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Chapter 1 : Sacred Art in East and West: Its Principles and Methods, Titus Burckhardt

The Church is not indifferent to the arts and in a multitude of ways has expressed her concern for the renewal of culture in society and a rediscovery of the sacred in religious culture.

Art, Skill and Work Titus Burckhardt: The Foundations of Christian Art. Alchemy – Science of the Cosmos, Science of the Soul. Art of Islam, Language and Meaning. Introduction to Sufi Doctrine. The Essential Titus Burckhardt. Titus Burckhardt in Granada, Burckhardt devoted his life to the study and exposition of the different aspects of Wisdom tradition. He was a frequent contributor to the journal *Studies in Comparative Religion* along with other prominent members of the school. This is an intellectual masterpiece which analyzes comprehensively and with precision the nature of esoterism as such. This work clearly established Burckhardt as the leading exponent, after Schuon, of intellectual doctrine and spiritual method. Much later – in a series of articles published in both French and German in – he covered the cosmological ground very fully indeed, and also made many detailed references to the main branches of modern science. Not unconnected with his interest in cosmology, Burckhardt had a particular affinity with traditional art and craftsmanship and was skilled in the evaluation of traditional architecture, iconography, and other arts and crafts. In particular, he dwelt on how they had been – and could be – turned to account spiritually, both as meaningful activities which by virtue of their inherent symbolism harbor a doctrinal message, and above all as supports for spiritual realization and means of grace. Here of course it is a case of *scientia sacra* and *ars sacra*, these being the two sides of the same coin. This is the realm of the craft initiations of the various traditional civilizations, and specifically of such things, in the Middle Ages, as operative masonry and alchemy. Science of the Cosmos, Science of the Soul, a brilliant presentation of alchemy as the expression of a spiritual psychology and as an intellectual and symbolic support for contemplation and realization. Many extracts from this book are included here. His main activity during these years was the production and publication of a whole series of facsimiles of exquisite illuminated medieval manuscripts, especially early Celtic manuscripts of the Gospels, such as the Book of Kells and the Book of Durrow from Trinity College, Dublin and the Book of Lindisfarne from the British Library, London. This was pioneer work of the highest quality and a publishing achievement which immediately received wide acclaim both from experts and the wider public. The historians of science have thought in their studies to discern in alchemy a primitive chemistry and the roots of the modern science whose name derives from alchemy. The psychologists, beginning with C. Jung, who devoted two works to the subject, regard alchemy as a psychology couched in the language of metallurgy. Rarely has a study been made of alchemy as a science of the soul in the light of a spiritual principle that manifests itself at once in the soul and in the cosmos and therefore relates soul and cosmos, or the microcosm and the macrocosm, intimately to one another. In fact one can say that the book under review is the first work in which integral alchemy, as a spiritual science of the soul but related both in language and inner correspondence to the cosmos, has been elucidated both with precision and in depth. In this as well as many other passages the author has expounded not only the principles of alchemy but also of all traditional cosmology, and even of art which is closely connected with it. That is, alchemy seeks to lead man by stages from the *materia prima* to the state of purity which makes possible the wedding of soul and Spirit, the moon and the Sun. It is noteworthy that the author of this work has written several outstanding books on Islamic esotericism or Sufism as well as on the traditional art of East and West. He has applied knowledge of both the above subjects as well as his intimate knowledge of the metaphysical and cosmological doctrines of other traditions especially of Hinduism, where Tantrism presents many striking resemblances to alchemy to the clarification and elucidation of basic alchemical symbols and doctrines. In this manner he has made clear certain questions which no other contemporary book had been able to explain satisfactorily. The chapters of the book, starting with a short historical introduction, deal with nearly every aspect of alchemy, from an explanation of its language to the discussion of planets and metals, the elements, the *materia prima*, sulfur,

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quicksilver and salt and the alchemical marriage. In addition to the text, the book abounds in illustrations from different alchemical manuscripts, some made available for the first time in this work. The appearance of this book in English should correct once and for all many errors prevalent in this field. It should make clear to historians of science, of whom at least some would agree with this point of view, that although alchemy did give birth indirectly to chemistry, yet if we are to study it scientifically we must take full account of its unified world view according to which the events in the soul of man and in nature are inextricably connected; this inner correspondence between man and nature is something that has been forgotten by modern man including the chemists. It should also show up the serious limitations and errors of any purely psychological interpretation of alchemy such as would seek to study the psyche without reference to the luminous world of the Spirit which alone can comprehend the soul, in the sense of both encompassing and understanding. For students of art and comparative religion in general this work is also of great significance. From the point of view of translation this book has been well done; its presentation is also excellent, with very few errors. A short list of the names and dates of alchemists and a bibliography of works on the subject add to its usefulness. One could wish, however, that some of the sentences which appear only in Latin had been followed by their English translation thus making this easier to read for all and sundry.

