Your Spiritual Path

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
Sun	Sagittarius	17°Sg10'	05th	01 14°Le16'
Moon	Aquarius	12°Aq59'	06th	02 06°Vi32'
Mercury	Capricorn	04°Cp53'	05th	03 03°Li31'
Venus	Scorpio	17°Sc29'	04th	04 05°Sc54'
Mars	Virgo	15°Vi47'	02nd	05 11°Sg11'
Jupiter	Taurus	17°Ta50' R	10th	06 14°Cp44'
Saturn	Aquarius	29°Aq32'	07th	07 14°Aq16'
Uranus	Virgo	14°Vi47'	02nd	08 06°Pi32'
Neptune	Scorpio	18°Sc38'	04th	09 03°Ar31'
Pluto	Virgo	16°Vi18'	02nd	10 05°Ta54'
Midheaven	Taurus	05°Ta54'		11 11°Ge11'
Ascendant	Leo	14°Le16'		12 14°Ca44'

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Your Spiritual Path

Each of us has the potential to develop along psychic, intuitive and spiritual lines into the person who best suits our natural gifts. There are essentially three possibilities for how that development may occur:

- 1. Along the lines dictated by our family, peers and social milieu: Most of us are taught a set of rules as children. Some of those rules prove to be very useful, and some lessons prove to be detrimental to our development, or at least not helpful.
- 2. Along the lines suggested by your own conscious mind: Each of us is born with the capacity to learn. The person inside us is the life and light of the mind.
- 3. The inevitable path is a combination of these two possibilities. No one can develop precisely the way someone else dictates. And no one can develop to suit individual desires with no connection to the outer world.

When individuals develop along the lines reflected by their astrological chart, the fullest expression of natural potential is possible. The birth chart places you at the center of your world, and shows your personal relationship to the Sun, Moon and planets. This is the astrological approach to spiritual understanding. It is not limited to one religious sect or emotional expression. The birth chart presents the possibilities that vibrate within your soul, and indicates which will be easier or more difficult to manage.

Your goal or mission is indicated by your natal chart, but you fully understand it only if you are open to the inner spiritual voice that is always present, and is truly your devoted life companion.

The best spiritual path is one that allows you to use your natural talents and skills. Sometimes your latent abilities will require training and practice to develop into spiritual tools. In this report we will consider a number of possibilities to help you get a sense of your talents, and how to develop and use them.

Your Creative Process

The Sun is the source of all physical life as we know it. As children develop, Sun sign characteristics are colored by family circumstances, cultural values, and other environmental influences. Yet we develop according to our own individual character IN SPITE of everything. The voice within us will not be denied. It cannot be eradicated and it never gives up. When we are on an appropriate path to our true spiritual destiny our inner voice is a gentle guide. When

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we stray into less productive territory, the voice becomes more forceful. When we attempt to stifle this inner voice of character, it waits patiently for the proper moment and speaks again. The Sun sign reveals your conscious attitude toward the external world. The following description of the Sun explores your natural tendencies of mental style and action.

With the Sun in Sagittarius, you are primarily the Intuitive type. Intuitive types listen to their unconscious sources of information, eschewing normal perception. In fact, they are often largely unaware of what is around them in the material world. These people are the inventors, the artists, the forward thinkers because they can see the possibilities of an idea, often before the means of developing it are apparent. Therefore they pursue what they know the world is not yet prepared for. Intuitives jump to conclusions, yes, but not necessarily without the intermediate steps. They either go through those steps at light speed by sizing up an underlying principle or they simply recognize an inevitable match of an idea's potential with their own desires. Intuitives fit into the educational system rather well, as many high school and college courses make use of the deductive skills intuitives share with the thinking type. You may respond well to the timed testing that is prevalent today. You can master the complexities of mathematics because you can grasp the results without having to ground your learning in some physical way. Intuitives contribute through their inventiveness. You are generally willing to sacrifice the pleasure of the moment in the hope of greater future achievement. You are also restless and crave inspiration. Because you thrive in situations where getting to the answer is important, you are good at problem-solving and tasks that require ingenuity. Careers in the creative arts, religious inspiration and scientific discovery all suit the intuitive type. You can become an inspired leader or promoter. For you the game is more important than winning, the chase more interesting than the end result.

How You Express Your Will

The Sun indicates your will power and its direction. One of the reasons we can identify Sun signs in other people is that they are often willful in their actions. Especially in childhood they are determined, demanding and rebellious against anything that does not conform to their will. The Children of each Sun show us the power of will. The information about your Sun sign focuses on the potential expression (and the associated undercurrents).

I will be impractical (when idealism does not require it). I will be dogmatic (when definite is enough). I will be gullible (when honest assessment is better). I will scatter my energy (when a philosophical attitude accomplishes more). I will gamble (when a little play is enough). I will be self-righteous (when justice needs a bit of mercy).

Your Sun is in the 5th house. Sometimes you measure the rhythm of your activities against the pulsing of your own heart. You may be able to regulate your heart rate by focusing on your pulse and breath. You tend to engage with the world in a straight-forward way, determining what you believe and walking a path that is consistent with your beliefs at all times. Conscious attention to your path leads to each new step in your spiritual life. Creative activities feed your spirit when you throw yourself into them completely. You see the inner child-like enthusiasm in almost everyone, and you thrive in the presence of teachers (and students) who speak and act from their spiritual center.

