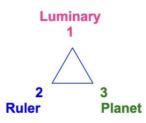
The Luminaries for the heliocentric and geocentric visions and as Rulers of the Signs at three levels

The Luminaries are the Centres of solar Life which, in relation to the spatial Fields of the 12 Signs of the Zodiac, generate the Directions and Cycles of solar, planetary and human Consciousness evolution.

They have a triad of aspects, each being:

- 1. a Luminary of a certain Ray,
- 2. a Ruler of various zodiacal signs,
- 3. a **Planet** that traces cycles in solar Space.

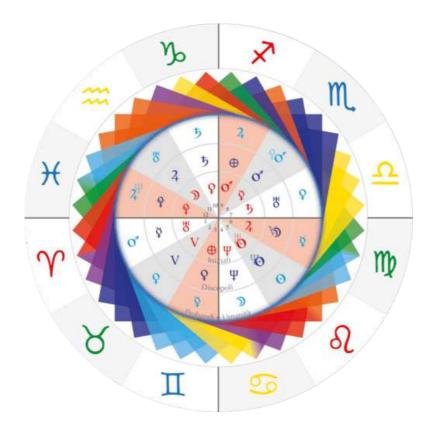


They are the Heavenly Men who, as Elder Brothers, lead us to the planetary, solar and cosmic Consciousness.

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Here we want to present the results of a group study and experience with respect to their principles, aspects and characteristics according to the two visions or perspectives based on Esoteric Astrology: 1. <u>Heliocentric</u> (the Soul/Sun at the centre) and 2. <u>Geocentric</u> (the Personality/Earth at the centre).

Not only that, we also tried to identify their values according to the three levels of <u>Rulership of the Signs</u> (hierarchical, esoteric and exoteric) indicated in the book of Esoteric Astrology (see p. 68), *from virtues to vices*, that is, defining both higher and 'lower' aspects ('undeveloped' at the exoteric level of ordinary humanity).



In particular, in the course of our <u>astrosophical</u> research and using the Law of <u>Analogy</u>, we arrived at the hypothesis of applying the esoteric Rulers also to the heliocentric perspective, in order to try to clarify **the horoscope of the Disciple-Humanity**.

According to the indications of the Tibetan Master (see EA, p. 90 and 512-4), it will therefore be necessary to use the so-called "chart of the Crosses", which bases the interpretation of a celestial configuration on the *esoteric rulers of the 12 branches of the 3 Crosses.*

The heliocentric vision concerns the whole solar System – it is *systemic*, hence we must definitely consider the hierarchical Rulers too (horoscope of the **Initiate-Humanity** or of the Initiate-Individual starting from the 3rd initiation). Our deepest understanding and vision can thus be inspired, although they rule hierarchical horoscopes, that is to say of a higher level than our current investigation and scope.

It should be remembered that these esoteric perspectives, heliocentric and geocentric, are both *tropical*, that is they refer to the zodiacal belt of the **12 Signs**, in other words *the qualified horizon of the evolution of Consciousness* on our Planet and in our Solar System: they are the 12 causal Archetypes of the evolution¹ of the *Heart of the Sun*, or Second aspect of reality – Soul/Consciousness, intermediary between the First – Spirit – and the Third – Appearance/Matter.

For these readings of the global Individual-Humanity, the *direction of the soul* and of its 12 Qualities/Signs, the *ascendant* or rising sign, will always be at 0° **Aries**, the Sign of Beginnings for this precessional cycle, and identified in western astrology with the astronomical *vernal point* (intersection between the orbital plane of the ecliptic and the terrestrial plane of the celestial equator).

Besides, for particular *global* events or dates according to the geocentric perspective, it still makes sense to also consider the rising sign at the time and in the place of Greenwich, the *common and non-random* reference for Universal Time (UT).

Another essential clarification: the heliocentric (esoteric) reading is here used to intuit the energies available for the Disciple-Humanity to assert and sow the evolutionary and constructive <u>ideal Formulas</u> of the Future, from the *plane of causes* (i.e. from the *causal* or higher mental plane, seat of the Human soul, in these charts *placed at the Centre*, in the place of the Sun).

