

THE TREE OF LIFE
AS INTERPRETED THROUGH
THE TOTALITY OF GOD

THE MYSTICISM WITHIN QUADRALITY

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THE TOTALITY OF GOD
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Unlocking the Secret to the Riddle of the Ages

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Author's Note: The System of Quadrality was researched and developed to be an academically worthy, logical construct. As mentioned in my Note for the stand-alone article "The Cycle of Principle and Concept," to be considered academically worthy, the System of Quadrality needed to be scientifically sound. And showing that I felt I'd accomplished in its connection to electromagnetic theory. But as I'd pointed out therein, science was only half of the Big Picture I hoped to reflect, and the System of Quadrality also needed to uphold this planet's accepted spiritual traditions. In exploring the System of Quadrality, I referenced two ancient, fundamental esoteric teachings still practiced to this day – one from the East, one from the West – the I Ching and the Cabala. However, I must stress that there was a clear difference in the results derived in each case. Applying the I Ching was essentially a matter of understanding its underlying energetic principles and then viewing them in the context of the System of Quadrality, which resulted in an original energetic paradigm: The Cycle of Principle and Concept. In contrast, examining the Cabala led to two truths, one flowing from its four-in-one expression of God in the Tetragrammaton, the other emanating from its tenfold hierarchy of spheres in the Tree of Life. Only the first truth is original to my study, how the Principle of Behavioral Reversal is evidenced by the two primary alignments Cabalists allow for the Aspects of God in the Tetragrammaton. (This conclusion can be found on pp. 54-55 of the main text.) And as such, that truth became part of the "Mysticism Within the Principle of Quadrality," from which came the Cycle of Principle and Concept. Though no less important, the second truth is more interpretive. It is how the System of Quadrality, with its Four Pathways to Light and Truth and structurally operational Principle of Behavioral Reversal, found substantiating alignments within the Tree of Life. Moreover, the System of Quadrality could then return the favor in offering logical corroboration for energetic reversals found within the Tree of Life but not addressed in its teachings. A similar service had been done for the I Ching and its reversals, in the past left more to accepted tradition than to a scientifically derived rationale.

Lastly, since this excerpt is taken out of context, missing are all the footnotes and other references to how I gathered this information and then applied it to the System of Quadrality. Though they generally trace its origin to the same source material, the numerous esoteric schools and mystical traditions that embrace the Tree of Life offer minor variations in details, including the spellings used for the terms within it. Even the name "Cabala" has its variants, depending upon the system within which it is taught. Cabala (a Christian variant) was most often found in the encyclopedic reference materials I'd used for research, and thus the reason for my selection of it. The spellings for the terms in my Tree of Life come from the writings of a proponent rooted in Hermetic Qabalah (one of the aforementioned variants), which greatly served my journey to interpret the Tree of Life through the System of Quadrality. (For further information on this creative exploration, please check pp. 174-178, immediately preceding this excerpt.)

