

GRIMOIRES, WITCHCRAFT & CEREMONIAL MAGIC

The Picatrix (Ghāyat al-Ḥakīm)

A single-volume treatment of astral magic in the Hermetic-Arabic tradition: the celestial hierarchy, the making and consecration of talismans, the properties and images of the planets and zodiac signs, and the prayers and rites used to attract their powers. Organized, like the historical work it draws its name and subject from, into four books.

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Prologue: The Gate of the Wise

¹ This is the work of the sage, compiled from the wisdom of two hundred books to reveal the hidden paths of celestial magic. It is not for the foolish, for the secrets contained herein, if misused, could bring ruin to the world. The philosophers of old hid their knowledge in symbols and riddles, but they left paths by which the wise might attain understanding. This book is a key to those paths, meant only for those who would use its power for good and in devotion to the One True Source.

² The work is divided into four parts. The first discusses the nature of the heavens and their images. The second discusses the motion of the spheres and their effects upon the earth. The third teaches the properties of the planets and how to commune with their spirits. The fourth treats the powers of those spirits and the rituals needed to draw them down.

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 1: On Knowing Your Place in the Cosmos

¹ True knowledge is the noblest gift. Through it, one understands the causes of all things and the Great Chain of Being—from the First Principle, down through Intellect, Spirit, and Matter, to the humblest creation. The One is perfect and all receives truth from Him. To study His creation is to serve Him.

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 2: The Nature of Magic

¹ Magic is the art of producing wonders by engaging the spirit and the senses. Talismans are "force-bearers," crafted from appropriate materials, at astrologically correct times, and consecrated to draw down planetary powers. This works by similitude: the material, form, and timing of a talisman must align with the celestial influence you wish to attract. Words, too, hold power, as they can unite or divide spirits.

² Magic is both Theoretical (the knowledge of the stars) and Practical (the application of that knowledge through ritual). True mastery is impossible without a deep understanding of astrology—the motions of the planets, the natures of the signs, and the system of degrees.

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 3: The Substance of the Heavens

¹ The heavens are a perfect, spherical whole. The stars cast rays upon the earth, and through these rays, celestial influences enter the material world. All heat, motion, and generation in the sublunary realm ultimately stem from the heavens.

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 4: The Foundations of Talismanic Practice

¹ The key to all talismanic work is the Moon. Its position and aspects govern the success or failure of any operation.

² For good works (love, healing, prosperity), ensure the Moon is free from the malefic influences of Saturn and Mars and not combust by the Sun. For evil works (destruction, enmity), ensure the Moon is afflicted or in evil aspect.

³ The 28 Mansions of the Moon (Complete List)

⁴ Mansion Name (Latin/Arabic) Degrees Primary Effects

⁵ 1 Alnath (Al-Sharatain) 0° Aries – 12°51' Aries Safe journeys; create discord between husband and wife, friends, or allies; cause servants to flee.

⁶ 2 Albotain (Al-Butain) 12°51' Aries – 25°42' Aries Dig channels and wells; find hidden treasures; plant wheat; destroy buildings; enrage one man against another; reinforce prisons.

⁷ 3 Azoraya (Al-Thuraiya) 25°42' Aries – 8°34' Taurus Safe sea travel; reinforce prison cells; works of alchemy; works of fire; hunting; create love between husband and wife.

⁸ 4 Aldebaran (Al-Dabaran) 8°34' Taurus – 21°25' Taurus Destroy cities and villages; make a master abhor his slave; instill discord between husband and wife; contaminate springs and wells; kill and bind reptiles and poisonous animals.

⁹ 5 Almices (Al-Haqa) 21°25' Taurus – 4°17' Gemini Children learning crafts; safe and quick return from journeys; improve buildings; destroy alliances; create affection between husband and wife.

¹⁰ 6 Athaya (Al-Hana) 4°17' Gemini – 17°08' Gemini Destroy cities and villages; position armies; vengeance against enemies; condemn harvests and trees; spark friendship; improve hunting; curse medicines.

¹¹ 7 Aldirah (Al-Dhira) 17°08' Gemini – 30° Gemini Increase trade and profit; safe travel; increase harvests; safe sailing; generate friendships; expel flies; ruin careers; gain royal favor.

¹² 8 Annathra (Al-Nathrah) 0° Cancer – 12°51' Cancer Love and friendship; safe travel by wagon; spark friendships; reinforce prisons; curse captives; expel mice and bedbugs.

¹³ 9 Atarf (Al-Tarf) 12°51' Cancer – 25°42' Cancer Condemn harvests; curse travelers; create divisions and enmities; force a man to defend himself.

¹⁴ 10 Algebha (Al-Jabhah) 25°42' Cancer – 8°34' Leo Incite love between husband and wife; curse enemies and travelers; reinforce prisons and buildings; create benevolence between associates.

¹⁵ 11 Azobra (Al-Zubrah) 8°34' Leo – 21°25' Leo Liberate captives; position armies; organize trade; protect travelers; reinforce buildings; increase wealth of friends.

¹⁶ 12 Acarfa (Al-Sarfah) 21°25' Leo – 4°17' Virgo Improve harvests and plants; ruin someone financially; curse ships; bolster allies and authorities.

¹⁷ 13 Alahue (Al-Awwa) 4°17' Virgo – 17°08' Virgo Increase trade and profits; enlarge harvests; protect travelers; complete buildings; free captives; charm noblemen.

- ¹⁸ 14 Azimech (Al-Simak) 17°08' Virgo – 30° Virgo Instill love between husband and wife; heal with knowledge and medicine; curse harvests; empower kings; protect sailors; win friendship.
- ¹⁹ 15 Algafra (Al-Ghafr) 0° Libra – 12°51' Libra Dig wells; seek buried treasures; impede travelers; separate husband and wife; induce discord; scatter enemies; destroy homes.
- ²⁰ 16 Azubene (Al-Zubana) 12°51' Libra – 25°42' Libra Curse merchandise, harvests, and plants; induce discord; curse a woman you desire; impede journeys; free captives.
- ²¹ 17 Alichil (Al-Iklil) 25°42' Libra – 8°36' Scorpio Heighten deceptions; position armies; reinforce buildings; protect sailors; create lasting love and friendship.
- ²² 18 Alcalb (Al-Qalb) 8°36' Scorpio – 21°25' Scorpio Rouse conspiracy against kings; inflict vengeance; build and reinforce buildings; free captives; divide friends.
- ²³ 19 Exaula (Al-Shaulah) 21°25' Scorpio – 4°17' Sagittarius Position armies; enter and take cities; ruin wealth; drive men from a place; benefit travelers; increase harvests; destroy ships; kill captives.
- ²⁴ 20 Nahaym (Al-Naaim) 4°17' Sagittarius – 17°08' Sagittarius Domesticate wild beasts; cause swift travel; summon men to you; associate good men; reinforce prisons; bring evil upon friends' riches.
- ²⁵ 21 Elbelda (Al-Baldah) 17°08' Sagittarius – 30° Sagittarius Reinforce buildings; increase harvests; retain profits; protect travelers; separate a wife from her husband.
- ²⁶ 22 Caadaldeba (Sa'd al-Dhabi) 0° Capricorn – 12°51' Capricorn Heal infirmities; set discord; make slaves and captives flee; cause goodwill; make captives escape.
- ²⁷ 23 Caaddebolach (Sa'd Bula) 12°51' Capricorn – 25°42' Capricorn Heal infirmities; unite friends; divide a man from his wife; make captives escape.
- ²⁸ 24 Caadacohot (Sa'd al-Suud) 25°42' Capricorn – 8°34' Aquarius Improve commerce; induce goodwill; give soldiers victory; ruin friends' riches; disrupt enterprises.
- ²⁹ 25 Caadalhacbia (Sa'd al-Akhbiyah) 8°34' Aquarius – 21°25' Aquarius Position armies; take vengeance; hasten envoys; separate wife from husband; wither harvests; bind a man and wife from sex; bind limbs; reinforce prisons.
- ³⁰ 26 Almiquedam (Al-Fargh al-Awwal) 21°25' Aquarius – 4°17' Pisces Unite men in mutual esteem; protect travelers; reinforce prisons; inflict evil on captives.
- ³¹ 27 Algarf almuehar (Al-Fargh al-Thani) 4°17' Pisces – 17°08' Pisces Improve commerce; unite associates; increase harvests; heal infirmities; ruin riches; impede buildings; imperil sailors; prolong imprisonment.
- ³² 28 Arrexhe (Batn al-Hut) 17°08' Pisces – 30° Pisces Improve commerce; besiege cities; increase harvests; ruin jokes; cause loss of treasure; protect travelers; instill peace; reinforce prisons; harm sailors.
- ³³ The practitioner must hold firm belief in the work. Doubt ruins the operation, for it is belief that unites the magician's will with the power of the heavens.

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 5: Examples and Requirements for Talismans

¹ The crafting of a talisman requires precise astrological conditions. Here are examples of image operations:

² Image for Love: Create two figures in the likeness of the individuals. Make them in the hour of Jupiter or Venus, with the Head of the Dragon ascending, and the Moon making a good aspect to Venus. Join the images in an embrace and bury them. For lasting love, write the amicable numbers "220" and "284" on the figures before joining them.