Between the heliocentric and geocentric perspectives, where **Sun** and **Earth** swap their *roles* along the same zodiacal Direction or Axis, only the positions of **Mercury** and **Venus** change (leaving out the **Moon** which in heliocentrism overlaps and coincides with the Earth); **Mars** also differs but to a lesser extent, while the position shifts of the remaining 'deep' or slow Luminaries is progressively more and more negligible.

How can we read this 'fact' symbolically?

Mercury, Venus and Earth compose the 'personal' triangle of our planetary Logos², and they are the three Rulers of **Gemini**, which with **Sagittarius** constitutes the magnetic Direction of/towards the *Head of the cosmic Christ*, presided over by Sirius – the Sun of suns and ours cosmic Magnet together with Her *Consort* Orion, and symmetrically to the *Centre of centres* or Heart of our galaxy.

They are therefore a 'pilot' triad of our planetary Individuality and evolution of Consciousness. Being the major 'factors of change' between the two perspectives, the other function recognised to the divine Hermaphrodite by <u>Heliocentric</u> <u>Astrology</u> is also recalled: they are the 'updating factors', being the 'fastest' around the heliocentric solar Centre, as well as always 'close' to the *apparent Sun*, the fulcrum of the energy scene, in geocentric configurations (elongation).

¹ "... the accuracy of astrological prediction and interpretation will be based upon three factors:

^{1.} The potency of the thoughtforms which have been built up in connection with the twelve signs. These thoughtforms were originally constructed or anchored upon the mental plane by the Hierarchy in Atlantean days and they have steadily gained in power ever since. They serve as focal points for certain forces and enable the individual, for instance, to be in touch with great reservoirs of energy which then definitely condition him...". (A. A. Bailey, *Esoteric Astrology*, p. 69)

² "From certain angles, these are related to the Personality of our planetary Logos:

^{1.} The Earth — planetary vital body.

^{2.} Venus — planetary astral vehicle, or Kama-manas.

^{3.} Mercury — planetary mind." (EA, 362)

Hence the need to differentiate the heliocentric and geocentric values especially for this Triad of Luminaries, so as not to risk confusing the planes and standardising the two interpretations: understanding Mercury as a Model, Messenger and solar Eye (heliocentric) rather than as the enlightened Mind or human/planetary intellect (geocentric); or identifying Venus as the higher Ego of the Earth and Fire of the solar Mind rather than the relationship principle of the human and planetary desire-mind, defines very different fields of action and interpretation.

In particular, Venus esoterically rules Gemini, revealing Her function as higher Mind or fiery basis of the spiritual Triad, being the stronghold in the solar system of the energies of Sirius/Isis/the Higher Ego of the Sun; this suggests to pay particular attention to Her position in a celestial chart, being of the utmost importance for the conscious construction of the causal Body of the Earth and of Humanity: Venus is the 5-pointed Star, and is, with Sirius, "the Star of Initiation" (she governs **Capricorn** hierarchically, as 'veil' or deputy of Vulcan, the *Heart of the Sun*).

Symmetrically, **Mercury** as the esoteric ruler of **Aries**, is that Buddhi/Love-Wisdom Principle which for human consciousness is anchored in the enlightened Mind, in that Light of the Mind which advances, governs and moves everything from the *Heart in the Head*, seat of the Soul (*"the love which moves the sun and the other stars"*, as Dante says). Love-Wisdom finally triumphs over the Matter of the three worlds through the Ajna Centre (two-petalled: Mercury fused with Venus), *harmonizing* Heaven and Earth, fulfilling the mission and destiny of the *Fourth human Hierarchy* (Mercury hierarchical ruler of **Scorpio**), the central one among the Seven manifested creative Hierarchies.