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The spiritual character you portray to the world is a comfortable reflection of the spirit within your being. You move through life with serenity born of the fact that your expression reflects your inner nature clearly. You have tremendous physical energy that can be applied to the pursuit of spiritual goals. Put your best effort into each of your life activities, all the while keeping the spiritual component in mind. By engaging your heart completely in each act, you come to understand spiritual unity more fully. You are a rebel, and you see other people as the cause. In reality you are resisting your own inner voice, and may be projecting that onto others. If you can resist the urge to push people away, your intuition can begin to inform your approach to relationships. Then those hints about feelings become spiritual signposts on the path of awareness. Your personal power can make you arrogant. If you believe you can use force to control others, then you turn away from higher spiritual values. Instead, develop awareness of power as a currency that flows between you and other people. Sharing it is essential in the pursuit of self-realization. Associations with males can provoke your awareness of spiritual development, or lack of it. But it is not your task to point out their shortcomings. Rather, you can encourage them on their path by encouraging yourself on yours. You gain recognition through others, and self-confidence through spiritual endeavors as well as public events.

Core Beliefs

Much of the pain and limitation we experience is the result of being taught so-called "truths" that are incompatible with our core beliefs. Family and society train us, and sometimes little is done to nurture our individual realities. It is up to you to identify and nurture the values that are meaningful to you. When the filtering process is undertaken, you uncover a "truth" that is unique to you.

The Moon

The Moon reflects the soul. It governs fluids in your body and imagination in your mind. It generally represents a less conscious part of your being, and reflects the quality and flexibility of your memory. If the Sun indicates the most likely course of your spiritual path, the Moon indicates some of the qualities of the path itself.

With the Moon in Aquarius, your secondary mental style is primarily the Thinking type. Your inner voice is logical - perhaps too logical - and it can have an aloof, cold quality. You may find yourself critiquing your actions in a logical way when your emotional or other response was perfectly suited to the situation. The inner voice can be used to analyze your actions, but you will want to avoid becoming obsessive about every detail of your life. Internal logic is useful in school and other learning situations, as it serves to gather and organize large quantities of material quickly and neatly. A very real advantage of this inner thinking style is that you may reach a conclusion intuitively or on the basis of feelings, and then examine its logical basis at your leisure. The ability to apply reason to your life - cognitive skills - can help you to be socially graceful while also serving your personal desires. You also develop a cap0acity for delayed gratification of sensual impulses that would not serve your best interests.

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If an impulse is evaluated and the logic holds up, then you can take action, knowing that you are not violating your internal intellectual.

Your typically aloof nature provides a logical, objective method for examining beliefs. You may argue about issues that reveal illogical patterns or constructs, and you calmly and coolly change your own mind.

Aspects of the Moon

The spiritual character you portray to the world is a comfortable reflection of the spirit within your being. You move through life with serenity born of the fact that your expression reflects your inner nature clearly. Emotional and sexual intensity can separate you from spirit or bring you closer, depending on your awareness of the richness of the interactions you experience. The creative dynamics of two people merging is a profound source of spiritual awareness if you get past the physical tension and emotional conflict. This deepening of experience takes time. You tend to place your faith in other people and this can make you gullible about their spirituality. Optimism is fine. Idealism is fine. Learn to discriminate based on both actions and words, and then look into your own heart to evaluate what you have seen. True spiritual values uplift everyone, not just a favored few. You are deeply sensitive to the energies around you, and often know how others feel before they show any sign. Your spiritual gift is to be subtle in your interactions. Be compassionate, but not gushy, and use your imagination to facilitate creative change in others, and within yourself. Women bring an emotional spotlight to your self-awareness. Among the tears and anger you find gems in the form of core beliefs that have been transformed to suit your present needs. Women cause problems for you, but may be the source of spiritual wisdom and inspiration.

The Fourth House

The sign on the Fourth House cusp indicates the filter through which you view your core beliefs. It is the wellspring of all the best, most creative and most powerful ideas you will have throughout your lifetime. It indicates the refrain that the inner voice sings to you when you are sad or filled with joy, when you are pessimistic or optimistic, when you are afraid or when you are experiencing the power of love in your life.

You have Scorpio on the Fourth House cusp. Your core beliefs center on the transforming events that occur throughout your life. You have a sense of change and its inevitability, and you may tend to seek change because it is comfortable. The stability of long-term households and relationships may escape you until you identify other principles at work in your core beliefs.

For example, you often feel you are guided on a path, and that change is part of that guidance. You are a "seeker," and you are often looking to the horizon for the next experience even while you are immersed in the present one. Though the tug of new experience is important to your development, it is also important for you to complete each task you are dealt. In this way you resolve karmic responsibility more fully, and take what you have learned into the next phase of your life.

As you develop the capacity for contemplative activity, you will find that there can be pauses between experiences. It is during these times that you are able to integrate your experiences into a package of temperament and skills. If your childhood and family conditioning have focused on the changes very strongly, you will need to cultivate the capacity

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to tolerate moments when there is little perceivable change. It is in these interludes that you can develop a sense of readiness for the next cycle.

