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Aside from the coming New Moon on Friday, there are a variety of significant astrological factors all coming together during this time (these days), with the resulting overlap and pileup of significance. It is a little difficult to sort out all that is going on, so I will just touch on some highlights, and not attempt to synthesize it all. You can put them together in your mind as you will.

And while the peak of these various indicators is kind of spread out, time-wise, if I had to sum up their combined point of greatest impact, it would be today, August 14, 2012, with the understanding that it may have to sink in over the next week or so. This is just an estimation (or guess) on my part, so take it for what it is worth. Here are some of the indicators:

The planet Jupiter indicates the life path, literally the path, course, or route that will take us through the thickets of Saturn, a way around the laws or obstacles each of us face. The Sanskrit word for Jupiter, interestingly enough, is "guru," so Jupiter is always the guide, the guru and pathfinder.

Right now Jupiter (our life path) is being driven or pushed (feeling the urge) to take a more unifying (call it spiritual) direction. Let's say we are on a mini vision-quest or at least a shift in emphasis toward greater unity -- spirituality. We can at least feel the inner need.

This could at first manifest as dissatisfaction with our current status or limits, and a desire to push beyond them to reach yet a new sense of truth, whatever that might be. But it takes time and this can require the patience to wait out the ennui or sense of tiredness with what-we-now-know long enough for the tide to come in with a fresh perspective. If we can't stand to wait it out (and instead struggle), we will disturb the waters and not be able to see the new clarity that is forming. This will take time. Things will resolve to greater clarity if we can wait.

This is not a small change, so some awareness or sensitivity is well worth the effort. As mentioned, all of this may become clearer (get more personal) over the next ten days or so. And this is an inner change.

Another aspect of shorter duration involves our sense of desire, what we value and desires in general. They may be a little more unusual just now. We may find ourselves valuing originality, what is different and new, or just unusually desirous. We may have a heightened awareness in this regard. This too is an inner change.

And one more factor, this one more concerned with our outer circumstances, including our health, involves not pushing the envelope. What I mean by this is that now is not a good time to

push-back against whatever we are up against, not defy authority or go against the law. In other words, be "good." Much better to relax and take a more passive approach, as in: helping this time to pass, and work it through, rather than attempt to confront things. Just let it pass.

I don't usually go into this much astrological detail, but like many of us, I too am in a kind of Limbo state, not quite here or there, and have been forced to look at all of this more closely. May you find this useful.