

## IRON PENTACLE SERIES

### In the Name of Passion

#### Part 2

When I did Wyrdd-Web-Weaving, years ago, I wove my way to the word, “zeal.” This, to me, is how passion feels and manifests. Your experience, of course, may differ.

- zeal Pronunciation: \ˈzēl\ Function: *noun* Etymology: Middle English *zele*, from Late Latin *zelus*, from Greek *zēlos* Date: 14th century

: eagerness and ardent interest in pursuit of something

synonyms see [passion](#)

Let’s try to unhook our definitions of passion from those of Mirriam and Webster.

Ours is a tradition of Selfhood. The idea behind the word-webs is to

- 1) reveal the ways our very language defies our magic--causing us to redefine the words we use (and become Wyrdd-Weavers) and
- 2) to build webs and bridges between the words we use so our language sustains us and our magic.

If our magic is to become Integrated and Whole, why would we invoke something as volatile as Passion into our lives? Talker will certainly disagree that this is a good idea. Fetch, impressed that passion is dangerous, will take the word-idea of Passion and hide it amid layers of complexes rather than carry it to the third of us who is God.

Do you see? We need to lay claim to language so that Talker and Fetch can cooperate in our magic. If either one refuses to participate, they do not carry the message to Godself and the magic is reduced to just another idea that didn’t go anywhere.

The dictionary's definitions of Passion are not sustainable. In fact, the dictionary definitions would convince us that passion is a dangerous and destructive force; that if we follow our passion we will hurt people, go broke, become addicts, and grow warts on our noses like those terrible and evil Witches . . .

Oh wait! Witches! That's *us!* . . .

The dictionary is a tool of Talker. Talker is very good at defining and making rational sense of things, concepts, ideas. Talker loves *reason*. Passion is an emotion. It is something we *feel*. Passion is *unreasonable*. It is, in fact, the *opposite of reason*.

And now, so quickly, we come to crux of it! Passion is an emotion. Powerful. Unreasonable. Irrational. Dangerous. Destructive. Volatile. Seductive. Untrustworthy

We don't trust Passion.

We don't trust our emotions.

*If emotion is seated in the Fetch what does this say about our relationship to our Wild Nature?*

## **TRUST**

1. Notice your emotions and emotional states. Do you trust your feeling? Do you follow it?
2. Notice your Fetch and hir impulses and instincts. Do you trust them? Do you follow them? Do you trust Fetch?
3. Notice your rational and thinking states. Do you trust your reasoning? Do you follow it?
4. Notice your Talker and hir thoughts and motivations. Do you trust and/or follow them? Do you Trust Talker?
5. Notice your spiritual and ecstatic states. Do you trust your Being? Do you follow it?

6. Notice your Godself and Hir communications and perceptions. Do you trust/follow them? Do you trust Godself?

### **Wyrrd-Web-Weaving**

Look up the words *feminine*, *hysteria*, *lunar* for an interesting foray into the deeply entrenched misogyny and mis-*maginy* of our language. What does this have to do with how we perceive emotion, feeling and passion?

Look up two other words from the above raving and ranting of yours truly. Use the exercise as a way to weave webs and build bridges. Use the dictionary to help you claim language you find disturbing. There is power there.

### **Embodying Passion**

If passion is an impulse which precedes any movement, spend 10-15 minutes each day identifying your impulse so you have a Body-Sense of Passion.

Where is Passion located in your body?

What happens to your breath when passion arises?

Your heart-rate?

Your temperature?

Your tone of voice?

Your genitals?

Your salivary glands?

Once you have an understanding of what Passion feels like in your body, notice what happens in your etheric, auric and God bodies.

### **Identify and Name:**

Give yourself about an hour or two to do this assignment.

