

“GUNGNIR”

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Gungnir (Gung-nir) (Old Norse; 'the Swaying One')

Gungnir is the name of All-Father Odin's mighty and infallible spear. When Odin sacrificed one of his eyes at Mimir's Well in exchange for the great knowledge which he so desired, he decided to commemorate the holy occasion, by breaking off a branch from the holy world tree; "Yggdrasil", which had over shadowed the sacred well/spring. From this bough, All-Father fashioned his beloved spear, Gungnir. At Loki's bidding, the dwarf; Dvalin, forged the spear's head/tip. Gungnir never fails to hit its mark. Oaths sworn upon its tip cannot be broken, and those whom Odin casts the spear over, become dedicated to him and are destined to assume their place in Valhalla when they pass from Midgard. Both Odin and Njord grazed themselves with the spear in an act of dedication to Odin. Such rituals of dedication to Odin continue to this day.

May Gungnir mark your soul and lead you to that all holy place in his divine presence. Heil All-Father Odin! And Heil the holy Æsir and Vanir in his venerable name.

-Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

Allsherjargothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. and Sons of Odin, 1519

VICTORY or VALHALLA

Heil the holy dawn this day and Heil the mighty Gods!
Stand up to defend their honor, for Faith and Folk, let our
swords be drawn.

Berserkers we are called, Bear spirited warriors
fiercest Vikings of them all!

Sons of Odin, loyal all the way to Allfather's hall,

Nomad warriors proudly answering the call.

and when the battlefield is set and our swords are raised in honor,
to Asgard we shall look and shout; "Odin, Victory, or Valhalla!"

by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

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A Missive from the Director...

by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

Allsherjargothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. and Sons of Odin, 1519

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Recently we have received letters commenting upon the housing accommodations of other HNO members whom are incarcerated. We therefore issue the following statement to all concerned parties:

The HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc., does not, nor will not espouse any policies what so ever, in concert with prison politics in any regard! Prison politics serve only to further the sick and perverse culture of prison social order. Nothing associated with such a culture is/will be conducive to the overall goal of Faith and Folk building! Where one is housed is of no concern to us, unless one is living with a rapist, pedophile, or homosexual which in that case, any such individual is willfully violating the standard of acceptable HNO and Odinist ethical behavior. Such an individual will not receive any support from the HNO any more than one whom commits such an odious act would. As to ANY facility in any system being free of such morally odious individuals... There's no such facility. The Nithlings (Wretches) are merely so low profile as to not be visible.

Wherever one may be housed is a moot issue to the HNO. It is up to every man and woman to select the company they keep, regardless of where one resides, in, or out of prison. One is charged with policing one's self in concert with one's virtues. One is not charged, or laden with the burden of policing all others sharing one's general proximity, for such is a component of prison politics and we have no time, nor inclination toward such.

As a further point of Rede to consider, we offer the following:

"If the well which you draw your daily draught from is polluted with prison politics, then that is all that you will receive... the bitter drink of Institutionalization!"

Ves Heil, ok Fara meth Odin.

The Executive Administration and Court of Gothar of the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, INC.

By Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell
Allsherjargothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. and Sons of Odin, 1519

"FRATERNAL SOLIDARITY"

Brother! Sister! Kinfolk! What do they all share in the way of commonality? Sadly so, it is a rather debased distinction. One which entails, more oft than not these days, a hollow or empty sentiment attached to the very definition which encompasses such nouns.

It is often cited that one may not choose one's family. Such is the decree of the Norns (Fates). And still, we would fight for and defend those less than desirable, or unworthy family members wherefore the need arises. Though were they no Kin relation, we'd neither mingle, nor converse with their ilk! Albeit, born of a sense of duty to Kin, for reasons some may neither fathom, nor discern with ease, if indeed at all, we are compelled to do what we must.

Yet, in this Wolf Age in which we live, so many elect to enter into the bonds of Blood Siblinghood and Kinship, of their own free will, though it seems these days, seldom will so many honor those sacred bonds of oathed allegiance! Why is that? More so, one has elected to enter into a family relationship of one's free will (family by choice), though one may very well abandon said relation in difficult, or unfashionable times. Why and how does this occur? Why it occurs is no mystery at all. In fact, the reason "WHY", is the same reason why that is consistent wherefore other social maladies of the day occur. Lack of sacredness assigned to the achievements we strive for and attain. To place this in its proper context we must revisit the nobler and honorable eras of our ancestors whom placed the greatest degree of pride, duty and honor upon Kinships oathed freely and the loyalty attached thereto. For to fall short of the freely oathed Kinship arrangement was not only a matter of shame and dishonor to the one whom desecrated such sacred bonds sworn before our Gods, but it also brought to bear the stigma of shame and dishonor to the oath breaker's entire blood family as well. Seeing how the two most common reasons for forging oathed Kinships in days of auld, were to either create a stronger Clan/Family to Clan/Family alliance to stave off war/aggression, end a feud, or prepare stronger defenses for war, or to enter into the sacred bonds of brotherhood among war bands for those about to go a Viking. One may easily decry, and thereafter argue that it was not merely prudent to enter into such compacts of Kinship, it was more oft than not, an outright matter of sheer survival!

While I certainly would not debate thus, I must assert and submit for your consideration the following query: Is the survival of both our faith and folk not of paramount importance today? Does not our future hang upon such acts of honoring the bonds of oathed and freely entered Kinship in an effort to re-establish a sacred order of fraternal solidarity?

As to the "HOW", it occurred, well that is easily illustrated as well. We live in an environment which purposely creates dissension among ourselves so as to enable those whom promote thus to drive the many wedges between us necessary to achieve the divide and conquer tactics which they employ towards the end of succeeding at their mission goal - Destroy any fraternal solidarity wherever it exists in order to more readily maintain control of the overall population via the vehicle of disunity.

Today's society seeks the very same and employs the same techniques of divide and conquer in a concerted effort at so many levels in order to create and promote an overwhelming state of consumerism. Faith/Folk identities and the solidarity attached to them, resplendent with honor integrity and self respect are all antithesis to both, the prison systems which further promote decadence, moral abandonment and lack of self respect, lack of respect for faith, folk and fraternity as well as bonds of honor, integrity and solidarity which will ultimately contribute to our Faith/Folk community, and the World Trade Organization - "New World Order", which seeks to rob all peoples of their indigent folk identities and the sense of sacred respect, responsibility and loyalty to them in a collective effort to hawk their wares and get richer at the expense of any legitimate honor, spirituality and morality in concert with virtue.

I realize that for some of our readers this may be a bit much. But I can assure you that it's all too real. Not because I say so, but because the facts say so! Research it all for yourselves and ye shall see.

Fraternal solidarity (True Brotherhood & Sisterhood) will prevent further moral and social breakdown which we as a folk have thus far suffered. Especially wherefore lack of folk unity is in regards. As individuals, no matter how equipped and prepared we are, we are weak before our collective adversaries/foes. But where genuine solidarity is established and fiercely promoted and defended... We may wend further down the Northern Road toward victory. It is not guaranteed, this victory we seek on behalf of our faith and folk. But it is an honest effort at achieving it. This much I am certain of; without the effort and fraternal solidarity we are destined to perish, both faith and folk!

I implore you all to establish the sacred bonds of Kinship amongst ourselves in an effort to create a Tribe of fraternal solidarity and defend it thereafter with the viciousness of the Wolf Pack and without remorse.

Seek communion with Allfather Odin, Allmother Frigga, Tyr and Heimdall as the very progenitor and protectors of sacred Kin and Kith and loyalty thereto.

In Frith with and in service to thee...

Hof Service


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Compose and/or
perform a Blót
to our Ancestors
and Descendants
yet to be, and
oath to them
that you shall
protect, defend
and advance our
beloved Faith
and Folk!

Meditate upon
and Galdr these
Runes:

Othala ()

Laguz ()

and Elhaz ().

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14 Codes of the Aryan Ethic

1. Honor no Gods but those of your own Folk, as alien gods destroy you.
2. Nature's laws evidence the divine plan, as the natural world is the work of AllFather Odin.
3. Act nobly and courageously, always carefully considering the consequences of your actions, as the effects of your deeds live on after you pass from Midgard.
4. Live within the reality of this life; fear not your fate, as fear is for fools and cowards; A valorous man boldly faces what the Norns decree.
5. Love, protect, reproduce and advance your Folk, as natural instinct prohibits miscegenation and self destruction.
6. Be honest, be disciplined, be productive and loyal to friends, as the Aryan spirit strives for excellence in all things.
7. Treasure your history, heritage and racial identity, as your ancestors have entrusted it falls with you, it will rise with you.
8. Honor the memory of your kith and kin, especially those who have given their lives or freedom for the Folk, as your race lives on through your blood and your will.
9. Respect the wisdom of your elders, as every moment of your lives links the infinite past to the infinite future.
10. Honor your mate, provide for your children and carry no quarrel with family to sleeptime, as family is your purpose and fulfillment.
11. May your word to a kinsman be a bond of steel, as your troth is your dignity and strength of character.
12. Be cunning as a fox with enemies and Niflunngs, as their goal is your extinction, their motives are always detrimental to your wellbeing and that of the Folk's!
13. Secure, defend and cherish your Othal lands, as nature's territorial imperative demands.
14. Live in harmony with nature and the Folk and compromise not with evil, as racial survival is your perpetual struggle.

** Resist and defy always, that which you know to be wrong and detrimental to the welfare and advancement of our noble Folk.*

Rauth the Strong

Here we are once again with another hero from our past. Someone who either did something so great that it either promoted our faith or that they ended up paying the ultimate price in trying to defend it and keep at bay the gray slavery that was creeping across the land. Unfortunately most of our heroes ended up paying the ultimate price for who they were and what they believed in. Rauth the Strong was murdered by Olaf the Traitor, because he wouldn't convert. Does that mean he was a victim of the worst traitor our faith ever saw? No, for a victim doesn't fight back. Not only did Rauth fight back, but he took the fight to the Nifling. Now, you may be saying how could he have been murdered if he started it? Well my brothers, the way that I see it is that there is a big difference between killing and murder. Killing a worthy opponent is gaining victory on the battlefield while still allowing him to keep his dignity and respect. Murder is robbing an honorable man of one or even both, even if he is the enemy. Here's his story.

Olaf the Traitor was sailing around Norway on one of his infamous baptizing trips, where it was baptism or death. He had magnificent ships full of handpicked warriors. The lore tells us that “none durst oppose him, and wherever he fared all the land was made Christian”.

Now Rauth was a farmer who lived at Gothey in the Salptifjord. He was also a follower of the Northern Gods, who performed blot and the magical arts. Rauth had many hired workers for his farm, but he also had a group of Finns that stayed around in case they were needed for other things besides farming. He was a close friend of Thorir Hart and both were powerful chieftains. When they had heard that Olaf was coming from the south to Halogaland with his army, they started gathering troops and making sailing ships. Both Rauth and Thorir had large ships; Rauth's vessel had thirty rowers' benches. When they were ready they sailed south and found Olaf, and then offered him battle. It was a fierce fight and many people died. Though most who fell were from the north. Seeing that they were losing so many men, Rauth and Thorir decided to break off the fight and separated. Rauth got onto his ship and sailed home. Thorir Hart and his crew fled in another direction and they were pursued by Olaf and his men. They soon caught Thorir and his men, they killed most and captured the rest. Olaf had brought his dog and ordered the animal to attack Thorir. As the dog jumped on the Thorir, he turned and gave the animal a severe wound. At the same moment Olaf threw his spear and it hit Thorir under the arm and it came out of his other side. Thorir fell down dead instantly.

Olaf then followed Rauth north up to Salptifjord where he soon ran into some rough weather, and it was thought to be Rauth's magical workings. When the weather broke, Olaf believed it had been because of his priest and they then sailed into the Fjord. (I believe they were able to sail forward because they took their tent sails down, and were no longer sailing against the wind with them up, as it stated they did in the lore, and not divine intervention.) Olaf sailed all day and night until the sun came up. About that time they arrived at Gothey and saw Rauth's ship floating in front of his house. As soon as Olaf was able to, he left his ship and went up to Rauth's buildings and entered. Rauth was found asleep so they tied him up. The other people in the house were either killed or taken captive.

Rauth was soon brought before Olaf and was asked if he would accept Christianity. He was told that if he would do this that he could keep all of his belongings and if he was worthy that he could become a friend of the king. Rauth's response to Olaf, to accepting Christianity and to friendship was not what the traitor wanted to hear. He spoke out against Olaf and his Faith that the king became so enraged that Rauth was promised a “most terrible death”. Rauth was then tied up with his back to a beam and a stick was shoved into his mouth to keep it wedged open. Olaf then tried to shove a snake into his mouth, but the snake would not enter because Rauth blew against it. Since the attempt didn't work, Olaf had a hal-low stem shoved into the heroes mouth. The snake was then shoved into the stem and prodded forward with a red hot iron bar until the snake went down his throat. Rauth soon died because the snake had gnawed its way out of Rauth's body through his side.

Olaf soon took all of Rauth's possessions including his ship which was described as the finest sailing ship in all of Norway.

We who follow the northern path can't wage war against those who would try to enslave our folk with gray slavery like Rauth did. But we can try to awaken them from the slumber that they have been put into. When the journey becomes long and the task of waking your folk seems to be difficult, just think of what our heroes like Rauth the Strong had to go through.

Hail Rauth the Strong!

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FORGED TRÚ

by Shon Varner, Apprentice Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc.

A great number of people are familiar with the hammer of Thor, but few outside Odinism actually know what it is or understand its meaning; in fact, it can even have personal significance to the wearer that goes beyond normal symbolism. Many times I have been asked what it is that hangs on the chain about my neck. I would always answer, “It is Mjollnir, The Hammer of Thor,” as if this was sufficient explanation, more often than not the question remains in their eyes so I elaborate, “It is an amulet against unfriendly forces and a symbol of strength.” This usually satisfies their curiosity and they go about their way. Sometimes it opens the door to more questions, which I answer to the best of my knowledge and always to the satisfaction of the questioner. Those who ask further usually get more than they anticipated, for the hammer of Thor has a special personal meaning that I look at with pride.

The hammer of Thor can be described as a mythological symbol, a religious symbol and a practical symbol. As a mythological symbol its name is Mjollnir and means lightning, or bright one or Crusher. It was made by the dwarves Brokk and Sindri, and with it, according to Snorri Sturluson in *Skaldskaparmal*, Thor could “strike as heavily as he liked, whatever the target, and the hammer would not fail, and if he threw it at something it would never miss, and never fly so far that it would not find its way back to his hand, and if he liked, it was so small that it could be kept inside his shirt.” As a most effective weapon against frost giants it is perhaps this defensive and destructive function that is most popular. There are other aspects of Mjollnir that are not so readily recognizable to many, those are blessing and consecration. Some instances are preserved in the myths, such as Thor’s expedition to Utgardhaloki as told in *Gylfaginning* where Thor uses Mjollnir to resurrect his goats, Tanngrisnir and Tannngjostr, and the lay of *Thrym* where Thor wins back his Hammer during a wedding ceremony.

As a religious symbol, the hammer of Thor was worn to represent the ancestral faith. During the Christian conversions this was one way Christians identified those not of their faith often resulting, unfortunately, in some discriminatory practices. The Hammer was worn as an amulet of warding by many folk much as it is today. There was common practice of using it to consecrate food and drink or to sanctify a ritual steed. It was used during funerals and also weddings where the marriage was consecrated by placing the hammer in the brides lap; today the hammer of Thor is still used in much the same way within the religion of Odinism/Ásatrú.

