

Inner Temples & Inner Convocation®

The Rite of Given Light

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The following ritual is a very simple, and yet very powerful way to offer yourself in the service of others: either someone you know or someone you'll never meet. Once we receive the Inner Temples/Inner Convocation (ITIC) consecration we are in a position to offer ourselves as ambassadors to the worlds, in new and special ways. In this capacity, each season of the year we may participate in unique magical rituals that enrich our understanding of what it means to mediate the spiritual powers of the ITIC. *The Rite of Given Light* is unique to the time of the year when the Temple of the North/Earth is most prominent, falling between the celebrations of Samhain and Imbolc. You will need three things: your cord, a new, unused tea-light or similar small candle and matches. If you have an item that has been consecrated to the ITIC in one of RJ's workshops, (e.g., consecrated water or small stone) gather that as well.

To begin, place your cord around your neck and orient, then attune to, the directions of East, South, West, North, Above and Below. Perform the Stillness Chant. Now come into a complete, whole-body stillness. Stay in its embrace for one-two minutes.

When you're ready, extend your senses of hearing, seeing and touch into the Temple of the North whose majesty surrounds us all throughout the Winter. Move through the Outer...Middle... and into the Inner Court of the North. Feel the colder, darker times and let yourself begin to sense the people for whom this time is especially difficult. Allow yourself to pass through into the Inner Convocation where all four Temples come together as one. See and sense the Priests and Priestesses of the Inner Convocation gathering all around you. Light the tea-light, holding in your consciousness the Pillar of Light that dwells within the heart of all creation. After the flame is lit, pick up and hold your special small stone or vessel of consecrated water; bring these items to your heart. Wait a few moments, then speak this phrase:

"Please reveal the one to whom this light is to be given, by me and thee"

Remember, spiritual permissions are in place between ourselves and those with whom we share the fluids of life, either by blood (birth family, ancestors and children) or through a current partnership (husband, wife, boyfriend, girlfriend.) In keeping with these permissions and with no pre-determination on your part, let the image or name of the *one person* for whom your light is intended arise in your sacred imagination spontaneously. If no image or name comes, then assign your flame's gifting to the Inner Convocation Priests and Priestesses, letting them choose who will receive this light. Such mediation is always unconditional.

Sitting before the small candle flame, embodying the Pillar of Light in the center of the Inner Convocation...holding a consecrated item to your heart...sensing before you either the person for whom you know this light is intended, or the unknown recipient. Now gently and kindly blow forward the light...given forth by you *and* the Priests and Priestesses of the ITIC. Let go and return to your communion with the inner Priests and Priestesses. Next gracefully return to the Temple of the North, moving from the Inner to the Middle and then the Outer Court. Remember who you are, as an ambassador to the spirit realms: an individual and a member of a vast circle of others working world-wide, offering this simple and powerful *Rite of Given Light* around the globe. Reaffirm your place within the directions East, South, West, North, Above and Below, finally returning to stillness, and close the working. © 2011