

Full Moon in Leo - Friday 18 February 2011

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Introduction

The ideals of Leo and Aquarius come into their fullest expression at this Full Moon and it represents a challenge to you as an individual on how fully you are expressing your life purpose.

On this night we will be connecting to Asherah in her lion Goddess aspect. Asherah was a beloved household Goddess of the Hebrews and the Canannites She is the Goddess worshipped by King Solomon, and was known as "Qaniyatu Elima" "She Who Gives Birth to the Gods."

There is great power and strength in the lion's energy during this full moon. Under Asherah's guidance we are being asked to utilize this energy and stand in our own power with greater control and discipline. This full moon therefore beckons us to nurture and take full responsibility for all of our creations and actions.

As with all Goddess based religions it took a great deal of effort by the male-dominated priesthoods to erase Goddess worship among the common people. Asherah was changed from equal consort to the Shekinah, the spirit and then relegated to the Holy Ghost in the Christian doctrine.

The Ritual...

East

Oh Watchers of the East,
Ancient one of the air
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge
this circle.
With the power of the winds.
Come forth so mote it be.

North

Oh Watchers of the North
Ancient one of the fire
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge
this circle.
With the power of the flame.
Come forth so mote it be.

West

Oh Watchers of the West
Ancient one of the water
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge
this circle.
With the power of the tides.
Come forth so mote it be.

South

Oh Watchers of the South
Ancient one of the earth
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge
this circle.
With the power of tree and rock.
Come forth so mote it be.

Invocation to Asherah:

Oh Ancient Goddess of life, death & rebirth
Ancient One, the Shekinah
Come to us now and show how to stand in our
power
Welcome

Invocation to El:

Oh Ancient God, Old one
Come to us now and help us
to learn our truth of who we are
Welcome

Meditation on Asherah

Exercise to stand in our Power

Closing

Goddess

Thank you Asherah for your guidance
You are the power behind all powers,
the Eternal Life behind death.
Hail & Farewell

God

Thank you El for your guidance
You are the power behind all powers,
the Eternal Life behind death.
Hail & Farewell

South

Oh Watchers of the South,
Ancient one of the earth,
Thankyou for your protection and charge of this
circle
Hall & Farewell

West

Oh Watchers of the West,
Ancient one of the water,
Thankyou for your protection and charge of this
circle
Hail & Farewell

North

Oh Watchers of the North
Ancient one of the fire
Thankyou for your protection and charge of this
circle
Hail & Farewell

East

Oh Watchers of the East,
Ancient one of the air
Thankyou for your protection and charge of this
circle,
Hail & Farewell

May this circle be open but unbroken
May the peace of the Goddess be ever in our
hearts.

Merry Meet and Merry Part
And Merry Meet again.

* This ritual is a combination of the author's original ideas
and information obtained from various books and/or internet
sources.