

**Full Moon of Sagittarius, tenth Full Moon of this Astrological Year, on Sunday, December 19, 2021 at 07:35:21 in Romania:**

The main Keynote or phrase to consider for all Sagittarius Full Moons (each year): **“I see the goal. I reach that goal and then I see another.”** The Sagittarius Full Moon Keynote of Light each year is: **“A beam of directed, focused Light.”** Consider the Keynotes at, or as close to, the time of the Full Moon as possible and what it might mean as a Group. Each of the constellations also have at least one, but also as many as five, Ray determining energies by which they rule and of which they rule. **The main Ray energy of Sagittarius is Ray 6.** So, Sagittarius has a main energy of devotion and ritual. It is a recommendation to consider the Sagittarius Keynotes as Ray 6 Keynotes. This is a direct correspondence to the information of our Color Consultations and the way this same Ray determining energy affects us. So, our Color Consultation information can be reviewed and related to each of the Full Moon determining energies to determine the possible effects and opportunities each Full Moon offers each of us in the group. This is explained and expanded upon from Esoteric Astrology in general in Addendum 1 from the past Aries Full Moon report (from April 2021) and for the constellation Sagittarius in the Addendum below.

**A. Notes on this coming Full Moon of December/Sagittarius:**

- 1. Watch for any impressions** that may come to you before the Full Moon that may relate to the Ray 6 Keynotes and your specific Rays (from your Color Consultations), especially two days before the Full Moon, the day of the Full Moon and two days after the Full Moon. **If you want to share** any of your impressions with us please do. If you want any impressions shared with the group let us know and we will include them in the next month's meditation notes.
- 2. This is the ninth of twelve ‘different’ (since we had two full moons in Leo this year) Full Moons of this Astrological year** and is the sixth of nine different ‘Distributing Consciousness and Energy’ full moons of this astrological year. The energy which is distributed during these last nine ‘Distributing’ Full Moons at the end of the astrological year, which is also called the ‘lower interlude’, is distributed from the consciousness and energy built over the first three Full Moons of the astrological year, which is also called the ‘higher interlude’.
- 3. Addendum 1 from the past Full Moon report of Aries (from April 2021) gives reference into more insight and inspiration for how to** view some of the expanded awareness of these monthly and yearly Full Moon cycles as we enter into the third Astrological Year of this group formation and the group's beginning functioning.
- 4. The Addendum below will give this month's expansion of how the qualifying energies of the monthly astrological sign, Sagittarius,** and the determining or ruling energies of the Rays coming through this sign and the planetary rulers may be effecting us and how to respond to the various opportunities these energies present to our group including each individual.
- 5. The Winter Solstice also occurs after the Full Moon on Tuesday December 21, 2021 at 17:59:00 in Romania. This is the time of growth of the new Growing Cycle** that began on the Fall Equinox this past September and can be considered also a time for meditation.
- 6. As a reminder the 2021 Annual Keynote is, “LET THE ILLUMINATING ENERGY OF PURE REASON PRODUCE COMPLETE FREEDOM FROM GLAMOUR AND REVEAL THE LOVE OF DIVINE RELATIONSHIP.”**

**B. Notes and Activities on or since the last Full Moon November/Scorpio:**

- 1. SuryaAngel meditated at the time of the new and full moon together. We had a long and what we consider was** a strong meditation of positive distributing of this astrological year's cycle.
- 2. Surya, Angel are talking with 2023 Timisoara Cultural Capital office about a cooperative event possibly named ‘SAMatate’** between Favisan, BFL/SolarCity (The Natural Way Assoc. - TNWA), the Hemp Museum, SAM2013 and possibly Anatacor and Aurellian's or other groups for the Cultural Capital celebrations rescheduled to 2023. We are organizing information for possibly submitting an application or by possibly joining in the Asociatia Cries project next year in 2022 and for the main event in 2023.

