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Dear Prabhus,

Welcome to the issue. The big news is that Saturn has just left his position in Scorpio of "fallen Shani" (caused when he returns to a sign after leaving it). Now Saturn has returned to push on in Sagittarius until 24 January 2020. Shrimati Abhaya Mudra Dasi examines the effects of this transit on

America. We also document in this issue the fall-out from the Great American Eclipse in August. Did you know that eclipses are described in many places in the Bible as inauspicious omens? That should come as no surprise since much of the Bible has been derived from the *Puranas*.

Abhaya Mudra Dasi also explains the Vedic cure for a disease that has begun to afflict even followers of strict *sanatana dharma*. Also in this issue, don't miss Shrila Prabhupada's prophetic words on why devotee farms are the only saving grace for the world today.

Thanks for reading.

Yours at the lotus feet of the servants of Shrila Prabhupada, **Patita Pavana dasa Adhikary**, **Ed.**

In August 2017 there were two eclipses, a lunar event in Capricorn followed by a solar blackout in Leo. Since the solar event was visible throughout America the news media hyped it as The Great American Eclipse. But we called the pair Eclipse Putana and Eclipse Kamsa respectively ...

Tragic Aftermath of Eclipses Putana and Kamsa

Patita Pavana dasa Adhikary, Ed.

The Great American Eclipse(s) of 2017

7/8 August 2017: Eclipse Putana: Partial lunar eclipse in Capricorn, Shravana nakshatra, and visible from most parts of South and East Asia, Europe, Africa and Australia.

21 August 2017: Eclipse Kamsa Dubbed the Great American Eclipse, this total solar eclipse in Leo was visible along a narrow path spanning the width of the United States from the west coast to the eastern seaboard. In the surrounding areas, which include all of mainland United States and Canada, it was seen as a partial solar eclipse.

Eclipses Are Described in the Bible

The solar eclipse of 21 August 2017, dubbed "The Great American Eclipse" by the media Rahus, was visible on land from Nunavut in northern Canada to as far south as northern South America. In northwestern Europe and Africa, it was partially visible in the late evening. It was preceded a fortnight earlier by a lunar eclipse in Capricorn.

America is supposedly a place where Christianity predominates—yet, since practically all religious sentiment there has been overtaken by demonic modern "science," the public no longer accepts the validity of omens in the skies. Even so, Christians may read their own Bible as quoted hereunder to learn God's opinion regarding the evils of eclipses:

"For the stars of heaven and their constellations will not flash forth their light; The Sun will be dark when it rises And the Moon will not shed its light." (Isaiah 13:10)

"And when I extinguish you, I will cover the heavens and darken their stars; I will cover the Sun with a cloud And the Moon will not give its light." (Ezekiel 32:7)

"Before them the earth quakes, the heavens tremble, The Sun and the Moon grow dark, and the stars lose their brightness." (Joel 2:10)

"The Sun will be turned into darkness and the Moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes." (Joel 2:31)

"The Sun and Moon grow dark and the stars lose their brightness." (Joel 3:15)

"But immediately after the tribulation of those days. The Sun will be darkened, and the Moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken." (Matthew 24:29)

"But in those days, after that tribulation, the Sun will be darkened and the Moon will not give its light." (Mark 13:24)

"I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the Sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole Moon became like blood." (Revelation 6:12)

"The fourth angel sounded, and a third of the Sun and a third of the Moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way." (Revelation 8:12)

The conclusion is that those who claim to follow the Bible should read it, instead of attending "eclipse parties." Although it is plain common sense that inauspiciousness abounds when the life givers of the Universe, the Sun and the Moon are blotted out, most people prefer their lifelong naps on the lap of Maya while relegating their fragile religious convictions to weekly social events. At America's celebrated "eclipse parties" all across the states, like a great herd of sheep, millions took eclipse vacations and drove hundreds of miles to places where the solar eclipse would be most visible. Relatively remote areas suffered traffic jams, while normally sleepy hotels (who by now had raised their rates) were inundated by eager guests.

Prior to Eclipse Kamsa, no total solar eclipse had been seen to cross the United States from one ocean to the next for 99 years, not since 8 June 1918. And not since the solar event of February 1979 eclipse had a total solar black out been visible from anywhere in the forty-nine mainland states.



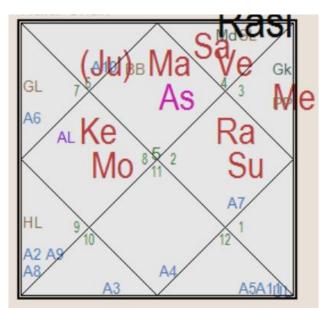
Spectators and speculators: Eager crowds prepare for the Great American Eclipse

Eclipse-born President

Add to this eclipse that earlier in the year, in January of 2017, a new President had been inaugurated who himself had been born under an eclipse. Donald John Trump, the 45th President of the United States was born on 14 June 1946 at 10:54 AM EDT at Jamaica Hospital, Queens, NYC, on the day of a lunar eclipse in the sign of debilitated



Moon in Scorpio. And that eclipse was flanked by solar eclipses a fortnight



previous (on 30 May) and a fortnight afterward (on June 29). In other words President Trump appeared smack dab in the middle of a Sun-Moon-Sun three eclipse cycle.

