Order of the CrowMother: Designing a Religion

1. Deity and Central Figure

The CrowMother (formerly the Raven Queen): A spiritual, guiding force representing shadow work, healing, death/rebirth, and divine fragmentation. She is not malevolent but a guide through pain, loss, and transformation.

Focus on anti-racist principles, integration of shadow, and hope through darkness.

2. Core Principles & Philosophy

Black Feather Principles (in development for a training program):

Self-exploration as sacred work.

Hope and grace in modern chaos.

Compassion through divine fragmentation: Every being is a piece of the Divine.

Deepening the triple connection: Self, the Divine, and Others.

Grounded yet spiritual daily practices.

Simplicity and actionable steps: Avoiding spiritual gatekeeping.

3. Purpose of the Order

Provide spiritual guidance through personal darkness.

Offer community, ritual, and wisdom for modern mystics, neurodivergent folks, and those outside traditional religious systems.

Act as a religious nonprofit (moving toward 501(c)(3) status).

Actively marketable spiritual path, accessible and inclusive.

4. Organizational Development

Currently formalizing structure of the Order.

Desire to build it as a nonprofit spiritual organization.

Looking to create a training program for priests based on the Black Feather Principles.

Goal is to be fully structured, with membership, priesthood, and community support.

5. Spiritual Content & Messaging

“Message of the Day from the Raven Queen” series started on social media (as of August 13, 2024).

Designed to be uplifting, spiritual, and linked to weekday correspondences.

Focused on guidance, insight, and support from the CrowMother.

6. Style and Tone

Welcoming of neurodivergent, queer, marginalized folks.

Mystical but grounded.

Encourages personal agency, not spiritual dependency.

Incorporates symbolism of the raven/crow (death, mystery, insight, messenger between worlds).

7. Identified Strengths and Challenges

Strengths: Deep conceptual clarity, strong vision, rich spiritual philosophy.

Challenges: Implementation, content scheduling, consistent follow-through on long-term plans (like course creation, nonprofit paperwork, etc.).