

# WHAT IS THE FORCE?

We begin by presenting some of our more poetic and theoretical ideas about the great mystery of the Force. These ideas may not seem necessary for practical Force empowerment, but you will find that they have a power that is useful to you nevertheless. For in the Dark Lords' black magickal worldview, thoughts are things, belief is power, and words create reality. There is therefore no purely poetic or theoretical knowledge; every idea offered here is a potential thought-bomb that can set fire to your life, explode your world and shatter your reality.

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## POETIC PERSPECTIVES

### The Force is a Wild Power

The Force is a wild power, like lightning or solar radiation, which can be harnessed by individuals who are capable of receiving and making use of it. The Force can be accumulated by "lightning rods" or "solar panels", giving vitality and energy to those who develop the senses to perceive it. The Force can be transmitted like "bolts of electricity" from Master to Apprentice, awakening and empowering each being in the chain of transmission. The Force can be generated in "power stations" called Temples, from which it can be transmitted to a cult of Templars or an entire society. The Force can be stored in "batteries" such as *Zystones*, weapons, books, jewelry and other artifacts, to be tapped into by the Force-sensitive as needed. The Force can strike at random like an electrical storm—a chaotic, uncontrolled energy that can empower or destroy beings in its path as it wills.

The Force is not a god, for it does not have characteristics of human beings, animals, or any other beings we understand—though it may take such forms to make itself known to us. Nor does the Force take a personal interest in our fate. The Force is a power beyond human comprehension, yet which humans may make use of all the same. The Force is a great cosmic mystery: the disturbing force of nature, the dark machinery of

creation, evolution and destruction, and the key to every revelation, prophecy, invention and conquest that has troubled or transformed mankind down through the ages.

### The Force is Passion

The English word that perhaps comes closest to the meaning of the Force for the Sith is *passion*. Passion is that which burns within our souls, compelling us to act. It is the inner flame that fuels our efforts in this world, giving us the energy and motivation to engage in the struggle for life. We do not view the Force as a principle of peace, or balance, or submission to an external will, like the so-called Jedi do, but a principle of pure passion to be harnessed for self-glorification and conquest.

Force passion can take many forms for our kind. Some of us have a passion for making money; others for self-improvement; others for political power, sexual pleasure, personal adventure, artistic creation, military conquest, scientific discovery, philosophical speculation, athletic competition, religious devotion, or what have you. All of these are expressions of our passion, which in the Sith view are manifestations of our Force power.

Like passion, the Force can be transmitted from person to person. A being with a powerful passion is infectious; he or she can awaken another person's passion simply by being in their presence. Some Sith use their passion to seduce and dominate people individually, in the manner of Rasputin or the fictional Dracula. Others may enthrall and ignite an entire nation with their passion, in the manner of Adolph Hitler or Muhammad.

Passion, like the Force, cannot be reduced to rational understanding or scientific analysis. The more one tries to live life according to some abstract system or to analyse it with rational models, the less one finds passion entering one's life. Indeed, this is the great failing of modern rationalist civilization, which produces many "geeks" who are highly intelligent, but possess so little passion or inner strength. While such nerds may think they are getting their revenge by creating technology companies and becoming billionaires, their victory is rather hollow if they become passionless robots in the process.

Passion, like Force power, is something you are

born with to a certain level, though it can be increased by life experience. Some people are naturally more passionate than others; they show a great lust for life from an early age and burn with intensity to achieve their goals. Such individuals are risk-takers and trouble-makers, whether for good or ill. They may become conquerors, superstars and revolutionaries, or they may die young, be shunned or find themselves behind prison bars for life. Contrast them with the less passionate breed, who may become successful technocrats, solid professionals and pillars of society by never rocking the boat or going to extremes. Such is often considered “success” by the mundane, yet without luck or intelligence, such passionless beings will all too easily succumb to servitude, depression, mediocrity and despair.

