



Elements are the Foundation

Magic is complex, user oriented and diverse. It is also very specific when it comes to methods of practice. I am teaching these basic method of witchcraft to enable your mind and spirit by inspiring you with information, knowledge, and insight. I am also writing about witchcraft from my experiences and knowledge from a Satanic perspective.

It has been said that the magician is able to influence the world because the magician is able to work in harmony with the forces of nature. Not above it, or below it, but together in accord. The elements are the foundation of the natural world. With my method of Satanic magic, you will be using these basic elementary forces to influence and create positive changes in your life and your world.

For Satanists, our demon-god, or symbolic representation of Satanic divinity, is often symbolized by the earth, and our own human natures. Mastery of the elements is the mastery of the earth, and this is the mastery of ourselves as Satanic magicians.

Therefore, the elements are the foundation of magical empowerment. It is the perfect place to start so that you can begin to understand magic and how it is used.

The symbolism of the elements of magic are combined like ingredients in a recipe to create the effect. When the elements are invoked and used along with other aspects of magic, they will lend an influence that will get you results. And, results according to what you Will are what you are after.

The magician causes specific changes through the focus of the will. The tools, symbols and associations in magic contain power and influence if they are used properly, but in the end it is the magician that uses those tools, symbols and elements to create the change.

But, it is only through study, time and practice that the elements in magic are understood. It is important to have a good foundation that begins with an understanding of these elements and the forces that they move and influence, and how this creates change for us from the spiritual to the mundane.

The first thing that you should know is that there are many systems of elemental representations in magic. These systems, while they are similar, are specific to the practices that they belong to. I have studied some of these systems, but not wanting to use one that had already been associated with occult traditions, I have developed my own associations of the magical elements based on the classical associations of the elements.

There are several different elemental systems, each with specific

associations. Most of western magic and occultism, including Hermetics, Golden Dawn, Kabbalism, Ceremonial magic, Astrology, Tarot, Wicca and even some types of Satanism (including LaVeyan) have relied on what is known as the 'Greek classical elements', or the Aristotelian Elements. These are basic elemental associations that relate specific powers and associations with Air, Fire, Earth and Water.

Some eastern methods of magic and mysticism use a Chinese, Indian or Buddhist elemental system. My writings on magic will focus on the aspects of western magic and use a basic classical Greek elemental system. The one thing that these systems have in common is that they are an ordered system of associations. Here is a brief comparison of these elemental systems:

Elemental Systems

Greek	Chinese	Indian	Buddhist	Kabbalist
Fire	Fire	Fire	Fire	Fire
Air	Air	Water	Air	Air
Earth	Earth	Earth	Earth	Water
Water	Water		Water	
Aethyr (spirit)	Wood		Void	
	Metal			

The elements in any system are used to relate to the basic materials of the universe that create what we know. Every aspect of life is affected by these elements, and that is why they are an important thing to study for new magicians.

These ideas about the elements are not new - they were illustrated through the Greek teachings of Aristotle, and they were accepted by people who practiced Astrology and Alchemy. These same elements and associations serve as a framework for many different practices of magic and the Occult.

The systems that were already created are very influential in occultism - but I wanted to create my own system from my practice and experience, within a Satanic framework. It is a simple system of elemental magic that anyone can use, regardless of what path they are on. Each element

has its own unique quality and through magic, they have an effect on the world in a unique way. The point of creating my own system is that I can build it from my own understanding as a magician and Satanist, and then share these ideas with you.

This order that I present here seems natural because it is based on planetary and astrological associations, but it is not intended to be the final answer on the order of the universe. It is only a method of magic that may be useful to you in your quest to learn about Satanic magic.

Since Satanic Witchcraft is about Satan, we will use the pentagram of Satan to symbolize the unity of the elements. The Pentagram is one of the symbolic Ritual tools of Satanists. The pentagram is often hung over the altar or it is placed directly on the altar to represent Satan, the earth, and all of the elements together as one. Each area of the Pentagram is a representation of each element: earth, air, fire, and water. The Pentagram is recognized through every path of Satanism in various meanings as the inverted pentacle, the pentagram, the Baphomet, and the Goat's Star.

