

# **Your Spiritual Path**

## **Astrology Report**

### **for**

## **Mother Teresa**



**Report by [www.AstroProfile.com](http://www.AstroProfile.com)**

## Your Chart Data

Name: Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu  
 Date: Aug 26, 1910  
 Time: 02:25:00 PM CET -01:00  
 Place: Skopje, YUG  
 021E26'00" 41N59'00"

Planet	Sign	Position	House	House
Sun	Virgo	02°Vi25'	08th	01 24°Sg16'
Moon	Taurus	18°Ta37'	05th	02 01°Aq45'
Mercury	Virgo	29°Vi12'	09th	03 13°Pi18'
Venus	Leo	08°Le54'	08th	04 18°Ar00'
Mars	Virgo	13°Vi01'	08th	05 14°Ta03'
Jupiter	Libra	13°Li49'	09th	06 04°Ge58'
Saturn	Taurus	06°Ta32'	04th	07 24°Ge16'
Uranus	Capricorn	21°Cp47'	01st	08 01°Le45'
Neptune	Cancer	20°Ca37'	07th	09 13°Vi18'
Pluto	Gemini	27°Ge45'	07th	10 18°Li00'
Midheaven	Libra	18°Li00'	10th	11 14°Sc03'
Ascendant	Sagittarius	24°Sg16'	01st	12 04°Sg58'

## **Your Spiritual Path**

Each of us has the potential to develop along psychic, intuitive and spiritual lines into the person who best suits our natural gifts. There are essentially three possibilities for how that development may occur:

1. Along the lines dictated by our family, peers and social milieu: Most of us are taught a set of rules as children. Some of those rules prove to be very useful, and some lessons prove to be detrimental to our development, or at least not helpful.
2. Along the lines suggested by your own conscious mind: Each of us is born with the capacity to learn. The person inside us is the life and light of the mind.
3. The inevitable path is a combination of these two possibilities. No one can develop precisely the way someone else dictates. And no one can develop to suit individual desires with no connection to the outer world.

When individuals develop along the lines reflected by their astrological chart, the fullest expression of natural potential is possible. The birth chart places you at the center of your world, and shows your personal relationship to the Sun, Moon and planets. This is the astrological approach to spiritual understanding. It is not limited to one religious sect or emotional expression. The birth chart presents the possibilities that vibrate within your soul, and indicates which will be easier or more difficult to manage.

Your goal or mission is indicated by your natal chart, but you fully understand it only if you are open to the inner spiritual voice that is always present, and is truly your devoted life companion.

The best spiritual path is one that allows you to use your natural talents and skills. Sometimes your latent abilities will require training and practice to develop into spiritual tools. In this report we will consider a number of possibilities to help you get a sense of your talents, and how to develop and use them.

## **Your Creative Process**

The Sun is the source of all physical life as we know it. As children develop, Sun sign characteristics are colored by family circumstances, cultural values, and other environmental influences. Yet we develop according to our own individual character IN SPITE of everything. The voice within us will not be denied. It cannot be eradicated and it never gives up. When we are on an appropriate path to our true spiritual destiny our inner voice is a gentle guide. When we stray into less productive territory, the voice becomes more forceful. When we attempt to stifle this inner voice of character, it waits

patiently for the proper moment and speaks again. The Sun sign reveals your conscious attitude toward the external world. The following description of the Sun explores your natural tendencies of mental style and action.

With the Sun in Virgo, you are primarily the Sensation type. Sensation types are primarily interested in practical considerations of the world. They will look at the actualities - facts first. They depend on their five normal senses for perception. They wish to have the experience, not hear about it from others. Sensation types learn by doing, so the learning process may be slower. To be satisfied, they need to go over things carefully. They are not less intelligent because they go slower - they are more careful. When given the time to assimilate information, the sensation type may remember it longer and understand the practical uses in more detail. Studying the theory of engineering may be difficult for the sensation type, but the application is their forte. You demand satisfaction all along the way, and will not select occupations that are without positive feedback. You are a healthy consumer, loving life and what it has to offer on the material level and you are best in careers involving real "stuff". You would be a good real estate person, interior decorator, or chef. You enjoy working with your hands and can make this part of the vocation or at least an avocation. You would be a good doctor or health care professional. Any career that requires attention to and intimate understanding of the details is suited to the sensation type. You generally focus on practical considerations first, and you rely on your five normal senses for perception. You first seek to have an experience, not hear about it from others. You learn by doing, and thus may be a bit slower than some people, but once you know something, you know it forever. You may need to go over things carefully. Once learned, you can apply information to the tasks you set for yourself. The sensation type's approach to the spiritual side of life is no different. You seek the facts. You want a practical application of whatever you are learning. When contact with the spirit world feel ungrounded, you will find a way to re-establish a level of comfort in the work. You also will not be satisfied with your spiritual work until you can express it concretely in the world in some way.

### **How You Express Your Will**

The Sun indicates your will power and its direction. One of the reasons we can identify Sun signs in other people is that they are often willful in their actions. Especially in childhood they are determined, demanding and rebellious against anything that does not conform to their will. The Children of each Sun show us the power of will. The information about your Sun sign focuses on the potential expression (and the associated undercurrents).

I will nit-pick (when I could analyze things in a useful manner). I will find fault (where I could just as well find something to praise). I will be skeptical (when I could accept something on faith). I will follow mindlessly (when I could engage intellect to serve wisely). I will be nervous (where caution is enough) .

