric fall backwards, but it is also used in the test of air in the probative path.

Clock: time is pressing – look at the time in terms of the sum of the numbers as stated in the topic on the meaning of numbers.

Clothes: indicates ones spiritual state or grade, dressed in rags - spiritually bad, misery and pain. Internal bodies.

Coins: payments for deeds, dharmic credits. Refer the number to the Kabbalistic sum of the coins.

Cold (as in temperature): solitude, sadness. Bitterness.

Column: support of the internal temple.

Combat: Fights against the egos and enemies. If it is a fight against enemies it is a bad sign to loose. Fighting with oneself – fight against the egos.

Comet: heralds impending disaster, you have to be careful.

Cow: The feminine principle. A white cow represents the Divine Mother, a black Cow represents her opposite.

Cross: Work with the Alchemy, sacrifices.

Crow: negative forces threaten internally, you must protect yourself appropriately. Black magic.

D

Dagger: Assassination of the Christ, fornication.

Darkness: to be in the darkness indicates lack of consciousness in the internal worlds although it can also be due to the egos or negative entities, in the latter case it can be cleared with the conjurations.

Dates: they should be worked out through the Kabbalistic numbers. They announce important things.

Dawn: a beginning, inspiration, a new start.

Death: if you see yourself dead it means the death of a defect (ego) or defects. To unearth oneself - a new ego is born.

Debts: karma is being applied to you. Karmic payments have to be made.

Defecation: decrease of psychological defects (egos).

Dirty: a bad sign for the future. Inner filth. The danger of death for a sick person.

Disabled: to see oneself disabled or crippled – the essence is crippled. Lame – lack of sacrifice for humanity.

Desert: aridness and solitude on the path.

Devil: Lucifer the psychological trainer, the tempter.

Doctor: help from the Masters of medicine in the case of illness.

Dog: there are two types of dog; the negative one steals the sexual energies. The other is a guide along the alchemical work. Dogs can also be guards.

Donkey: inferior mental body, the ordinary mind. To ride upon it shows control of the mind.

Dove: A white dove is the Holy Spirit.

E

Eagle: The Father.

Exams: Spiritual/Esoteric tests, watch how you study and prepare for them, how you sit them and the results achieved.

F

Face (ones own): how one appears internally.

Father: representation of the eternal Father who teaches.

Flying: a certain type and level of consciousness achieved. What it is seen and felt while flying needs to be interpreted. In general it's a good sign, it's even better when someone wakes up fully. Although it can be given as a help when someone is doing badly in order to give them a boost.

Fire: gives light or destroys so it depends how it is seen.

Fisherman: walker of the path, who spreads the teaching.

Flag: it represents success. Pay attention to the state of it.

G

Garden (pleasant): spiritual happiness.

H

Hair (of the head): the state of ones sexual energies and spiritual state. A bald head – lost energies.

Harvesting: The fruit of ones own deeds. If bad – there is need to learn to sow.

Hell: to be in one of the circles of the infra-dimensions. Indicates ones inner level, depending on the situation. To be unconscious there shows that the dreamer needs to work hard to eliminate the negative heavy states that drag him/or her there. It is possible to investigate there consciously, to go there to learn too. Being put into Hell is a sign of a present or future reality. To get out of there shows some success and hope.

Horse: it represents the work in the physical as a car does. To be mounted on a horse indicates spiritual advancement. If the horse is well decorated it indicates a good sign. A runaway horse is spiritually dangerous.

House: the work that one builds, built on sand for example the work has dodgy foundations and can easily fall. If it is inhabited by strangers it shows egos.

I

Insects: larvae, there is a need to carry out a cleaning internally, clean the astral body with the awakened fire. Also represent attacks.

J

Jackal: Anubis judging, karma to pay.

Jewels: Depressing news. When taken out of a chest: a good sign.

Judge/Judgement: being judged by the Masters of Karma in the internal worlds. If the judgment is in our favour a karmic matter goes our way. If the judgment goes against us there is a karma to pay.

K

Killing: usually refers to the elimination of the egos, but watch who is killed, it is possible to go against the spiritual.

L

Lake: related to sexual transmutation.

Lamb: the son, the Christ,

Lion: represents the law of karma. The solar man in its ascended aspect. A vicious lion represents the violent egos. Killing a fierce lion with your bare hands is triumph over certain sexual passions.

Loan: good if it is approved and sensible, but remember that it needs to be paid. Business with the karmic law (divine law).

Lustful Dreams: due to a lack of work on the egos of lust, urgent need to overcome them. Indifference in front of lust shows some chastity and balanced centres.

Lustful Odour: Lustful people emit a bad odour in the astral.

M

Marriage: when the person is married physically and dreams of being in a married relationship with their physical partner it means achievements in the alchemical transmutation, they form a true couple.

Master: spiritual Being, will teach though not always in the way you may think, for example, if a Master is in silence you have asked a silly question.

Mother: Represents the internal divine mother.

Mirror: How you appear in a mirror represents how you appear internally.

Money: depends on the context, it could for example be related to greed if you are stealing it, or it could be cosmic money related to the karmic payments.