As a practical symbol, the hammer of Thor can symbolize the Smith’s hammer. In our ancient culture the Smith was someone held in high esteem, a keeper of secrets that rivaled in importance to that of the Shaman. The forging of metal had a significant impact on the economic and religious development of our ancestors. It was the Smith who held the knowledge for pulling metals from the very bones of the earth and transforming it into objects of great worth. A Smith was a strong, disciplined and industrious person respected by all in the community. Those communities were far different than the ones we have now.

Today much of society is in a state of degradation where weakness and subservience is aggrandized as virtuous resulting in a world full of “Sheeple”. A world where honor is often given little more than lip service, independent thinking is discouraged and the herd is persecuted for no other reason than the fact (s)he makes everyone else painfully aware of their flaws. Irresponsibility is enabled at every turn while attempts are made to cater to everyone despite the obvious destructive effect it has on our civilization. More and more people are of a mind that they are entitled to everything and everyone is obligated to give it to them despite the fact they have done nothing to deserve the reward they are claiming. Surrounded by the quick-fix generation, whose only concern seems to be immediate gratification, I watch as waves of people seek to take the easy way out of every situation that provides the least bit of resistance when if endured with strength and courage would only benefit from it. This “easy way out” affliction is detrimental behavior in a society where the accepted standard of achievement barely reaches mediocrity to begin with.

I was once one of the sheeple running with the herd on a path of self-destruction. A deadly serious event changed the course of my life removing me from society. After much seeking, I found the tools to forge a new way of living. From out of the fire I laid myself on the anvil and with hammer in hand I began to forge myself into the worthy man I am today. Like the resurrection of Thor’s goats, I too rose up rebuilding myself from the core. My bones were the Odinism/Ásatrú values, my sinew the Rede of Honor, all fleshed out by noble deeds. I embraced my birthright, Odinism, and began to live a different way of life strengthening myself physically, mentally and spiritually.

The path of self-transformation is not for the weak, and neither is Odinism. It is a path for the strong, demanding you strive to reach your potential. While some run in circles groveling for forgiveness and never seeking to grow, I embrace change and the struggles that make me develop. I began striving to reach my potential physically, mentally and spiritually, conscious of my actions and their effects on myself and my folk. I began to think of my folk and not just myself as I was accustomed. I was bettering myself, serving the folk and preserving the future, with strength and discipline I journeyed a difficult path relying only on myself and my desire to become a man people could aspire to be like. For ten years I walked the Northern path without kinship, for there were few who walked that path at that time. When I came out of the forge the Gods saw fit to send others my way. For several years now I have enjoyed the kinship of Trú folk everywhere I go and have helped others embrace Odinism/Ásatrú.

The hammer I wear about my neck is a symbol of my ancestral faith and my way of living. It is symbolic of my might and main reminder of the strength it took to get me where I am today. It represents the forging process I’ve undergone to transform myself into a worthy man. It wards me well and reminds me that Thor is with me. This hammer I wear has a personal significance that goes beyond normal symbolism and I am proud of it.

My questions to you are these: Are you striving to reach your potential? What have you done to better yourself today? What have you done today to benefit the folk? Now ask yourself this, do you have a reason to be proud of the hammer you wear?

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KINSMEN

By Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

- K** Keep strong your bonds of love and Troth.
- I** Inexorably remain Trú to each other and the beliefs you hold sacred.
- N** Noble, the true definition of the Sanskrit word; 'Aryan'.
- S** School your folk! Education is the way to our folk's survival and higher evolution.
- M** Many have died, or been imprisoned for preserving the ways of faith and folk. Never forget that, or those 'whom have paid, or paying that price for your rights!
- E** Enemy. Our enemy is anyone who threatens the welfare of our faith and folk, no matter their color, or race... An enemy has no color, or race.
- N** Now take these words of prose to heart, for I scribed them just for you, my Aryan Kinsmen.

Asail From The Vik

Praise goes to the horde asail from the Vik.

Uncharted ways were boldly took none can gainsay.

Of sea craft and combat few could claim equal.

Trade goods and commerce were spread far and wide.

Shipbuilders, farmers, fishers and fierce to be sure!

The very thing you call democracy may be laid at their feet.

Accolades abound amongst Odinists today, for those whom sailed from the Vik.

Period costumes are donned at moots and things.

Roles are played out over a weekend.

All the apeing continues to my dismay.

The erosion of our Heathen ways began with those,

That sailed from the Vik.

Ganglare Odinson Simas, 1519-C.G.

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Introduction to Thor

Heilsan Folk,

Please allow me to introduce my big brother, the original son of Odin; Asa Thor! Possibly the most acknowledged God of our Northern pantheon, certainly one of the most written about. Be sure to keep in mind that most, if not all the literature regarding our ancestral spiritual path(s), have been transcribed by Christian monks initially.

In Thor we see a paradox, in that he is of thurs stock, yet he is the principle force that destroys the chaotic thurs forces. This illustrates the path of the Odinist succinctly! Within the Thunderer we find the assimilation of Odin's higher will/ consciousness, coupled with enormous raw force and lust for life.

I believe too many of existing tales regarding Vingthor's exploits have been rendered in a comical light, as if he were some lumbering buffalo incapable of all but the basest of functions. It is a grave disservice done to a most honorable deity of ours if we, as a people, continue to allow the Red Bearded One to be portrayed as a court jester.

Three of life's most wondrous events, we see in the lore, are presided over by Thor; the miracle of birth, the keystone of marriage, and the mystery of death. The Hammer is the symbolic representation of its wielder! Can anything so pervasive throughout all aspects of what's been termed; "The Northern Way" be regarded as comic?

When a time comes where you find yourself in need of personal strength, be it physical or character, think upon Brother Thor. Take his being as the example, align your inner-self like wise, and tap into the strength within yourself. It is time we remember our own majesty as a folk. Our beloved Thor's strength is our own as well.

It is possible to have a "Knowing" of Thor, as with the rest of the Gods/Goddesses. It is no easy feat however it can be a simple process. The first step is to literally, "Shut up". Yes, regularly for increasing portions of a day do not speak. Better still, do not communicate or interact with another person nor allow distractions of the mundane. Create a space where noise and disruptions will not occur while there, relax, open your inner most self to the deity you seek to know and just listen!

The reading of pertinent books is important, to be sure. Do not be misled into believing the books are the ultimate source of illumination. As the descendants of the very Gods/Goddesses we honor, we are the vehicles through which these deities are able to manifest themselves. To know Thor, seek him within yourself!

This Snowmoon 21, perform blot to Thunar, sacrifice your time with this deed. Invite Donnar to be a viable part of your life, you'll be the richer for it. Heil Thor!

Ganglare Odison Simas 1519 C.G.

"Confusion exists only in the absence of knowledge. Ignorance exists only where the desire for wisdom is dead! For experience teaches when we listen, but wisdom arrives when we learn."

- Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, Ph.D, DD

Asgard - by *Harvald Odinson Jones 1519-CG*



ᚠ : I have been inspired and enlightened.

ᚱ : Guidance was given by the higher will.

ᚦ : There has been magical exchange between the Gods and myself.

ᚠ : From this, there is an awareness of new beginnings.

ᚱ : Where acting right and trú is the only way.

ᚱ : There has been a change from old to new.

The Rope, by Craig Sparks

Knotted and tangled it sometimes can be
 And only made straight with difficulty

Though at times this aim is not lightly won
 No knot is so tight it can't be undone

With foresight and will by the gods gifted
 And without guilt the goddesses lifted

The rope we maintain and tangles preclude.

Hail to them each for these powers imbued!

The causes of caves of knots are frailty and vice
 These we avoid for the rope is our life!

Dateline



22, Yule 2256-57RE (12/22/06 CE)

The Court of Gothar for the Sons of Odin, 1519-Vinland and the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. announces with great pride, that Vindbjörn Odinson Shipton, 1519-W, has entered the honored ranks of full membership within the Sons of Odin, 1519, Tribe of the Valknut. He has been futher appointed to the office of “Warder:”.

Heil Vindbjörn Odinson, 1519-W!

Magnus Odinson Cain, 1519-AG/CW, has been appointed to the office of “Chief Warder”, by the Court of Gothar.

Heil Magnus Odinson, 1519-AG/CW!

“Gungnir”

ODINISM vs. ASATRU

(A Clarification)

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HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. and SONS OF ODIN, 1519 – VINLAND

There is an erroneous perception going around these days, like a bad flu bug infecting our faith/folk community. In fact, it has been a malady which has beset upon and burdened us for nearly the past thirty years I've been an Odinist. I am, of course, referring to the misconception that Odinism and Ásatrú are one in the same faith/religion. In fact, there are many whom share the common view that there is but one Northern Faith with several names ascribed thereto, including, but not limited to: Odinism, Ásatrú, the Troth, the Way, Irminism, Theodism, Norse Wicca, Vanatru, Northern Dawn Revivalists, etc., etc.. Indeed, some of these are very much the same Theology/Philosophy while others are not. Odinism is most certainly not one and the same with any other denomination within the Northern Tradition. If you are one of the many whom believed this to be the instance, it is not your fault. Most have been erroneously taught this by another who was taught this way and another before him/her! Much in the same way we have been taught, or exposed to Christianity by those whom believed it to be so, and we in turn believed in them. Be that as it may, it is long overdue to correct this long standing error. No other faith or individual will ever take us seriously if we do not take ourselves seriously and seek to establish a liturgy of our own within the Northern Faith, which sets us apart from all other denominations. This does not render Odinists as elitists, nor should it. What it does do is allow us the space to practice our faith with like minded folk devoid of the cancer of back biting which so commonly exists within the Northern Faith community today! This exists because so many insist that we are all following the same faith with different names all the while, excluding those we don't care for. This leads to a great deal of back biting, which in turn contributes to our faith's arrested development. Acceptance of this reality is the key element required here in order to cease this self defeating nature we exhibit. If ever we would escape the fetters of retarded growth and ascend beyond 'cult' status, then we must face the inexorable facts.

Does Odinism share similarities with Ásatrú and other denominations of the Northern Tradition? The answer is a resounding 'Yes'. But to what degree? To some minor extent, mostly of mythological proportion and equivalency and deities, Odinism shares some basic similarities with all of the afore mentioned denominations within the Northern Tradition. And yes, more so it shares its greatest similarities with Ásatrú, albeit, the two are not the same.

Let us consider the realities predicated upon the facts: The dawn of our race may be traced back some forty-thousand years to date. In all of that time, Allfather Odin, has been either worshiped, prayed to, or honored in one form/name, or another, consistent with the qualities, attributes and archetypal concepts which we to this day can and do attribute to Allfather Odin as the primordial consciousness of the racial lineage otherwise discerned as the Aryan Tribes. All that we may descry in the echoes of nature's laws, including the personae of the other Gods and Goddesses, are manifestations of his divine will and thereafter his conscious thought 'to be!' And as such, the spark of that divinity resides within each one of us, whether we elect to acknowledge thus, or not.

On the other hand, Ásatrú is a relatively new entity in the history of the Aryan Tribes. Ásatrú is an Old Norse word which translates to "Troth, or loyal to the Æsir (ON Sky Gods)". Rooted in the (probable) century leading up to the era we today know as the Viking Age (Approximately 789 to 1100 Common Era). So too, do many of the Gods/Goddesses have their beginnings in the Scandinavia countries during this era. Along with the Vanir, these deities of the Old Norse Æsir constitute the corpus of the Northern Gods and Goddesses of Ásatrú today. Whether the Aryan Tribes migrated from Asia Minor is a matter of ongoing debate among scholars today. It certainly exceeds the allotted space afforded this essay. I merely raise the issue as it has been posited by scholars that the origin of the very word/name: Æsir, is of Asian origin and as thus, were we able to substantiate such a claim, then we would further thus be able to fix the origin of the Æsirian deities to that locale and the period of the inhabitants thereof as well. Yet, the Æsir came to be known as such in the Scandinavian countries only, in their infancy, and not in the Teutonic countries whose inhabitants (i.e. Germanic Tribes) would have most certainly made the same migration journey out of Asia Minor to Europe via the Caucasus Mountains. Though, the Æsir as they were/are known, would have been foreign to them beyond Wotan (Odin), Donnar (Thor), Frija (Frigga), Paltar (Baldr) and Tiu (Tyr). They would not have known them to belong to the family of Gods known as the Æsir, or even what the Æsir were. Were this not the case in fact, then Cornelius Tacitus (56 CE - 115 CE), when composing his treatise: the Germania, surly would have named, or identified the Æsir, and/or other deities beyond those cited in his chronicle which predates the Viking Age by over six centuries. In fact, he does wherefore Nerthus/Erde/Erda/Ertha/Erce, and Isis are concerned, and not more!

The knowledge of Odin as Allfather, or as "Thee" Allfather, predates the knowledge of the Æsir and Vanir within the memory of our race, by millennia.

So then, we who profess ourselves as avowed Odinists, identify Allfather Odin as the primordial consciousness of creation and the progenitor of the race of people which constitute the Aryan Tribes and their descendants today. Furthermore, with all due respect to Dr. S. Flowers (Edred Thorsson) whom posits within many of his published works that the difference between an Odinist and an Odian, is that the Odinist worships Odin while the Odian seeks to emulate him. This I seek and denounce as a preposterous employment of semantics in an effort by Dr. Flowers to create and employ verbiage created by himself and used by adherents of the esteemed Rune Guild. While I have the utmost respect for both, Dr. Flowers and the Institute which he founded to the dedication of Esoteric Rune Work, I must assert that I have been an Odinist for nearly thirty years and it has been my own experience, as I believe it to be the natural progression, that any and all whom profess themselves to be Odinist, will begin their own journey as I myself did, somewhere near the bottom end of comprehending Odin, initially via the vehicle of worship and then evolving through the self transformation on a continuum until one ascends to the place where one gives one self to one self and thereafter seeks to honor Odin by emulating him and his own holy quest for wisdom. Anyone who would lay claim to just instantly and fully comprehending the divine consciousness that is Odin, from the beginning of their journey, is either severely confused, or suffering the delusions of some grand illusion! One thing is for certain, no such person truly knows Odin!!!

In concert with our theology, nothing else would be possible without Odin first, all else follows thereafter. And as thus, Odin warrants our supreme respect and honor as we ourselves seek to emulate his own quest for Ascension via the vehicle of self transformation on a continuum. Do we still honor the Æsir and the Vanir? Absolutely! They too are our beloved Gods/Goddesses as well as our ancestors and friends. Albeit, they would not "be", anymore than we would "be", save for Allfather Odin's desire and will thereafter.

I know of no Ásatrúar who perceives walking the road North in the same manner. For them, **ALL** Gods within the Northern pantheon are equal, none greater than the other. And there is nothing wrong with that at all. It's just not who we are, or the way we do it. Even more, I am a fundamentalist Odinist, as are all of the members of the SONS OF ODIN, 1519 - VINLAND and the over-whelming majority of the HOLY NATION OF ODIN. That is to say, we live, eat and breath our beloved faith in Allfather Odin, to the extreme wherefore troth/loyalty is in regard. The mantle of zealot quickly comes to mind, and for me - rightly so.

That this issue has up till now, not been addressed within our faith/folk community only further solidifies the sad evidence that we incur too much unacceptable squabbling and fail to enjoy the solidarity we so desperately need to survive, let alone, progress. Too many get and remain confused by the myriad of differences within what they were led to believe was all one faith with only one denomination. Hence the origin of so many lingering confusions wherefore learning about a Northern Path is in regards.

We of the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc., are seeking to remedy this ailment which has required correction for way too long now. By removing some of that confusion and replacing it with some sound understanding, we hope to achieve just that. Because the past should be a guide-post, not a hitching post. And the road North in the 21st century and beyond should not be fraught with confusion wherein one's source of solace and stability is in regard. It should be illuminating in addition to being a source of righteous might!