Your Sun is in the 8th house. You appear fearless as you travel through a life filled with change. You face transitions frequently enough that no one would think you are unfamiliar with death and transformation. Sometimes you over-extend yourself, and seem to challenge the Fates by acting recklessly. For you to understand the shaman's message,

you must become the shaman. But you don't have to die to gather the necessary wisdom. Rather, you need to die to the desire to use your power only for yourself, and learn to share it with others. If you cannot share, then you must at least use your power wisely so that you hurt no one in your personal quest. Sexual energy is a profound source of pain and pleasure for you. Physical contact with a partner is often necessary for your well-being and health. When you deepen a connection with another person, you transcend your normal perceptions and enter a space where life is illuminated by more than physical senses. Ecstatic experience may first be found in sexual union, but that is only the beginning. You may find that any experience can evoke the memories, the feelings, even the peak of sexual ecstasy.

### **Aspects of the Sun**

You find that spiritual discipline is as much a container for your being as it is the expression of your inner desire. Your perception of duty is to develop the endurance needed to weather emotional and material storms. You are able to cut through the delusion of the material world to the heart of your spiritual power. You comprehend the continuity of your psychic states as you move between spiritual planes, and even between lives. Associations with males can provoke your awareness of spiritual development, or lack of it. But it is not your task to point out their shortcomings. Rather, you can encourage them on their path by encouraging yourself on yours. You gain recognition through others, and self-confidence through spiritual endeavors as well as public events.

### **Core Beliefs**

Much of the pain and limitation we experience is the result of being taught so-called "truths" that are incompatible with our core beliefs. Family and society train us, and sometimes little is done to nurture our individual realities. It is up to you to identify and nurture the values that are meaningful to you. When the filtering process is undertaken, you uncover a "truth" that is unique to you.

### **The Moon**

The Moon reflects the soul. It governs fluids in your body and imagination in your mind. It generally represents a less conscious part of your being, and reflects the quality and flexibility of your memory. If the Sun indicates the most likely course of your spiritual path, the Moon indicates some of the qualities of the path itself.

With the Moon in Taurus, your secondary mental style is primarily the Sensation type. There is a practical side to your nature that comes from deep within. On the surface you are not focused on the material side of life, but your inner voice is always presenting some grounded argument that guides your actions. Thus, no matter what you are involved in, there is a considered quality to your actions that generally brings solid results. Your

psychic senses run to the physical. You may be able to dowse for lost objects or water, for example. Or you may find that you sense oncoming illness in yourself and others. To develop this capacity further, you may want to record your psychic sensations and track them. Anytime you have communication with your less conscious side, it is important to acknowledge it in some way - to show respect for its power. You don't have to act in every instance, but you can acknowledge that you have received the information. If you don't the signal may become more distressing, or the voice may sink into silence.

Practical people have the ability to help you systematize your beliefs. They may push you to be more practical yourself, and you have to sort out which of their ideas are compatible with your own spiritual path.

### **Aspects of the Moon**

Emotional and sexual intensity can separate you from spirit or bring you closer, depending on your awareness of the richness of the interactions you experience. The creative dynamics of two people merging is a profound source of spiritual awareness if you get past the physical tension and emotional conflict. This deepening of experience takes time. The spirit within you desires material expression, and you search fearlessly for the way to show how you feel to others. People find they can depend on your devotion to your principles. Your inner spirit functions easily on the intuitive plane, as you are able to identify and listen to the voice that guides your interactions with others to both their highest good and your own. Your sympathetic nature utilizes the close connection between other people and your spiritual self. You are open to experience the joy and pain in others, and thereby grow in understanding of your own values. You forge strong spiritual links with other people throughout your life. You also experience breaks with these people, and may then feel terribly alone. Relationships with women are spiritually charged for you. The balance of self-awareness and the inner voice is strong in your life. Each nurtures the other.

### **The Fourth House**

The sign on the Fourth House cusp indicates the filter through which you view your core beliefs. It is the wellspring of all the best, most creative and most powerful ideas you will have throughout your lifetime. It indicates the refrain that the inner voice sings to you when you are sad or filled with joy, when you are pessimistic or optimistic, when you are afraid or when you are experiencing the power of love in your life.

You have Aries on the Fourth House cusp. The most powerful expression of will comes through Aries, so it is essential that you understand your core beliefs and work through them at all times. When you are able to do this, you provide a charismatic presence and find that you can be tremendously successful. When you don't - when you stray from your own beliefs and rely on others for direction - you stumble and perhaps even fail in your efforts.

To gain a clearer understanding of your own core beliefs, you need to explore the nature of Aries:

1. Learn what it means for you to express your will effectively. Anyone can be

willful, like an infant demanding immediate gratification. That style is effective for the baby, but not for you. Look inside yourself for more appropriate expressions of will. Perhaps you focus on sports activities, a musical or writing talent, or the determination to complete scheduled work tasks on time. If you are focused, these tasks will be accomplished cheerfully. You pay attention to the task and not the reward.

2. The creative urge is a strong component of your core beliefs. Whatever you are doing, you need to feel the energy of creativity flowing through your actions. Therefore all destructive acts are, and must remain outside the focus of your will.

3. You have a profound understanding of the nature of unity and will seek it throughout your life. You will find ways to express your understanding of the universe to others, but first you seek to understand and trust it yourself.

4. You understand the spiritual warrior's path. You must lift yourself above the petty battles of the playground of life and seek to express your warrior qualities in the most idealistic way possible - in creative service to others.

### **The Inner Voice**

Planets in the Fourth House reflect the inner voice that accompanies you throughout your life. They indicate the kind of people and experiences that most directly connect you to your core beliefs.

### **Planets in the Fourth House**

#### **Saturn in 4th House:**

In your youth you learned from your elders and listened carefully to their ideas and beliefs. Now you find you are able to share key principles and values with your own students or the younger generation of your family.

