

# The Unclean Ones

I have mentioned the Lifebringers in passing before, a group of Neoshamanists that sought to create sapient life anew through artificial selection. It is this group that was responsible for much of the yinrih's early scientific knowledge of ecology, biology, and medicine, as well as developing the first viable terraforming methods.

There was a sect of Lifebringers known variously as "The matted ones", "the fetid ones", "the unkempt ones", "the unclean ones", and other such charming appellations. This sect arose after the development of microbiology. This sect's central teaching was that ALL life is sacred, including microscopic life. Adherents to this sect did not bathe or maintain hygiene of any kind, and regarded infection as a blessing.

Some more zealous votaries went further, taking on the task of spreading the gifts of plague and disease to the wider population. "Rejoice that thy body hath become such a fecund garden of life! See how the animalcules in their billions team within thee!"

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