The Mysticism Within the Principle of Quadrality

Before and right up to the start of the Big Bang – or Creation – existed Nothing, having no Substance or Form, and yet it contained the Actuality of all that was and the Potential for all that would follow. This Nothing, or **Unity**, also known as **Ain** – the Unified Primal Source, the Oneness that defies delineation – was God. Emanating from an infinitely small space (a state of being without tangible dimensions), this infinity of Potentiality was released into Actuality to instantaneously become a Triunity of Creating Principles. These were the duality of the Mother – Spiritual and Physical – Creation in the Spiritual Realm; the duality of the Father – Active and Passive – Manifestation in the Spiritual Realm; and the duality of the Child – Energy and Matter – Procreation in the Physical Realm. The latter begin in their primal state as Substance and Form. The primal Spiritual Substance of this Spiritual Energy was *Quantity*, all that ever was, is, or ever will be of **Chochmah** – the Wisdom that is God. Representing the Active principle, this primal Spiritual Substance was Female (recall *Footnote 58*), and thus able to give birth to the Spiritual Energy known as *Quality*, the primal Spiritual Form. Being Male, Form represented the Passive principle and contained all that ever was, is, or ever will be of **Binah** – the Understanding that is God. While Understanding was born of Wisdom, the two were created simultaneously by God at the moment of the *Spiritual Big Bang*, so that He within the Oneness of *Nothing* could be made manifest into the Quadrality of *All*. To make this so, **Wisdom** and **Understanding** together became the anchoring root duality for these two planes of Primal Energy, Horizontal and Vertical respectively. Along with these two, this first, Supernal triad was composed of **Keter** as the Crown, the indivisible Divine **Unity** that had created, as its base, the *Primal Root Dualities* of Spiritual and Physical, Active and Passive, Substance and Form. All this took place in what has been referred to as the Spiritual Realm, before the Physical Realm even existed – thus following the Divine Law of Order: *Spiritual precedes Physical*. Hidden behind the Veil in the **Tree of Life**, this first triad is that part of God that Man is never meant to understand fully. Aside from Unity, at this point there was only Duality, mystically actualized with Unity as the *Triunity of God*. While never relinquishing the integrity of its Unity, the single Spiritual Egg of God had split in two, retaining all three parts.

The Emanation of this first root duality from Keter establishes the Actuality of the *Intangible Spiritual Realm* through the first triad in the **Tree of Life**. It is this triad, behind the Veil, that will uphold for all eternity the separation of Root Realms. However, to establish the Potentiality of the *Intangible Physical Realm*, the final two triads in the **Tree of Life** must be completed. They will uphold for all eternity the interaction of Root Realms. Their completion will require two more root dualities, but these with the ability to evolve to Duo-duality.

The first step was for God to manifest out of **Wisdom** – the Primal Spiritual Substance – its own duality. Called **Chesed** and **Gevurah** (or **Din**), literally they're Kindness and Strength (or Judgment). But we'll simply refer to them as **Mercy** and **Justice**, found as a root duality in [Figure 1a](#). And, as noted by Friedman, they also serve to define their *Pillars, Right and Left*, respectively. Since this was a root duality as originally created by God – Actual Principles in the *Intangible Spiritual Realm* – the original Horizontal and Vertical Alignment remained, with **Mercy** occupying the Spiritual, Active, Female, Horizontal Plane and *Right Pillar*, and **Justice** occupying the Physical, Passive, Male, Vertical Plane and *Left Pillar*. Thus, they have become the

Intangible Substance and Form of the Primal Substance of Energy. Then, together, the second triad became complete with the *Balance* of Mercy and Justice in **Harmony: Tiferet**, the *Center Pillar*, the *Equilibrium* achieved between **Chesed** and **Gevurah**, and the *Moderation* between the Supernal triad and potential materiality.

The next step was for God to manifest out of **Understanding** – the Primal Spiritual Form – its own duality. Called **Netzach** and **Hod**, and literally translated as **Victory** and **Glory**, this duality can be likened (as Friedman suggests) to the concept of **Action** and **Reaction**, the process by which Substance seeks actualization as Form. In accordance with the first step, **Victory-Action** aligns to the Spiritual-Horizontal *Right Pillar* and **Glory-Reaction** aligns to the Physical-Vertical *Left Pillar*. Thus, they have become the *Intangible Substance and Form of the Primal Form of Energy*. The resolution of this duality – and completion of the third triad – is **Yesod**, or **Foundation**. That's the production of a **Result**, the final fulfillment of formation and the culmination of all that the three triads have led to: the promise of Manifestation in the tenth and final Sphere – **Malchut**, meaning **Kingdom** in the **Tree of Life**.

Before that can happen, what was created as Actuality at the inception of the *Intangible Spiritual Realm* as the *Exclusionary* principle of Root Duality in the first triad, must now begin the transition into the Physical Realm. This takes place with the manifestation in the *Intangible Physical Realm* of the *Relationable* principle of Duo-duality in the last two triads. Created as Potentiality with the *Exclusionary* principle of Root Duality, it occurs through the process of *Possibility to Realization*.

