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Jupiter in Scorpio – Oct 11th 2017 to Nov 8th 2018 Embracing our Dragon!!

Well our big friend has certainly kept us on our toes over the last year as he stormed through Libra hasn't he? Famous for his tendency to amplify and bring to extremes the affairs of the sign he's traversing, he sure didn't disappoint as he stirred up all levels of RELATIONSHIP dynamics both personal and global.

With his keywords of "expansion - opportunity - growth - luck – wisdom – knowledge - good fortune" it's interesting to look for these in the bizarre events of the 2017 Trump Presidency year, as we have also experienced the extremes of both weather calamities and global terrorism events that have shocked the world into a fresh wave of fear and confusion.

And as he joined Uranus in Aries and Pluto in Capricorn in the revolutionary transforming 'Zap Zone' of the 2010s we've also experienced the extremely polarized and divided world in which we live. So here we see his backhanded 'gift' through his revelation that we can no longer divide and conquer, or support a system that continues to sustain division and separation! There has been a powerful seed of change planted during Jupiter/Uranus/Pluto in 2017. Now we just wait and keep nurturing the seed for 3 years until he reaches Aquarius, when some major shoots will begin to arise in the collective!

So what's next as he dives deep into the powerful water sign of Scorpio? Well if his process in Libra has offered us the opportunity to expand our capacity to attract healthy relationships, by showing us what is no longer acceptable in our leaders and personal partners, then here's to him taking us to a much healthier version of power.

This is after all the bottom line theme of Scorpio, the sign of death and re-birth where we confront the deepest, darkest features of our personal and collective nature and learn to love and embrace our inner dragons!!

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Before we get to the Scorpio ingredients let's take a minute to review the current Jupiter cycle since he entered Aries back in 2010, so we can understand the power of his purpose in our lives in his 12-year cycle. Astrology is such a cool model once you really start working with the development process on offer!

- Stage 1 - This current Jupiter cycle began in mid-2010 when he entered Aries for a brand new cycle personally & collectively. Uranus also entered Aries for the first time in 84 years & Jupiter ignited this new revolutionary phase in technology & individual expression!
- Stage 2 - Then mid-2011 when he was in Taurus we dealt with our core issues re our values & prosperity and added steady building to our initial seed of 2010.
- Stage 3 - In mid-2012 he charged into Gemini and we experienced the arrival of a whole new set of technology and expanded our knowledge & connections to grow our lives.
- Stage 4 - Then mid-2013 he took us into Cancer so we could heal our emotional safety and do the hard yards required to build safe foundations to underpin further progress.
- Stage 5 - Mid-2014 as he powered into Leo he gave us the opportunity to step into our true individuality and 'be free to be me' and grow our creative confidence and courage.
- Stage 6 - Between Aug 15 & Sept 16 he passed through Virgo offering the opportunity to develop practical plans & strategies to take our creative goodies forward, & health themes were prominent.
- Stage 7 - He entered Libra in Sept 2016 & leaves 11th Oct 2017, bringing us PR and marketing for our projects, as we redefined partnerships to release old co-dependence issues & invite healthy support.
- **Stage 8 - He now steps into Scorpio from Oct 2017 to Nov 2018 bringing us themes of all things hidden & mysterious - "life/death/regeneration/sex/money/power". Time for our SAFE POWER.**
- Stage 9 - He enters Sagittarius on 8th Nov 2018 until 3rd Dec 2019 opening an expansive fire period with themes of beliefs/writing/publishing/media/religion.
- Stage 10 - He enters Capricorn Dec 2019 the sign of government/corporate systems, and joins Saturn in Capricorn to begin their new 20 year cycle in December 2020!
- Stage 11 - He enters Aquarius also in Dec 2010 & again joins Saturn also just entering Aquarius the sign of social revolution & technology. SO they have 2 new cycles both coinciding in Dec 2020!
- Stage 12 - He enters Pisces the sign of spiritual evolution, in Jan 2022 until Dec 2022 when he enters Aries to begin his new 12 year cycle.

Eh viola. See how easy it is to use this model consciously?!



Ruled By



FIXED WATER

Naturally Rules

8th house - 'I DESIRE'

Symbol

THE SCORPION & EAGLE & DRAGON

Physically rules

Regenerative Organs & Bowel

Permission

"It is safe for me to be powerful"

Keywords

+ Power, control, resources, regeneration, transformation, birth and death, sex and money, shared resources, legacies and inheritances, hidden matters thus the 'occult', research and investigation, the mysteries, internal unconscious psychological drivers, hidden depths, the shadow, emotional depth and safety, metapsychics or energy systems, sensitivity, vulnerability, intimacy, passion and emotional intensity, shamans and depth psychologists who support healing and transformation.

- Possessive, obsessive, controlling, seductive, psychopathic, betrayal, jealous, vengeful, destructive, manipulative, distrustful, poisonous, threatening, dark and secretive, the black magical arts, murderous, surveillance without consent, sexual predators, financial scams, family infighting over estates!

Poor old Scorpio is definitely one of the most misunderstood of the 12 Zodiac signs, with many a bad rap for tail stinging and obsessive controlling behaviours. If only people really understood the wonderful features of this fixed water sign, where we meet the most intense and sensitive levels of our feeling nature with such a capacity for vulnerable intimate connection both within and outside of our selves.

And this is of course why Scorp types are so very secretive and protective of their true nature, after all it's dangerous to let 'them' see these qualities in our hard nosed world, so I'll just protect myself with distance and control them...lol. And if I let them get close and they betray my trust then watch out!! Scorp is the second of the water signs, the first being Cancer where we meet the instinctive urge for emotional safety and security.

So if we are not 'emotionally safe' it's a tall order to feel safe in our power in Scorpio. Hence the power and control themes that offer such a wide range of territory in our personal and global experience. So as Jupiter plunges into the deep waters of Scorpio over the next year we have an amazing opportunity for healing and renewal, by re-connecting with our feminine source energy that gives birth to inspiration and imagination.



I have always loved dragons so I really connected with the 'Mother of Dragons' in Game of Thrones, and as dragons are associated with the deepest contents of our unconscious I guess this has lots to do with why I'm so attracted to depth psychology and the processes of death and re-birth...

In the human psyche dragons symbolize a meeting ground in the imaginable world of the unlimited power and possibilities of the Creation Magic of which universes are born, together with the need to overcome, individually and collectively, the lower aspects of our nature while developing high moral character, integrity, honor, and nobility of motive.

So I'm seeing this Jupiter Scorpio year as a time to confront and heal the deepest darkest regions of our collective unconscious; to dig up and release the pain and anger that is affecting so many people as we pass through 'the dark night of the Soul' in our global evolutionary process. For my in-depth insights into this process read on to 'Personal implications of Jupiter in Scorpio'.

Jupiter makes very few major aspects with other planets over the next year, so his positive trine connection with Neptune in Pisces is very important me thinks! Neptune as God of the Seas rules over the sign of Pisces where he has been travelling since 2012 through to 2026, heightening the spiritualizing process at work in our Zeitgeist over these years, as we struggle toward a more enlightened world view beyond the greed and insecurities that run our material world.

