## Earth Humanity Rising

## The Festival of Virgo, September 13, 2019

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Welcome to the Virgo full moon Festival. We come to these meetings because we want to serve--to serve the collective of our planetary Life and, as a consequence, all forms that it contains. We recognize that we need more light in our world and through this work we do just that--we let in the light. The light is of course always present but it is up to us to evoke it, and to let it stream forth.

Service is a keynote of Virgo, in particular, for it governs in the house of labour wherein new life is seeded and nurtured. And because Virgo is the guardian of the light of wisdom, she is able to provide the right conditions to give sanctuary for the soul, to manifest itself. This is the task of this nurturing sign. But we know this birthing process is often difficult both for an individual life but also for a great Life such as the planet. And it's helpful to remember this as we pass through this present transition period and the pain it engenders that it is not the end. Rather it is the prelude to that which is to come as the indwelling life that has outgrown the womb struggles to enter into incarnation.

Can we now take a moment of silence to link as a group and prepare for our work together. .

Radiance are we and power. We stand forever with our hands Stretched out, linking the heavens and the earth, the inner World of meaning and the subtle world of glamour.

We reach into the Light and bring it down to meet the need. We reach into the silent lace and bring from thence the gift of understanding. Thus with the light we work and turn the darkness into day.

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Virgo relates to the redemption of matter, to the purification of the form. Thus it is aligned with the entire purpose for which our planetary Logos formed this planet. We are, after all, named the earth and hence we have an intimate relationship with this element. To redeem is to buy back, to release from bondage, or penalties--and you can see, therefore, what a big task out Logos has set before himself.

It's complicated, this redemptive process here on planet Earth. This complication relates, in part, to the karma of our Logos and the fact that our planet combines two different streams of human evolution -- one from our planet but another from what is known as the moon chain -- the moon chain being an earlier incarnation of our planetary life which failed in an earlier system.

Virgo was a sign that ruled powerfully in that system and it hides within its symbolism much that aligns it with our planet today and the need to redeem that which had fallen and that is why I believe the Earth rules Virgo. We can, therefore, learn much as we ponder the nature of this sign, much about the purpose unfolding here on Earth, particularly at this time. Virgo is an earth sign wherein deep transformations occur over long, long periods of time--transformations that arise from the very depths. It relates to causes, to slow, deep and transformative crises that fundamentally shift the foundations upon which structures are built.

Known as a triple sign, Virgo demonstrates in its keynote that which brings together all three aspects-the Father, the Mother, and the child, "I am the mother and the child. I, god, I, matter am." Through the purificatory nature of this sign spiritual energy can be released thru all three aspects of the personality life: through the mind, the Father aspect, the energies are released by thinking and conceiving loving and harmonious thoughts; through the emotional body intuitive love can be released as reflected from the buddhic plane; through the physical-etheric body goodwill is released as love in action. So Virgo brings together spirit into matter and releases it as love.

As we know, our planet is evolving a process of group initiation. It's an experiment that has for its intention a speeding up of the whole evolutionary process, not only for our planet but also for other planets within the system that will eventually be able to share in the lessons and the techniques that are being tested here.

And while the great Being who ensouls our planet appears timeless and possessed of infinite patience, this Silent Watcher is actually said to have a schedule to keep and the institution of this "forcing process" of initiation is related not so much to the need of humanity but rather to the need of the Logos himself. He has to offset the delays in our evolutionary development that occurred as a result of the failure of the earlier moon chain, This speeding up process is powerfully affecting those souls who individualized on this planet. For aeons of time this planet has been controlled by the more advanced souls from the moon chain, but now that is changing as Earth humanity rises.

This strong love of the Earth that many young people today are demonstrating could be an indication of this shift, claiming that which is theirs. The force of the initiatory process being undergone is providing the impetus to move things forward impelled by the powerful astrological configurations in place now in our planetary life. Such individuals are possessed of the ability to articulate the problems, to formulate the solutions and to take action with swiftness and fewer complications, in ways that have eluded their elders.

They know how to work more effectively with the seventh ray energies and realize innately humanity's responsibility and interrelatedness with the animal, vegetable and mineral worlds. Spiritually speaking that responsibility is to radiate energy that will wield the kingdoms into a synthetic whole.

The souls that are coming in look at the world with fresh eyes they question and are saddened at how we ended up in the present situation and why no one is seemingly doing anything about it, although of course that isn't really true, for much is being done, but perhaps it is the really big and fundamental shifts in direction that are lacking as yet. But as the SDGs continue to be implemented they will take us a long way in that direction.