In President Trump's birth chart (left) we see that the Moon in Scorpio (8) is conjoined exalted Ketu and thus aspected by exalted Rahu. The Moon sits opposite the Sun in Taurus (2). Eclipses of the Moon occur only when the Moon is full, on the *purnima* day, and

that means that the Moon is in the sign that is counted as seven places from the Sun. Notice that Mars in the rising sign of Leo or Simha *lagna* (5) aspects the Moon cancelling debility.

His Sun is powerful in his 10th house of career or *karmastan*. Yet with the lord of the 10th, Venus, sitting in the 12th house of losses—a *dura yoga* for difficulties—difficulties will increase as his term continues, what to speak of any chance of being elected for a second term. However, the aspect of Jupiter to his 10th and to the lord of the 10th appears to insure that the plots of those who are actively seeking to de-throne him may not come to fruition.

The leader's *karma* is transmitted to the country he serves, even in the case of an American President who actually merely "presides" over a set regimen that has long before been put in place. And with President Trump in his *sade sati* for the next nearly 2+ years, the dark side of that regimen will become more obvious during Saturn's current transit of the bow-wielder (Sagittarius)

a sign of war. For America was founded on war, and war maintains America, so despite external rhetoric of the so-called "liberals" or "conservatives," we can expect more of the same game under Donald Trump since war is a very good business.

Devotees Must Read the Handwriting in the Sky

Before the eclipses of August singed the heavens, a number of devotee friends joined our eclipse discussions on our Mithuna Twiins Astrological Services Facebook page. Those who have read the *Puranas*, the *Mahabharata* and *Ramayana* are familiar with the fact that eclipses can actually be the worst of heavenly omens. Therefore the devotees, and indeed all followers of the path of Vedic wisdom, were prepared. Remaining indoors during the actual solar and lunar events and with curtains drawn tightly, they did not subject themselves to the poisonous and destructive rays produced whenever the vile Rahu attacks the lights—the Sun and Moon.

By now Shrila Prabhupada's followers in the Hare Krishna Movement have been preaching and distributing the books of His Divine Grace on the world

stage for over half a century. Making people aware of the vast literary aspect of Krishna consciousness naturally includes Vedic arts and sciences, including astrology, and that includes *grahans* or eclipses. *Vedangas* are by-products of this wonderful path of *bhakti-yoga*, serving Lord Shri Krishna, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, in a mood of love and devotion. But the times of do or die appear to be coming at us.



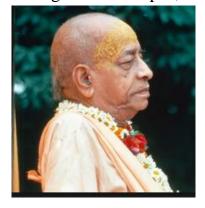
Totality as seen from Simpsonville, South Carolina

Although finer astrological details of the planets are generally confined to specific texts on *Jyotisha Shastras* such as Shri Parashara's *Brihat Parashara Hora* by the father of Shrila Vyasadeva, eclipses are given more prominence in the writings of Sage Vyasa than other astrological portents. They are often described when impending disasters are looming on the horizon—whether the Battle for Shri Lanka or the exile of the Pandavas. Therefore, most who are familiar with Vedic literatures understand the ominous nature of eclipses.

The other side of the picture is that it was a great solar eclipse that brought the devotees of Lord Krishna together with Him at Kurukshetra. And the Supreme Lord appeared as Shri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu during a lunar eclipse. So there can be a bright side to Rahu's work also. For example, Shrila Prabhupada mentioned that Krishna consciousness will follow coming impending destruction.

During the solar eclipse at Kurukshetra, the members of the Yadu Dynasty and the residents of Vrajabhumi bathed together in the great lakes that were originally created by the blood of the *kshatriyas* who fell before the axe of Lord Parashurama. In this way the place of bloodshed gave birth to a great meeting ground. And when the Lord appeared as Chaitanya Mahaprabhu during a lunar eclipse, it foretold the destruction of the sins of Kali—though

such changes do not come easily and are not without turbulence.



Lord Chaitanya's *sankirtana* movement will take hold after a world conflagration. As Shrila Prabhupada famously stated, "Preaching will be very good after the war." Therefore, whatever these eclipses are to bring in their wakes, however evil or destructive, some good must arise out of them. But it is for those who are wise to get out of

the way when the storms of *karmic* reaction strike. In other words, having seen the handwriting in the sky, devotees should be vigilant to protect themselves since Prabhupada has entrusted us as repositories of his teachings to continue spreading the divine message of *Bhagavad-gita*.