Most religions teach that passion is something to be controlled, proscribed, denied—that it is a source of great evil and suffering. Buddhism, for example, is an entire system of thought designed to snuff out passion. For Buddhists, passion is the root of suffering, because it attaches one to the “samsaric” world of illusion rather than liberating one from it. In Islam they speak of the *nafs*, which are our lusts for the things of this world, which are to be deprecated compared to our concern for our eternal life in the world to come. In Christianity, passion is similarly suspect, as an expression of all sorts of worldly, ungodly, demonic desires which can lure men through the gates of Hell.

There are perks and pitfalls in all paths and philosophies of life. As Dark Lords, we choose to live by the creeds of “power is our passion”, “passion is our power” and “the world is ours”. While this may result in an early death or other ignominious end, we feel the risks are worth the potential rewards: immortality and unlimited power!

## **The Force is Fire**

The Force is an invisible inner fire that burns beneath the perceptions of the mundane. In the most powerful beings, it becomes a raging inferno that cannot be contained; it pours forth in great acts of fiery destruction of entire orders or blazing forgings of new ones. In ordinary beings, the Force is a slow burn that generates the energy necessary to live, without causing undue harm to others. In weak beings, the Force is a flickering ember that can barely generate enough psychic heat to survive in a cold world. And when this

ember finally burns out, every being joins the legions of the dead in the Forceless Void.

Every Sith Lord is a spiritual arsonist, who lights Force fires that may grow into great conflagrations that burn down the world. The art of accumulating power the Sith way is learning to gather the fuel for these great conflagrations in secret, stacking up the wood and stoking the hidden flames until they are ready to be unleashed upon the world. This fuel-gathering may take the form of physical training, mental training, writing books and journals, creating symbols and art, making weapons, artifacts and clothing, building temples, performing rituals, seducing others, etc. Each of these activities adds fuel to our fire, which will be called upon to ignite the great Force eruption that will mark our ascent to power. This was the fire spoken of in our visions by the great conqueror to come, Darth Siluzon:

*“The Dark Lords of the Sith were inflamed when my Force fire was unleashed upon this Earth, burning away false hopes, destitute dreams and meager destinies. And the Sith would prove victorious, declaring ‘united we stand, divided we fall’ to be the maxim of men of the light, its time now at an end. In its place we raised the banner of ‘Power is our passion’ as the motto of the new age. We stood up to the men of light as lustful Sith Masters of the Universe and declared: I stand with my Sith Lords at my side, ready to fight you; ready to prove our right to rule; ready to conquer all that is weak; ready to fuel my soul with my burning lust for power. And so, victory was soon ours...”*

And when the existing order has been burned to the ground, the great Sith Lord becomes a worldsmith, forging great works in the furnaces of his Force-heightened mind, then manifesting them in the world of matter. The great temples, starships, armies and empires that burn in our Force visions will pour out of our imaginations and the pages of our books, burning themselves straight onto the crucible of history.

Like fire, the Force is both a destroyer and a creator. The fire that burns down a forest also clears away the old growth so that new life may prosper. The flame that melts raw iron allows it to be forged into stronger and more refined steel.

The Force is a revitalizing fire that erupts out of the Black Sun, enters our thoughts through the burning minds of the Dark Lords, spreads from being to being and consumes the world.

## **The Force is Faith**

The Force is *faith, spirit, soul*—words used by every religion to describe the indescribable. Force is the passionate belief in a power greater than the crude matter of this universe; a spirit which cannot be detected or affected by any material instrumentation; a burning allegiance to a higher principle that guides and drives all things toward their destinies.

In the film *Star Wars*, Darth Vader said to the non-believer Admiral Motti when he mocked his “sad devotion” to the ancient Force religion: “I find your lack of faith disturbing”. And faithlessness is indeed disturbing to a Sith Lord. For without faith, one is denying the greatest power in the universe; without faith, one is denying all metaphysical Sources of power; without faith, one is negating all reasons for passion and reducing existence to a meaningless swirl of atoms in a cold void. This is the not the way of the Sith.

Our faith is an inferno that lights up the Forceless Void with our passion, ignites Force-fire in those who dare to seek it, and drives all matter before us in forms that are satisfying to our souls.