### **Fourth House Aspects**

You find that spiritual discipline is as much a container for your being as it is the expression of your inner desire. Your perception of duty is to develop the endurance needed to weather emotional and material storms. You may find that your best sexual relationships are with individuals who are significantly older or younger than yourself. The role of teacher is so significant in your life that it may pervade your love life. You will need to overcome a sense of reserve or inhibition to deepen your spiritual connection. You may find that you go from one transformational situation to another, never really settling into any one thing. Yet you have the endurance necessary for the long haul.

## **Communication and Mental Development**

Most of us were taught a set of "truths" in childhood and we were expected to accept them. To supplement what you have been taught by your parents, teachers, and the world at large, you need to develop a spiritual learning style that works for you. If you then decide to teach others, you must develop communication skills that let you share these experiences clearly and meaningfully with your students.

### **Training Your Conscious Mind**

Three factors contribute to your ability to train your conscious mind for spiritual development:

- \* the natural direction of your thinking
- \* training to take advantage of this direction
- \* training your nervous system, and learning to respond to it

### **Element of Mercury**

The angel Raphael is associated with healing in the Bible. The capacity for both companionship and healing forms the essence of Mercury's expression.

With Mercury in Virgo, your communication style is primarily the Sensation type. Spiritual healing begins on the material plane. Obvious conflicts occur in the arenas of livelihood and physical desire. One of our greatest social problems arises out of the consumption of foods and drugs that do little to engender healthy bodies. You have the capacity to identify and heal illness by directing your intelligence toward proper diagnosis and quality nutrition. You also have the ability to mediate between adversaries and achieve peaceful resolution of problems.

Training the conscious mind involves reasoning on the conscious level. Spiritual Education teaches how to engage your intuitive function. Intuition can be trained. Mercury reflects a specific way for you to learn about intuition. See the section on Uranus for more information on your intuitive ability.

Your digestive system acts as a barometer for your intuition. You feel changes in the material, emotional and spiritual weather well ahead of time. Instead of simply treating the upset tummy with medicines, use this information to formulate plans and think through strategies.

Your Mercury is in the 9th House. The evolutionary process is sped up for you so that the soul increases in importance and the physical world recedes. This can be difficult, as you live in the physical world and must attend to material needs. As you learn to relate the physical to the spiritual in a creative way, you find that you focus on consciousness itself. The more you do this, the closer you come to full self-awareness that transcends ordinary ego drives. Then you allow a greater Mind to guide your decisions. You value the ability to communicate on several levels. First, you want to understand the people around you, and for them to understand you. Second, you have an active line of

communication with yourself. You can carry on mental conversations in which you test an idea privately to evaluate its logical coherence. Third, you are able to engage in spiritual communication, sometimes even spirit communication via channeling or direct mind transmission.

Transcendent values may include: awareness of apparent duality, respect for higher education, discriminating awareness, refinement of ideas, and appreciation of conflict and its resolution.

### **Mercury Aspects**

Intuition comes to you and you are able to express its meaning to others. The flow between ordinary words and intuitive content is smooth and natural. Your restless mind is always turning up another piece of ground, searching for a revelation. You become irritable when others seem to withhold key information from you. Because you can easily influence others, it is important for you to decide what spiritual values you want to espouse. You hold your own in conversation, and are a welcome guest. You are able to share your deepest thoughts and beliefs with the people around you. You tend to be critical of others. This may be one of your hardest tests of compassion-to lighten up. You can begin by softening your attitude toward yourself.

## **Self Esteem and the Development of Spiritual Partnerships**

The power of mind is unlimited, except by our own thinking. As you proceed along the spiritual path, self-esteem grows. Relationship with another person is a powerful force for the development of self-esteem and for spiritual growth.

Venus has been called the alter ego of the Earth. Very close to the same size as the earth, Venus has an atmosphere inhospitable to human life. The inner reaches of the unconscious mind were long thought to be inhospitable as well. Modern psychology has delved into the mechanism of mind, and religious mystics have long studied the rocky terrain to be found within each of us. The consensus is that to evolve spiritually, we must first look at ourselves. One way to do this is through relationship with others.

Romantic, business and other relationships all offer us the opportunity to project our thoughts onto other people. The evolutionary nature of a relationship allows us to explore our desires. Then we can achieve spiritual connections that transcend sexual expression.

Right relationships between people provides inner awareness that helps us to mediate between personality and soul, between physical life and higher consciousness. Only through fusion of these apparently separate facets of your being can you approach true knowledge.

The Planet Venus provides indications about your best approach to spiritual partnerships.

With Venus in Leo, your best approach to healthy partnering is through the Intuitive function. Your inspirational energy comes from scientific mental activity-you gather practical facts to help manifest love in your life. You are able to discriminate between extremes, and to explore a variety of options in search of the one best way to complete a project. You are able to see the future potential of the loving energy that goes into today's work.

You thrive in situations where your creature comforts are lavishly cared for. This does not mean you cannot also seek spiritual growth. It just means that you may be expected to demonstrate generosity that you don't always feel. You arouse love, or even devotion, in others.

Your Venus is in the 8th House. In the end, when everything is done, when you have achieved your goals, you will find them most satisfying if you have behaved well along the way. You attract other people to your point of view easily, and you must remember that they trust you just as much, or more, than you trust them. The key to working with others is to follow a middle path. You need not follow every extreme idea a companion suggests, nor do you need to shy away from all such ideas. Jealousy - the need to keep something just for yourself - is the dark emotion that can be balanced by judicious use of those resources you are willing to share. Concrete knowledge comes through transitions. Death is an important spiritual teacher for you, as it teaches you how to manage the feelings associated with profound changes in your life. Spiritual transformation shares some of the same feelings.

