



Sagittarian Full Moon

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Personality Aspect: *Let food be sought.*

Soul Aspect: *I see the goal. I reach that goal and then I see another.*



Welcome everyone to this Sundial House Group for Creative Meditation on-line Sagittarian Full Moon meeting. This Full Moon period of Sagittarius is conditioned by 'planetary *fire* which produces eventual revelation to the purified man who stands in the Light'. This direction of travel is set for the aspirant and disciple as the symbol of Sagittarius is that of an arrow, and it is "upon the flight of the arrow, [that] we see the goal ahead, pulling back the string of the bow to a point of tension, taking aim and firing it".

A fundamental quality of this sign is a sense of *direction*, producing the keynotes of one-pointedness, aspiration, dedication, a focussed and intuitive attitude [sensitive direction][, and power to see the vision and direct one's course to it.

Sagittarius is therefore associated with the intuition. It is said that the arrow of Sagittarius is called "the shaft of light" – for it is the "Shaft of the arrow of inspiration which returns to the sender as the arrow of the intuition". The Archer [the aspirant], having sent forth his arrow, follows after it and reaching the aim to which it was sent, dismounts from the white horse that he rides and directs, to find it; in other words, he consolidates the point achieved; he then reorientates himself and aims his arrow once again. In Sagittarius "fluid response to matter becomes focussed response to spirit."

In some ancient books the sign of Sagittarius is called the sign of *silence*. This is the lesson of Sagittarius the right use of thought, which results in the restraint of speech, and consequent harmlessness on the physical plane, giving rise to liberation. Individuals and organisation are imprisoned to the planet not by some outside force that holds us there, but by the fog of thought forms created by what we have said and done.

The task and opportunity within the Sagittarian Gateway is to work at cultivating the power of *silent* thought to rise above and thereby dispel the cloud of thought forms that hinder and obscure the way to the clear light of pure reason. Sagittarius, with its energies of one-pointedness, dedication and intuitive aspiration, is a sign which offers opportunity to take control of the lower self, to see the spiritual goal [vision], to aim towards that goal, and, reaching it, then catch the vision and the next point to be attained. "Every time the man finds himself under the influence of Sagittarius it is with the objective of reorienting himself to some new and higher objective, with the task of refocussing himself towards a higher goal and the unfoldment of some basic and directing purpose."

This is therefore a period for considering aims, for cultivating spiritual vision and the rededication of our energy to the goals that the intuition tells us lie ahead.

Antonio Guterres, the UN Secretary-General, has recently highlighted that 'when people fight each other in the middle of a pandemic, the only winner is the virus. We need a renewed push for peace to achieve a global ceasefire. Only if we work together can we defeat Covid19, prevent climate catastrophe and pave the way for a better world.' He recognises that 'we are

moving in the right direction towards climate action, but we need greater speed'. He urges 'all governments, cities, financial institutions and private businesses [that they] have to establish their transition plans for net zero emissions by 2050, and start with concrete policies now.'

Let's take a few moments now to consider the principles of the spiritual path and the goal to which they lead; and then let us say together *The Gayatri*

O Thou Who givest sustenance to the Universe
From Whom All things proceed
To Whom all things return.
Unveil to us the face of the true spiritual sun.
Hidden by a disc of golden light.
That we may know the truth and do our whole duty
As we journey to Thy sacred feet.
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The 9th Labour of Hercules – Killing the Stymphalian Birds

The Myth:

In this labour, Hercules is instructed to find the marsh of Stymphalus and to discover the way to flush out the ferocious, man-eating birds who, with iron beaks, talons sharpened like swords and feathers like steel shafts, wreak havoc among the people of Arcadia.

For long Hercules searches, until he comes to the fetid marsh of Stymphalus. On his approach, the birds screech in a raucous chorus, menacing and dissonant. Three of the birds, seeing Hercules, swoop down to attack him, but standing his ground, he wards them off with his heavy club. Standing before the marsh, wondering how he would rid the place of these birds of prey, he remembers the words of his Teacher: "The flame that gleams beyond the mind reveals direction sure."

At twilight, when the marsh is dense with countless birds, Hercules strikes repeatedly on two large and brazen cymbals. Bewildered and disturbed by so monstrous a noise, the birds, with wings wildly flapping, never to return again.

Interpretation of the Myth:

The symbol of Sagittarius is sometimes depicted as an archer on a white horse: the white horse denoting the purified and developed personality, whilst the archer represents the one-pointed disciple, moving, straight as an arrow, towards the goal.

Hercules, triumphant and freed from illusion in Scorpio, recognised that he still had an emotional nature, and found that the birds of Stymphalus, especially three of them, had to be raised out of the marshes into the clear light of day, before he could move on to a greater vision.

The three birds represent wrong thought and speech. Hercules realised that the lesson of this labour was the restraint of speech through the control of thought. As long as his thoughts were separative and a reflection of his lower nature, he would not be able to move further on the lighted way. By striking the cymbals Hercules managed to raise the birds into the clear air where they could be seen and conquered.

The underlying theme of Sagittarius is that of direction or movement towards an identified goal. It has been observed that there is no direction apart from thought, and that thought is power. In the life of the Sagittarian server, these ideas reflect an awakening of consciousness to the ordered direction of God's thought and the development of a deeper understanding of the divine Plan unfolding.