3. The third of three 'Group Central Pillar Crystals' from Scotland, UK is in the USA to have a bronze stand made for it (see photo to the right of 16.6 Kg quartz) along with other rough crystals to be faceted for: A. Phase 1 Esoteric Group Crystal, meant mainly for assistance to Suon in that group with Virginia and Remus; B. Phase 3 Occult Group Crystal, meant mainly to assist Instructors of triangles, such as, Mircea, Leontina, and Remus. Again these 'Group Central Pillar Crystals' and your personally reserved Monadic Manifestation Group crystals are available to group members to come and meditate. Also the completions of the Esoteric and Occult crystal sets are being finalized along with any rearranging of the other crystals of the set. Please let us know if you would like to explore any of these crystals



4. We also acquired three natural triple pointed crystal clusters for any group members who would like meditate with them (see photo below).



5. **Poppy research at BioFarmland (BFL)** at Virginia's suggestion. New 'unwashed' seeds have been procured and planted April 2021 but did not sprout. New organic seeds were ordered and have arrived for planting next year 2022.
6. **Revised and renewed Hemp Museum suggestion** presented to Zoli, Virginia, and Leontina as a possible group project. Discussions are moving forward.
7. **Based on Leontina's previous intentions to establish an educational location near her home further discussions are going on about** a location, financing, possible links to other hemp projects and people. An initial estimate to get a small workshop space built on her land for materials with mainly voluntary labor or construction is 3,000 Euros. Anyone wanting a more specific update or to help with initial financing please either contact Leontina or us.

**C. Previous Activities Archive:**

1. **Hemp** for cooperative research at BioFarmland (BFL) on hold after 3 years of testing.

**D. General Notes and considerations about the group, cycles, meditation and information flow:**

1. **We are happy to get to know each other better**, or other ways that we may cooperate either personally, or as organizations. Please let us know if you would like any other meetings or if you have any other comments or questions.
2. **2021 continues the new seven year cycle started last year.** The final major group 'impact' has been made last year prior to the next 100 year 'impulse' which happens during 2025.
3. **It might be considered that these Group Meditations seek** to make use of the spiritual opportunities that the cycles of full moons, solstices and equinoxes and Group Festival Weeks provide. The unique energies associated with each constellation, season and longer cycles are directed into the consciousness as trans-formative qualities that can lift and expand our hearts and minds.

4. **It might be considered that Group Living tends to the fulfillment of free will in service** and, as this is gradually understood, coming together to co-operate on issues for the benefit of the whole without intentions to dominate, interfere or impose on others. The vision is there, the future is assured, but the key to its successful implementation is that co-operation has to be based on intentions that are based on the good of the whole rather than a focus on self-interest.
5. **In all meditation it is of value for the student to remember that,** from the standpoint of permanent benefit, it is easier to meditate effectively during the period from the new moon to the full moon, than from the full moon to the new moon. The first half of the lunar cycle is one of intensification, absorption and accretion; the second half is one of assimilation and distribution. More real progress over a long period can be made by observing this cyclic law.
6. **Wisely utilizing newly acquired energies keeps inflowing and out flowing channels open** and prevents Sycal (psychical), Astral (emotional), Mental (intellectual) congestions, which may otherwise be experienced, with their accompanying physical consequences.
7. **The following regular monthly cycle is for the group information flow:**
  - a. Full Moon (five days): Two days before, the day of (meditation), and two days after Full Moon for getting impressions.
  - b. The week after the 5 days of the Full Moon: For letting us know or sharing of any impressions during the preceding 5 days. Plus us transcribing our own impressions.
  - c. Second week after Full Moon for 'Anchoring' or 'Grounding' impressions through gathering other information or following up on activities based on the impressions. Possible New Moon meditation by those who want and ending that Full Moon Cycle.
  - d. Third week after Full Moon (just after the New Moon): Starting to build up to the next Full Moon having any questions to impressions shared and answered and any activities based on impressions started or completed.
  - e. Fourth week after the Full Moon (just before the next Full Moon): Coming out with the Keynote and information and timing of the next Full Moon, including the shared impressions or activity from the last Full Moon.