In the second triad, Duo-duality was manifested with the help of the first two *Sceptres of the Great Spirits*, those within **Wisdom** – **Love** and **Wisdom**. From the Analysis of the Quantity of **Wisdom** came the Fields of West and East, the Alignments of Heart and Soul, and the Cornerstones of Faith and Truth – with their *Driving Forces* of Trust and Honesty. In the third triad, Duo-duality was manifested with the help of the last two *Sceptres*, those within **Understanding** – **Might** and **Domain**. From the Analysis of the Quality of **Understanding** came the Fields of South and North, the Alignments of Strength and Mind, and the Cornerstones of Commitment and Belief – with their *Driving Forces* of Motivation and Focus. All align *Right Pillar, Left Pillar*.

So far, through God's *first Spiritual Blueprint* – the **Tree of Life** – we've only detailed the Creation of the *Intangible Substance and Form of the Primal Substance and Form of Energy* (the principles associated with the **P.E.F.** and their related *Spiritual* Alignments, Cornerstones and *Driving Forces*). However, the same must now be done for the Creation of the *Intangible Substance and Form of the Primal Substance and Form of Matter* (the principles associated with the **A.E.L.** and their related *Physical* Alignments, Cornerstones and *Driving Forces*). Thus, Water and Earth, Connection and Experience, Passion and Effort, Love and Wealth, occupy the *Right Pillar*; Fire and Air, Communication and Thought, Desire and Attitude, Self-expression and Health, occupy the *Left Pillar*. Each *Sceptre* will have completed God's aligning triune nature with the addition of its material principle to its energetic. Once this has occurred, all the *Spiritual* and *Physical Principles* necessary for the eventual Manifestation of the *Spiritual* and *Physical Concepts* associated with the **P.E.F.** and the **A.E.L.** will have been created in Actuality in the *Intangible Physical Realm*. Then, the remaining principles and concepts, derived from these and needed for the Procreation of the Physical Realm, can there manifest as Potential. Thus has begun the formation of [Figure 1b](#) (including ideologically negative manifestations of the *Physical Model* dualities from [Figure 5](#), p. 58, energetically applicable in the *I.P.R.*), through God's *second Spiritual Blueprint* – the **I Ching**.

Everything that I've described as happening so far, did so in preparation for the Big Bang and the inception of Quadrality in the Physical Realm. As noted at the beginning of this **Mysticism**, the creation of the root and duo-dualistic principles and concepts I've outlined probably occurred in what you might call a *Spiritual* Big Bang that preceded and initiated the *Physical*, quadrality one! At the moment of that Spiritual and Physical Big Bang – when *Nothing* became *All* – some of that *All* reached Actuality immediately, such as the root dualities outlined in the **Tree of Life**. The remainder was created at that time, but only as Potential, to achieve Actuality when needed so that Root Duality could continue the evolution to Procreation in the Physical Realm as Quadrality. The concept of *All* being instantaneously created, at least as Potential, falls in line with cabalistic mysticism. It explains that the aspects of Time and Place don't have significance until the completion of the third triad in the **Tree of Life** – when (as Friedman notes) Time and Place affix the Formation of the actual event of Manifestation. It is then that the *Quadrality of Condition* actualizes as a Tangible Principle (Figure 7, line 6).

