

On the Proper Methods  
of Entering into the  
Labyrinth of Ages  
and Ensuring Return  
whilst Maintaining  
Continuity of Experience

Supplement 1:  
The Metempsychotic Anointing

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# The Importance of the Metempsychotic Anointing

The journey into the Labyrinth of Ages is not trivial, nor lightly embarked upon. Souls frequently emerge from the Labyrinth disorientated, and injuries and traumas of the mind, not to mention spiritual conditions requiring Exorcism, may be inherited. Over the last four centuries the Imperial Civil Service has undertaken considerable research into ensuring the experientially consistent return of those who enter the Labyrinth alive.

The Metempsychotic Anointing is a simple rite in two parts which helps to focus the **Questors'** minds and wards them against the greatest perils of traversing the Labyrinth of Ages. As a Gatekeeper of Virtue, this is traditionally your responsibility to perform as you see fit. This guide defines the bare bones of the ICS Standard Rite, but Gatekeepers are free to employ regional and theology-specific methods.

The Metempsychotic Anointing is not a metaphysical rite, as Anointings of Virtue are; however, the Gatekeepers of Virtue may take the opportunity to discuss formal Virtue-Anointings with their **Questors** and perform them if appropriate.

## Anointing of the Questors with the Guardian Runes

The Guardian Runes, painted on the forehead, are protective for obvious reasons. Lavender oil or simple pigments are traditionally used, but even a dry-brush anointing will suffice.

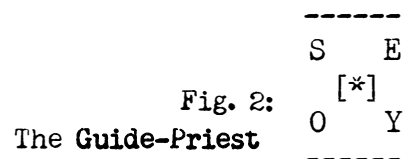
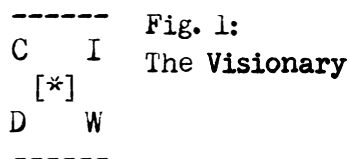
### Upon the Visionary:

Cavul surmounts Diras.	Purity/clarity drawn from hidden-things.
Irremais surmounts Wyr.	Wisdom drawn from mystery.
Cavul dominates Irremais.	Purity/clarity is paramount over wisdom.
Diras dominates Wyr.	Secrets must be knowable to be known.

### Upon the Guide-Priest:

Sular surmounts Ophis.	Discovery in interpreting revelation.
Evrom surmounts Yoorn.	Beginnings surmount endings.
	ENSURE THIS IS ACCURATE.
	WE CANNOT STRESS THIS STRONGLY ENOUGH.

To help guide the **Questors** to a place of Virtue, the Virtue of their Dedication should be detailed at the centre of the arrangement (marked with a [\*]). If either is Undedicated, substitute the Rune of Destiny, **Gralm**. See diagrams beneath.



N.B. The form given is for right-handed **Questors**, as these are in the majority. In the case of left-handed **Questors**, reverse the form along the vertical axis.

## Anointing of the Questors with the Destiny Runes

These Runes aid the **Questors** in returning to their current life-path.

The **Visionary** should be Anointed with the Rune Feresh on the palm of their sword-hand. The **Guide-Priest** should be Anointed with the Rune Irremais on the palm of their sword-hand.

Each **Questor** should receive the Rune **Gralm** on the palm of their off-hand.