Monsters: demons, egos. The dreamer is in the infra-dimensions, in Hell. Also a monster is faced in the test of the guardian of the threshold.

Moon: represents the negative part oneself.

Mountain: initiation, difficulties, hard task. It is a good sign to climb one. It also means the goal.

Mud: a bad sign, a lack of death of the egos, negative influences. To get muddy – illnesses, need to eliminate egos.

N

Naked: Big troubles and/or difficulties are going to fall upon you. Look at what you go through too when naked.

Nightmares: indicate a bad psychological state or an upset stomach. The dreamer is in the infra-dimensions.

Numbers: they are interpreted Kabalistically.

O

Owl: can represent both wisdom and negative forces.

P

Pact: pay careful attention if you have signed a document or made a verbal pact with anyone, because if it is done without consciousness it could have been made with the forces of darkness.

Parents: representation of the divine Father and Mother. To dream with parents is not necessarily a good sign; they often only appear as a last resort when the student is doing very badly. It's important to pay careful attention to what they say and do.

Path: a pathway in general means the Esoteric path, Initiation. If it is steep and difficult it is the direct path of initiation. But not all are the true path. If it is a dark one be careful. If it is in a spiral and ascending it is the path to nirvana, without sacrifices.

Peacock: arrogance.

Pig: filth, laziness, fornication. There is a need to work upon oneself.

Pine: The Father.

Police: the divine law actively working. To be arrested - karma to pay, this is sorted out in the Tribunal of Divine Justice. Arresting someone – karma acts upon that person. You pay or they pay you for your sacrifices.

Poster: read the information on it.

Prison cell: the law of karma acts. Psychological prison. The egos have one locked without freedom.

Punishment: paying a karmic debt.

R

Rain: tears, sadness and negative emotions. To walk under the rain: bitterness, pain, suffering.

Recurring dream: something needs to be worked out.

Red beret or turban: An initiate of the Black Lodge.

Rock: alchemical foundation of the work.

S

Scales: the divine law and justice.

School: the school of life, look at the context to see how you are doing in it in relation to your esoteric work.

Sea: the sexual waters. Calm and clean - good control of the waters, chastity. Turbulent and dark - passion or lust.

Seed: an invitation or potential to be born spiritually.

Sentry: watchful – alert consciousness. Sentry asleep – unconsciousness.

Sharks: Egos.

Shoes: how one walks along the path. Barefoot – doing badly, inadequate footwear – doing the work improperly, etc.

Snake: there are two types – the risen Kundalini and the negative tempting serpent, if the latter bites – sexual fall.

Snow: achievements with chastity. Bad omen if the dreamer is covered in or feels cold.

Spear: phallic symbol. Represents the work with the seminal waters.

Stairs: to go up – spiritual ascent, a beginning, new internal tasks. Being stopped on one – obstacles. Stopping on one – stagnant work. To go down is bad spiritually. To fall off is very bad. It depends of the height from which one falls.

Staff: the Kundalini, the spinal column.

Stars: refer to what is happening in the sky.

Stigmata: Received towards the end of the second Mountain, but if seen by someone who is not at that stage they indicate pain received while doing the spiritual work. They are very painful but you need to bear the pain somehow.

Stone: refer to rock.

Studying: study in life using the esoteric work. Prepare or preparing for tests. Pay attention to the way you are studying.

Sun: The Christ. Success in initiation. Rising – something needs to be born within. Setting – something needs to die within. Dim or hazy – being obscured by egos. An eclipse of the sun – the egos eclipse and dominate the consciousness, the light is blocked, one does not allow the Being to manifest.

Swim: how one goes in the sexual waters, the waters of life. Also used for the test of water on the probative path.

Sword: the will (willpower). Also represents the awakened Kundalini, not to be confused with a dagger.

T

Temple: a place of teachings. Also refers to the physical body in relation to it as a vessel of the being.

Thorns: pain, voluntary suffering. Christic will.

Tigers: they have positive and negative connotations. Positive – wisdom and intelligence. Negative – strong enemies, – treason by someone, or that someone is intending to treason you. If you defeat the tiger, the danger is over.

Torch of fire: alight - sexual fire lit/risen.

Train: the work in the physical with the vehicle/organization that is spreading the teaching. To get off the train is to leave the teaching.

Treasure: to unbury a treasure means to recover esoteric work from the past that has been dormant.

W

War: the fight against enemies/egos.

Water –sexual energies, transmutation. To be dragged by water indicates spiritual failure and inner weakness. It can also relate to health.

Washing oneself: a good sign if it is clean water.

Wave: related to instability in the transmutation, look at the context.

Weapons: used to fight evil, acquired when honours and grades are obtained. The negative side has its own weapons.

Wedding: the death of one of the participants (bride or groom). If someone dreams of themselves getting married they are going to die. It may take a long or short time to manifest, but working seriously with the three keys can alter it.

Wine: transmuted sexual energy. Generally a good sign, but not if you get drunk with it.

Worms: larvae's, decay, degeneration.

Y

Youth: seeing yourself younger than you really are: longevity.

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