

MORE SOLAR ERUPTIONS:
WHAT DO THEY MEAN?
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[The Facts: We are once again experiencing a time of increased solar flares and CME (Coronal Mass Ejection) events. There was an M5.6 solar flare on July 2, 2012 at 7:52 AM EDT (and a CME) and this has been followed by another solar flare reaching M3.8 in magnitude since then. More and larger flares are predicted over the next few days. Since astrology is nothing other than cultural astronomy, let me remind you what these intense solar outbursts might mean. Hold on to your hats!]

As mentioned, we are experiencing massive solar flare eruptions on the surface of our Sun. And I did it again. I managed to forget about that lucky-old Sun and its intermittent messages to me in this peak time of the solar cycle. I was too busy arranging the deck chairs on my life and trying to get all my ducks in a row to remember that when the Sun speaks, I listen. We all do. And it is an inside listening and message, one that we can't help but hear because it interrupts what we ignorantly think of as our life.

"We interrupt our regular programming to bring you the following special message."

I must admit that it is a little frustrating to have my regular life-flow just overridden and made temporarily obsolete, while I stop to absorb something even more important. But it is also a welcome relief over my own meandering plans. It would seem that the daily stream of astrological aspects from the Sun, Moon, and planets is interrupted by these intense solar outbursts which simply override the standard astro-aspects in significance. It is something like that.

And the saving grace of these powerful solar events is that they 'ARE' more important; they do short-circuit my well-manicured plans and life direction, cut to its core, and simply change the game without notifying me. Rather, they are the notification of change. And they are a blessing!

These intense solar events manage to overwrite my regular life with their priority message, one that I can't ignore because it is more real than the life I like to think I am living. And these solar impulses come from my center, from a deeper place than I normally know, and therefore I can't help but listen. It 'IS' life compared to the life I am living.

How can a message from deep within me come from something so distant as the center of the Sun? Perhaps real depth is not measured by space or distance, but rather by who is speaking, by the importance or size of the system, something the size of the solar system or even the entire galaxy? Is what is nearest and dearest to my heart actually a message from the Sun, which is so very far away? In other words, does distance not matter when it comes to the heart

or core, to what is really important?

As mentioned, it seems to me (through my experience) that strong solar activity like solar flares and CME events trump the standard or more traditional astrological indicators. This is like saying that the Sun is bigger or more important than the planets that circle around it. Make sense? It does to me. I am gradually getting able to recognize these solar events, not by seeing them announced by scientists, but by feeling them happening inside me. For example, this morning:

I have not written any poetry for weeks, maybe months. And then I am driving the back-country roads to the grocery store and a poem starts to come into my mind. I write it down on the grocery list and when I get back home I can't resist checking a web site where they list solar activity and, sure enough, there was a strong solar flare (and corresponding CME event) that took place earlier that morning.

What's this all about? When the sun speaks, do I write poetry? Does some inner part of me dance to the inner life of the Sun? It would seem so.

Since we are reaching the peak of the eleven-year sunspot cycle, prepare to be interrupted a lot this year. And these solar interruptions really are special. They change us from the inside out, a change that wipes out who we thought we were and overwrites our memory with something new. It is like a firmware upgrade; we can't remember who we were before the overwrite, because 'WE' change.

It would appear in these months that just as we start to get into the groove of our normal life-flow, a solar outburst interrupts our mindstream and train of events. Only in this case the interruption IS the 'life', and not what it interrupts. It is perhaps similar to the process of meditation where our attempts to practice meditating are occasionally interrupted by actual meditation. In other words, the interruption is what is important, not what was going on up until then.

These solar eruptions distract us from our day-to-day distractions like the melody of a song is heard through the static noise of a bad radio. Our usual ramblings and distractions are punctuated by these intense solar events which override them by coming from a deeper source and center. It reminds me of the times when I think I want to put on some music and then realize I am already listening to music. Something deeper wants to be heard and, with these solar events, we have no choice but to listen.