### **Venus Aspects**

Emotional and sexual intensity can separate you from spirit or bring you closer, depending on your awareness of the richness of the interactions you experience. The creative dynamics of two people merging is a profound source of spiritual awareness if you get past the physical tension and emotional conflict. This deepening of experience takes time. Your magnetic nature attracts others to you, and you are popular without making much effort. Sharing your spiritual joy does not have to involve sharing on the physical level. You may find that your best sexual relationships are with individuals who are significantly older or younger than yourself. The role of teacher is so significant in your life that it may pervade your love life. You will need to overcome a sense of reserve or inhibition to deepen your spiritual connection.

## **Doubt, Resistance, and the Development of Psychic Ability**

The spiritual path has a number of potential pitfalls. Some of the most treacherous of these lie within our own minds. Our innermost thoughts become a prison, trapping us within walls of our own making. These may be the karmic result of the past, or they may be the result of recent actions. There are several ways we cause our own difficulties:

1) Secrets - Privacy and secrets are part of the picture. Children love the feeling of independence and power that comes with a secret. Problems only arise when the secrets we keep are detrimental to ourselves or to others.

2) Doubts - When a situation causes you to doubt, it is largely because it is incongruent with what you have learned in the past. You want something new, but your unconscious is in turmoil. You feel naughty, anxious, reluctant, or undeserving. Because of what you have learned from people you trust or from what you have read, you doubt your own decision-making ability.

3) Resistance - Resistance is not all bad. If change were too easy, we would have no stability. We could be talked into all sorts of things. What we need is a way to identify resistance for what it is, and then find ways to work with it.

Where your spiritual path is concerned, Neptune reveals how you handle secrets, how doubt arises for you, and also how to resolve resistance. One strategy involves your psychic ability.

### **Developing Your Psychic Ability**

We use our psychic senses to understand the world of the present. You can train yourself to be more aware of the nuances of psychic awareness, and Neptune indicates how you can develop this ability. You will then connect with the earth and other people in new ways, and also confirm the significance of your spiritual values.

With Neptune in Cancer, your private, psychic style is primarily the Feeling type.

Your childhood family experience provides a basic trust, and perhaps a basic fear, of the dynamics of the nurturing process. You are sensitive to the nuances of your own upbringing - in fact you may be hypersensitive to issues surrounding family, the loyalty you owe to family members, and the disappointments caused when parents and family fail to follow through as expected or promised.

Your yearning for the satisfaction of your desires through the nurturing process can only be satisfied by you. No one else can fully understand your desires and completely fulfill them. However, once you attain a degree of self-satisfaction, you can immediately begin to nurture others, identifying their needs, distinguishing need from desire, and providing what is best for the other person's spiritual growth.

You have to have an open heart to fully understand another person. An open heart is not a drawback for you because it serves to inform you about your own deepest desires as well. Sometimes you will be drawn to help another person because what they need is the

same as what you desire. By helping the other person you also fulfill your own desire on the most profound emotional and spiritual level.

Neptune is in the 7th House. You are idealistic about partnership and love. Through strong relationships you are able to pursue your spiritual path. Weak relationships can lead to serious disappointment. Therefore you will want to use your head as well as your heart when you enter into what you expect to be a long-term union.

### **Neptune Aspects**

Your sympathetic nature utilizes the close connection between other people and your spiritual self. You are open to experience the joy and pain in others, and thereby grow in understanding of your own values. You seek the company of visionaries, as you appreciate their ability to speculate on the future and to develop something radically new and different out of something well established. You either succumb to your impressionability, and gullibility, or you learn to discern the motives that drive others and then make your own decisions. Through contact with other people, you develop an inner psychic vision. At first you dismiss your psychic insights as flukes, but later you may find that they become more frequent, more accurate, and more spiritually enriching. You have strong compassion for others, yet you may be inconsistent in the application of effort in trying to help them. You often expect more from a situation than you get, spiritually or otherwise. Psychic energies bombard you and cause distress until you learn to read the messages in terms of yourself. Seek the answer within instead of projecting the message onto other people, even if you think the message is about them.

### **The Twelfth House**

The sign on the Twelfth House indicates how you color issues of doubt and resistance. It also reflects your most direct approach to your psychic insights.

You have Sagittarius on the Twelfth House cusp. Your precognitive powers develop through experience. Including a contemplative practice in your daily routine can hone this skill. If you ask your dreams for guidance before sleep, you will find that you are well prepared for the activities of the following day. Sometimes the messages are direct and clear. Other times you will need to record your dreams and think about each character and symbol to discover the meaning. It is very important for you to have a direct connection to your inner being.

## Death and Transformation as Spiritual Processes

Pluto, Scorpio and the Eighth House in the birth chart deal with issues of death and transformation. On the spiritual path a shaman must undergo a death-like initiation in order to come into his or her shamanic powers. In our own lives we continually experience the death of old ways of being and the birth of new possibilities. Transformative events can teach lessons concerning your spiritual growth:

- \* They are signposts to indicate progress.
- \* They allow you to modify your behavior in positive ways.
- \* They remind you to be gentle and kind with yourself.
- \* They remind you to accept yourself as you are, and to move forward.
- \* They remind you to support and encourage the child within yourself, just as you would encourage another person.

The Eighth House in your chart defines the mechanisms for change and self-acceptance that are most appropriate for you. By understanding them you develop a sense of self and a set of behaviors that lead more directly to your goal. You discard behaviors that no longer serve you in your journey on the spiritual path.