Sacred Luminaries	Esoteric astrosophical Perspectives	
	Heliocentric (systemic vision)	Geocentric (planetary-human vision)
1. Vulcan	Logos/Ray/Lord of solar Will/Power Solar Purpose Solar Head Centre <i>Heart of the Sun</i>	Spiritual Power/Will, Life Principle – <i>Heart of the Sun</i> – Soul/Consciousness which shapes Personality/Matter – Heart in the Head
2. Jupiter	Logos/Ray/Lord of Love – Solar Master/Magnet – Spatial Builder Solar Heart Centre	Love/Wisdom – Expansion – Magnetism – Fusion of mind and heart – Auric Egg – Heart Centre
3. Saturn	Logos/Ray/Lord of Light/Solar Intelligence – Solar Planner/Architect Physical permanent Atom (III Scheme of Synthesis) – Solar Throat Centre	Creative Intelligence – Limitation/Periodicity - Lord of Karma and of Cycles Atma (7 th human principle) – Throat Centre (initiates and disciples)
4. Mercury	Logos/Ray/Lord of Harmony – Solar Model/Harmonizer/Artist/Messenger – <i>Magister Musicae</i> Solar Ajna Centre	Harmony through conflict – Illumination – Intuition/Buddhi (6 th human principle) – intermediation Antahkarana
5. Venus	Logos/Ray/Lord of the Mind – Solar Builder – Manifesting Force – Five- pointed Star – Vulcan/Venus: Solar Heart in the Head – Solar Sacral Centre	Manas/Higher and lower Mind (5 th human principle) – Dualism – Science building Forms – Golden Proportion – Right Relationships – Intelligent Love Ajna Centre
6. Neptune	Logos/Ray/Lord of Communion – Saviour/Christ/Priest of Solar Community Astral permanent Atom (II Scheme of Synthesis) – Solar plexus of the Solar System	Devotion and abstract Idealism – Compassion, Reunification, Inspiration, Aspiration, Astral Plane/Lord of Waters, Instructor of Humanity Solar Plexus Centre
7. Uranus	Logos/Ray/Lord of rhythmic Order – Initiator/Magus/Solar Master of Ceremonies, Cosmic Traction – Lord of Rhythm Mental permanent Atom (I Scheme of Synthesis) – Solar Base of the spine Centre	Order and Ceremonial Magic – Unity – Synthesis, rearrangement, organisation, evolutionary reorienting, integration, coordination, Etheric Plane –Human Sacral Centre

So here are some values of the Luminaries for the reading of the esoteric heliocentric or geocentric charts:

Non sacred Luminaries	Heliocentric (systemic vision)	Geocentric (planetary-human vision)
1. Pluto	Destroyer, Liberator, Transmuter, Purifier	Personal Will, generating power, regeneration, death and rebirth, disruptive explosion, transformation, healing, purification, energy of kundalini Base of the Spine Centre – action on solar plexus
2. Sun	(Sun/Vulcan at the Centre = Soul)	Personality-Integrated Personality-Soul Heart Centre (ordinary humanity) – <i>Prana</i> , action on the para-thyroids centre
3. Terra	Personality, Humanity Centre – Solar Base of the Spine Centre – Solar etheric level	Mother Earth; Sphere of experience and of awareness action on spleen
4. Moon	(one with the Earth)	Lady and Mother of Form/generating principle, intelligence of matter, prison of the soul, lower mind <i>Linga sharira</i> (etheric body) – action on vagus nerve
6. Mars	Solar Warrior, Solar Desire	Principle of desire (Kama-Manas), astral body, Impulse towards Action Solar Plexus – Action on sacral centre

You can find in the following table <u>the values of the Luminaries at the three levels of Rulership of Signs</u> (some 'general' rulerships, indicated in brackets in the 'exoteric' column, are reported in Esoteric Astrology – as Pluto for Scorpio and Neptune for Pisces, while others coherently complete the symmetrical arc of these assignments, starting in both directions of the zodiac Wheel from the Moon–Sun couple as rulers of Cancer-Leo and, proceeding 'from the centre to the periphery' of the solar System, with the sequence Mercury – Venus – Mars – Jupiter – Saturn – Uranus – Neptune – Pluto):

Rulership	Hierarchical	Esoteric	Exoteric
Vulcan	Taurus : Divine Incentive – The School of Fiery Stones	Taurus : Shaping Soul – Heart of the Sun	(veiled by the apparent Sun)
Jupiter	Virgo : <i>Vishnu</i> the Builder- Preserver, the Christ Principle, the Mother – The School of Beneficent Magicians	Aquarius: the Server, Group Consciousness – the Hierarchy (Centre of the planetary Heart)	Sagittarius : wisdom, discipleship, philosophy, teaching, higher studies, trust, optimism, abundance, prosperity, yearning, hedonism
			Pisces : salvation, compassion, impulse to assist and to reunite/mediation, altruism, philanthropy, fusion, accumulation, absence of limits
Saturn	Libra : Legislation – Law of Cause-Effect, Law of Economy, Planning, Justice	Capricorn : karmic opportunity, authoritativeness, responsibility, reliability, regularity	Capricorn : systematisation, structuring, rationalisation, authority, control, crystallisation, ambition
			(Aquarius): essentiality, clarity, detachment, coldness, ideological rigidity, conceit