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In no sense, then, can pure abstraction be called a Christian vision, though it may point in directions that are helpful to Christian art. The Christian vision of creation holds that all things are to be restored in Christ.

In the earlier Enlightenment tradition, the Italian revival of antiquity that eventually passed to France and other nations of Europe was understood as representing the beginning of a more secular, modern era, marked by the triumph of reason over the religiosity of the Middle Ages. This trend reached its canonical form in the work of Jacob Burckhardt and John Addington Symonds in the 18th and 19th centuries. Foundational Works The concept of the Renaissance as a period in European political, intellectual, and cultural history, has its origins in the writings of 18th- and early 19th-century historians, including such notables as Voltaire and Johann Winckelmann. History of Art by Its Monuments: Longman, Brown, Green, and Longmans, The Poetry of Christian Art. A devout Catholic and royalist, Rio was influenced by German philosophers and art historians including Rumohr. In later chapters, Rio explores the development of 15th-century Italian painting, climaxing in the early work of Raphael. Rio influenced the thinking of Ruskin and the Pre-Raphaelites. Rumohr, Carl Friedrich von. He shared this enthusiasm with the group of expatriate German painters known as the Nazarenes. Updated edition with introduction by Julius von Schlosser, Italienische Forschungen. The Stones of Venice. Lectures on Architecture and Painting, delivered at Edinburgh in November 1817. Corette da molte errori e illustrate con note. Edited by Giovanni Bottari. This edition contributed materially to the later 18th- and 19th-century interest in Italian Renaissance art, and formed the basis for the nine-volume Gaetano Milanesi edition of 1856. Users without a subscription are not able to see the full content on this page. Please subscribe or login. How to Subscribe Oxford Bibliographies Online is available by subscription and perpetual access to institutions. For more information or to contact an Oxford Sales Representative click here.

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Titus Burckhardt was a renowned expert on the art of traditional worlds. This book takes the reader through the history of Christian art, focusing especially upon architecture, iconography, and illumination.

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forms as there were personalities who could articulate their pain. Manifestations ranged from the poignant, the silly, and the cynical to eruptions of the diabolical. A multitude of schools of abstraction developed cryptic languages from which one may decode variations on the theme: The artist has become the paradigm of the lonely hero wandering in an absurd and hostile environment. He becomes the mythic quester for whom there is no holy grail. Reality begins and ends in his ego. Cut loose from a hierarchical cosmos, he must now stagger around this existential landscape, searching for his own lost face. In a world deprived of faith, the redemptive value of the Cross could only appear as an absurdity. Klee and a host of gifted creators were among the first victims of the cold winds which nineteenth century philosophy were blowing over the flesh of man. Sartre, Camus, and other existentialists offered a philosophy of heroic despair, a form of modern stoicism which for a time provided the motivation to create. Moreover, Hitler and Stalin had tried to suppress the avant-garde and to harness realism to the cause of propaganda. The avant-garde mistook this as proof that their movements were instruments of liberation. They did not see that when violent revolution collapses in tyranny it will tolerate no kind of revolution other than its own. The anti-materialism of abstraction is clearly concerned with the spiritual, but so too was the ancient heresy of Manichaeism; its dualistic vision of matter and spirit bears some resemblance to the theories of abstraction. There is a similar attempt to liberate spirit from matter through an asceticism which at times approaches hatred of the flesh. In no sense, then, can pure abstraction be called a Christian vision, though it may point in directions that are helpful to Christian art. The Christian vision of creation holds that all things are to be restored in Christ. Matter is to be transfigured, not escaped or annihilated. Even Kandinsky implied that the greatest works may lie not in the direction of absolute abstraction but back along the line toward the cognitive image that has been freed of materialism. We shall not cease from exploration And the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started And know the place for the first time. The contemporary religious artists is learning that if total abstraction is not the natural habitat of the sacred, neither is its opposite, photographic realism. A tenth-century Chinese painter, Ching Hao, expressed it well: He who tries to express spirit through ornamental beauty will make dead things. Merely to reproduce the visible field is not an act of creation, however exact it may be. It is largely an extension of the eye, in much the same manner as the camera. The power of real art is that it selects and eliminates in order to focus. Even photography may become an art when the photographer achieves precisely this level of economy. The truth of the image rises or falls with how clearly the artist focuses on what is essential. Genuine vision cannot be detached from moral sense, for the artist must paint from an awareness of grace as it appears in nature. He may or may not call it grace or recognize its source, but if he is aware of it then his work will be effective. In the work of numerous contemporary artists there is a process of gazing into nature and human experience, a consciousness of reality which is speculative and contemplative. It moves beyond a literal vision of life, yet avoids the opposite pole of fantasy. It produces what is called in literary criticism the anagoge, an interpretation of a word, passage, text, or in this case a visual image that finds beyond the literal, allegorical, and moral sense a fourth and ultimately spiritual or mystical sense, that is rooted in natural law. Thus, an artist may paint an image of a poor man, for instance, not as social commentary or to arouse sentiments of any kind, but as an act of revelation. Through the vulnerability and limitations of his subject the artist enlarges our grasp of the existential poverty of the human condition. The subject matter is ourselves. The viewer is not asked to analyze his state. He does not rest in a surface account of reality, nor in a sociological, psychological, or formalistic critique of the work. He is led into wider rings of mystery. What the anagoge is about is no less than illumination. This sheds light on the false conflict between being and doing. In focusing on being, the anagoge leads the viewer to a state of union with the subject matter. In the example of the poor man this would effect a deep and lasting identification with the poor. He remains an observer, a consumer of imagery. Through imagery that springs from authentic sources in the interior life, including religious symbolism, dreams, icons, anagoges and a host of other forms man develops languages with which to communicate the inexpressible. As what lies buried and unresolved within him is brought to light, the truth, literally, can set him free. It is an image of the human condition in the twentieth century. The beauty of the