Providing a sound vehicle, to attain such a state of genuine spirituality and strength, is what Odinism is all about!!! And that is exactly what the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. seeks to provide our members with.

Ves Heil, all.

I remain in Frith with and in service to thee. Heil Allfather Odin!

"That which is open to all, is respected by none." - The Honorable Drighthen, Stephen McNallen

Odinist or Ásatrúar?

Heilsan,

In the interest of edification I'd like to address the differences extant in regards - Fundamentalist Odinism as compared to Ásatrú.

For the aforementioned Odinist, All Father Odin is just that, All Father. He is the first and foremost, from His conscious will all others follow. Odin is that consciousness which brought order to chaos, created of the void. Continued creation, thought, and understanding are the on-going manifestations of Odin. For the fundamentalist striving to accelerate his/her spiritual evolution to match that of Odin's, it is imperative that our focus is Odin-oriented almost exclusively. Knowing the need for balance we too, do Blót to the various esteemed Goddesses and Vanic deities, never to the exclusion of Odin though.

Make no mistake, we fundamental Odinist know full well ours is not the path for every one, nor should it be. It is a beautiful truth in our "Northern Tradition" that there are various paths leading towards ascension. Just as in a community, numerous vocations require skilled members to fill them, if said society is to flourish in a healthy, balanced manner. So too is the case in our people's spiritual/tribal reawakening: Certain "posts" needs be filled by qualified individuals. The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. is a fundamentalist Odinist body. We actively seek growth for the whole of the folk, from the bed-rock belief in All Father Odin as the origin of thought, the warrior king, and the shaman.

In making available a Gothar course it is with the intention of finding like-minded Odinist men and women whom will be future leaders for The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. The word "Militant" has been used to describe my brothers and I. We embrace that with pride and seek others whom are self disciplined ever striving to grow and know, as Odin is. We are not offering a course on how to be an Odinist. If you are an Odinist of a fundamentalist stripe, and deem yourself equipped to sacrifice your self in the service of the folk as a Gythya/Gothi of Odin then by all means, seek our Gothar course. Conversely, if you feel an affinity towards Thor, Freya, Frey or any other of our wondrous deities then please, pursue that with all your being and serve our folk accordingly. There will never be a disparaging thought or comment made by us, or any we endorse, towards any Trú folk that finds within them the distinction of being Ásatrúar rather than Odinist. We are all needed in these perilous times, truly the future existence of those who derived from those Gods/Goddesses we call "ours", is in peril. We at The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. will maintain strict fundamentalist views and we will adhere to our mission statement. For those of you who find themselves more in an Ásatrúar description, you are of no less value in our eyes. We find the calling to serve you just the same however our individual journey is different, yet it is for the greater purpose of all our folk. No one need feel they are being pushed away due to an Ásatrúar view.

"Bottom line," we are seeking avowed Odinists for our Gothar course so as to perpetuate our fundamentalist foundation, the remainder of all The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. does is geared towards our folk's betterment, be they Ásatrúar or Odinists.

“Gungnir”

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"ODINISM AND PRAYER "

Any folk among us who may lay claim to a history, say, a decade, or longer within the Odinist, or Ásatrú community may be wondering about the title of this Hof Service to some end. I am of course referring to the "prayer" part, that is. For nearly all of our community produced literature has sought to deter the strong willed Northman/woman from all things in concert with the monotheistic faiths in an honest effort to re-establish the faith of our fathers' fathers, hence, eradication of prayer has been a component included within the scope of that noble effort. However noble the intention was, it was erroneous in my opinion and additionally so, one which continues to rob our faith today of a measure of its sacredness and majesty.

First let me assert that in the nearly three decades which I've been an Odinist, I have always prayed! In fact, no less than three times a day for over the past fifteen years now. Upon waking, midday and just prior to bed each evening. Now before folks get all sideways in their thoughts regarding prayer, please allow me the latitude to allay any preconceived misconceptions which you may harbor. Please consider the following facts as they both exist and apply. A great deal of the Christian faith's rituals was in fact usurped from our ancestral faith in an effort to convert folk by incorporating the very rituals and traditions which they were accustomed to. Eventually they morphed into the more recognizable rites of the Christian faiths which we are familiar with today, albeit, they have their rudimentary foundation in the faiths of our forefathers.

Next, and equally as important, I'm not referring to prayer on bent knee, or in the form of begging for favors from Allfather Odin, or any of our beloved Gods/Goddesses... Not even close! What I am suggesting is that we restore sacredness to our beloved faith by openly re-embracing prayer just as our ancestors surly did. Yes, you read correctly! I said our ancestors did. Just think about it for a moment. Do you really think that Herman (Arminius) did not go into the sacred forest of the Teutons (Teutoburgerwald) and talk openly, or silently to Odin prior to launching his assault against Varus' Three legions? Or what about Ragnar Hairy Breeks, do you suppose that he never went to a natural spring, or sacred grove to speak with his God, Odin? Lore accounts, have him calling out to Odin during his death song. Is that not prayer? What about Egil and Eirik the Red? Do you suppose that they never called out to Odin and Thor? Of course they did! What about today? Do you suppose Kinfolk in say, Wyoming, have not spoken aloud to our Gods while on, or around the Grand Teton Mountains, or any of its numerous meadows, valleys, or forests?

I've gone up on Mt. San Jacinto, over looking Palm Springs, California, on so many occasions just to openly commune/pray to our beloved Gods, especially Allfather Odin. I've done several rites upon that mountain. I did a Land Taking Rite whereby I named the site -"Wotan's Platz" (Odin's Place). I held this place to be so truly sacred, that I had only ever taken two others up there with me. I've done three day Utisétas up there twice, with positive results. I've had others request that I take them with me, but I ignored their protests as I felt that they were not worthy enough yet to set foot upon such holy ground. Two even went hiking all over the suspected area in search of the sacred site, but to no avail, (smile).

I am not the first to write about the place and validity of prayer within the Northern Faith. In 1994 CE Maddy Hutter and the Honorable Drighten, Stephen A. McNallen, wrote about it in the booklet which they composed entitled; "A Book of Uncommon Prayers". I am not certain as to whether or not the booklet is still available. You may elect to contact the Ásatrú Folk Assembly, regarding thus if you are interested.

Prayer is merely a form of communing with that which is divine, our Gods, Ancestors, the natural and unsullied environment in its many manifestations which reflect and echo the very faces and voices of our beloved Gods! Why, Blót itself is a form of prayer where we speak openly to our Gods... Must we restrict this sacred affair to only official Blótar? I think not.


I don't suggest that anyone do anything which they may be uncomfortable with. Though, it certainly escapes my comprehension as to how anyone could be uncomfortable speaking to their Gods. Just as their ancestors most assuredly did in locales ranging from mountain tops to valley floors. From meadows and sacred groves, to shorelines by the fjords.


As I had previously asserted in this Hof Service, I pray no less than three times per day to our Gods, though mostly to Odin. Why three times? Three is a sacred number to all heathens/pagans and it is of course very Odinic in nature. I face the North, the direction of the Odal/Othal lands from which our Ancestors come and where our Gods and Faith first took root and spread forth throughout Midgard, wherever our folk may be found. Next - I Hammersign myself. Though, I must concede that my own Hammersign varies a degree from the traditional one. I go Odin, Baldur Freya and Thor. Why do I replace Frey with Freya? Because I find it erroneous that our faith speaks of such respect for our Goddesses and women folk with equality, and yet not one Goddess is named in our Hammersign blessing, the most recognized rite of reestablished Northern Religion. Hence, I have done something about it for the past twenty years or better now... I replace Frey with Freya and I don't think he minds at all. I certainly afford him his due!

Perform a
Blót to your
preferred
God(s), or
Goddess(es).

Pray as oft
to them as
you desire.

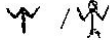

Meditate
upon and
Galdr these
Runes:

Mannaz (),

Ansuz ()

and Gebo ().

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Next, I assume the Irminsul Statha/Stada: () turning myself into the mighty world pillar and I speak my mind for a few moments. Once I've finished, I Hammersign myself and go on about my business. Like I said, I do this upon awakening, some point during the course of the day and just prior to retiring for the evening. The benefits are that it keeps me connected to my Gods throughout the breadth of the day and I usually have insightful dreams about our Gods in some context, or another, at night. In addition, it is my way of restoring a sacred respect for the Mannaz () union between myself and Odin in an effort to exhibit that I never take him, or the Gods and their gifts, for granted. I also meditate while facing North.

Follow your hearts, remain Trú to yourselves and to our Gods. This is the secret to a fulfilled and spiritually prosperous life. Live an enriched life with our Gods as your compass, and just as a compass only works when you employ its Rede, so it is true of our Gods.

I remain in Frith with and in service to thee.

"Man is what he honors." - An Odinist proverb

SEEKER

by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG



Artwork by Jason Ostrom

So now, as I lie down this very eve, to sleep the sleep of the dead,
I'll take my final breath and journey to Helheim to walk among the dead.

To learn their hidden truths, I must travel the road of initiation,
and give myself to myself, and unto Odin!

But for the glorious God of Hope; Baldur, now reaches out to me.

Dare I touch the burning ashes of his smoldering pyre?

Or will the embers burning, kindle the fire in my heart?

The winds of Hel blow like a tempest fury 'cross the land of the dead.

See now, this wind, this night, will stoke the flames of the great fire storm
that the holy Gods hath created within me!

And with new meaning, I, the Seeker, will be born forth anew with the morn,
as the Lamp of Odin crosses Father Sky...

Hidden truths will I know on the morrow.

“Gungnir”

Heroes from Our Past – Eyvind Kinnrifa

Horning 2007, Harvald Odinson Jones, 1519-CG

Hailsa Kinsmen and women! Here I am once again to pass along the story of another hero from our past. This time it is Eyvind Kinnrifa. I do so, so that for those of you who do not have access to some of our lore may learn their stories.

There is not a lot written about Eyvind, but yet what happen to him is very well known. What was written and known as history was done so by Christian clerics. I ask that as you read these stories of these men and women that you keep that in mind. Most of these heroes met their demise at the hand of one man, Olaf (the Traitor) Tryggvason. Olaf did all these vicious and cruel deeds in that name of some alien creed. So, do you think that the clerics, who also followed that same creed, would report all the evil that their hero was doing? I do not believe so. But a portion of what happen was recorded so that this “great man” of their God could receive the credit for bringing down the heathen and bringing the “new faith” to the land. So, when you start thinking that you have it bad for following your faith, just remember Eyvind.

In the fall of 997AD King Olaf summoned an assembly with representatives from the four districts (Sogn, the Fjord districts, South Moer, and Raums Dale) and held it on the Stath Peninsula. This was to restore the peace of the peoples. Olaf had brought a large army and saw a perfect opportunity for one of his infamous baptizing campaigns. The people saw this great army and became alarmed. Seeing that the people didn't want to go along with his plan, he gave his well known ultimatum, baptism or death. The farmers knew that they didn't have a chance of winning a battle so they decided on baptism. Olaf then sailed North to North Moer and then into the Trondheim Fjord to Hlathir, baptizing the whole way. While in Hlathir he had all the property taken from the temple and off of the idol and burned what was left of the temple. He then took a large gold ring from the temples gate. (Later, he would give the ring to Queen Sigrith of Sweden.)

When the farmers found out about their temple they sent war arrows to all the districts, summoning an army to attack the King. Olaf soon sailed his fleet North with the intention of going to Hálogaland and christening it. But when he arrived at Bjarnaurar, he learned that the people of Hálogaland had gathered an army to protect their lands and themselves from forced baptism. The Chieftains that were there were Harek of Thjotta, Thorir Hart of Vága and Eyvind Kinnrifa. Olaf found out that they were waiting for him so he turned around and headed south, until he got to Vir.

There were two merchants named Sigurth and Hauk and they traveled a lot. When returning home to Norway they happened to get captured by Olaf. The King threatened them with everything trying to get them to be baptized, but they refused. So for torture, he put them in irons and traveled around with them in his ship. The two men escaped shortly after and no one knew how. In the fall, Sigurth and Hauk showed up at Hareks of Thjotta and he welcomed them well. They stayed with him during the winter.

Early in the spring, Sigurth and Hauk asked if Harek would like to go sailing for fun. Harek being bored liked the suggestion. So they got the boat ready with equipment and food and sailed away from the island. When they had sailed for awhile they turned to Harek and gave him an ultimatum. They told him to choose what would happen, that they could decide where they sailed, that they would overpower him and tie him up or that they could kill him. Harek decided to let them choose the course that they would go. The brothers sailed south past the Trondheim Fjord to Nitharós where Olaf was holding court. (Now, we understand how they got away so easily.) Olaf summoned Harek and for several days he tried to talk him into being baptized, but time after time he refused. Finally Olaf told Harek that he could go home and that no harm would come to him. The reason he said was that there was much kinship between them and he didn't want anyone to say that he captured him by trickery. Olaf then told him that he would be coming to Hálogaland in the summer and that he would find out if the King could punish those who refused Christianity. Olaf then provided Harek with a skiff and about thirty rowers and sent him on his way. Harek left as soon as he could, but Sigurth and Hauk stayed and were baptized.

When Harek arrived home he sent word to his friend Eyvind Kinnrifa to tell him, first, that he met Olaf and that he would not allow himself to be cowed into accepting Christianity; Second, that Olaf was coming in the summer with an army; and third, he asked Eyvind to come and see him as soon as possible. So Eyvind departed as soon as he could on a fast boat with only a few men. When he arrived at Thjotta, Harek made him welcome and they left the farm right away so that they could talk. When they had talked for only a short time the men who brought Harek home appeared and took Eyvind hostage and back to their ship. They then sailed back to Nitharós and found the King. Eyvind was brought before the King so that they could talk. Olaf and his bishop said many kind things to him and gave many reasons for why Eyvind should accept their faith, but he wouldn't budge. The King offered money and gifts, but Eyvind refused it all. The King threatened him with torture and even death, but Eyvind still refused. So the King had a basin full of hot coals brought in and put onto Eyvind's stomach. It soon swelled and burst.

Eyvind then told them to take the basin away so that he could say a few words before he died, and it was done.

Olaf then asked, “Will you now believe in Christ, Eyvind?” He said, “No, I can not accept any baptism. I am a spirit brought to life in human shape by the sorcery of Finns, my father and my mother could not have a child before.” Then Eyvind died, he had been a great sorcerer.

I believe that some of Eyvind's story was changed by the scribe who wrote it to fit what he wanted. I especially believe it about his death. I believe that the scribe had to make up something for what he couldn't understand; that a man could have such conviction even during his slow torturous death - which he had to be a demon, just had to be.

Hail Eyvind Kinnrifa!

“Gungnir”

PERSPECTIVES

by T.A. Walsh, *Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc.*

My beloved kindred - Where ever you may be, and however you may choose to honor our ancestral Gods and Goddesses, may you be found safe, happy and focused on the fealties that will imbue you with all of life's greatest rewards, foremost with the greatest of all – wisdom and love.

Those of us who have opted to hear the voices of our ancestral Gods through the Odinic faith are a hardy lot. Seeker souls, one and all, we are a folk who pursue life on a precipice, believing in our wills ability to find the hand and footholds along the steep incline on one side of us without fear of the treacherous fall that looms on the other. It is the attitude of the adventurous, and the reason our spiritual emphasis is most often described, and perceived, in terms that are at once awe-inspiring and frightening to those not of our faith.

In this I find no fault, for in our fearlessness we find the spiritual strengths to overcome obstacles most men and women would be hard-pressed to face. And in our embracement of a more barbarian ethic we prepare ourselves for storms from which others only cringe.

