KetherNumber1TitleThe CrownImageKingGodJehovah, Allah, BrahmaColourWhiteRelationshipsThe CraniumThe Dive SparkThe Thousand petalled LotusThe First Principle

Kether, the first Sephiroth, is the very start of the Tree of Life as it enters our existence. From **Kether** everything flows down, it is the first spark in our universe.

For the Christians it is God almighty, Jewish: Jehovah Buddhists: The Godhead Buddha, Moslems: Allah, Hindus: Brahma, Egyptians: Ra, Greeks: The first Titan, Shamans: The Spirit Medievil: Minerva

Everything begins with **Kether**, and it is the point we ascribe to from the bottom of the tree as we ascend the Tree of Life.

Kether is in trinity with <u>Tiphareth</u> and <u>Yesod</u> below it. This is the Christian trinity: Father, Son & Holy Ghost.

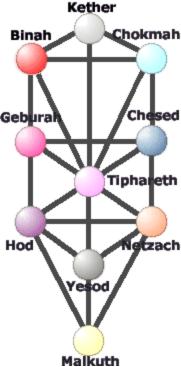
As is said "The face of the Father is seen reflected in the Son through the spirit of the Holy Ghost".

Crach The Hindu equivalent would be: Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva.as they represent the same energies.

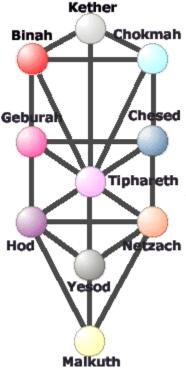
You can plot your religious deities this way also up the centre of the Tree of Life, from <u>Malkuth</u> through <u>Yesod</u> to <u>Tiphareth</u> then ending with **Kether**

The other Trinity for **Kether** is that of the <u>Supernal Triangle</u>. Where **Kether's** energy flows right and down to the 2nd Sephiroth <u>Chokmah</u> and then left onto the 3rd Sephiroth <u>Binah</u>

This is a Trinity of the Toaist Yin Yang, where <u>Chokmah</u> is the Yang (Positive/Male) and <u>Binah</u> is Yin (Negative/Female). These two Sephiroths head the ouside pillars of the Tree of Life and define the energies below them. This <u>Supernal Triangle</u> is unobtainable by we mortal folk. For to get there we would end our earthly existance. Yet we can meditate on the energies and glimpse the power of this Godhead.



Chokmah		\bigcirc
Number	2	
Title	Wisdom	
Image	Male	
Greek God	Titan	
Astrological Sign	Galaxy	
Colour	Soft Blue	
Relationships	Left side of face	
	Tower	
	Rod of Power	
	Line of movement	



Chokmah is the first Male energy in the Tree of Life and is the begining of postive energy in the <u>Supernal Triangle</u>. Emanating from <u>Kether</u> it is the first movement of energy into our universe. It's force is that of the number 2, to change and move.

It is the Yang of the Taoists. It represents all the forming energy of the stars and the changes that occur in the universe. **Chokmah** is the head of the pillar of Mercy and reaches out to <u>Binah</u> on the left and <u>Chesed</u> below it.

Binah is the first Female energy and is the Ying of the Taoists.

So the <u>Supernal Triangle</u> of <u>Kether</u>, **Chokmah** and <u>Binah</u> is the beginning of sexual difference, light and dark, positive and negative forces.

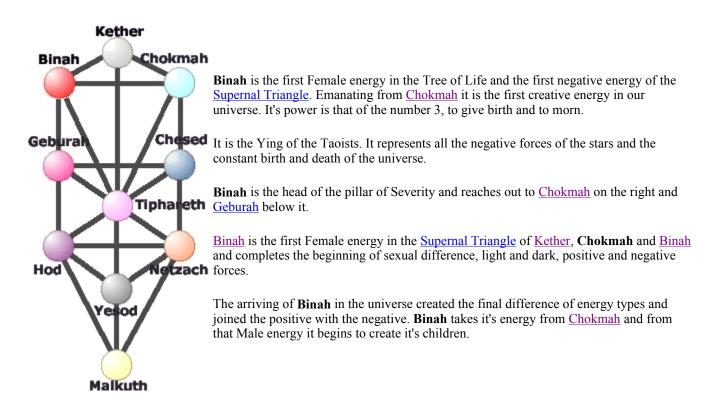
The thrust of **Chokmah** into the universe creates the first split of energy types and makes things happen. It can be seen that **Chokmah** will next give it's energy to <u>Binah</u> as Man gives to Woman so Woman can create children.

