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My thoughts of Cupid and Psyche

In this story, completely subvert my previous impression of Cupid, because in my impression, he was naughty and mischievous. On the contrary, I see Cupid mature side. He is so deeply fall in love with Psyche. In my opinion, the love of Cupid and Psyche is love and soul, and love cannot dwell with suspicion. The story is full of many places to test human nature, and what makes me feel terrible is jealousy, it makes people unable to think positively, just as Cupid's mother and Psyche's sisters are jealous of beautiful Psyche. I especially like a words in story is "love cannot live where there is no trust." I know that everyone have curiosity, but it's important to trust each other.

And I, Contrast with Western culture, our god of love is "Yue Lao", which is known as the "Chinese Cupid". Between Chinese and Western cultures, there is a different view of love. In Chinese, people in order to get a good marriage, they will come to the temple to pray by incensing at gods for a good luck or good sign. It's also reveals Chinese people are more traditional than West for praying for love. Compared to the West, for love, they will not like the Chinese people to incense. Cupid is just a symbol of love. They think love is coming, that is, shot by arrows of Cupid. The attitude of Westerners to love fate is free and open, not like Chinese have many traditional rituals.

But I still find there are some similarities between two gods of love. Cupid uses his arrows to make people love together. However, Yue Lao catch the fate of the lover with the red line, so that couples will be destined to together forever. I feel very interesting about two gods how to use their "tools" to complete many good marriages in the world.

No matter who is longing for love, including me, so I think that keeping a natural attitude, you will meet your true love. Most important thing is believe what you love, not be suspicious. When love is pure, all pains, sorrows, and challenges will align to ensure that the love is realized. No matter how difficult it is, there will be happy ending like Cupid and Psyche.

TA's comment:

It's interesting that you compare Cupid to Yue Lao. you are right that praying to Yue Lao requires some rituals (as I have heard that you need to prepare certain things to please him). It's also interesting that their images are very different: one is the child, and the other the old man. Despite those differences, I believe that both of them wish that every Jack has his Jill; if only they can find each other.