Chapter 70

Merope Gaunt

The star Merope is known as the lost Pleiade. It is considered to be "The Lost Pleiade," because it is invisible and therefore associated with a theme of moral decay and weakness.

As we know, the names of stars play an important role in Harry Potter, the most important of which is Sirius. His brother Regulus is a star in the constellation of Leo. There are also Bellatrix and the Andromeda galaxy, not to mention the numerous references to planets and zodiacal constellations.

I explained that Regulus was a star in the microcosmic firmament symbolising the illusion of kingship in the earthly human being. Bellatrix symbolises a bright focus of emotional energy in the microcosmic shell, sometimes called the lipika. This focus of energy is the martial aspect of the human being, in view of her name (warrioress) and her being a Death Eater.

The soul is often symbolised by a 5-pointed star. This is because the soul has 5 aspects: the blood, the hormones, the nerve-ether, the serpent-fire and the consciousness. The Star of Bethlehem is often shown as a 5-pointed star because it announced the birth of the new soul: Jesus. As you know, I see Jesus and Harry as basically the same symbol. The most powerful symbol about Merope, is the idea that she is "lost". I see Harry as the New Soul with Sirius as his bright star of hope and fulfilment. I see Merope as the fallen soul, with the corresponding microcosmic star which was lost when the divine soul died as a result of the Fall.

The human being is basically a living, spherical force field with or without a physical body. The "force" I am referring to is the force of life. When the body dies the basic force field remains and incarnates in a baby some time later. In the outer limits of the force field there are 12 focal points which determine the character of the person. These are usually symbolised as stars. Before the Fall, millions of years ago, these 12 lights magnetically attracted divine energy and enabled the entity to carry out God's plan, and thus develop into an ever more powerful child of God. During the Fall, the original divine soul died. Hence the 12 "stars" gradually faded and went out, to be replaced by 12 new lights which made life in this fallen universe possible, but which make man very flawed. Merope as the lost Pleiade symbolises this idea. However, when the New Soul is born from the divine spark in the heart, Lily, the rebirth of the original 12 stars begins. This is symbolised by Sirius. Just as Merope was Voldemort's mother, so Sirius was Harry's God-Father. How elegantly symmetrical! The depth and the power of Harry Potter is mind boggling.