But, to make **Yesod** – this ninth Sphere in the **Tree of Life** – possible, which occurs in the Physical Realm, two important events must precede it in the Spiritual Realm. The first involves the role of Female and Male. In the Creation phase of the Spiritual Realm, Female is the Active Principle, Male, the Passive, since these terms represent *Possibility*, a Spiritual principle. In the Manifestation phase of the Spiritual Realm the reverse must take place, with Male now being the Active Principle, since at this point the concept of *Physical Realization* enters the equation through Duo-duality. This reversal is essential to manifest the principles that will be required next to begin the Spiritual Creation phase of the Physical Realm. Also, it is this Harmonic Alignment that brings to the Spiritual Realm harmony between the Root Duality of its Creation phase and the Duo-duality of its Manifestation phase (Figure 8 in **Metaphysics**). (In other words, to balance the Creation and Manifestation phases, the Spiritual-Active and Physical-Passive Principles have reversed their Horizontal and Vertical alignments. To depict it in upcoming Figure 14, move Planar alignments, along with their gender natures only, to the opposite Pillar.) Male, which retains its root planar identity, in the *I.P.R.* manifests the first of its duo-dualistic characteristics on the Vertical Plane as the Active, Spiritual principle – which we have referred to as Yang. Female manifests the first of its duo-dualistic characteristics on the Horizontal Plane as the Passive, Physical principle, Yin. It is this Manifestation phase within the Spiritual Realm that the Taoist tradition at the heart of Mokichi Okada's philosophy – the comparison of Yang and Yin on p. 58 – reflects. And the energetic reversal that establishes it allows the Potentiality represented by the **P.E.F.** and the **A.E.L.** – created as Potential with everything else in the Creation phase – to manifest and align with their respective *dualistic* Planes, as detailed on the previous page. With this second important event, the placements of all terms in Figure 5 are in accord with either the Root or Duo ideological alignment. This answers how Movement and Rigid can appear together, since the Vertical Plane can be Spiritual-Active (Duo) or Physical-Passive (Root), and the Physical-Active/Spiritual-Passive behavioral alignments that some of the terms will achieve in the Spiritual Manifestation phase of the Physical Realm have yet to occur. (These alignments will resolve the behavioral inconsistencies mentioned on p. 59, between, say, Passive and Western World.) And so, the Spiritual Energy of Creation, **Keter, Original Chi**, is ready to actualize in the Physical Realm what the **Book of Genesis** expressed by its opening verse as having happened potentially in the Spiritual Realm: *In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.*

While the **Book of Changes**, its Eastern counterpart, recognized and described the generation of four modes and eight trigrams in the determination of its 64 hexagrams, the focus of Taoism was clearly on the duality of life – the inseparable opposites from which they are all derived. Philosophical interpretations abound for the mythology behind its metaphysics. My own considers its relationship to Greek and cabalistic cosmology: The Vertical Male Energy of the Sun – Fire (Energy of Energy) in the *Intangible Spiritual Realm* of Quadrality – separated from and interacted with the Horizontal Female Energy of the Moon – Water (Matter of Energy) in the *Intangible Physical Realm*. The two in Harmony then procreated their children: *spiritual vaporization*, Vertical Air (Energy of Matter) in the *Tangible Spiritual Realm*, and its final *material condensation* as Horizontal Earth (Matter of Matter) in the *Tangible Physical Realm*. We are still within the framework of Duo-duality, since only the potential for the four realms of Quadrality has been established.

All this has taken place in the Root Spiritual Realm. But now it is time to make the *quantum physical* leap into the Root Physical Realm. Enter Quadrality as the two metaphorical eggs of potential Energy and Matter must each split in two to create the material world. All the pieces are in place. The four Spiritual Alignments of God, created as potential in Duo-duality (Soul, Heart, Mind, and Strength), are ready to breathe life into the four states of Matter (Energy, Liquids, Gasses, and Solids) through union with their philosophical counterparts, the Principles of Matter (Fire, Water, Air, and Earth). All that remains is for the Principles of Energy (East, West, North, and South) to first become their fully realized directions as part of an energetic grid in the world of Tangibility. Then, once the Ancient Element of Earth had been formed as a potential in the Creation Stage of the Physical Realm (i.e., the *Tangible Spiritual Realm*), Quadrality can truly exist on its own. At this point, all the potential fields and elements associated with Solids have come into being, including those of the Earth, as we've been discussing all along. This is represented by **Malchut**, the tenth Sphere in the **Tree of Life**, which achieves *Realization* in the Procreation Stage of the Physical Realm (Figure 7, lines 6 and 7).