### Addendum:

### Sagittarius, the Archer, constellation hypothesizes and considerations from EA:

This sign is, as you know, a peculiarly human sign and is connected in a definite manner with the appearance of humanity upon our Earth. There are three of the zodiacal signs which are more closely connected with man than are any of the others. These are: Leo, Sagittarius and Aquarius. In one peculiar (but not yet provable) manner, they are related to the three aspects of body, soul and spirit. The following tabulation or concise statement of rather momentous implications may serve to make this clearer:

<u>Leo</u>	<u>Sagittarius</u>	<u>Aquarius</u>
The Lion	The Centaur	The Water-Carrier.
The Man	The Archer	The Server.
Self-consciousness	Focused consciousness	Group consciousness.
Physical nature	Emotional nature	Lower mental nature.
Integrated man	Aspiring man	Intuitive mental man.
Human soul	Spiritual human soul	Spiritual soul.
Individualization	Discipleship	Initiation.
Personality	Egoic focus	Monadic focus.
The Fixed Cross	The Mutable Cross	The Fixed Cross.
Centralisation	Orientation	Decentralisation.
Individual unity	Sensed duality	Universal unity.
Fire	Fire	Air.
Selfishness	Struggle	Service.
Evolution	The final path	Liberation.

I could continue to summarize the qualities and characteristics of these three and their peculiar inter-relation but the above will suffice amply to demonstrate the connection between them and their progressive effect upon the subject passing under their influence periodically and cyclically. They are frequently referred to as the signs which—when studied—will reveal divine intent in man, will mark the points of crisis in his progress and will (when the three influences which they express have done their work) carry the man "from door to door, for Leo is the next sign to Cancer, and Sagittarius is the sign which precedes Capricorn." I am quoting from an ancient book on the signs.

Sagittarius is sometimes depicted as an archer on a white horse and a study of the meaning of this symbolism will reveal a great deal of inner teaching. This is one of the later ways of portraying this constellation. Earlier, in Atlantean days (from which period we have inherited what we know about astrology), the sign was frequently depicted by the Centaur—the fabulous animal which was half a man and half a horse. The horse symbolism dominated Atlantean myths and symbols, just as the ram and the lamb

are prominently to be found in our modern presentations. This earlier sign of the Centaur stood for the evolution and the development of the human soul, with its human objectives, its selfishness, its identification with form, its desire and its aspirations. The Archer on the white horse, which is the more strictly Aryan symbol for this sign, signifies the orientation of the man towards a definite goal. The man is then not part of the horse but is freed from identification with it and is the controlling factor. The definite goal of the Centaur, which is the satisfaction of desire and animal incentives, becomes in the later stages the goal of initiation, which meets with satisfaction in Capricorn, after the preliminary work has been done in Sagittarius. The keynote of the Centaur is ambition. The keynote of the Archer is aspiration and direction, and both are expressions of human goals but one is of the personality and the other of the soul. From ambition to aspiration, from selfishness to an intense desire for selflessness, from individual one-pointed self-interest in Leo to the one-pointedness of the disciple in Sagittarius and thence to initiation in Capricorn. It is interesting to note that the astrological symbol for this sign currently used is simply the arrow with a fragment of the bow depicted. The Archer as well as the Centaur have dropped out of the picture and this is largely because the emphasis or focus of human living today is not based upon the objective outer facts of life upon the physical plane but upon some form of inner focus or emphasis, which varies from the many stages of astral and emotional ambition to spiritual aspiration, and from the activities of the lower mind bent upon selfish interest to the illumination of the same mind through focus upon the soul. An ancient catechism which all disciples have to master, asks the following questions and supplies the needed answers:

"Where is the animal, O Lanoo? and where the Man?

Fused into one, O Master of my Life. The two are one. But both have disappeared and naught remains but the deep fire of my desire.

Where is the horse, the white horse of the soul? Where is the rider of that horse, O Lanoo?

Gone towards the gate, O Master of my Life. But something speeds ahead between the pillars of an open door—something that I myself have loosed.

And what remains to thee, O wise Lanoo, now that the horses of two kinds have left thee and the rider, unattached, stands free? Now what remains?

Naught but my bow and arrow, O Master of my Life, but they suffice, and, when the right time comes, I, thy Lanoo, will follow fast upon the shaft I sent. The horses I will leave upon this side of the door, for them I have no further need. I enter free, regain the arrow which I sent and speed upon my way, passing from door to door, and each time the arrow speeds ahead."

It is for this reason that the keynotes of Sagittarius are five in number.

1. Attached or fused duality—the Centaur.

Unattached duality—the Archer.

Freedom or one-pointedness—the Bow and Arrow.

