

# **The Jealous Gods**

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Esteemed scholar David Leeming who has authored more than twelve books on mythology here offers the first comprehensive narrative study of the mythology of the Middle East that tumultuous region that was the cradle of civilization Leeming begins with a brief engaging history of the Middle East spanning Neolithic cultures the Bronze Age and the Iron Age the invention of writing and the rise of Egypt and Babylonia Israel and Roman rule and the early history of the Jews Christians and Muslims This is followed by an in depth discussion of the mythology of the region covering individual pantheons cosmic myths mythic heroes and much more Leeming ranges from prehistoric figures such as the Mother Goddess of atal H y k to Mesopotamian gods such as Marduk and mythic heroes such as Gilgamesh to the pantheon of Egyptian mythology including the falcon headed sky sun god Horus and jackal headed Anubis The author also offers an illuminating exploration of the mythology of the three great monotheistic religions of the region Judaism Christianity and Islam In a provocative Epilogue Leeming depicts today s crisis in the Middle East as violent clearly immoral and illegal actions justified by what can only be called myths He notes that fundamentalists in the area s three religions all see their way as the only way forgetting that myths represent truths that are spiritual and philosophical not historical events that can be used to justify acts of violence With key maps illustrations bibliography and index Jealous Gods and Chosen People provides an inclusive authoritative and captivating account of a mythology that remains a potent and often destructive force in the world today

The Gods are Jealous Gods Stephen Carley,1952\* Jealous Gods Ruth Margaret Muskrat,1927 **Jealous Gods**Leena KANVAS,2019-09-30 JEALOUS GODS 2nd Part The Pilgrims Young Christian born Psyche lives a quiet and humble life behind the docks of old Piraeus Raised in the shadow of her two older brothers to whom she never dares admit her true

dreams and aspirations she is determined to obey her family and make a good match by marrying Demetrius the merchant She should be content with that Unexpectedly Psyche is taken from her small ordinary existence and transposed to another realm one of the Olympian Gods of ancient Greece Now a great sacrifice is expected of her and by making it she would be forfeiting her very soul in exchange for love Eros is a young god amid old Olympians who unlike the others refuses to disappear into the dark human oblivion He will use the love of the mortal woman to his own purpose that of reclaiming his ancient heritage Unfortunately forces greater than what he has ever known unleash a powerful but insidious curse The new lovers can never meet in the light even though Eros does everything in his power to evade his affliction One night through foul lies and deceit the curse is triggered and Eros godly appearance is forever altered He must flee and leave Psyche alone destitute and heartbroken Is she ready to depart on a long and strenuous journey to Mount Olympus and bring her beloved back Will she receive the answers she most needs once there Most importantly will the old jealous gods relinquish one of their own 1st Part End of Innocence Raised a new Christian Psyche is a young woman living her days without luxury or aspirations Little does she know that her small existence will change utterly once Eros the god sets his jealous eye on her His scheming will make him fall into his own trap and unleash a terrible curse the god of love cannot reveal himself to her whom he seeks to seduce back into the old ways Eros can visit his bride only under the cover of darkness Will Psyche surrender herself body and soul to the ancient god and relinquish the new The two lovers will have to fight against dark forces and insidious threats in hope of finding each other in the light once more 2nd Part The Pilgrims Caught in the old gods web of lies scheming and deceit Psyche is left with nothing but a glimmer of hope of finding her lost love again Terrified of revealing his true self Aesop leads his beloved away from her gilded cage across the Aegean Sea His only purpose now is to reach Mount Olympus and break the curse Back into the world of mortals he and Psyche travel up through the entire Greek Peninsula facing countless dangers and the Discord's threat at every turn Will Aphrodite eventually hear their plea and help them Whatever the cost Psyche cannot but accomplish her long pilgrimage and pray to old jealous gods that she and Eros are **A Guided Tour of Hell** Samuel Bercholz, 2016-12-06 Take a trip through the realms of hell with a man finally reunited whose temporary visitor s pass gave him a horrifying and enlightening preview of its torments This true account of Sam Bercholz's near death experience has more in common with Dante's Inferno than it does with any of the popular feel good stories of what happens when we die In the aftermath of heart surgery Sam a longtime Buddhist practitioner and teacher is surprised to find himself in the lowest realms of karmic rebirth where he is sent to gain insight into human suffering Under the guidance of a luminous being Sam's encounters with a series of hell beings trapped in repetitious rounds of misery and delusion reveal to him how an individual s own habits of fiery hatred and icy disdain of grasping desire and nihilistic ennui are the source of horrific agonies that pound consciousness for seemingly endless cycles of time Comforted by the compassion of a winged goddess and sustained by the kindness of his Buddhist teachers Sam eventually emerges from his

ordeal with renewed faith that even the worst hell contains the seed of wakefulness His story is offered along with the modernist illustrations of a master of Tibetan sacred arts in order to share what can be learned about awakening from our own self created hells and helping others to find relief and liberation from theirs THE COMMANDMENTS OF THE LORD AND MASTER GODSWORD GODSWILL ONU, Liberation from Samsara Kyabjé Dodrupchen Rinpoché, 2022-03-15 In Liberation from Samsara the Fourth Kyabj Dodrupchen Rinpoch presents the Longchen Nyingthik preliminary teachings with a special focus on guru yoga These teachings from the innermost secret instruction of Dzogchen constitute a complete path to enlightenment Rinpoch's precious instruction begins with meditations on the common and uncommon preliminary practices including the difficulty of obtaining a fortunate human birth the impermanence of life the implacability of karmic causes and results samsaric suffering in the six realms taking refuge developing bodhichitta purification by Vajrasattva recitation and accumulating merits by mandala offerings After discussing the ways to turn our mind toward Dharma and the trainings Rinpoch provides guru yoga instruction as he turns to the main tantric practice meditations on unifying one s mind with Guru Rinpoch s wisdom mind This rare teaching by Rinpoch though intentionally succinct to accommodate the needs of contemporary Western practitioners presents a complete path to enlightenment It contrasts three different paths to liberation Shravakayana the way of the disciple Pratyekabuddhayana the way of the self enlightened buddha and Mahayana the way of the bodhisattva which is our way our boundless intention to seek refuge in order to free all sentient beings from The Everything Essential Buddhism Book Arnie Kozak, 2015-06-12 Your concise guide to samsaric suffering Buddhism mindfulness and meditation The Everything Essential Buddhism Book is your beginner's guide to the Buddhist principles of nonviolence mindfulness and self awareness Learn about the deceptively simple truths of this enigmatic religion including The life of Buddha and his continuing influence throughout the world Buddha s teachings and the Four Noble Truths of Buddhism The Noble Eightfold Path and how it should guide you What the Sutras say about education marriage sex and death The proven physiological effects of meditation The growing impact of Buddhism on modern American culture Also included is instruction for the many forms of Buddhist meditation including Zen and Tibetan practices Most important you will learn how you can apply the tenets of Buddhism to your daily life and achieve clarity and inner peace in the process

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