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Crossroads and Omphalos





The Ritual's Purpose

Together we travel to the crossroads and the center of all things. There we seek guidance and empowerment as we seek to mend the worlds within and without.

I. Entrance

Pass through the Sphinx Gate and be purified. Enter and form concentric circles or take a seat, led by the heralds.

II. Sealing the Ritual Space

The ritual space is sealed against physical or spiritual intrusion or interruption.

III. Creating the Container

Hear the invitations, the acknowledgments and calls, and answer each with:

The Way is open!

We chant:

Endless eternal, Powers of the Night Endless eternal, Powers of the Day Endless eternal, by Dusk and by Dawn Come to us now, come to us now We who live in time We who live and die We who live in time We who cross the veil We who live in time Are here and are there Flow through us now, Flow through us now

IV. The Power of the Star

Love, Truth, Honor, Courage, and Beauty mark the points of the pentacle and are anchored by people. Listen to these embodied principles and claim them as your own. The each point of the pentacle will send a line of power to the next with hands lifted, softly drone/sing:

Enliven These in Me.

Until the hands are dropped. This happens five times.

V. The Four Create The Crossroads

The Four Monarchs of the Elements and the Anchors of the World speak from their places. They speak as Monarchs of their Realms, asking us to pledge connection with and protection of their Element. Each pledge ends with:

So Mote It Be!

VI. Accepting the Crossroads' Power

Prepare yourself to receive the four-fold power. After each invocation say this as a call and response:

I Gather Up the Powers of the (*Direction*) And Invest Them in Myself.

We all free form tone together between each invocation.

VII. The Power of Three

The Three Rays and the Three Streams of Body, Mind, and Spirit are called. The power is circulated, then sent to the central altar, the Omphalos. We chant:

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Blood of my blood Stream of life—flow in me Soul of my soul Stream of love—flow in me Spark of my spark Stream of light— flow in me Stream through eternity Stream through eternity

VIII. The Divine Dialogue

The singing bowls sound and all fall silent. Everyone communes with Higher Self, God/ dess/es, whatever, as individuals in silence.

IX. The Omphalos

Look upon the Center, the Omphalos, the Hidden Light, the Wellspring, the Source, and complete the circuit of Above and Below. We chant/tone:

I Am, I Am, I Am...

If you are moved to do so, heralds will guide you to walk near the Omphalos. If not stay where you are. When the energy peaks, when the chant grows faster and louder.

X. Claiming Your Crown

We are called to find our people, our paths, our work, and our joy. We call for blessings on our way. We chant:

Blessed be, you Gods and Mortals,

Blessed be, you Inner Fire.

Blessed be, you Crown of Brightness.

Blessed be, you Heart's Desire.

Counterpoint: We were waiting for a Turning, Then we saw it was our lives When our hearts with flame are burning, Like the sun in flight, we rise!

The chant ends, and we transition to drumming and dancing in celebration. We end with

We Give Thanks We Give Thanks We Give Thanks

XI. Releasing, Unsealing, Departing (The energetic container is released, and the room is unsealed. The drums sound. Heralds assist and lead us out to the post-ritual refreshments. All chant:

Sing through my voice Play through my hands Let the way be open.