The most fundamental beliefs you have center on desire and its satisfaction. Desire will be experienced on the physical level in terms of sexual and other physical appetites, on the mental plane in terms of ambition, on the emotional in terms of fear and anger, and on the spiritual in terms of pride. If cruelty has been part of your early life experience, you will need to resolve your issues around this point before you can deal effectively with the others. When this has been accomplished to some degree, then you can proceed with life, making decisions based on your own beliefs, rather than tethered to beliefs imposed by other people.

The Inner Voice

Planets in the Fourth House reflect the inner voice that accompanies you throughout your life. They indicate the kind of people and experiences that most directly connect you to your core beliefs.

Planets in the Fourth House

Venus in 4th House:

Women focus your attention on the social values that underlie your beliefs. They show you that it isn't just about you, but includes broader interpersonal significance. Awareness of the nurturing component of interaction is key to your learning process.

Neptune in 4th House:

Power issues in childhood caused you to develop some strange, possibly conflicting core beliefs. As you gain personal strength, you are able to challenge these ideas and resolve them to suit your own needs and desires for transformation. Psychic, intuitive, empathetic people in your childhood reveal the inconsistencies of your core beliefs and can provide resources to help you change them, or the fortitude to stick with them for the sake of others.

Fourth House Aspects

Emotional and sexual intensity can separate you from spirit or bring you closer, depending on your awareness of the richness of the interactions you experience. The creative dynamics of two people merging is a profound source of spiritual awareness if you get past the physical tension and emotional conflict. This deepening of experience takes time. Your creative capacity, whether it be through the arts, sexuality, or other vehicles, brings you into contact with your spirituality. Your own sensitivity can help you to cultivate a more tactful nature. Your sense of form and harmony extend into the important relationships of your life. You seek a strong philosophical connection to match the physical passion. Faithfulness is a key factor if your relationship is to support your spiritual growth, and trust has to work both ways in the partnership. On the physical level you feel the sexual spark in relationships immediately. On the spiritual level you are able to discern facts about their future through the same spark. You tend to fool yourself where change is concerned. Thus, you are able to drift into and out of spiritual grace without even knowing it. Don't mistake erotic dreams for the energy of tantra, and distinguish your personal desires from the teaching itself. Your powerful artistic gifts can provide the media for your spiritual expression. Sometimes you are driven by physical compulsion to produce tangible works. You have to work hard to create an environment that

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suites your spiritual values. You are deeply sensitive to the energies around you, and often know how others feel before they show any sign. Your spiritual gift is to be subtle in your interactions. Be compassionate, but not gushy, and use your imagination to facilitate creative change in others, and within yourself. You tend to fool yourself where change is concerned. Thus, you are able to drift into and out of spiritual grace without even knowing it. Don't mistake erotic dreams for the energy of tantra, and distinguish your personal desires from the teaching itself. Compassion comes easily to you. The trick, if there is one, is to think through what will truly help before you leap to the rescue. Let others help themselves when they can. You seek the company of visionaries, as you appreciate their ability to speculate on the future and to develop something radically new and different out of something well established. You either succumb to your impressionability, and gullibility, or you learn to discern the motives that drive others and then make your own decisions. You have natural psychic ability that can express through mediumship, conscious psychic or telepathic communication and mystical interests. This needs to be balanced with physical grounding of some kind. You are sensitive to the urgings of your inner voice, and you may even hear the voice within other people. You will experience visions and other forms of psychic awareness. You need to stick to wholesome nutrition, both physical and spiritual, as you are easily swayed by drugs and by sugary words.

Communication and Mental Development

Most of us were taught a set of "truths" in childhood and we were expected to accept them. To supplement what you have been taught by your parents, teachers, and the world at large, you need to develop a spiritual learning style that works for you. If you then decide to teach others, you must develop communication skills that let you share these experiences clearly and meaningfully with your students.

Training Your Conscious Mind

Three factors contribute to your ability to train your conscious mind for spiritual development:

- * the natural direction of your thinking
- * training to take advantage of this direction
- * training your nervous system, and learning to respond to it

Element of Mercury

The angel Raphael is associated with healing in the Bible. The capacity for both companionship and healing forms the essence of Mercury's expression.

With Mercury in Capricorn, your communication style is primarily the Sensation type. Spiritual healing begins on the material plane. Obvious conflicts occur in the arenas of livelihood and physical desire. One of our greatest social problems arises out of the consumption of foods and drugs that do little to engender healthy bodies. You have the capacity to identify and heal illness by directing your intelligence toward proper diagnosis and quality

nutrition. You also have the ability to mediate between adversaries and achieve peaceful resolution of problems.

Training the conscious mind involves reasoning on the conscious level. Spiritual Education teaches how to engage your intuitive function. Intuition can be trained. Mercury reflects a specific way for you to learn about intuition. See the section on Uranus for more information on your intuitive ability.

You are usually very aware of your goals, and the methods most likely to help achieve them. As intuition grows, you also become aware of steps along the future path and how those steps affect both your achievement of the goal and your relationships with other people. This awareness will modify your self-centered ambition.

