



For the spiritualist, the path of the zodiac forms an important course of his theoretical and practical study. The zodiac is the limitation of man when he is in the lowest and at the same time it is the path of his liberation when he is on the higher plane.

These lines are from "Spiritual Astrology" by Dr. E. Krishnamacharya. Spiritual astrology deals with the relationship between man and cosmos. It is one of the six keys to the secrets of wisdom whose centre is the consciousness of man. Through study and continuing meditation on the human and animal forms of the zodiac, he discovers that he is a small image of the cosmic man. He eventually realizes within himself all the planets, the solar system, and the cosmic plan to which he devotes his life. This wisdom reveals itself to the person who lives in the soul consciousness. Whoever is firmly anchored in the personality will never find the subtle dimensions.

The "Letters on Spiritual Astrology" contain thoughts from the wisdom teachings. Their purpose is to give encouragement to explore connections and correspondences and to elevate oneself to the level of Oneness which is found beyond the riddles of creation.

Gemini

CENTRE AND CIRCUMFERENCE

„The number is the cornerstone of creation" Pythagoras says. Numbers are not man-made symbols and ideas, but potencies existing already before him in nature. The ancient seers considered the numbers as creative forces existing as qualities of space and structuring creation. Number 1 is regarded as the principle of I AM, as central point of the circle, whose circumference is the horizon of our consciousness. The ratio between circumference and radius is a constant numerical quantity called Π (Pi). Pi represents the emerging of the divine Word permeating the entire creation as consciousness. In times of old Pi was worshipped as Pymander, the Great Geometer of the universe effusing his blessing over mankind in form of knowledge and wisdom. His symbol are the two legs of the pair of compasses: while one leg stands firmly established in the centre, the other moves along the circumference. Its message is to keep established in existence while moving along in objectivity.

The sign of Pi resembles that of Gemini (II), only the lower horizontal line has disappeared. The two vertical lines represent the vertical position of man standing on the earth. The horizontal line below stands for the earth under his feet, the one above represents his view of the Heaven. The biblical tradition says that the emperor Seth erected two pillars with an arch over them and engraved the timeless wisdom in it. The arch is so high that the engraved wisdom survives even the floods coming

over the earth from time to time. It is said that all the timeless wisdom man should inherit was engraved upon the physical frame of man - in number, shape, sound, colour and proportion - and that it reveals itself to us when we have risen above the flood of emotions and conflicting personality forces.

The constellation of the twin stars Castor and Pollux points to the mortal and immortal in man: Castor was regarded as mortal, his brother Pollux as immortal. The star Castor is waning in brilliancy, whereas Pollux is increasing in radiance and so reminding us of the words of John the Baptist about Christ: „He must increase, but I must decrease." (John III, 30)

SPEAKING, THINKING, BREATHING

The ruler of Gemini is Mercury, the messenger and mediator. He rules over speech and the throat centre, which is particularly related to the human kingdom. The way we speak shows who we are: Is our speech judging and critical or inspiring and magnetic? With the help of sounds speaking and thinking can be purified and thus the throat centre transformed. This transformation of the unsteady mind is also called the stabilisation of Mercury or the alchemical transformation of mercury into gold. The colour for the healing work of this transformation is light green or aquamarine.

We breathe and speak through the throat. Thought and breath are twins. If the mind is observantly turned to the respiration, its overactivity slowly

decreases and also the breathing becomes more calm. If we regularly practise this morning and evening, we experience how breath and thought settle into the pulsation, which is the source of both.

In the physical body the airy sign of Gemini rules over shoulders, bronchi and the vocal chords. In the vital body it governs the function of pulsation, on the mental plane the thoughts expressed through the word. The pure experience, received as unity, gets divided on the mental plane and duality arises. Then we distinguish between good and bad, the higher and the lower, between darkness and light. In the solar year Gemini divides the vibration of the life impulse newly emerged in Aries and concretised in Taurus into two diverging directions and thus brings duality into the drama of the cycle of development.

DUALITY AND SYNTHESIS

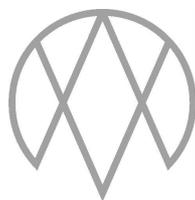
The Gemini-type can well understand the different aspects of problems or the personality traits of people. With decisions he tends to hesitate and vacillate. Since he doubts the perfection of other people, he prefers doing things himself. Though he likes helping others, he doubts at the same time if they can make right use of his help and gifts. The Gemini must learn to be decisive by choosing the side which is more right and letting go of the other; and not to suggest something when it is not required.

In the horoscope Gemini indicates the relation to brothers and sisters, with the ordinary person the differences between brothers, different views and opinions and the problems resulting thereof. When we live in duality, there are always confrontations, discussions and misunderstandings. Even in our-

selves conflicts arise, when two thoughts do not agree with each other. In our being we are twin brothers, for soul and personality are interwoven within ourselves. If we regard things from the soul, we can find out the connecting bond and integrate the different perspectives. Then we do no longer suffer from conflicts and can harmonise people with different mentalities and temperaments.

Light cannot exist without its shadow, full moon is followed by new moon, good will shines forth on the background of the non-good. We have to anchor ourselves in the energy of Synthesis to realise that the pairs of opposites have their source in the same principle. In Synthesis there are no opposites. We are *one* consciousness expressing itself as many different units of consciousness. The fundamental rule for the spiritually striving person therefore is: „*See in the other the brother.*” This exercise has to be practised regardless of the behaviour and the qualities of the other. There may be differences in opinions and judgements, which however should be recognised as superficial, while the undertone of sincerity remains. Learn to be sincere, even if you disagree. This will let Light and Love flow better. If the principle of Gemini is deeply understood, then brotherhood will be lived. Universal brotherhood is the reality of creation. „*Let thought about the existence of the Brotherhood help to open hearts.*” (Supermundane, § 8)

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