³ Image for Enmity: Make an image in the form of your enemy in the hour of Mars, with the Moon in Scorpio. Make the ascendant unfortunate and place an infortune in aspect with the lord of the ascendant. Bury the image upside down outside the city.

⁴ Image for Prosperity: Make an image with the ascendant, tenth house, their lords, the Moon, and the second house fortunate. Place the Part of Fortune in a good position. Guard the image and keep it secret.

⁵ Image for Healing: Craft an image of a lion in pure gold, with the Sun in the first degree of the second face of Leo. Whoever carries this will be cured of kidney stones.

⁶ Image for Summoning: Write a specific seven-line name (containing words like zaare, fegem bohorim, etc.) on a tablet. Wash the tablet and give the water to a sick person for healing.

⁷ Key Aphorisms:

⁸ · A ritual's effect is strengthened by similarity.

⁹ · Firm belief unites the spirit to the celestial powers.

¹⁰ · Words are the spirit of the image.

¹¹ · Suffumigation and prayer are essential.

¹² · Knowledge is the ladder to this art.

¹³ Principle of Astrological Timing: The power of a planet is amplified when it is placed in its own exaltation or ruling house. The magician must know the signs of direct and torturous ascent, the nature of the aspects (trine, sextile, square, opposition), and the nature of the planets (fortunate and unfortunate).

Book One: The Foundation of Magic, Ch. 6 & 7: The Macrocosm and the Microcosm

¹ Humanity is the microcosm, a reflection of the macrocosm. The universe is a ladder of being: God, Intellect, Spirit, Matter, the Primum Mobile, the Fixed Stars, the Planets, the Elements, and then down through minerals, plants, animals, and finally humans, the rational being. The human body is a small representation of the entire cosmos. To practice magic, the sage must be pure and free from worldly attachments.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 1: The Path of Learning

¹ The foundation of magic is the motion of the planets. To succeed in this science, one must master the quadrivium (arithmetic, geometry, music, and astronomy) and the natural sciences, as well as metaphysics. A perfect philosopher is the only true magician.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 2: The Images of Heaven

¹ The heavens contain images, both as constellations and as specific figures within the decans. The total number of aspects and conjunctions (10,080) all have power in the world. This knowledge is to be guarded carefully.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 3: The Works of the Planets

¹ The Moon's five phases in relation to the Sun dictate different types of influence:

² 1. Separation to First Square: Augments humidity (affects plants).

³ 2. First Square to Opposition: Augments heat and humidity.

⁴ 3. Opposition to Second Square: Augments heat (affects animals/minerals).

⁵ 4. Second Square to Conjunction: Dry and cold.

⁶ 5. Conjunction: The Moon is at its most powerful.

⁷ The Lord of the Ascendant must be free from malefics and in a good position. The Moon is the mediatrix of all planetary influences. For good works, she must be waxing; for harmful works, waning.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 4 & 5: The Motion of the Eighth Sphere and National Divisions

¹ The theory of trepidation (the 640-year cycle of an 8-degree arc) changes the figures of heaven and is a great secret. Magic is divided among nations: the Chaldeans excel at magic itself; the Greeks excel at the astrological science; the Indians excel at the power of words, spirits, and visions. The "Perfect Nature" is the spirit of the philosopher, a guide to unlocking secret knowledge.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 6 & 7: The Power of Images & Dialectic

¹ Magical images work by virtue and similitude. A successful talisman is a composite object, built of materials sympathetic to the desired planet, and reflects the celestial influences. Quantity (line, surface, body, time, place) and quality are essential to magical work.

² Dialectic is necessary in magical work because it requires understanding similarity and difference. The coadunation of similarities is the greatest foundation of magical effects.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 8 & 9: The Order of Nature & Examples

¹ Nature is composed of four primary qualities: heat, cold, moisture, and dryness. These combine to form the elements and, eventually, all composite things.

² Examples of Apotropaic Figures:

³ · To repel mice: Figure of a fixed star in Leo (with specific astrological signs).

⁴ · To repel gnats: Figure made with the second face of Taurus rising.

⁵ · To repel flies: Figure made with the third face of Scorpio rising.

⁶ · To call someone: Figure of Venus with Taurus rising, whose name is burned.

⁷ · To cause enmity: Figure of Saturn in Capricorn (made with a black dog's tooth).

⁸ · To curse a place: Figure of Saturn in Capricorn (made with a pig's brain).

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 10: Stones and Figures of the Planets

¹ Each planet governs specific metals, stones, and forms.

² Planet Metals Stones Image Description

³ Saturn Iron, part of gold Diamond, onyx, jet, hematite Man with crow-face, camel-feet, on throne, with spear and dart.

⁴ Jupiter Lead Carnelian, emerald, crystal, all white/yellow stones Man with lion-face, bird-feet, on seven-headed dragon, with dart.

⁵ Mars Red bronze, sulfur Bloodstone, carnelian, red/speckled stones Naked man holding Venus, or man riding lion with sword and severed head.

⁶ Sun Gold, Egyptian glass Ruby, diamond, balas ruby, yellow marcasite King on throne, crowned, with a crow before him.

⁷ Venus Copper, silver, glass Lapis lazuli, coral, malachite, beryl Woman holding apple and comb, or naked woman with Mars.

⁸ Mercury Quicksilver, tin, glass Emerald, magnetite Man with rooster head, eagle feet, holding fire.

- ⁹ Moon Silver Silver marcasite, pearls, crystal Woman with dragon, snakes, or woman on two bulls.
- ¹⁰ Planetary Rings:
- ¹¹ · Saturn: Engrave a turquoise with a man on a dragon holding a scythe. Wearer is served by spirits and creatures of darkness.
- ¹² · Jupiter: Engrave a chalcedony with a man on an eagle. Wearer is served by kings, eagles, and lions.
- ¹³ · Mars: Engrave iron with a man in armor holding a sword. Wearer subdues warriors and is served by elephants and lions.
- ¹⁴ · Sun: Engrave a diamond with the Sun in a chariot. Wearer is honored by noblemen.
- ¹⁵ · Venus: Engrave a stone with a woman holding a comb. Wearer is served by women and flying animals.
- ¹⁶ · Mercury: Engrave a lodestone with a man teaching. Wearer gains knowledge and is served by rivers and seas.
- ¹⁷ · Moon: No ring described for the Moon in the Latin text.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 11: The Faces of the Signs (Complete List)

- ¹ Each of the twelve signs is divided into three equal parts, called faces or decans. Each face has an image and is attributed to one of the seven planets in order.
- ² Aries:
- ³ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ⁴ 1 Mars A black man with red eyes, large body, holding an axe, girded in white. Strength, high rank, wealth without shame.
- ⁵ 2 Sun A woman in green, missing a leg. High rank, nobility, wealth, rulership.
- ⁶ 3 Venus A restless man in red, holding a gold bracelet. Subtlety, subtle crafts, novelties, instruments.
- ⁷ Taurus:
- ⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ⁹ 1 Mercury A curly-haired woman with a son, wearing flame-like clothes. Plowing, land work, geometry, building.
- ¹⁰ 2 Moon A camel-like man with cow hooves, in torn linen. Nobility, power, rewarding people.
- ¹¹ 3 Saturn A red man with large teeth, elephant-like body. Sloth, poverty, misery, dread.
- ¹² Gemini:
- ¹³ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ¹⁴ 1 Venus A beautiful woman, mistress of stitching, with calves and horses. Writing, computation, sciences.

- ¹⁵ 2 Mercury A man with an eagle face, lead mail, iron helmet, silk crown, bow and arrows. Oppression, evils, subtlety.
- ¹⁶ 3 Jupiter A man in mail, with bow, arrows, and quiver. Audacity, honesty, consolation.
- ¹⁷ Cancer:
- ¹⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ¹⁹ 1 Moon A bent-over man with horse body, white feet, fig leaves. Instruction, knowledge, love, subtlety.
- ²⁰ 2 Mars A beautiful woman with a green myrtle crown, holding a water lily. Games, wealth, joy, abundance.
- ²¹ 3 Jupiter A turtle with a snake, golden chains before him. Running, riding, profit from war and conflict.
- ²² Leo:
- ²³ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ²⁴ 1 Sun A man in dirty clothes, with a rider looking north, bear and dog body. Strength, generosity, victory.
- ²⁵ 2 Jupiter A man with a white myrtle crown, holding a bow. Beauty, riding, war, naked swords.
- ²⁶ 3 Mars An old black man with fruit and meat, holding a bronze pitcher. Love, delight, feast platters, health.
- ²⁷ Virgo:
- ²⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ²⁹ 1 Mercury A young girl in an old woolen cloth, holding a pomegranate. Sowing, plowing, grape gathering, good living.
- ³⁰ 2 Saturn A handsome man in leather and iron garments. Petitions, requests, tribute, denying justice.
- ³¹ 3 Venus A white man in linen, with a woman holding black oil. Debility, age, sickness, destruction.
- ³² Libra:
- ³³ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ³⁴ 1 Venus A man with a lance and a hanging bird. Justice, truth, good judgment, helping the weak.
- ³⁵ 2 Saturn A black man with a fiancée and a joyful path. Quietude, joy, abundance, good life.
- ³⁶ 3 Mercury A man riding an ass, with a wolf before him. Evil works, sodomy, adultery, joy.
- ³⁷ Scorpio:
- ³⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects
- ³⁹ 1 Mars A man with a lance and a severed head. Power, sadness, ill will, hatred.
- ⁴⁰ 2 Jupiter A man riding a camel, holding a scorpion. Knowledge, modesty, power, speaking ill.
- ⁴¹ 3 Moon A horse and a rabbit. Evil works, flavors, forcing sex upon women.
- ⁴² Sagittarius:

⁴³ Face Ruler Image Effects

⁴⁴ 1 Jupiter Three men: one yellow, one white, one red. Heat, bearing fruit, sustenance, division.