That said, today I speak to you not to tout those elements of our faith we all know to be firmly fortuitous where our very spiritual survival is concerned, but to remind you all of the balance that must be struck, if our existence is to extend beyond the realms of warriorhood. I speak to you today of the essence of that balance, which is love.

“Who is this “pacifist” who’s infiltrated our Hof?!” “What would you do, “wiccanize” our faith!?!” I can hear the retorts already, but rest easy, my kin, for I assure you I live by the maxim that “the sword is never far from he who’d keep the peace”, and I say nothing of a universal and egalitarian “love” that blinds men and women to the realities of our world. Instead, I dare say that this is a love exhibited by our Father (whom we call the Allfather) who cared enough to make us all his begotten sons, and daughters, and because he loved us he bestowed upon each of us the ability to join him in Godhood, and thus Trú immortality.

Understanding this truth was instrumental in my awakening to the fact that there is more to me – and us – than the warrior, or the oarsman, when those tasks call, because I now understand those tasks are necessary interludes between the times when I can enjoy life's greatest treasures: A child's laugh, a woman's smile, a brothers well built Hof, or a leave strewn grove where the breeze speaks to me.

To those who'd say, “But brother, there is a time and appropriate circumstance for all the emotions and insights the Gods gave us”. Agreed! I ask you today not to consider discarding those motivating emotions that secure our strength and survival, only to balance them with those things that will lend more peace to our hearts as we make war with life's obstacles. Those among us who can attest to the terrible results of imbalance in this regard are legion, for the self destruction imposed on one who sees life only through the lens of rage, frustration and conflict is certain. Living in a world that lays conflict at our feet, being the people we are, we will rise to the occasion. But, only so we may preserve the sanctity, and the peace, of our groves and Hof.

In conclusion, I challenge you, Odin's sons, Frigga's daughters, to remember the beautiful balance those deities represent and sustain, that you yourselves might come to personify and project the perfect strength and love they are, so that the world may know we are much more than it's fiercest warriors.



Artwork donated by “Whispers” Goehler

Like seasons, each thought takes its turn
and so, should too, each cause
So before each bridge you burn
in reflection, pause
We will not win our world with haste
and hearts won't heed our call
Unless a bridge of love we make
to our folk, one and all.



“Gungnir”

A CALL FOR HOLY WAR

by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG, Allsherjargothi

HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. and SONS OF ODIN, 1519 - VINLAND

The many guises of Holy War may be witnessed on several fronts and in several locations all about Midgard. Whether they constitute a corpus of atrocities or righteous reckonings is a matter of heated debate, as all parties ensnared in any campaign will assume the mantle of either 'Patriot', or 'Terrorist'. Which one is merely a matter of perspective, for such may not be measured by the quantity of pain and suffering. To be sure, no one side in any conflict may lay siege to such a dubious monopoly.

But are all Holy Wars to be enacted upon the physical Theatre of Operation? Let us consider this query on a deeper level and equally so, let us afford it the deference of an honest examination.

The object of primacy for any military campaign is to contain, neutralize and eliminate the perceived threat to the welfare of the folk involved. So then, let us endeavor to examine and consider some of the very legitimate adversaries we as a faith, folk and tribe are posed with. To begin, we must establish just what constitutes a genuine threat to our survival, welfare and advancement as both a faith and folk. I would submit that we may all concur that any such agent which is counter productive to our welfare and progress, may constitute a legitimate threat and therefore warrant the mantle of "Foe Profane!" Thus do I stipulate upon the afore cited presumptions.

So then, in concordance with the afore stated, lets examine the catalog of agents amassed against us as members of our sacred and beloved faith/folk community...

VICES: Vices are any number of undesirable behaviors, often habitual and morally derelict in concert with depraved states of self accepted weaknesses. These will vary from person to person, though some will share several of the same, and chief among them is 'lack of accountability'. This of course is followed closely by substance abuse, gambling, sex addictions which lead one astray from one's own mate, or any activity which one knows to be selfish, detrimental and places one's own desires over and above the needs and safety of one's family and folk, are all categorized as vices.

SELF ACCEPTED WEAKNESS: Self accepted weaknesses are any moral, spiritual, psychological, or physical weaknesses which one seeks to justify as opposed to endeavor to correct. Any state of mind which goes with the flow of what appears to be harmless, albeit is a detrimental current. That is to say, one has identified less than desirable elements residing in one's life, yet one merely resigns one's self to accept it as non factor, semantics, or a non threat to one's progress. Institutionalization is a self accepted weakness!

INSTITUTIONALIZATION: Institutionalization is the espousing of a totally pernicious ideology on every front of self defeat. This encompasses components from vice to faith/folk destruction for the sake of not only accepting but willfully embracing the destructive and morally retarded prison culture. Drugs, gambling, homosexuality, extortion, racketeering and fratricidal prison gangs all contribute so greatly to the decay of the Aryan Tribal ideal and thereafter, the very destruction of our faith and folk community. Does no one find it ironic and absurd that so many white men and women come into these dungeons, learn about white pride, mark their bodies with tattoos of racial distinction and honor, yet all the while so many act in counter productive and non-conductive ways toward building and strengthening our folk! What is so horribly wrong with this picture?

A CALL... continued

Folk proudly dawning and wearing the marks of what they deem to be equated with Aryan honor, while acting out in very dishonorable ways which will inevitably destroy the very thing we claim to love so much... **Our Race!** This is not, however, an indictment against anyone. Rather, it is a call to you all to take a positive stand in the name of our Gods/Goddesses, Ancestors and Aryan Tribal pride, this very day. It is within our means and devices to remedy the far reaching maladies cited herein, which we face as a faith and folk.

The most concrete manner to assure the endurance and longevity of a thing is to construct it from the most durable and indestructible stock available. For when this measure is employed, it, the thing itself, becomes impervious to the assaults of all others. If such a desirable stock does not exist, then one must endeavor to devise and establish such a stock. By seeking to place total accountability within ourselves, as a faith and folk, rather than shifting the blame for our short comings to others, we may address these short comings and thereby create that desirable and impervious stock. In fact, we shall become that stock and in concert with becoming thus, we may truly control our own destiny as a faith and folk! There are no revolutionary fantasies to be had in the reality of Vinland (North America) today. The revolution must be in the way we think! There are no quick and immediate fixes!!!!

Vinland, with its government institutions will be here a hundred and fifty years from now. The question is; "Will we as a faith and folk be here then?" The only viable fix is a long term one. We must rid ourselves, our faith and folk of all the pernicious habits and short comings we suffer from. We must breed and raise intelligent Kinder (children) in the ways of our faith and folk and replace the erroneous shame which has been hoisted upon our backs, with pride. We must send them to college to earn degrees and insert them into the government and its institutions so that one day we too will have a voice and representation to defend our faith and folk and reverse the racist labels so erroneously placed upon us! This is our best and most immediate, valid option. We must cease tossing about some old tired clichés as though it were mere sport and reclaim our bona fide grandeur. This will only be accomplished by becoming the very Hammers we dawn around our necks which tell the world who and what we are... Children of the Hammer. Within our veins flows the thunder and lightning of Mjollnir. It is hard wired into our very DNA, this desire to return to the height of our Ancestral lineage, the Gods themselves. Only the hammers of this life shall pound out and shape their own destinies, while the anvils will forever be destined to receive one beating after another! The choice is yours alone to make.

Therefore, in light of the afore stated; I issue this challenge to you all... **Declare Holy War** against these agents of chaos and destruction which threaten the majesty of our faith and folk.

Legitimate honor may be found in genuine service to our Gods and Folk and denied to none whom remain Trú and loyal to the end. Let this be our Holy and Sacred resolve as we seek to pass our ancient tribal ways and our beloved faith onto our Kinder of tomorrow as we assume our stations in the light of victory as holy Sunna smiles on the House of Odin, and those whom have earned the right to reside within. **Heil Allfather Odin!**

Ves Heil, ok Fara meth Odin.

I remain in Frith with and in service to thee...

"You must conquer and rule, or lose and serve. Suffer, or triumph, and become either the anvil or the Hammer!" – Goethe

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TOWARD a NEW ALTHING by T. A. Walsh, *Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc.*

In the spectrums of modern education and the media there is a misconception, or perhaps it is more appropriate to say a deliberate omission of historical facts that CAUSES people to have the misconception, that representational government is somehow a contemporary accomplishment conceived in the wake of the Reformation by neo-liberals who came by the concept originally, and with the intent to create an atmosphere where "all men are created equal". The truth of the matter, which is no secret to honest historians is that man has known no representational government as solidly sensible or folkishly focused as the Viking Althing; and while political scientists may contend that modern democracy is the "natural evolution" of such an ancient practice we require neither politics nor science to see that what we know today is neither democratic or representational of those who need it most, and that this mockery of man's cultural structuring has reaped only DEVOLUTION.

If we are to acknowledge Aryan man's foremost need to REPRESENT HIMSELF (or at least to know those he has honored enough to entrust with such do so with his best interests truly at heart) then we must challenge the modern examples of "mob rule" that pass for "democracy, where people neither of our tribe nor nation are permitted to participate in the political processes which affect us in any way. If we are to possess a political structure which embraces natural law and rejects ridiculously unnatural notions like the equality of "all men", then we must be brave enough to balk at systems that would strip us of the right to exercise nature's authority. If we are to restore conviction, communalism (NOT to be confused with communism!) and perhaps most importantly, accountability to the assemblies that will determine the details of justice, commerce and, of course, the fate of our folkishness, then we are obligated to instill (or should we say REINSTITUTE?) those structures and impose those edicts that will not again permit apathy toward the individual, or indifference for his duty to the whole.

In Viking culture (as it was in Celtic clans as well) the notion of KINSHIP was central to the sense of honor and duty. To men and women alike in these cultures it was inconceivable to consider attitudes or actions that did not take into account the affect such might have on the welfare of their clan. Indeed, in one of the purest manifestations of Aryan culture cohesion we have ever known the Icelandic societies of old, the very word for kin (AETT) can be interpreted as "social compass", attesting to the significance of duty to something other than one's self. Just as inconceivable to the clan was the suggestion that they discount their duty to those of their extended family, their racial kin and countrymen and while the necessities of agriculture and commerce might occupy them most of the year none need be compelled to attend the annual gathering where fealty and duty, to their folk might be expressed, and their rights to redress exercised. These assemblies were (and to this day, at least in Iceland) known as the ALTHING.

Unlike gatherings of government in the modern neo-democratic states, where pomp, perfidy and profit have supplanted pride, practicality and the people, it was both a privilege and a pleasure for one to attend the Althing. Whereas today's politicians strive to be seen, that their self-imposed importance might impress the masses. The Thingmen of old sought first to see others, that he might determine the importance of THEIR need, and impress upon his kin the duty to fulfill such. To be sure, the Althing was not always a completely jovial affair, but it was always an HONEST one and one where men's passions were never suppressed - particularly when it came to his people. Ultimately no matter the details of the discourse, therein lay the Thingmen's reason for attending the Althing: The welfare of his kin and clan.

With the above in mind, can Aryankind today say that we have a truly representational government? Where are the men who would stand before assemblies, proclaim their fealty to kith and kin, take to task those who fall short in that duty, and outlaw those who refuted its reason? When we have included the clatter and inclusion of cultures not our own, how can we hope to hear the calls of our own clans? And how can we call this which has deafened us to our own duty "progress"?

In light of these dichotomous and demeaning circumstances which have carried Aryankind so far from itself, I call upon White men and women everywhere to awaken to the reality that faces us now: Unless we reassert our RESPONSIBILITY and RIGHT to REPRESENT OURSELVES, something other than our ancient political traditions are going to be omitted from the future, and that something will be US! What's more until we dispense with territorial divisions, again embrace the ideal of AETT, and institute a truly representational body which concerns itself with nothing less than the needs of Aryankind as a whole, we will remain subject to the whims of whatever skraeling hoard wanders by, and the wiles of perfidious Whites (sic) who know no shame in their search for selfishness. Having seen the irrational results of the modern mockery known as "democracy", and now knowing the true merit of tried and true ancestral ways, I have but one question left - Will I see YOU at the Althing?

Continued...TOWARD a NEW ALTHING

Will you meet me where all folk are fair
 To judge the year gone by
 To seek a need so we might share
 A mutual reply
 For with our kin our strength is found
 Much more when we relate
 So meet me at the Althing ground
 And let's decide our fate



Editors Note: *The timeliness of this brother's efforts is not only long since due, it is long over due! We are not politically correct in our endeavor to call our folk back to that which is indigenous to our beloved Aryan soul. Time for realizations are now and not something we can turn away from because of some force fed misplaced guilt the weak hearted feel.*

Our faith and folk today are not the only ones whom stand to suffer here. The entirety of our Folk's soul does; Gods, culture, heritage and future, will be the biggest losers!

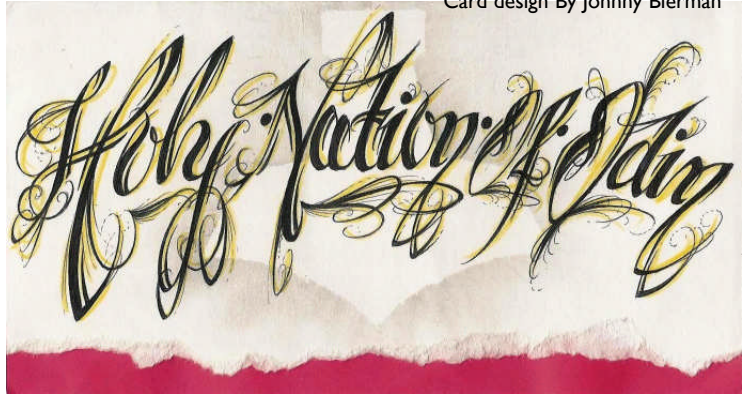


“I KNOW THAT I HUNG ON A WIND
 ROCKED TREE NINE WHOLE NIGHTS,
 WITH A SPEAR WOUNDED, AND TO
 WOTAN OFFERED MYSELF TO MYSELF;
 ON THAT TREE OF WHICH NO ONE
 KNOW FROM WHAT ROOT IT SPRINGS.”

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Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc and Director, Sons of Albion

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**Buried Rose**, by Jason Ostrom

I yanked a rose off a bush of ruby roses

For the aroma I picked up t'was dead to everyone's noses.

For the Gods bestow gifts upon us all this is true

But we miss the smell of these gifts in reception of the darker and untrue

Dark in hardships, bad times, struggles and such

But when we look past it all to truth we find so much

Much peace and joy and cessation of pain

When we drop our umbrellas to embrace the rain

And we find that even though wet and cold

It's the embracing of rain that holds off the cold

So instead of hiding where I might not get drenched

I run to the fire where I just might be quenched

But I find our Gods live in those elements we see

Where fire and rain will set our souls free

To live in Wunjo, a gift from the stars

As a reward for embracing the strength in our scars

So even though a gift from the green man Frey

I'll bury the roses I carried all day

For even though nice, silky, and ruby rich

They contain stinging nettles that are making me itch.

ANNUAL MISSION STATEMENT OF THE HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc.

Founded by the Sons of Odin, 1519 Vinland Kindred, the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. is fundamentally Odinit. That is to say that we believe in an all pervading divine spirit which manifests itself throughout the cosmos and the laws of nature and is therefore self-evident in within the realm of nature. To us, that divine spirit is the All-Father Odin whom without, all else would fail to be possible. The All-Father Odin is pure spirit and the primordial conscious thought. He too is thereafter, the very will of that first thought. The Gods and Goddesses of the Germanic Tribes are therefore manifestations of the spirit of All-Father Odin.

