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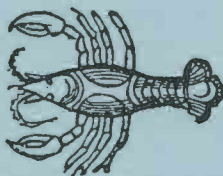
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## THE WATERY TRIPLICITY

Dear Friends:

♋ *Aqua* Cancer



♏ Scorpio



♓ Pisces



astrologers of long ago assigned three zodiacal signs to each of the four elements. By this arrangement, the water signs were Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces. The watery element was believed to be the vehicle of psychic phenomena, but actually Cancer was associated with illuminism, Scorpio with esotericism, and Pisces with mysticism. Obviously the sun sign was only one element in the complicated pattern of the horoscope. For this reason the intuitional phase of human consciousness was subject to numerous modifications and specializations. At the moment there has been a new and powerful impetus toward the cultivation of extrasensory perception with various Eastern and Western meditational processes.

The transit of Pluto through Scorpio has contributed to the rise of secret religious societies and the emphasis upon the scientific approach to the contemplative life. Scorpio is a fixed sign, has a tendency to dogmatize its beliefs, and demand an unquestioning acceptance of its teachings. A number of Scorpio peculiarities are associated with the intensities of the dispositions of those born under its special influence. In religious matters they tend to secrecy and, when pressures arise, retire into themselves, often with neurotic intensity.

Isolation often leads to negative relationships with society, separating the natives from social contacts so that they retire into a world of imagination. They may also develop intense metaphysical ambitions with the final result that they deprive themselves of those normal relationships which contribute to a well balanced career.

Cancer, the fourth sign of the zodiac, is governed by the moon and is especially associated with motherhood and parental conditions. The sign is highly emotional, sensitive, and benevolent. In religious matters those born under this sign are self-taught and maintain an internal relationship with the invisible realms of internal realities. An outstanding example is Jacob Boehme. He was a very simple unlearned man, deeply sympathetic to the needs of those around him and sustained throughout his life by the inner experience of divine love. The true illuminate practices so far as is humanly possible the peace of God which he has inwardly experienced. Sometimes the mystical experiences associated with inner illumination are

seen inwardly as an eternal effulgence in a universe of incredible grandeur. Yet this splendid vision comes as though to a child and seldom results in conflict with formalized religions. Illumination is seldom attained unless there is a complete renunciation of fears, anxieties, and internal conflicts.

Boehme never criticized or condemned those who disagreed with him, but in thought and deed did good to those who despitefully used him. Illuminates have a tendency to develop deep sympathies for the widows and the fatherless and are often exploited for their charitable instincts, but the Cancer person seldom nurses a grudge for any length of time. Their inner vision sustains tranquillity. The tendency to disillusionment must be overcome by the strength of inner vision and the operation of divine law.

The sign of Pisces is associated with mysticism and may take the form of ministrations to human need. Many clergymen have this sign strongly placed and with women it strengthens dedication to the daily responsibilities of life. Teachers come under this influence, so do nurses and social workers. The Piscean may serve as a missionary in some remote area and will usually serve the physical needs of underprivileged groups. Persons under this sign are noncombative and are sometimes considered timid or indecisive. They will sponsor and support social reform and may devote their lives to welfare projects.

In orthodox religious matters they are faithful to the obligations they have assumed, but often break away from practices which they regard as unreasonable or mercenary. The Piscean is not inclined to create religious organizations or movements based upon personal revelations and prefers to emphasize integrities long known and practiced by enlightened human beings of all ages and all faiths. The Piscean is seldom religiously ambitious, but remains forever a servant in the house.

As we look around us today, it becomes obvious that these general areas of transcendental beliefs are rapidly increasing in their spheres of influence. Fifty years ago such movements or individuals were ignored, ridiculed, or persecuted. Material science and the physical fields of endeavor were regarded as the foundation of human security. Minority groups, racial or religious, were downgraded. Few thought of studying oriental philosophy or collecting oriental art. Travel was largely restricted to Europe and disasters in distant regions received scant attention. Progress has now brought to us all the realization of one world, one problem, and one need. The material sciences evade these concerns because they conflict with the economic theory. Those in authority are holding on to their spheres of influence and resent reforms. Religion now has a heavy responsibility. For nearly five thousand years the world has suffered from a series of holy wars largely involved in territorial expansion and the control of wealth. Religion is still a source of pain and misery in many parts of the world. It is necessary to realize that an enlightened faith must be rescued from theological intolerances. The word religion itself should stand for universal faith manifested through obedience to divine law by which all religions can live together in a state of brotherly love and dedication to human improvement.

We are not leaving out all the other signs because in the universal plan all are equally important. We are merely pointing out that the water signs,

as in alchemical speculation, can hasten the transmutation of the fires of hate, cruelty, and crime. In Isaiah 2:4 there is a prophecy that in a certain day to come peoples shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruninghooks. Then nations shall not lift up their swords against nations, neither shall they learn war any more. On the anvil of great suffering, fire, associated with Aries, is necessary to the tempering of both the weapon and the gardener's tool. Thus Aries emphasizes the force and strength of fire in the tempering of metals, and Isaiah, the prophet of Israel, foresees the use of fire to change weapons into instruments of constructive usage. The air signs have something to do with the conquest of space and the contamination of the earth's atmosphere. The earth signs are immediately concerned with the conservation of natural resources and the struggle to conquer the lands which we were supposed to protect and make fruitful.

When the twelve signs of the zodiac reveal the full measure of their significance and purpose, we will discover that the energies which they rule must also form one great reservoir of divine resources which if properly used will end the strife of competition. The world can solve its own problems and was intended to do so. The human race was evolved to sustain the mysteries of nature and its laws. When we fulfill the reason for ourselves, the natural resources of the planet will be wisely used and humanity can experience security for the first time in its troubled history.

Perhaps more of this a little later.

Most sincerely yours,

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