

A Message from India - Hopi Vedic Parallels

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Though a number of indigenous people and tribes exist all across the globe, it can be safely said that none of them have as deep an insight into the condition of Mother Earth and the wisdom to deal with it as our Hopi brothers. They are the chosen ones of the Creator as they were granted permission to hold in trust all land and life for the great Spirit at the time of emergence of the Fourth world, of the Hopis or the present age.

This conclusion about the Hopi people has not been reached in haste. It has been borne out of the wisdom of ancient Indian philosophy which transcends even the starting of time and boundaries of our present Universe.

According to the ancient Indian scriptures the creator “Param Brahma or Adi Purusha” created the Universe through his creative power “Adi Shakti” in a plan which comprised of three axes and several vibratory centres along these axes.

So, the creative power of Mother Nature had a threefold existence with seven main vibratory centres along the central axis, echoing the primordial sound “AUM” of life throughout the universe. Everything in the visible Universe from the smallest to biggest is made on the basis of this plan. These seven centres also exist inside the body of man as man is made in the image of the creator. The central axis in man lies along his backbone. The primordial power “Kundalini Shakti” lies in the sacrum bone at the base of the spine. The awakening of this power and its journey through the seven centres is the first step in the process of self realization. Through this realization comes the wisdom to exist in harmony with Mother Nature and the capacity to realize the actionless, omnipresent, and eternal Creator. These vibratory centres also exist in the Mother earth.

The Hopis also have a similar perception of the creation of the universe by the Ultimate Creator “Taiowa”. There is an idea of Mother Nature as a Spiderwoman who is responsible for the creation of these vibratory centres which echo the sound of the creator. The Hopi wisdom is also aware of the central axis and man’s axis being the backbone which controls the equilibrium of his movements and functions.

The Hopi legend also talks about “Palatkwapi” or the Red House located somewhere in Central America having four stories and on the top storey there is learning of planets and stars. In this story man also learnt about the “Open Door” in the top of their heads, how to keep it open and converse with the Creator. This “Open Door” of Hopi mythology is the same as the seventh centre on the central axis, and is called “Sahastrara” - the thousand petalled lotus in the Hindu scriptures.

When the primordial power or the “Kundalini” is able to pass through the last centre one can commune with the Creator. With time, detailed knowledge about these centres were lost among the Hopi people, but it can still be found in the holy land of India.

India has time and again seen the incarnations of the Great Spirit, who have kept alive this knowledge throughout the ages.

Knowledge of the ancient Indian scriptures strongly indicates that the area known as the “Four Corners”, where the Hopis have settled is an important vibratory centre which will cause the emergence of the new age which is known as the Fifth World by the Hopi people. Let’s consider some facts:

The Hopi believe the Creator of Man is a woman. The Sumerians believed the Creator of Man was a woman.

Vedic tradition and most of the other ancient civilization believe in the feminine aspect of the creator. Vedic tradition calls her as Prakriti (Mother Nature) or Shakti (creative force responsible for weaving the web of life). Interestingly, the Hopi regard her as Spiderwoman, i.e. the one who has woven the web of life. This was the predominant thinking of most of the civilizations during the Age of Cancer, the mother sign, which lasted from around 8000B.C to 6000B.C.

The Hopi believe the Father Creator is KA. The Sumerians believed the Father Essence was KA. The Vedic tradition also believes that the root of the father essence is ‘KA’ which is the first alphabet of Sanskrit, the primary language of the Vedic tradition.

The Hopi believe Taiowa, the Sun God, is the Creator of the Earth. The Sumerians believe TA.EA was the Creator.

The Vedic tradition also believes that the earth was born out of the Sun and has been nourished by it ever since. The Sun is seen and worshipped as the material representation of the one true God, the eternal creator provider and destroyer, in both the cultures.

The Hopi believe two brothers had guardianship of the Earth. The Sumerians believed two brothers had dominion over the Earth.

Almost all the cultures including the Egyptians, Mayans, Assyrians, Phoenicians, and the Jews have this concept of twin gods or brothers presiding over the affairs of the earth. This concept arises from the dual nature of the world we live in symbolized by Gemini, the sign of the twins, and worship of these twin gods was at its peak in the Age of Gemini ranging from around 4000 B.C to 2000 B.C.

The Hopi believe Akush to be the Dawn Katsina. The Sumerians believed AK.U to be Beings of light. The Sanskrit word for sky, most preferably for the dawn-time which is considered the most sacred time, is 'Akash'.

The Hopi name for the Pleiades is ChooChookam. The Sumerians believed SHU. SHU.KHEM were the supreme stars. Though Pleiades are significant to the Hopi people ethereal significance is given to the Great Bear or the Seven Sisters constellation.

Hopi believe that they came to earth from one of the stars in the Great Bear in a big spaceship and the Vedic scriptures have detailed mythology regarding this constellation and the beings that reside there.

The Hopi believe Pahana was the Lost Brother who would one day return to assist the Hopi and humankind. The Sumerians would recognize PA.HA.NA as an Ancestor from heaven who would return. This fact that the name of the 'Saviour' matches exactly is quite remarkable.

Again, almost every religion and culture has a concept and a name for the saviour who would appear at the end of the present age. The fact that we are all brothers and sisters is not a philosophical or emotional rhetoric. There is also no doubt that the puzzle to find our common ancestry is complicated but I feel that the pieces are finally falling together.

Thus it can be seen that although nearly on the opposite points of the globe, Indians and the Hopis share many common features by the way of religion, philosophy and traditions. Foremost among these is the concern for nature as a life giving force and the symbolism of Earth as the Mother and supporter of humanity. Veda's revere the forces of nature in form of the Gods of the Sun, Earth, Wind, Water and Fire. Even some plants and trees are the objects of reverence according to the ancient Indian Scriptures. The names of the Hopi people and their way of life are in itself a tribute to the forces of Nature.

The fact that man is ravaging and plundering the earth's resources is known to the Hopi people. The Hopi call this imminent condition "Koyaanisqatsi", which means a world out of balance ... a state of life that calls for another way. Even the address to the UN by Mr. Thomas Banyacya, a Hopi Spiritual Elder, was directed towards warning humanity of the dangers it might face if it does not mend its present ways. The address could have been used for putting forth the problems faced by the Hopi people.

It is this sincerity and devotion towards Mother Earth and humanity that stirs our hearts and attracts us toward our Hopi brothers. This spirit of sacrifice for the cause of humanity has come because the Hopis have remained to the ancient spirit of their people. So it is important that more number of Hopi people take

part in the great ceremonies that tell them of their origins, their emergence in the fourth world and the wisdom for the future.

The Hopis cause has found its voice through the songs and music of artists like Jim Morrison and Jimi Hendrix. It is through the power of these ceremonies that these messengers were brought to the world to spread the Hopi message all across the globe. We know that the Hopi people have waited patiently for “Pahana” - The true White Brother, as told in your prophecies. But this coming will only be possible if enough of the Hopi people remain true to their ancient spirit and put their faith in the Great Ceremony.

The “Great Purification” as told of by the Hopi prophecy, is coming close and so it is a time of great caution. It is the time for east and west to come together as one people because the Hopis and Indians share a common destiny. The patience and perseverance of thousands of years may go waste, because as the Hopi people know that great evil and destruction will befall the world, if they falter at this moment. The historical burden of suffering and injustice in humanity has to be dealt with by the attitude of compassion and love and we pray the Hopi people will rise to occasion.