2. Human ambition leading eventually to spiritual aspiration.

3. A clear shaft of light which is the intuitive and focused attitude of the pledged disciple.

4. The "returning arrow of the intuition," as it is sometimes called. For it is the shaft of the arrow of aspiration which returns to the sender as the arrow of the intuition. Sagittarius is one of the intuitive signs, for only the intuition will suffice to carry a man to the foot of the mountain of initiation in Capricorn.

5. Idealism which is the power to see the vision and to direct one's course towards it. This is the work of Mars, the expression of the sixth ray.

A study of the charts of the human family at all the different stages, from the time of the Mutable Cross experience wherein the personality is built up, constructed, developed and integrated, to the final crucifixion of the personality upon the Fixed Cross of the Heavens, will reveal that every time the man finds himself under the influence of Sagittarius it is with the objective of orienting himself to some new and higher objective, with the task of refocussing himself towards a higher goal and with the unfoldment of some basic and directing purpose. These developing purposes may range all the way from purely animal desire,

through selfish human ambition, to the struggle of the aspiring disciple or initiate in order to achieve the needed liberation towards which the entire evolutionary process has impelled him. It is interesting, in this connection, to trace the unfolding of the human consciousness through the influence of the energies let loose through the various zodiacal signs:

1. Instinct, governing desire—Cancer. Mass unevolved consciousness. I desire.
2. Intellect, governing ambition—Leo. Individual consciousness. I know.
3. Intuition, governing aspiration—Sagittarius. Soul consciousness in early stages. Initiation 1 and 2. I vision.
4. Illumination, governing intuition—Capricorn. Soul consciousness in later stages. I realize.
5. Inspiration, governing service—Aquarius. Group consciousness. I go forth.
6. Identification, governing liberation—Pisces. Divine consciousness. I and the Father are one.

In these signs—Cancer, Leo, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius, and Pisces—you have the six signs which constitute the six pointed star of the human or fourth Creative Hierarchy; Cancer and Pisces marking the two extremes. The Crab symbolizes imprisonment (the hard shell and the rocks under which the Crab ever takes shelter), and the Fish signifies freedom. In between—in Leo, Sagittarius, Capricorn and Aquarius—come the four stages of personality development, struggle with the pairs of opposites, and finally release into full spiritual service. In connection with the development of the intellect into the intuition and its consummation as the divine aspiration of the personality ("inspired from on high," as this stage is technically called), the following ideas may be found useful; I am simply hinting at them and am leaving the student to work out the various implications for himself.

We have seen that Cancer is the sign of instinctual life, and that in Leo the intellect or mind became part of the individual man's equipment. This intellectual awareness is the result of a slow evolution of the instinctual nature which, when it has reached a certain stage of development, came under the direct influence of the Hierarchy of the planet in a new way, and then—under the stimulation of energies from the planet Venus—a fusion took place which resulted in the emergence of individual self-conscious man. Gradually, as the eons have slipped away, the instinctual nature has receded steadily into the background or below the threshold of consciousness, whilst the intellect has become more and more dominant and an increasingly potent factor. In Scorpio the mind is released into full governing activity. This release takes place in two stages:

Stage 1—Wherein the intellect becomes dominant and powerful and controls eventually the emotional nature.

Stage 2— Wherein the intellect is illumined by the light of the soul.

In dealing with probationary disciples and with ordinary humanity, the servers of humanity would do well to remember these two stages and not confuse them as they attempt to aid those who are in one or other of them. The emphasis is laid upon the struggle of the personality to release itself from the grip of lower desire in the first case, and in the second to release itself from surrounding world glamour which is revealed when soul light is thrown into it, via the reflecting and illumined mind. In stage 1, the power of the trained reasoning and rationalizing mind is called into activity by the soul; in the other, the illumination of the soul must pour into the mind and is then reflected, like a searchlight, onto the astral plane.

This takes place upon the Probationary Path and is called the experience of the disciple in the depths or the valleys.