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Binah		
Number	3	
Title	Understanding	
Image	A Matron	
Greek God	Kronos	
Planet	Saturn	
Colour	Crimson	
Relationships	Right side of face	
	Chalice	
	The Great Mother	
	Creator of Faith	

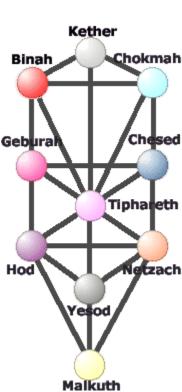


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Chesed		
Number	4	
Title	Mercy	
Image	King	
Greek God	Zeus	
Planet	Jupiter	
Colour	Violet	
Relationships	Left Arm	
	Pyramid	
	Wand	
	Majesty	

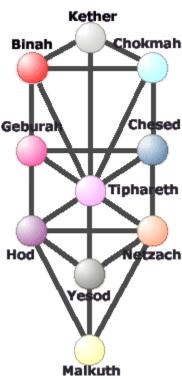


Chesed also known as Gedullah, is the begining of intelligence in our universe. The previous Sephiroths were unobtainable by the human existance. **Chesed** as imbodied by the symbol of Zeus or Jupiter is the King of the Gods we know. This energy is acutally the begining of organisation, Law and Order in our rational universe. **Chesed** is the energy of intelligence, the first time we can comprehend the Sephiroths at all. Before this level we would go mad trying to take on the spiritual energy of the <u>Supernal Triangle</u> of Kether, Chokmah and Binah.

Actually there is no path from the 3rd to the 4th Sephiroths showing the break from the higher energies to the lower ones we can understand more completely. The only path available from **Chesed** is back to <u>Chokmah</u> the first Male energy in the <u>Supernal</u> <u>Triangle</u>. The other paths from **Chesed** are down to <u>Netzach</u> across to <u>Geburah</u> and diagonally to <u>Tiphareth</u>.

This is the begining of the Great Central Wheel of the Tree of Life, where all the Gods of the Ages dwell. This wheel traces the "Star of David" and is a very powerful Symbol. The missing top six point would be the hidden Sephiroth of "Daath" not shown on the Tree of Life. The bottom point is that of <u>Yesod</u> and the four remaining points you can find for yourself as they surround <u>Tiphareth</u>.

So **Chesed** represents the first taste we have of the energy of the Tree of Life as it decends. To get to this level we would actually have to travel from the base at <u>Malkuth</u> the 10th Sephiroth all way up the Tree to this the 4th energy. The Way can be traced using the paths between the Sephrioths (remember they are represented by the major arcana of the Tarot cards) The accepted way of energy flow from <u>Malkuth</u> to **Chesed** is via Path 32 (The Fool) through <u>Yesod</u> then Path 30 (Judgement) via <u>Hod</u> through path 27 (Star)



passing <u>Netzach</u> via path 24 (Temperance) entering the centre of the Tree at <u>Tiphareth</u> then onto path 22 (Hanged Man) turning at <u>Geburah</u> and finally taking path 19 (Hermit) **Chokmah** to end at **Chesed**.

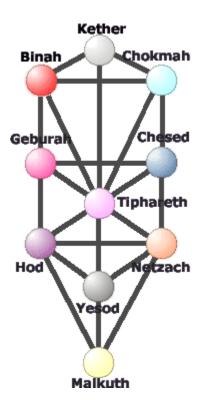
This is an accepted way of the Adepet, although you can trace your own paths and move through the enregies anyway you choose, this is the way of the human student of The Tree of Life.

An interesting path is that of the Messiah, which is a spiritual rising only up the central pillar of the Tree of Life.

From <u>Malkuth</u> up path 22 (Fool) through <u>Yesod</u> again but now via path 25 (Devil) to <u>Tiphareth</u> then up path 13 (Empress) to get to <u>Kether</u>.

If you examine this choice it is one of first blind faith (Fool) then very extreme temptations (Devil) then finally elightenment (Empress).

A very difficult way and a choice not to attempted by those weak of faith in themselves or their God. Actually many take the 25th path (Devil) selfishly wanting the power of <u>Tiphareth</u> with destructive results and eventual madness. Those that try this path and return have a long hard road to return to the natural Way and move up the accepted paths of the Adept. But they still can attempt the climb again and have the knowleadge and experience to possibly hold to the way this time.