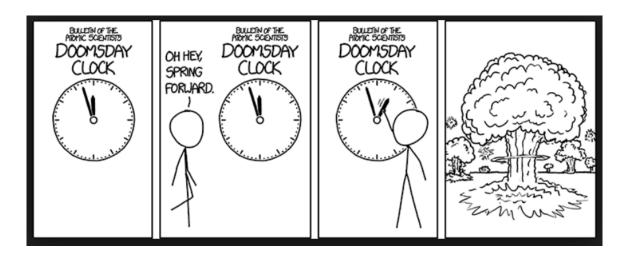
His Divine Grace explains in his Bhaktivedanta Purport to *Shrimad-Bhagavatam* (4.1.67): "... In Kali-yuga the kings and heads of state enjoy life at the cost of taxes exacted from the citizens. Such unfair taxation makes the people dishonest, and the people try to hide their income in so many ways. Eventually the state will not be able to collect taxes, and consequently will not be able to meet its huge military and administrative expenses. Everything will collapse, and there will be chaos and disturbance all over the state."

Guru Maharaja goes on to say (SB 4.20.15 Purport), "In the modern age of democracy there are so many government representatives voting for legislation. Every day they bring out a new law. But because these laws are only mental concoctions manufactured by inexperienced conditioned souls, they cannot give relief to human society.

"Formerly, although the kings were autocrats, they strictly followed the principles laid down by great sages and saintly persons. There were no mistakes in ruling over the country, and everything went perfectly. The citizens were completely pious, the king levied taxes legitimately, and therefore the situation was very happy. At the present moment the so-called executive heads are more or less selected from materially ambitious persons who simply look after their own personal interests; they have no knowledge of the *shastras*.

"In other words, the executive heads are fools and rascals in the strict sense of the terms, and the people in general are *shudras*. This combination of fools and rascals and *shudras* cannot bring about peace and prosperity in this world. Therefore we find periodic upheavals in society in the forms of battles, communal riots and fratricidal quarrels. Under these circumstances, not only are the leaders unable to lead the people toward liberation, but they cannot even give them peace of mind."

This is the statement from the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*: "For the last two years, the minute hand of the Doomsday Clock stayed set at three minutes before the hour, the closest it had been to midnight since the early 1980s. In its two most recent annual announcements on the Clock, the

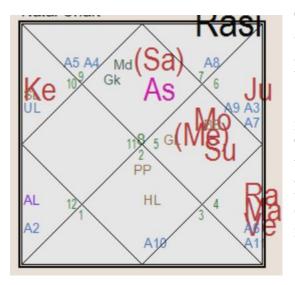


Science and Security Board warned: "The probability of global catastrophe is very high, and the actions needed to reduce the risks of disaster must be taken very soon." In 2017, we find the danger to be even greater, the need for action more urgent. It is two and a half minutes to midnight, the Clock is ticking, global danger looms. Wise public officials should act immediately, guiding humanity away from the brink. If they do not, wise citizens must

step forward and lead the way." The irony of the situation is obvious. The very demonic scientists who have created the problems by designing the weapons in tandem with the *asuras* who control of the governments are also the very ones who suggest that the sheep of the world should democratically stop the war they are creating.

Horoscope of the Great American Eclipse

21 August 2017, Water and Fire



The Great American eclipse began under some unique yet fearsome planetary portents described next:

-Shanideva, the planet of fate and the masses, was in his "fallen" position. This means that Saturn had previously been moving through Sagittarius, but he had at the time of the eclipse circled back into Scorpio in retrograde motion. This creates a very malefic situation for the chief malefic of astrology.

-The Sun was eclipsed in Leo, a fire sign. But the culprit, Rahu, began eclipsing the Sun from next door in Cancer, a water sign. And Rahu was conjoined Mars, who was debilitated in the movable fire sign of Cancer. There is no "nakshatra bridge" between a water sign and fire sign, so this was an ugly portent. And less than five days earlier the positions of the Sun and Rahu were switched. Rahu had been in Leo and the Sun had been in Cancer—creating a planetary sleight of hand. As the world would soon witness, the fires on the west coast grew to become the biggest in California history. And the hurricanes and floods in Texas and the Caribbean became those regions worst storms in history—revealing ravages of fire and water.

-Notice that all *yogas* at the time of eclipse end with the Sun. In other words all planets are either in a sign owned by the Sun or in a sign of a planet conjoined the Sun. And the Sun in his own sign being eclipsed next door gives the vision of a king who is assassinated while sitting on his own throne.

List of Disasters since the Great American Eclipse

Eclipses portend long term problems, most of which follow the events in the weeks to come. The understanding is that the entire solar and lunar cycles in which an eclipse has occurred become damaged. The Sun and the Moon are the father and mother figures amongst the nine planets. They maintain the universe as the eyes of the Supreme Lord on His behalf. When they are damaged by the contemptible Rahu, then the world under their control falls into disarray. In other words, the lunar and solar cycles that give life are damaged, and this forebodes evils within and beyond the affected solar and lunar months.