⁴⁵ 2 Mars A man leading cows, with a monkey and bear. Fear, lamentations, grief, misery.

⁴⁶ 3 Sun A man with a cap, murdering another. Evil desires, hatred, dispersion, evil conduct.

⁴⁷ Capricorn:

⁴⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects

⁴⁹ 1 Saturn A man with a reed and a hoopoe. Happiness, joy, ending sluggish things.

⁵⁰ 2 Venus A man with a monkey before him. Seeking the impossible.

⁵¹ 3 Mercury A man with a book, and a fish tail before him. Wealth, accumulation of money, good trade.

⁵² Aquarius:

⁵³ Face Ruler Image Effects

⁵⁴ 1 Saturn A man with a mutilated head, holding a peacock. Misery, poverty, slavery.

⁵⁵ 2 Mercury A man who looks like a king. Beauty, position, achievement, detriment.

⁵⁶ 3 Venus A man with a mutilated head, with an old woman. Abundance, accomplishment of will, offense.

⁵⁷ Pisces:

⁵⁸ Face Ruler Image Effects

⁵⁹ 1 Jupiter A two-bodied man, greeting. Peace, humility, weakness, misery.

⁶⁰ 2 Moon An upside-down man, with a platter. Great reward, serious contemplation.

⁶¹ 3 Mars A sad man with a woman and an ass. Advancement, sex with women, seeking rest.

Book Two: The Heavens' Figures and Their Effects, Ch. 12: The Indian Decans

¹ The Indian sages call the foundations of magical effects adorugen (decans). They are divided by triplicity: first part by the lord of the ascendant, second by the lord of the fifth house, and third by the lord of the ninth house.

² Decanic Operations (Complete):

³ · Aries 1 (Mars): Images for victory in battle, litigation, and preventing milk.

⁴ · Aries 2 (Sun): Images for kings' love and diverting their annoyance.

⁵ · Aries 3 (Jupiter): Images for officials, judges, and prelates for peace and reconciliation.

⁶ · Taurus 1 (Venus): Images for love between man and wife.

⁷ · Taurus 2 (Mercury): Images to cause hostility and discord among women.

⁸ · Taurus 3 (Saturn): Images to bind men from sex and separate men and women.

⁹ · Gemini 1 (Mercury): Images to harm the senses and intellect.

¹⁰ · Gemini 2 (Venus): Images to bring back absent people.

- 11 · Gemini 3 (Saturn): Images to cause evil things to be spoken about someone.
- 12 · Cancer 1 (Moon): Images to call clouds and rain and bring absent people home.
- 13 · Cancer 2 (Mars): Images to prevent unwanted rain and banish snakes.
- 14 · Cancer 3 (Jupiter): Images to escape nautical perils.
- 15 · Leo 1 (Sun): Images for love of lords and gathering wild beasts.
- 16 · Leo 2 (Jupiter): Images to chase away wolves and bears.
- 17 · Leo 3 (Mars): Images to gather wild beasts in a place.
- 18 · Virgo 1 (Mercury): Images to write well and profit in business.
- 19 · Virgo 2 (Saturn): Images to destroy tools and writing instruments.
- 20 · Virgo 3 (Venus): Images for peace and love between women and husbands.
- 21 · Libra 1 (Venus): Images to weaken or strengthen a woman's love.
- 22 · Libra 2 (Saturn): Images for love.
- 23 · Libra 3 (Mercury): Images for fugitives to return.
- 24 · Scorpio 1 (Mars): Images to gather tarantulas, snakes, and vipers.
- 25 · Scorpio 2 (Jupiter): Images to drive away tarantulas and snakes.
- 26 · Scorpio 3 (Moon): Images to divert and prevent rains and sea damage.
- 27 · Sagittarius 1 (Jupiter): Images for love, benevolence, and community.
- 28 · Sagittarius 2 (Mars): Images to bring afflictions and illnesses.
- 29 · Sagittarius 3 (Sun): Images for love and grace of kings.
- 30 · Capricorn 1 (Saturn): Images for hunting birds and beasts and increasing milk.
- 31 · Capricorn 2 (Venus): Images to increase milk of goats and improve bees.
- 32 · Capricorn 3 (Mercury): Images to destroy everything in the previous face.
- 33 · Aquarius 1 (Saturn): Images for love and friendship with the elderly and finding treasures.
- 34 · Aquarius 2 (Mercury): Images for love and company with boys.
- 35 · Aquarius 3 (Venus): Images for love and benevolence of women.
- 36 · Pisces 1 (Jupiter): Images for fishing and safe sea voyages.
- 37 · Pisces 2 (Moon): Images for benefit of plants, calling rain, and gathering fish.
- 38 · Pisces 3 (Mars): Images for military journeys and hunting.
- 39 Images for Body Parts (Hermes):
 - 40 · Aries (first face): Ram without a tongue. For head illnesses. Requires specific planetary conditions (Sun in Aries, Moon waxing, Saturn/Mars direct).
 - 41 · Taurus (first face): Bull with large head, small mouth, great eyes. For liver illnesses. Made of red bronze.
 - 42 · Gemini (first face): Two bodies twisted. For spleen illnesses. Made of silver.
 - 43 · Cancer (first face): Crab. For stomach/colic illnesses. Made of gold or silver.
 - 44 · Leo (first face): Lion without a tongue. For kidney illnesses. Made of gold or silver.

- ⁴⁵ · Virgo (first face): Woman riding a lion. For left kidney illnesses. Made of gold or silver.
- ⁴⁶ · Libra (first face): Man with scales and a half-white, half-black bird. For stomach illnesses. Made of gold or silver.
- ⁴⁷ · Scorpio (first face): Crow or man with a crow. For intestine illnesses. Requires specific conditions.
- ⁴⁸ · Sagittarius (first face): Man shooting arrows. For right hand illnesses and amnesia. Made of gold or silver.
- ⁴⁹ · Capricorn (first face): White goat with a black belly. For left hand illnesses. Made of gold or silver.
- ⁵⁰ · Aquarius (first face): Man holding two pitchers. For right foot illnesses. Made of gold or silver.
- ⁵¹ · Pisces (first face): For left foot illnesses. Made of gold.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 1: The Lords of Creation

- ¹ Each planet governs specific aspects of the world:
- ² Planet Professions/Concepts Languages Body Parts Stones Metals Plants/Spices Animals/Birds Colors
- ³ Saturn Law, profound knowledge, origins Hebrew, Chaldean Right ear, spleen Onyx, black stones Lead, iron Cumin, rue, onions, myrrh Black camels, pigs, crows, ostriches Black, tawny
- ⁴ Jupiter Wisdom, law, philosophy, dreams Greek Left ear, liver Emerald, crystal, white stones Tin, calamine Saffron, sandalwood, musk Camels, stags, peacocks, doves Red fading to white
- ⁵ Mars Surgery, taming beasts, war Persian Right nostril, gall-bladder Carnelian, dark/red stones Arsenic, sulfur, red bronze Pepper, hemlock, scammony Red camels, vipers, scorpions, wolves Bright red
- ⁶ Sun Philosophy, divination, kingship Gallic, Greek Eyes, heart Ruby, jacinth Gold Saffron, rose, aloewood Humans, bulls, horses, eagles, lions Ruby red, gold
- ⁷ Venus Grammar, poetry, music, song Arabic Right nostril, vagina, stomach Pearls, lapis lazuli Copper, brass Balsam, roses, myrtle, nutmeg Women, camels, deer, doves, partridges Sky blue, gold-green
- ⁸ Mercury Intellect, knowledge, dialectic, geometry Turkish, Greek Tongue, brain, heart Emeralds, engraved stones Quicksilver, tin Reed, cotton, pepper, cloves Men, monkeys, wolves, foxes, ants Blue, multicolored
- ⁹ Moon Geometry, arithmetic, magic, ancient things Alemannic Left eye, lungs Tiny pearls, silver marcasite Silver Iris, cabbages, reeds, white plants Red rounceys, mules, cows, rabbits, fish Yellow-red mix
- ¹⁰ Head of the Dragon: Augments planetary powers.
- ¹¹ Tail of the Dragon: Diminishes planetary powers.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 2: The Roles of the Signs