Scorpio is the natural sign on the Eighth House, and the associated planet is Pluto. How appropriate that Pluto, mythological ruler of the underworld, should be the planetary ruler of the Eighth House of death and transformation.

Yet Pluto attracts the living, though it cannot hold on to them for long. So it is with life. We are attracted to one way of doing things, but we know that change is the only certainty in life. As we travel the spiritual path, we find that each ending is the source of a new beginning, and that we often benefit from even the most traumatic events. By descending into the world of darkness and pain, we borrow a bit of Pluto's power, so that on the next step along the path we are stronger and more courageous.

With Pluto in Gemini, your approach to death and transformation is primarily through the Thinking function. Language becomes your medium for dealing with transitions. You think through the feelings in the moment, and can benefit from sharing your thoughts with others. You also are able to find the right things to say in a crisis, helping others think through the change process. You are able to gather disparate threads of information together into a meaningful pattern. Often when changes seem random or illogical, you find links that provide the comfort and security you need. You can speak intelligently concerning the deeper meaning of transitions because you place each event against a larger backdrop of history and culture.

You have a powerful intellect at your disposal, and you can solve some of the big problems in your profession. When you apply this intellect to spiritual questions, you can make great strides.

## **Pluto Aspects**

You are able to cut through the delusion of the material world to the heart of your spiritual power. You comprehend the continuity of your psychic states as you move between spiritual planes, and even between lives. Your restless mind is always turning up another piece of ground, searching for a revelation. You become irritable when others seem to withhold key information from you. Because you can easily influence others, it is important for you to decide what spiritual values you want to espouse. Use sound judgment in the use of force. Spirit guides you, but cannot always protect you against your own recklessness.

## **The Eighth House**

The sign on the Eighth House cusp indicates the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual approach you take when dealing with birth, death and transformation.

You have Leo on the Eighth House cusp. While change and death may cause emotional upset, you usually come around quickly to a state of mind that allows you to help other people who are sharing the crisis with you. You take a leadership role by first assessing your own feelings and dealing with them, then acting compassionately toward others. This capacity can take years to develop, and still you occasionally feel like a child when you are stressed.

## **Planets in the Eighth House**

### **Sun in 8th House:**

You appear fearless as you travel through a life filled with change. You face transitions frequently enough that no one would think you are unfamiliar with death and transformation. Sometimes you over-extend yourself, and seem to challenge the Fates by acting recklessly. For you to understand the shaman's message, you must become the shaman. But you don't have to die to gather the necessary wisdom. Rather, you need to die to the desire to use your power only for yourself, and learn to share it with others. If you cannot share, then you must at least use your power wisely so that you hurt no one in your personal quest. Sexual energy is a profound source of pain and pleasure for you. Physical contact with a partner is often necessary for your well-being and health. When you deepen a connection with another person, you transcend your normal perceptions and enter a space where life is illuminated by more than physical senses. Ecstatic experience may first be found in sexual union, but that is only the beginning. You may find that any experience can evoke the memories, the feelings, even the peak of sexual ecstasy.

### **Venus in 8th House:**

In the end, when everything is done, when you have achieved your goals, you will find them most satisfying if you have behaved well along the way. You attract other people to your point of view easily, and you must remember that they trust you just as much, or more, than you trust them. The key to working with others is to follow a middle path. You need not follow every extreme idea a companion suggests, nor do you need to

shy away from all such ideas. Jealousy - the need to keep something just for yourself - is the dark emotion that can be balanced by judicious use of those resources you are willing to share. Concrete knowledge comes through transitions. Death is an important spiritual teacher for you, as it teaches you how to manage the feelings associated with profound changes in your life. Spiritual transformation shares some of the same feelings.

### **Mars in 8th House:**

The focus of your spiritual persona is on issues of death and transformation. You seek experiences that help you to understand your own life and death cycle, with a desire to help others understand their own. A second issue that affects your path is your own sexuality. Physical desires can be very strong, and you need to develop judgment in this area of your life. Long term relationships transmute physical sexual drives into spiritually ecstatic experiences that lift you to peak moments of understanding.

### **Eighth House Aspects**

You find that spiritual discipline is as much a container for your being as it is the expression of your inner desire. Your perception of duty is to develop the endurance needed to weather emotional and material storms. You are able to cut through the delusion of the material world to the heart of your spiritual power. You comprehend the continuity of your psychic states as you move between spiritual planes, and even between lives. You gain recognition through others, and self-confidence through spiritual endeavors as well as public events. Emotional and sexual intensity can separate you from spirit or bring you closer, depending on your awareness of the richness of the interactions you experience. The creative dynamics of two people merging is a profound source of spiritual awareness if you get past the physical tension and emotional conflict. This deepening of experience takes time. Your magnetic nature attracts others to you, and you are popular without making much effort. Sharing your spiritual joy does not have to involve sharing on the physical level. You may find that your best sexual relationships are with individuals who are significantly older or younger than yourself. The role of teacher is so significant in your life that it may pervade your love life. You will need to overcome a sense of reserve or inhibition to deepen your spiritual connection. The spirit within you desires material expression, and you search fearlessly for the way to show how you feel to others. People find they can depend on your devotion to your principles. You may find that you go from one transformational situation to another, never really settling into any one thing. Yet you have the endurance necessary for the long haul.

## **The Development of Intuition**

Intuition is an ability beyond logical thinking. Through it you can consider future outcomes. In the Buddhist tradition, intuition is a mental ability, equal to intellect that can provide direct insight. In mathematics intuition is the capacity to "guess" the answer to a problem, skipping the regular logical processes.