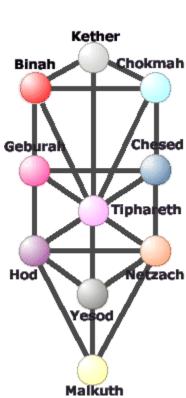
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Geburan	
Number	5
Title	Strength
Image	Warrior
Greek God	Ares
Planet	Mars
Colour	Orange
Relationships	Right Arm
	Sword
	Chain
	Courage and Destruction



Geburah is the passion of the courage and strength of Ares. It takes its energy from Chesed as a warrior takes commands from his King, although Geburah is in the Pillar of Severity under Binah and as such is a Female energy and has a negative polarity just like Binah.

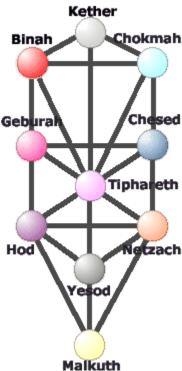
Now this might seem strange as the warrior Ares and the symbol for Mars is used as the icon for Male sexuality. But in the Qabalah Geburah is more like Athena the great Female warrior denying her sexual ability to give birth and instead takeing arms and fighting for her belifes.

Geburah's passion is that of conquest, seduction and sensual experience, and in that way she is just like Ares.

The paths from Geburah are to the left and back to <u>Chesed</u> via The Hermit, down to <u>Hod</u> via Death and diagonally down to Tiphareth via the Hanged Man. This last direction is the way the energy flows in the Tree of Life. From Chesed through Geburah and down to Tiphareth. It will continue on to Netzach (Aphrodite or Venus) and then the relationship of Venus and Mars we have in the western world is revealled.

The passion of Geburah is balanced through Tiphareth (The Sun) by the level headed love of Netzach (Venus). Now here it gets weird again Netzach is a Male energy and is symbolized by a bearded maiden !

If you examine Netzach in detail you will understand the Qabalahist meaning of the love of Venus opposed to the passion of Mars and why they need to have the sexuality's they have been given.

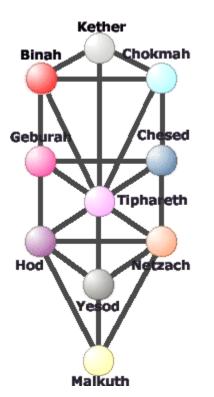


There are some interesting Love triangles from both **Geburah** and <u>Netzach</u>. They explain all the attempts and pitfalls of being in love. They also show how the energies and the paths play a part in the way we interact when we are in love. It takes a while to grasp these relationships, but it's worth the effort. Again as always it's what happens from each Sephiroth to the next that causes and exchange of energy and this exchange has been symbolized by a Tarot card so it can be more easily understood.

Look for yourself at the triangle of **Geburah** (Mars), <u>Netzach</u> (venus) and <u>Hod</u> (Mercury). The connecting paths from <u>Hod</u> alone are Death if you seek passion by selfishly using spells and magick to **Geburah** or The Star if you seek by study of magick and spiritualism to find the selfless love of <u>Netzach</u>.

The path from <u>Hod</u> to <u>Netzach</u> is the accepted way of the Adept and is a much preferred way to find love. The path of Death doesn't mean you will die, it just suggests a loss of self if you seek passion by magick and a complete change in your life if you try it. This may not be a bad thing depending on your circumstances and all the time the triangle is balanced by <u>Tiphareth</u> (Sun) the great healer. So which every way you choose you will learn a lot and have the ability to find a great healing. Beautiful isn't it.

Of course I have just scratched the surface with love triangles, but you can work your own out from **Geburah** and <u>Netzach</u> by looking up the relative Tarot Cards and imagining the energy exchange each time between the Sephiroths. It does help if you understand the Sephiroth, but a basic knowledge of the planets will guide you, good luck trying it can be very rewarding.



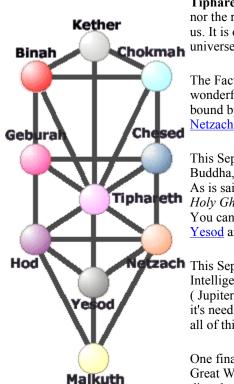
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Tiphareth	
Number	6
Title	Beauty
Image	Messiah
Greek God	Apollo
Luminary	The Sun
Colour	Pink
Relationships	Breast
	The Cross
	Cube
	Devotion and Pride

Tiphareth is the heart centre of the "Tree of Life". It is the Sun which all the planets revolved around. It is the Buddha, Krishna Mohammed, Christ Child within us all. With **Tiphareth** we all have the power to heal ourselves.



