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## Dates with the European History

#### 9 May 1950 SCHUMAN Declaration

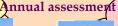
'Greece deeply believes that Europe's path towards integration not only ought to become more intense, but also ought to accelerate. Naturally there are different opinions as to the nature, extent and form of this integration.

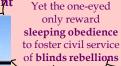
Nevertheless, more daring steps must be made in that direction. Because in the last while, one can detect a slackening in the interest of European peoples in the integration of Europe, which is the fundamental principle of the Treaties of Rome. This is due to the fact that on the one hand certain governments and political parties dishearten the path to integration through their attitude and on the other hand, the ordinary citizens attribute to the EEC the thorny economic and socio-political problems confronting Europe.

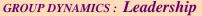
The European peoples do not realize that the situation would have been even worse, were there not even the rudiment institutions in Europe. And, moreover they do not realize that for the current problems to be overcome, European integration must be speeded up. Because the dimensions of the problems are such that they cannot be dealt with within state frameworks, but rather within wider European frameworks...'

Konstantinos Karamanlis (May 1979 during visit of NL Prime Minister, Andreas Van Agt)

The SG wishes knowledge, critical thinking & judgment to foster forward-looking culture







Mark 10, 35

...whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all...



And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire. And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you? They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand in thy glory. But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can y drink of the cup that I drink of? And be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? And they said unto him,

We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared.

#### FAMILY CONSTELLATIONS: Hidden Orders in Human Relationship Systems

### Parents themselves are encompassed by life

Many of our difficulties stem from the fact that we treat our parents as though life came from them rather than through them; as though it were in the hands of our parents to bestow life, to possess and bestow life. This is really a crazy idea. It hinders one from becoming free from one's parents.

Keeping our eyes focused beyond our parents, far away, whence life springs, empowers the parents on the one hand and also frees us as children to take life fully from them, as it comes to us, from far beyond. On the other hand, the parents gain dignity because they are connected to a long chain linked through generations to the present. This frees us all, both parents and children.

Accepting life in this way is a spiritual act. It is like bowing and receiving life. In that moment we renounce all reproaches against our parents. Their relative guilt or innocence is no longer relevant. These profound acts are meaningful only if conducted with a sense of awe for the secret of life. But if we reproach our parents, then we are behaving as though we could order life according to our own wishes or as though we could pay for it, for example, by becoming ill. Therapy can't help when reverence for the greatness of life is denied.

Bert Hellinger "No Waves Without the Ocean"

Mother's Day

#### Dear Mother,

I accept from you everything, all of it, with all the trimmings, and at the full price that you paid for it, and that I too am paying for it.

I will make something of it, for your pleasure, and in your memory It shall not have been in vain.

I will hold on to it and honor it
And when I can, I will pass it on, as you did.
I take you as my mother,
And you can have me as your child.
You are for me the right one,
And I am the right child for you.
You are the Big One, I am the Little One
You give and I receive —Dear Mother.
I am happy that you have chosen Father.
The two of you are the right ones for me.
Only you!

Bert HELLINGER 'On Life & other Paradoxes'



# Anima Animus **MEN - WOMEN**

(Psychology & Alchemy - Jung)

The animus corresponds to the paternal Logos just as the anima corresponds to the maternal Eros.

But I do not wish or intend to give these two intuitive concepts too specific a definition. I use Eros and Logos merely as conceptual aids to describe the fact that woman's consciousness is characterized more by the connective quality of Eros than by the discrimination and cognition associated with Logos.

In men, Eros, the function of relationship, is usually less developed than Logos. In women, on the other hand, Eros is an expression of their true nature, while their Logos is often only a regrettable accident. It gives rise to misunderstandings and annoying interpretations in the family circle and among friends. This is because it consists of opinions instead of reflections, and by opinions I mean a priori assumptions, and by opinions I mean a priori assumptions, as everyone knows, can be extremely irritating. As the animus is partial to arguments, he can best be seen at work in disputes where both parties know they are right.

Men can argue in a very womanish way, too, when they are anima-possessed and have thus been transformed into the animus of their own anima. With them the question becomes one of personal vanity and touchiness (as if they were females); with women it is a question of power, whether of truth or justice or some other « ism » for the dressmaker and hairdresser have already taken care of their vanity.

The "Father" (i.e., the sum of conventional opinions) always plays a great role in female argumentation. No matter how friendly and obliging a woman's Eros may be, no logic on earth can shake her if she is ridden by the animus...