- ¹ Sign Body Parts Locations Plants Animals Stones/Metals
- ² Aries Head, face, ears Sandy/fiery places, thieves' dens Fire-worked metals Hooved animals
- ³ Taurus Neck, voice passages Populated lands, gardens Tall trees, edible fruit Quadrupeds, hooved animals
- ⁴ Gemini Shoulders, arms, hands Mountains, homes Tall plants Humans, monkeys
- ⁵ Cancer Chest, breasts, stomach, lungs Lakes, swamps, shores, rivers Aquatic plants Fish, snakes, scorpions, reptiles Water stones
- ⁶ Leo Heart, back, ribs Forts, royal cities, holy places Ruby, diamond, jacinth Animals with long teeth Gold
- ⁷ Virgo Belly, intestines Places of women, singing Seed-bearing plants Humans
- ⁸ Libra Hips, sexual organs, upper stomach Deserts, hunting grounds Tall plants Humans
- ⁹ Scorpio Genitals Wetlands, prisons, rocks Tall, straight plants Scorpions, vipers, snakes Coral, water pearl
- ¹⁰ Sagittarius Buttocks, thighs Gardens, kings' places, fire places Emerald Humans, birds, snakes Lead
- ¹¹ Capricorn Knees, tendons Palaces, gardens, riverbanks, inns Olive, nut, oak, reeds Aquatic beasts, reptiles, snakes
- ¹² Aquarius Calves, heels, tendons Running water, seas, wine shops Glass Humans, repulsive-looking animals
- ¹³ Pisces Feet, nails, tendons Hermitages, shores, lakes, ditches Plants of middling height Aquatic, slow-moving animals Pearls, crystal

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 3: Colors, Clothes, and Suffumigations

- ¹ Planetary Colors:
- ² Planet Color Cloth Type
- ³ Saturn Burnt wool Wool
- ⁴ Jupiter Green Silk
- ⁵ Mars Flame red Silk
- ⁶ Sun Yellow orpiment/gold Silk
- ⁷ Venus Saffron/pink Silk
- ⁸ Mercury Lac resin/mixed Silk
- ⁹ Moon Shining white Silk or linen
- ¹⁰ Planetary Suffumigations:

- ¹¹ Planet Suffumigation
- ¹² Saturn Foul-smelling (asafoetida, bdellium, hemlock)
- ¹³ Jupiter Good, balanced scents (amber, aloewood)
- ¹⁴ Mars Hot (pepper, ginger)
- ¹⁵ Sun Balanced, good (musk, amber)
- ¹⁶ Venus Balanced smells (rose, violet, myrtle)
- ¹⁷ Mercury Composite odors (narcissus, violet, myrtle)
- ¹⁸ Moon Cold scents (camphor, lily)

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 4, 5, & 6: Perfect Nature and the Attraction of Spirits

- ¹ The secrets of magic are hidden from the foolish. A "Perfect Nature" is the spirit of the philosopher in harmony with his ruling planet. This spirit is the key to unlocking hidden knowledge.
- ² The ritual of Hermes for invoking the "Perfect Nature" involves a table with four containers of oils and wines, candles, and censers. The four names of the Perfect Nature are invoked: meegius, betzahuech, vacdez, and nufeneguediz.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 7: Attracting Planetary Powers

- ¹ Planetary Requests:
- ² Planet Requests
- ³ Saturn Elderly, kings, inheritance, melancholy, farmers
- ⁴ Jupiter Noblemen, prelates, judges, philosophers, kings
- ⁵ Mars Soldiers, fighters, kings' alliances, murderers, thieves
- ⁶ Sun Kings, high-class men, judges, physicians, philosophers
- ⁷ Venus Women, boys, girls, love, painting, music, slaves
- ⁸ Mercury Scribes, arithmeticians, poets, merchants, lawyers
- ⁹ Moon Kings, tenants, messengers, mariners, women, geomancers
- ¹⁰ Planetary Natures:
- ¹¹ Planet Nature Effects
- ¹² Saturn Cold, dry, unfortunate Treachery, evil, old age, death
- ¹³ Jupiter Hot, humid, fortunate Truth, honor, philosophy, good judgment
- ¹⁴ Mars Hot, dry, unfortunate War, battle, destruction, punishment
- ¹⁵ Sun Hot, dry, mixed Kings, honor, good and evil

- ¹⁶ Venus Cold, humid, fortunate Love, pleasure, music, joy
- ¹⁷ Mercury Changeable, mixed Intellect, knowledge, commerce, deception
- ¹⁸ Moon Cold, humid Works of nature, growth, flow of water, secrets
- ¹⁹ Prayers to the Planets (Complete):
- ²⁰ Prayer to Saturn:
- ²¹ Dress in black, hold an iron ring, use an iron censer. Suffumigation: equal parts of opium, storax, saffron, laurel seed, carob, wormwood, lanolin, colocynth, and black cat head, ground and mixed with black she-goat urine.
- ²² Face Saturn and say: "O lord on high whose name is great... You are lord Saturn, cold and dry, dark, author of good, honest in your friendship, true in your promises... I ask you, father and lord, by your splendid names and wondrous acts, that you should do such-and-such a thing for me."
- ²³ Decapitate a black goat, burn its liver.
- ²⁴ Prayer to Jupiter:
- ²⁵ Dress in yellow and white, wear a crystal ring with a cross. Suffumigation: classe, storax gum, columbine, peony, aromatic calamus, pine resin, hellebore seeds, ground and mixed with old wine.
- ²⁶ Face Jupiter and say: "God salutes you, O blessed lord, the Greater Fortune, hot and humid, fair in all your works, courteous, comely, wise, truthful... I conjure you, first through the names of God on high, who gives you power and spirit... that you may do such-and-such for me."
- ²⁷ Decapitate a white lamb, burn it whole, eat its liver.
- ²⁸ Prayer to Mars:
- ²⁹ Dress in red, carry a sword, equip yourself with weapons. Suffumigation: wormwood, aloe, squinancywort, spurge, large pepper, watercress, ground and mixed with human blood.
- ³⁰ Face Mars and say: "O Mars, you who are honored lord, hot and dry, capable, weighty, robust at heart, the spiller of blood and giver of infirmity itself... I conjure and ask you by your names and qualities present in the heavens... that you do such-and-such for me."
- ³¹ Decapitate a male leopard or a mouse, burn it, eat its liver.
- ³² Prayer to the Sun:
- ³³ Dress in regal yellow silk with gold, wear a golden crown and ring. Use a golden censer and a cock. Suffumigation: common fleabane, bdellium, myrrh, labdanum, elecampane, cicely, nettle tree, pine nuts, lily root, cardamom, incense, nutmeg, dried roses, saffron, spikenard, clove, balsam seed, cuscuta, squinancywort, cucumber seed, amomum, terebinth, date powder, skinned grapes, and honey.
- ³⁴ Face the Sun and say: "You who are the root of heaven... I conjure you by the one who granted you light and life... You are the light of the world... I ask you, who are the root of the entire firmament, that you have pity on me and note my prayers and requests."
- ³⁵ Decapitate the cock, eat its liver.
- ³⁶ Prayer to Venus:

³⁷ Dress in white or beautiful silk with gold, wear a crown with pearls, hold a mirror and comb. Use a gold and silver censer. Suffumigation: aloewood, sukk, costus, saffron, labdanum, mastic gum, poppy husks, willow leaves, lily root, mixed with rosewater.

³⁸ Face Venus and say: "May God preserve you, O Venus, who are mistress and fortune, cold and humid, fair in your effects and complexion, pure, beautiful, pleasant-smelling... I conjure you by beyteyl, who is that angel whom God placed with you... that you may do such-and-such for me."

³⁹ Decapitate a dove and a turtledove, eat their livers, burn their bodies.

⁴⁰ Prayer for Love (Venus):

⁴¹ Suffumigation: 5 oz. sukk and peppered thistle; 2.5 oz. each of grapes, frankincense, mastic gum, mixed with rain water.

⁴² Say: "O Venus, you who are the spirit of love, builder of friendships... I beseech you... that you may pour the yearning for luxury, vice, and friendship into my heart and will."

⁴³ Sacrifice a white dove, eat its liver, burn the remains, and give the ash in food.

⁴⁴ Prayer to Mercury:

⁴⁵ Dress as a scribe, use a ring of solidified mercury, sit on a throne, hold a sheet. Use a censer of solidified mercury. Suffumigation: nutmeg, holm oak, cumin, dried cloves, myrtle branches, bitter almond husks, acacia, tamarisk seeds, grapevine branches, squinancywort, mixed with wine.

⁴⁶ Face Mercury and say: "May God preserve you, O good lord Mercury, you who are truthful, sensible, intelligent, and wise in all manner of writing... I beseech and invoke you by all your names... that you may accomplish my request... and remove from me want, sickness, and what weakens the mind."

⁴⁷ Decapitate a cock with a large crest, burn it, eat its liver.

⁴⁸ Prayer to the Moon:

⁴⁹ Dress as a boy, lighthearted, hold a silver ring. Use a silver censer. Suffumigation: mastic gum, cardamom, savin, storax gum, peppered thistle, elecampane, myrrh, squinancywort, spikenard, costus, frankincense, saffron, cucumber seeds, henna root, lily root, Celtic nard, pine nuts, St. John's Wort, labdanum, apple leaves, dried roses, jelly, grapes, and dates.

⁵⁰ Face the Moon and say: "May God preserve you, O Moon, blessed lady, fortunate, cold and humid, proportional and beautiful... I conjure you by celan, who is the angel whom God has placed with you... that you may take pity on me and receive my request."

⁵¹ Decapitate a bovine calf or sheep, burn it, eat its liver.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 8: The Chaldean and Nabatean Prayers

¹ Prayer to the Sun (Nabatean):

² "We pray, honor, and praise you, high lord Sun! For you give life to everything living in the world... All plants live through you... We salute, praise, honor, and pray to you in obedience and humility."

