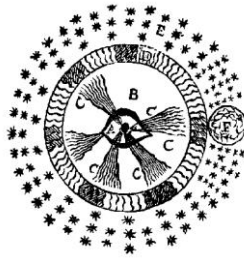


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40 PROPOSITIONS

To be considered by them that would read with profit Jane Lead's
book of the *Revelation of Revelations*.

[RR 40P-1] There is a *mystical* and *magical* sense of St. *John's* Revelations, as well as a *literal* and *ecclesiastical*.

[RR 40P-2] It is called *mystical* as it relates to the hidden mystery of God in the soul: and it is called *magical* as it relates to the knowing and setting on work the forms of nature by the Holy Ghost.

[RR 40P-3] Which sense is not penetrable by human reason; but only by the Divine Spirit in man.

[RR 40P-4] This Divine Spirit is universal, and subsists in every man. But in many it is not only obstructed, but even perfectly hidden.

[RR 40P-5] The cause of this obstruction and hiding is the aversion of the will of man from the will of God: and the removal therefore is the conversion of that will into His.

[RR 40P-6] The conversion of the will of man into the will of God is not instantaneous; but by a gradual process.

[RR 40P-7] This process is made through all the forms of nature, and through all the divine spirits, or divine forms.

[RR 40P-8] These forms of nature, and these spirits of God are seven: which natural and divine Septenary is a manifestation of the Trinity, as the Trinity is of the Unity.

[RR 40P-9] This manifestation of the divine ternary, or Trinity, in the Septenary, both natural and divine, or in nature and grace, is from the center, which is the quaternary.

[RR 40P-10] The divine quaternary is the number of the *New Jerusalem* (therefore represented as *four-square*), or of the Angelical World: which is the Divine *Bride*, and the *Mother* of all that are regenerated after the spirit angelically. (Rev. 21:2; Gal. 4:26.)

[RR 40P-11] In every human soul this quaternary, or center, is to be found; as standing in the midst, between the two principles of darkness and light; and from there begins the manifestation of the Spirit in Light.

[RR 40P-12] This manifestation (or emanation) of the spirit of the soul in light, is made in the blessed *Quinary*, or the holy fifth number of Christ Jesus, who is the Light of the World.

[RR 40P-13] The Quinary reveals the souls under the altar, receiving from God their White Virgin Robes: but who are not yet perfected; and therefore are to wait for a *little season*.

[RR 40P-14] The altar is the cross; the souls under the altar are the souls under the cross, or those that are crucified with Jesus. These having passed the mystic death in the fourth central number, where the light is generated from the cross, begin to arise in the next holy number, till at length they attain the Sabbath of their rest in the seventh; in which the Divine Spirit is fully manifested, and the soul fully perfected.

[RR 40P-15] The soul's perfection is in the full manifestation of the Divine Spirit, in every form and property thereof, through a real formation and generation of Christ within the same, as the True Life and Light of the soul.

[RR 40P-16] Every human soul is a spiritual substance having just seven forms, neither more, nor less; for the imaging forth therein of the divine nature in trinity. And when all these are perfected, then is the Triune Image perfectly restored, and the Kingdom of Heaven made manifest in the soul.

[RR 40P-17] The Seven Seals are the seven forms of nature in the soul; and are the Seven Spirits which belong to the Father, as considered without the Son, that is, to the power of God in His anger and severity.

[RR 40P-18] As the Seven Seals are the *Father's* nature, so the Seven Candlesticks are the *Son's*.

[RR 40P-19] The soul being sealed up in the justice of God, under the Seven Seals, there is none able to break open these seals; and to enkindle light in the soul, which may overcome death; but the LAMB that was slain, and is alive.

[RR 40P-20] As the *Seals* obstruct the manifestation of Christ's Kingdom in the soul, and in the Church: so the opening of them by the Lamb is the revelation of His Kingdom, and of the Angelical World; which cannot be without His generating the soul in and through Himself, into the light.

[RR 40P-21] The new generation of the soul is a passing out of darkness into light; through the power of the Lamb raising up Himself therein; and redeeming it from the wrathful source of nature, in its dark and fiery properties.