Align your souls and make Kala on any complexes which might be standing in the way of your Passion. If you feel your passion burns to hot and bright (sparks with no results) make Kala. If you feel your passion is sluggish and muddy (can't seem to access it at all), make Kala. If you are afraid, make Kala. If you are ashamed, make Kala. If

Passion causes guilt to arise in you, make Kala. (and, we have a lifetime, so don't try to do this all at once).

With souls aligned and cleansed of what stands in the way of this particular working, allow yourself to dream. What makes your heart sing? What makes your spirit soar? What are some things you do that make you feel sexy? Self assured? Proud? Powerful? What are you good at? What is it you love to do?

Jot down notes. What do these things have in common? How often do you do them? What effect does your engaging in these activities have on those around you? Have you ever thought to make Ha while doing them?

In naming and identifying Passions, we are less concerned with causes ("I am passionate about saving the whales," for example) as we are with that instinctual impulse to action ("I reach for the flute instinctively." Or, "I start doing that and before I know it hours go by.")

Name your Passions. Make a list. Keep writing until you can't think of anything else. Your list can be long or short. Set it aside. We will come back to it.

### **Passionate People**

Again, aligned and Kala, think about the most passionate people you know. In this case, please frame "passionate" in positive terms. We are looking for role models and way to help Talker and Fetch understand what healthy Passion looks, feels, smells and tastes like.

We have discussed Passion as an impulse and emotion. Here, we are defining passion as a quality or characteristic.

Your list of passionate people should not include famous people, but family and folks you know. List their names. What other qualities, besides passion do they have? What other qualities do they have in common. Take notes. Set these aside.

*Note: You do not have to sniff or lick any of the passionate people although they are probably pretty lickable as passion is a delectable quality. You may only lick or sniff them if you are passionate about it and they consent.*

### **Iron Pentacle**

Having focused for 2 weeks now on Passion, how does running Iron Pentacle feel? Are

you noticing any changes? How does the energy flow from Power to Passion to Sex as you run energy Through the Points? How does it flow from Self to Passion to Pride as you run it Around the Edge?

How is the focus on Passion affecting the other points and the pentacle as a whole?

How is the focus on Passion affecting your life, relationships and responsibilities?

### **Passion Flower Prayer**

This week, as you align your souls, use the following rendition of the Flower Prayer. Keep a journal close by so you can jot down any impressions, images, or answers you receive to your prayer.

*Who is this flower above me?*

*What is the passion of this god?*

*I would honor myself in all my parts.*

### ***Before Next Proceeding to Part 3 --***

*Please procure a red taper candle. 5-7" should be perfect. Also, choose an oil (scented or essential) that uplifts you. Set these aside. You'll be using them in a ritual for Passion next week.*

### **More Notes:**

There is a kind of passion born of water which rises, flows and cleanses. There is a kind of passion born of fire which sparks, inspires, ignites. These twinning, twining passions embrace and what is born of their union is commitment (self), will (power), responsibility (pride) and manifestation (sex). Our magic needs passion to be true.

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Passion is not obsession. Passion is not co-dependence. Passion is not pathos.  
Passion is not irresponsible. Passion is not addiction. Passion is not a drug to get high on.

Passion is life force. Passion is the fuel we need to empower our magic.

When we diminish or silence our passion we diminish our life force.

Listen to Passion—it gives rise to Wisdom. If we follow our Passion we are doing our Work.

The Artist, the Genius . . . these *cannot* deny passion.

Passion is the key to our creative capacity (sex). It is fueled directly by Power as we run energy Through the Points.

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We have a tendency, when discussing Passion, to think of it in terms of, “Finding our passion.” Other ways this is stated is to find our Purpose, our Life’s Work, etc.

We are not talking about that Passion, here. You *may* stumble upon that if you seriously practice Iron Pentacle *for it’s own sake* for some time. But, we are not concerned here with career counseling. In truth, our Purpose may be to help that little old lady across the street, stand up for the kid who was bullied in fourth grade, send a donation to Puerto Rico tonight. Our lives have purpose without it being The Purpose. Worry less about that and more about passionately living your life.

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