- **5 August, Sanctions against North Korea:** Two days before the lunar eclipse, the UN Security Council unanimously and unwisely approved fresh sanctions on North Korea leading to increased threats of nuclear war in the region in the coming weeks.
- **21-23 August, Earthquakes:** On the day of the eclipse an earthquake in Ischia, Italy caused; several buildings and a church to collapse. Two people died and 42 were injured. On the 22nd a quake in Talisayan, Philippines killed two. On the 23rd an earthquake in Iraq damaged buildings in Kurdistan.
- **25** August, Ongoing Exodus: The Myanmar government looks askew while houses belonging to Rohingya Muslims are torched. This causes over 603,000 refugees from Rakhine, Myanmar to seek shelter in Bangladesh since 25 August 2017.
- **25 August, Haryana Rioting:** Widespread rioting in northern India broke out after "*guru*" Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, the flamboyant quasi-religious leader of Dera Sacha Sauda, was convicted of rape. The riots began in Panchkula and later spread to other parts of the northern Indian states of Haryana and Punjab and to the capital, New Delhi. At least 38 people were killed, the majority of them in Panchkula, where 32 rioters died before police gunfire. More than 300 others were injured.
- **25-30 August, Hurricane Harvey:** Beginning as a Category 4 hurricane, it caused catastrophic and unprecedented damage, mostly from record-breaking floods that inundated Houston, Texas. At least 90 deaths were recorded, and damage was estimated as high as \$200 billion USD.

- **30 August, Southeast Asian Floods:** By this date more than 45 million people have been affected by flooding that began a few days before the lunar eclipse and has continued unabated for weeks. Millions were displaced with the death toll far exceeding a thousand.
- 1 September, US Diplomats expelled: Russian President Vladimir Putin expelled 755 American diplomats in response to United States sanctions.
- **1 September, Los Angeles Fire:** The La Tuna Fire, which burned 7,194 acres and destroyed 5 homes was the largest wildfire in Los Angeles City in 50 years.
- **3 September, North Korea**: The country conducted its 6th and most powerful nuclear test.
- **6-10 September, Hurricane Irma:** The Caribbean and United States were struck by a category 5 hurricane that was the strongest ever recorded in the Atlantic basin outside the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico. The storm caused at least 134 deaths and at least \$63 billion (USD) in damage.
- **19 September, Earthquake:** A 7.1 quake struck Central Mexico, killing 369 people and leaving thousands more homeless.
- 19-20 September, Hurricane Maria: Just two weeks after Hurricane Irma struck the Caribbean, Hurricane Maria invaded the region, making landfall on Dominica as a category 5 hurricane, and on Puerto Rico as a category 4 hurricane. Maria caused at least 93 deaths and damage in excess of \$51 billion (USD). Hurricane Maria is regarded as the worst natural disaster on record in Dominica, and caused catastrophic damage and a major humanitarian crisis in Puerto Rico. The tenth-most intense Atlantic hurricane on record, Maria was the thirteenth named storm, seventh consecutive hurricane, fourth major hurricane, and the second Category 5 hurricane of the unusually active 2017 Atlantic hurricane season.
- 1 October, Deadliest Mass Shooting in US History: 58 were killed and 489 injured when automatic weapons were fired upon a crowd of concert goers in Las Vegas.
- **8 October, Worst Northern California Firestorm:** In early October 2017, a series of 17 separate of wildfires began in Northern California; throughout Napa, Lake, Sonoma, Mendocino, Butte, and Solano counties. The worst

was the Tubbs Fire, which soon became the most destructive wildfire in California history. Others were the Atlas Fire and the Nuns Fire. As of October 16, the Tubbs Fire was estimated to have burned 36,390 acres with over 40 fatalities. The fire incinerated more than 5,300 structures, including more than 2,800 in the city of Santa Rosa.

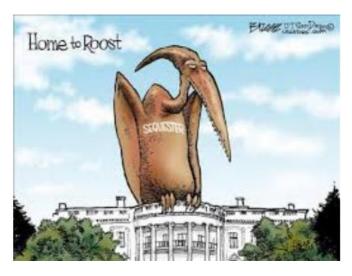
10 October, Harvey Weinstein: Eclipses frequently cause the fall of the high and mighty. And the Great American Eclipse caused the fall of one of Hollywood's top movie moguls who stood accused of raping over five dozen women, including top starlets and models. It is noteworthy that this powerful film producer lived and worked at the place where the eclipse started, America's west coast. Ironically, one of the destructive hurricanes of this cycle was also named Harvey.

14 October, Somalia Truck Bomb: A massive blast in Mogadishu, Somalia kills at least 327 people and injures nearly 400.

Who can say what other disasters are ready to lurch onto the world scene? What is certain is that times are growing tense and darkness is descending. Violence is becoming common place, shootings are practically a daily occurrence, and America is fighting in countries most Americans have never heard of. Only lately we have heard that 1,000 US troops are in Niger, one of the world's poorest countries (except for its uranium ore).