Jupiter trine Neptune offers a sublime mystical and spiritual alignment to open our quest toward higher and more idealistic expression of the best of our human nature. After the intense events of recent times we may feel overwhelmed by the negativity and lack of inspiration and optimism, so please use this excellent opportunity to chillax a little and go within to seek fresh inspiration and regeneration re-engage your imaginations and ideals.

You see we are in a hiatus period in the 12 fold process, containing the seeds of re-birth just around the corner from late 2018 when Jupiter re-emerges from the underworld and strides into Sagittarius. Then we can jump on our trusty horse and head forward into our Heroic journey freshly empowered after releasing all our old unwanted emotional baggage!! This doesn't mean that we do nothing until then...just that our doing is about learning how to be a being!!

This highly idealistic combo of Jupiter with Neptune may prompt us to study spiritual and hidden matters, find our inner poet and artist and muse, heighten our intuition and compassion and to enjoy our erotic and sensual pleasure nature. As Scorpio and Pisces are both healing signs we will experience a fresh phase in the healing arts and sciences that synthesize the scientific and the metaphysical, as the reality that our psychological health has everything to do with our physical health, finally comes through into wider recognition during 2018.

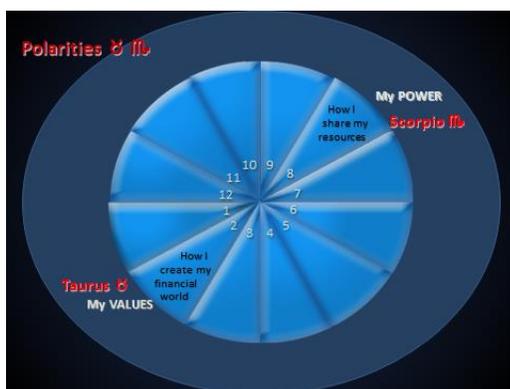
We are in the realm of the Sacred Feminine mysteries in Scorpio where we have access to powers beyond our rational capacities. Here we learn that we are not just our physical bodies and how to use the untapped power of the mind to heal it-self! When we become metapsychicians we penetrate the mystery of energy systems to allow tapping into our own power to heal once we learn how to move energy! Fabulous stuff and your mission is to enroll in a Metapsychics or Shaman course or whatever takes your fancy in this territory. I may have just the thing for you! [My '12System Toolkit' covers all of this!](#)

Jupiter seeks the truth and in Scorpio this is the POWER OF LOVE. Healing happens when we find peace in our SOUL and daily life. TO do this we must release old stored resentments and 'stuff'. Read on to the Personal Section below for how to do this!

The caution here involves not over idealizing the latest guru/teacher, as you also strengthen your personal energetic boundaries about whose emotional energy you 'let in' and feel their feelings for them, if they are resisting their own transformational process. As these energies stimulate our compassionate nature it's also important to not buy into rescuing victims who simply won't take responsibility for themselves!

There's also some pretty hot romantic and erotic charge on this one so if the perfect lover arrives be sure to take a minute for the fog to clear before you lose yourself in 'the merge'...lol. At best this can bring us deep and intimate encounters with safe and nurturing others who heal and soothe. Bring it on!

I've always enjoyed informing Scorpio type people that their power lies in their softness, and they are often shocked by this. So here's to Jupiter in Scorpio expanding the yummiest attributes of our humanity as we re-enchanted the feminine healing process back into our lives and the world! **The transit of Jupiter in Scorpio with Neptune in Pisces begins in early December, then late May and mid-August 2018.**



Scorp rules the behind the scene power brokers who run our government and corporate systems as they hide in the shadows beneath the outer forms as they are presented to us. Over the next 12 months these power brokers will be confronted with the need to transform their systems, and as Scorp is a money sign (opposite Taurus where Uranus is about to arrive for the first time in 84 years!) then financial systems will be right up during 2018, with major upsets and changes definitely on the cards. (More about this in my 2018 Report to come).

With a bit of luck good old Jupiter will have a fine time digging up all manner of secrets and lies they use to control and manipulate us. There's also a good chance we will see ever **increasing levels of surveillance systems** kicking in as the Elite continue to deepen their erosion of civil liberties in the name of the 'war on terror'.

Then there will be the revelation of **BIG names involvement in sexual and financial scandals** in all levels of society...bring it on! We can also expect a new wave of brave **whistleblowers calling out the rampant corruption** in all levels of banking, government and corporate culture, which leads to my next point!

I love the great saying that we marry them in Libra and go to bed with them in Scorpio, as this is where the behind the scenes safety and intimacy live in any relationship personally and collectively! It's also where we divorce them and haggle over the settlement, hence Scorp's association with litigation and inheritances. Thus we'll be hearing of **lots of litigation matters as people sue the socks off unjust services and products during 2018.**

The other feature that's always fascinating to watch is Jupiter's publicity/spread the word tendencies in all levels of our culture, in particular via the **movies and TV shows** that come on line during his transit. So as Scorp is all about **detectives and mysteries and research and archeology and occult mysteries and conspiracy theories** we're set for lots of new shows and news in all these areas. After all it was only a month after Jupiter entered Scorp in late 1922 that Howard Carter discovered the tomb of the boy-king Tutankhamun, so I wonder what's in store this time?

Then we have the business of birth and death! Lots of action on this one as euthenasia agendas will be front and centre, along with burials and rites of passage. Giving birth will also become a hot topic yet again with the whole 'business' of invitro-fertilization and genetically created beings getting lots of attention and moves toward legislation. Then theres **gay/lesbian/trans sexuality** issues stepping forward another notch, with historical precedents from 1969/70 and 1981/82 in gay rights activism. We are currently awaiting the public POLL here in Oz for equal rights marriage...I mean it has to be a no brainer doesn't it?

SO lots to look forward to during 2018 on so many levels my friends.!

Previous Jupiter in Scorpio Cycles – every 12 Years



Nov 2005/Nov 06 PM Silvio Berlusconi of Italy sex scandals – US President George W. Bush & UK Prime Minister Tony Blair popularity wanes - Nintendo releases the Wii in North America - Google purchases YouTube for US\$1.65 billion in stock - Pluto is downgraded from a Planet to a dwarf planet by IAU - The US Energy department report of a trillion barrels worth of Oil shale reserves in the Green River basin, U.S. - President Bush acknowledged secret CIA prisons around the world outside of US legal jurisdiction.

