## 54. 5500-5000, Old European Writing Examples from Sicily

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(RGS.)

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Old European Script.

Old European script predated the earliest historical writings – by several thousand years. The continuity of the Old European writing was disrupted by the arrival of the Indo–Europeans; thereafter, writing disappeared along with the manufacture of finely wrought polychrome pottery and other attributes of Old European culture.

(TLG: 54.)

Archaeomythologist M. Gimbutas designated the Neolithic and Copper Age Chalcolithic as *Old Europe* to spotlight the "cultures of southern and eastern Europe, 6500-3500 BCE, from the more familiar patriarchal warrior societies that succeeded them." (ROG: 55.)

[The Old European] culture took keen delight in the natural wonders of this world. Its people did not produce lethal weapons or build forts in accessible places, as their successors did, even when they were acquainted with metallurgy. Instead, they built magnificent tomb shrines and temples, comfortable houses in moderately—sized villages, and created superb pottery and sculptures. This was a long—lasting period of remarkable creativity and stability, an age free of strife. Their culture was a culture of art (LOG: 321).

Abridging differences between the two cultural systems: The first was matrifocal, sedentary, peaceful, art loving, earth—and—sea bound; the second was patrifocal, mobile, warlike, ideologically sky oriented, and indifferent to art. It is very difficult for those from modern European—based cultures to understand the religion and culture of Old Europe because we 'are still living under the sway of that aggressive male invasion and only beginning to discover our long alienation from our authentic European Heritage—gylanic, nonviolent, earth—centered culture' (ROG: 55).

Although the focus of M. M. Winn's dissertation (PW) was the emergence of a sacred script macro–pattern in the Old European Vinca – and – culture, it also applies to the Sicilian linguistic symbol system: \*

- a) V (chevron): 35; 72; 79; 142; 231,
- b) single spiral labyrinth: 45; 155; 333,

c) spiral: 261,
d) triangle: 88; 114; 121; 186; 231,
e) concentric circle and dot: 90; 119; 148; 313,
f) X: 79; 231; 321; 327; 332,
g) double-axe (labrys): 184, \*\*
h) tryfus (triske-triskele): 245; 321,
i) M (amniotic fluid or Egyptian and Greek *mu* = water): 35; 119; 353, \*\*\*
j) Vinca and Uruk script comparisons: 218-220 and Chapter VII.
\* The above is in addition to the many other authors cited throughout *Re-Genesis*. (GGE; LOG; WCG; TKC; BBA; TFW; TWKP; TAW; TLG.)
\*\* Interpretations of the labrys include: the labia; butterfly; chrysalises; double-axe; and figure 8. (Also see Native American Banner stones.)
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IMAGE: OLD EUROPEAN WRITING: TRYFUS (TRISKE-TRISKELE), SICILY. PHOTO: ©. DESCRIPTION: SICILIAN TRYFUS (TRISKE) IS OLD EUROPEAN WRITING. SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 1, ROW 2, SLEEVE 5, SLIDE #12, BCE. CU SIC S1 R2 SL5 S12 SHOT ON LOCATION: ERICE MUSEUM: ERICE, SICILY. NOTE 1:

THE SYMBOL OF SICILY IS THE TRYFUS, A VARIATION OF THE TRISKE, TRYFUS (ALSO, TRISKE/TRISKELE) IS OLD EUROPEAN WRITING SIMILAR TO ORGANIZED SCRIPT FROM GRADESNICA NEAR VRACA IN NW BULGARIA EARLY 5<sup>TM</sup> MILL BCE (COG: 313, FIG 8-12; TLG: 48; COG: 308-313; PW: 245; RGS). NOTE 2: THE TRYFUS IS ALSO FOUND ON LYCIAN COINS C. 480 BCE AND ACCORDING TO A CELTIC INTERPRETATION, IS THE WILL TO LIVE. OTHER CELTIC UNDERSTANDINGS OF THE TRYFUS (TRIPLE-LIMBED WHEEL) IS NATURE'S INNATE TRIPLICITY OF THE BEGINNING, MIDDLE AND END OF THE CENTRIFUGAL WHEEL OF LIFE. (TCS:366; PGS: 21-22.) NOTE 3: FOR FURTHER TRYFUS EXAMPLES, SEE WINN AND PETRIE. M. M. WINN (PW: 245, 253, 321); AND FLINDERS PETRIE. (DPA: VII, #CB 12- # CF 7.) NOTE 4: FOR FURTHER TRYFUS EXAMPLES, SEE KUWAIT'S FAILAKA ISLAND. (AIM:

NOTE 5: FOR FURTHER TRYFUS EXAMPLES, SEE THE MIGRATION OF SYMBOLS BY COUNT GOBLET D'ALVIELLA. (TMS: 20.)