Your Mercury is in the 5th House. You are able to see into the future and to communicate what you see to others. A strong organizer, your contemplative practice can serve to clarify your creative direction and to provide insight in the area of leadership.

Mercury Aspects

You can speak fluently about how you came to understand your spiritual journey. This is because you have had many conversations with your inner spiritual source, asking questions and sharing feelings.

Self Esteem and the Development of Spiritual Partnerships

The power of mind is unlimited, except by our own thinking. As you proceed along the spiritual path, self-esteem grows. Relationship with another person is a powerful force for the development of self-esteem and for spiritual growth.

Venus has been called the alter ego of the Earth. Very close to the same size as the earth, Venus has an atmosphere inhospitable to human life. The inner reaches of the unconscious mind were long thought to be inhospitable as well. Modern psychology has delved into the mechanism of mind, and religious mystics have long studied the rocky terrain to be found within each of us. The consensus is that to evolve spiritually, we must first look at ourselves. One way to do this is through relationship with others.

Romantic, business and other relationships all offer us the opportunity to project our thoughts onto other people. The evolutionary nature of a relationship allows us to explore our desires. Then we can achieve spiritual connections that transcend sexual expression.

Right relationships between people provides inner awareness that helps us to mediate between personality and soul, between physical life and higher consciousness. Only through fusion of these apparently separate facets of your being can you approach true knowledge.

The Planet Venus provides indications about your best approach to spiritual partnerships.

With Venus in Scorpio, your best approach to healthy partnering is through the Feeling function. You gather concrete knowledge by talking about the subjects that interest you, and

then listening. You like to know the name of everything, and often just the name tells you far more than most people learn though more serious study. You use the power of your mind to direct your feeling energy to help others.

Your physical and sexual intensity can overpower other people who are not ready for the surge of raw power you can generate. You also suffer when you allow your full energy to be released. As you develop the ability to modulate your physical energy, you find that spiritual ecstasy is better than physical lust.

Your Venus is in the 4th House. Women focus your attention on the social values that underlie your beliefs. They show you that it isn't just about you, but includes broader interpersonal significance. Awareness of the nurturing component of interaction is key to your learning process.

Venus Aspects

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Doubt, Resistance, and the Development of Psychic Ability

The spiritual path has a number of potential pitfalls. Some of the most treacherous of these lie within our own minds. Our innermost thoughts become a prison, trapping us within walls of our own making. These may be the karmic result of the past, or they may be the result of recent actions. There are several ways we cause our own difficulties:

1) Secrets - Privacy and secrets are part of the picture. Children love the feeling of independence and power that comes with a secret. Problems only arise when the secrets we keep are detrimental to ourselves or to others.

- 2) Doubts When a situation causes you to doubt, it is largely because it is incongruent with what you have learned in the past. You want something new, but your unconscious is in turmoil. You feel naughty, anxious, reluctant, or undeserving. Because of what you have learned from people you trust or from what you have read, you doubt your own decision-making ability.
- 3) Resistance Resistance is not all bad. If change were too easy, we would have no stability. We could be talked into all sorts of things. What we need is a way to identify resistance for what it is, and then find ways to work with it.

Where your spiritual path is concerned, Neptune reveals how you handle secrets, how doubt arises for you, and also how to resolve resistance. One strategy involves your psychic ability.

Developing Your Psychic Ability

We use our psychic senses to understand the world of the present. You can train yourself to be more aware of the nuances of psychic awareness, and Neptune indicates how you can develop this ability. You will then connect with the earth and other people in new ways, and also confirm the significance of your spiritual values.

With Neptune in Scorpio, your private, psychic style is primarily the Feeling type.

There is always activity in the deepest recesses of your mind. You feel movement well before it emerges from the subconscious so you can examine it in the light of day. Your instincts have always been good, and you may occasionally want to kick yourself for ignoring them.

Your interest in the psychic realm can be fostered through study of different kinds of psychic work. When you find methods that resonate with you, they are easily learned and even easier to apply. Experiment with dowsing, psycho-kinesis, and telepathy. Look into astrology, Tarot, numerology or other methods of forecasting. Try several styles of meditation to see what works best for you.

The best path is to find a combination of approaches that work for you. No one teacher will be able to give you everything you need. As you develop a package of psychic skills, you find that any self-doubt recedes into the background. You will still probably question yourself from time to time, but your ability to extend your awareness into your present surroundings, as well as into the future, will serve to strengthen your self-confidence.

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The Twelfth House

The sign on the Twelfth House indicates how you color issues of doubt and resistance. It also reflects your most direct approach to your psychic insights.

You have Cancer on the Twelfth House cusp. You can perceive the flow of psychic energy around you when you are in a quiet place. As the skill grows, you find that you understand your connection to the earth and to spirit more fully. The sound of water running, as in a small fountain, provides a rhythmic tone that enhances your meditation and allows you to transport yourself into a different mood, if not a different place.