Nov 1993/Dec 94 Northridge Earthquake hits Los Angeles - Dow Jones closes above 3,900 for 1st time - Civil War in Rwanda - Nelson Mandela becomes president of South Africa - Channel Tunnel opened - 48 members of the Order of the Solar

Tradition Cult commit suicide - OJ Simpson flees police - Russian President Boris Yeltsin orders tanks and troops into the rebel region of Chechnya - Jordan and Israel sign a peace treaty ending state of war that has existed between the nations since 1948 - - The Whitewater scandal investigation begins - The North American Free Trade Agreement - A New Outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus begins

Dec 1981/Dec 82 Wave of Terrorist attacks in France by Carlos the Jackal - Argentina invades Falkland Islands - Israeli forces invade Lebanon - Israeli returns Sinai to Egypt - Largest cash robbery in History in New York when \$9,800,000 is stolen from armored car - Around 700,000 demonstrators in New York City's Central Park

protesting proliferation of nuclear weapons - International Whaling Commission ends commercial whaling - Yassar Arafat elected President of the Palestinian National Council - first implant of a permanent artificial heart - Severe recession begins in the United States - World's largest oil rig sinks in north Atlantic - First CD player sold in Japan

Dec 1969/Sep 70 "The Beatles" announce they have disbanded - NASA's Apollo 13 Moon Mission returns to Earth successfully after an explosion - Forty-three nations ratify the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty - The United States invades Cambodia - The first jumbo-jet the Boeing 747 debut commercial flight from NY to London - American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality from its list of psychiatric disorders -

Sept 1958/Oct 59 Fidel Castro comes to power in Cuba after Revolution with the first communist state in the west - The Dalai Lama and tens of thousands of Tibetans flee to India - Twilight Zone TV Series - Guggenheim Museum designed by Frank Lloyd Wright in New York City is completed - Buddy Holly, Richie Valens, and the Big Bopper goes down in Iowa plane crash

Sept 1946/Oct 47 Roswell UFO incident, India and Pakistan become Independent Nations, CIA established. IMF Established, Ferrari begins production of sports cars, Cold War Beginnings between East and West, United Nations votes in favor of the creation of an Independent Jewish State of Israel, The Marshall Plan to re-build Europe - Technology includes First "instant camera", "Tubeless Tire"

Oct 1934/Nov 35 The years of depression continued in 1935 with unemployment still running at 20.1%, and the war clouds were gathering as Germany began to rearm and passed the Nuremberg laws to strip Jews of their civil rights, and Mussolini's Italy attacked Ethiopia. The Gallup Poll was introduced - reformed drinker named Bill Wilson formed Alcoholics Anonymous - first time a completely synthetic fibre was produced called nylon by a Dupont chemist - birth of "Swing" by Benny Goodman and the world was ready to boogie - Persia is renamed to Iran - The Boulder (Hoover) Dam is completed - Black Sunday Dust Storm USA - The Luftwaffe is created as Germany's air force and Germany announces rearmament in violation of the Versailles Treaty,

Oct 1922/Nov 23 First Issue of Time Magazine - Japan Great Kanto earthquake 100K dead - King Tut Burial Chamber Opened by Howard Carter - Beer Hall Putsch Adolf Hitler leads the Nazi Party in failed coup attempt in Germany - Insulin is introduced for treatment of Diabetes - The first successful flight of an autogyro, the predecessor to a helicopter - Republic of Turkey Established - Sicily Mount Etna volcano erupts - Rosewood, Fla Massacre, the town is burnt to the ground by members of the Ku Klux Klan - world's first domestic refrigerator is sold in Sweden - world's first portable radio is developed in the US

The Personal Implications of Jupiter in Scorpio Oct 2017 to Nov 2018

This is an extract from my book 'The 12 System' as it covers the deeper implications of the death/re-birth process, so why re-invent the wheel when I've already written it! [The book and 4 Videos 'The 12 System Seminars' are now available as a membership program to download over 4 weeks here](#)

Stage 8 SCORPIO Transformation and Power

As our Hero steps forward from the 7th Stage where he learnt conscious co-operation and the principle of justice, he pauses for a breath in preparation for the next stage in his journey to wholeness. Indeed the 8th Stage of the 12-fold process contains the greatest test of all as he is *confronted with his own power - or lack of it - and how he chooses to use it from here*. This will occupy him fully during this second phase of the water system, as he learns how to master his emotions and purify his Ego.

Stage 8 is all about the transformational process we all must pass through so we can take the major step from 'my will to thy will be done', allowing our Stage 5 Ego to begin to use our power safely. It is in this Stage we confront our 'ring pass not' i.e. the fears and insecurities that keep us trapped in our lower nature. This is the definitely the most challenging process we will ever pass through in our journey to consciousness.

In the 'Heroic round' the Hero enters the underworld in this 8th Stage to confront and slay the demon or dragon protecting 'the treasure', which he then brings back up into the light of day so the 'kingdom' can prosper once more. The symbolism here tells of our own 'confrontation with our shadow' or dark side, where we bury the 'bad feelings' we are not meant to have in our happy little upwardly mobile lives.

Hate, rage, impotence, helplessness, neediness and depression are some of the darkest feelings that make up the human experience, but without them we could never know love, assertiveness, potency, safety and inspiration; their opposite expressions.

Thus it is in this 8th Stage that we wrap up our evolutionary growth from sequential development of the previous 7 Stages to create the synthesis in our 'emotional body'. The primitive emotions that drive us to seek safety and love first encountered in Stage 4 are now ready for the 'firing process' of transformation, so we can emerge empowered and free to pursue our quest for meaning in Stage 9 to follow. The source of this power is the 'buried treasure' we had to slay a few dragons for. Once slayed, *we can achieve the 'Union of Opposites', where safe feelings and the purified Ego can work together hand in hand for the first time.*

There are two areas we need to cover here. The first is the feminine water system where the unconscious emotional programming from Stage 4 sets the tone for how emotionally safe we are. The second is the masculine Ego from Stage 5, with our programming as to how free we are to be a creative individual. *Both collide now in the alchemical process that turns 'base metals into gold' as we release any unconscious beliefs that are limiting our fullest potential.*

Mythic Themes of Power and the Feminine

In looking at the myth of Persephone many power themes emerge. She was abducted by Hades the God of the Underworld into his realm. Her mother Demeter mourned for her return neglecting her duties as a goddess of fruitfulness, and the Upper World became dark and barren. It was eventually agreed that Persephone spent a certain portion of the year with her mother in the physical world or on Earth, and a certain amount of time at Hades' side as his Queen in the underworld. This myth gives rise to the existence of the seasons - winter, when Persephone leaves her mother - and spring when her mother rejoices upon her return. This seasonal cycle of course reflects the cycle of life, death and renewal.

An important point to note in this myth is that Persephone was an innocent young maiden when she was abducted, who graduated to become a powerful goddess in her own right as 'Queen of the Underworld'. This symbolism speaks of the 'vulnerable' entering into a dark and unknown place - the confrontation with terror - even a certain degree of torture - and then the return to a purified position of greater empowerment. This then is the 8th Stage experience in a nutshell.

What does this mean about us? *It tells us that we are all 'seasonal' as we are re-born periodically through the different cycles of life; we grow and develop as we reach toward fulfilment, and then as we reach the threshold of achieving our outcomes we must prepare to release the old cycle and get ready for the next one.*

Very simple really, and yet how many people resist this most natural of systems underpinning all creation. It also

reminds us that our own vulnerability must be integrated before we gain the power of the feminine emotional realm, and that our periodic descent into our 'underworld' of buried feelings must be honoured if we are to feel these feelings, and then release them so we can re-generate ourselves. We will look at this more deeply in the following sections.