NOTE 6: FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS, SEE PROCESS PHILOSOPHER

WHITEHEAD'S, THREEFOLD "CATEGORY OF THE ULTIMATE" IN PROCESS AND REALITY, 28. PGS: 37)

NOTE 7: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: DOUBLE SPIRALS ON TOMB DOOR #34: CASTELLUCCIO, SICILY. PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #34 INCLUDING TWO SETS OF DOUBLE SPIRALS OR OWL EYES AND 'M' SIGN ON THE LOWER REGISTER. SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 17, ROW 3, SLEEVE 3, SLIDE #33, BCE. CU\_SIC\_S17\_R3\_SL3\_S33

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE PAOLO ORSI: SYRACUSE, SICILY.

NOTE 1: "[THE SPIRAL MAY] BE THOUGHT OF AS AN ELEMENTARY UNICURSAL LABYRINTH AS THEY HAVE AN INDIRECT PATH LEADING TO A HIDDEN CENTER (MLW: 18: RGS)."

NOTE 2: ONE OF THE EARLIEST SYMBOLIC SYMBOLS IS THE 'M' OR ABBREVIATED ZIG-ZAG INDICATING AOUATIC SIGNIFICANCE, AMNIOTIC FLUID, OR MOTHER.

NOTE 3: PAIRED SPIRAL OCULI MAY BE INTERPRETED AS OWL EYES?

NOTE 4: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: MALTA DOUBLE SPIRALS: TARXIEN, MALTA.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: TWO SETS OF LABYRINTHINE SPIRALS FROM MALTA'S TARXIEN TEMPLE, SIMILAR TO THE CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #34, IMMEDIATELY ABOVE.

SLIDE LOCATION MALTA, SHEET 2, ROW 3, SLEEVE 5, SLIDE #20, BCE.

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SHOT ON LOCATION: TARXIEN TEMPLE, MALTA.

NOTE 1 THE SPIRAL. "THOUGHT OF AS AN ELEMENTARY UNICURSAL LABYRINTH AS THEY HAVE AN INDIRECT PATH LEADING TO A HIDDEN CENTER (MLW: 18). NOTE 2: GIVEN THE CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #34, "WE ARE REMINDED OF THE PAIR OF FINELY CARVED LARGE SPIRALS ON A SLAB IN THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF HAL TARXIEN, MALTA." (TEG: 44.)

NOTE 3: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1983-1989.

IMAGE. SPIRALS: TARXIEN TEMPLE, MALTA.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: AERIAL VIEW OF TARXIEN TEMPLE INCLUDING SPIRALS SIMILAR TO THE ABOVE CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #34, CASTELLUCCIO, SICILY.

SLIDE LOCATION MALTA, SHEET 2, ROW 4, SLEEVE 1, SLIDE #17, 3300 BCE. CO\_MAL\_S2\_R4\_SL1\_S17. SHOT ON LOCATION: TARXIEN TEMPLE: MALTA.

NOTE 1: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1985.

IMAGE: TOMB DOOR #31: CASTELLUCCIO, SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #31 INCLUDING A DOUBLE SPIRAL OR OWL EYES.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 18, ROW 1, SLEEVE 4, SLIDE #28, BCE. CO\_SIC\_S18\_R1\_SL4\_S28

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE PAOLO ORSI: SYRACUSE, SICILY.

NOTE 1 THE SPIRAL. "THOUGHT OF AS AN ELEMENTARY UNICURSAL LABYRINTH AS THEY HAVE AN INDIRECT PATH LEADING TO A HIDDEN CENTER (MLW: 18)." NOTE 2: THE SPIRALS ON THE TOP REGISTER ARE EYES WITH A NOSÈ IN BETWEEN. NOTE 3: "BELOW IS THE NECK, DIVIDED INTO TWO BY A DEEP GROOVE, FROM THE LOWER END START THE SHOULDERS, CONTINUED AS ARMS; AND BELOW ARE TWO PLAIN DISCS REPRESENTING BREASTS (TEG: 44)."

NOTE 4: AN INTERPRETATION OF PAIRED SPIRAL OCULI IS OWL EYES.

NOTE 5: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: TOMB DOOR #32: CASTELLUCCIO, SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: CASTELLUCCIO TOMB DOOR #32 INCLUDING THE SYMBOL X.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 18, ROW 3, SLEEVE 1, SLIDE #26, BCE. CU SIC S18 R3 SL1 S26

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE PAOLO ORSI: SYRACUSE, SICILY.

NOTE 1:

THE X, WHICH IN OLD CANAANITE ALPHABET IS THE SAME AS, THE LETTER TAW MEANT 'HOLY FOR THE GODDESS' (TVG: 188, n. 64).

