



***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.*

## **Virgo**

### **THE MOTHER OF THE WORLD**

If we throw a pebble into a still lake, this continues for a certain time to create waves which emanate in circles and die away again after a while. The emanation of creation is like the emergence of waves: through the first impulse in boundless Space a manifestation is created, a field of action appears. It is circumscribed by its own limitation and has its order and duration. Cyclical, periodic emanations bring creation down to its dense stand and periodically it is also brought back again. It is like vapour condensing to water and water to ice and dissolving again. Though the forms differ, the substance in the different states and planes remains the same.

In each form the original pure matter is inherent, it is the Mother of all forms and qualities. Electricity, magnetism, light, heat and all chemical reactions the scientists are concerned with are born out of her. In the state before the emergence of forms she is called in old theologies the Holy Mother of Creation, Isis, the Heavenly Virgin. Her fertilisation by the Father-Spirit is also called the Immaculate Conception. Out of the „Mother of the World“ the whole creation emerges as an emanation of the divine idea, with the Father as substance. In the East the „Great Mother of the Dawn“ is called Gayatri. The age-old Gayatri Mantram is a contemplation about this source of light, which is the basis of the cosmic, solar and planetary spheres. It is a petition to the Lord of Light to inspire and alert our wills: „*We meditate / contem-*

*plate upon that Light of the Lord, so that it embraces us and alerts our wills,*“ is a simple explanation of the Gayatri.

### **QUALITIES OF VIRGO**

The zodiacal sign of Virgo symbolises the Light of virgin Nature, which manifests in seven scales of sound, of colour, of matter and of the Kingdoms of Nature. Therefore the colour of this sign is the rainbow, but also milk-white, seven its number quality, its metal the secretly radiating radium. The Virgin in the Virgo sign has a lamp in one hand, as a sign of the spiritual light, the light in darkness, in the other an ear of corn, representing her son as the spiritual food of mankind. Virgo presides over the nursing professions, welfare centres and service of suffering humanity. Love, affection, a sense of belonging are characteristic features. Virgo-individuals on the first stages of the path want to be recognised for their work and labour and have the tendency to care too much for their health and diet. They also fear to give their own opinion or to oppose the proposals of others. If they start to develop self-confidence and to do what they realize to be right, they will be successful.

### **THE WAY OF INCLUSION**

Virgo is the sign of analysis and of the scientist, who in his search for knowledge anatomises things and loses the sight of the whole. The opposing sign

Pisces stands for synthesis, for the artist and the man who cares more for the unity of things. Virgo is the sixth sign related to the sixth house of the horoscope, presiding over limitations, lack of comprehension and misunderstandings. Mercury rules on the lower planes and advances faultfinding and narrow-minded thinking. Our wrong conception and dislike of things and situations prevents us from realising their meaning and purpose. We should not hate any form or any quality, because everything in creation has its fitness and role to play. Undesirable qualities in us only grow stronger by hating and by admonition, we should work intelligently to overcome them. If we negate, we are negated. If we neglect money, money neglects us. If we neglect health, health neglects us. The Path to Truth is the way of inclusion by assimilation and not a way of confrontation. „*The old world rejected the Mother of the World, but the New World begins to perceive Her lustrous veil.*” (Agni Yoga, § 55)

## VIRGINAL AWARENESS

Virgo is the mutable earthy sign; for the ordinary man as well as on the first stages of the path the three earthy signs represent matter, the gross side of nature. We have to see that we don't get stuck in objectivity. If we continuously live in the outer, our mind is filled with things the senses have accumulated. We are like a sheet filled with writing, we cannot receive impressions from within. When we are able to close the door to objectivity, the energy which had effused through the five senses

to the outside is lead back to its source. The mental, emotional and physical impressions in consciousness come to an end and we gain a state of virginal awareness. Then our mind reflects the Light from subjectivity. In truth we are a light coming from the LIGHT. The mind is an envelopment around us, we are not this envelopment, it only mirrors our original essence. The meditation on the Virgo Full Moon stimulates the process of immaculate conception, by which the birth of an originally pure, divine quality of consciousness happens in us and we are raised to the plane of the „Son of the Virgin”.

The Cosmic Light reflects much easier through us, when we have a pure body, which is also called an etheric body of the virginal matter of Virgo. The key for this is to work for the well-being of others - to give money and time, energy and constructive word - without watching out for reward. You may get it, but you don't expect it. Therefore Virgo is essentially a sign related to service on the physical plane. If this service is selfless, you get automatically purified and the light shines through.

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