Mythic Themes of Power and the Masculine

This passage from *The Holy Grail, Its Origins, Secrets and Meanings Revealed* is very appropriate:¹

'If we examine the nature of being a hero, the most recurrent motif in the hero's eternal quest is that of leaving one condition in order to discover a richer or more mature condition. In essence, a hero's journey is toward transformation. And at the very end of that road, the transformation is likely to be a radical change in consciousness. Heroes and heroines are those who give their lives to something bigger than themselves. But this can transpire only when the hero is no longer identified with the ego. Only then can there be a truly heroic transformation of consciousness.'

The Roman God of the Underworld was Pluto and the word 'plutocrat' is derived from this association meaning 'one who rules with wealth'. These 'riches' are also a metaphor for the 'wealth' that resides in the underworld of our unconscious. The Greeks knew him as Hades a God of mystery and terror who carried the themes of control, power and domination. His special possession was the 'helmet of invisibility', which he donned upon visiting the Upper World.

It allowed him to remain unseen so only the most initiated individuals could observe his presence. Hades/Pluto is a god of immense power whose law is irrevocable. Once a Soul had entered Tartarus, the Greek Underworld, it could not leave. Two mythological exceptions were Orpheus and Theseus, who made their respective entries, but upon return to the Upper World were never the same again.

There is a deep transformative theme within the myths of these heroes. Thus, the region Hades ruled over was very important in the mystical aspect to the Greeks, as the journey to the Underworld is not only associated with transformation, but with purification and empowerment. Mythically, the realm of the dead and its gods carry these themes of power, fear and purification in all cultures. Essentially, they reflect the transformative journey that contributes to the cycle of all life and to our own individual growth and empowerment.

Again what does this mean about us? The masculine Heroic opens us to the perception and inspiration of a noble Spirit available to infuse us all. But as with all polar principles there is another side to this 'Divine Nobility' and this shadow-land is contained within our own unconscious nature. Here the Christian mythology offers us Angels and Demons - Heaven and Hell. Isn't it a shame that we don't seem to be able to just have the 'goodies' in life without paying the piper? Because ultimately we must all confront our own base 'shadow', the denied and sometimes tortured lower emotional nature, before we get the 'Golden Apple'.

Pluto or Hades' realm is also the place where we hideaway our not so pleasant feelings when our Ego and Will are blocked or damaged. We have already met our innate urge for releasing our creative spark as 'Eros' and learnt that Eros is risky as we must step beyond the safe and known, when our emotional instincts would rather hold us in the past even when we know we must move on. So is it any wonder that we get *scared and lonely sometimes as we confront the unknown future.*

¹ *The Holy Grail its Origins, Secrets and Meanings Revealed.*

If we are doing this from the lower ego we will *feel shamed by our helpless feelings* and add them to the stack of unexpressed pain, loss and longing deep in our unconscious. We will also *cover these feelings with displays of strength and apparent power*, but usually in very unsafe ways with *manipulation and control becoming the protection we use to take care of our true sense of powerlessness*.

A brief look at the theme of 'Power' up until now

As we saw in Stage 1 it is only over the past few thousand years the 'individual' has been with us, as in earlier times and pre-history the 'I' did not exist. So in terms of the human evolutionary process it is still early days when it comes to the correct use of the individual Will and Power. In history some of the most notable characters are men and women of influence, and the few we have met in earlier chapters usually have one thing in common. They are powerful in some form.

So what then is power and why do most of us stand in awe of powerful people? Because, they affect events and outcomes, and this can occur in a host of different areas and ways in our world. Whether it is the authority of a general or statesman who rules or commands, or the Dalai Lama whose power lies in his compassion, the mark of powerful people is their ability to use their Will for good or evil dependent on their Spiritual evolutionary level.

Historically power and influence has been the domain of the patriarchal or male system. It is only in the past four decades since the rise of feminism that women now can rise to positions of power, but even then they must work within the male system to do this. *As we have seen, it is the male System, without awareness of consequences that has brought us to the global crisis point we are now experiencing.*

The power of patriarchy has evolved through the industrial era of the last 200 years as control of natural resources, the essential ingredient in Stage 2. So here we see the interplay between Stage 2 and its polar Stage 8 as the outcome from the literal use of the material world. Stage 2 involves financial security and Stage 8 involves the power and control process we impose in the pursuit of this security, and then the holding of it.

The Pursuit of Security

So the *'power brokers' of our world are the folks who hold the purse strings and operate behind the scenes* rather than the authority figures that appear in public life, who are usually figureheads for powerful industrial interests. All forms of financial investment, stock and bond market trading and the insurance industry are the province of Stage 8.

During 2008-2017 we have experienced the worst recession/depression since the early 1930's brought about mainly by a small group of bankers and traders whose greed created the 'sub-prime mortgage' crisis. As the global share market bubble reached all-time highs, the complex house of cards came crumbling down and a host of investment systems fell apart leaving a mountain of unsecured debt.

Governments have continued scrambling to financially prop up existing credit institutions and other major players in the industrial systems as they seek to 'regulate' and set boundaries that should have been in place a very long time ago. *The problem is that the collective system is so dysfunctional that attempts to restore it in the old forms can only lead to further crisis* in due course as the US UK & EU print money, the very scene which created the hyperinflation in the lead up to the 1930's depression.

As we shall see in Stage 10 there are cyclic forces in the pipeline that do not really come into play until late 2011 and will continue to 2017 and these are also the same forces in play between 1929 and 1934. *It will be between 2011 and 2017 that the real work of re-structuring, or better still re-birthing the new financial systems will occur,*

and this will require a whole new attitude from the 'power brokers'.

This new attitude will absolutely need the awakening consciousness of a more equitable system that allows for yet another synthesis of male and female balance. Essentially we could say that *Patriarchy is losing its grip* as we move through these dynamic decades between the Great Ages of Pisces into the Age of Aquarius.

The collective issue here in terms of security, is that most folks continue to be driven to 'get secure' by owning things, investments and people, and still do not realise that *security is actually an internal experience - or consciousness*. Once we are safe in our power to manifest our reality as an internal process where we unite our Will, Values, Mind, Feelings, Ego, Service and Relationships - the first 7 stages - we become the magicians who can create our own prosperous reality.

This is not a fluffy 'pipe dream' from the new age movement. *This is the correct use of our emotional power* at a truly occult level. Occult actually means that which is hidden; the true workings of power at the invisible or subtle level. Thus the occult sciences also fall under the dominion of Stage 8.

The Financial Underworld

This section would not be complete without a mention of the fascinating enactment of the dark and mysterious forces at work on our planet in the guise of what is colloquially known as 'the underworld' or black market. All forms of prostitution and the sex trade, narcotics industry, illegal arms trading and so on involve the laundering of red money to make it black. A scary but amusing anecdote here is that the illegal drug trade accounts for multi-billion dollar returns each year, and if the 'red money made black' and then invested in global share markets was withdrawn, our financial institutions would collapse.

This industry has its foundations in the colonial mid 1800's when England started the narcotic trade between India and China, and accelerated during the 1930's as the Italian Mafia entered the game. The next big developments came after WWII as the US made deals with the Italians during the allied push back into Europe, and then the Vietnam War that became the conduit for the Golden Triangle to ship its produce to the West. In current time the Asian Triads and South American Cartels are the main players and the industry continues to grow and thrive.

