

CYPRIAN OF ANTIOCH
A MAGE OF MANY FACES

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Overview

This book was written with the advanced student of Western magic and mysticism in mind. Many terms, such as ‘magic,’ ‘vision,’ ‘demon,’ and ‘inner and outer realms,’ will be left unexplained, it being assumed that they are familiar to the reader from their studies both theoretical *and* practical. The histories, legends, and spiritual traditions surrounding Cyprian of Antioch will also be assumed to be familiar territory, as a general introduction to them can easily be found online or in many of the recent publications on the subject.

This book hopes to offer the reader some new perspectives on Cyprian of Antioch, and to provide access to some less well-known Cyprianic material. It cites its sources and includes a bibliography, so the interested reader should find it easy to take up their own researches after they have finished this book.

Hopefully, it will also illustrate how working with a spirit of the Western magical tradition does not always require traditional forms of practice, and how it can lead one into previously unexplored territory and help one discover hidden—i.e. occult—access points to the spiritual force with which one is collaborating. Indeed, this book itself is a direct expression of my personal work with Cyprian of Antioch, and its production was work in service to him.

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