## **The Force is a Rope**

In *The Path of Power*, we wrote:

*To be a Sith Lord is to understand that the Force is a rope to do with as you will and as you must: climb out of pits of despair and make nooses for enemies who stand in the way of your unlimited power!*

By definition, the Force gives you the passion to engage in the struggle for life; it is the antidote to despair, nihilism and apathy, which are simply conditions of Force starvation. You can imagine your Force as a black rope, extending down from a Black Sun above the sky, into whatever pit of despair you may find yourself in. Now imagine this Force-rope attaching itself to your Third Eye and pulling you up, through whatever ceiling limits your ambitions and out of your present milieu of misery, stagnation, failure and weakness.

The Force is also a rope with which to strangle your enemies or hang them high to die; it is a formless fighting energy that can turn anything into a potential weapon. A being with Force power is one with a passion worth fighting for; take that away, and he becomes defenseless, no matter how big a weapon he may hold in his hand.

It is interesting to note that the Quran contains the same metaphor, describing Allah—the Source of Force for all Muslims—as a rope:

*And hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and do not become divided. And remember the favor of Allah upon you—when you were enemies and He brought your hearts together and you became, by His favor, brothers. And you were on the edge of a pit of the Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus does Allah make clear to you His verses that you may be guided. (Surat Al-Imran, 3:103)*

Here Allah is described as a rope that can save one from the pit of defeat in the Hellfire. This is a good example of a form the Force takes in a particular religious tradition. Our interest as formless Dark Lords of the Force is to perceive the deeper nature of the Force that lies beyond all particular forms.

## **The Force is the Will to Act**

To Dark Lords, the Force is not a thoughtform designed to produce passive contemplation, “enlightenment”, “inner peace” or abstract analysis. Rather, it is the inner fuel for action. The Force is that which powers your passion, compels you to act and drives you to conquer. You will know someone is strong in the Force by their active and aggressive nature. You will know someone is weak in the Force by their passive and timid nature. Any other notions of the Force are to us pacifist Jedi nonsense.

As Darth Imperius said:

*The true test of our philosophy is war; the real measure of our Force mastery is power; the highest truth of Sithism is victory.*

Power requires action and victory requires conflict. These things are not obtained by passively meditating upon the Tao of the universe, but by passionately seeking that which one desires,

confronting one's fears and conquering one's enemies. This is the Sith path to Force mastery.

Having said this, there is a place for stillness in our Force praxis, such as the practice of Void meditation. But that is for us a way to calm the mind and clarify perceptions before one's battles, in the manner of the Samurai warriors of old. Void meditation has many benefits for one's health, ability to focus and general awareness, yet it is not an end in itself, but a means to an end—actions which gain power!

## **The Force is Craving**

Baron Julius Evola, the great 20<sup>th</sup> century Italian mystic, wrote the following in his essay "*Knowledge of the Waters*":

The life of all beings, without exception, is ruled by a primordial Force deep inside them. The nature of this force is *craving*: an appetite that is never satisfied, an endless restlessness, an irresistible need and a blind, wild yearning.

Here we have another understanding of the Force, from one of the more potent and insightful minds of the past century. For what is it that drives all beings, if not an insatiable craving—for life, for resources, for knowledge, for pleasure, for power? Can we not measure a being's inner vitality by the degree to which he craves these things? Conversely, is the ascetic, apathetic, passionless being not one in whom the Force is very weak?

Evola's definition could be called the "Satanic" or "Left-Handed" understanding of the Force: i.e., one's Force power is measured by one's passions and hungers, rather than one's ability to deny them in service to some transcendent cause. This is very much in the spirit of the Sith creed of "Peace is a lie; there is only passion." Does this mean that Lords of the Force cannot be ascetic warriors who walk a path of rigorous self-discipline and self-denial? Absolutely not. The Paths of Force-Mastery can be of the Right Hand or the Left; the stoic warrior-monk may command as much Force as any hedonistic sorcerer. Both types crave something, whether that be pleasure, power, wealth, knowledge or self-annihilation via union with God or the Void.

## **The Force is Daring**

Julius Evola, in the above-mentioned essay, also

wrote:

The Force does not give itself up. Take it. Dare.