As a general call there has always been a black market for as long as people have been trading goods and services. It is part of the fabric of society based on the polar principle of light and dark forces, and until the collective unconscious is re-vitalized with a greater ability to seek security and harmony we cannot expect this darker set of forces to be released. That is why once again it is up to each of us to do the work on ourselves so that over the coming decades we can shift the energetic field of the collective unconscious.

Power and Relationships

Well we may meet and marry them in Stage 7, but it is not until we start sharing our physical, emotional and financial resources with them in Stage 8 we find out what is really alive and well within a relationship. The attachment and bonding process from Stage 4 really makes its impression felt as we enter into the intimacy and trust necessary to forge a lasting and loving marriage/relationship or business partnership.

If we are emotionally unsafe then a host of outcomes await us, from prolonged endurance of unhappy union, to the inability to ever allow closeness by forming long term outcomes. The result is often pain after the early pleasure. All forms of litigation and property settlements are Stage 8 features and we often see horrible enactments of family rage when betrayal rears its head and people fight for control of financial outcomes.

Power between couples or business partners occurs in lots of ways and it's always about control. Financially this can be where one party is dependent on the other in an unsafe way, and of course the other biggie is sex, which can be used as both an emotional and physical threat to security. The bottom line is that we will only manipulate and control others if we are unsafe physically and emotionally. The true nature of correct use of power in any partnership involves not using coercion or threat of exposure if the partner is vulnerable and reveals their weakness.

As in all forms of Stage 8, matters the ultimate power lies in the power of non-attachment; to people, things, places and outcomes. Which is not to say that we cannot form loving, intimate and trusting bonds with people in our lives; but rather that *we cannot force them to make us 'safe' if we are not safe in the first place.* The Buddhists speak of 'overcoming the desire nature' as the means for liberation of the Ego and it is through financial and relationship lessons that we may do this. We just need to be wise enough to 'own our own stuff' so this can occur.

The 'Transformational Process' - our personal descent into our underworld

So the purpose of the 8th Stage is all about power and becoming powerful, in a true and healthy sense. Not power as an expression of 'look how powerful I am'; 'look how much I own or control', but power as 'I am a centred being who understands the cyclic process of life and how to work with it'.

True power can only be achieved when mind, body and feelings are working in harmony. True power only arises when our Ego is working in alignment with our Soul as the Masculine and Feminine components of our nature in balance and alignment.

So the goal of the Transformational Process is conscious union between our inner instinctive nature (Soul), and outer Will and Ego expression (Spirit). In occult traditions the process that takes us from the small ego to the Spiritualised Ego is also known as the 'Grand Coniunctio' - or Divine Marriage - or Union of Opposites.

Whether this process is ever triggered and what provokes it is indeed a great mystery. It appears that many lifetimes in the unconscious ego state are lived before the Soul makes its impression felt. Indeed Hermetic traditions tell us the single greatest point of evolution for the Soul is when it becomes aware of itself!

Once it knocks on the door of our conscious self and triggers the journey from unconscious to consciousness a process begins in our lives that must be passed through before the evolutionary growth is achieved. Along the way the old conditioned, negative and restrictive ego qualities begin to break down, as a result of which a whole range of repressed feelings leap out of our unconscious - yes the 'dragons'! We will be looking at how the dragons are unleashed shortly. First we need to put some more pieces of the puzzle into place.

The 'True or Core Self' & the 'False Self'

In Stage 4 we worked with the reality that we are all 'programmed' in the original family - for better or worse! This is how we form our core beliefs that are then stored in our unconscious. So when we are small children we learn to protect and armor many of our naturally occurring qualities and to adapt our '*True or Core Self*'. It is after all a matter of survival within our particular family or community group. So by the time we are 7 years old we are operating from a conditioned self known as the '*False Self*'. This is not to say that there is no authenticity in who we are, but most of us enter adulthood with a pretty strong 'False Self' running the show.

Most of us then go into the world attempting to get our needs met; get loved, safe, happy, secure and successful operating from this conditioned False Self and then wonder why our goals for happiness, joy and success are not met! Most folks stay in this state for all of their lives, playing out the scripts of a conditioned experience complete

with unconscious games, favorite bad feelings, and alienation from society and themselves in their power in some form. Indeed we use up most of our 'healthy Will' energy keeping the old False Self in place, until we either simply haven't got the energy to keep it together anymore or 'circumstances' collude to weaken us, and we begin to 'break down'.

The term for the 'breaking down' of the old False Self (complete with over-compensations, sabotage mechanisms etc.) is 'Fragmentation' and it can be a painful and dis-orientating process.

During the past few decades we have witnessed large groups of humanity passing through this fragmentation process - some consciously - some not, and the themes of abuse, misuse and attempts to begin to correctly use the Power Principle have been issues for all of us. We have all been in this alchemical process in some form. This is because large Soul Pods or groups are ready for further initiation into higher states of conscious empowered creative awareness, so that we can achieve 'The Shift'.

Earth is a 2nd Ray Planet (This is the Ray of Love and Wisdom) offering the Spiritual opportunity for acceleration of Soul growth through 'Calcinatio' or the Firing Process of the lower ego driven nature, toward the Spiritual potential contained in our human DNA. *The goal is after all to open the Heart and know the joy of Love as the key to empowerment. Once this occurs we become inspired to use our Ego for the good of humanity and not just ourselves! This is the 'buried treasure'.*

Meanwhile back to 'Fragmentation'. This is usually quite painful as it involves the exposing of the vulnerable True Self burdened with all the old buried repressed feelings (anger/fear/guilt/shame/ helplessness/rage/impotence etc.) to the 'light' so that cleansing and healing may occur. The Healing Journey is essentially a very feminine affair as the Goddess is the prime feminine, and offers us a sense of the true self love and nurturing that is required to support ourselves and ultimately others in this great process. Persephone's descent into Hades underworld realm (the unconscious), and return to the outer world transformed and empowered is the Archetypal principle here.

The mechanism for 'Fragmentation' varies for each of us but often involves betrayal or loss through a loved one, or a position in society. The encounter with seeming 'fate' unleashes a torrent of feeling - grief/pain/anger/helplessness etc. This can entail a literal breakdown, and as the 4 elements produce 4 primary types of people there are 4 primary 'breakdown styles':

1. Fire Types—burn out
2. Earth Types—get sick
3. Air Types—mental breakdowns
4. Water Types—emotional breakdowns

So what happens next for most people is usually a period of recuperation until they start feeling a little better, and then off they go once more back to exactly the same 'way of being' as before their 'breakdown', and do it some more. An analogy here is that our False Self is a wall and at the time of breakdown we simply haven't got enough energy (Will) to keep the wall in place, so it shatters and all the feelings we have been hiding behind our wall, come rushing out and overwhelm us.