Global Karmic Reactions

When the chickens (or vultures) come home to roost, then the capitals of the world start looking more like henhouses. That mean in every corner of the earth national *karma-phala* is descending upon countries that promote sense gratification Kali Yuga style. Materialistic national policies that keep the citizens trapped as working slaves on the bodily, nationalistic level boomerangs back onto the leaders. Prabhupada once noted that America was founded on bloodshed. America is a country wherein tens of millions of natives were slaughtered and entire civilizations and languages were lost in order to establish "the land of the free." Therefore, he cautioned, everyone who tries to enjoy in that purloined paradise—even for a second—becomes culpable of the grisly crimes out of which the "home of the brave" took birth.



War is breaking out all over the world and spreading like an epidemic. As little fires merge to become larger ones, devotees must take seriously Shrila Prabhupada's prophecies regarding self-sufficient living by settling at some distance from the doomed cities. Each ISKCON Center should have a farm. Today the power to control society is condensed into the hands of a few

rakshasas. When the mega-farms withhold the food supplies, or the oil giants no longer deliver their black gold, or the electricity company pulls the plug, the result will be urban chaos and cannibalism.

As Shrila Prabhupada states (SB 4.20.14, Purport), "(The) subtle laws of nature are unknown to the present leaders of society. Since the leaders of society have a poor fund of knowledge and the citizens in general are rogues and thieves, there cannot be an auspicious situation for human society. At the present moment the whole world is full of such an incompatible combination of state and citizens, and therefore there is constant tension, war and anxiety as an inevitable result of such social conditions."



Shrila Prabhupada on Simple Living and High Thinking

14 June, 1968

My Dear Hayagriva,

Please accept my blessings. I was just expecting your letter since I have come here from Boston. I have advised Kirtanananda and yourself to convert West Virginia into New Vrindaban. I understand the spot is very beautiful, and the hills may be renamed as New Govardhana. And if there are lakes, they can be renamed as Syamakunda and Radhakunda. Vrindaban does not require to be modernized because Krishna's Vrindaban is transcendental village.



They completely depend on nature's beauty and nature's protection. The community in which Krishna preferred to belong was Vaisya community, because Nanda Maharaja happened to be a Vaisya king, or landholder, and his main business was cow protection. It is understood that he had 900,000 cows and Krishna and Balarama used to take charge of them, along with His many cowherd boy friends, and every day, in the morning He used to go out with His friends and cows into the pasturing grounds.

So, if you seriously want to convert this new spot as New Vrindaban, I shall advise you not to make it very much modernized. But as you are American boys, you must make it just suitable to your minimum needs. Not to make it too much luxurious as generally Europeans and Americans are accustomed. Better to live there without modern amenities. But to live a natural healthy life for executing Krishna Consciousness. It may be an ideal village where the residents will have plain living and high thinking.

For plain living we must have sufficient land for raising crops and pasturing grounds for the cows. If there is sufficient grains and production of milk, then the whole economic problem is solved. You do not require any machines, cinema, hotels, slaughterhouses, brothels, nightclubs—all these modern amenities.

People in the spell of maya are trying to squeeze out gross pleasure from the senses, which is not possible to derive our heart's content. Therefore we are confused baffled in our attempt to eschew eternal pleasure from gross matter. Actually, joyful life is on the spiritual platform, therefore we should try to save our valuable time from material activities and engage them for Consciousness. But at the same time, because we have to keep our body and soul together to execute our mission, we must have sufficient (not extravagant) food to eat, and that will be supplied by grains, fruits, and milk. So if you can develop this place to that ideal life and the residents become ideal Krishna Conscious men, in that part of your country, I think not only many philosophically minded people will be attracted, but they will be benefited also.

far I am personally concerned, the United States So Immigration Department has denied my application permanent visa on some technical ground. In other words, just to avoid a Swami, because the government is disgusted with so-called Swamis who exploit the innocent public in your country. The difficulty is that the people in this country, they want to continue their practice of sense gratification, and at the same time they want to become transcendentally advanced. This is quite contradictory. One can advance in transcendental life by process negativating the general practice of materialistic life.

The exact adjustment is in Vaisnava philosophy, which is called Yukta Vairagya, means that we should simply accept the bare necessities of our material part of life, and try to save time for spiritual advancement. This should be the motto of New Vrindaban, if you at all develop it to the perfectional stage. And I am always at your service to help you by practical suggestion and assistance also ...

For the time being, if you actually want to develop such an ideal asrama, we must have sufficient land, and all other things will gradually grow. For raising crops from the land, how many men will be required—that we must estimate and for herding the cows and feeding them. We must have sufficient pasturing ground to feed the animals all round.

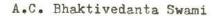
We have to maintain the animals throughout their life. We must not make any program for selling them to the slaughterhouses. That is the way of cow protection. Krishna by His practical example taught us to give all protection

to the cows and that should be the main business of New Vrindaban. Vrindaban is also known as Gokula. Go means cows, and kula means congregation. Therefore the special feature of New Vrindaban will be cow protection, and by doing so, we shall not be loser.