Intuition is more than your inner voice. Intuition is one of the methods by which you understand the world. It is a skill you can develop and use consciously. Intuition often surfaces during meditation. When the mind is quiet, then intuition can be heard. Once trained, you can access intuition by stopping your normal waking process and entering the calm that you have cultivated.

The planet associated with intuition is Uranus. With Uranus in Capricorn, your intuition works best through the Sensation function. Your intuition comes to you in very concrete images. For example, you can see a piece of land and clearly envision a house, a road, or a bridge being built there. You actually see the finished product in your mind's eye, and then take the practical steps to achieve the result you see. You also can find multiple uses of tools, and can usually handle an emergency with whatever materials and tools you have available.

Your intuition focuses on how things work, but also on how things will work out in the future. The practical value of intuition in your work may be proven again and again, giving you an edge over the competition.

Your Uranus is in the 1st House. Intuition is first perceived as a natural physical function. In fact, you may be surprised to discover that other people don't share your ability. You are able to foresee events and feelings they will engender in yourself and the people around you.

### **Uranus Aspects**

Your inner spirit functions easily on the intuitive plane, as you are able to identify and listen to the voice that guides your interactions with others to both their highest good and your own. Intuition comes to you and you are able to express its meaning to others. The flow between ordinary words and intuitive content is smooth and natural. Your best and strongest relationships emerge from chance meetings, and you tend to depend on luck to carry you through difficult times. Your strong intuition provides insight into the almost organic rhythm of your life. Your independent spirit thrives on a less restrictive spiritual practice. Through contact with other people, you develop an inner psychic vision. At first you dismiss your psychic insights as flukes, but later you may find that they become more frequent, more accurate, and more spiritually enriching. You can grasp the energy of the group and express it clearly so that everyone understands. You may have very unusual dreams that show you the best spiritual direction. Self-awareness comes through dramatic, sudden events. To the extent that you can foresee them intuitively, you can avoid the harsh impact to some extent.

## **The Midheaven: Self-Awareness and the Use of Intuition**

How can you use your self-awareness to access intuition, a presumably involuntary, less conscious capacity? To take the direct, conscious path is challenging at best. This method only works if you can consciously enter unconscious territory, and by definition, that territory is unconscious because you cannot access it directly. You can rarely dive in intentionally.

You can wait for intuition to arise naturally without doing anything. Or you can practice meditation. It is fairly easy to learn and requires no particular physical or mental skills, except the ability to focus the mind.

In addition, you have specific avenues, or points of focus, to aid you in the practice. The sign on the Midheaven indicates an area of the subconscious that you can access through meditation, thereby identifying spiritual keys to your development. By going within, you find the higher values most suited to your own path.

With the Midheaven in Libra, your self-awareness and your path to self-realization are primarily through the Thinking function.

Beneath the subconscious desire to engage actively in whatever attracts your attention, you find the desire to devote yourself to someone or something outside yourself. You may experience an initiation with a teacher to whom you devote yourself with single-minded faith and courage. You will benefit from practicing meditation, as you must clear your mind in order to reach the profound state of consciousness where pure devotion arises. In the process of identifying a purer form of devotion you may appear fanatical in your actions or statements. You work with the forces of nature, striving not to control them but to flow with them naturally. The most positive attitude you can cultivate is one of harmlessness - you seek to do no harm and to think no evil.

Your understanding of the nature of duality in the world can be used to move past mere devotion to teacher. You will seek an attitude that engenders the fusion of body and soul, with its illumination of the ideals of unity in your spiritual life. You learn the meaning and value of self-sacrifice, not because they are goals in themselves, but because they will lead you to an understanding of higher spiritual service on the group level.

To understand your own core beliefs is to live in harmony with your spiritual being. These beliefs emerge from the deepest part of your being. When studied, they provide the information for a lifetime of self-exploration.

### **Midheaven Aspects**

The balance of self-awareness and the inner voice is strong in your life. Each nurtures the other. You tend to be optimistic and content. You attain success and spiritual growth through self-awareness. You seek to portray yourself as a kind, compassionate being. Self-awareness comes through dramatic, sudden events. To the extent that you can

foresee them intuitively, you can avoid the harsh impact to some extent. Psychic energies bombard you and cause distress until you learn to read the messages in terms of yourself. Seek the answer within instead of projecting the message onto other people, even if you think the message is about them.

## **Karma and Dharma**

Perhaps no single principle of Asian religions has fascinated us more than karma and its link to reincarnation. Karma refers to the cause and effect relationship between what we do and the results we get. Our actions bring reactions, constructive and not so constructive. However, everyday feedback often comes from individuals who are no more clear about their spiritual values than we are. So, what should you take seriously?

How does karma work in your life? Will it be played out in your next incarnation, or will you experience it in the here-and-now?

Certainly you do not have to believe in karma or reincarnation to make progress along your spiritual path. However, if you do astrology can offer insight into what factors in the past may be influencing you today. The following are suggestions concerning past influences. Think of them as relating to family and childhood experience, or you can relate them to your past lives, or both.

With Saturn in Taurus, you experience karma and dharma primarily through the Sensation function. Intelligent activity is guided by practical considerations. Your perception of things through sight, touch and other ordinary senses is your first and strongest avenue to working with the world. You are able to root out the facts from the body of writing about the past. This uncanny ability may disregard the ephemeral trends of a period and focus instead on the details of the material situation of the time. You are also able to mobilize a massive quantity of data, and to organize it to suit your purposes. You sift through data to find the gems that point directly to your point. Sometimes you have to discover the way to make your conclusions more meaningful to others who are less adept. Finally, you use information to guide your intelligence where future plans and goals are involved. You rarely make long-term decisions based on emotion. It's not that you have no feelings, because you do. It's that you know feelings will change far more easily than the material foundation on which they rest.