We do not bow our heads, or bend our knees before our Gods. We do not worship them as our masters. We honor them by seeking to emulate their noble qualities and conduct ourselves and live our lives with a great degree of personal strength, honor and courage, just as our ancestors did prior to the advent of Christianity. Our Gods are our friends and our kin. We are their descendants, their living folk.

We promote the Germanic Tribal system as opposed to the minute, albeit not discounted, Viking Era model most within our faith community adhere to. We well acknowledge that it was the latter part of that era which corrupted our native faith and ushered in the conversion of the alien and bedouin Christian faith among our unsuspecting ancestors. It was also this during this era that troth to kin became bankrupt in exchange for the enticing lures of non-folk in foreign lands. Whereas the Germanic Tribal system may be traced back in time for millennium, the great love, respect and troth for their native culture inexorably in tact!

We hold that nothing is more sacred than our blood, for therein lies the entirety of our ancestry, both Gods and Folk.

We promote a genuine respect for our spiritual leadership and Elders and we recognize the merits of structure, hierarchy and the ordained Gothar (Priesthood).

We hold that tradition does not seek to store the cold ashes of the past, but rather seeks to keep the flame alive for future generations.

We hold that our holy and sacred rites and ceremonies are not open to the public, for either scrutiny, or criticisms. And that only those of our faith may bear witness to, or participate in our holy rites, or those sincerely seeking to learn to follow our noble faith.

We well acknowledge that the groves are indeed sacred and plays a major role in out-door Rites. But we hold that the Hof is equally as sacred and to the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc, our Hofs, as they once were in elder days, are once again, our houses of the holy.

We hold that the Eddas, Sagas, Lore and myths are all certainly valid learning texts wherefore discovery and comprehension of our faith is in regard. Albeit, we well acknowledge that they have long since been tainted with the corruption of Christian scholars and a myriad of interlopers with designs to cast an unfavorable light upon our noble faith. We further hold that what constitutes the body of literary works of the Aryan people from antiquity to the present time warrants both the respect and study of our folk, and we promote the study of these critical works of history, philosophy, art and intellectual medium as a valid means of restoring our own unique indigenous culture and heritage.

We promote solidarity among and between our brothers and sisters of our collective faith/folk community.

We adhere to and promote the "Nine Noble Virtues" of Odinit/Asatru, as well as the "Rede of Honor".

Membership within the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. is open to folk (both individuals and/or Kindreds, Hearths, Kiths, etc.) who are free of crimes against our faith, our folk (e.g. women, children, elderly, handicapped, etc.), or our Gods (e.g. the laws of nature).

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The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc.:

- Is an ethnic religion which is native and belongs to the people of the Germanic Tribes (e.g. people of European descent including the Norse, Teutonic, Celtic and some Baltic and Slavic Tribes).
- Does not promote, preach, practice, or endorse prejudice, bigotry, hatred, or racism.
- Does not endorse, or promote any political program.
- Does not espouse, condone, or endorse any gang activity.
- Does not condone homosexuality anymore so than does the Catholic, Jewish Orthodox, or Islamic religious institutions. It is our position that homosexuality defies the very laws of nature, family procreation and therefore, our Gods!
- Does not dress up in any “period costume” clothing, nor do we enforce a dress code.
- Does not mandate the wearing of a beard or long hair for women. Though we do strongly encourage thus out of respect for our Gods and Goddesses. The ultimate choice is left up to the individual.
- **Does have** an official ordained Gothar (Priesthood) (Male & Female) which is overseen by a "Court of Gothar". Every Gothi (Priest) and Gythia (Priestess) designated a member of the Court of Gothar will wear a beard and long hair (females). The length and style of the beard is up to the Gothi. The choice to wear long hair up or down is up to the Gythia. While there exists within the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. a system of legally ordained clergy, we do recognize the time honored right of each Kindred to elect their own Gothi/Gythia as they see fit.

The Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. is a legitimate non profit incorporated religious Institution, an Outreach Ministry which is operated and administered by a legal Board of Directors.

It is both the mission and desire of the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. to correct the many maladies which has held the progress and advance of our noble faith, in a continued state of arrested development for far too long now. Also, to provide a structured alternative, which up to this time has been absent within the Odinist/Ásatrú faith/folk community.

I remain in service to the Gods and Folk of the Holy Nation of Odin.

Heil All-Father Odin! And Heil the holy Æsir and Vanir in his venerable name.

In Frith with thee,

Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG, Allsherjargothi, Sons of Odin, 1519 Vinland Kindred
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GOTHAR COURSE CLARIFICATION

Heilsan Brothers and Sisters! We have received a great number of Gothar Course Application submissions and surprisingly so, we have approved less than half a dozen of them thus far.

WHERE IS YOUR SOUL?

by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

Where is your soul, proud Aryan man?
 Does it run with wolves O'er icy plains?
 Will you give of your all for the Folk's forward gains?
 In a Long Ship will you sail with your forefathers of yore?
 Will your soul brave the fjords to far unknown shores?
 Will you answer the call of the Gods all and one?
 Will you pick up the sword and see their will done?
 Or will you look at white children without so much
 as a care, of great sagas once told,
 will their ears ever hear?
 Are you so selfish and lusting for outlander's gold that you
 care not if our children hear the tales of old?
 Will it not haunt your soul and heart to see?
 A greater crime will never be!
 So where is your soul, proud Aryan man?
 Has your fire burned out? Or with the Gods do you stand?

While several of those we have declined exhibited and demonstrated a rather high quality of spiritual leadership abilities and potential, the common factor which we found sorely absent was a comprehensive understanding of the distinction between Odinism and Ásatrú (see 'Odinism Vs. Ásatrú; this issue), and the faculty to interpret the very import of Allfather Odin's character from an Odinist's perspective.

While the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. strives to meet and serve the spiritual needs of both Odinists and Ásatrúar, or any other adherent of the Northern path, we recognize that not all the paths/denominations are in fact the same with merely different names. For this is not the case at all! In consideration of the afore stated paragraph, the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. is adamantly and fundamentally Odinist and as such, we seek 'Fundamentalist Odinists' to fill the ranks of our ordained Gothar. While we do indeed have one, or two ordained Gothar which are in fact Ásatrú more so than Odinist, it is merely a matter of their tenure and overall contribution to our Faith/Folk community wherefore they in fact merited ordination within the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc.

I would also like to clarify that the HOLY NATION OF ODIN Gothar Course is not a course on how to become an Odinist, or further expound on being an Odinist. It is for those whom have established themselves as soundly grounded and life long committed Odinists whom now seek to serve our Faith/Folk community as spiritual/religious leaders/clerics. If you do not meet the criteria asserted above, please do not infringe upon our time and energy reserved for serving you, by submitting an application until you do meet the requirements.

Thank you for your consideration and understanding. May Allfather Odin inspire you all too great deeds and endeavors. Heil Odin!

In Frith with thee, the Court of Gothar

HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc.



Art by Jason Ostrom

PRACTICAL RUNE WORKINGS

Artist Vinábjörn Óðinson Shipton, 1519-W



by Scott Tolley, Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. Fogmoon 2006 RE

“In the last issue we discussed the possibility of creating a practical healing rite on paper that could be successfully used by a number of different folk who may not have a Gothi at hand to assist them...”

We have spoke of the art of cleansing one’s mind and body by fasting and by removing the presence of most commercial niceties (such as TV & radio) from your general surroundings for a time.

Lastly, we went over the three runes that may help you in accessing the ancestral soul. We took the time to study on these runes, and to do some serious meditation on them. We have carried these runes on our person for a time, and have basically become one with them. If you have been following along with me thus far, and feel comfortable with your results, then it is time to take the next step: choosing which runes to use for our personal rite.

Okay, the number of runes that you may want to use in your rituals will change from rite to rite. Sometimes a single rune is all that is needed for your ritual; other rites may require more. Go with what feels right to you. For the sake of this article, we will use nine runes-three from each aett.

The first stave that I wish to include in our rite is fehu (\mathfrak{F}). Now I’m sure there is someone out there thinking that I must’ve been tipping the horn a bit already this morning - why else would I be including the money rune in my healing rite? The answer is simple enough, really. The aspect of fehu that I wish to invoke is its creativity aspect. If you think about it, fehu is the perfect rune to build from. It has many aspects that are beneficial to our need; however, we are primarily concerned with marking a new beginning – a point of creativity to build from.

Next, we will want a good, solid foundation to work from – a foundation of primal strength found within the uruz (\mathfrak{U}) rune. We are going to need as much strength as possible to draw on, and uruz is the perfect source for such.

The last rune of the first aett that I would like to include in our ritual is kennaz (\mathfrak{K}). This rune offers the torch of knowledge and guides us with its beacon. The light of kennaz can be a very spiritual light, and few rites would be complete without it.

Let’s move on to the second aett. We’ll begin with the rune of the need-fire, nauthiz (\mathfrak{N}). This is one of the primal healing runes, and is of great importance.

Next, jera (\mathfrak{J}) gives us the rewards of opportunity and continual motion. This is another fertility rune, and can be a great asset to a rite of this fashion.

Lastly, we will give the ritual a good solid backbone with the stave representing the world-pillar, eihwaz (\mathfrak{E}). The wolf’s hook gives us stability and the strength to draw on throughout the entire ritual.

Now, to the third aett - Once again we will begin with an unusual rune for a healing rite, tiwaz (\mathfrak{T}). The warrior-rune helps us to secure victory in the battle we are facing. It is the rune of self-sacrifice and show that we are willing to work to fulfill our need.

My second choice of the third aett is laguz (\mathfrak{L}), the leek. It is the rune of the well, of the subconscious, and should be included in most rites of this kind.

The last rune we will invoke is the rune of stored power, of spiritual gestation, ingwaz (\mathfrak{I}). Ingwaz serves to bring all of the previous runes together and combine them as one.

Now, we have chosen our nine runes of healing. Let’s take some time to study on each rune separately, gaining as much knowledge as possible on each stave. Study them, then meditate on each individual rune. Once you have a good feel for them, meditate on them as a group of nine; as a body of healing might.

Continue to work with these nine runes, and in the next issue I will show you the actual ritual for absorbing them into your very being.

For now I leave you in kinship and respect! – Scott Tolley, Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc.

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ON OUR READERS MIND... Ragnarok Rising

by Dustin Wülfsbane Wodenson

The human mind has become proud and selfish; ego is run rampant throughout the world. Although I am caged and left to my own musings far removed from the free world, I am neither deaf, dumb, nor blind, although I wonder sometimes about my human counterparts.

I hear comrades and kinsmen speak all the time about rekindling our folk consciousness. A lot of this is simply lip service driven by an egocentric form of personality disorder.

I hear the fourteen words quoted and abused, ran into the ground by look good idealists who have no conception for what it means. “We must secure the existence of our people and a future for white children.”

First of all, I cannot secure the existence of anything or anyone from inside some state or federal penitentiary without some extreme focus and a lot of help. Running around a prison yard with the homeboys acting out on my self entitlement and ego will never help anyone.

The only way that I will ever be able to secure a future for my children or other children of my kin, is to strive in all that I do to promote positive values based on natural order, and the timeless teachings of the great Gods of Asgard.

Looking beyond the walls and bars of prison I see a world so foreign and incongruous to the Midgard of our ancestors, that it appalls me; we are for certain at the brink of a major CASTASTROPHE, and if men and women of sound conviction do not step forward to take control of the teaching of our folk, we will see Ragnarok as it consumes that which is anti-nature and impure, as well, we can expect all shall likewise be consumed.

There is no middle ground here, Dr. Cröwell recently stated in a retrospective titled “In Our Ancestors Foot-steps” (Initiative & Perseverance) that he believed he would make the cut as one of Odin’s chosen “Einherjar”. I do not personally know Casper, but I know good kinsmen who speak highly of him. I also see what he is doing with the Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. and I believe that he will make “the cut” as he put it.

There are many good men who have the potential to make the cut, but unless they are taught to focus their energy, they simply will not. I say to all of you who read this, that there is a cognitive system designed to attain this focus. First, reason and instinct must be personally defined; second, this knowledge (power) must be applied; Third, Strength of this aspiration (belief), purity of motive (justice) and inflexible resolve (steadfastness) are the vehicle one must utilize. To simplify this: Step 1-Power, Step 2-Application, and Step 3-Transition.

One can’t be built into an Einherjar simply by proclaiming oneself as such without first doing the work is preposterous and infantile.

I give praise to any kin who do seriously undertake this path, this way of life and when Ragnarok comes I shall raise my weapon at your side proudly as we give the Gods our final sacrifice. Until then, I simply urge you all to keep it real, anything else will make your journeys apex unattainable.

In Wotans Service...

Rebirth of Virtue ◊ By Craig Sparks

Nine noble maidens I knew ◊ each Queen a gift of Hār
Do hold these virtued few ◊ our hopes to reach afar

In each home and hovel ◊ these nine did dwell inside
No ax, pick or shovel ◊ was left idly by

Nor a head nor a sword ◊ was bowed or hung in shame
For in each deed and word ◊ was reflected nine names

Courage was the name of ◊ one truly hard to keep
Scared off with the shame ◊ turning the other cheek

Honesty next to leave ◊ whom fell away to greed
Hearts, once left on the sleeve ◊ did turn beyond their need

Honor's presence faded ◊ lost beneath sin and guilt
Sacred Oaths we've traded ◊ for dreams that strangers built

Troth, of nine, mourned the most ◊ our loyalty and pride
Of gods and kin and folk ◊ were solo for "me" and "I"

Strength whose hands strong and trú ◊ once steered with aim
our life
Urges 'round and sloth through, ◊ now blind 'm ist fog of strife

Hospitality seems ◊ to have forsook our homes
Far beyond our means ◊ we live-'tis there she roams

Industriousness too ◊ has fallen down to rest
In her absence what's new ◊ is thought to be what's best

Self reliance stood tall ◊ and probably 'mongst our kin
To dependence she falls ◊ where slavery begins

Perseverance to last ◊ she, we did fail to keep
As pride in work has passed ◊ her loss for we will reap

Within our hearts alone ◊ must final blame reside
For all that was our own ◊ we let fall with the tide

Though long apart we've been ◊ hope is not too far soon
For while we've life I ween ◊ our will shall struggle on

As we restore these nine ◊ our folk arise too
And in our souls we find ◊ each maiden born anew



Design by Craig Sparks

Yule-Tide, by Steven Abbey (10/22/06)

The wheel has turned,
the cycle is closed
Yule-Tide is here,
and winter is foretold.

The wheel has turned,
Sunna is re-born,
Yule-Tide is here,
to the blowing horns.

The wheel has turned,
Tera complete,
Yule-Tide is here,
a new dawn we greet.

The wheel has turned,
renewing the days,
Yule-Tide is here,
Re-birth of the Ancient Way.


“Gungnir”


Hof Service


for the Holy Nation of
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Perform a Blot to
Odin and Tyr.
Meditate upon
and Galdr these
Runes:

Tiwaz (),


Eihwaz (),

and Sowilo ().

Don't forget to
perform an
Ostara Blót
during the
summer finding
to celebrate the
Spring tide, the
season of renewal
and rebirth.
Runes to
meditate and
Galdr upon:

Berkano (),

Ingwaz (),

and Fehu ().

By Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell

Allsherjargothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc. and Sons of Odin, 1519

“ZEAL vs. COMPLACENCY”

Merriam-Webster defines 'Zeal' as - a noun: Eager and ardent interest in the pursuit of something; Fervor. Synonym: "Fire in the belly". Antonym: Complacency.

As a religion we are posed with many facets which, initially may have served a greater purpose in the grander scheme of reawakening our folk to the Northern Faiths, over the past three decades, or better now.