Two major shifts in planar alignments must first take place for these fields and elements to manifest as the physical counterparts to the spiritual Vibration and Force, Wave and Particle. The first shift allows for the transition from Duo-duality (*I.P.R.*) to Quadrality. Since Spiritual-Active is on the Vertical Plane in the *I.P.R.*, it must now move to the Horizontal Plane where Vibration and Wave will exist in the Physical Realm; and Physical-Passive must move to the Vertical Plane, with Force and Particle. (Yang/Yin must also move into their respective ideological quadrality alignments since they are the Active-Male/Passive-Female Principles in the Physical Realm – which is what the **P.E.F.** represent.) By switching planes in the *initial* Creation phase of the Physical Realm, Spiritual-Active-Yang and Physical-Passive-Yin bring a co-alignment between the *Intangible and Tangible Spiritual Realms* on the Horizontal and Vertical Planes, as well as set the ideological gender alignment needed for Procreation. This alignment, foundational to the Creation phases of the Physical Realm and associated with the *Quadrality of Ideology and Condition*, is that contained within the *third Spiritual Blueprint* – the **Tetragrammaton** of the **Cabala**. (In Figure 14, maintain the *I.P.R.* Planar alignments but reverse its energetic principles and gender natures.)

Up to this point, Spiritual-Active and Physical-Passive have remained united throughout the transition from Creation to Manifestation. However, before Procreation can occur, the behavioral reflection of Active must come into play. This is the concept of Dominant, hidden within Active as a *Possibility* since the Manifestation phase of the

Spiritual Realm, waiting for the moment when it would achieve *Realization* in the Physical Realm. Now, for Quadrality to go from Potential to Actuality in the Physical Realm, a second, behavioral shift is required. Thus, Active's Dominant Principle switches to the Physical, Vertical Plane and brings to fruition all the behavioral traits we've associated with the **A.E.L.**, including the concept of Masculine hidden within the Principle of Yang, also since the Spiritual Realm. This gender alignment needed for the Manifestation phases of the Physical Realm, and associated with the *Quadrality of Behavior and Limitation*, is that contributed by the *fourth Spiritual Blueprint – The Totality Of God* and its **System of Quadrality**.

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The **Mysticism Within the Principle of Quadrality** has taken the Creation of the Spiritual Realm as outlined in the **Tree of Life**, a mystical integration of Unity, Root Duality and Triunity (spiritual evolution in the Spiritual Realm), and explained it in the context of **The Totality Of God**. This new blueprint for Spirituality in the 21st century includes the **I Ching**, with its metaphysical, duo-dualistic generation of the Universe (physical evolution in the Spiritual Realm); the **Tetragrammaton**, a map for the transformation of spiritually-related Substance and Form into the *Quadrality of Energy and Matter* as manifested principles (spiritual evolution in the Physical Realm); and **Modern Physics**, which can explain how all of it is eventually procreated into the visible Universe as Energy and Matter (physical evolution in the Physical Realm). Thus, I believe that **The Totality Of God** is the first *Spiritual Blueprint* to symbolically accommodate all the ideological *and* behavioral differences found within the Physical Realm and to offer a plausible accounting for them in the context of the three spiritual blueprints chosen, appropriately I feel, to represent those that have come before.

Interestingly, reflections of these differences can be found in the other three blueprints, which, as a result of this one based on Mr. Okada's **Izunome Cross**, now make sense. We saw those differences in the Figure 5 comparison of Yang and Yin. The **Tree of Life** has them as well, which will become apparent as you examine the structure of the Spheres within its three triads (see p. 195, Point Y). I've provided the following diagram based on the **Tree of Life** as a representational flow chart for the **Mysticism Within the Principle of Quadrality**, using solid arrows to define the three triads and dotted arrows for the dualistic evolution of Substance and Form as I've visualized it. The vertical dashed arrows represent the symbolic progression through the *Four Spiritual Blueprints*. For clarity, other terminology or diagrammatic markings one might associate with the **Tree of Life** were omitted. As with the **Metaphysics** of the *THIRD VERSE*, Figure 14 and the **Mysticism** that preceded it will be clarified in the Points that follow. They elaborate on and often reiterate the *metaphysical Points*, but with the further elucidation that these *mystical* cabalistic teachings can now offer.