In Sagittarius, the intellect which has been developed, used and finally illumined, becomes sensitive to a still higher type of mental experience and to this we give the name of intuitive perception. There come flashes of light upon problems; a distant yet possible vision of attainment is seen; the man begins to climb out of the depths to which he has descended in Scorpio and sees ahead of him the mountain in Capricorn which he knows he must eventually climb. He walks no longer in the dark, for he sees what he has to do and he therefore makes rapid progress and travels "fast upon the Way." He "flies from point to point, searching for the arrows which he has discharged." He has, figuratively speaking, to dismount constantly from his white horse (the developed and purified personality) and find where the arrows of intuitional aspiration will take him; he travels upon the "wings of the soul" (note the relationship to the winged feet of Mercury, the messenger of the Gods) and becomes, in his own personality, himself the winged God:

Mercury, as you know, governs Gemini, the polar opposite of Sagittarius. This he does until he has established a balanced relationship between the personality and the soul and can function as either at any desired moment with equal facility.

This takes place upon the Path of Discipleship and is called the experience of the disciple upon the plains of Earth, for the path between the pairs of opposites runs straight and level, leaving the depths of personality experience and the heights of soul experience (at this point of development) on either side.

In Capricorn, the initiate learns to realize the meaning of the growing light which greets his progress as he climbs upward to the mountain top. The flashes of intuition with which he is becoming familiar change into the blazing and constant light of the soul, irradiating the mind and providing that point of fusion which must ever be the "fusion of the two lights, the greater and the lesser light" to which I referred in *A Treatise on White Magic*. The light of the personality and the light of the soul blend. Upon this I need not enlarge, as nothing I could say would be more than it now is—the theory of initiation. This takes place upon the Path of Initiation and is called the experience of the mountain top. All are needed—the depths, the plains and the mountain top.

As you know, Sagittarius is one of the four arms of the Mutable Cross. An idea of the general symbology of this Cross, from the quality angle, can be gained if we give the two sets of characteristics which distinguish the man upon this Cross—both unevolved man and the aspirant to divinity. We might list these as follows, finding for each arm a distinctive phrase :

Unevolved man	Gemini—Changeableness. Instability. Interplay.
	Sagittarius—Ambitious desire. Direction. Orientation.
	Virgo—Material life. The cherishing of an idea.
	Pisces—Sensation. Mediumship. Fluidity.

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Evolved man	Gemini—Recognition of soul and form. Soul interplay.
	Sagittarius—One-pointed spiritual aspiration. Disciples.
	Virgo—The mother of the Christ Child. Gestation.
	Pisces—The world Saviour. Mediatorship.

In connection with the above, it is interesting to note that the Twins set apart and unattached in Gemini become the Centaur, the man-beast, in Sagittarius, whilst Virgo, the Virgin, becomes the Fish goddess in the polar opposite, Pisces. A treatise could be written on the subject of the relation of the opposites in the zodiacal circle for they express spirit and matter and their inter-relation, plus the play of qualitative energies; they bear witness at the same time to the fact that these two are one and are simply the expression of great mutable, and yet fixed and initiated spiritual Lives. It is for this reason that the constellation Libra occupies a unique place in the Great Wheel, for it is the energy coming from this constellation which controls what we might call (for lack of a more suitable word) the "hub of the wheel." This is that point in intermediate space where the twelve zodiacal energies meet and cross. Libra, therefore, controls the "moment of reversal of the wheel" in the life of every aspirant, for there comes a moment in the cycle of lives wherein a point of balance is reached and a relative equilibrium is attained, and over this event Libra presides. Some day it will be of interest to make a scientific research and investigation into the power of balance which Libra wields and a consequent analysis of the effect of Libra in an individual life. It might then be possible to discover whether the particular life in which a man carries forward the process of reversal may not perhaps be one in which the sun is in Leo, with Libra rising. Such statistical studies have not yet been made, but there is much to be done along these lines; I only make suggestions, but it will, I think, be found that this is the case. A proper investigation likewise into the life history of spiritualism and of the mediums associated with it may prove that the majority of the mediums in the world who are of a low grade type or purely trance mediums—negative and usually unintelligent—are born in Cancer with Pisces rising, or in Pisces with Cancer rising. Such studies would necessarily have to deal with hundreds of cases and be carried forward over a long period of time in order to prove the point which I seek to make. It would also be interesting to make an analysis of those particular incarnations and their horoscopes wherein the polar opposites both appear in relation to each other—one as the sun sign and the other as the ascendant, for these lives usually express some degree of either equilibrium or of

consummation; they will not in any case be negative lives or lacking in direction, event or purpose. This is particularly the case upon the Fixed Cross of the Heavens.