Reflective Consideration of the current situation

Under the influence of Sagittarius humanity finds itself with the objective of reorienting itself to some new and higher objective, with the task of refocussing towards a higher goal and the unfoldment of some basic and directing purpose.

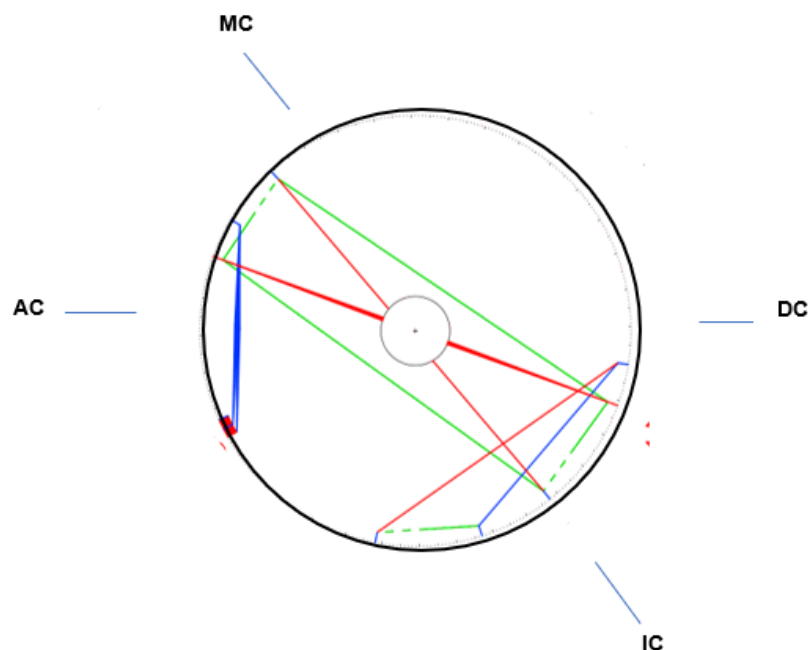
Take a moment to align with your centre of stillness and give consideration to the following three questions:

- ❖ What arrow of aspiration are you preparing to release?
- ❖ Creatively imagine the spiritual target that you are aiming for with this arrow?
- ❖ It is known that *energy follows thought*. How are you cultivating the art of silence to craft and direct this arrow?

Receptive Meditation – The Aspect Image of the Sagittarian Full Moon

The Huber Astrology image generated by the aspect patterns at the exact time of the Sagittarian Full Moon in 2020 offers a pattern for contemplation of these energies not usually or normally contacted at these times.

‘Images and words are living things, possessing form, soul [consciousness] and spirit or life.’ ‘Much that is inexpressible by words may be supplemented by symbols. Thus, in every symbol there will be the element of the inexpressible. – ‘Aum’ © Agni Yoga Society



Take a moment to realign with your centre of stillness, let go of any previous thoughts, and holding the focused silent mind within the head centre consider the image of the aspect patterns of the Sagittarian Full Moon

1. Does the image convey a form?
2. What are the feelings this image gives rise to?
3. What is the life or livingness conveyed by it?

SAGITTARIUS FULL MOON 2020 ANALYSIS

The task before the Aspirant, Humanity, in the sign of Sagittarius is to gather all his forces into a one-pointed pursuit of the ever-unfolding vision of the Truth inspired by the soul. The new realisations achieved on this journey in consciousness need to be worked out into practical wisdom to aid in the betterment of earthly life.

The chart for the full moon shows an as yet unintegrated psyche dominated by acute sensitivity and hyperactive searching for answers to deep-seated, and apparently unresolvable conflicts between real life existential experience and abstract perspectives based on theory and ideology.

The full moon axis is subsumed into a rectangular structure in consciousness which seeks security and control through an obsessive preoccupation with collecting and communicating information and data.

Whilst those in charge make ideologically based plans from a distance, drawing on methods of emotional manipulation to secure their acceptance, the needs of the populace are for clear communication on mundane issues of economic and physical survival. They are picking up on a every new development which promises to revolutionise material security within the collective, even if they are completely at odds with the top-down narrative.

This dynamic of opposing priorities is characterised by information overwhelm, and a rigid and defensive adherence to decisions that both produces barriers to the flow of communication and allows a true facing up to the painful dysfunction at the core of society to be avoided.

However, there are significant structural weaknesses at both ends of this figure which could lead to a failure to contain its pent-up energy. A danger then exists of greater efforts to impose control which is likely to exacerbate tensions in the short term, but could offer some potential for true healing in the future if old attitudes are transcended.

Cutting across this dominant psychic dilemma are two separate psychological processes:

Firstly, the strong blue aspect on the left of the chart. This points to the rich potential for positive learning emerging from the destruction of the old status quo and the restriction of individual freedoms. A capacity for insightful, independent thinking about group living and the renewal of purposeful community could produce transformational development if this opportunity is pursued.

Secondly, the triangular figure to the right of the chart which points to a way forward that is in sympathy with the clear communication demanded by the public. There is a troubling feeling of dissatisfaction with the indiscriminate nature of mass and social media which is felt to be informed by aggressive and self-serving interests operating behind the scenes. Only by tackling this persistent problem can progress towards the needed clarity and harmonious flow of information be made.

"The manifestation of wise Covenants enables one not to lose sight of the goal. An experienced archer sends the arrow firmly, but the hand of the faint-hearted trembles ."

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