³ Prayer to Saturn (Chaldean):

⁴ "We stand on our feet, we pray and honor you through obedience and humility... We beg and seek by all your names, by your exalted and excellent name—this name—that you might pour your piety toward us."

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 9: The Names of Binding

¹ Each planet has "names of binding" for its spirits:

² Planet Spirit of Binding Spirit Above Spirit Below Spirit Right Spirit Left Spirit Front Spirit Rear Spirit of Motion

³ Saturn redimez toz corez deytiz deriuz talyz daruz tahaytuc

⁴ Jupiter demehuz dermez matiz maz deriz tamiz foruz dehydez

⁵ Mars deharayuz heheydiz heydeyuz maharaz ardauz hondehoyuz meheyediz dehydemez

⁶ Sun beydeluz dehyemez eydulez deheyfez azuhafez mahabeyuz hadyz letahaymeriz

⁷ Venus deydez heyluz cahyluz diruez ableymez teyluz aruz dehatariz

⁸ Mercury merhuyez amirez hytiz cehuz deriz maylez dehedyz mehendiz

⁹ Moon harnuz hediz marayuz meletaz timez hueyz meyneluz dahanuz

¹⁰ Specific Ritual of Saturn: With Sun in Capricorn, Moon in Sagittarius. Make an iron image. Suffumigation: black cat brain, euphorbia, hemlock, myrrh, St. John's Wort. Say: "bedizez, toz, eduz, hayz, derniz, tayuz, huaruyz, talhit, naycahua, huenadul! Come, O spirits, be at hand for your sacrifice!"

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 10: Compounds and Wonders of Magic

¹ The Four Stones of Aristotle:

² 1. Rayetanz: Red stone. Whoever carries it is obeyed. Made from ruby, diamond, lead, magnesium, sulfur, and gold, mixed with lion brain, leopard fat, and wolf blood.

³ 2. Helemetiz: Tawny stone. Drives away rain, hail, and snow. Made from hellebore, wolfsbane, silver, lead, mandrake, and pig bones.

⁴ 3. Astamatis: White stone. Protects in battle. Made from iron, sulfur, magnesium, burnt diamond, and pig fat/brain.

⁵ 4. Handemotuz: White stone. Removes desire for women. Made from lead, bronze, iron, silver, and gazelle/horse/sparrow ingredients.

⁶ Composition of Rayetanz (Example): 2 oz. ground ruby, ½ oz. ground diamond, 1 oz. lead, 1 oz. magnesium, ½ oz. sulfur, 2 oz. gold. Mixed and fused. Add lion brain, leopard fat, and wolf blood. Add arsenic, saffron, and sulfur to subdue the poison.

⁷ Love Mixtures:

⁸ · Deytuz: ½ oz. gazelle marrow and cow fat, camphor, hare brain, melted and poured into a wax image of the woman. Stick a silver needle in its chest. Bury in her house.

⁹ · Food Mixture: 2 oz. dried hare's blood, wolf's brain, cattle fat, amber, nutmeg, camphor, and the blood of the man. Burn incense and say: "ye deyluz, menydez, catrudiz... I move the spirit and desire of this woman N."

¹⁰ Suffumigation for Love: 2 oz. wolf vulva and rabbit penis, 1 oz. white cat eyes, 2 oz. white dog fat, incense, and galbanum. Burn in seven censers and say: "ahayuaraz, yetaydez... I move the heart, spirit, and nature of such-and-such a woman."

¹¹ Mixtures for Enmity:

¹² · Food Mixture: ½ oz. black cat gallbladder and pig brain, 2 oz. black dog fat, sweet myrrh.

¹³ · Suffumigation: 2 oz. black cat brain, 1 oz. pig gallbladder and brain, ½ oz. black dog penis, sweet myrrh, ammoniac.

¹⁴ Mixtures to Prevent Sex with Women:

¹⁵ · First: 2 oz. horse brain, pig fat, black cat blood, 1 oz. colocynth.

¹⁶ · Second: Horse brain, pig fat, wolf blood.

¹⁷ · Third: Monkey blood and brain, ostrich fat, deer eyes/hooves/horn.

¹⁸ · Fourth: Donkey brain, pig grease, horse blood.

¹⁹ · Fifth: Powdered pig bones, peach leaves, burnt wolf fur, black cat eyes, donkey brain.

²⁰ Soporific Mixtures (Deadly):

²¹ · First: Pig brain, chami brain, mandrake seed.

²² · Second: Woodland black poppy seeds, fox brain, human brain, pig gallbladder.

²³ · Third: Human sweat, black cat blood, mandrake seed.

²⁴ · Fourth: Pig brain, black cat blood.

²⁵ · Fifth: Dove brain, pig blood, deaf asp fat.

²⁶ · Sixth: Cat urine, horse sweat, colocynth.

²⁷ · Seventh: Forest rue sap, human sweat, pig brain.

²⁸ Poisons:

²⁹ · Deadly Poison: Equal parts dried scorpion, datura, black poppy, and colocynth. ¼ oz. is lethal.

³⁰ · Frog Oil: Roast frogs on a spit, collect the oil that drips from their mouths. Kills powerfully.

³¹ · Toad Venom: Stretch a toad over a post, hit it, catch the triple-colored venom it spews. Lethal.

³² Wondrous Stone Against Poisons (King Behentater): Ten deer eyes, ten viper eyes, toad face. Ground and mixed with cedar wine, radish sap, spider webs, and mastic. Placed in an eggshell and roasted in a bird's stomach until it solidifies. It shakes when poison is present.

³³ Amicable Numbers: 220 and 284. Write them on images or bread to create a powerful bond of love and obedience.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 11: Effects of Images and Poisons

¹ To Bind Tongues: Tongues of crow, eagle, toad, water snake, white dove, white cock, hoopoe; ground with pearl, gold, silver, camphor, borax, aloe. Mixed with honey. Wrap in white silk. Make a white wax image with the Sun and Moon symbols. Carry it.

² To Make Someone Love You (Mixtures):

³ · Gazelle brain, leopard blood, rabbit cheese.

⁴ · White dog blood and brain, gazelle brain, human blood.

⁵ · Chicken blood and brain, rabbit blood, gazelle blood, human blood, mandrake seeds.

⁶ · White dove brain and blood, eagle blood, rabbit cheese, hawk brain.

⁷ · Cock blood, leopard blood, rabbit cheese, human blood, euphorbia.

⁸ To Generate Discord (Mixtures):

⁹ · Black cat blood, pig blood and brain, donkey brain.

¹⁰ · Black cat blood, chastetree, kite brain and blood, fox blood.

¹¹ · Fox blood, monkey blood, cat blood, wolf blood, monkey brain, pig brain.

¹² · Human and donkey blood, leopard blood.

¹³ Suffumigations for Enmity:

¹⁴ 1. Black cat blood, red dog brain, fox blood, St. John's Wort, chastetree.

¹⁵ 2. Pig cheese and fat, female cat blood, Egyptian vulture brain, St. John's Wort, cinquefoil.

¹⁶ 3. Crane brain, kite blood, rabbit cheese and blood, donkey fat, chastetree.

¹⁷ 4. Crow and vulture blood, donkey fat and blood, chastetree.

¹⁸ To Ruin the Senses: Human head, spleen, heart, liver, and heads of cat, fox, monkey, cock, hoopoe, crow, kite, bat, gander, swallow, turtle, and owl. Cover in oil, cook. Burn the bones and mix with henbane and datura. Anoint the face and light lamps to appear monstrous.

¹⁹ Wonders from the Human Body (Geber):

²⁰ · Brain: Good for memory loss.

²¹ · Burnt Skull: Cures epilepsy.

²² · Eye + Wolf Eye: Protects from the evil eye.

²³ · Saliva (fasting person): Heals scabies; kills snakes.

²⁴ · Human Tongue: Helps with falsehoods.

²⁵ · Blood Water: Heals wounds and fever.

²⁶ · Blood Oil: Cures burns.

²⁷ · Urine: Cures scabies.

²⁸ · Excrement (dried): Refines gold; cures rheumatism.

²⁹ · Menstrual Fluid: Causes leprosy and death.

³⁰ · Semen + Ear Wax: Protects on a journey.

Book Three: The Properties of the Planets and Signs, Ch. 12: The Necessary Rules

¹ The successful operator must have faith and love for God. Desire and faith attract the spirit and move it towards its effects. The work must never be revealed to the foolish. Nature is defined as the beginning and end of motion and rest.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 1: The Strength and Power of the Spirits

¹ All things are arranged in five degrees: Prime Matter and First Form, Sense Perception/Mind, Spirit, Nature, and the Elements. The spirit is a subordinate circle that receives from the upper heavens and pours down to the lower. The spiritual is good, and the material is its vessel. Matter is twofold: Spiritual (the higher realm) and Corporeal (the lower realm). The sage should strive to ascend in spirit, distinguishing himself from beasts.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 2: Attracting the Moon's Power

¹ Rituals for the Moon in Each Sign (Detailed):

² · In Aries (Visions): Go to a green, boggy place near running water. Cut off a cock's crest, decapitate it with bone (not iron). Place two iron censers with incense. Say the Moon's prayer. A handsome man will appear; ask your request.