However, today as we seek to assert our innate right to pursue our indigenous Northern Faith along side of the mainstream and monotheistic faiths, some of these facets have morphed into maladies which pose a genuine threat to the secure existence and advancement of Odinism in much the same manner as a boat at anchor in the bay, which will, without a doubt, incur the storm's fury, while the other boats, free of such a malady, may put out to sea in an effort to escape the storm, save themselves and survive. Well folks, the storms are coming and we must pull up anchor and put to sea if we would see Sunna's smile on the new 'morrow!

For one thing, at the risk of sounding harsh, Viking period dress and re-enactment sectors of our faith community undoubtedly contributed greatly to the current Northern Renaissance we all enjoy, albeit, such folk in our collective faith community barely constitute a cult. So many more of our searching folk would not pass us by as a faith, if we only offered them an alternative to the monotheistic faiths in the same contemporary context.

Next, we require a united front of Northern solidarity, albeit, one which acknowledges and accepts the fact that there are several different denominations of the Northern Faith, not merely one with several names!

We need to be proud, and openly so, about who we are as a faith and folk, as opposed to constantly offering up apologies and politically correct explanations to outsiders! I most certainly can grasp the need for valid public relations, regarding our faith within the greater mainstream community at large. But that must never entail apologizing for our proud heritage and natural desire to survive as both a folk and a race. Nor must we embrace any ideology which is politically correct in order to achieve some sort of uneasy compliance with a morally ill society...

Here then is the reality at point blank range:

As a Faith and Folk, Zealousness equals endurance and progress. Complacency equals stagnation and inevitable demise.

It is truly that simple. Holy wars have been waged by zealots for as long as man has inhabited Midgard. Those strong enough and serious enough to do what must be done, they live on to continue the fight until they either attain victory, or perish in their noble efforts to do so. But those unwilling to do so are just enslaved until they simply cease to be! I am not inciting some fanatical Holy war, nor am I insinuating such is necessary at this juncture. I am saying that if Odinism is not holy enough for you to do, without remorse, what the circumstances of history may one day warrant must be done, then this religion, along with its holy Gods, does not belong to you! You have no right to anything which you are not willing to fight to the end for. If this seems extreme and militant, so be it. Only the child like mind believes that the world may continue on in its present social course when so much immorality and wanton disregard for our natural environment is rampant. The child like minds and arrogant rulers of today, that is.

As the laws of natural order once set the cadence and reigned supreme, so too shall they once again. And at such time in the epochs of humanity, no paper decree of constitution will wield any weight, or credibility. Those strong enough, whom maintain a zealous posture in their indigenous faith and defend the sacredness of that which they hold to be divine, those whom live in concert with the laws of natural order will not only survive, they will thrive as once before, long ago before our ancestors forfeited what we should have inherited, but must now fight for on a continuum, wherefore parity with others is in regards.

Is zeal tantamount to militancy? Perhaps. But any way one may descry it, zeal equals survival and we as a faith need to concern ourselves with that in an immediate sense. And once we secure this, then and only then may we surmount progress and advance. We must rid ourselves of ill character traits and bad habits which we have accepted as normal for far too long now! We must invoke the courage of Tyr in order to alter the way that we selfishly think in terms of ourselves as 'individuals', as opposed to as a community of faith minded folk!

We must eradicate weakness wherever we find it within our character make up and replace it with strength and zealousness if ever we are to regain victory over the state of complacency which once robbed our ancestors of our beloved faith and Gods, and still continues to do so with the overwhelming majority of our people, today!

The answer lies in assuming a zealous attitude wherein redefining ourselves in the noble and honorable attributes of our holy Gods are in regards. May Allfather, Victory bringer, smile on us all in our noble endeavor toward thus.

Yes Hiel, ok Fara meth Odin! I remain in Frith with and in service to thee.

"Only your Kith, or Kin may betray you. From your foes you expect it!" - Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, Ph.D., DD

Olvir of Egg

Our hero for Lenting is Olvir from Egg. But before I start telling all of you kinfolk about Olvir, I feel that I must add a short note for those who are new to the lore. The villain of this story has changed from the last even though he has the same name and committed a lot of the same crimes against our faith. “Saint” Olaf Haraldsson (the stout or fat) also seemed to be a little more “business like” in his conversions, where as Olaf “the traitor” Tryggvason seemed to enjoy it when people wouldn’t convert.

I believe it to be the year 1020 CE. They had a bad year for Grain in the Trondheim district, as well for the rest of the northern part of the country and it got worse the farther north you went. In the eastern part of Norway the crop was good and also for the upland district. What saved the people of the Trondheim region was that they had plenty of grain stored up

In the fall, word had gotten to king Olaf “the fat” that people in the inner reaches of the Trondheimsfjord had been having great feasts when winter began with a lot of drinking and the King was also informed that the people were toasting the Æsir in blot. That cattle and horses were slaughtered and the pedestals of the statues of the Gods were reddened by the blood. Also, that sacrifices were being performed for the purpose of improving their harvests. The report also stated that everyone believed that the Gods had become “angered” because the people of Hålogaland had let themselves be baptized. When the king had heard all of this he sent messengers to those districts and had certain farmers summoned.

There was a man named Olvir of Egg after the farm on which he lived. Olvir was a man with great influence and was of noble descent. He was chosen to be the speaker and leader of the farmers who were going to see the king. When they arrived at the court, the king accused them of what had been done. Olvir replied that there had been no sacrificial feast that fall, only drinking in company and entertainment between friends. Olvir then told the king as to what was reported. That when the people of Trondheim come together to drink that anyone with any sense will guard against what they hear, for no one can be held responsible for what fools and drunks say. Olvir was well spoken and was not afraid to speak his mind, and he defended the farmers from what had been reported of them. At the end of the meeting the king said that “the people from the inner districts of Trondheim themselves would have to bear witness as to how they stood in the faith”. Then the farmers were given leave to depart for their homes, which they did as soon as they could.

During the winter, the King received reports that the people of inner Trondheim had gathered in large groups at Maerin and that great sacrifices were made at mid winter for peace and good harvest. When King Olaf “the fat” thought that he knew the truth of the matter, he sent word in to the districts summoning the farmers to town. Before the farmers went, they gathered to talk about the summons and the ones who had went before didn’t want to go again. So they pleaded with Olvir to go speak on their behalf and soon afterwards he got ready to go. When he got to the town, he went straight to the King and they talked. The King accused the farmers of having the midwinter feast. Olvir replied that they were not guilty of that, that they only had Yule feasts with social drinking and that they didn’t want to skimp on the feast. Because of that there was a lot of food and drink left over, so the men kept drinking what was left. Also, that Maerin was a large community and the people found it good entertainment to drink in large company. The King didn’t say much, but did show his displeasure. He didn’t believe what he was told, but ordered the farmers to go home. Before they did, he told them that whether they admitted to it or not, that they should not continue with what they were doing. With that they left for home and told the people there what had happened and that the King was angry.

King Olaf Haraldsson arranged for a great party in the Easter season where he invited both towns people and farmers. After the Easter party the king sent for a man named Thoraldi who was at his estate in Haug, (in Vera Dale). He was the Kings steward. The King sent word for him to leave immediately, which he did with the messenger’s. Once Thoraldi arrived, he was summoned by the King at once to talk in private. He asked Thoraldi if what he was hearing about the sacrifices was true and that he wanted all the facts. Thoraldi told the King that he had packed up his family and all of their possessions and that if he did as the King had asked, then he would have to look out for their safety. The King assured him of his safety. So he told the King that everyone in the interior of Trondheim was heathen, even though some had been baptized. That it was their custom to perform a sacrifice in the fall to welcome winter, a second at midwinter and a third in summer to welcome its arrival; that the people of Eyjn and those of Sparabú, Vera Dale and Skuan all participate. There are twelve men who take it upon themselves to arrange the sacrificial feasts. And this year it falls upon Olvir to prepare the feast. He is now busy in Maerin getting all the provisions ready for the feast.

When the King learned the truth, he had his men get ready and board their ships, (which numbered five ships and three hundred sixty men) and set sail. They got to Maerin in the middle of the night. They got there faster than they expected due to fast ships and a favorable wind. The houses were surrounded at once and Olvir was captured and killed (how is not stated) with many others. King Olaf then had all provisions and properties confiscated and distributed among all of his men. Of the men whom the king suspected of participating in the sacrifices, he had their homes ransacked. Some had their goods confiscated.

The King called a meeting because he had many men of influence under his power, their kinsmen and friends swore obedience to the king and no resistance was made to him at the time. He baptized all the people, placed priests and erected churches. The King judged Olvir to have been slain for just cause and confiscated all of his possessions. But as to the other men who seemed the guiltiest, some he had killed, some mutilated, then King Olaf “the fat” Haraldsson returned to Nitharos.

Once again another one of our ancestors was murdered in the name of the alien creed. All Olvir wanted was to follow his faith and honor the Gods of his ancestors, and once again it wasn’t allowed by a follower of that alien creed. I ask that you remember Olvir of Egg the next time that you are asked what your spiritual beliefs are, which is followed by some ignorant remark, or to have it noted on some form or survey, and they say that they “don’t have space for “Odinist/Ásatrú” on the form. Insist that they write it in, so that it is known without a doubt what you are and believe in. If they have a space for “other” or can write that in, then they can write – Odinist or Ásatrú.

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Resist and Defy

an editorial by Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, 1519-CCG

Allsherjargothi, HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc.

Resist and defy! Well, that certainly infers a great deal of chaos wherefore directed focus is lacking. **But we are Odinists, not anarchists and therefore the call for resistance and defiance is not an anthem of anarchy but rather, it is a call for restoration of order, strength, unity and majesty on all fronts of Aryan Tribalism.**

We cannot hope to achieve any meaningful gains if we do not first resist and defy the deleterious influences of a morally bankrupt society. We must resist capricious urges which may seem innocuous enough upon their initial inception. For when we glance back from whence we have come, most of us, if honest about it, will be able to discern the damage which we have inflicted not only in our own personal lives, but in the lives of our loved ones and our folk community overall, in concert with our previous impulsive and capricious actions.

The majority of you perusing this editorial right now are incarcerated. Residents of the 51st state! Why the 51st state, some may query? While others entering their 20th year, or better behind the walls and wire are all too familiar with the term. Today in Vinland (the U.S. part) there are in fact enough people incarcerated to constitute a 51st state! And while we are technically still citizens of the U.S., we are no longer citizens of the states from which we either hail from, or find ourselves incarcerated in. We are now residents of the 51st state called "Corrections", and sadly so, enough of us assisted in the formation process of this 51st state, resplendent with its perverse and ill social order. A mere by-product of a larger socially ill and morally bankrupt country and its government.

"Corrections" is a multi-billion dollar business annually in the U.S. and it is not sustainable by corporate, local and federal government greed alone. NO, not at all. It further requires that "WE" participate in the process. Recidivism is the chief component of the economic engine which powers and promotes the corrections industry. With the end of the "Cold War" with Eastern Europe, the U.S. economy suffered a devastating blow. No where was it more immediately felt than in California which was home to the overwhelming majority of the nation's Aerospace Industry. California quickly realized that it desperately required a major economic engine with which it could stimulate its dying economy with. Corrections became that engine which would provide the fiscal infusion California so critically required to fill the economic vacuum it had inherited with the fall of the Berlin Wall and the erosion of the Communist threat which ceased in the latter part of the 1980's.

As the economic woes spread across the U.S., other states followed California's lead and new prison construction exploded. New laws were established to fill those new prisons to maximum capacity and the prison industry of America changed its name to the more socially acceptable mantle of the Corrections Industry.

Consider the absurdity for just a brief moment. When a guard, which are no longer referred to as Screws, Bulls, or Hacks, but rather as, "Correctional Officers", feeds a prisoner his/her meal, is he correcting the meal? How about distributing prisoner's mail. Is he correcting the mail? The answer is of course not. That is because no social, or moral ills are being corrected within the U.S. prison systems wherefore genuine rehabilitation is in regard. Such genuine rehabilitation is absent in its entirety. In fact, the only thing that the corrections industry has corrected is a large portion of the nation's economic system which incurred a state of arrested development in the late 1980's. The entire corrections facade with its "Corrections Officers" is intelligently designed so as to afford a sense of normalcy to unassuming citizens whom continue foot the bill for their continued day to day operations as opposed to investing in an authentic rehabilitation program to immerse the offender in prior to his release back into society. This is not the equivalency of re-integration of a functionally developed individual back into society! It is tantamount to turning lose an angry man whom has been warehoused for years of his life much in the same manner as a living room set of furniture at the local "U-store it" facility! But enough with the history and social studies lessons and finger pointing. Let us endeavor to assume accountability as opposed to shifting the blame. This corrections business would not be so very prosperous if not for our willful and voluntary participation. And no one is going to alter our attitudes and perspective of the current state of circumstances in our lives, but our-selves alone!

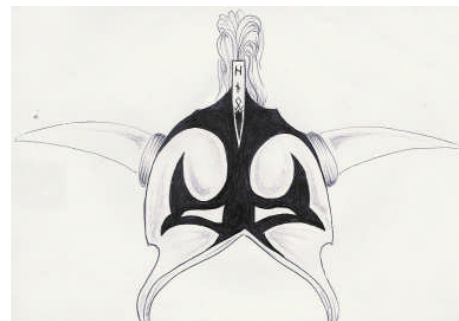
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I'm not referring to the initial crimes which landed us in prison; in so much as I am referring to our helping the system prosper by going with the flow of its current. There is an entire socially retarded culture which could not exist in these dungeons without our consent. Example: Upon one's initial exposure to this environment, most endeavor to hold fast to the ties which connect them to their home, families and society from which they had come. But the repetitive indoctrination which one is exposed to on a continuum in prison renders it nearly impossible to hold onto tight enough. The prison/corrections' deliberate agenda promotes an ill design wherein a prisoner is encouraged to forfeit any sound and civilian social skills in exchange for the promoted diet of a morally derelict prison culture resplendent with substance abuse, homosexuality, dishonor, betrayal, fratricidal prison gangs, lack of any authentic self respect, or esteem, etc., etc., etc.. This breakdown, once total and complete, constitutes a state of institutionalization. This is the key contributor of recidivism and is indeed tantamount to total failure as far as a functioning human with any productive living and social skills are in regard.

I implore you all to resist and defy this state and federally sponsored sickness! Do not accept it when some guard refers to the cell which you occupy as your home, or house, for it is not your home. It is a cage which you are forced to occupy. Identify it as such. Your home is wherever your family or loved ones reside... Not in some cage which when occupied the state, or government makes a few dollars off of! We forfeit our dignity, self respect and identity when we willfully embrace the ill social etiquette of the penitentiary culture. We've been taught to think in this erroneous manner and now we must resist and defy this pernicious thinking!

Odinism is about self accountability and taking control of our lives. By living the Nine Noble Virtues, the Rede of Honor, the Æsirian Code of Nine, we may reconnect with the majesty our noble ancestors and our Gods have lovingly preserved, fought for and died for so that we could inherit them. We must restore a sense of fraternal love and solidarity amongst ourselves and then openly exhibit it for all to see the love and respect. We seek to restore to our faith/folk community both within and without the prison systems of this nation. We must shun the behavior and attitudes which are not conducive to the welfare of our faith/folk community if ever we would recapture the genuine nobility and strength which once, so very long ago, constituted the Aryan Tribes. This we must embrace, cultivate and teach in the name of our Allfather Odin and the rest of the Æsir and Vanir. And we must resist and defy any agenda which is not in concert with our healthy advancement. As we seize yet another year in our lives, let us edify our faith and folk as we endeavor to walk the Northern Road.

In Frith and fraternal solidarity with thee.