The 19<sup>th</sup> century magician Eliphas Levi made a similar point in when he spoke of the four maxims of the Magus:

To attain the SANCTUM REGNUM, in other words, the knowledge and power of the Magi, there are four indispensable conditions—an intelligence illuminated by study, an intrepidity which nothing can check, a will which cannot be broken, and a prudence which nothing can corrupt and nothing intoxicate. TO KNOW, TO DARE, TO WILL, TO KEEP SILENCE—such are the four words of the Magus, inscribed upon the four symbolical forms of the sphinx. (from *The Doctrine of Transcendental Magic*)

In Book II of this series, *Masters of the Will*, we wrote:

To be a Sith Superman you must set your sights on the mightiest monuments of power, storm the heavens and seize them for your Empire.

These quotes reflect the Sith philosophy of Force, according to which Force is not something handed to anyone by submission to a God, guru, or holy book, but is a power available only those who dare to seize and master it. Those who choose to live lives of safety, comfort and conditioned existence will find themselves Force-impoverished and enslaved. The act of daring itself is a source of Force, which, like a muscle, must be developed by frequent use until it becomes an addiction that no Dark Lord-to-be would ever wish to break. To live with Force is to dare; to stop daring is to lose Force and start dying.

## **The Mythic Force**

In the realm of myth, it may be said that the Force acts like electromagnetism, gravity and nuclear forces do on the plane of matter. I.e., it is the force that drives heroes on their paths, causes mythic events and creates and destroys the gods.

Imagine being transported to a dimension where gods, demigods and demons manifest in physical form, as solid and real as the people around you.

Further imagine that there is a substance like “black lightning” ever radiating from a Black Sun in the sky, which can be perceived and channelled by the Force-sensitive. Imagine that this black lightning Force can be directed by the gods in this world toward the lesser beings, compelling them to act, bestowing boons upon them, punishing them, etc. Imagine that those who can learn to command this energy can themselves join the ranks of the demons, demigods and gods of this mythic realm, using the Force to reward other punish other beings. Or the Force may be used to launch a full scale attack on enemy gods and demigods, and if you are Forceful enough, you may be able to defeat them, seize their temples and conquer this realm yourself, setting yourself up as the supreme Force Lord of the mythic plane.

Thought of in this way, a great Force Lord is the highest type of Magus: one able to harness the power of existing myths, create new ones, manufacture gods out of pure Force energy and slay existing gods will lethal Force lightning bolts. These are the functions of the Force in its mythic dimension, which may in turn control the fate of empires and the destinies of men on the plane of matter. For we claim that the Force is passionate belief emanating from a transcendental Source, which can animate armies and change the course of history down here on Earth. By conquering first upon the mythic plane, you become the Lord of the realm from which the Force emanates, and thus control the source of the passions that drive men in this material world.

So understand that what we are teaching you here, would-be Dark Lords of the world, is not physical trickery designed to harden a fist or generate heat in your stomach. The highest promise of Force mastery is the ability to project yourself, via your *Third Eye*, into the plane of myth, so that you may become conquerors there, taking your place as the new Gods, Heroes and Emperors of the World.

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## CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES

### The Force as a Historical Reality

Throughout the world and down through history, people have spoken of a mystical vital energy that permeates the universe and animates all living beings. They have given this energy many names —*chi, ki, prana, mana, shakti, barâkâ, Great*

*Magical Agent, vril, od* and many others. In view of this, it might seem obvious that the Force exists. Why else would human beings from every age, some living in isolation on remote islands, deserts and plateaus, all come to believe in such a thing? Every people have spoken of the stars and developed ideas about them; no one doubts the existence of the stars. Shouldn't the same be true of this Force?

In fact, there may be only one civilization in history that doesn't have a notion of this Force: the modern industrial West, of which you are probably a member. This civilization alone has dispensed with such mystical notions, accepting only those ideas which can be rationally justified, scientifically demonstrated, technologically implemented or economically profited from. This condition of spiritual impoverishment has been named, with typical arrogance, the “Age of Enlightenment” by the exponents of this school of thought, though in reality it is an age of profound metaphysical ignorance. Nevertheless, in view of the undeniable material power of Western industrial civilization, and the relative poverty and impotence of societies that remained in the grip of mystical notions like the Force, one must ask: if this Force is real, and it conveys great power, why did civilizations that believe in it stay so weak, and why did the Western civilization that denies its existence conquer so much of the world? These are vital questions, to which any would-be Sith Force-seeker and man of power must find compelling answers.