³ · In Taurus (Revelation): Dress in linen dyed with dyer's weed. Boil nut wood. Wash your hands, arms, face, and feet. Use a new carpet and a green linen cloth. Jump onto the carpet and say: "ribharim ribharim caypharim caypharim dyaforim dyaforim" twenty times. Sacrifice the cock. A man will appear. A friend who performed this was led to a treasure.

⁴ · In Gemini (Vision): Go to an elevated, windy place. Use a yellow tin pipe and censer. Burn storax gum. Make a circle with the pipe. Place seven handfuls of bean straw and seven pieces of sacrifice in seven spots. Burn it. Stand in the circle, say the Moon's prayer and "abrutim abrutim gebrutim gebrutim" twenty times. A man will appear.

⁵ · In Cancer (Binding): Go to an elevated plain. Listen in all directions with a turtledove. Decapitate it, burn its beak. Take four feathers from each wing, mix with colocynth and storax gum. Mix with ash of the sacrifice and birthwort sap. Make an image of a man riding a lion. Burn the suffumigation and say the Moon's prayer. Make a circle, place the image inside, write the enemy's name in it. Dissolve the image in vinegar with nutmeg, amber, sukk, and storax gum. Use this to bind a person's will or to protect from harmful animals.

⁶ · In Leo (Vision): Go to an uninhabited place. Place seven censers in a circle. Between each, place a goose egg with figures on it. Hold a tin needle. Dress in yellow wool. Decapitate a cock with a cut

crest. Burn its pieces in the censers and drip its blood on the eggs and censers. Take an egg, pierce it with the needle, and say "hendeb hendeb" fifteen times. A man will appear.

⁷ · In Virgo (Treasure): For thirty days, eat one thrush a day after suffumigating it with saffron. Abstain from wine. Wash in an east-flowing spring. Put a pound of spring water in a container, seal it with wax. Go to an open place, burn incense and saffron, and say the Moon's prayer. Bury the container with the opening facing south. Inscribe your wish on lead with a gold needle and bury it on top.

⁸ · In Libra (Love): Gird yourself with aquatic reeds. Go to the eastern bank of a river. Burn the sacrifice while running upstream. Use a bronze bow made with Venus retrograde and Mercury in Aries. Hit the water with the bow. Burn wild olive wood and storax gum. Write the name "ganeytania" on the ground. Mix the soil with water to make two images (one of you, one of the other) embracing. Bury them.

⁹ · In Scorpio (Vision): Go to a thickly treed, watery place. Make a square on the ground, cover it with nut, lemon, and pine leaves soaked in rosewater. Place nine silver censers with aloewood, storax gum, and incense. Dress in white. Use two earthenware censers filled with water. Pour water from one to the other over your ribs. Burn the sacrifice. Prostrate four times saying "seraphie seraphie." A man will appear.

¹⁰ · In Sagittarius (Treasure): Pour 10 lbs. of tin to make five dragons. Divert river water through five channels, placing a dragon in each. Let the water flow through them into jugs for an hour. Move the jugs away and return them for another hour. Fill the jugs. Pierce them with a needle. Dig a trench. Carry the water to the trench, spit some of it on the jugs and dragons. Burn amber and aloewood in silver censers. Bury the dragons. Decapitate your sacrifice in front of fifteen trees, saying "harmum harmum" five times for each tree. A man will appear and lead you to treasure.

¹¹ · In Capricorn (Vision): Enter a house with space for two. Cover it with odoriferous branches for seven days. Enter dressed in red. Uncover the house and say "heyerim heyerim falsari falsari tifat tifat." Circle the house 70 times. Suffumigate with aloewood. Circle 70 times again. Burn the cock. A man will appear. Say: "I conjure you by the beautiful and luminous Moon... so that you may speak to me."

¹² · In Aquarius (Vision): Cook three male goose heads in old wine. Grind them to a mass. Mix with cinnamon, sandalwood, storax gum, incense, goat's-thorn, and the wine. Make forty tablets. Go to a field during the full Moon. Place fifteen censers (bronze, silver, or gold) with a tablet in each. Burn the cock. A man will waver between visibility and invisibility. Throw three more tablets in the fire and say "hantaraceret hantaraceret" ten times. The man will become fully visible.

¹³ · In Pisces (Vision): Extract cannabis and plane tree resin. Grind with mastic gum, amber, camphor, sukk, and sarcocolla. Add stag blood. Place in a glass container. Set it on the lip of a running spring. Place a censer on a stone in the middle of the spring. Light it. Pour the contents into the fire. Burn the sacrifice. The servant of the Moon will appear.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 3: Chaldean Beliefs

¹ The Chaldeans were masters of this science. Hermes built a city (Adocentyn) filled with speaking statues and a tower with a color-changing orb. The city's inhabitants were made virtuous by the statues.

² Recipe for Invisibility: On the 24th night of the Arab month, decapitate a rabbit while looking at the Moon. Speak the words of the Moon. Mix its blood with its bile. Anoint your face, and speak the Moon's words loudly to become invisible. To become visible, wash your face and anoint it with the rabbit's brain.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 4: Images and Theories (Aphorisms)

¹ Forty-five aphorisms are provided, offering condensed wisdom. Key examples:

² · Aphorism 8: Many suffumigations, perfect belief, fasting, and prayers are the fundamentals.

³ · Aphorism 28: Suffumigation and prayer are more effective than rituals lacking them.

⁴ · Aphorism 31: A weighty (slow) planet is more powerful.

⁵ · Aphorism 47: The astrologer can deflect the effects of the stars if he knows them.

⁶ From the Centiloquium of Ptolomy:

⁷ · Aphorism 49: The astrologer can withdraw and deflect the impacts of the stars.

⁸ · Aphorism 50: The magician's spirit enhances celestial effects.

⁹ · Aphorism 51: The forms of the composite world obey the celestial forms.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 5: The Ten Necessary Sciences

¹ To be a sage, one must master ten arts:

² 1. Agriculture, sea travel, governing people.

³ 2. Military command, leading soldiers, battles.

⁴ 3. Civilized arts (grammar, law, rhetoric, writing).

⁵ 4. Arithmetic.

⁶ 5. Geometry.

⁷ 6. Astronomy.

⁸ 7. Music.

⁹ 8. Dialectic.

¹⁰ 9. Medicine.

¹¹ 10. Natural Philosophy and Metaphysics.

¹² The greatest power exists in love, and love is the basis of magic. The rational spirit is the highest form of love, seeking wisdom and goodness.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 6: Suffumigations and Ointments

¹ Planetary Suffumigations (Complete Recipes):

² Planet Recipe

³ Saturn 100 oz. mandrake fruits and dried olive leaves; 10 oz. black myrobalan seeds and dried black chickpeas; 30 oz. black crow's brains and dried crane brains; 40 oz. pig blood and dried monkey blood.

⁴ Jupiter 10 oz. balsam and myrtle flowers; 14 oz. frankincense; 4 oz. shelled nuts and hazelnuts; 40 oz. cock, dove, and goose brains; 20 oz. peacock and camel blood; 8 oz. nutmeg and camphor.

⁵ Mars 40 grains red asafoetida, mustard, and terebinth; 4 oz. pine resin and red orpiment; 20 oz. sparrow and dried scorpion brains; 40 oz. leopard blood; 10 oz. red snake grease.

⁶ Sun 10 oz. spikenard flowers and yellow/red sandalwood; 6 oz. sedge, thyme, and red cinnamon bark; 2 oz. costus; 20 oz. eagle brain and blood and cat brain and blood.

⁷ Venus 8 oz. laurel berries, nut kernels, frankincense grains; 20 oz. mastic gum and henbane stalks; 4 oz. poley germander stalks and storax gum; 2 oz. borax; 16 oz. sparrow and dried hawk brains; 40 oz. dried horse blood.

⁸ Mercury 20 oz. henbane flowers, indigo leaves, hazelwort; 4 oz. amber and toad testicles; 2 oz. red ammonia; 20 oz. crow, hoopoe, and tortoise brains; 40 oz. donkey blood.

⁹ Moon 100 oz. peach tree and cinnamon leaves; 20 oz. iris and dried storax gum; 10 oz. cumin; 4 oz. white snake grease; 20 oz. dried white rabbit and black cat brains; 40 oz. fox blood.

¹⁰ Ointment of the Sun: Rose oil in a glass vial. On a Tuesday, face the Sun in Aries or Leo. Speak a lengthy prayer to the Sun, invoking the angels ancora, anehutyora, actarie, ahudememora, behartyon, behibilyon, celyuberon, zauceb, and barhaot. Anoint the face to gain love and grace from kings.

Book Four: The Spirits and Their Powers, Ch. 7: The Chaldean Agriculture

¹ This chapter contains wonders and properties of plants and animals:

² The Laurel Tree:

³ · Speaks and offers a ritual for longevity: Anoint your face with acorn oil, look at Jupiter, and say: "O Jupiter, fortune of fortunes! I ask you, by the praise and honor that this laurel tree has toward you, that you may grant me life for the following fifteen years to come."

⁴ · Laurel leaves behind the ears prevent drunkenness.

⁵ · Laurels with lime/vitriol allow you to hold hot iron.

