



### Yirser Ra Hotep: The Alchemy of Kemetic Yoga: The Ancient Egyptian Science of Transformation



Yirser Ra Hotep is the creator of the YogaSkills Method of Kemetic Yoga and leader of the global Kemetic Yoga Movement. In addition to Yoga, Yirser is a practitioner of Tai Chi and Qigong. Explore breath, movement and postures as expressions of embodiment from the perspective of ancient Egypt.

**TOP EMBODIMENT TIP:** Simply slow down and breathe; ust focus on your breath, that's the key to everything.

#### Kemetic Yoga:

- A system of **meditation**, **movement**, **posture and philosophy** that was practiced in **ancient Egypt**.
- Derived from Kemet, the original name for Egypt.
- Evidence of yoga in ancient Egypt has been found in hieroglyphs and artifacts depicting yoga postures and practices.
- The term 'yoga' is used as a reference so that people can understand what the practice is about because, among all the similar types of body-mind practices that exist in the world, 'yoga' is the most well known.
- The practice involves the **physical** and **physiological** planes, activates the **parasympathetic nervous system** and works on the **energy channels** (chakras and nadis).
- There are **unique Kemetic movements**, **postures and symbols** that arise from Ancient Egypt.
- Principles include geometric progression, energy flow, ancestral connection, self realization and self actualization.

#### Postures:

- **Sesh Pose Variation 1** sit with legs crossed (Sesh was a scribe who wrote the hieroglyphs)
- **Sesh Pose Variation 2** sit back onto heels with toes tucked
- **Sesh Pose Variation 3** sit back onto heels with toes untucked/pointing back
- **Maat Ka** dynamic sequence (Maat represents the idea that the nature of the universe is one of balance, harmony, justice and order; Ka represents the idea of spirit)
- **Mir Mesu Heru** pyramid child's pose (Mir means pyramid, Mesu Heru is the Egyptian name for child's pose)
- Pose of Immortality spinal twist; normally done from a standing position, but can also be done while seated

#### Resources

♦ Website: <u>kemeticyoga.com</u>; <u>yogaskills.com</u>

**❖ YouTube**: yogaskills

\* References: The African Unconscious & Dark Light Consciousness by Edward Bruce Bynum, PhD; Ancient Future by Wayne B. Chandler

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