You will note that my purpose in this section of our treatise is to evoke interest and enquiry and to incite students to scientific, statistical and analytical investigation. Only in this way will my basic premises be proven and eventually substituted for the present unsatisfactory methods—methods which most astrologers who have any real capacity and insight regard as deplorable and unsatisfactory.

The ruler of Sagittarius from the orthodox angle is Jupiter, and from the standpoint of the path of discipleship it is the Earth itself. Mars governs this sign from the standpoint of the Hierarchies involved. The most interesting fact which emerges as we study the Mutable Cross as a whole is connected with the rulers of all the four signs. From the point of view of orthodox astrology, only two planets rule or govern all the four signs; these are Jupiter and Mercury. Mercury governs Gemini and Virgo, whilst Jupiter governs Sagittarius and Pisces. The reason for this is obvious if you study the nature of the rays which express themselves through these signs. Mercury is the agent or the messenger of the fourth Ray of Harmony through Conflict, whilst Jupiter is the medium for expression of the second Ray of Love-wisdom. These two rays govern the mass of men upon the Mutable Cross and are closely concerned with the mass incarnation of the fourth Creative Hierarchy. Their function is to fuse and blend into one cooperative whole the great dualities expressing themselves through the fourth kingdom in nature. The significance of this will be obvious. It is easily apparent how, through the influences of Mercury and Jupiter, material desire can be transmuted into divine love, and the conflict which is the distinguishing characteristic of the human family can be instrumental in resolving dissonance into harmony. The definite pattern and direction of this process has to take form upon the Mutable Cross before the energies of the Fixed Cross can change the ambitious selfish man into the selfless disciple. All this has perforce to be initiated upon the Mutable Cross which is essentially and significantly the Cross of the mutable, fluidic, restless mind and it is on this Cross that the mind nature is finally developed and begins its integrating control of the personality. When this process is proceeding, the Mutable Cross experience is over and the Cross of Discipleship begins to play its part.

The case is quite different in connection with the subjective side of unfoldment, and esoterically the disciple who finds himself in incarnation under the influence of the Mutable Cross in his personality life whilst he, as a soul, is upon the Fixed Cross, comes under the directed energy of four planets, three of which are non-sacred planets. Usually these four supersede or rather begin to dominate the influence of Mercury and Jupiter, giving greater facility of expression and exerting that influence which will bring the personality into right relation to the soul, for that is essentially the task of the Fixed Cross and the goal of the disciple. It is in connection with the planets governing Sagittarius, exoterically and esoterically, that an idea can easily be gained of the complexity of the forces with which every disciple has to contend and the significance of the ray forces which pour into and through him. Take for example the constellation which we are now considering, and remember that the same basic streams of energy will have to be noted in connection with every other sign in which a man may take incarnation. We find that we shall have to consider:

1. The Sun Sign.—In this case Sagittarius conditions circumstances, indicating inheritance and forcing the environment to be declarative in connection with the subject.
2. The Rising Sign.—The ascendant can be one of the other eleven signs.
3. The Mutable Cross.—The four energies which meet "at the midway point" and have a united and definite effect upon the subject. The same statement applies to the other two Crosses.
4. The Orthodox Planets.—These condition the personality. In this case we have Mercury and Jupiter. The twelve houses governed by the planets are likewise of prime importance from the angle of the transmitted energy.
5. The Esoteric Planets.—These bring in renewed or increased planetary energy and ray energy in a more dynamic manner. In the case of Sagittarius these energies are Venus, the Moon, the Earth and Pluto.
6. The Planetary Ruler of a Hierarchy.—In this particular case, this planet is Mars, ruling the sixth Creative Hierarchy, the lunar Lords (the elementals of the threefold personality) who have to be brought under the control of the solar Lord.

A study of the above will reveal most interesting relationships and prove my point anent the multiplicity of energies to which the wonderful mechanism of man can respond and to which, as evolution proceeds, he can become increasingly sensitive.

I cannot here enter into a detailed analysis of the many energies which pour through the disciple as he arrives at the final stages upon the Mutable Cross, and in Sagittarius achieves the determination to "direct his steps into another way of life and with ardour firm to mount another Cross," as the Old Commentary puts it. I can only point out that the following ray forces pour onto the man through the medium of the following planets:

Exoteric | Mercury—4th Ray—Harmony through Conflict.  
| Jupiter—2nd Ray—Love-wisdom.