Death and Transformation as Spiritual Processes

Pluto, Scorpio and the Eighth House in the birth chart deal with issues of death and transformation. On the spiritual path a shaman must undergo a death-like initiation in order to come into his or her shamanic powers. In our own lives we continually experience the death of old ways of being and the birth of new possibilities. Transformative events can teach lessons concerning your spiritual growth:

- * They are signposts to indicate progress.
- * They allow you to modify your behavior in positive ways.
- * They remind you to be gentle and kind with yourself.
- * They remind you to accept yourself as you are, and to move forward.
- * They remind you to support and encourage the child within yourself, just as you would encourage another person.

The Eighth House in your chart defines the mechanisms for change and self-acceptance that are most appropriate for you. By understanding them you develop a sense of self and a set of behaviors that lead more directly to your goal. You discard behaviors that no longer serve you in your journey on the spiritual path.

Scorpio is the natural sign on the Eighth House, and the associated planet is Pluto. How appropriate that Pluto, mythological ruler of the underworld, should be the planetary ruler of the Eighth House of death and transformation.

Yet Pluto attracts the living, though it cannot hold on to them for long. So it is with life. We are attracted to one way of doing things, but we know that change is the only certainty in life. As we travel the spiritual path, we find that each ending is the source of a new beginning, and that we often benefit from even the most traumatic events. By descending into the world of darkness and pain, we borrow a bit of Pluto's power, so that on the next step along the path we are stronger and more courageous.

With Pluto in Virgo, your approach to death and transformation is primarily through the Sensation function. Potentially more mater-of-fact about issues concerning death and change, you take transitions In stride for the most part. In the occasional instance when a death or change catches you off guard, you may feel that you are unable to move out of one feeling into another. When you feel stuck, you may need to gather your will to take some action. By focusing on simple practical details, you take steps, one at a time, to lift the weight of feelings that have mired you temporarily. Generally you are able to handle the details of planning that are required when death or change occurs. You grasp the practical need for one thing to die before another may be born, for example. You also may be profoundly aware of past life events or the potential of a future lifetime, and you find practical ways to bridge the apparent gaps between.

You and many of your peers have the inquiring minds that have led to advances in medicine, the computer industry, and many other fields. You manage to get great results with relatively little. Spiritual issues demand the same level of attention, and yield the same high quality results.

Pluto Aspects

Your personal power can make you arrogant. If you believe you can use force to control others, then you turn away from higher spiritual values. Instead, develop awareness of power as a currency that flows between you and other people. Sharing it is essential in the pursuit of self-realization. Your powerful artistic gifts can provide the media for your spiritual expression. Sometimes you are driven by physical compulsion to produce tangible works. At some point in your life you may feel that the gods or goddesses step in to impose changes on you. What you make of these moments determines your spiritual future. Generally, whatever effort you make will be well worth your time. You could become a charismatic leader in the spiritual arena, but your best motivation is not power. Teaching others is a better reason for rising to a leadership position. Transformation suits you very well, and the changes that come your way are easily absorbed, as long as the other people involved are not emotionally upset. Plan your entrances and exits with other people in mind. You are sensitive to the urgings of your inner voice, and you may even hear the voice within other people. You will experience visions and other forms of psychic awareness. Your vision focuses on the common destiny of large groups of people, and not on the day-to-day details of life. When you find yourself in the public eye, you may feel that your personal efforts have a limited effect. Look for the karmic links in your associations with others.

The Eighth House

The sign on the Eighth House cusp indicates the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual approach you take when dealing with birth, death and transformation.

You have Pisces on the Eighth House cusp. Your stage is set so that you can maintain your reserve. You don't want your personal change process out there for everyone to see. You like to think you have inner composure that can overcome emotionally agitating obstacles. It is important to you to reflect that composure in your outer demeanor. When caught off guard, you revert to childhood patterns. You may have been overwhelmed by the burden of responsibility you bore, and power struggles with others may have colored your experiences. Or you may have learned early to cultivate a sort of dreamy hopefulness in the face of whatever came your way. If you find, as an adult, that you respond much too forcefully in a power struggle, you may be dismayed at the emotional nature of your outbursts. Acceptance of that emotional inner child provides the first step on the path to true inner tranquility.

The Development of Intuition

Intuition is an ability beyond logical thinking. Through it you can consider future outcomes. In the Buddhist tradition, intuition is a mental ability, equal to intellect that can provide direct insight. In mathematics intuition is the capacity to "guess" the answer to a problem, skipping the regular logical processes.

Intuition is more than your inner voice. Intuition is one of the methods by which you understand the world. It is a skill you can develop and use consciously. Intuition often surfaces during meditation. When the mind is quiet, then intuition can be heard. Once trained, you can access intuition by stopping your normal waking process and entering the calm that you have cultivated.

The planet associated with intuition is Uranus. With Uranus in Virgo, your intuition works best through the Sensation function. Your intuition comes to you in very concrete images. For example, you can see a piece of land and clearly envision a house, a road, or a bridge being built there. You actually see the finished product in your mind's eye, and then take the practical steps to achieve the result you see. You also can find multiple uses of tools, and can usually handle an emergency with whatever materials and tools you have available.

You need to apply intuition to your work in a methodical way. Given the future solution you perceive, you have to find the tools you need, even when they are designed for other tasks.