Tiphareth is the love we have for ourselves, not the passionate love of <u>Geburah</u> (Mars) nor the romantic love of <u>Netzach</u> (Venus) it is the self love we have for own God within us. It is our Faith. It is our own understanding of ourselves and such is the centre of our universe, as the Sun is the centre of Astrological universe.

The Fact that <u>Geburah</u> (Mars) and <u>Netzach</u> (Venus) are separated by **Tiphareth** is a wonderful thing. Here we have both the constructive and destructive elements of love bound by the love of self. The extreme passion of <u>Geburah</u> and the soft vulnerability of <u>Netzach</u> are tempered by a healing understanding of **Tiphareth**. Wonderful isn't it !

This Sephiroth also represents the earthly existence of the Messiah. It is the Christ, the Buddha, The Krishna and the Mohammed in all of us.

As is said "The face of the Father is seen reflected in the Son through the spirit of the Holy Ghost".

You can plot this on the "Tree of Life" by using the Father as <u>Kether</u>, the Holy Ghost as <u>Yesod</u> and of course the Son as **Tiphareth**.

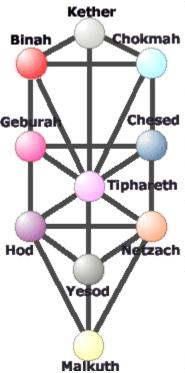
This Sephiroth also separates <u>Hod</u> and <u>Chesed</u>. They are the forces of Knowledge and Intelligence. The energies of Mercury and Jupiter. Here again the need for <u>Chesed</u> (Jupiter) to build, make the law and organize are tempered against <u>Hod</u> (Mercury) in it's need to understand and explore and create. Again it's the love of **Tiphareth** that holds all of this in balance.

One final aspect of **Tiphareth** (and there are really many more) is the centering in the Great Wheel in the "Tree of Life". This wheel has six points. The 5 Sephiroth that directly touch it, not counting the 3 in the Supernal Triangle and 1 hidden between <u>Binah</u> and <u>Chokmah</u>. This hidden Sephiroth is called Daath and is not drawn on the "Tree of Life" and exists outside of the dimension of the other 10 Sephiroths. This wheel when joined is the symbol of "The Star of David". It has the triangle above of Daath-Hod-Netzach and the triangle below of Geburah-Yesod-Chesed. Draw the 2 triangles and you will find the universal symbols of above and below combined into the "Star of David".

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Netzach	ı 🧼
Number	7
Title	Victory
Image	Beautiful Naked Woman
Greek God	Aphrodite
Planet	Venus
Colour	Amber
Relationships	Lions
	Rose
	Lamp
	Unselfishness and Lust

Netzach is the romantic energy of the "Tree of Life" as symbolized by the planet Venus and the Greek God Aphrodite. It is the opposite to Mars and Ares, being separated on the Tree by <u>Tiphareth</u>, the Sun.



Now here is the interesting thing with this triad of Mars, Sun and Venus. <u>Geburah</u> was a female energy, even though it is placed as Mars on the Tree. Now **Netzach** will be a Male energy according to the Tree's polarities. This might seem odd at first, but remember we are talking energies here not the common Western concepts for these planets and Icons. Look at it this way The energy of Mars is Female for it attracts Male characteristics. Conversely the energy of Venus is Male for it looks to attract Female characteristics. Woman seek out Men using the sexy Mars energy and Men use the romantic Venus energy to attract a female. The Sun sits between both and holds them apart.

Netzach has the Sephiroth of <u>Chesed</u> at its top and to the left <u>Hod</u>. The balance here is of Judgment and understanding. The romantic energy of **Netzach** can be moved to <u>Chesed</u> through the Path of Justice and also to <u>Hod</u> via the Path of The Star. Although the usual route is from <u>Hod</u> to **Netzach** and the path of The Star is a very powerful and seductive way to get there. The Path of Justice is just that, the cold heart of Venus to a platonic Love in <u>Chesed</u> or via The Star to <u>Hod</u> a dreamy Love that is blind to the facts.