Quantity and *Quality* are among the defining terms placed on the *Pillars* of the **Tree of Life**. You may think it curious that Cabalists attributed the term *Quantity* to Spiritual Substance while *Quality* was used to describe Spiritual Form, since, the reverse might seem more appropriate. As with the reversals addressed in the Points for **Metaphysics**, both orders can be correct, dependent on application. Quantity (S) Quality represents *Physical Specialization*, as does General (S) Specific; Quality (G) Quantity reflects the behaviorally reversed Internal (G) External. (Only Quantity {R} Quality as a *Primal Root Duality* maintains the balance of Female {R} Male.)

When examining the information assembled in [Figure 14](#), please be aware it is only through the creative suggestions made in **Mysticism** that I can depict with only two *Pillar* assignments the fundamental planar reversals we know occur during the Manifestation of the quadralitic realms. Therefore, the *Right* and *Left Pillars* establish, within the 1st quadralitic realm, the **Cabala's** three primary root dualities – Chochmah and Binah, Chesed and Gevurah, Netzach and Hod. However, the related Sceptres, Fields, Elements, Spiritual and Physical Alignments and Cornerstones – as found in [Figure 14](#) and described in the previous text – manifest as duo-dualities in the 2nd quadralitic realm. It is here where these terms begin to take on additional alignments dependent on their interpretation within a particular realm – originally noted in the previous **Metaphysics**. As outlined in the present **Mysticism**, the first occurs when Horizontal and Vertical reverse their Spiritual to Physical relationship in Duo-duality to balance the Intangible Spiritual and Physical Realms. However, as with the cabalistic markings mentioned on the previous page, these additional alignments have also been omitted from [Figure 14](#) for clarity re the initiating principles thus represented.

In keeping with this, I must be clear that my mystical interpretation of ancient cabalistic wisdom is exactly that – my interpretation. Those much more learned in the **Cabala** than I may find fault with the artistic conceptualization that I've presented of the creation of its three triads. I have heralded Chochmah – Wisdom – the Primal Spiritual Substance, as being responsible for Chesed and Gevurah, Mercy and Justice; and Binah – Understanding – the Primal Spiritual Form, as being responsible for Netzach and Hod, Victory-Action and Glory-Reaction. Mr. Friedman seems to indicate this is the case, at least for Chesed and Gevurah. However, no such direct link between Binah and the third triad is given by him. Moreover, the evolution of Substance and Form through the triads as I've envisioned it is also absent, as are the original concepts I've included, like Root and Duo-duality, the Four Cornerstones, etc., which might almost appear sacrilegious to the Talmud scholar.

But even more significant may be an apparent contradiction, not only with their teachings on the evolution of the Spheres themselves, but with my own teachings. My answer to this is simple, and should also settle both issues. The Supernal triad establishes the Root Realms in the Spiritual Realm, and thus, the balance of Theism vs. Deism for the four paths in the Physical Realm. Yet, the Supernal triad is itself separate from the other two. In other words, the horizontal separation on God's side of the Veil of Chochmah vs. Binah into *Pillars*, manifests as the vertical separation of Theism vs. Deism along those *Pillars* on our side. Thus, Mercy and Justice can come from Theism, Action and Reaction from Theism, and both dualities can uphold the root separation of the *Pillars*. All of the additional mysticism I've embodied within the **Tree of Life** follows from that. It also explains why East and West, or North and South, don't end up aligned to the same Horizontal or Vertical *Pillar*. Below the Veil in [Figure 14](#), alignments occur as a configuration of columns and rows reminiscent of [Figure 3](#)! If you then question the validity of aligning Mercy and Justice as a root duality, considering their association with West and East, realize that Mercy and Justice have root and duo applications. And Duo-duality manifests through two Models, which the columns and rows below the Veil are meant to accommodate. As we'll later see when we derive the *Quadralities of Ideology, Behavior, Condition, and Limitation* from the terms I've added to the **Tree of Life**, below the Veil the Horizontal terms apply as *quadralitic dualities* in the *Physical Model* while the Vertical ones apply as such in the *Spiritual Model*. This may offer a glimpse at how the **Cabala's** single system could account for the two Models, a question we'll further explore in [Point Y](#). (The construct

for the evolution of **Quadrality** begun on p. 566 will use cell division to model the energetic logic for separate terms in a root duality generating their own root duality.)