What can be stubborn insistence on getting your own way in your work and relationships can become the perseverance that is needed to work out your karmic attachments, and to pursue your personal dharma. Slow, steady advancement is preferred.

Your Saturn is in the 4th House. In your youth you learned from your elders and listened carefully to their ideas and beliefs. Now you find you are able to share key principles and values with your own students or the younger generation of your family.

## **Saturn Aspects**

You find that spiritual discipline is as much a container for your being as it is the expression of your inner desire. Your perception of duty is to develop the endurance needed to weather emotional and material storms. You may find that your best sexual relationships are with individuals who are significantly older or younger than yourself. The role of teacher is so significant in your life that it may pervade your love life. You will need to overcome a sense of reserve or inhibition to deepen your spiritual connection. You may find that you go from one transformational situation to another, never really settling into any one thing. Yet you have the endurance necessary for the long haul.

## **Transcendent Values**

Behind what you know about yourself - behind all other considerations of spirituality, lie the transcendent values that are most important to you. These are the values you have worked to discover from among all the rules you have been taught. They are the reason you have read books, studied with teachers, privately pondered and examined the events of your life. They are the fundamental principles that you believe will help you find fulfillment as a human being. As such they are the source of energy behind your self-awareness, the motivation of your spiritual search, and the principles that you apply to your dharma, or life path.

With Jupiter in Libra, your approach to and understanding of transcendent values is primarily through the Thinking function. Regardless of your typical mental style, indicated by the element occupied by the Sun, you tend to process best through thinking, and through the skillful use of words. You aspire to more perfect expression, both within yourself and in the social realm. Mental and spiritual training benefit you by providing rigorous reasoning skills and by opening your heart to the intuitive information that flows around you. Even when you have achieved fusion of heart and mind, you find that your mental process and expression focus on intellect and the thinking process. You may come to trust your intuition deeply, but you gain this level of confidence through testing your intuitive knowledge logically and rationally. You understand that the cycle of cause and effect begins on the mental plane, descends through the emotional realm, and manifests in the physical world.

You have a strong sense of justice, and are well able to work for the public good. You may tend to depend on cooperation from others more than you need to. Contemplative practice develops the capacity to depend on your inner resources first.

## **Aspects of the Jupiter**

Your magnetic nature attracts others to you, and you are popular without making much effort. Sharing your spiritual joy does not have to involve sharing on the physical level. Your best and strongest relationships emerge from chance meetings, and you tend

to depend on luck to carry you through difficult times. Your strong intuition provides insight into the almost organic rhythm of your life. Your independent spirit thrives on a less restrictive spiritual practice. You seek the company of visionaries, as you appreciate their ability to speculate on the future and to develop something radically new and different out of something well established. You either succumb to your impressionability, and gullibility, or you learn to discern the motives that drive others and then make your own decisions. You tend to be optimistic and content. You attain success and spiritual growth through self-awareness. You seek to portray yourself as a kind, compassionate being.

### **The Ninth House**

You have Virgo on the Ninth House cusp. The transcendent values you seek to understand are three expressions of the feminine. The first expression is Eve - the true physical expression of knowledge, and the search for knowledge. This value is expressed on the mental plane. The second value involves taking the quest for knowledge to the emotional plane. The third value is the expression of knowledge on the physical plane through creation. These three values relate to the expression of mind into physical form and creative work in the material world. This involutory process can be compared to the evolutionary process whereby the receptive mind becomes the expressive agent of the spirit.

### **Planets in the Ninth House**

#### **Mercury in 9th House:**

The evolutionary process is sped up for you so that the soul increases in importance and the physical world recedes. This can be difficult, as you live in the physical world and must attend to material needs. As you learn to relate the physical to the spiritual in a creative way, you find that you focus on consciousness itself. The more you do this, the closer you come to full self-awareness that transcends ordinary ego drives. Then you allow a greater Mind to guide your decisions. You value the ability to communicate on several levels. First, you want to understand the people around you, and for them to understand you. Second, you have an active line of communication with yourself. You can carry on mental conversations in which you test an idea privately to evaluate its logical coherence. Third, you are able to engage in spiritual communication, sometimes even spirit communication via channeling or direct mind transmission.

Transcendent values may include: awareness of apparent duality, respect for higher education, discriminating awareness, refinement of ideas, and appreciation of conflict and its resolution.

#### **Jupiter in 9th House:**

You will find your values within your studies. It is essential that you develop a formal approach to learning. This does not have to be a college degree program. It can involve reading, attending workshops and seminars on subjects of interest to you, or travel to sites where spiritual energy is focused. You can choose which traditions to pursue, and you may be drawn to a philosophy or religion very different from what you were taught as a

child. You are the perennial student, always willing to expand your sphere of knowledge.

### **Ninth House Aspects**

Intuition comes to you and you are able to express its meaning to others. The flow between ordinary words and intuitive content is smooth and natural. Your restless mind is always turning up another piece of ground, searching for a revelation. You become irritable when others seem to withhold key information from you. Because you can easily influence others, it is important for you to decide what spiritual values you want to espouse. You tend to be critical of others. This may be one of your hardest tests of compassion-to lighten up. You can begin by softening your attitude toward yourself. Your magnetic nature attracts others to you, and you are popular without making much effort. Sharing your spiritual joy does not have to involve sharing on the physical level. Your best and strongest relationships emerge from chance meetings, and you tend to depend on luck to carry you through difficult times. Your strong intuition provides insight into the almost organic rhythm of your life. Your independent spirit thrives on a less restrictive spiritual practice. You seek the company of visionaries, as you appreciate their ability to speculate on the future and to develop something radically new and different out of something well established. You either succumb to your impressionability, and gullibility, or you learn to discern the motives that drive others and then make your own decisions. You tend to be optimistic and content. You attain success and spiritual growth through self-awareness. You seek to portray yourself as a kind, compassionate being.