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Esoteric | Venus—5th Ray—Concrete Science. Mind.  
| The Moon—4th Ray—Harmony through Conflict.  
| The Earth—3rd Ray—Active Intelligence.  
| Pluto-1st Ray—Destructive aspect.

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Hierarchical | Mars—6th Ray—Devotion. War to the death of the personality or form.

An analysis of this will show that the "forces of conflict" are powerful in this sign, primarily in the life of the disciple. Harmony through Conflict is ceaselessly active and appears in both the orthodox and the esoteric assignments. The destructive power of the first ray, focused in Pluto, brings change, darkness and death. To this intensity and potency of Pluto must be added the forceful and dynamic energy of the planet Mars. This brings the entire human family, as well as the individual, under the law of strife, based this time upon sixth ray devotion to an ideal, high or low. All these play upon the individual born in the sign of Sagittarius, as well as upon the fourth Creative Hierarchy as a whole. This, you can see for yourself, brings in a terrific situation, and the forces playing upon the disciple are of a momentous nature—provided that the mechanism of awareness is adequate to respond. These forces in all the signs are ever present, but responsiveness and sensitivity to their impact is dependent upon the nature of the response apparatus. Ponder upon this thought, for it is this sensitivity which marks the difference between the disciple and the average man.

These planetary influences are distinctive of the Sons of Mind, of Venusian origin; they are characteristic of the Lords of Sacrifice and Will functioning in time and space as the fourth Creative Hierarchy. The form life is ruled by the Moon, veiling a hidden planet; these Sons of Mind live on the Earth and thus within the body of the planetary Logos, and are of a definitely intelligent nature, making them Lords of Knowledge, achieving their goal through the light of the mind and through the method of conflict, for they are also Lords of Ceaseless and Persevering Devotion. All the above names which are related to the planets governing Sagittarius will be remembered by students of The Secret Doctrine. They are the "quality names" of the Divine Manasaputras, the Agnishvattas who are ourselves.

A consideration of the above paragraph will indicate to you the importance of the sign Sagittarius in the life of the incarnating Sons of God.

I would point out also that, through Jupiter and its influences, Sagittarius is related to three other great constellations:

1. Pisces—Exoterically, indicating the final goal for man.
2. Aquarius—Esoterically, indicating the purpose of all material evolution and the objective of all incarnating processes.
3. Virgo—Hierarchically, indicating the purpose of the Cosmic Christ.



Both the Earth and Saturn (one a non-sacred and one a sacred planet) are exponents or expressions of the third Ray of Active Intelligence, and this ray relationship serves to bring the influences of Capricorn into relationship with Sagittarius, thus providing a field of energy wherein the one-pointed disciple can finally become the initiate. This is the set goal of the subject born in Sagittarius—whether it is the set goal of initiation into some form of sensuous experience or of spiritual undertaking and consciousness. The result of all experience in any sign of the zodiac should definitely work out as an expansion of consciousness and, no matter what form this experience may take, it consummates in an initiation of some kind or another. Students would do well to regard initiation as a determining process in life, and should endeavor that every life experience or cycle of life experiences should work out as an initiation into a wider field of awareness, of expression and of resultant contact.

There is little more that I need say and little else upon which I need at this stage of study to comment. The man who is nearing the path of discipleship or who is already a disciple—pledged or under observation—will profit much from a deep and systematic study of this sign. I would suggest that the student bear in mind the position of this sign. Scorpio stands midway between two signs of balance or of equilibrium—Sagittarius and Libra. Libra marks an interlude or a notable point of balance before the strenuous testing and trial of Scorpio. Sagittarius marks another point of balance which follows after that testing, for the Archer has to acquire and hold a steady eye, hand and stance prior to firing the arrow which, when rightly directed and correctly followed, will carry him through the portal of initiation.

