The Tibetan Rainbow Body is Not The Magnum Opus



The main bodes are the physical body, the astral body, and the soul. The energy, or prana, body connects them. When a person dies, the astral body releases forever from the physical body and it gets a major pranic dump of energy from the releasing energy contained in the physical body that causes the person to become fully conscious on the astral plane. The astral body houses the soul, which houses the mental and emotional body. After a while, the astral body dissipates like the physical body and the soul is then reincarnated into a new body. Upon birth, the Vaishnava Shakti kicks in and the old personality is walled off into the unconscious mind were the memories of past lives are stored. The person has to start over again with amnesia. There are Yogic practices that overcome this and the person to take a new body at will and skip the womb process.

In Hinduism it was only the bodies of Sadhus and high level Gurus that were put in tombs, not average people. They were and still are cremated. The reason for this is because the Gurus can form a stronger astral body from drawing out the energies of the physical body and its elements they developed from their practices and transmuting them into the astral body. This process takes several days or longer. This allows them to create an astral body that can last longer and some say forever.

This is what the rainbow body is in Tibet. The Guru will die and be wrapped into a cloth and from here for around a week or longer the physical body dissolves totally. While this happens there are many astral phenomena going on. The Guru is able to fully dissolve the physical body to transmute it into energy for the astral body. After this the Guru then appears to many of the students from the astral plane in the dream state.

This rainbow body is not the Magnum Opus. It's just a more powerful astral body. The Tibetans mention that there are two Rainbow bodies. There is the lesser one that was just mentioned and the proper one, which is making the physical body immortal and united with the astral and soul bodies by the pranic body as one radiant force. This illuminates the emotional and mental body as well. The five bodies united.

This proper and top level is called the Golden Buddha Body and in general the solar body. This is because the purpose of the Magnum Opus is to transmute all the chakras and elements to gold. This process is also based on opening all the nadis to achieve the full flowing of the pranic energy though all bodies. Gold, the sun, is the highest level of energy conduction and transmutation of pranic energy into vital energy. This is what the solar chakra rules in Yoga. This is also the goal of Yoga in Hinduism, to perfect the physical body into the immortal physical body and unite it with the other bodies, the same as in Egypt.

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