In India of course, a cow is protected and the cowherdsmen they derive sufficient profit by such protection. Cow dung is used as fuel. Cow dung dried in the sunshine kept in stock for utilizing them as fuel in the villages. They get wheat and other cereals produced from the field. There is milk and vegetables and the fuel is cow dung, and thus, they are self-independent in every village. There are hand weavers for the cloth. And the country oil-mill (consisting of a bull walking in circle round two big grinding stones, attached with yoke) grinds the oil seeds into oil.

The whole idea is that people residing in New Vrindaban may not have to search out work outside. Arrangements should be such that the residents should be self-satisfied. That will make an ideal asrama. I do not know these ideals can be given practical shape, but I think like that; that people may be happy in any place with land and cow without endeavoring for so-called amenities of modern life—which simply increase anxieties for maintenance and proper equipment. The less we are anxious for maintaining our body and soul together, the more we become favorable for advancing in Krishna Consciousness.

Hoping you are well.





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Saturn returns to Sagittarius, the fiery, warring sign of Dhanusha the bowman, on 26 October 2017 at 05:08 GMT ...

Saturn Returns to Sagittarius

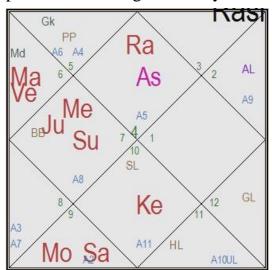
Abhaya Mudra Dasi

With Saturn out of Scorpio, Lunar Libras have left behind their 7½ year sade sati, while Makara rashi restarts it. Mesha rashi ends their Ashtama Shani while Taurus Moon begins it for the next 2½ years.

Saturn is the planet of fate and *karma*, and his movements carry broad social significance for the world stage. Saturn will be moving in Sagittarius until 24 January 2020.



For America, the chart depicting Saturn's ingress into Dhanusha reveals a sense of overall depression. Grim Saturn is conjoined with the Moon, planet of the mind, in the 6th house of obstacles, diseases and enemies. Difficulties may also become exaggerated by the presence of Rahu sitting in Cancer rising, and by the aspect of Mars to the *lagnadipati* ("lord of the 1st house") Moon. The Moon as the ruler of the Cancer rising sign plays an important part in the reading. Not only will the USA be perceived as somewhat out-of-



place on the world stage, but it appears that other countries will continue to keep their distance from the lost, self-appointed Superpower.

26 October 2017, 12:09 AM EDT, Washington, DC: On the left is the chart for the time of Saturn's reentrance into Sagittarius for Washington, DC.

The sign of Cancer happens to be the location from where Rahu creates eclipses for the next sixteen months.

The last solar eclipse of 21 August was in Leo. For that eclipse Rahu actually reached across the demarcation between Cancer and Leo to blot out the Sun. Now, Leo also happens to be the rising sign of the US President

Donald Trump. At the time of Saturn's entrance into Sagittarius, the Sun is debilitated in Libra and conjoined with Jupiter and Mercury. When Saturn enters into Sagittarius, Jupiter becomes the dispositor of Saturn. In the horoscope above, President Trump is seen through Jupiter's position. The President is also presently in his period of major Jupiter, or Guru *dasha*. Jupiter is trying to assist his friend the debilitated Sun, but Jupiter himself is being impeded by Saturn who is now sitting in his house.

Saturn aspects Mars through his 10th house aspect, and Mars in turn also aspects Saturn through his 4th house aspect. These aspects between the dynamic Mars and slow Saturn give a picture of push and pull that leads to stagnation—like a vehicle spinning its wheels in the mud.

At the time Saturn changes sign, all seven planets are in the grip of *kala sarpa yoga* (caught in the axis of Rahu and Ketu) well as *shula yoga* (all planets in three houses). These are the unwelcome combinations of the black snake and the spear respectively. Not one planet is on the daytime side of the chart; all planets are in the houses of night. These are times of futility in the midst of a series of serious crises that most citizens either do not understand or are not even willing to recognize. Thus the picture is one of a time of utter stagnation, though a few will also manage to profit from it. The overall picture is that the USA is becoming isolated, lost frustrated and even scorned as the country's international influence rapidly diminishes.

Crippling fibromyalgia is becoming widespread—even among those who practice simple living and high thinking. Modern science has no remedy, but there is hope and a cure for those who are determined ...

The Vedic Way to Cure Fibromyalgia

Abhaya Mudra Dasi

Today fibromyalgia, a mysterious ailment that affects the nervous system, is becoming widespread. Fibromyalgia affects the brain, nerves, muscles, and organs, thus causing constant pain and fatigue. Several devotees with symptoms of this worrisome condition have written to me.

What is this disease that doctors do not know how to treat? Today many are afflicted by a variety of diseases caused by ignorance, and fibromyalgia is one such disease. In Old Bulgarian texts, this disease was labeled as the "unknown disease," and it was blamed on the mischief of subtle, disembodied entities. Though their wisdom is not widely understood today, the ancients knew that vindictive entities—ghosts—that live amongst society can cause health disorders. They wisely advised avoiding any chance contacts with ghosts and spirits since a disembodied entity can enter the body of a person and begins slowly sucking his life force.