### The Force Starvation Crisis

Our response to the puzzle just posed is to observe the state of the modern world through our Force-aware Third Eyes and note some troubling facts. It appears to us that Force-denial is having a long-term, degenerative influence that operates across centuries and threatens to topple modern civilization, just as it toppled Christendom, Rome, Egypt and other dominant civilizations before it.

We see, for example, that depression, drug addiction and obesity are at all-time highs in the United States of America; birthrates are at all-time lows in Europe and Japan; millions of young people, who should be out seeking adventure, magick and power in the world, live larval existences in video game fantasy worlds or peck away at smartphones and computers. Across this civilization we find a lack of cultural confidence, a

tendency for people to deprecate themselves, and a constant chasing after fads, all of which suggest widespread weakness rather than strength. Nihilism, cynicism and “snark” are the norm; people who burn with passion for a greater existence or a more magickal world are mocked and scorned. Vast numbers of people born and raised in this civilization desperately seek alternatives in every type of exotic religion, philosophy and lifestyle. Endless wars are fought, but none ever seem to be won, because the will to do what is necessary to win them is simply lacking.

So the signs of a deep malaise, discontent and impoverishment are everywhere for those who know how to look. There is a profound sickness eating away at the foundations of the modern world, yet it remains largely under the radar of those Force-blind ones who don't know how to measure it, or simply refuse to see it, and continue to confidently assert that this is the greatest civilization of all times and these are the greatest people ever seen.

For the Dark Lords and others with Third Eyes to see, such claims are rather laughable. Look around, search your feelings, and ask yourself a few questions: Does this civilization fill you with deep awe? Does this culture feed your soul? Does this economic system build great monuments for the ages? Do these flabby folks look like the most powerful, impressive people of all times to you? We say: No! No! No! and No! And the reason for this is clear to us: because this is a civilization ruled by Force-starved weaklings, who deny the vital source of inner power and magickal potency, and thus have created a hollow order that rots from the inside out and spreads its Forceless sickness like a plague across the world.

Having said all this, it is easy to criticise and tear down, but much harder to build up something in its place. Critics of modern civilization are commonplace, but few seem any better than those they are criticizing. Therefore, if the Sith are to build a new order, we must first build new people, one body, mind and soul at a time. And the key to this building process is to reawaken to and reclaim the source of Force power which is our birthright; the source which every ancient people spoke of and knew to be the key to their success. This is the key we call *the Source*, which we will discuss in detail in the next chapter.

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## SITH PERSPECTIVES

The Sith Order founded by the Dark Lords in Imperial Year One (2011 C.E.) was directly inspired by a bolt of Force from the Galaxy Far, Far Away. Inspired by a revelation, they have adopted the mythos of that universe for our own—particularly its ideas about the Force, Sith, Jedi and the Empire.

In the Star Wars universe, the most well-known description of the Force comes from Jedi master Obi-Wan Kenobi, who described it this way in the original film:

“The Force is what gives a Jedi his power. It's an energy field created by all living things. It surrounds us and penetrates us. It binds the galaxy together.”

Thus the Jedi view the Force as a vital energy whose source is life itself; a mystical field that connects all beings, very similar to the universal life energy called *prana* in the ancient Hindu scriptures and *chi* in traditional Chinese thought.

Jedi Grand Master Yoda described the Force as a peaceful power, saying “A Jedi uses the Force for knowledge and defense, never for attack.” In the Jedi view, the Force has a moral dimension, with their side claiming the moral superiority of passivity, balance, humility and obeying the will of the Force. Those who used the Force to build an order that threatened the Jedi's control of the galaxy were branded evil “Darksiders” who were “too dangerous to be left alive”—much like witches and heretical sects were once labelled by the all-powerful Church of medieval Europe. Like the priests who were concerned with men's souls falling to the Devil, the Jedi's great concern was preventing Force-users from falling to the Dark Side—meaning developing to a passion for power and selfish gain through the Force. Thus the Jedi echo the ideology of other “Light Side” or “White Light” religions, with their deprecation of passion, lust and egoism, and their attempt to use morality to maintain their political power. For the Jedi, the Force was really an “anti-Force”, in that it was used as a means to extinguish the passions of others and oppose their ambitions for power. This, for the Sith, is a heretical inversion of the whole meaning of the Force, and proof of the spiritual sickness of the Jedi and others of their ilk.