[RR 40P-22] This internal resurrection and redemption brings the spirit of the soul through all the seals of nature, into the very substantiality of Christ's Universal Body, the principle and center of Light Eternal, where Wisdom reigns in the wonders of God.

[RR 40P-23] The regenerated spirit draws after it the soul, and that also draws the body—without which it cannot be perfected. And so the soul is clothed upon with the heavenly body of the Inward Christ.

[RR 40P-24] This Inward Christ, or Christ formed within, is the *New Creature*: and is one with Jesus Christ sitting in the heavenly places at the right hand of the Father; being spirit of His Spirit, and flesh of His flesh.

[RR 40P-25] Thus the saints are one body in Him; and He is this body in God: they enter into His humanity; and He becomes Man in them.

[RR 40P-26] By this new generation, or new birth of spirit, soul, and body, is the *New Man* perfected in Christ; and reigns with Christ in the new garment of His Body, completely put on by virtue of the *Seventh Seal* broken up, in the Lamb's nature.

[RR 40P-27] The *Seventh Seal* opened, shows the Holy Temple of God: in which are the Seven Candelsticks, or the Seven Lights of Christ in the soul.

[RR 40P-28] The two Apocalyptical *Seas*, which are the fountains and seats of two contrary principalities, are the *Seventh Seal* considered either as *shut* or *opened*.

[RR 40P-29] The Seventh Seal considered as *shut* is the fountain and seat of the Antichristian Beast; arising out of the Sea of Corrupt Nature, or the properties and forms of nature in their impure state.

[RR 40P-30] The Seventh Seal *opened* is the fountain and seat of the peaceable Lamb-like Kingdom, and the Throne of Christ in the soul, as standing upon the Sea of Uncorrupt Nature, or the properties and forms of nature in their pure state, and fully harmonized.

[RR 40P-31] The Glassy Sea is the Seventh Spirit of the eternal incorruptible nature, in which is the joy and delight of the Divine Majesty; wherein the blessed Trinity triumphantly manifests itself, and beholds the true Angelical World, with the holy harpers of God.

[RR 40P-32] This Sea is the water-spirit, and the water-stone of the wise: It is as the very substance and corporeity of the divine nature, and compaction of all the eternal divine powers, properties and forms: And herein are the burning Lamps of Love revealed; which are the Seven Spirits of the *Lamb*.

[RR 40P-33] The conquerors that stand upon this Sea are such in whom all the Seven Seals have been broken up, all the Seven Holy Lights of Christ have been unsealed, and all the Angelical Thunders have been heard to utter their voices; whereby there is such a perfect conversion gradually wrought out, of the human will into the divine will, as they being fully passive to every divine influence and motion, in the harmony of the Angelical World, are made as it were the *Harpers of God*.

[RR 40P-34] The process of this conversion and transportation is through the Mystical Death and Annihilation which is comprehended under the Seven Seals, being only consummated under the Seventh, or last.

[RR 40P-35] The process of the *Mystical Death* properly consists in a *sevenfold* purification and refining, according to the number and order of the Seals. Yet chiefly herein are the four first concerned.

[RR 40P-36] The process of the *Mystic Resurrection*, and the *First Resurrection* (which follows immediately hereupon), and of the manifestation of it, is to be looked for under the Mystery of the *Seven Thunders*.

[RR 40P-37] The *Ladder of Mystical Ascension*, which is a true manuduction to the *Divine Magic*, is set forth according to the *gates* of the *New Jerusalem*; which are supposed successive.

[RR 40P-38] The *Glorification*, or *Descension*, is the *New Jerusalem* itself: that is, such a state actually introduced into the soul, as may answer to the pattern of that City *descending* from GOD, in a full consummation of the divine nuptials.

[RR 40P-39] In this consummation of the nuptials between Christ and the soul the true *Divine Magic* breaks forth, by the soul's *unipotency* with Him; whereby all nature's secret forms are set on work from the Holy Ghost.

[RR 40P-40] The Angels of the *Revelations* are the Angels of Time; being consummated after this manner: Who are all *Magicians of the Holy Ghost* and the *Anointed Priests* of the Third and highest Order, which is called the *Order of Melchizedek*.