Mercury	Scorpio : Buddhi/Fourth creative Hierarchy – <i>Diamond Soul</i>	Aries: Illumined Mind, ideation	Gemini: transmission, connections, communications, exchanges, language, swiftness, fluidity, elusiveness, unstable mind, volatility Virgo: intellect, analytical mind, practicality, executive abilities, attention to details, separative mind
Venus	Capricorn : Star of Initiation, Star of Creation, Manasaputra (Sons of Mind) – <i>The School with</i> <i>five strict Grades</i>	Gemini : Higher Mind, Solar Angel, polarity, right relationships	Taurus : light of knowledge, formal construction, love for Mother Earth/nature, pragmatism, attractive force, sensuality, hedonism of the senses
			Libra : polar attraction, friendliness, diplomacy, aesthetic sensibility, aestheticism, shallowness, opportunism, vanity
Neptune	Cancer : "Ocean of Substance", Lord of Waters, the World Teacher (<i>veils the Christ</i>)	Cancer : purified sensibility, vision, commonality, collective individuality, mass consciousness	(Pisces): Home of the Father, compassion, inclusivity, human family, mysticism, undefinability, confusion, dissolution, dependence, mediumnity
			(Sagittarius): faith, vision, aspiration, ideology, theology, idealism
Uranus	Aries: Electric Fire, Initiator, <i>Ouranós/</i> Heaven = Homeland of Ideas, Inspiration – <i>The School of</i> <i>Magic</i>	Libra : equilibrium and synthesis between spirit and matter – Middle Way, occult Mind, free choice/ discrimination	Aquarius: etheric electricity, technology, globalisation, autonomy, innovation, inventiveness, genius, originality, avant-garde, unconventionality, eccentricity, unpredictability, individualism
			(Capricorn): cosmic traction, initiation, precipitation
Pluto	Pisces : Liberation, Destruction of Forms, foundation of the Centre- Humanity (Star Dubhe- Leo- Pluto-Humanity)	Pisces : Descent into the depths, Purification, Regeneration	(Scorpio): death, transformation, vital and regenerating power, sexuality, fertilisation
			(Aries): resurrection, revolution, rebellion, terrorism
Sun	Leo (Uranus): Monad – central spiritual Sun – the One Self - Identity	Leo (Neptune): Soul – Heart of the Sun – the higher Self – identification	Leo (veiling Jupiter?): Personality – Physical Sun – the lower Self – identification/individualisation – generosity – courage – centralisation – egocentricity – vain glory
Earth	Gemini : (First Ray Monad) the future solar Initiate – Base to anchor the energy of Sirius (Head of the cosmic Christ) – <i>The School of magnetic</i> <i>Response</i>	Sagittarius: (Second Ray Soul) the solar Disciple – Humanity as planetary Disciple	(At the centre: geocentric perspective)

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Mars	Sagittarius: 'Sacrificial Fires' (the <i>lunar</i> Lords "who have to be brought under the control of the solar Lord"): ardour/desire of evolution, motion to reach, dynamic force, progressive research – <i>The School for Warriors</i>	Scorpio : the solar Warrior, the Knight Templar of Love, "converts the Will of Vulcan into action", unstoppable strength, agent of victory/triumph	Scorpio (as alter ego of Pluto): force of desire, conflict/contrast, agent of physical procreation, aggressiveness, provocative attitude
			Aries : action, combativeness, audacity, pioneering spirit, ardour, assertiveness, desire of excelling, impetuousness, impulsiveness
Moon	Aquarius (veils the Third aspect conveyed by Uranus): vibrating Substance/water of life, <i>Soma</i> , intelligence of matter	Virgo (veils Vulcan): Mother of Form, matrix of Will, womb that nourishes the <i>Child Christ</i> (Soul), gestation, resistance, perseverance, persistence	Cancer : incarnation in the Form, "prison of the Soul", heritage of the past, maternal figure, nutrition, instinctive empathy, emotional identification

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