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- ¹ The consciousness development of the monads goes on in and through envelopes. It is by acquiring consciousness in its envelopes and in the ever higher molecular kinds of these envelopes that the monad attains ever higher natural kingdoms.
- ² All the forms of nature are envelopes. In every atom, molecule, organism, world, planet, solar system, etc., there is one monad at a higher stage of development than are the other monads in that form of nature. All forms other than organisms are aggregate envelopes, molecules of the kinds of matter of the respective worlds held together electromagnetically.
- ³ In our solar system there are organisms on our planet only. On the other planets also the lowest envelope (49:5-7) is an aggregate envelope.

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