An incident in the first *Star Wars* film showed the Sith perspective on the Force. Darth Vader, speaking to the Imperial high command aboard the Death Star, told them: "Don't be too proud of this technological terror you've constructed. The ability to destroy a planet is insignificant next to the power of the Force." As if to demonstrate this fact, he proceeded to Force-choke Admiral Motti when Motti mocked Vader's "sad devotion to that ancient Jedi religion" and showed a "lack of faith" that Vader found "disturbing". We can easily imagine Darth Vader taking control of the entire Death Star in this manner and thereby proving his claim. Throughout the film, Vader demonstrated absolute certainty of purpose and overpowering will—sure signs of his tremendous Force power. As a Sith Lord, Vader understood that the power to control men's minds trumps all technology, and the secret to this power is a passionate belief in one's cause. This is the aspect of the Force that we stress at our Order: the Force as passionate belief which dominates oneself and others, not a means to move objects with the mind. Our main interest is mastering techniques of Force sorcery that work upon the deep minds of ourselves and others, in order to awaken their passions and bend them to our Sithy wills.

### **The Sith Lord's Quest**

The great quest of the Sith Lord is for a Source of unlimited power; that is the Holy Grail of our kind. We delve into every kind of open and occult knowledge and pursue every sort of path, looking for the keys to more Force power.

For some, this quest is mystical, leading them to pursue esoteric inner visions, advanced meditations, yogas and the like. For some it is magickal, driving them to study black sorcery, ritualism and demonology. For some it is scientific, drawing them to a deeper understanding of nature and control of the physical universe. For some it is artistic, inspiring them to pursue aesthetic visions and artistic creations. For some it is personal, compelling them to seek out a guru or partner who can empower or ignite a fire within them. For some it is physical, leading them down a path of visceral trials, body-mastery and athletic adventures. For some it is shamanic, taking them on a journey of psychonautic awakening and nature immersion. For some it is religious, calling them to find themselves in the fanaticism and devotion of a religious community. For some it is

combative, driving them to seek glory and vital existence in combat with other men.

All of these paths may lead one to a Source and bring a potent accumulation of Force power. The mystic may awaken a transformative inner power; the magician may discover a ritual that unlocks the power of the gods; the scientist may discover a formula for the machinery of the universe; the artist may create a masterpiece that gives birth to a new culture; the seeker may find a guru who explodes her world beyond previous imagining; the athlete may become a champion who is immortalized and lionized; the shaman may become a prophet who brings a new vision to his tribe; the fanatic may become a revered saint, sage or hero of his faith; the warrior may become a conqueror and a founder of a new empire.

Let it therefore never be supposed nor said that there is only one true path to Force mastery, nor one proper type of Force master. The paths to Force power are infinite, and they are beyond all attempts at categorization and reduction to fixed doctrines. You will know that a path is worthwhile when you can sense the Force power of those who walk it. If you find that a particular path is producing people who have the sort of Force you seek, then that is a path worth exploring. But if you find the people of some path, regardless of the titles or accolades they have gained, appear weak in the Force to your Third Eye, then that is a path to avoid.

To find your own true path of Force power, you must be willing to go far off the beaten tracks and into the dark and forbidden wastelands if you feel so drawn, regardless of the scorn or shame that cowardly, Forceless beings may heap upon you. For the quest of the Sith seeker is a lonely and dangerous one, and it is not likely to make you popular. If you follow where your Third Eye takes you, expect to find yourself upon a lonely peak, with only the stars and the Black Sun above you and the plains and the mundanes below you, and yourself, caught like unforged steel upon the anvil of the gods. *That* is where the great Sith seekers must find themselves, if they are to become true Lords of the Force!