So, the Creation of the 1st root duality, from Keter, establishes the *Spiritual Realm* with Root Duality. The Manifestation of the 2nd and 3rd root dualities from the 1st establishes the *Physical Realm* with Duo-duality. While all three root dualities, be they behind or below the Veil, align according to the *Pillars* as created (and illustrated in [Figure 14](#)), for their duo-dualities the *Right Pillar* will also take on Physical-Passive-Form, the *Left Pillar*, Spiritual-Active-Substance. The two root dualities below the Veil will themselves represent the *Tangible Spiritual* and *Physical Realms* once the 2nd level of *Quadrality* is procreated. And, as [Point Y](#) will show, the second accounts for gender reversal as a behavioral condition! (It is an ideological limitation in the *I.P.R.*)

I wish to be clear that the triune mystery noted on p. 179 with the Unity of God not being diminished by its creation of Root Duality, is not the same as the mystery of the *Holy Trinity*. For this, not only is the whole undiminished, but the parts are equal to it. The **Cabala** only addresses the triune mystery applicable to material evolution.

There are two final things I must stress before we continue. First, this book only exists because I saw within the roadmap Mokichi Okada had created, the ability to draw my own. Therefore, the same flexibility that he allowed anyone wishing to study his **Izunome Cross** I likewise extend to you with **The Totality Of God**. I've tried to be as consistent as I could with my usage of terms throughout this book, but if you feel I should have called something a Principle, for instance, when I called it a Concept – fine. No one can grow a full head of hair if they keep pulling at them! Likewise, you may have nodded that head in approval at one point I made, only to shake it in disbelief at the next. Although I've endeavored to carry out the task of creating a truly integrated spiritual system with all the logic I could muster, I fully realize one person's logic may be the next person's delusion. However, if any of this has helped you in some way to find your own truth, then it has served its purpose.

Second, nothing I've done is meant to replace the fount of Wisdom stored within the sixty four hexagrams of the **I Ching** or the ten Spheres and thirty two Paths of the **Tree of Life**. **The Totality Of God** has only attempted to demonstrate at the symbolic level how powerfully the previous blueprints interrelate. And the three I've chosen, as we'll later see, well represent those I haven't. When I, ten-plus years ago, first began to explore Spirituality as the others before me had done, and read how each interpreted it, I was struck by the symbolic similarities that I encountered. I tried to look beyond the terms and definitions each employed, and in that process wondered why so few seemed to notice they were all talking about the same truth. It reminded me of that moment I spoke of earlier, when, in my Sophomore year at college, the negative clouds of Doubt became replaced by the positive clarity of Confidence. It also made me wonder why so much emphasis seemed to be placed on whether or not you have made a particular choice. In the grand scheme of God's *Big Picture*, I would like to think the only choice He'll be concerned that we've made is the one between **Good** and **Evil**, not between *This* or *That*. Therefore, it is also not a concern of mine as to whether **The Totality Of God** will become a "this" or a "that" in your life. If all it has done is help you to reaffirm a desire to seek **Good** over **Evil**, then it also has truly served its purpose.