### **Mars: Your Spiritual Persona**

Mars indicates an area of life that is vitally important to your spiritual growth. Whatever path you choose, this factor will come up again and again. Others will see how it affects you, but they are unlikely to understand the depth of its significance. You yourself may not understand the power of this influence on your life.

### **The Element of Mars**

Mars is naturally associated with Aries, a fire sign. Traditionally Mars was also associated with Scorpio, a water sign. Thus the expression of Mars shares the nature of these two elements to some extent. The movement between water and fire involves the capacity for discriminating awareness. Mars governs the five senses-touch, taste, sight, hearing and smell. The position of Mars directly reflects your capacity to relate to the world through your senses.

With Mars in Virgo, your spiritual persona is expressed most fluently through the Sensation function. You are generally practical in your activities. If it has no hope of reaping actual, measurable results, then you just won't do it. This practical streak carries over into the spiritual realm as a desire to develop a regular practice that deepens your sense of devotion to a teacher or to a body of understanding about your true purpose. On

the material level your actions are designed to help you acquire whatever you need, but also to acquire those material things that enhance your feeling of comfort and richness. On the spiritual level your devotional practice-prayer, meditation, good works-also focus on a goal. Many teachers suggest that meditation has no goal, but in our culture you are almost certainly seeking something from whatever you do, including the spiritual direction you take.

The sign placement of Mars is significant to developing your spiritual persona. The sign colors the message you receive concerning the direction your spiritual path will take. Here are three personality traits associated with Mars in your chart: Discrimination, Moral Strength, Unselfishness. If you consider each trait and consciously evoke it in your daily activities, you will find that the path becomes more fulfilling, more insightful, and easier. By actively devoting energy to the development of the traits of your Mars, you spontaneously develop several traits associated with other signs.

### **House Placement of Mars**

Your Mars is in the 8th House. The focus of your spiritual persona is on issues of death and transformation. You seek experiences that help you to understand your own life and death cycle, with a desire to help others understand their own. A second issue that affects your path is your own sexuality. Physical desires can be very strong, and you need to develop judgment in this area of your life. Long term relationships transmute physical sexual drives into spiritually ecstatic experiences that lift you to peak moments of understanding.

### **Mars Aspects**

The spirit within you desires material expression, and you search fearlessly for the way to show how you feel to others. People find they can depend on your devotion to your principles. You may find that you go from one transformational situation to another, never really settling into any one thing. Yet you have the endurance necessary for the long haul.

## **The Ascendant: Expressing Spirit in the World**

The Ascendant provides a personal anchor for understanding spiritual potential and process in the birth chart. It shows how you express yourself in the world. This is because the rising sign represents choice - you choose what you want to show to the world. Ultimately, however, you come back to the Sun sign on the spiritual level.

Each person learns about the Sun sign's higher spiritual values and cultivates those values by developing the positive traits of the Ascendant. Each sign as it rises brings to light different personality traits, different physical appearance, and a different sense of spiritual direction. The rising sign offers a container for your experimentation with

constructive, creative personal choices about how to act in the world. Later you can take this practice back to the Sun sign and master its lessons.

Remember that the Midheaven and Ascendant depend on an accurate birth time. If you have no idea of your birth time, the material included here may help you to focus on a spiritual persona for yourself.

### **Your Rising Sign (Ascendant)**

You are driven by especially human motivations as you pursue your spiritual life. Your rising sign, Sagittarius, governs the hips and thighs. It is the arrangement of these parts of the body that allows humans to stand upright and walk. Translate this metaphorically to your spiritual life - upright thinking and attention to your spiritual path are a reflection of your capacity to maximize human potential on the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual levels.

In addition to the above capabilities, you have the capacity to use intuition in your life. You can envision the future better than most people. When you match your intuitive sensibility to your spiritual aspiration, you find that your path becomes easy to identify and to follow. The more you use your intuition, the more useful it becomes. Your intuitive ability rests in your intellectual development, so it is important to educate yourself well. In your studies you are often able to leap to the answer. It is important for you to fill in the blanks, even if it means going back, so that you learn how to solve more and more difficult problems.

You experience your soul's calling early in life. Other people may put down your budding ideas, but you gather these thoughts to yourself and nurture them. You trust that these ideas have come to you for some reason. You are able to recall them in moments of crisis, and you find you can communicate profound sentiments with few words. You have material ambitions, yes, but you also have spiritual aspirations. You will find that right spiritual aspiration often brings suitable material satisfaction in its wake.

Because your rising sign is connected to the hips and thighs, you may find that walking meditation, Tai Ch'I, or other contemplative movement suits your spiritual development. Sitting may not help you to focus, while walking meditation may allow your thoughts to settle and your intuition to arise.

### **Ascendant Aspects**

You gain recognition through others, and self-confidence through spiritual endeavors as well as public events. You tend to be critical of others. This may be one of your hardest tests of compassion-to lighten up. You can begin by softening your attitude toward yourself. Use sound judgment in the use of force. Spirit guides you, but cannot always protect you against your own recklessness.

## **Conclusion**

This interpretation of your life path has provided a systematic look at astrological factors that together add up to a spiritually oriented map. As you come to understand your unique map, you can move forward through life joyously and courageously, knowing that the path is appropriate to your personal beliefs, desires and needs.