

## Knots, Veils and Vision

Level	Root Issue	Vitiated Experience
Bodhisattvic Being (BB)	Separateness	Separativeness (to YS)
6 <sup>th</sup> plane	Pride	Hypocrisy (to IS)
5 <sup>th</sup> plane	Anger	Hatred (to 2 <sup>nd</sup> plane)
Yogic Self (YS)	Self-centeredness	Selfishness (to 4 <sup>th</sup> plane)
4 <sup>th</sup> plane	Greed	Gluttony (to Gross)
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> planes	Envy	Jealousy (3 <sup>rd</sup> plane & to Gross)
Incarnating Soul (IS)	Foolishness	Madness (to Gross)
Gross World	Fear and Desire	Fanaticism and Lust

Lust persists throughout and until the end, and it drives the vitiation of experience. However, lust as a primary driving force must be overcome to enter the Subtle World through the Incarnating Soul. Separativeness is behind all defenses of the false self and the desire for experience and expression (upabhog), inclusive of all desires to play with Illusion. To gain access to a given level, and much more so to have any mastery of it, one must majorly overcome that which is below it and to a substantial degree overcome that which is listed at the level.

Level	Knots, Veils and Vision Problems
Bodhisattvic Being	Separateness and the last of Fear [focusing of vision]
6 <sup>th</sup> plane	Pride and the last of Lust (now just longing) [lifting of veil]
5 <sup>th</sup> plane	Anger and Vanity (shadow of Pride) [5 <sup>th</sup> 2-in-1 knot]
Yogic Self	Self-centeredness and upabhog (desire for experience and expression)
4 <sup>th</sup> plane	Greed and Selfishness [4 <sup>th</sup> 2-in-1 knot]
3 <sup>rd</sup> plane	Envy and Jealousy [3 <sup>rd</sup> knot]
2 <sup>nd</sup> plane	Hatred [2 <sup>nd</sup> knot]
1 <sup>st</sup> plane	Lust [1 <sup>st</sup> knot]
Incarnating Soul	Foolishness and Hypocrisy
Gross World	Fear and Desire

Technically, the last two knots are untied on the 5<sup>th</sup> and the veil is lifted on the 6<sup>th</sup> plane, what remains then being an adjustment of vision, a focusing. For the origin and stimulus to what has been written here, see God Speaks, Part 7, The Sevenfold Veil.

## Reflections and Resonances for the Incarnating Soul

### **BB** Separateness

- 6 Pride
- 5 Anger

### **YS** Self-centeredness

- 4 Greed & Selfishness
- 3 Envy & Jealousy
- 2 Hatred
- 1 Lust

<b>IS</b>	Foolishness & Hypocrisy	BB
HS	Fault-finding vitiated to violence/harmfulness	6
Mental	Coldness/Criticalness vitiated to cruelty	5
IB	Promise Breaking vitiated to lying/cheating	YS
Astral	Indulgence vitiated to gluttony	4
OP	Possessiveness vitiated to stealing	3
Vital	Fear and Desire driving the vitiation	2
Gross	Laziness vitiated to sloth	1

## Down through the knots and up past the veils

**Separateness:** the Embodied Soul's original sense of separateness and the identification with this separateness and then with the bodies (out of fear of loss of self).

*Pride:* the attachment to separateness and the defense of it; the lust of the false self for life.

*Anger:* when the lust for life (or any desire) of the false self is frustrated/thwarted; when the false self-sense (its separateness) is invaded/breached (a response to fear).

**Self-centeredness:** the existential answer of the false self; the only way it makes sense to be; how one holds on to falseness and avoids facing fear.

*Greed & Selfishness:* a "natural" consequence of self-centeredness and desire.

*Envy & Jealousy:* the sense of lack in the false self; wanting what others (seem to) have; the willingness to take it or at least destroy it so no one can have it if you can't.

*Hatred:* vitiation of anger or further vitiation of envy past jealousy.

*Lust:* from animal instinct to all its sublimations and perversions; the life force as an end in itself (not as a servant of spiritual purpose).

**Foolishness & Hypocrisy:** the results of and seeming guides to living in the material world (as an Incarnating Soul) when the false self is functioning from fear and desire.

*Laziness:* when lust is subdued or temporarily satiated and fear is not aroused, the Embodied Soul in its incarnated form sinks into inertia—unless and until the spiritual call is heard, the call home, the call to completion in Consciousness.

Turn-around.

*Laziness*: I am alive here and now; it won't last that long; what am I going to do about it (with this life)? This is the (result of the) turn-around.

**Foolishness & Hypocrisy**: Full disillusionment: I can't do this anymore, or pretend to do it, or be around others who are doing it, or live even on the periphery of a world that is run this way, i.e., by fear and desire. I can't be or be around a false self with false conclusions, maladaptive compensations and blind defenses; a false self with twisted desires, irrational rationalizations and insane strategies. I must find out if there is a God and if I can realize God.

*Lust*: Is this all there is, animal passion and its sublimations or perversions? Lust for Truth, God.

*Hatred*: If God is in everyone and everything, wherefore this hatred? Hate the lower self and falling for Maya.

*Envy & Jealousy*: Karmically and sanskarically speaking, you can't be anyone else, so envy and jealousy are ridiculous! And if you look closely, you don't want what anyone else seems to have anyway. So be envious of God and the God Realized. They have what is rightfully yours.

*Greed & Selfishness*: Why want anything that fades; why care for the false? Desire for more and more of what God has (for you). Refuse any bargains or compromises, want for it all—Realization.

**Self-Centeredness**: Forget false self-centeredness and become centered on and in your Real Self in the One Self by having that false self through a provisional self love the Real Self.

*Anger*: Truly, the driving force behind greed, envy, jealousy and hatred has been your anger at not getting what you want (and think you deserve). Now you want to be free from all that and are angry with bondage and then doubly angry at the breaking down of your ego-mind that created the bondage even as you ask to be released and this is the response that is releasing you. Really, you are angry with God: all anger is anger at God—non-acceptance of God and God's Will/Plan. And you are angry because you are not (with) God.

*Pride*: The real reason you are angry is that you want to keep your false self. You are proud of it and want this false ego to become God because you don't know how to surrender, because you are afraid of losing your consciousness when you lose your false self. Fear is the root: fear is lack of love and ignorance of God's Love.

**Separateness**: The embublement of the Soul and its being kicked out of God's slumbering state of absolute Unconsciousness to slowly awaken in the evolutionary illusion leads it to a gnawing sense of separateness and incompleteness and a confrontation with the inability to return (by going back(wards)). The existential separateness wants reunion but you must forge forward to a Conscious Union hitherto unknown by that drop soul that is you. There is no other way but to surrender it all to God every moment and then follow where that leads with scrupulous honesty and self-sacrifice.