- ⁶ · Fourteen laurel seeds in vinegar, struck with a fig stick, causes demonic possession. Cure: three radishes.
- ⁷ · Laurel protects from Saturn, brings joy, populates deserts, and cures 48 illnesses.
- ⁸ The Olive Tree:
- ⁹ · Olive branches protect from Saturn's evil.
- ¹⁰ · Nine olive pits pierced and worn around the neck protect from fear.
- ¹¹ · Forty-nine olive pits thrown at the Sun cure illness.
- ¹² · Seventeen olive pits thrown into running water pacify an angry king.
- ¹³ Mallow: Worn or buried, it removes sadness and ill will.
- ¹⁴ Virgin Girls and Drums: A spring can be regenerated by virgin girls drumming and singing around it.
- ¹⁵ Mallow and Olive Oil: Protects from bee and wasp stings.
- ¹⁶ To Repel Fleas: White lead, quicklime, bitter cucumber roots, asafoetida, and salt.
- ¹⁷ To Make Wine Drinkable: Chickpeas anointed with olive oil, cooked, and thrown into bitter wine.
- ¹⁸ To Remove Sadness: Chickpeas placed in the light of the waxing Moon, anointed with olive oil, and eaten.
- ¹⁹ To Defend Crops from Hail: Silk and clapping hands to drive away the storm.
- ²⁰ The Magic Mirror: A polished steel mirror, suffumigated with a woman's hair and semen, and looking into it reveals her likeness. To make the mirror, write the seven planetary names (zohal, musteri, marrech, xemz, zohara, hotarid, alchamar), the seven angels (captiel, satquiel, samael, raphael, anael, michael, gabriel), and the seven winds of power. It can bring together men, winds, spirits, demons, the living, and the dead.
- ²¹ Miscellaneous Natural Wonders:
- ²² · Emerald: Blinds adders.
- ²³ · Eagle: Chicks protected from snakes.
- ²⁴ · Hoopoe Bones: Some sink, some float in water.
- ²⁵ · Owl Eyes: One open, one shut. The closed eye causes sleep; the open eye prevents it.
- ²⁶ · Aetite Stone: Rattles inside; eases childbirth.
- ²⁷ · Ostrich: Beak and stomach cannot be burned by fire.
- ²⁸ · Behet Stone: Causes fatal laughter.
- ²⁹ · Peony: Frees the possessed.
- ³⁰ · Magnet: Attracts iron; loses power with garlic.
- ³¹ · Menstruating Woman: Lying naked in a field stops hail.
- ³² · Fifteen Square: Aids childbirth.
- ³³ · Elephant Dung: Prevents fruit; prevents pregnancy.
- ³⁴ · Ligia Stone: Congeals quicksilver.

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¹ Natural Wonders (Complete):

² · Weasel-headed adders go blind seeing emerald; heal looking at fennel.

³ · A bear flees seeing a mouse's eyes.

⁴ · Hoopoe bones in hot water: some sink, some float.

⁵ · Owl's eye: one open causes wakefulness; one shut causes sleep.

⁶ · Vulture feet cure gout.

⁷ · Assiffe stone cures stomach illnesses.

⁸ · Stones in the river Algeriche, rubbed together, cause rain.

⁹ · Aetite stone eases childbirth.

¹⁰ · Ostrich beak and stomach are fire-proof.

¹¹ · Behet stone causes fatal laughter.

¹² · Peony cures possession.

¹³ · Stag horn smoke kills snakes.

¹⁴ · Cumin smoke kills ants.

¹⁵ · Saffron repels scorpions.

¹⁶ · Chalk and hot salt repel fleas.

¹⁷ · Fleabane repels bedbugs.

¹⁸ · Jujube branches burn without flame.

¹⁹ · Amethyst prevents intoxication.

²⁰ · Atambari stone causes intoxication.

²¹ · Garlic makes magnet lose power; ram's blood restores it.

²² · Pig on a donkey's urine dies.

²³ · Hyena's shadow kills a dog.

²⁴ · Wolf pelt cures quartan fever.

²⁵ · Nutmeg cures quartan fever.

²⁶ · Elephant dung prevents fruit and pregnancy.

²⁷ · Ligia stone congeals quicksilver.

²⁸ · Spider web cures quartan fever.

²⁹ · Ostrich cry repels snakes.

³⁰ · Malachite softens gold.

³¹ · Sal ammoniac draws out moisture.

³² · Lapis lazuli enhances gold.

³³ · Milkvetch: female plant increases female desire; male plant increases male desire.

³⁴ · Salt cures stings of scorpions, wasps, snakes.

- 35 · Purslane restricts blood.
- 36 · Tarantula dies meeting a scorpion.
- 37 · Snake dies meeting an owl.
- 38 · Carnelian ring with 26 figures (Cleopatra) grants favor.

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- ¹ Images and Their Uses (Complete):
- ² Image Purpose Materials Method
- ³ Kite Gall + Fennel Juice Heal reptile bites Kite gall, fennel juice Apply to the eye opposite the bite.
- ⁴ Glass Shard + Yellow Bronze + Arsenic + Kite Head Drive snakes from holes Glass, bronze, arsenic, kite head, black galbanum Form a rattle (sistrum) and shake it at the snake holes.
- ⁵ White Grape Sap + Squill Sap + Borax + Henbane + Calamine Gather mice Grape sap, squill, borax, henbane, calamine Make tablets and burn them.
- ⁶ Rotted Millet + Tallow + Beans + Cattle Blood Gather fish Millet, tallow, beans, cattle blood Thread a reed with the mixture, toss it in the water.
- ⁷ Tortoise Fat + Lily Seeds + Myrrh + Gypsophila Catch birds Tortoise fat, lily seeds, myrrh, gypsophila Make tablets, burn under a tree. Plug your nostrils.
- ⁸ Catlam Tree Crown Sharpen vision Catlam (sorbus) branches Place the crown on your head.
- ⁹ Brass Container + Vinegar + Cabbage Juice + Sedge Sap Prevent intoxication Brass, vinegar, cabbage juice, sedge sap Anoint the container with bitter almond oil.
- ¹⁰ Wolfsbane + Orpiment + Earth + Squill Sap Repel flies Wolfsbane, orpiment, earth, squill sap Make an image of a fly and place it on the table.
- ¹¹ Leopard Skin Blanket Expel snakes Leopard skin Place it where venomous creatures are.
- ¹² Birthwort + Racanus Meat + Lion Gall Evade adders Birthwort, racanus meat, lion gall Make tablets, dissolve in sal ammoniac water, write on paper, carry it.
- ¹³ Corn-Cockle Root + Stag Brain + Ox Gall Create fiery vapors Corn-cockle root, stag brain, ox gall Place in dung fire; reddens the sky.
- ¹⁴ Dolphin Fat + Arsenic + Verdigris Invisibility/Visibility Dolphin fat, arsenic, verdigris Anoint a wick. Holding it makes you invisible; behind you makes everything visible.
- ¹⁵ Monkey Image + Scammony Prevent Conception Bronze, scammony Perforate the spine, fill with scammony, bind to your legs.
- ¹⁶ Mandrake Root + Female Dog Milk Stop dogs barking Mandrake root, female dog milk Make a dog image and carry it.
- ¹⁷ Comesir + Squill + Pomegranate Husk + Vinegar Turn iron to water Comesir, squill, pomegranate husk, vinegar Quench iron in distilled vinegar.
- ¹⁸ Golden Marcasite + Vinegar Burn cloth without fire Marcasite, vinegar Anoint cloth with the mixture.

- ¹⁹ Cyprian Blue Vitriol Burning red water Blue vitriol Roast in an oven until red. Mix with distilled vinegar.
- ²⁰ Forest Basil Make deadly green tarantulas Forest basil Seal in a glass tube in a dark house for 40 days.
- ²¹ Spider Web + Donkey Milk Make red snakes Spider web, donkey milk, tortoise fat Bury in manure; a red snake appears.
- ²² Mare's Hair Repel bedbugs Mare's hair (from the neck, taken at first mating) Make images of bedbugs in clusters, put in bronze container, bury in the house.
- ²³ Seadog Fat + Laurel Oil + Soap + Sulfur Destroy wood Seadog fat, laurel oil, soap, sulfur Smear on wood; it will burn like a candle.
- ²⁴ Sea Urchin Skin Drum Repel wolves and harmful animals Sea urchin skin, drum or naker Strike the drum at night.
- ²⁵ Crocodile Fat + Wax Mute frogs Crocodile fat, wax Make candles and burn them.
- ²⁶ Chastetree + White Thistle + Red Galbanum + Bezoar Capture tarantulas Chastetree, white thistle, red galbanum, bezoar Make a tarantula image; burn capsules of the residue.
- ²⁷ The Twenty-Eight Mansions of the Moon (With Angel Names and Rituals):
- ²⁸ Mansion Name Purpose Image & Method Angel Name
- ²⁹ 1 Alnath Destroy/depopulate Black man in hair cloak, spear; on iron ring, suffumigate with liquid storax, seal in black wax. "You, O geriz, kill such-and-such..." geriz
- ³⁰ 2 Albotayn Remove anger Crowned king in white wax and mastic; suffumigate with aloewood. "You, O enedil, cast away the anger of such-and-such..." enedil
- ³¹ 3 Azoraye
- ³² Mansion Name Purpose Image & Method Angel Name
- ³³ 3 Azoraye (Pleiades) Acquire every good Seated woman with right hand above her head; on a silver ring, suffumigate with musk, camphor, mastic gum, and aromatic hooves. "O annuncia, do such-and-such..." annuncia
- ³⁴ 4 Aldebaran Create enmity Military man riding a horse, holding a snake in his right hand; in red wax, suffumigate with red myrrh and storax. "You, O assarez, make it so for me..." assarez
- ³⁵ 5 Almizen Be well received by kings and officials Head of a man without a body; on a silver sigil, write the lord's name and your request on the head. Suffumigate with sandalwood. "You, O cabil, make it so for me..." cabil
- ³⁶ 6 Achaya Create love between two people Two white wax images embracing; wrap in white silk, suffumigate with aloewood and amber. "You, O nedeyrahe, join such-and-such and such-and-such..." nedeyrahe
- ³⁷ 7 Aldira Acquire every good Man dressed in clothes, stretching his hands toward heaven; on a silver sigil, write the lord's name on his chest. Suffumigate with good-smelling things. "You, O siely, do such-and-such..." selehe
- ³⁸ 8 Annathra Acquire victory Man with the face of an eagle; on a tin image, write the lord's name on his chest. Suffumigate with sulfur. "You, O annediex, do such a thing for me..." annediex

