

SEVEN PROPERTIES

Boehme conceives Seven working properties (wirkende Eigenschaften) in all nature. These are natural powers functioning in all things psychical & physical. They are three, one, and three: 5, 2, 7, 6, 8, 4, 3. Their transmutation and interaction are the basis of all actively maintained forces; + so of forms. The Seven properties are also Forms (Gestalten)

The 1st Form (5) is harsh + hard because astringent and so because centripetal. It is ontologically first, the impulse to substantiation and so to formulation, by withdrawing compaction around a chosen centre. In Man this makes the sense of selfhood, creative individuality, and at worst fearful self-preserving selfishness. It preserves even faults which reduce efficiency and may result in self-destruction. By its centripetal action it

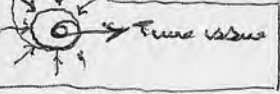
It draws in and fixates whatever is set up and willed as reference centre; conferring attributes of the worshipped object or god, god or devil.

The 2nd Form (♀) results as a reactive attempt to escape the limiting effects of ♂ , and to return to the freedom of Jupiter. This ♀ is seen in man's thinking mind, continuously diverse, analytic and reflective, and endlessly associative.

The 3rd Form (O^*) results from opposition of ♂ & ♀ . It is the heating effect of the turning wheel; the frictive result of the contrary motion therein. It is the desire of the wheel to objectify itself. When this fiery desire reaches a certain intensity it bursts into the next phase.

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The 4th Form (⊙) is the power of the well spent which can choose good or evil, go forwards to ♀, or backwards to ♂. It is flash point, Plegat, an explosion of free spirit from eternity into time, in an instant of decision. From it well springs joy in ♀ the next form.



The 5th Form (♀) Joy, arising from the release from ♂ & ♀ into the self-realised light of self-will in time. It is a joyous harmonious realisation of the light and power of ⊙, resolving all conflicts of the first three.

The 6th Form (⊕) is the full self-perceptive understanding arising from the passing through phases 1-5. It is a comprehension of all these and of itself.

The 7th Form (☞) embodies or cabinets the preceding six forms. It is full concrete self-realisation. It is also potentiality as distinguished from the actuality of ☉-will. ☞ is utter usability, used by ☉ which applies and puts to use. ☞ lets ☉ disallow. ☞ contains all seven and so is realisation carried into existentiality, innerly phase, yet holding all.

Each of the seven works to its own end, yet all interact to a common goal of being-realisation. All are mutually excitant and unfolding of their own and each others characteristics. Their ends or aims are the basic entelechies of the world, holding in them all possible processes, activities and entities.

☞ An entity is an affirmed crucified and mediated motion pattern or process of the life-force. ☞