



Predecessor Chi

Predecessor Energy is the residue of either someone who lived on the land before you or the memory of the land as it was used historically.

Example: a farmhouse turned into a subdivision: the owner of the property thinks of the house as a dwelling, a home; but the land still identifies as a working farm. The energy of the land rises at 5AM to milk the cows and feed the chickens and the resident wonders why they cannot sleep in EVER even on a Saturday! There is a frantic quality to their over full life and they tend to work from dawn to dusk just like a farmer.

Animals suffering from the intensity of the land may demonstrate illness or odd behavior. They are trying to care for their masters to fulfill the remnant contract in the best way they can and to somehow quiet the earlier use pattern.

We see this in large old Victorians in San Francisco that hold the story of the great Earthquake of 1906 and the huge fire that raged for days. They can be haunted by these events and can be tough to live in for both people and pets. This can also make it hard to ground and anchor into a life as the land may still be shaking beneath their feet.

We see it in houses built on ranch land where cattle grazed for 100 years and now the pets just sleep and eat all day while the homeowners aimlessly walk through their lives going about the motions. They are trying to focus, but feel empty. The life is pleasant but uninspired like cows. They are chewing their cud and sadly, not likely to shake up the world!

Releasing Predecessor Chi with a Stewardship Ceremony

Almost all properties have some Predecessor Chi unless no one has really established ownership of the property before you. What establishing ownership means is that you have done sacred ceremony on the land and made it your place for connection and worship of the essential relationship you have with the Earth.

Stewardship is the primary job of the landowner. Caring for the health of the property, upkeeping the physical condition of buildings and infrastructure, and putting the land to good use is all part of stewardship. But an even greater task for the new property owner or one who has recently decided to “take ownership of the property” is to release the **Predecessor Chi**, letting whoever owned the land before you know that you are now on the job and that they can let go and move on. This is true for the living and the dead past owners. You only have to do this **Stewardship**



Ceremony once but repeating it at the anniversary of ownership is a lovely tradition.

1. Using the Lower Hemi EDGE, ask permission of the land to release the Predecessor Chi and to be allowed to “take ownership of the property” and accept stewardship of the land by performing a ceremony. Listen for the Yes.
2. Set aside a leisurely amount of time when you will be undisturbed. Turn off your phone, the TV, shut your computer, and switch off the radio. You want to hear the voice of the land, the natural sounds. Bathe and put on clothing fitting for a ceremony.
3. Make a list of the intentions you have for your land. What it means to you and how you intend to care for it. Take the list with you.
4. Find a suitable offering for the land such as fruit, flowers, an important or precious object or something you have created.
5. Walk the property picking up objects to represent the character of the land. Gather bark, sticks, flowers, rocks, small plants, and other items that grab your attention and want to be part of the Stewardship Ceremony.
6. Create a found object altar in part of the property that receives the chi from the street. Set up your altar in a location where the chi passes it when people enter your property. By your front gate, your front door, the back gate off the driveway...wherever you most regularly enter the property.
7. Build your altar in the stream of chi where you enter. If you enter in more than one place build two altars- making one a primary and the other secondary. If there is a third entry do the same but also make this one smaller. It can be very basic- a flower or a stick with a leaf can do it.
8. Place your offering on the altar as well as your list.
9. Bring in *Universal Love and Light* in a column into each of the altars to anchor them: if you own the land go down 100 feet and up 100 feet. If you rent, go down 10-20 feet and up 10-20 feet. If you have more than one altar tie them together with *Universal Love and Light* streams of energy.
10. Standing in front of your primary altar, state your intention for the land. Read your list and add anything to it that occurs to you.
11. Ask that the **Predecessor Chi** be completely released from the property. Thank the owners who were here before you. Be grateful for the way they took care of the land and for their love. Tell them they can rest now. Call the *Guardians of the Land* and the *Over Lighting Deva* of the area



present and ask them to clear the land of the **Predecessor Chi**. This should be enough.

12. Bring in *Sanctuary* and the *Balm of Gilead* at the altar into the Earth.
13. Ask the land to please accept the offering as a representation of your good faith and to please accept you as the steward.
14. Sit in meditation at the altar. Leave the altar in place for as long as you can. Making it permanent is a good idea but not essential.