But as soon as we start feeling a little better we just go to the hardware shop and buy some more bricks and rebuild the wall exactly the same as it was. So a woman who has been repeatedly betrayed by men goes on-line and meets her next 'persecutor', marries for the third time and repeats the cycle yet again. Or a man who has given his all to his business life is betrayed by his partner/employee or debt, loses his business, buries his feelings

of anger and loss, and as soon as possible starts his next business without any awareness of the higher purpose at work in his own evolutionary story. You get the idea.

Obviously the problem is that in both examples the true feelings that accompany the shattered wall are not acknowledged or dealt with. Usually blame is projected onto 'someone else who betrayed me' or left me (through death or divorce). There is no conscious awareness that our own unconscious process is at work setting up our outcomes. If we believe we are not valuable (Stage 2 opposite) then we will keep setting up situations where we are not valued and lose our power, which we really didn't have in the first place!

Indeed this is the principle behind 'The 12 System' as a therapy tool, as by working with the 12 core themes from each stage we are able to become conscious of the positive function of each component of our personal '12 System'. Then we can learn how to make each of them 'functional' so we can become a 'whole person'.

When we fragment and 'lose the plot' we are actually meeting our inner damaged or wounded child who is the real seat of our power. The trouble is that most of us left behind our 'child' way back in those first 7 years. We know at a deeply instinctive level who we are meant to be when we are kids, but for many of us the early conditioning limited the joyous spontaneity of our child, and we were left angry, frightened or bewildered at the big grown up world we are going to have to be part of.

Recent studies have shown how important it is for us to work in vocations where we are naturally at home because they make us happy. We need to feel valued by the people we work with and enjoy the values of the companies we work for. There are heaps of examples of people who have lost jobs/ businesses in the current recession and retrained in totally unrelated fields and found much happiness. Maybe not as much money but that's not the point!

So when we have our encounter with our feelings we are actually meeting our 'inner child'. However, most folks are very hard on themselves when they fragment and breakdown, as it is seen as weakness so they whip their inner child back into shape as soon as possible. The reality is that the gradual development of the newly revealed Core Self needs to be treated very tenderly. We need to be kind to ourselves and allow others to be kind to us. We must release the old beliefs that have limited our true nature.

However, the ego will fall back into its old ways very easily so we must give ourselves new 'safe messages' to help build the trust needed to allow our True Self to blossom and flourish. In time the old Ego goals are sublimated into the Soul's true goals and we begin to live in our true flow, with the magical opening of our path without effort or stress from the Ego. Wonderful stuff - and it works!!

We must remember that connecting with the True Core Self is the goal of raising our consciousness. The Self in its true power does not mean some sort of easy, perfect, constantly joy filled expression. This is an unfortunate assumption by many; that if I let go of the past and my old conditioning then somehow I will magically become a perfected happily ever after being!

The truth is that we learn to tolerate and honor the emotions of loss, pain and grief and be willing to have them as they occur, knowing that they are a perpetual part of life and existence. By coming into our truth we allow space for pain and depression, and have the trust to experience them fully, knowing that on the other side of the 'Dark Dream' is the 'Light Dream'; the joy and excitement of movement and growth and we move through the birth and death cycles of life.

The grand irony is that when we submit the Ego to the Soul life we begin to experience the very Ego fulfillment we always somehow desired. It all comes from the Soul in the first place, and the happiness and contentment of our true potential can begin to be realized when we simply move into trust and faith that our Higher Self Soul knows the path we must travel. All we have to do is get out of our own way, and move away from other people's control systems and projections onto us so we may allow ourselves to find it.

So the Hero's journey through the Stage 8 is to enable the True Core Self to be revealed and gradually given permission to exist in its authentic power.

Depression

One of the most common presenting symptoms of the stress of modern life is the 'Big D' - Depression. Now this might not sound like a very exciting or interesting topic, but in light of the material we've already covered in Stage 8 there are some basic ideas that can open understanding of depression as a fascinating aspect of the human condition, which definitely warrants both exploration and discussion. As we shall see it is the *keynote experience for people who are struggling to integrate their power*.

Indeed depression is actually something that we all have in common to some degree. It is also a piece of territory in our culture which still holds a taboo, as very few people admit to experiencing it or understand much about it - much the same as grief. They both get labelled as 'bad' feelings and consequently largely denied and repressed, and therefore not valued or utilized in any sort of meaningful way. There are so many people on anti-depressant medication these days that simply do not need to be if only we all understood the depressive process in its true light.

As we have seen the potential for wholeness in each of us requires that we integrate both the feminine yin Soul and masculine yang Ego sides of our nature. The yang path to individuation must be supported by the energy of the Will and the capacity for self-responsibility and nurture, which in turn leads to true empowerment both on an inner and outer level. Ultimately for the true Spiritualization of our Ego the 'Higher Will and Purpose' must be brought into alignment.

- *The yin path* within the wholeness process requires that we become 'Soul Centred' so we may respond to our higher intuitive feelings, and become 'safe' in them so we may use this function to inspire and nurture our authentic Self. This requires clearing and healing our lower emotional nature where we are at the mercy of our emotional reactions and unconscious ancestral patterns.
- *The yang path* requires that we have a safe Will and healthy use of our Ego. Thus a simple reasoning tells us that at the heart (Ego) of depression, lays a belief that the individual does not have the right or the power to express their true free Will and take responsibility for this expression.

So let's explore the Stage 1 Will again briefly; the principle of energy in action, and the origins of the original creation of our beliefs about having the right to have a safe Will and assert ourselves.

- Our Will serves our Ego so we may take action and assert on our own behalf or defend ourselves as necessary - the archetypal heroic warrior.
- The first expression of our Will is at age 2, and this sets the scene for establishing an individual's capacity for self will.
- Depending on how a little person is responded to at this vital point, will set the stage for later Will expression. This is known as the 'anal' stage in early development described as 'active-aggressive development'. In the psychologist Erikson's emotional development model he describes this stage as

'Separation - Autonomy versus Shame and Doubt'.

- The successful outcome here is meant to be 'Self-Control and Will Power'. This experience is expressed through toilet and food, and I'm sure all of us who have been through the delightful stage of raising a two year old can easily remember our own feelings of rage and impotence, when said toddler is raising hell attempting to impose their will over ours! Interesting to note that our own power and control issues are literally 'in our face' during this process. It isn't hard to see how the transference system operates here, as our offspring responds to our own 'stuff' accordingly, thus fulfilling (i.e. taking on board unconsciously) the core issues of the family system into which it has chosen to arrive.
- So if the *small persons will is overruled by one or both parents, feelings of rage, shame and impotence are buried deep within the unconscious psyche*, and later expressed as behaviours that either under or overcompensate, and ultimately 'protect' the true feelings.
- The result on the one hand is the very compliant and seemingly pleasant personality type, who has tremendous trouble dealing with aggressive or angry people, and experiences many projections of their own disowned rage (I'm so nice - they are so angry!).
- Conversely the person may become overtly aggressive, but still be incapable of cleanly asserting their will.