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- Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, Ph.D., DD

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A MOMENT WITH OUR

ALLSHERJARGOTHI

(Queries, Answers, Comments and Musings)

Brother Gary S. asks; "I would like to know what exactly is the 'Valknut Rite?'"

Heilsa Gary! I know of no other Valknut Rite beyond that of the SONS OF ODIN, 1519 - Vinland Kindred's Rite of initiation. This sacred 1519 Rite entails the forfeiture of one's voice, one's food and an actual Blood Rite, all of which occur during the nine day/night span in Harvest (August) during the time of "Odin's Ordeal". For a more detailed account of this Rite, Gary, contact the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. and request a SONS OF ODIN, 1519 profile. Please include 2 -39 stamps to cover postage. Ves Heil!

Brother R. A. in Texas asks; "Can we inquire about difficult to locate information and obtain answers from the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc? "Can the HNO provide a basic course on Rune comprehension?" and "How about a reading list regarding philosophy and other subjects?"

Heilsa R.A.! Initially I wish to extend my Fraternal solidarity with you and other Kinfolk whom walk the Northern Road and incur the attached hardships merely because you find yourselves incarcerated at the Epicenter of the fire n' brimstone Bible Belt! It is ironic that a President from your locale would wage war on a third world nation, or two, in the name of freedom predicated upon justice, all the while descent and honorable men and women must suffer such hardships; if not outright deprivations of their First Amendment rights - not only here at home... but in the Prez' own backyard.

Democracy? Ah, indeed!

Regarding your queries, you and any of your kin may inquire about whatever you like as it pertains to our faith, and we will always endeavor to provide you with fact based responses. As to the request for a basic Rune course in the future, I won't promise falsely. We are a small handful of brothers and sisters at this time, carrying the burden of an outreach ministry. As our Academic and Gothar Faculty expand, perhaps then we may be able to provide such a course. But until we grow in faculty size, we cannot accommodate such a request at this time. I will however inquire of our faculty as to whether anyone may feel up to such an undertaking at this time. Currently an esteemed member of our Gothar, Scott Tolley, is producing a regular column regarding Runes and Rune works.

And finally, concerning a book list... There are so many valid tomes in circulation and available for purchase regarding the Arts, Philosophy, History, etc., that I could not even dent the mountain if I were to produce a catalog, several volumes in length! I will tell you that Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble and most University book stores carry nearly all titles in the desired academic and scholastic forums. As for what titles one would best be served by? That is up to each student and their abilities in concert with the desired subject matter.

For history, I suggest one begin with the ancient Greeks and their annals of history; Arrian, Xenophon, Herodotus, Livy, Curtius, Thucydides, Plutarch, etc., etc.

For Philosophy, try Plato and his student, Aristotle. They are also one's best bet to unearth the wisdom of Plato's mentor, Socrates since he failed to commit his own musings to print and we must therefore rely upon the accounts of those counted among his fellows. Then there are the works of Arthur Schopenhauer and Friedrich Nietzsche. Study European Art, History and Architecture. Architecture and Mythology both exhibit the psyche of our Ancestors. I hope this assists you to some degree toward your quest.



R.R. in Nevada wrote in regarding the Associated Press mailing we distributed concerning the execution of Michael Lenz and the circumstances surrounding the crime for which he was executed.

Heilsa R.R! Let me first greet you and then offer you the following, the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, Inc. neither condemns, nor condones the circumstances surrounding the Michael Lenz case. However, whatever the case may have been, we certainly **DO NOT** condone the Federal Government, or any of its States executing one of our brothers, or sisters under the guise and lie of serving the interest of "The People"! Next, as to your assertion against killing on sacred ground, you are mistaken, my brother. You cited mythology as opposed to history as the foundation for your argument, for one thing (see Tacitus' Germania, Ch.9). But let us stick with the mythological approach for the moment, shall we? Your argument is still ill persuasive and lacking severely. I direct your attention to the Æsir attempting to kill Freya in the guise of Gulveig, by spearing her and then burning her alive, not once but three times, whereby she emerges the third time as Heide! This sets the frame to incite the epic war between the Æsir and the Vanir and this occurred in Asgard. Next, as Allfather Odin was returning to Asgard with the precious mead, 'Odhroerir', seeing that his escape from Suttung was proving difficult the Æsir built a huge fire in Asgard so that once Suttung flew over it, his wings were singed and Suttung fell into the fire which consumed him and killed him! These are but two of several mythological accounts which debase your argument against killing on sacred ground.

On a historical account, our sagas and lore are filled with detailed human sacrifices, especially on sacred ground, at sacred springs and in sacred groves all with a frequency. Not to mention Tacitus' account (supra).

As far as Mr. Remington is concerned, I'm afraid once more, that we were not privy to the circumstances surrounding his suicide. For all any of us know, it may have been "Geirsodd", ritual suicide to Odin in order to avoid the State its opportunity to debase his life and death. Alas, we don't know and so we shall refrain from further comment regarding thus.

To reiterate, however, **we of the HOLY NATION OF ODIN, neither condone, nor condemn the actions of Mr. Lenz and Mr. Remington.** But we certainly do not condone the state sponsored murder of our Folk, nor the misinformed ranting of any journalist's misinformed and ill advised depictions of our beloved faith! Ves Heil, brother.

All queries are paraphrased from larger, letter form context

- the Editor



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R I T E S O F S E J D R

"The great events of our world, as planned and executed by man, do not breathe the spirit of Christianity, but rather of unadorned paganism. These things originate in a psychic condition that has remained archaic and has not been remotely touched by Christianity." *C.G. Jung*

Teutonic and Celtic tribes of the North, the Aryan pagan religions have had deep roots in the practice of Sejdr, many vestiges of which have survived the alien Christianization of the Western world. As Aryan man abandoned his nature-based, spiritual, pagan instincts, our physical environment has continued to digress into the technological and consumer wasteland it has become today. The shift from our folkish ways has corroded our racial soul and left us a people divided.

Through the ever-evolving mythologies and religions, Sejdr has remained essentially the same. Capable of endless adaptation and variation, its core experience was easily assimilated into any number of spiritual paths. In early Europe the earth-centered pagan religion of the Neolithic period would later cross with the sky-centered mythologies and religions of the Indo-European Tribes. Paramount and consistent among all the many ancient sky gods, we find the allfather archetype "Wotan". As the esteemed professor of psychology and psychiatry, Carl Jung, was to state in an essay, "The god of the Aryans is Wotan and not the Christian god." The enigmatic character of Wotan is one of the key most shamanic figures in Aryan paganism.

In the Havamal and early sagas we find many references to Wotan's own personal sejdr initiations. "Sejdr," pronounced "say-ther," is founded on experience rather than dogma, and is not to be considered a formal religion of itself. A sejdadr (male) or sejdkuna (female) is a religious specialist whose gift and whose duty it is to serve their people and folk by mediating between the physical and spiritual worlds through an altered state of consciousness. Sometimes referred to as "the technique of ecstasy", sejdr may well be the oldest spiritual practice of humankind.

In the Teutonic pantheon of Wotanism the working of sejdr originated with the Vanir, being the oldest realm of the gods, and was brought to the Æsir by the sejdr goddess Freyja, who taught the practice to Wotan, having gained his great wisdom by sacrificing his eye in the Well of Mimir. Later he would master the arcane mystery of the runes through sejdr by sacrificing himself for nine days and nights on the world tree Yggdrasil.

In the Aryan religion of Wotanism the world tree is of vital importance to the sejdadr, for it is the symbol of the nine worlds and the road between the three-fold cosmos, which represents the center of all creation. Yggdrasil means "horse of Ygg" and Ygg is a synonym of Wotan. Thus, the world tree itself means "Wotan's horse." The characterized horse of Wotan in the Teutonic pantheon is the eight-legged steed, Sleipner. The eight legs are symbolic of four pallbearers carrying a coffin, as Wotan often traverses to the realms of the dead. The world tree is very significant in Wotanism and sejdr in that it represents the inner tree of man. The human spinal column is as the tree trunk of Yggdrasil. Like Yggdrasil, the root of the spine starts in the lower conscious realm of the body, traveling up to the crown of the head, reaching the vital energy of the higher consciousness. The spinal column serves as the axis mundi, or center of the universe in the body. As the sejdadr in ecstasy travels up and down the cosmic world tree to communicate with the world of the gods and the dead, so we may encourage our own life energy to travel up and down the interior physical world tree, and thus attain the higher self within us.

Wotan has always been referred to as a god of ecstasy and inspiration. He could inspire warriors in battle to a state of berserk rage in which they feared nothing and felt no pain, so intense at times as to cause an out-of-body experience. These battle-hard warriors became well known in the Viking age as the "berserkers" or "bear-shirts," from which they derived their name.

What is known as the 'power animal,' fylgia, is an important aspect of sejdr. Most popular of which are the boar, bear, wolf, raven, eagle, serpent or dragon, stag and the horse. To the sejdr the connection and spirit of a particular power animal is often times necessary to reach beyond human limitations by assuming the essence of its vital force, and has been a long-practiced and effective custom in the martial arts as well.

The sejdadr is an accomplished seer whose works are best conducted in the dark, or at least with the eyes covered in order to see clearly. Some kinds of shamanic seeing can be done with the eyes open, but usually that kind of perception is of less profound nature. In darkness the distraction of ordinary reality lessen their impingement on consciousness, making it possible for the sejdadr to focus on the aspects of non-ordinary reality essential to his work. Drumming, rattling, singing and dancing are the most effective and commonly used tools to reach the desired altered state.

The sejdadr journey is one of the most enlightening tasks to be undertaken, as it provides us the means to reach beyond the sensations of our usual senses. What the sejdr represents is the most wide-spread, ancient Aryan methodological system of mind-body experience and healing known to man.

In today's times we live in a world that is crumbling, a great metabolic decline of Western man, orchestrated by a universalist oligarchy which erodes every facet of our race, heritage and religion. The existing world controllers have drawn an inexorable hard line against blood and tradition. The accumulated experience of past Aryan civilization and cultures has systematically been expelled in a campaign of deliberate genocide through integration and miscegenation. Neither politics, current events, alien religions, territorial imperatives, escapism, militias or utopian dreaming can repair the soul of our people. Our hope, our strength, unity and destiny will never be assured until we begin to rebuild that collective, ethnic focus of mind and spirit found in the cohesive customs of our ancient roots.

The man makes history, the woman is history, but the right order of a people is forged by the creative force of an awakened folk-consciousness. The powers of the blood, our unbroken bodily forces, must resume their ancient lordship. Through this inspired awareness we can perceive our highest potential and reveal that greatness and courage which slumbers deep in the soul of our race.

(Common spelling variations of sejdr: seidr, seitr, seidr, seith)

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WALKING THE NORTHERN ROAD

(Gjallarhorn: Answering the call)

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Political correctness rarely exhibits any respect for the laws of natural order. I therefore submit that any religion which observes the constrictions of political correctness must be spiritually vacant and completely devoid of any validity regarding that which is divine. For certainly that which is divine must exist within the breadth of natural order.

For roughly the past one and a half millennia, Christianity has sought to eradicate and supplant any and every indigenous Tribal religion wherever they have been known to exist. To be sure, these conversions were anything other than benign in the early days of the advent of the Christ faith. Indeed, the contrary is more the instance. The overwhelming majority of them were very violent and even fatal for those whom declined the gift of the new faith. The sheer magnitude of brutality, in fact, dwarfed any of that committed by the Barbarians the Christian Missionaries sought to convert!

Children of those who refused conversion were given unto the Church as mere orphans as though they had been wandering the streets abandoned and alone. This seemingly kind act of benevolent charity is belied by the harsh reality however. These children were little more than chattel and thralls to the church. They were worked to the point far beyond any Third World child slave labor we may decry in the late twentieth and twenty-first centuries. In addition to this deliberate and otherwise criminal lack of welfare, these children, 'Our Ancestors', were often raped by the very servants of the Lord Almighty! They were pimped as child prostitutes by the church's own clerics. After these kinder's parents were either imprisoned, or executed, their property and land was stolen by the church and in some instances, given unto the neighbor of good Christian morals, whom had turned in the barbaric, idol worshiping heathens. This of course was not a reward, but more an 'Appointment Officialis', as it were, by the church whereby, the informant... er, I mean, the good Christian citizen, was charged with the duty to cultivate and harvest the Lord's new land and prosper from his benevolence as a reward for keeping the faith, as it were.

Truth is however, in all fairness, every people of every faith in days of auld, have committed atrocities in the name of their God(s) and nothing has changed in the past millennia. For it continues today in several guises as I commit these very words to print upon this paper. Nor is this essay an indictment against the Christian faith. I've known many a good Christian in my lifetime and still do. In fact, if any indictment merits validity against anyone, then it must surly rest with our own folk! Those of Germanic descent; For such an egregious crime perpetrated against our beloved faith could never have occurred were it not for our faith suffering a corrupt spiritual breakdown at the hands of late eleventh century ancestors whose very greed ushered in the new religious era which nearly annihilated our ancient and indigenous faith. However, though these ancestors of ours may have begun and contributed to this plight, they are in no way to be held accountable for the current state of spiritual poverty and moral bankruptcy the Germanic people suffer. That mantle is one which we today must assume. For the truth and its accompanying facts, have long since existed and been available to any seeker of the truth, courageous enough to seek it out. We all did! Those with a sincere desire to unearth the uncorrupted facts of history and the details of their ancestral culture, heritage and traditions needn't look very hard at all. Nor must they accept the inaccurate, revised, politically correct accounts which are not only lax in form wherefore facts are in regard, they are outright lies!

The Watchman of Asgard, the God Heimdall, has been sounding the Gjallarhorn for quite some time now. He has been calling our folk to return to the elder ways of our ancestors. Pointing out the way back home to us like a compass which never fails... Revealing to us, the Northern Road!

The Gjallarhorn is so mighty that its sound may reach into the depths of all worlds and pierce all time. Listen! Can you not hear its mighty blast? Summoning the holy folk to return home and heed what the old Gods of our noble and hearty ancestors have to say to us today. "ODIN LIVES !" And his sacred wisdom, so hard won, is just as valid today as it was 40,000 years ago:

Orth Mér af orthi	Orthz leitathi
Verk Mér af verki	Verks leitathi
One word from a word	led me to another word
One work from a work	led me to another work

- Allfather Odin, the Hávamál 141

Continued...WALKING THE NORTHERN ROAD

We hear tell quite oft in the Odinist/Ásatrú community at large, the world over, of the “Great reawakening, or Revival of the Elder ways of the North”, which in its current incarnation here in Vinland (North America) may be traced back to the late 1960’s and early 1970’s and the Honorable Drighten, Stephan A. McNallen. A man to which we in the Odinist/Ásatrú community, all owe a great debt of respect to. He is but one sound example of the Gjallarhorn’s call penetrating the twentieth century. This reality of Odin and the other Gods/Goddesses’ existence made manifest by the very word and work of the Honorable Drighten which have led others to the word and work of Allfather Odin. But the mighty Gjallarhorn’s call was heard long before the Honorable Drighten first heard it in the latter part of the 1960’s. Scholars and students alike agree on when and where the Gjallarhorn was initially heard in regards to the great reawakening, in some instances and yet they disagree in others. Was it von List, Löns, Rudd-Mills, the Brothers Grimm, Dumézil, Evola? Truth is, no one can say with a complete certainty. Oh sure, we may date the earliest known, but we cannot be certain that he was in fact the first to answer the call and thereafter, endeavor to reawaken the folk to our indigenous Gods and faith. So much has been destroyed and lost to the very ebb and flow of time. All of the aforementioned men have been instrumental in answering the call of the mighty Gjallarhorn and resolving to incite a renewed desire in our folk towards the end of rekindling the sacred flames which leads us back whence we have come, the Northern Road.

