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ASTROLOGICAL PREDICTIONS FOR 2012

Among “those who know” that something *really big* is in the works for the decade of the 2010s, a marked tendency exists to focus on 2012 as the “Oh My God!” year. This group includes, at one end, people who study sources such different predictors as Nostradamus, Edgar Cayce, the Mayan Calendar, the Bible, and/or various “channeled” sources from other realms. These folks may hold a cherished and optimistic belief that collectively we (or some smaller segment of us — the chosen people) are in for a Great Awakening into a Golden Age of Peace, Harmony, and Justice. At the other end of the spectrum are the “Doomers,” those who, for a variety of reasons, feel that we are about to reap the whirlwind and get a terrible comeuppance the likes of which humanity has never before suffered. People at this end of the scale foresee impending global catastrophes from environmental catastrophes, magnetic pole shifts, disease pandemics, drought, famine, etc.

The Astrological patterns play a big role in seeing events for 2012. In order to see the Astrological pattern of what will happen, we have to take a minute to look back:

Starting in the summer of 2007, Saturn, Uranus and Pluto began moving into critical t-square alignments in the cardinal signs of Libra, Aries and Capricorn, respectively. The years 2007 and 2008 represented an initial phase of planetary energy waves foreshadowing what will emerge full-blown later. From 2009 through 2011, the t-square between those three bodies signaled a period of denial within the bulk of the public and especially establishment organizations. Why denial? Because while Saturn (stability) formed five exact passes to Uranus (chaos) and three to Pluto (transformation) during that period, Uranus and Pluto had not yet arrived at a square to each other

As a result we have had a kind of two-step dance, first, an attempt during 2007-2011 to maintain and restore the institutional status quo at any cost, despite the overwhelming evidence of the urgent need for primary reforms; then from 2012 on, revolutionary upheaval provoked by increasingly dramatic crises. As of the end of 2011, we were in transition from the first alignment to the second; Denial is no longer possible and is giving way, but revolution has not yet fully arrived.

My take on the astrology of 2012 and beyond is that the remainder of this current decade will be marked by a series of sporadic but increasingly frequent energy waves. The collective break-downs/awakenings/cosmic cattle prods/whatever will most likely unfold in increments. Each new development in the accelerating cascade of collapse/break-down events will cause another small percentage of former sleepers to be jolted awake. No single event or time period in the years ahead is likely to do more than that. Though the pace accelerates, the overview is still little by little rather than all at once. Possible provocations for radical change could be a global pandemic, financial/economic breakdown, social upheaval and environmental phenomenon. Each of these will, in turn, occur to trigger our attention and transformation, then retreat into temporary dormancy while another takes its place to come to center stage.

But these energy waves are not all negative. We have a sustaining Neptune/Chiron conjunction throughout these years that brings in beautiful, healing energies, for each of us and for the Earth. It brings in a download of spiritual information and actual strengthening of our nervous systems to sustain the energy of higher enlightenment.

During this entire time, these Planetary energies work both to break down existing norms and shake us up, and allow us to release old, out-dated patterns. They then refill us with healing and spiritual enlightenment and evolution.

As examples of the changes, we've already had the Iraqi Insurgency (2004), Hurricane Katrina (2006), the first layer of the global financial collapse (2008) and the earthquake/tsunami/nuclear meltdown in Japan (2011), all occurring well before the critical mass point. And the full ramifications of critical mass will not occur until well after the high point of 2012 is crossed.

A limbo period, from September 2011 through May 2012, represents a significant and fairly abrupt shift in the human field. The suppression and denial that characterized the previous three years is steadily replaced by the disruptive, radical and revolutionary vibrations of Uranus-Pluto. I don't claim to know what will happen (in specific events) during these next months, but I am certain that the vast majority of us will feel increasingly stressed and disturbed as we move through what is analogous to a difficult pregnancy.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2012:

January 23rd: We need to start the 2012 story on January 23 when Mars turns retrograde until April 14. When the Sun opposes Mars on March 3, we'll see a very strong Mars expressing itself in world news. In early March, new and existing conflicts can escalate too easily in personal and collective relationships. Personally, While Mars is retrograde in careful and analytical Virgo, even normally direct and assertive people will tend to "hold back" or tread carefully. Anger may be internalized or its expression delayed, which can lead to depressed states of mind. Mars in Virgo will oppose Chiron-Neptune and trine Pluto from mid March to mid May 1. Mars will trigger healing and spiritual activities and water pollution problems. Water pollution or water pollution cleanup will be a news item at this time.

March 13: On March 13, 2012, there is a harmonious grand trine or triangle which involves not three but *four* planets, each representing the earth element. Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Pluto are joined in spectacular formation. The integration of this fourth planet is due to a close conjunction between Venus and Jupiter in the Gaia sign of Taurus. Venus and Jupiter's tight union generates a sense of awareness that our planet and its inhabitants have a need for reunification. This point is one of the strongest for healing and spiritual development.

March 20th: The Aries equinox is a strong influence from March 20 through the rest of 2012. With Mars opposing Neptune-Moon-Chiron in Pisces, all squared by the lunar nodes, there is a strong possibility of more major flooding (moving water) than usual.

March 22 to April 14: During this period, we have Mars Retrograde, squaring the North/South Nodes, opposing Neptune/Chiron and 150 deg. from Uranus. This points to the possibility for the world of devastating earthquakes, epidemics, food and water shortages, tornadoes, hurricanes and even tsunamis.