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unbridled horse, free in its natural power, is about to be confronted by the unnatural force of a machine. Will all that is creative, intuitive, and mystical be obliterated by the destructive aspects of blind mechanisms? Will the omni-competent State prevail over the truly human community? Will the bomb have the final word, or will the poem? The artist does not tell us. His task here is to present a revelation of polarities. It is a cry of protest rising from the spiritual intuitions of a people, mediated through the voice of its artist. This faculty is of high value in any healthy society. But in overtly suppressive regimes there are no protests which fail to produce the disappearance of the protester. This begs the question: Surely this phenomena points to the deadening of spiritual faculties in any materialist society, including our own. It is a warning. It tells us that we are being violated. As the cultural revolution reaches its final phases, the rendering down of the miraculousness of being proceeds apace. Only the eyes of Christian hope can gaze unflinchingly into the darkness of our times. The artist of hope creates images of man restored to the imago Dei, the image and likeness of God within us.

This sumptuously illustrated collection brings together two of Burckhardt's major essays-'The Foundations of Christian Art' and 'The Decadence and Renewal of Christian Art'-along with several shorter pieces the generous and well-chosen illustrations add a further dimension to these fundamental texts.

Surely this phenomenon points to the deadening of spiritual faculties in any materialist society, including our own. In Moscow we were suffering, one painter said. We were dying and starving, but we loved each other, we artists. I hate your country, said another. There, they kill us, but here they kill the heart. You are already dead. You are a dead people! This, from a former professor at the Moscow Art Institute, a man hounded by the KGB, with half of his friends dead or missing. A violent complex emotion was released in these harsh words, a reaction that we ignore at our own risk. He gave voice to what is felt by most expatriate artists in my acquaintance: We listen without hearing, look without seeing. It is not that the immigrant artist produces imagery too esoteric for comprehension or limited by a provincial experience. On the contrary, his suffering has allowed him to break through to perception of universal truths, the perennial object and language of art. The modern North American simply has no time, inclination, or apparatus to read correctly the face of reality. The pain of this is especially acute for those Christian artists who had survived in Soviet states by making clandestine religious imagery, some of them willing to live as non persons at great sacrifice in order to pursue their art. They cannot understand why there is so little interest in their work in the West, despite the fact that it is usually technically and spiritually superior to that produced by our own small number of religious artists. The dearth of Christian artists in the West is an additional puzzle, for it would appear that many avenues of development lie open to gifted persons of faith. No imprisonment, death, or even destitution await them here. But the West is no longer Christian and is sliding rapidly into various forms of paganism. The refugee can well understand a pagan state functioning according to its convictions, but it is a cause of surprise and bitterness for him to find a local church culture that in many places has become sterile and invaded with the utilitarian spirit. A great majority of our churches are full of opulent decoration in poor taste, and outfitted with cheap factory art, devoid of a sense of real art, presence, or reverence. To speak out against this degradation of the House of God merely strikes the Western ear as pride or as a violation of the democratic spirit. To the European eye, however, it is clear that some great crime, some colossal but unmentionable tragedy, has occurred in North American church culture. Only in propaganda art is an image considered slave to ideology, a truth not lost on those who have endured ersatz culture. It is a surprise, then, for the newcomer to find in North American churches the employment of art not so much as incarnation of the truth, which is its proper role even in the most catechetical liturgical art, but as a decorative advertisement for the truth a subtle but important difference. In *Painting and Reality*, Etienne Gilson laments that churches have largely become so many temples dedicated to the exhibition of industrialized ugliness and to the veneration of painted non-being. Gilson asserts that an authentic religious image has a being of its own which does not merely reflect what is already created but adds a new dimension, a unique enlargement of our understanding of the image of God. Degenerate religious art may have a rudimentary existence, but it is not authentic. It propagates falsehood and thereby removes man from an awareness of what truly exists. Bad music, bad statues and pictures are irreligious, because everything corrupt is irreligious. She further states, Indifference to art is the most serious sign of decay in any institution; nothing bespeaks its old age more eloquently than that art, under its patronage, becomes literal and self-imitating. The Restoration of Culture In fact, the Church is not indifferent to the arts and in a multitude of ways has expressed her concern for the renewal of culture in society and a rediscovery of the sacred in religious culture. In , the Vatican Collection of Modern Religious Art opened with a dazzling display of works of twentieth century religious art, a collection which continues to expand. Pope Paul VI inaugurated the exhibit with an address to an international group of artists, reassuring them that, It is not true that only a determined criteria of the art of the past has free and exclusive entrance