NOTE 2:

THE SYMBOL-LETTER 'V' IS IN THE ICONIC CHEVRON FAMILY (LOG: 15; GGE: 117) INCLUDING THE DOUBLE V; 'CHEVRON AND 'CROSS-BAND' OR X FORMED BY TWO V'S TOUCHING AT THE APEX' (LOG: 11); TRIANGLE-SHAPED VOTIVE DOUBLE-AXE; AND NEOLITHIC ANTHROPOMORPHIC HOURGLASSES (LOG: 239-243) AMONG OTHERS (RGS).

NOTE 3:

SACRED BREAD & CAKES WITH AN 'X' ON TOP WERE BAKED TO INANNA. (TAI: 155.) ALSO, SEE URS WINTER, OP. CIT. P. 569 CONCERNING REMARKS ON TERRA-COTTA FIGURES WHICH MAY REPRESENT BAKED GOODS WITH THE SIGN OF AN X (TVG: 188, n. 64).

NOTE 4: AN INTERPRETATION OF PAIRED SPIRAL OCULI IS OWL EYES.

NOTE 5: FOR THE FIRST RE-GENESIS DISCUSSION ON THE X AND V, SEE RGS: 70,000, BLOMBOS CAVE X AND V SHAPED ENGRAVINGS.

NOTE 6: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: GODDESS WEARING A PENDANT WITH SYMBOL X: PALERMO, SICILY. PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: POSSIBLE RITUAL OR CEREMONIAL PENDANT WITH 'X' WORN BY A MOTHER GODDESS (POWER BEHIND THE THRONE) WHO NURSES AND BESTOWS LINEAGE.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 18, ROW 3, SLEEVE 3, SLIDE #7, BCE. CU SIC S18 R3 SL3 S7

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE: PALERMO, SICILY. NOTE 1:

THE X, WHICH IN OLD CANAANITE ALPHABET IS THE SAME AS, THE LETTER *TAW*, MEANT 'HOLY FOR THE GODDESS.' SO WERE CAKES AND BREADS ALSO MARKED THAT WERE DEDICATED TO THE GODDESS (TVG: 188, n, 64) (THINK HOT CROSS BUNS ON EASTER/EOSTRA/PASSOVER).

NOTE 2:

CONCERNING THE USE OF THE MARK 'X' IN THE NEAR EASTERN RELIGIONS, URS WINTER OP. CIT. 301 QUOTES O. KEEL WHO DISCOVERED THE X ON THE FOREHEAD OF CERTAIN NEAR-EASTERN STATUETTES IS A SIGN WHICH IDENTIFIED THE WOMAN AS BELONGING TO THE GODDESS (TVG: 188, n. 64).

NOTE 3: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: DOT - IN - CIRCLE MOTIF: ERICE, SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: DOT IN CIRCLE MOTIF (CIRCUMPUNCT), PRIMARY WOMB – SPARK ON TRIANGULAR BASE OR ANICONIC CONE.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 2, ROW 1, SLEEVE 3, SLIDE #23, BCE. CU SIC S2 R1 SL3 S23

SHOT ON LOCATION: ERICE MUSEUM: ERICE, SICILY.

NOTE 1: ALSO, SEE DOT IN CIRCLE MOTIF ON THE CASTELLUCCIO BOSSED BONE PLAQUE. (TEG: 45, FIG 13.)

NOTÈ 2: "À CIRCLE WITH A DOT AT ITS CENTER DEPICTS A COMPLETE CYCLE AND CYCLIC PERFECTION, THE RESOLUTION OF ALL POSSIBILITIES IN EXISTENCE (IET: 36)."

NÓTE 3: SEE WINN AND PETRIE FOR FURTHER EXAMPLES OF THE CONCENTRIC CIRCLE AND DOT (CIRCUMPUNCT) MOTIF. M. M. M. WINN. (PW: 90, 119, 148, 313.) FLINDERS PETRIE. (DPA: XLIX, #OF 7 - #OF 9 - #OG 5.) NOTE 4: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: DOT IN CIRCLE MOTIF: ERICE, SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: DOT - IN - CIRCLE MOTIF (CIRCUMPUNCT) PRIMARY WOMB-SPARK.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 2, ROW 1, SLEEVE 4, SLIDE #25, BCE. CU SIC S2 R1 SL4 S25

SHOT ON LOCATION: ERICE MUSEUM: ERICE, SICILY.

NOTE 1: ALSO, SEE DOT – IN – CIRCLE MOTIF ON THE CASTELLUCCIO BOSSED BONE PLAQUE. (TEG: 45, FIG 13.)

NOTE 2: "A CIRCLE WITH A DOT AT ITS CENTER DEPICTS A COMPLETE CYCLE AND CYCLIC PERFECTION, THE RESOLUTION OF ALL POSSIBILITIES IN EXISTENCE (IET: 36)." SELF – ACTUALIZED NUMINOSITY.