Geburah's paths of love also extend around the Sun. To Hod it is via Death and to forget Geburah's passion and seek only Hods facts will lead to the Death of love. To Chesed from Geburah is via The Hermit and again to allow the vitality of Mars to be organised and the passion to be controlled will lead to a love that is Hermited, i.e. alone.

The only safe routes seem to be via the Sun <u>Tiphareth</u>. Of course this is the best way to love through ones heart, the centre, the Sun. The path from <u>Geburah</u> to **Netzach** is via Hanged Man and Temperance. That is to allow events to take their shape and be hanged by circumstance and then after the healing energy of <u>Tiphareth</u> to use Temperance to love with limits and not the wild passion that was <u>Geburah</u>. In reverse from **Netzach** to <u>Geburah</u> it is to use the romance but temper it and not let it be the focus, then heal in <u>Tiphareth</u> and go to <u>Geburah</u> via The Hanged Man and accept your fate and be in it. This way the fire of Mars doesn't burn the air of Venus and visa versa.

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Move to the next Sephiroth



Hod	
Number	8
Title	Glory
Image	Sexless beautiful male
Greek God	Hermes
Planet	Mercury
Colour	Purple
Relationships	Legs
	Magick
	Spells
	Truth and Dishonesty

Hod is the winged messenger Hermes or the planet Mercury. The seeker of knowledge, the finder of truth, the trickster of magick.

Hod knows the spells, brings the message, illuminates the way, but he is not the way. **Hod** is but a sign post along the road.

The energies of the Tree of Life having risen from their base plane of <u>Malkuth</u>, the earth, and traveled through <u>Yesod</u>, the Moon, they enter the state of illumination of **Hod** the messenger.

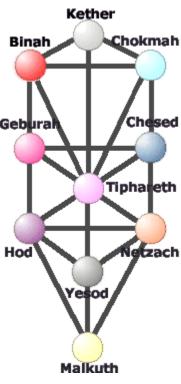
Having taken the Path of **The Fool** to rise to <u>Yesod</u>, the first blind step up The Tree of Life, the way then to **Hod** is via **Judgment**. Once we accept a form of faith, a religious system, or simply a belief structure that we can be comfortable with, we then use our own powers of Judgment to sort out how we use or live this structure or belief. Every one of us sees their religious belief from different eyes. We may have the common base of the written text, hymn, prayer, sutra, chant, fable, myth etc., but we intuitively make our own conscious decision to accept or reject or even mold and modify the faith to suit our needs or culture.

This is were **Hod** is evident. It is the writing, the knowing and tradition of belief. Not as in <u>Yesod</u>, the faith of knowing, but here a material knowledge that can be physically handed or spoken to the seeker.

An interesting path to **Hod** is directly from <u>Malkuth</u> by passing <u>Yesod</u> along the path of **The World**. So to take the magickal knowledge of **Hod** and not participate in the leap of faith through <u>Yesod</u>, we only get the worldly aspects of our religion or belief. We only understand the material parts, the nuts and bolts, but we have no faith, and so we cannot truly believe.

From **Hod** there is the upward path of **Death** if we try to avoid <u>Tiphareth</u> the Christ centre or <u>Netzach</u> the love of Venus and simply move upward directly to <u>Geburah</u>. This again can be folly as the death of ones heart and love will result when, having taken knowledge, we try to use it directly in passion without having found the love to understand it and also the love to understand ourselves.

If we simply try to by pass <u>Netzach</u> and move directly to <u>Tiphareth</u> we will encounter the path of **The Tower**. Again we can aquire the central love of <u>Tiphareth</u>, but at the price of a cold heartless struggle, striving only for our own needs and never geting the love of Venus from <u>Netzach</u>.



The accepted path is that of **The Star** from **Hod** to <u>Netzach</u>. Along this route we will be given all that we ask for and have the time to grasp the knowledge we have been given and experiment in its use. Beware the crossing over the path from <u>Yesod</u> to <u>Tiphareth</u>: **The Devil**. As we have all the power of **The Star** with the knowledge of **Hod** we will be tempted to use this combination by the way of **The Devil**. Our only salvation is to continue on attracted by the love of <u>Netzach</u> and not fall into the Path of **The Devil** and drop down The Tree of Life to the base of <u>Malkuth</u>.

