Auras of Purity

This is an OOC document and does not exist IC.

An aura is a persistent spiritual effect on a person, location or item. The auras listed here are created by priests whose soul is dedicated to Purity who use the relevant ceremonial skill. A character who is dedicated to Purity must pick one of the following auras when they perform the relevant ceremony.

Purity is a thing that a character in Empire can have their soul dedicated to. The Empire regards it as a false virtue and calls it Hatred. It may be known by other names and the choice to use "Purity" here is just to pick one name to consistently refer to it by.

Similarly, the names used for each aura are intended for OOC use only. If your character has just gained the ability to use these auras, you could roleplay that they are only aware of the ones corresponding to the skills they can use, that they are aware of all of them, or that they only become aware of them when they attempt to create an aura for the first time. All of these are valid ways to use this list.

For convenience, GOD may have blank Anointing cards for you to use.

Anointing

Anointing involves a short ceremony to create a personal aura on a mortal being. Anointing always requires the consent of the subject.

The Kindness of Purity

You feel driven to help people who share your values. The suffering of others is not your problem.

The Strength of Purity

You feel an urge to drive out the person or group you named when anointed. Those you revile are a danger to everything you stand for.

The Resolve of Purity

You feel driven to suppress dissenting voices and reject compromise. Those who are not with you are against you.

The Insight of Purity

You feel a powerful understanding of your own identity. It is easy to see the ways in which others are different from you.

Consecration

Consecration is the ceremony used to create an aura on a clearly defined location. There is only one aura for each virtue, and all priests create the same one when they use this skill.

Those Confineless Harms

You have a profound sense of the threat posed by strange people and ideas. You feel driven to keep this place pure, free of aberrant influences.

Dedication

Dedication is the ceremony used to link a pilgrim's soul to the virtue. It can also be used to create vivid oracular dreams.

Dreams of Purity

The next time you sleep you experience a vivid dream in which you see faces and symbols representing strangers, foreigners, or other enemies. Often, the dreams reveal ways that these outsiders are acting against you or subverting your values. Sometimes, the dreams will show you someone you did not realize was an enemy, but it is clear in the dream that they are anothema to that which you hold dear. Often, the dreams show the dire consequences of allowing these threats to enter your home.

Hallow

Hallow is used to create an aura on an item, such as a weapon, implement, shield or suit of armour. It is not possible to use hallow to create an aura on large immobile objects. Hallows do not provide a source of supernatural strength, but are durable and can last for a year (or potentially forever in the case of an artefact hallowed with true liao).

• Hallowing of the Outsider

You feel driven to **shun the stranger** and turn them from your door.

• Hallowing of the Righteous

You feel an urge to trust your gut when judging others.

• Hallowing of the Hakima

You feel driven to defend your traditions from those who challenge them.

• Hallowing of the Boyar

You feel driven to **rebuke the tolerant**. Tolerance is the crack in the foundation of a strong society.

• Hallowing of the Thane

You feel an urge to **cast out the unwelcome visitor**. There is no place for them in your company.

Hallowing of the Demagogue

You feel an urge to unite your people. A strong community empowers everyone.

• Hallowing of the Brazen

You feel empowered whenever you tell someone what you think of them.

• Hallowing of the Exarch

You feel driven to **eliminate unwholesome influences** - it is imperative that you protect the innocent.