THE ASTROLOGY OF RIGHT NOW – AN OPINION March 20, 2011

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There is actually a lot going on astrologically right now. After some fifty years studying astrology I have found that when planets form large patterns in the heavens based around an opposition that these aspect patterns combine and their effects pile up or work together in combination.

I have tried to point out for forty-some years that while it is totally useful to look at the traditional astrology geocentric chart (a chart of what's happening in the solar system from the point of view of our Earth embedded toward the center of that system) it is also as useful (or even more useful) to look at what the system itself is doing aside from only Earth's perspective, in other words the heliocentric (solar-system) chart.

From this point onward my non-astrological friends should probably tune out and go elsewhere for I am going to switch to astrological jargon, which I seldom like to do unless in a classroom situation. I apologize for this but you are warned.

Astrologer friends can follow this and I will just sketch it out briefly. I don't have the time or space here to go into extreme detail here but here are a few things to check out if interested. These are some of the interesting patterns at work just now both from the geocentric (Earth centered) and heliocentric (solar-system) perspective.

Jupiter and Saturn have been, now are, and will be for some time in Opposition aspect to one another. These are large planets and as the other planets make aspects to them, they combine in effect and things happen. As you can see the Earth (in the helio chart) and Sun (in the geo chart) will conjunct this Saturn-Jupiter opposition around April 1st strengthening it and making whatever is happening more personal (Earth/Sun= Self). At that time heliocentrically Venus will complete a T-Square activating that pattern. The coordination of Saturn and Jupiter (the no-fly zone, disaster relief in Japan) should be able to be evaluated and perhaps better appreciated at that point (Venus).

What we have been looking at recently, as mentioned in an earlier post, is Pluto in Square aspect to the planet Uranus which is currently activated by Earth in opposition to Uranus completing that T-Cross. This was during the time of the Supermoon and earlier as it approached, the earthquake, etc. in Japan.

And here is a more subtle and perhaps very interesting combination: In the Earth-centered chart, right now, Venus is applying to a conjunction to Neptune. This will happen around the 25th of March. However, at the same time in the solar-system chart (heliocentric) Venus is applying to conjunction with Pluto. How could this be?

Remember that the traditional Earth (geocentric) chart is only Earth's view of the solar system. Right now Earth sees Venus approaching Neptune, but this is only because of Earth's perspective. At the solar system level what actually is happening is that Venus is approaching conjunction with Pluto – a quite different aspect I am sure you will agree.

You might want to (or have to) interpret them both! Since the traditional earth-centered chart refers to our circumstances on this earth we might say Venus-Conjunct-Neptune points to the

accessing or valuing (appreciating) of unity, for example perhaps the allied air alliance coming together. That is in the Earth or circumstances chart.

In the solar-system (helio) chart we have Venus-Conjunct-Pluto, a very different aspect and one on a different plane or level, that of the whole solar system. PLUS Venus comes to conjunct Pluto which suggests the appreciation of very sensitive material (radiation appraisal). AND THEN Venus then moves by April 1st to create at focus of a T-Square with Jupiter-Saturn-Earth (or Sun) making up the opposition. My point is that in the next week or so Venus plays a key role at a deep or true (helio) level, moving from the Pluto-Uranus square to the Jupiter-Saturn-Earth (or Sun) T-Square – switch in emphasis away from the disasters and toward organized planning (Saturn-Jupiter).

In other words Venus (venal, valuation, assessment) of these various global disasters/wars will be key and will finally take place. We will have a more clear appraisal of a number of things. And, so on.

I apologize for so much jargon and I hope many of my astrologer friends can follow this. If not, enjoy the photo. <G>