Your Uranus is in the 2nd House. You begin by feeling something - perhaps an itchy feeling - when you come in contact with objects that are psychically charged. You sense the energy infused in them. You can develop the ability to "read" the messages you receive through your senses.

Uranus Aspects

You are a rebel, and you see other people as the cause. In reality you are resisting your own inner voice, and may be projecting that onto others. If you can resist the urge to push people away, your intuition can begin to inform your approach to relationships. Then those hints about

feelings become spiritual signposts on the path of awareness. On the physical level you feel the sexual spark in relationships immediately. On the spiritual level you are able to discern facts about their future through the same spark. Like certain of the Christian saints, you tend to accidentally fall into the spiritual experiences you need. This could be through a physical accident, or it may be that your intuition and energy bring you to the proper crossroads again and again. You can achieve self-realization by developing your intuitive senses completely. You tend to "get the point" suddenly, after careful digestion of the facts. You have natural psychic ability that can express through mediumship, conscious psychic or telepathic communication and mystical interests. This needs to be balanced with physical grounding of some kind. Transformation suits you very well, and the changes that come your way are easily absorbed, as long as the other people involved are not emotionally upset. Plan your entrances and exits with other people in mind.

The Midheaven: Self-Awareness and the Use of Intuition

How can you use your self-awareness to access intuition, a presumably involuntary, less conscious capacity? To take the direct, conscious path is challenging at best. This method only works if you can consciously enter unconscious territory, and by definition, that territory is unconscious because you cannot access it directly. You can rarely dive in intentionally.

You can wait for intuition to arise naturally without doing anything. Or you can practice meditation. It is fairly easy to learn and requires no particular physical or mental skills, except the ability to focus the mind.

In addition, you have specific avenues, or points of focus, to aid you in the practice. The sign on the Midheaven indicates an area of the subconscious that you can access through meditation, thereby identifying spiritual keys to your development. By going within, you find the higher values most suited to your own path.

With the Midheaven in Taurus, your self-awareness and your path to self-realization are primarily through the Sensation function.

Your unconscious relationship to power probably began in childhood. Depending on how your parents or other authority figures exercised their power, you have learned patterns of behavior and methods for getting your own way. It is important to become aware of these patterns, as they can be valuable conscious resources or treacherous swamps of ineffective unconscious behavior.

You have a deeply rooted capacity for healing yourself and others. When you are in tune with this ability, you are able to accomplish transformations in the emotional systems that surround you, thus transforming the effectiveness of your associates and family. Through an understanding of your personal values and strengths, you can learn to exercise your own power fairly and judiciously, while retaining the capacity to exert force on every level when that is needed.

Midheaven Aspects

Women bring an emotional spotlight to your self-awareness. Among the tears and anger you find gems in the form of core beliefs that have been transformed to suit your present needs. You can speak fluently about how you came to understand your spiritual journey. This is because you have had many conversations with your inner spiritual source, asking questions and sharing feelings.

Karma and Dharma

Perhaps no single principle of Asian religions has fascinated us more than karma and its link to reincarnation. Karma refers to the cause and effect relationship between what we do and the results we get. Our actions bring reactions, constructive and not so constructive. However, everyday feedback often comes from individuals who are no more clear about their spiritual values than we are. So, what should you take seriously?

How does karma work in your life? Will it be played out in your next incarnation, or will you experience it in the here-and-now?

Certainly you do not have to believe in karma or reincarnation to make progress along your spiritual path. However, if you do astrology can offer insight into what factors in the past may be influencing you today. The following are suggestions concerning past influences. Think of them as relating to family and childhood experience, or you can relate them to your past lives, or both.

With Saturn in Aquarius, you experience karma and dharma primarily through the Thinking function. You exemplify the best of the thinking process when you are positioning yourself for effective action. You are well prepared to logically pursue intelligent activity in any area of life where thinking logically will prevail. You are willing to entertain the concept of past lives, but you will seldom get caught up in the emotions associated with the past. You will examine past events logically and consider how they impact on your present decisions, and you learn not to dwell on things that cannot be changed. You make decisions that are generally considered to be wise by your peers. They may approach you with passionate arguments, strange futuristic plans, or even hard-edged "facts," but you apply your logic equally to each of these, and make decisions that everyone can live with. In preparing for the future, you are able to formulate a plan and project it into the future mentally, observing how the turnings of each part of the plan affect other systems. Your plans become more effective when you seek the counsel of individuals who use each of the four strategies in their planning, as you can make use of their thinking style within your logical approach.

Social situations bring out the best in you. You are effective in groups and are able to encourage harmonious relationships among others. Your mental approach to planning needs the solid foundation these other people can provide through their diverse viewpoints.

Your Saturn is in the 7th House. You bring loyalty to any partnership, romantic or otherwise. Your conscientious behavior helps you to reap the greatest spiritual value from each

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serious contact you make, as you seldom run away from responsibilities, once you have accepted them. You learn not to jump into relationships too quickly, because you plan to stay for the long haul.

Saturn Aspects

You work in isolation, and therefore need to develop strong meditation practices that cultivate the capacity to work with others who are much older or younger than yourself.