So many among us now, McNallen, Thorsson (Flowers), Holly, McVan, Aswynn, Gundarsson, Britta-Titchnell, Moynihan, Wolff and far too many others here among us now, and those gone to the Gods, to catalog in the scope of this space, have all contributed greatly to the great reawakening. Who was first or most recognized now is a moot issue. What is of paramount import is that the great horn continues to sound and that the holy folk which hear it continue to answer it! The morrow will reveal new minds touched by Odin, and new voices and souls to reinforce the ranks of the Living Einherjar. Those ready to divulge truths long hidden, concealed by liars and cowards. Someone perusing these very words will emerge as the next generation’s voice. Yes you, quiet and content men and women of today. You shall grow weary and exasperated of the moral decay, lies and spiritual poverty! And you shall hear the mighty blast as its call reaches your inner ear and stirs your soul. Having journeyed some 40,000 years, it will pierce the very barrier which technology has erected between you and the majestic honor of the past. And from you, possessor of stalwart character, will the restless Gods stir within your soul, encouraging, “NO!” Imploring you, to take up your place in service to the Gods and folk of the North. Your courageous brothers and sisters of the new dawn, lurking just beyond the Northern horizon. You will lead our children’s children down the Northern Road the way our fathers’ fathers once before us did, and we today do. Against all tyranny and all adversaries who would so gayly deprive you and deny you what is yours by birth!

Strength, courage, honor, integrity, nobility and self respect which all accompany the man, or woman strong enough to command one’s self and one’s life. The ones strong enough to be self reliant and accountable to one’s self. The ones strong enough and brave enough to live independent of the mass/heard! “Independence is a privilege reserved for the strong!”, so scribed Friedrich Nietzsche. If you would command thy self, then you must wield the Hammer of Thor and swing justly, devoid of the guilt, or yoke of oppression and remorse associated with the ill devised concepts of political correctness. The very vices of misplaced guilt and temporal, albeit, instant gratification are designed to rob you of your birthright, or even harboring any interest in it at all! Leave the heard and think for yourselves... More so, think for the future of your descendants.

TODAY is the day! If you have not already answered the call and begun to walk the Northern Road, then today is the day. Begin right this instance. Within your very blood resides the Folk Soul of our Gods and Ancestors... Everyone whom ever lived before you and everyone who will live after you, in your family lineage. You have it within your DNA, the might and fortitude to ascend the fetters of gray slavery and the thralldom of guilt. Leave behind the Bedouin faith. Leave it in the dry and dusty sands whence it emerged from to enslave Fjorgyn’s population! It will never speak to your Northern soul, not truly. It will only fetter your mind with misplaced guilt. That is not living, my brothers and sisters. That is existing. Odinism says “YES” to life!!!

It teaches one to excel and rise up to meet life’s challenges, to embrace all of life’s joys and hardships and to address them with grit, courage and determination. It is all about the majesty of life and participating in it, not being a mere spectator in your own life. It is about you and me walking the Northern Road in the company of Allfather Odin and the Gods/Goddesses of the Æsir and Vanir. It is about listening to the voice of our Ancestors and honoring the ancient traditions which they left us, by affording our heritage and culture the deference of respect and appreciation which they warrant, devoid of any misplaced guilt placed at our feet by the agents of alien faiths and the spiritually broken minions of political correctness.

Say yes to life and yes to a bright tomorrow for our future the way that it was intended for us by those whom paved the road North with their precious blood and efforts, so that we may walk it today and our kinder tomorrow. Answer the call and Fara meth Odin (Go with Odin)!



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“Without the Gods, a soul wanders but is not free.” – An Odinist Proverb

“Gungnir”

**POEMS FROM A RUNERS VIEW
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FEHU

Fehu, Rune of plenty
Fire stave inflamed with wealth
Lead my heart to duty
Lead my heart to health
On one hand you help me to grow
The other to destroy
And in-between you help me know
The minds of Frey and Njord
Fehu, disrupt not my soul
I put my faith in you
Together we will tame the world
And worship what is true

URUZ

Primal fire, primal light
Shaping forces in my life
Of vital strength, virility
And masculine polarity
Leadership abilities
Primordial eternities
Let me see through
The tiger's eye
For Uruz, you
Have become mine

RAIDO

Raido, Rune of motion
Rune of rhythm, song and dance
I cast you in devotion
For right action is my stance
You lead me on my journey
And your rituals I obey
You keep the seasons turning
So that Order has its way
Raido, chariot and sun
You light the rebel's road
So let the ritual now be done
To sing my spirit home

SOWILO

Sowilo, spinning wheel of fire
Radiating power
Lightning bolt sent from the spire
To harken Heimdalls hour
I look to you to see my goal
And then to see success
Victory is in my soul
For that's what you impress
Sowilo, spin forevermore
To guide me when I need it
And know the sign above my door
Will hail - Bare it or Be it

ELHAZ

Elhaz, antlers of defense
Reaching toward the sky
Rune of life that transcends
The space 'tween Gods and I
Uplift my arms in glory
Uplift my spirit too
Spread the hand of protection
And cause it to push through
Through barriers of ignorance
Through barriers of fear
Through each and every circumstance
Let your power be near
Elhaz, lead me to new heights
Then on to victory
Elhaz, shine, shine your light
So the bridge I'll see

THURISAZ

Thurisaz, defend me now
Oh mighty Thorn of Thor
Send your lightning crashing down
To generate once more
The power of a fallen folk
The power of the will
So Chaos renders not its yoke
And my Oaths I can fulfill
Thurisaz, oh bloodstone stained
Fertilize that which would molt
Thurisaz, my plea is plain
Lend me thy Thunderbolt

OTHALA

Othala, you of power
You of freedom petrified
You of love for folk and nation
You of honor, you of pride
Inspire me to greatness
Inspire me to zeal
Help me inspire others
To think, to act, to feel
To feel the coursing spirit
Of ancestry in our veins
To feel our mastery again
So we may take the reins
Othala, you of Wotan
Who discovered you through pain
Othala, hear me from the tree
I give to you the same

LAGUZ

Flowing river, flowing life
Toward a new and lasting sea
Laguz waters, drown the strife
That would keep your growth from me
Deep subconscious, intuition
To the surface you help flow
Primal passage toward fruition
And the things I need to know
In your waters I am drifting
But never aimlessly
For the cleansing flow your gifting
Takes me to my destiny

ISA

The center of my being
Lending calm in times of toil
True self I am now seeing
And no fire can that boil
Inertia and attraction
Pushing, pulling till they're one
Control of all my actions
Defense of what I've won
Hard as diamonds, cold as steel
My inner self now stands
And that's the strength I need to feel
As my life expands

JERA

The Solar Wheel spins once more
And once again, rebirth
A constant flux, an open door
An ever changing earth
But Jera you will always turn
Back toward the things I need
And through each year my crops I earn
Development I reap
So I will work and I will strive
In synch with your accord
For I know you symbolize
The patient mans reward

TIWAZ

Tiwaz, Rune of Tyr
Rune of justice, law and war
Judge me true and clear
By all that's come before
If I've erred, show me the way
When I'm right give victory
Discipline my mind each day
So your path my eyes will see
Tiwaz, Rune of Order
Rune of duty to no lies
Tiwaz lay the border
And I'll lay the sacrifice

PERTHO

How many know your well called Wyrð
How many dare to roll
The dice to which the spirit's steered
To seize Divine Control
How many know you also dance
How many know you feast
Unless they play your game of chance
Their knowledge will be least
Pertho, cause, Pertho, affect
Through Pertho we evolve
Through Pertho grows the intellect
And so life's riddles solved

DAGAZ

Point of balance, unity
Of transcendent means
Inspiring polarity
Synthesizing being
Rune of meditation
Rune of understanding light
Individualization
From the dead of night
Dagaz, you flashed before my eyes
And the darkness ceased
To keep me from the greatest prize
The one of inner peace

INGWAZ

Seed of power, counterpart
Of Berkano's creed
With you the gestation starts
And the spirits freed
To manifest itself in strength
To find its energy
So it will survive the length
Of the Norns decree
Mighty Ingwaz, mighty force
Mighty may I be
It's not unlikely, for, of course
I too am Ivory

BERKANO

From the womb I heard your call
Though I knew not your voice
And though I hope not to forestall
In death I'll have no choice
This is your way, this is your law
Earth mother, we concede
And in it we can find no flaw
For soil feeds the seed
Berkano rules, Berkano knows
That transformation lends
Fertile food to what must grow
And nothing ever ends

EIHWAZ

I traverse the inner axis
Eihwaz, Cosmic Tree
And though I'm wise the fact is
There is so much to see
Whether down in the depths of Hel
Or high in Asgard's keep
The smoky quartz my mind can smell
However mystically
Yggdrasill Rune you unify
The realms of God and Man
Connecting earth and sky
To fulfill the plan
Of endurance and protection
Of the branches, one and all
Completeness is perfection
That's why this Tree won't fall

EHWAZ

Upon the Horse of trust I ride
Toward my destiny
With Freyr's spirit deep inside
Chanting loyalty
Harmonious my partnerships
In marriage as with friends
The steed of true faith never slips
Nor does his journey end
So shoe him well and brush his coat
For Ehwaz, he must shine
The wise ones tell, this Rune is wrote
To keep our folk entwined

MANAZ

Rune of Heimdall, divine spark
Given to each man
Rationality you hark
Intelligence your plan
Branded on the door of Inns
Calling all to mead
And tattooed in my comrades skin
To tell the world he's free
Rune of building homes and men
Manaz, we lift our steins
And know when we see you again
We've seen a noble sign

GEBO

Gebo, gift of the Gods
Generously given
Rune of friendships, vast and broad
Toward which hearts are driven
Your emerald light reminding us
Of earth and hearth and home
And hospitality which thus
Reminds us why we roam
In search of love, in search of smiles
Gebo will lead us there
And tell our hearts all of the while
To never have a care, the gods provide

WUNJO

Wunjo, you uplift me
When life's burdens seem too strong
Your topaz depths, like rays of sun
Make right all that is wrong
The courage and the cheer you bring
Restore what rains wash by
And give me cause to laugh and sing
Where I had thought to cry
Yes, Wunjo, all of this you lend
My kin give thanks to you
With such a joyous will to win
I know we'll never lose

HAGALAZ

As I pause to think of where I head
I think of where I've been
And all the cosmic harmony
That let this trek begin
How Hagalaz, in patient strength
Conjoined the ice and fire
To give the Multi-verse its length
And guide life toward things higher
I see your crystal shards, so clear
I feel your hail of thought
The underworlds I do not fear
For I know they are not
Not anything but what's inside
My deepest, darkest mind
The places where beginnings hide
Are where my cause I'll find
And Hagalaz will show the way
With pure and primal light
And yet, my hand, it's sure to stay
Until the time is right

KENAZ

Kenaz, illuminating
Regenerating kith and kin
Teaching inner guidance
So I know where to begin
Rune of human passion
Flint to start my fire
The artist and the craftsman
Are by you inspired
Kenaz, give me your knowledge
So that I might learn, then teach
Kinship is the college
Where we learn all is each

ANSUZ

Lapis eyes of sky
Transformation and expression
Ansuz, Rune of Gods
And of profound confessions
Poet of the Æsir
Hypnotizing all who hear
Ancestral memory tracing
Back to what's most dear
Magnetic forces fill me
Guided by the voice within
And lead me back to ecstasy
Through consciousness again

NAUTHIZ

Resist with me, oh Nauthiz
All the forces of the Norns
Though I know what the decree is
For resistance I am born
You will guide me through all crisis
Give me bold, heroic will
To bring fire where the ice is
And the death of coldness kill
Oh obsidian, so wanting
To remind us of our needs
Rune to stave off what is daunting
Yet compel us to the deeds
Yes, the deeds which we will manifest
Through friction against force
Let life form its staunchest test
So fate may take its course

“Gungnir”

Poetry and Art by Vidar Uglatekkur Harless, Apprentice Gothi, Holy Nation of Odin, Inc

“Immortal”

We Noble Givers of Self to Self,
live aye, for all time;

Holy Kindred Ye Brothers and Sisters,
follow your ancestral line.

Cowards Choose Oft to Forget,
the majesty of our past;

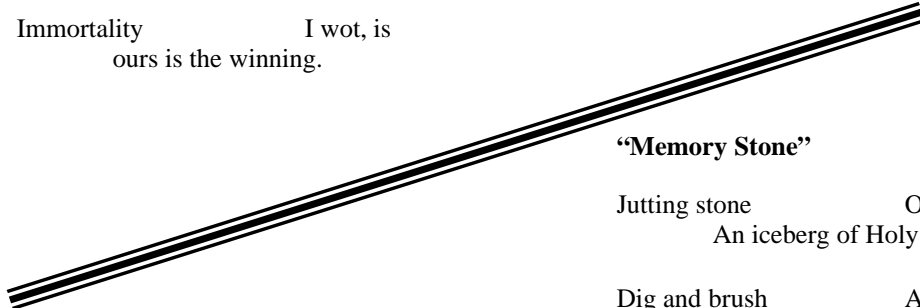
Others Rise Aye Up to the Fore
and reclaim, at long last.

Salvation Lies Not with a God
free we are of “sin”;

Deeply Reflect Follow your Heart
realize the power within

Ours is Aye A Glorious Future,
the norms are weaving;

Immortality I wot, is
ours is the winning.



“Memory Stone”

Jutting stone Out but a peak,
An iceberg of Holy Jörd;

Dig and brush An image long lost,
A battle-oak with sword.

Buried deep aye Like this stone,
Warm, the belly of a beast;

Faithfully helped His ally aye,
Though it be in the least.

Raised this stone A son, I wot,
For his father, in pride;

Glade and wholesome The hero was.
Til his dying day.

Remember all Ye sons of Rig,
The deeps of heroes gone,

And stones raised For you will be aye,
Beyond the next new dawn.



Snowmoon 2257 RE (January 2007 CE)

Sunnadagr	Manisdagr	Tyrsdagr	Odinsdagr	Thorsdagr	Frigg asdagr	Laugardagr
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	↴	↴	☉	↴	↴	↴
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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28	29	30	31	⊕ Days of Remembrance: 9 th day – Day of Remembrance for Raud the Strong 21 st day – Thor Blót		
↴	↴	↴	↴			

Runes: Eihwaz ↴ Perthro ↴ Elhaz ↴

New Moon ● First Quarter ☾ Last Quarter ☽ Full Moon ○

Horning 2257 RE (February 2007 CE)

Sunnadagr	Manisdagr	Tysdagr	Odinsdagr	Thorsdagr	Friggisdagr	Laugardagr
				1	2	3
				Y	Y ○	Y
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y ◐
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y ◐
25	26	27	28	Days of Remembrance: 2nd day – Charming of the Plow 9th day – Day of Remembrance for Eyvind Kinrifa		
Y	Y	↑	↑			

Runes: Elhaz
Y
Sowilo
Y
Tiwaz
↑

New Moon
●
First Quarter
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Last Quarter
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Full Moon
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Lenting 2257 RE (March 2007 CE)

Sunnadagr	Manisdagr	Tyrsdagr	Odinsdagr	Thorsdagr	Friggisdagr	Laugardagr
<p>⊕ Days of Remembrance: 9th Day of Remembrance for Olvir of Egg 21st Summer Finding (12:07 am) 28th Day of Remembrance for Ragnar Lodbrok</p>						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Runes: ↑ Tiwaz ⊕ Berkanō ⊕ Ehwaz ⊕ M

New Moon ● First Quarter ◐ Last Quarter ◑ Full Moon ○

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- Dr. Casper Odinson Cröwell, Ph.D., DD

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from Mrs. Cröwell

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