In studying Sagittarius, it becomes obvious that one of the major underlying themes is that of Direction. The Archer is guiding his horse towards some one specific objective; he is sending or directing his arrow towards a desired point; he is aiming at some specific goal. This sense of direction or guidance is characteristic of the enlightened man, of the aspirant and disciple, and this is a growing recognition; when this faculty of sensitive direction is rightly developed it becomes, in the early stages, an effort to identify all soul and personality activity with God's Plan, and this is, in the last analysis, the ordered direction of God's thought. There is no true direction apart from thought, and I would have you remember that thought is power. This is a statement upon which all disciples should ponder, for they can achieve no real comprehension of the direction of God's Plan unless they work with a phase in their own lives which is subject to their own mental direction. Then and only then, can they understand. Upon the ordinary wheel of life, the man who is born in this sign or with this sign in the ascendant will be influenced by what the ancient Hindu Scriptures call kama-manas, which is inadequately translated by the words, desire-mind. This dual force controls and influences the life; in the early stages of unfoldment its focus is upon desire and the satisfaction of that desire and, in the later stages of purely personality development, the focus is upon the control of desire by the mind; the major objective is, at this time, the intelligent use of all powers to bring about adequate satisfaction of desire, which is, in this case, very frequently simply ambition to achieve some goal or attain some objective. This process of personality satisfaction takes place upon the ordinary wheel. Upon the reversed wheel, the goal is the expression of love-wisdom and this is ever selflessly developed and always consecrated to the good of the whole and not to the satisfaction of the individual.

We are told that Sagittarius governs the thighs, which are the main center of physical power and protective strength, and also the sacral center which provides the energy for the use of the creative powers of the physical life. This is also symbolically true. In Sagittarius, the disciple has two things to discover within himself; these are the power to make progress upon the path and to walk the Way, and also the ability to create in the higher and spiritual sense. This concerns the relationship between the sacral and the throat centers. These powers (the higher powers) are as yet embryonic in the earlier Sagittarian experience of the disciple, but they become more developed and potent as he cyclically returns to life experience in this sign.

It is interesting to note that no planet is exalted in Sagittarius and that no planet falls in this sign. Only one thing happens and that is that the power of Mercury is greatly lessened. For this reason Sagittarius is esoterically regarded as a sign of balance and of no extremes; there is no great fall and no exaltation. This fact indicates that the disciple has to walk an even way between the pairs of opposites, uninfluenced by either the "power of exaltation or the potency of that which falls." Neither the valley nor the heights produces any demonstrable effect.

Mercury, which is the expression of the fourth ray and also the God of the mental processes, has his power definitely lessened in this sign and this for two reasons, esoterically speaking:

First, the disciple has definitely to cease identifying himself with either his own human personality and processes or with the human kingdom, prior to taking initiation. His emphasis is, for the future, to be upon

the spiritual soul and the fifth kingdom in nature; in Sagittarius he begins to express this first stage. This involves a complete withdrawal, in the personality sense, from the form side of life. This again entails (at a certain point of crisis) a point of balance.

Secondly, the power of the mind, having been developed, tested and found true in the sign Scorpio, begins to wane in its activity and the intuition begins to take its place. This is essential before the sign Capricorn is entered by the disciple and preparation for initiation begins.

As regards the three decanates of Sagittarius, Jupiter gives expansion, superseding Mercury, for the mercurial mind is ever a limitation even if only a temporary one. The Moon gives place to Mars, which confers the quality of devotion and the capacity to fight for an ideal. This idealistic concept and method of work is always the characteristic of discipleship during the early stages of unfoldment upon the Path. The Sun, typifying the solar Angel remains constant both through the exoteric and the esoteric processes and therefore astrology recognizes it as a constant pressure and presence. This fact in itself indicates a significant truth. The soul remains eternally present—in the past, in the present and on into the future.

In closing, I will simply quote to you the two keywords of this sign, both as it proceeds upon the ordinary wheel and upon the reversed wheel. Their meaning and significance are so obvious that there is no need for elucidation. The injunction to the man upon the orthodox wheel is as follows:

And the Word said: "Let food be sought."

To the man upon the reversed wheel the Word goes forth:

"I see the goal. I reach that goal and then I see another." May the words of this final injunction to the disciple carry meaning to the heart and mind.

### **Conclusion (at this point):**

May we consider together entering into that higher state of (group/soul) 'bewilderment' from our lower state of personal certitude.

Although this addendum is again almost the whole Saggittarius specific text from EA we felt it was good to include so much hypothetical information since it summarizes and ties so many aspects of esoteric astrology and the other constellations together in a way that relates to every person since we all have our ways of 'Seeing and Reaching goals' ourselves individually or as a group.