Transcendent Values

Behind what you know about yourself - behind all other considerations of spirituality, lie the transcendent values that are most important to you. These are the values you have worked to discover from among all the rules you have been taught. They are the reason you have read books, studied with teachers, privately pondered and examined the events of your life. They are the fundamental principles that you believe will help you find fulfillment as a human being. As such they are the source of energy behind your self-awareness, the motivation of your spiritual search, and the principles that you apply to your dharma, or life path.

With Jupiter in Taurus, your approach to and understanding of transcendant values is primarily through the Sensation function. While Jupiter is your guide to the spiritual life, the path is through actions in the material realm. You function best when your heart and mind join forces in ordinary activities, making the most of each opportunity. Your faith grows in the fertile soil-literally and figuratively. Your optimism flourishes when you are in physical surroundings that emphasize the beauty of life and the spiritual expression in growth, blossoming, and bearing fruit. Spiritually your response is no different-you seek expansion of your mind and heart into arenas of expression that resonate with your higher being. When your mind and heart are synchronized, you find that the material details of your life flow into a pattern of success, sustaining your faith and providing what you need to help others. Your vision of life focuses on the present moment, even though you understand the karmic flow of events on a profound level. When you are expressing the fusion of heart and mind fully, you radiate warmth, your aura expands, and you possess great dignity, even in stressful moments.

You are capable of enjoying life to its fullest on the physical level and you may excel in financial dealings. Spiritual growth can occur in this environment when you employ ethical and moral principles in your decision-making process, and resist being swayed by the argument of the moment.

Aspects of Jupiter

You tend to place your faith in other people and this can make you gullible about their spirituality. Optimism is fine. Idealism is fine. Learn to discriminate based on both actions and words, and then look into your own heart to evaluate what you have seen. True spiritual values uplift everyone, not just a favored few. Your sense of form and harmony extend into the important relationships of your life. You seek a strong philosophical connection to match the physical passion. Faithfulness is a key factor if your relationship is to support your spiritual

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growth, and trust has to work both ways in the partnership. You are usually able to direct your will to productive activities. You find the transcendent component in each relationship and build upon it. You exemplify joy in your daily activities. You can achieve self-realization by developing your intuitive senses completely. You tend to "get the point" suddenly, after careful digestion of the facts. You seek the company of visionaries, as you appreciate their ability to speculate on the future and to develop something radically new and different out of something well established. You either succumb to your impressionability, and gullibility, or you learn to discern the motives that drive others and then make your own decisions. You could become a charismatic leader in the spiritual arena, but your best motivation is not power. Teaching others is a better reason for rising to a leadership position. You are fortunate throughout your life to have discovered your inner spiritual voice. Share it with others.

You may resist the spiritual values you are taught, and even argue with your teachers. This turns out to be a waste of valuable effort.

The Ninth House

You have Aries on the Ninth House cusp. The transcendent values you work with begin with the capacity to exert your personal will in the world - to be what you want to be and to do what you want to do. By understanding this value, you can begin to manifest creatively in both the material and spiritual worlds. You find that sometimes you feel as though you are engaged in a battle of proper expression, and you seek to encourage others in the same direction. All of your efforts - to be, to do, and to encourage others - lead to unity, but you must exert effort in the process. Matter is the vehicle for expression in the physical world, and the soul is your vehicle on the higher plane. Spirit is the third factor you seek to understand.

Mars: Your Spiritual Persona

Mars indicates an area of life that is vitally important to your spiritual growth. Whatever path you choose, this factor will come up again and again. Others will see how it affects you, but they are unlikely to understand the depth of its significance. You yourself may not understand the power of this influence on your life.

The Element of Mars

Mars is naturally associated with Aries, a fire sign. Traditionally Mars was also associated with Scorpio, a water sign. Thus the expression of Mars shares the nature of these two elements to some extent. The movement between water and fire involves the capacity for discriminating awareness. Mars governs the five senses-touch, taste, sight, hearing and smell. The position of Mars directly reflects your capacity to relate to the world through your senses.

With Mars in Virgo, your spiritual persona is expressed most fluently through the Sensation function. You are generally practical in your activities. If it has no hope of reaping actual, measurable results, then you just won't do it. This practical streak carries over into the spiritual realm as a desire to develop a regular practice that deepens your sense of devotion to a teacher

or to a body of understanding about your true purpose. On the material level your actions are designed to help you acquire whatever you need, but also to acquire those material things that enhance your feeling of comfort and richness. On the spiritual level your devotional practice-prayer, meditation, good works-also focus on a goal. Many teachers suggest that meditation has no goal, but in our culture you are almost certainly seeking something from whatever you do, including the spiritual direction you take.

The sign placement of Mars is significant to developing your spiritual persona. The sign colors the message you receive concerning the direction your spiritual path will take. Here are three personality traits associated with Mars in your chart: Discrimination, Moral Strength, Unselfishness. If you consider each trait and consciously evoke it in your daily activities, you will find that the path becomes more fulfilling, more insightful, and easier. By actively devoting energy to the development of the traits of your Mars, you spontaneously develop several traits associated with other signs.