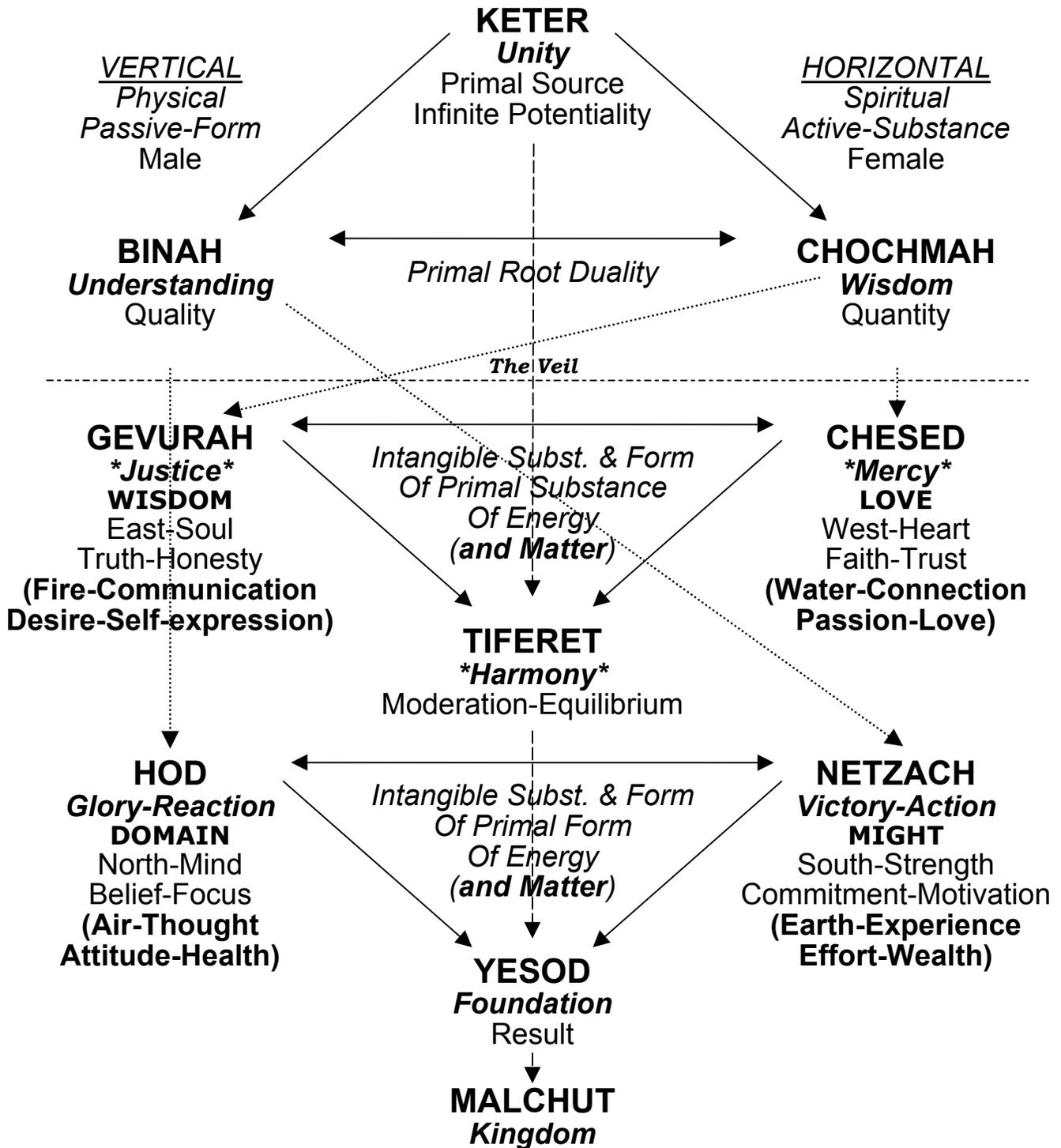


Figure 14 : The Creation of Root Duality in the Intangible Spiritual Realm as structured within the **Tree of Life** and interpreted through **The Totality Of God**.

(Important: As explained in **Mysticism**, alignments at the top of the *Right and Left Pillars* fix the Planes, their energetic principles, and their gender natures only for the three root dualities that establish the Triads of the **Tree of Life**. These Planes, principles and natures will independently realign as needed for energy to evolve through the four quadraltic realms, in accord with Figure 8 of **Metaphysics**. *Asterisks* define the Three Pillars.)