NOTE 3: SEE WINN AND PETRIE FOR FURTHER EXAMPLES OF THE CONCENTRIC CIRCLE — AND — DOT (CIRCUMPUNCT) MOTIF. M. M. WINN. (PW: 90, 119, 148, 313.) FLINDERS PETRIE. (DPA: XLIX, #OF 7 - #OF 9 - #OG 5.) NOTE 4: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: DOUBLE-AXE: PALERMO, SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: CEREMONIAL ITEM WITH A DOUBLE-AXE CONJOINED AT APEXES.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 4, ROW 4, SLEEVE 3, SLIDE #5, BCE. CU\_SIC\_S4\_R4\_SL3\_S5

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE: PALERMO, SICILY. NOTE 1: THE DOUBLE-AXE MAY HAVE BEEN A PROTOTYPE FOR THE CEREMONIAL FIGURE EIGHT AXE OR LABRYS \* FOUND THROUGHOUT THE NEAR AND MIDDLE

NOTE 2: THE DOUBLE-AXE SYMBOL ON CASTELLUCCIO POTTERY IS FAR FROM UNCOMMON. (FOR FURTHER EXAMPLES SEE: GAPP: 310-311.)

NOTE 3: \* CAMERON SUGGESTS THAT A MORE APPROPRIATE TERM FOR THE DOUBLE-AXE IS LABIUM. (SA: 10.) NOTE 4: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: BRONZE CADUCEUS STAFF: SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: BRONZE CADUCEUS (KERYEION) STAFF WITH ENTWINED SERPENTS.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 5, ROW 1, SLEEVE 3, SLIDE #13, BCE. CU\_SIC\_S5\_R1\_SL3\_S13

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE: PALERMO, SICILY. NOTE 1: THE CADUCEUS STAFF WITH TWO SERPENTS WAS A SYMBOL OF THE BABYLONIAN PHYSICIAN AND QUEEN OF HEALING, GULA-BAU, KNOWN AS SHE WHO RESTORES LIFE, c. 3000 BCE.

NOTE 2: THE CADUCEUS STAFF WAS SUBSEQUENTLY TAKEN OVER BY PATRIARCHS, PHARAOHS, AND POPES, AS WAS ASHERAH'S SERPENT NEHUSTAN AND TANIT (SERPENT LADY) ATTRIBUTED TO MOSES IN THE 7<sup>™</sup> CENTURY BCE DEUTERONOMISTS. (RDW: 166-167; RGS.)

NOTE 3: ALSO, SEE FALLEN EVE'S MALIGNED SERPENT IN GENESIS 2-3. NOTE 4: FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.

IMAGE: TANIT WITH CADUCEUS STAFF: SICILY.

PHOTO: © GSA. DESCRIPTION: STELA ENGRAVING OF TANIT WITH CADUCEUS STAFF.

SLIDE LOCATION SICILY, SHEET 5, ROW 4, SLEEVE 1, SLIDE #24, BCE. ON CU SIC S5 R4 SL1 S24

SHOT ON LOCATION: MUSEO ARCHEOLOGICO REGIONALE: PALERMO, SICILY. NOTE 1: COMPOSITE DEITIES. "TANIT/TAANIT/TANNIN WERE SPREAD WIDELY THROUGHOUT ASIA MINOR, AFRICA, SICILY, SARDINIA, IBERIA, MALTA, PLUS THE GRAECO-ROMAN WORLD AND LATER THE BYZANTINE AND MUSLIM CULTURES AS WELL (BLM: 11; WDSSO: 222; RGS)." (SOURCE: ENTRY ABOVE.) NOTE 2: GODDESS TANIT'S MOTIF OF RAISED ARMS IN A KA POSITION ON A

NOTE 2: GODDESS TANIT'S MOTIF OF RAISED ARMS IN A KA POSITION ON A TRIUNE VULVIC-UTERUS BASE (EMBLEMATIC OF THE V-CHEVRON) IS ALSO THE UNIVERSAL GLYPH OF THE FEMALE AND THE PLANET "VENUS" (RGS) (COG: 309; LOG: 15; GGE: 117; WDSSO: 222; TAB: 27).

NOTE 3: THE V-CHEVRON PICTOGRAPH OR SYMBOL IS A "SCRIPT OF ITS OWN KIND" AND CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE "VINCA AND TISZA CULTURE GROUPS." (COG: 309 & 319; RGS).

NOTE 4: ALSO SEE: 5300-4300, CLIMACTIC PHASE AND SCRIPT IN OLD EUROPE. (RGS.)

NOTE 5 :FIELDWORK PROJECT 1998.