There are a few trees, especially walnut, oak, and pear, wherein these subtle creatures like to reside. By day, they seem to favor children's playgrounds and the intersections of roads. They often dwell in abandoned houses. In ancient times people knew to avoid such places after dark. Even during the day they avoided resting under a walnut tree. Monks used to leave some flowers and leftover foods for these unfortunate disembodied entities called *pretas*. Ghosts gravitate to rotting kitchen waste and soured milk.

In recent years increasing numbers are complaining about fibromyalgia, which can be more dangerous than cancer. Recently Lady Gaga reported that she had become hospitalized because of fibromyalgia which forced her to cancel a concert. On 22 September 2017, Lady Gaga released a documentary titled *Gaga: Five Foot Two* on Netflix. Throughout the film, she was seen suffering from chronic pain later revealed as the effects of long-term fibromyalgia.

Fibromyalgia may also a result from injections or operations performed on the forbidden 36 *marmas* or vital points of the body. Anesthesia injected at the vertebrae has also been known to cause paralysis of the entire body.

Is it possible to cure something so subtle that doctors cannot diagnose it, what to speak of treating it? Yet there is a cure for the disease. Since it affects the muscles and thus the whole body, therefore the muscles need to be released. Otherwise they block the lymphatic system which prevents the body's natural cleansing process resulting in cancer or other malignancies.

In the world today babies are born in hospitals while their mothers are forced to assume unnatural positions for childbirth. Even while giving birth at home; women seldom know the proper means of giving birth. If the birth is conducted properly the baby enters into this world with *chakras* that are unblocked, and the infant is ready for spiritual education from his first breath. Since women today give birth in very unnatural situations, their

babies are born with blocked *chakras*. So, even when someone appears to be in fine physical shape, unseen obstructions to the *chakras* and hence to the spiritual development may eventually cause debilitating sickness. Today people do not die from natural causes as they did a few generations ago—they die because they get sick.

The muscular system is ruled by the Sun. In the same way that the Sun supports the universe, so muscles also support the entire physical frame. If there is an obstruction in the muscular system, the organs beneath it also become blocked. As mentioned, there are *marmas* or sensitive points connected to different organs from the surface of the body. By massaging these points the organs can become repaired. Since fibromyalgia is an insidious ailment that blocks all *chakras* of the body, therefore regular massage with techniques aimed at releasing the *chakras* should be conducted daily. The pain may be excruciating and the cure for the disease may take from a few months to even a few years. But the rewards are tremendous.

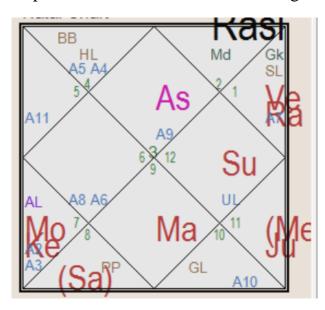
Since fibromyalgia is a disease of complete blockage of the *chakras*, by working on the muscles and keeping them soft they can become unblocked. In this way the energy of the body can flow without obstruction. Today the general consensus is that the muscles should be pumped up like a body builder's. Such muscles may look attractive but they do not have the strength they appear to. If a body builder is challenged to a fight by an expert in martial arts, he does not stand a chance against such agility. Like Bruce Lee, for example, the ancient masters of Indian martial arts also keep their muscles moist and flexible by frequent massages.

Martial arts arose from the practice of *hatha yoga*. *Yoga* is not mere exercise wherein those who can perform more poses are considered more advanced. Rather, all forms of *yoga*, including *hatha yoga*, are ultimately meant to facilitate the individual's connection with the Supreme Lord. *Yoga* must be executed with knowledge of its purpose and goal. A healthy body is a byproduct of *yoga*. *Yoga* exercises can be effective in the fight against fibromyalgia even as the practitioner of *yoga* meditates upon the Supersoul within the heart.

As far as massage is concerned in the fight against fibromyalgia, it should be performed daily for at least an hour, with pinching (rather than pressure) at the painful spots. Pain is an indication of where the problems are located, and it should not be feared. There are knots or "thorns" beneath the muscles and these can be squeezed apart and gradually separated and crushed so that

the body absorbs them. In this way even very hard muscles eventually become softened. Through such pinching techniques tiny pockets of trapped air are also allowed to return to moving in the body.

Taking mineral baths in sulfur-rich waters as well as drinking such water also helps to soften the whole body. The presence of fibromyalgia is an indication of stagnant energy. It is a disease of spiritual death or *tama guna*. It can also afflict the devotees as they go through the process of purification of past *karma*. Another cause blockage of wind which can be seen in charts



with afflicted Saturn. Since modern medicine has no cure, but only suggests massage, this treatment should be undertaken before the effects of fibromyalgia gradually become debilitating.