These repressed feelings of rage, helplessness and impotence are channelled down into the unconscious underworld for the remainder of the first 28 year maturation cycle, until what appears to be an adult, is unleashed upon society. An adult by the way, who in most cases is still being run by unconscious 'child held' beliefs. If the damage has been great then the result will be a deeply controlling and manipulative Ego, incapable of self-reflection and the ability to see their own darkness. This is the psychopathic structure. Less damage then less darkness, but even those of us who emerged seemingly 'normal' have some degree of this experience in our nature.

The healed Stage 8 experience offers the use of power that enables rather than disables the self and others. The capacity for internal and external transformation *creates a person who is free to move through the cycles of life, know when to release the past, and use their power to build meaningful structures in a completely non selfish fashion.*

In the transactional Analysis Model the Will is found in the 'Free Child', the part within us that contains joy/fun/courage/bravery and the 'wild child'. Hence the acting out of wicked/wild/angry if the child in us believes it is impotent. Or if this rage is denied or suppressed, you guessed it, depression is the result. The now frustrated/blocked energy mingles with our fear and our powerlessness. So the Will becomes 'dirty', and spirals down into a cycle of using up all the nice fresh clean Will energy as frustration *ultimately becoming immobilised!*

This leads to another important idea. *Depression is also a signal from the psyche that old feelings that have been blocked, repressed or denied need to be felt and released - grief, guilt, shame; the whole box and dice. In other words depression is a 'Fragmentation' as outlined in the previous section.*

Hence for many folks accessing these old feelings is essential to 'shift' the blocked energy. Re-birthing and various forms of active psychotherapies and body work are appropriate here. The deeper and older the depression the greater the work may have to be, however even in the case of chronic depression accessing and releasing old repressed feelings to allow mobilisation of the Will is the key.

Our fears also contribute to the immobilisation of the Will as they keep us powerless and feed our unconsciousness. Many people have never been given 'safe' messages in early childhood to support their ability to become self-responsible autonomous adults who have the right to set goals as they create their own reality. Very sensitive yin types are usually conditioned to be part of other people's 'fields of experience' with resulting co-

dependency and co-addictive relationships that limit their capacity for individual expression. They often have trouble 'leaving home' both emotionally and physically in the ascribed period between 18 and 24 years of age.

They become invested in staying 'victims' or 'rescuers' so they may stay 'enmeshed' as they either 'please' others or control others to 'please' them. Passive rage is the result of this system and another major contributor to the depression cycle. Many folks in their 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's have still never 'left home' safely even though they have married and had families. They are still at the mercy of old symbiotic familial relationships that limit and impede their true potential. *Then they can blame 'others' for why they are not getting on with making themselves happy and fulfilled!* The path to individuation requires that we move beyond these old patterns and confront our 'fear of flying' in our own right.

Another idea from the psychotherapies is often very useful. It describes the 'dark dream' and the 'light dream'. All is well while we are in the 'light dreaming'; life is swimming along nicely and feels good. But as surely as night follows day the 'dark dream' follows behind the 'light dream'. All things are cyclic after all. For most people the beginning of the descent into the 'dark dream' is something to be feared and avoided, after all who wants to go down into Hade's realm and hang out with our feelings of loss and grief.

So we try and pull back up into the 'light dream' and avoid the descent, as our societal conditioning tells us that we are meant to stay in some kind of upwardly mobile experience where everything is fabulous all of the time. Wrong! We go out and spend money we do or don't have on things we don't need in a desperate attempt to make ourselves feel better! Or let's keep drinking and partying - anything to avoid the 'other' me.

If we don't honour the time we must all spend in our deeper inner regions experiencing the 'Nigredo' or the dark phase in any cycle, where *we must grieve the old phase of life dying so the new life can be born*, we remain an emotional cripple out of touch with the rich experience of our own gestation process and our capacity for regeneration.

Impotence on both physical and emotional levels is the shadow side of clean and potent expression of our Ego urge to be 'the self who we truly are'. To individuate we must ultimately confront and integrate the shadow aspect of our nature, thus offering us the opportunity to 'own' and make functional each of our archetypal voices.

In the words of Albert Einstein 'repeating old patterns and expecting a different outcome is insanity.' 'Re-decisioning' our old belief systems and directing our energy toward creating new ones is obviously essential if we are to access our clean Will energy and become this 'true and authentic Self'. In terms of the psycho-spiritual whole person Self, work is usually required to open some level of *faith and trust in a sense of our own process* - i.e. accessing the feminine yin, thus enabling our Soul to nurture and support the healing process.

This can only be a brief attempt to discuss an area which is complex to say the least. I make no claims to being an expert in this area. I am simply aware as the result of my own and observation of so many other people's journey through fields of depression, that I have come to understand it as an experience which can be rich and ultimately very rewarding. Depression phases are usually the precursor to new life stages - very gestative and developmental once we understand them as a 'rite of passage'.

If we can understand that these deeply introspective phases in our lives are the time for releasing past feelings that are part of a phase in life drawing to a close, and quietly nurture ourselves whilst our Soul is preparing us for the next phase of growth, we can contain the feelings of loss and separation. From this place faith and trust can be born.

Summary Stage 8 Scorpio

Stage 8 'Transformation and Power' contains the themes of the hidden mysteries of the unconscious, where we forge the bond between Ego, Feeling and Mind to create true power. Here the Stage 4 Cancer feelings are deepened to create intimacy and trust.

The regenerative process of life also requires that we honour death/rebirth cycles, and are emotionally safe enough to process our fear/grief/loss as the precursor to new phases. Once again many people do not have this understanding or relationship to either their own power, or ability to let go of things/people/places so they can move forward into new life phases.

As a consequence they attempt to 'control' their world and relationships because they fear loss of control. So our 'emotional safety' from Stage 4, plus our 'self-worth and value' from polar Stage 2, holds the key to our inner power.

Read on for Jupiter in Scorpio for each sign...

Jupiter in Scorpio Horoscopes – Remember this is a once in 12 year cycle & you need to also read your Ascendant & Moon signs - if you don't know these [book a session!](#)

Aries Well dear Rams it's time to dive deep into your feelings, which is not necessarily your favourite territory is it? As Jupiter in Scorpio spends the year on your natural 8th house it's time to expand your relationship to your softer nature to invite warmer & closer connection with others...also known as intimacy! So it's time to drop some of your defences and "I don't need anyone" scripts and this just requires some simple re-programming along the lines of "It's safe to trust others" ok? More intimacy also opens sexual sensual passion...yay! This is also one of your money areas so you're set to expand financial activities in conjunction with 'safe' others, great for smart new investment strategies, and can also bring \$ legacies and inheritances. The bottom line is this is a deeply transforming time to deepen your sense of inner power in readiness for future unfoldment in a few years' time.

Taurus So here comes your once in 12-year relationship upgrade as Jupiter in Scorpio is now in your opposite sign bringing partnerships of all kinds onto the front burner dear Bulls. Traditionally Jupiter in your 7th house of partnerships is great for marriage & alliances so now is the time to magnetize positive successful people into your world for mutual growth & prosperity, and if you find you need to let go of old situations that have outlived their time then do so with good grace and gratitude for time spent and lessons learnt...got it? This opens a prosperous period for growth in all areas of life, and sure we know that material world goodies are important to you, but Jupiter's wisdom here may also offer the "all that glitters is not gold" maxim! You also need to watch out for his tendency to extremes as his lessons can take us down a peg or two if we get too big for our boots!