Attributing the elements and the cardinal directions to each area of the pentagram helps to symbolize and unify all of these satanic aspects into one magical symbol. I chose four elements for this system of magic because four is a unifying number that symbolizes manifestation and expansion.



EARTH

Earth is the element of Satan. In many places Satan is described as the force of the material and the mundane. The Goat of Satan, symbolized by Levi and other occultists, shows the unity of nature within the image of the androgynous animal-human image of the Baphomet.

The element of earth represents the carnal, the Flesh and the Body. From a metaphysical view, the element of earth is the physical manifestation of all the elements as one. The element of earth also rules all things material, including wealth and possessions, animals, health and mortality, the conscious self. Earth is the element that allows us to experience. It is the foundation of our existence.

AIR (cold and dry) - *East - Morning - Spring Equinox - Lucifer - Sword, Dagger, Incense, Robes - Learning, Organizing, knowledge, enlightenment, beauty, the mind, sensuality, intelligence, insight, communication, genius.*

Air is the element of Lucifer. Lucifer as a roman deity was born of the four winds but had always been symbolized by the eastern star. In his legend he carried with him the flame, a torch that awakened the other gods, including the god of the sun.

The element of air represents the intelligence, the intellect and the Mind. From a metaphysical view, Air is the energy that invokes illumination, knowledge and knowing. The element of air rules over all animals of the air who take flight. Air is the element that allows us to receive.

FIRE (hot and dry) - *North - Night - Winter Solstice - Belial- Candles, -War, blood magic, ego, power, destruction, cursing, lust, the masculine, energy, courage, passion, desire, motivation, leadership, focus, purifying.*

Fire is the element of Belial. Belial was an ancient deity who became a Demon in the era of Christianity. As a god of plenty he represented all that was good and beneficial. His demonic aspect is lustful and passionate, ego-driven and powerful. Within the Goetia, Belial is symbolized in his description of the Goetia, by riding in a chariot of fire.

The element of Fire represents the power and force of nature to create and also to destroy. Just as the sun allows the plants to grow it can also create an arid desert. From a metaphysical view, fire is the element that evokes the will into being. It is the desire to create and

to destroy. It is a powerful force of nature. The element of fire rules over all mythical animals of fire, such as dragons, the salamander and the phoenix. Fire is the element that allows us to create.

WATER (wet and cold) - *West - Evening - Autumn Equinox - Lilith - Chalice or Cup, Oils- Creativity, emotions, dreams, psychic work, divination, moon magic, the feminine, love, jealousy, ecstasy, the Heart, the unconscious, memory, wisdom*

Water is the element of Lilith. This demoness has a history that is older than Judaism, where she was portrayed as the Lilin in Sumerian mythology. The Lilin would fly by the light of the moon and prey on children in their cradles. Later on the Lilith figure would be portrayed as a figure of rebellion and seduction, as Adam's first wife in one of the many early Judaic myths of creation. She is the feminine mystery symbolizing the moon and the watery depths of the seas.

Where there is water there is life. The element of water represents the elements of creation. Our planet, and our bodies contain a large amount of water. Without water we could not survive. The tides of the earth are directed by the moon and these motions have a profound effect on life here on earth. It nourishes but it also destroys when it becomes a flood. From a metaphysical view, water is the element of emotion that can be as calm as still waters or as raging as a torrent. Water is the element of wisdom, and the realm of the subconscious. The element of water rules over all creatures of the water. Water is the element that allows us to feel.

If you study each element you will have an understanding of their place in this world and how you can use them in magic. In the next chapter you will learn how to meditate on the elements so that you can have a foundation in this knowledge. From there, you can proceed to consecrate your ritual tools, and self-initiate yourself into a life of magic guided by the force of Satan.

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