House Placement of Mars

Your Mars is in the 2nd House. The focus of your spiritual persona is on issues of giving and receiving. You work hard to learn how to accept gifts from others, and you work even harder to learn how to give the most appropriate gifts to others. The spiritual work here is extremely powerful. You learn that you are giving of the Universe and of yourself, freely and joyously. There is a strong moral sense to your life. You practice your principles each day.

Mars Aspects

You have tremendous physical energy that can be applied to the pursuit of spiritual goals. Put your best effort into each of your life activities, all the while keeping the spiritual component in mind. By engaging your heart completely in each act, you come to understand spiritual unity more fully. Your creative capacity, whether it be through the arts, sexuality, or other vehicles, brings you into contact with your spirituality. Your own sensitivity can help you to cultivate a more tactful nature. You are usually able to direct your will to productive activities. You find the transcendent component in each relationship and build upon it. You exemplify joy in your daily activities. Like certain of the Christian saints, you tend to accidentally fall into the spiritual experiences you need. This could be through a physical accident, or it may be that your intuition and energy bring you to the proper crossroads again and again. Compassion comes easily to you. The trick, if there is one, is to think through what will truly help before you leap to the rescue. Let others help themselves when they can. At some point in your life you may feel that the gods or goddesses step in to impose changes on you. What you make of these moments determines your spiritual future. Generally, whatever effort you make will be well worth your time. You may have many relationships that never get beyond the surface physical attraction. As you learn to cooperate on the mundane issues, your astral relationships will take on emotional intensity. Collaboration then occurs on many levels of consciousness.

The Ascendant: Expressing Spirit in the World

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The Ascendant provides a personal anchor for understanding spiritual potential and process in the birth chart. It shows how you express yourself in the world. This is because the rising sign represents choice - you choose what you want to show to the world. Ultimately, however, you come back to the Sun sign on the spiritual level.

Each person learns about the Sun sign's higher spiritual values and cultivates those values by developing the positive traits of the Ascendant. Each sign as it rises brings to light different personality traits, different physical appearance, and a different sense of spiritual direction. The rising sign offers a container for your experimentation with constructive, creative personal choices about how to act in the world. Later you can take this practice back to the Sun sign and master its lessons.

Remember that the Midheaven and Ascendant depend on an accurate birth time. If you have no idea of your birth time, the material included here may help you to focus on a spiritual persona for yourself.

Your Rising Sign (Ascendant)

The first four signs incorporated the seed of intuition, the desire for expression, the capacity for thought, and the depth of feeling and potential for reproduction. Now, with the Leo Ascendant, you experience the capacity of will. For the plant kingdom, will expresses in the ripening of the fruit. Will, for us, is the drive to creativity in the material world, and aspiration on the spiritual plane.

You only need to observe the activities of children between the ages of ten and twelve or thirteen to understand the power of will. At their best they are fully engaged in life, seeking a wide range of experiences, and creatively interacting with their peers. They are testing their wills against those of parents, teachers, and acquaintances. They are learning how to manage the force of will that drives them. There is a blending or fusion of all life's experiences for this age group that reflects the energy of Leo on the Ascendant quite well. Leo will gather information on the intuitive plane, measure it against what is perceived through the physical senses, and then mobilize the spirit behind whatever action is taken. This process results in a degree of self-consciousness that was not there previously.

The focus of physical energy is on the heart and the spine. Clear intuition often comes through the heart center, and clear effort depends on mental and emotional structure like that of the spine. The two need to work together to accomplish anything on either the physical or spiritual level. Perhaps the most powerful piece of writing I have encountered that speaks to the fusion of intuition and will is the Heart Sutra. This Buddhist text is a short poetic expression of the true nature of things. The complete text is included in the Appendix. Here I wish to include a couple of thoughts:

- 1. "Form is emptiness and the very emptiness is form." This basic statement incorporates the paradox of existence in its basic form. It is possible for the Leo Ascendant to grasp the nature of the paradox and make it the spiritual guide for the Will.
 - 2. The mantra, or spell, included in the Heart Sutra is as follows:

(Gate is pronounced gah'tay)

Gate gate paragate parasamgate bodhi svaha.

Gone gone gone beyond gone altogether beyond, O what an awakening, all-hail!

Because the mantra is from Sanskrit, reciting the Sanskrit words may have more power (this is probably true of all spells and mantras). However, the English translation retains both the rhythm and the "g" sounds that are integral elements of the mantra. Imagine a room full of monks repeating the mantra in their deep voices. The mantra is heard, but the vibration also affects the heart directly.

Ascendant Aspects

Women cause problems for you, but may be the source of spiritual wisdom and inspiration. You gain recognition through others, and self-confidence through spiritual endeavors as well as public events. You have to work hard to create an environment that suites your spiritual values. You are fortunate throughout your life to have discovered your inner spiritual voice. Share it with others.

You may resist the spiritual values you are taught, and even argue with your teachers. This turns out to be a waste of valuable effort. You need to stick to wholesome nutrition, both physical and spiritual, as you are easily swayed by drugs and by sugary words.

Conclusion

This interpretation of your life path has provided a systematic look at astrological factors that together add up to a spiritually oriented map. As you come to understand your unique map, you can move forward through life joyously and courageously, knowing that the path is appropriate to your personal beliefs, desires and needs.

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