Gemini Jupiter in Scorpio expands & grows your natural 6th house of "daily routine, work, service, health and order" for the next year so you can afford to really step up and forward toward your potential by learning to tame your tendency to 'scatter' in too many directions & add practical planning systems to your Gemini world! You may receive a promotion or be off to training courses to enhance your work related goals as powerful new info and ideas are a major feature of your growth through 2018. As Scorpio brings 'sharing resources' with partners into the picture, part of your expansion may involve bringing new folks on board. Health areas involve learning new stuff full of organic wellness and understanding of the origins of your psycho/emotional health, and as Scorpio rules our regenerative and eliminatory organs it's time to release old stored toxic emotions.

Cancer Scorpio rules your natural 5th house of "creativity, children, speculation, love affairs" and how we project ourselves as an individual. This is a naturally spontaneous position for you with great opportunities to grow your confidence and dare to be authentically you. You will feel a fresh sense of excitement and ready for adventure, as it's time to let your inner child out to play, and of course this is also a fab time to enjoy your kids and for some there may be a small addition on the way. This is also a fab phase for group/team developments & zaps you into an inspiring ideas and inventive year, with a general call to make your impression felt in community activities. As Jupiter also connects beautifully with inspirational Neptune your spiritual and artistic nature is also amplified so art & design projects will stimulate the creative growth on offer...a fabulous year on the way for you.

Leo For lion people Scorpio falls in your natural 4th house of "home, family, emotional safety, nourishment and love". This is a once in 12-year foundation phase to grow your sense of inner security and belonging, so it's cool if you're not inspired by worldly goals right now, although career areas can also grow if you decide to, and other areas of your chart also indicate this. So this is a wonderful year to spend your energies motivating and inspiring your home and family, or using your home base for new creative activities. Some of you may renovate or change residence even internationally, purchase investment real estate, or you may invite exotic new and interesting people into your home. Typically you wave goodbye to kids who are ready to fly and welcome

new bubs when Jupiter transits this zone of your life. An added bonus for some may arrive as a sweet romance, as Neptune is also highlighted in your year ahead.

Virgo Jupiter in Scorpio falls in your natural 3rd house ruling "mind, mouth, intellect, short distance journeys, and siblings". So you're in for a busy stimulating year with a very good chance that you'll be either learning/teaching/writing publishing in the year ahead. You've just done a big year managing & growing your financial base, so now it is time for fresh motivation & ingredients to enhance your networks...& to make sure your words and ideas carry your highest meaning and purpose. Your mantra is "I am now heard & understood"! Travel also features here so make sure that passport is up to date and overnight bag is ready for quick outings & visits, and with expanding learning to grow your future, you're in seminar junkie territory! Also a nice connection with Neptune in your partnership zone opens romance & spiritual growth opportunities. A great year on the way kids!

Libra Jupiter's naturally domain for you kids over the next 12 months is the 2nd house of "worth, value, security and of course money". A positive new sense of your 'inner self worth' & belief that you deserve prosperity is a pre-requisite for Jupiter to do his work for you...got it? Expand your ideas and plans to inspire your prosperity consciousness, and for some there may indeed be windfalls and abundance around dollars, whilst for others you may be investing in future goals which will bear fruit in about 4 years' time. The key now is about your values and how these motivate and inspire your security needs, but generally financial areas will free up with a word of caution that Jupiter likes to spend big and not necessarily wisely...take note! Also new solutions to joint resource will be found if you think about new ways of using family money & resources for new & innovative developments.

Scorpio Well Happy Birthday Scorpio... and what a year it will be. We each get a turn at playing in Fortuna's garden every 12 years, so make the best of what's coming your way as you open a major new 12-year expansive growth cycle in your life. Think back to Oct-05 till Nov-06 for insight into what's on offer PLUS you are 12 years older and wiser this time with lots of growth under your belt. You will literally feel a growing sense of optimism and enthusiasm to move forward once more, after a year just spent letting go of the past and gestating your next phase. The question becomes...quite how and what you want to send your power toward from here dear dragon people? You are the 'transformers' of the Zodiac who are meant to nurture and heal your world, be that with your financial gifts or your deep need to empower people into their potential...just saying!

Sagittarius Jupiter travels through your 12th house until Nov 2019 bringing inner psychological and spiritual growth, which may not necessarily involve others, or at least only those who understand and support your expanding Spiritual consciousness. Every 12 years we are called to release the Jupiter cycle and spend a year just chilling as much as possible as our Soul gestates new ingredients for the call to new life...for you from Nov 2018 when Jupiter enters your sign. This can be a much needed release of pressure...some time out with our inner world and imaginative resources...a time to let go and trust, so see the opportunity for what it is and don't feel bad if your usual questing spirit is a little quieter than usual! A factor here will be some unexpected shifts & changes in your daily work life and the need to renovate some old ideas and beliefs. All good!

Capricorn Your natural 11th house is your 'field of experience' for Jupiter in Scorpio action so "groups, organisations, friends and social justice" will be your themes for growth. As Jupiter loves learning and education this is a highly active phase for playing in new ideas and inventions, so teaching or participating in groups can also be very social as well as lots of fun...at last!! You may also be inspired by "causes" to bring meaning to your life and activities with international people and places will open you to a bigger picture. With your ruler Saturn also arriving in your sign in late December for the next 2.5 years, you're at a crossroad in life as you bid farewell to a big 29 year cycle and welcome a new one. So stay open to the fab ideas and new innovations from Jupiter as ingredients for your new life coming soon!

Aquarius

Jupiter now ignites a once in 12-year advancement for your 10th house of "career, achievement, honour, responsibility & Dharma...or our work in the world". This is a reaping year for all the hard work of the past 6 years. You may step up to a higher more responsible profile, or you may simply feel excited and highly creative around your career as fresh aspiration ignites you goals. Jupiter rules international opportunities so some of you may travel to share knowledge or maybe just to give yourself a much needed reward! The Scorpio ingredients also bring in other people's resources, so stay open to magnetizing cool partners to share or who offer career opportunities. There will be also be some big shifts around home and family with major moves afoot for some that free up new opportunities or take you to new abodes. Yes dear Water Carriers it' time to shine...hey why not dazzle?

Pisces

Jupiter in Scorpio falls in your 9th house (ruled by Jupiter), so as with the other water signs (Pisces & Cancer) this is a very major year for expansive growth in your chosen field. The fresh ingredients Jupiter now offers involve any form of higher education to enhance your knowledge and exposure to philosophies and fresh ideals that increase your sense of meaning and purpose. Long distance adventures may open your horizons to fresh international possibilities and generally don't plan on too much time lounging around...except for reading the many books that will arrive synchronistically into your life! Or maybe it's time to write one!!The caution here is that Jupiter can make us a tad overbearing with how much we think we know and being intolerant of other's views and ideas, but you won't do this will you? Yes it's time to become the Sage Fish inspired to enhance the world with positive ideas and ideals.



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