I listened to an interview with Greta Thunberg, the 16 year old Swedish climate activist, who is here in New York now for the UN Climate Action Summit that starts on the 23rd. Greta said that a few years ago she went into a deep depression after a few years passed in her dedication to climate action which began at around age 7. She stopped talking almost completely and she almost stopped eating as well.

She said she couldn't understand how everyone around her could continue to go on with their normal, everyday lives when the planet was in such peril.

She said she was angry but she .eventually realized that she could turn her anger into action--and that is what she has done. She has become an inspiration to many, particularly young people, and mobilized them into action. She has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

But of course Greta is not alone -- in almost every country of the world people are calling for an end to the old policies of greed and corruption and speaking up in support of renewable resources and for an end to the exploitation of natural habitats.

These concerns for the earth, for life, and for the future are real, as is humanity's part in creating this crisis. But when the climate crisis is viewed through the lens of another science, the science of the Ageless Wisdom, additional causal factors come to be seen as powerful contributing factors to the present situation

Let us list a few of them;

The first and foremost is said to be the welling up of magnetic force on the star Sirius. This great second ray star is said to stand as the monad to the Solar Logos but has as well a powerful influence with our Planetary Logos. Thus the importance of the Leo festival, but since Leo and Virgo are still considered one sign esoterically, this Sirian influence is powerfully with us at this Virgo full moon as well. Since Sirius brings in a wave of love we can see why it is affecting the planet for it stimulates us on a deep soul level, which always brings crises in its wake.

The second important factor underlying the present challenges is related to a shift in the Earth's polarity, due to the pull of a great cosmic centre. Perhaps that center, is the One About Whom Naught May be Said around which the system of which we are a part, in alignment with six other systems, revolves in a stupendous cosmic wheel. That center has of course always been there but now, with the awakening and expanding of the consciousness of so many people within the human kingdom, the planetary Triangle is awakening and the energies can find outlet here. This pull is said to be powerfully affecting the earth's orientation and is responsible for the present earthquakes and for the volcanic eruptions during the past two hundred and fifty years.

The third and fourth factors relate to the shifts into the sign of Aquarius and the leaving behind of Pisces in both the cycle of the lesser and greater zodiacs. These 2500 and 25000 year cycles, respectively, create powerful disruptions and it will take much time until the pull of the departing Piscean energies is diminished.

Another factor underlying the rapid rate of extinction of plant, insect and mammal species -- at the rate of 150-200 species a day, which is 1,000 times the normal rate--is the coming in of a new ray energy. Each ray brings in the fauna and flora that resonate with its qualities and causes those forms that corresponded to the preceding ray influence to pass away. This normal shifting of ray influences that normally condition any age may be increasingly apparent at this time due to the fact that the shift is occurring in the cycles of both the lesser and greater zodiacs.

So while many species are dying we can expect an influx of new seventh ray species to enter in and that will surely be exciting to witness. As we work with an understanding of the Law of Rebirth and the cyclic inflow and outflow of energies, these shifts will surely come to be understood in a new light.

Another factor little known is that the moon today is disintegrating with increasing rapidity and this necessarily affects the Earth and produces terrestrial results.

When addressing these points the Tibetan reminds us that great inner shifts within consciousness are always accompanied by outer crises--and so we see in our world today. Consciousness is expanding and so the restricting forms are breaking down (*Esoteric Astrology*, p. 410).

So while humanity has much to do to clean up its act in relation to this beautiful planet on which we live, many of the underlying causes of the current crises are related to factors that are seemingly outside of humanity's control. In their midst, as the saying goes, "We must all live simply, so that others may simply live." At the same time, however, it is helpful to realize that we cannot hold on to old forms and must make way for the new.

The outpouring of concern for the planet is surely a sign that humanity is coming into alignment with the Plan. For the climate crisis is not an isolated problem but rather highlights many other problems as well. So the fact that people are demonstrating, demanding better conditions, is a powerful testament that is paving the way for the coming externalization that we are preparing for at this time.

The whole goal of the evolutionary process is to bring about a fuller receptivity upon the part of the form nature to increasingly more dynamic inpouring energies. As the form is increasingly refined through the processes of initiation, the ability to respond and open to these higher vibratory influences grows to the point wherein the individual becomes "a lens through which the many lights which are energy itself can stream and thus be focussed upon our planet. To these energies the group tunes its consciousness and thus becomes the planetary server.

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