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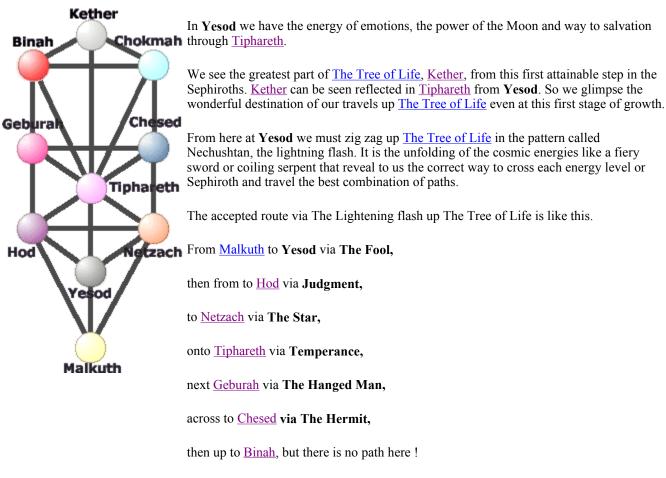
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Yesod	
Number	9
Title	Foundation
Image	A hero
Greek God	Selene
Luminary	The Moon
Colour	Indigo
Relationships	Sexual organs
	Vision of Faith
	Water
	Independance and Idleness

Yesod is the water of the Moon and magick of belief. It is also the beginning and the end as symbolized by the number 9. The beginning of a spiritual journey and the end of your material ties.

It is the first state of energy we rise to from our earthly existence in <u>Malkuth</u>. Taking the path of **The Fool**, we blindly step out into the unknown with no logical and material reason other than faith.



Chesed or Jupiter is the last of the earthly gods we can comprehend. We can meditate and

visualize the Sephiroth of <u>Binah</u>, but in our human form we cannot go there. So that is why there is no apparent path. Actually there is a way via **Daath**, the hidden Sephiroth. But it is said that to take this path will result in madness as the early Qabalaistic magicians found out. Whether this madness was their bliss at having found <u>Binah</u> whilst still in human form cannot be said, but they certainly lost all use for this world by taking this way.

Assuming we have visualized <u>Binah</u> we can comprehend, although not take, the final paths up <u>The Tree of Life</u> in the <u>Supernal Triangle</u>.

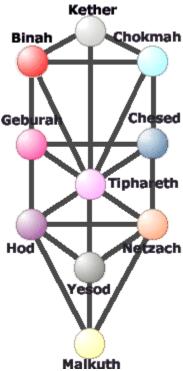
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Move to the next Sephiroth



Malkuth	\bigcirc
Number	10
Title	The Kingdom
Image	Mother
Planet	Earth
Colour	Yellow
Relationships	Feet
	Altar of Life
	Discrimination and Inertia

Malkuth is the base of The Tree of Life. It is where <u>You</u> are now if this is the first look at the Qabalah or any other spiritual journey that you are about to undertake.



From **Malkuth** there are 3 paths. The center path and the accepted route up the Tree of Life is to the next Sephiroth <u>Yesod</u> via the path called **The Fool.** Here a blind leap of faith is required for the seeker to begin their spiritual journey to the awareness of <u>Yesod</u> and the hint of rewards to come on The Tree of Life.

The left path is **The World** and if taken will lead the seeker directly to \underline{Hod} , all magickal knowledge, without first having taken the faith of \underline{Yesod} into their heart. Taking this path will result in the learning but not the understanding of magickal systems. Knowledge is dangerous unless you have means to understand your actions by the use of it !

The path to the right is **The Sun** and although it is also represented as a Sepiroth in <u>Tiphareth</u>, here it is the reflection of the that Sephiroth as a way to the power of <u>Netzach</u>, the love of Venus. Again having short cut up The Tree of Life and avoiding <u>Yesod</u> and <u>Hod</u> on the way, the blinding love of <u>Netzach</u> is like staring into the Sun. You have not taken the leap of faith to <u>Yesod</u>. Nor made the correct judgments to <u>Hod</u> or even explored the energy of **The Star** before arriving at <u>Netzach</u>. You will be blinded by love. and the next path to <u>Tiphareth</u>, the real source of the Sun's energy, via Temperance will be so much harder for the seeker.

If you look at my writings in <u>Yesod</u> I outline the accepted paths up The Tree of Life. That is not to say you cannot use any of the other paths in any combination. You have the free will to go as you decide. Sometimes this will be absolutely necessary to learn what you require, or accomplish what you have set out to achieve. Again the choice is entirely yours.

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Move to the First Sephiroth