here. It is not true that the dominant criteria of contemporary art are madness, passion, purely cerebral and arbitrary abstraction. Paul VI recognised that however much highly creative persons might be estranged from the Church, they had not become alienated from the sacred, for there still exists in this arid secularised world. If for more than a century the Christian community has not been producing a genuinely religious art it is largely because such insights so rarely penetrate to all levels of the Church. Occasionally there emerges a gifted artist who is also a believer, and such individuals may be led to serve the cause of Church art, but they must navigate a minefield of adversity. But the presence of a William Kurelek or a Georges Rouault is not sufficient evidence that a renewal of sacred art is in fact underway. By far the majority of creative people in our time have turned away from organized religion, and even disavow any connection with the sacred. 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become the paradigm of the lonely hero wandering in an absurd and hostile environment. He becomes the mythic quester for whom there is no holy grail. Reality begins and ends in his ego. Cut loose from a hierarchical cosmos, he must now stagger around this existential landscape, searching for his own lost face. Paul Klee, himself an abstract impressionist, wrote in his Diaries that The more horrible this world is, the more abstract art will be, while a happier world brings forth a more realistic art. Klee recognised that abstraction represented a retreat from reality, as if from an assault too painful to witness or to bear. In a world deprived of faith, the redemptive value of the Cross could only appear as an absurdity. Klee and a host of gifted creators were among the first victims of the cold winds which nineteenth century philosophy were blowing over the flesh of man. After World War II the unprecedented crimes of civilised man were disclosed, increasing the general atmosphere of despair. Sartre, Camus, and other existentialists offered a philosophy of heroic despair, a form of modern stoicism which for a time provided the motivation to create. Moreover, Hitler and Stalin had tried to suppress the avant-garde and to harness realism to the cause of propaganda. The avant-garde mistook this as proof that their movements were instruments of liberation. They did not see that when violent revolution collapses in tyranny it will tolerate no kind of revolution other than its own. To arrive where we started The anti-materialism of abstraction is clearly concerned with the spiritual, but so too was the ancient heresy of Manichaeism; its dualistic vision of matter and spirit bears some resemblance to the theories of abstraction. There is a similar attempt to liberate spirit from matter through an asceticism which at times approaches hatred of the flesh. In no sense, then, can pure abstraction be called a Christian vision, though it may point in directions that are helpful to Christian art. The Christian vision of creation holds that all things are to be restored in Christ. Matter is to be transfigured, not escaped or annihilated. Even Kandinsky implied that the greatest works may lie not in the direction of absolute abstraction but back along the line toward the cognitive image that has been freed of materialism. We shall not cease from exploration And the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started And know the place for the first time. Eliot, Four Quartets There is a revival of figurative imagery in art today, an arriving where we started, but with altered eyes. The contemporary religious artists is learning that if total abstraction is not the natural habitat of the sacred, neither is its opposite, photographic realism. A tenth-century Chinese painter, Ching Hao, expressed it well: Likeness can be obtained without spirit; but when truth is reached, spirit and substance are both fully expressed. He who tries to express spirit through ornamental beauty will make dead things. There is a sense of deadness in much modern realism, a failure often overshadowed by its stunning technical achievement.

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