- ³⁹ 9 Atarfa Cause sickness Man without a penis, holding his hands over his eyes; on a lead image, write the lord's name on his neck. Suffumigate with pine resin. "You, O raubel, make such-and-such fall ill..." raubel
- ⁴⁰ 10 Algebha Heal the sick; ease childbirth Lion's head; on gold or brass, write the lord's name on it. Suffumigate with amber. "You, O aredafir, lift the pains and illnesses from my body..." aredafir
- ⁴¹ 11 Azobra Be feared and well-received Man riding a lion, holding a spear in his right hand, left hand over the lion's ear; on a gold tablet, write the lord's name in a straight line. "You, O necol, grant me glory..." necol
- ⁴² 12 Azarfa Separate two lovers Dragon fighting with a man; on a black lead image, write the lord's name in a straight line. Suffumigate with lion fur and asafoetida. "You, O abdizu, disjoin and separate such-and-such..." abdizu
- ⁴³ 13 Alahue Relax a man unable to have sex; create love Red wax image of a man with an erection and white wax image of a woman embracing; suffumigate with aloewood and amber, wrap in white silk, bathe in rosewater. Write the man's name on the images. azerut
- ⁴⁴ 14 Azimech Separate man from woman Dog catching its own tail in its mouth; in red bronze, suffumigate with dog and cat hair. "You, O erdegel, disjoin and divide such-and-such..." erdegel
- ⁴⁵ 15 Algafra Gain friendship and goodwill Seated man holding paper as if reading; on enque or wax, suffumigate with incense and nutmeg. "You, O achalich, do such-and-such..." achalich
- ⁴⁶ 16 Azebene Profit in business Man on a throne holding scales; on a silver lamella, suffumigate with odorous things, show to the stars for seven nights. "You, O azeruch, do such-and-such..." azeruch
- ⁴⁷ 17 Alichil Prevent theft Monkey with hand above its shoulder; on an iron sigil, suffumigate with monkey and mouse hair, wrap in monkey pelt, bury in the house. "You, O adrieb, guard all my things..." adrieb
- ⁴⁸ 18 Alcab Remove fever and abdominal pain Adder holding its tail above its head; in bronze, suffumigate with stag horn, place in a vase, bury under the house. Carry for healing. "You, O egribel, guard this house..." egribel
- ⁴⁹ 19 Axaula Prompt menstruation; ease childbirth Woman holding her hand in front of her face; on a zinc sigil, suffumigate with liquid storax. "You, O annucel, make the blood of such-and-such a woman flow..." annucel
- ⁵⁰ 20 Alnaym Hunt on land Head and hands of a man, horse body, holding a bow; on a tin tablet, suffumigate with fox hair. "You, O queyhuc, grant me all the game..." queyhuc
- ⁵¹ 21 Albelda Destroy Man with two faces (front and back); suffumigate with sulfur and carob, place in a bronze container with sulfur, carob, and hair, bury it. "You, O bectue, desolate the place of such-and-such..." bectue
- ⁵² 22 Sadahaca Bind tongues; safe escape Man with winged feet and a helmet; on an iron ring, suffumigate with quicksilver. Inscribe black wax with the ring. "You, O geliel, bind the tongue of such-and-such..." geliel
- ⁵³ 23 Zaadebola Destroy and devastate Cat with a dog's head; on an iron sigil, suffumigate with dog hair, show to the stars, bury at night. "You, O zequebin, desolate such-and-such a place..." zequebin

- ⁵⁴ 24 Caadazod Increase herds Woman nursing her son; on a ram's horn, suffumigate with the horn's shavings. Affix to a ram's neck. "You, O abrine, improve and guide the herd..." abrine
- ⁵⁵ 25 Zaadalabha Protect vegetation and harvests Man planting trees; on a fig wood sigil, suffumigate with tree flowers. "You, O aziel, guard my harvests and my trees..." aziel
- ⁵⁶ 26 Alfarg (first) Generate love Woman with untied hair, holding a container; in white wax and mastic, suffumigate with odorous things. "You, O tagriel, draw me to the love of such-and-such a woman..." tagriel
- ⁵⁷ 27 Alfarg (latter) Destroy a bath Man with wings, holding an empty pierced vessel to his mouth; in red soil, cook over fire, put asafoetida and liquid storax in the vessel, bury in the bath. "You, O abliemel, destroy such-and-such bath..." abliemel
- ⁵⁸ 28 Arrexe Gather fish Fish with a colored spine; on a zinc sigil, write the mansion's name on its side, suffumigate with sea fish skin, tie with string, throw in water. "You, O anuxi, gather the fish..." anuxi

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- ¹ The text concludes with the summoning prayers for the seven planets, to be spoken when calling their spirits.
- ² Prayer of Saturn:
- ³ quermiex, tos, herus, quemis, dius, tamines, tahytos, macader, quehinen; saturn! Come quickly with your spirits.
- ⁴ Prayer of Jupiter:
- ⁵ bethniehus, darmexim, maciem, maxar, derix, tahix, tayros, deheydex, mebguedex; jupiter, bargis! Come quickly with your spirits!
- ⁶ Prayer of Mars:
- ⁷ guebdemis, hegneydiz, gueydenuz, magras, herdehus, hebdegabdis, mehyras, dehydemes; red mars, baharam! Come quickly with your spirits!
- ⁸ Prayer of the Sun:
- ⁹ beydeluz, demeymes, adulex, metnegayn, atmefex, naquirus, gadix; sun! Come quickly with your spirits.
- ¹⁰ Prayer of Venus:
- ¹¹ deydex, gueylus, meylus, demerix, albimex, centus, angaras, dehetarix; venus, neyrgat! Come quickly with your spirits.
- ¹² Prayer of Mercury:
- ¹³ barhuyex, emirex, hamerix, sehix, deryx, meyer, deherix, baix, faurix; scribe mercury! Come quickly with your spirits!
- ¹⁴ Prayer of the Moon:
- ¹⁵ guernus, hedus, maranus, miltas, taymex, ranix, mehyelus, degayus; moon! Come quickly with your spirits!

¹⁶ Additional Love Prayer:

¹⁷ leyequin, leyelgane, leyequir, leyequerich, leyerich, leyerus, leyexeris.

¹⁸ Write these names on a sleeve and burn it. While it is aflame, read these names. From this, love and friendship will arise.

The Key Principles: A Final Summary

¹ To conclude this comprehensive treatise, the sage must remember the following immutable laws:

² 1. The Law of Similitude: The celestial is reflected in the terrestrial. A talisman's power comes from aligning its materials, form, and timing with the planetary influence you seek to attract. Similarity creates a conduit; dissimilarity creates a barrier.

³ 2. The Power of Belief: Firm, unwavering faith is the engine of all magical works. Doubt is the greatest enemy of the magician, for it severs the connection between the human will and the celestial powers. The work is not a test; it is an act of creation, born of absolute certainty.

⁴ 3. The Foundation of Astrology: Without a profound knowledge of the stars and their motions, magic is impossible. The positions of the planets, the phases of the Moon, the aspects they form, and the mansions they occupy are the grammar and syntax of the celestial language.

⁵ 4. The Moon as Mediatrix: The Moon is the primary channel for all planetary influences. Her waxing and waning, her position in the signs, and her aspects govern the success of every operation. In good works, she must be free from affliction; in evil works, she must be afflicted.

⁶ 5. Secrecy as Protection: The knowledge contained in this book is dangerous. It must be guarded from the foolish and the profane, for in the wrong hands, it can bring ruin to the world. The sage reveals these secrets only to those who are worthy and prepared.

⁷ 6. Purity of Purpose: Magic is the natural outcome of a righteous and philosophical life. The true magician acts in service of God and for the good of creation. To use these powers for selfish or malevolent ends is to invite destruction, both spiritual and physical.

⁸ This is the complete and comprehensive knowledge of the Picatrix—the celestial wisdom of the ancients, a guide for the sage who seeks to understand the hidden forces of the cosmos and to align his will with the divine order of the universe.