May 20th: The path of the maximum shadow of the May 20 solar eclipse covers Japan; travels across the Pacific Ocean; passes through northern California, Nevada, and the Four Corners region of the U.S., and finishes in northwestern Texas. Briefly, the "ring of fire" of volcanoes could be further activated in May. Also the relationship between China and the U.S. may become especially charged at that time.

June 11: Jupiter won't finish passing through Taurus until June 11. Then, like a fresh breeze on a stagnant, humid day, it brings its expansive and buoyant energies to the sign of Gemini, where it travels through the rest of 2012. However, Jupiter (legislation) in Taurus (banks and insurance) may be propping up financial institutions and inflating the money supply. This support is reduced after Jupiter changes signs to Gemini, and its support is shifted to products and projects related to transportation, such as the repair of bridges and highways. The travel industry will perk up as much as possible, given the state of the economy.

June 23 - 25: June 23 - 25, 2012 is the "critical mass" point of 2012, the date of the first pass of Uranus in a First Quarter square to Pluto (when Uranus is exactly 90 deg. ahead in the zodiac). But that day does not

represent any “great awakening.” Instead, it is simply the first of seven exact passes Uranus will make to Pluto over the three years from June 2012 through March 2015.

Although the Uranus–Pluto square is a very long-term event, Uranus has a reputation for producing “lightning bolt” events when it reaches exactitude, so we may see rather dramatic symbols of collective change, or actual significant changes, on June 23–25 — or perhaps on the 26th when the First Quarter Moon triggers 6° of cardinal signs.

Here in the United States, the Occupy Wall Street movement began on September 17, 2011. This movement and other acts of rebellion will reach a crescendo of power in June 2012 when the first square of Uranus and Pluto occurs in Aries and Capricorn, and will continue until the last square aspect on March 16, 2015.

The effects of Pluto square Uranus not only cause sweeping changes with the masses but affect many people on an individual level as well. People will feel the effects very strongly in their personal lives. Changes in jobs, relationships, home, and personal well-being will be powerful, quick, and transformative. These experiences will lead to a lack of stability in their lives. On the positive side become proactive and will change our goals or the way that we reach them. As long as we are able to shift our outmoded ways of doing things we may not only survive but thrive with this Uranus square Pluto aspect.

July 7th-13th: Just after this same period. I am concerned with the stability of the west side of the New Madrid fault. On the days surrounding July 7th—13th, we have the path of Uranus (chaos and change) passing right over the New Madrid fault on the East side of Missouri and also have Mars and Pluto passing right over Oklahoma and Kansas. This is a troubling combination with Uranus and Pluto/Mars crossing the same area. But these orbital paths diminish and pass of by the end of July.

Economics: The final segment of this powerful square set up ends with the seven passage series of Uranus in waxing square to Pluto, June 24, 2012 through March 17, 2015. Financially, this whole pattern doesn’t happen too often. The last occurrences were in 1876 and 1932. Both of these times coincided with economic depressions and severe stock market losses. In my research, the consensus is that the general economy will improve in very small increments over the next two years, unless we see a total meltdown of the economy of Greece or Italy. Then it may be very difficult for the economy of the U.S. to improve.

Sustainability: In 2012, natural resources will take center stage, thanks to Pluto in Capricorn, and Neptune, which has just moved into the water sign of Pisces. We will see a spotlight on natural resources with an emphasis on sustainable water.

Mid-2012 represents the “point of no return” in the transformation of each of us and the Earth. By 2013, the segments of the population that were already awake and knowledgeable (some of us with considerable trepidation) will have combined with larger numbers of those newly jolted into shock and concern to form a sufficient broad demographic as to make further denial impossible.

November 6th: The 2012 U.S. presidential election again occurs on the very day that Mercury changes direction. In 2000, Mercury turned direct on Election Day, and as we remember, it took weeks to finalize the chaotic election results. This time, Mercury is turning retrograde at 5:56 p.m. CST, as the polls are closing and votes are being counted, so vote recounts are *much* more likely than in a typical election, and results that seem final may not be at all. I would not be surprised to see voting machine failures and possible widespread hacking, leading to some sort of an extended vote counting period.

December 21, 2012; Finally the astrological chart for December 21, 2012 is not so catastrophic as we might think. Instead, it is a chart showing a T-square, but this one is between Neptune/Chiron (our spiritual source/Healer), Venus (our connection to Earth and our Heart) and Jupiter (wisdom acquired through the expansion of the heart). This T-Square is also aspected by Pluto (transformation) and Uranus (chaos). I think

this configuration generates an awareness of the reality of reunification of all humans with the Earth and with each other. It also compels us to reintegrate our Spirit with the consciousness of the Earth. And since Pluto and Capricorn are involved, I believe that this signifies the rebirth of Mother Earth.

The December 21, 2012 chart also contains a “Yod,” a Hebrew word meaning, “Finger of God.” It is between Pluto, Jupiter and Saturn. This talks about the responsibility of carrying this Spiritual/Earth based transformation into our governments and economies. This will be chaotic, happening in “fits and starts,” sometimes more easily than others. One thing sure, Pluto will be in Capricorn until 2023, so the transition on all levels will continue through then.

Finally:

We are experiencing a shift in consciousness, its force arising simultaneously from the Earth, which is our birthplace, and the Planets and Stars, which are our destiny. Pulsed by the Earth and Universe toward a new stage of growth, we are waking up to the realization that we can become partners in creation. As Souls, we all chose to do this, to live now, before we incarnated this lifetime. We knew before we incarnated that it might be difficult, but we are honored to be the ones doing it. We chose to come here now to come through these vast changes, and to help others through as well.