The horoscope on the left belongs to Lady Gaga, a fibromyalgia sufferer (28 March 1986, 9:53 AM, Manhattan NY, Swati nakshatra). Notice that as a Tula rashi (Libra Moon) she has been under the cloud of sade sati for nearly eight years, a period that

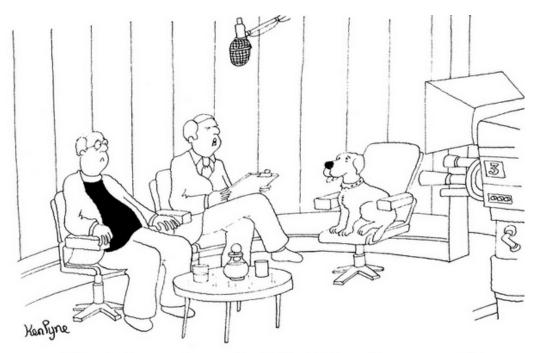
has recently ended on 26 October. In her chart, there are the apparent effects of *kala sarpa yoga*. Technically the *yoga* is broken by Venus, but since Venus is in the zero degree of Aries, in planetary babyhood, much of his strength is lost. Rahu aspects the Moon, and Mars aspects the Sun, planet of the muscular system. Sun is positioned in a good house but the dispositor Jupiter is in a house ruled by Saturn. This same position, by the way, shows that she is a candidate to become a devotee.

Saturn is in the sign of Mars. Mars and Sun are in *kendras* and their dispositors Jupiter and Saturn are also in *kendra* from each other. This is a push and pull effect that is common in this disease. The Lord of nerves Mercury is right there with Jupiter while the lord of the mind Moon is with Ketu and aspected by Jupiter. Ultimately, a blockage in the mind has created too much *vata* imbalance. She is in Saturn period, the planet of chronic diseases. Lady Gaga is opting for modern medical treatment which admits its inability to cure the disease. Now that she is out of *sade sati*, she might overcome the illness if she takes to the regimen of exercise and daily

pinching massage recommended here. Jupiter's aspect to her Moon and to her rising sign promises good results by using a natural approach for curing this crippling disorder.

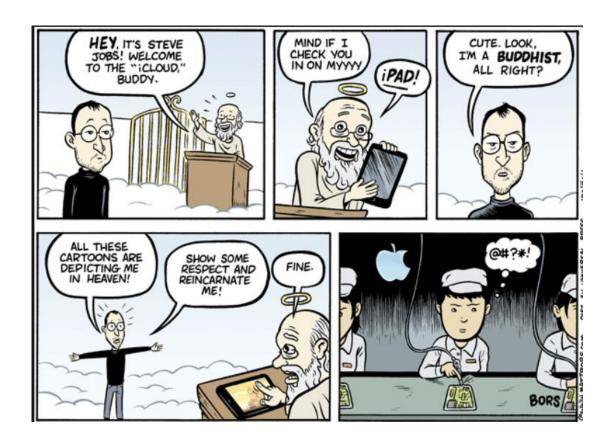
Remarkably the concept of the soul's continuous rebirth was considered irrational in the West when Shrila Prabhupada's arrived. But thanks to his Bhagavad-gita As it is, reincarnation has gone mainstream. Now ...

Reincarnation Is No Joke



"Here to discuss reincarnation in the studio, we have on my right the Reverend Norman Richards, and on my left, Attila the Hun."





(The Supreme Lord Krishna said) "Never was there a time when I did not exist, nor you, nor all these kings; nor in the future shall any of us cease to be. As the embodied soul continually passes, in this body, from boyhood to youth to old age, the soul similarly passes into another body at death. The self-realized soul is not bewildered by such a change." (Bhagavad-gita As It Is 2.12-13)

Letters to the Editor

(Edited for brevity)

Don't Forget the Umbrella!

Hare Krsna Prabhus,

I just wanted to thank you and Abhaya Mudra Mother again for your response with my questions. I consider your work to be very valuable service—no matter what "intellectually not-so-gifted" people may say about the Vedic science of Jyotish Shastra.

I heard one elder devotee say, "Don't be concerned with astrology --, just chant Hare Krishna." I felt like he was saying ,"When you walk across the street, don't look left and right, just chant Hare Krishna.

MH (Czech Republic)

When Pradyumna Panditji asked Prabhupada about astrology, His Divine Grace replied, "If you know it is going to rain, you take an umbrella."—Ed.

World's most comprehensive

My dear Mother Abhaya Mudra and Patita Pavana Prabhu,

I am very grateful to have the chart and for the invaluable guidance. I am convinced that you actually do offer the world's most comprehensive horoscope.

Yours with gratitude,

RK (USA)

Words of Gratitude

Hare krishna

Please accept my humble obeisances. I would like to thank you and Abhaya Mudra Mataji for preparing my full life reading chart. I don't have words to express my gratitude to you. I consider myself very fortunate to have my chart prepared by you. I have read it and found much useful information which I didn't know earlier. I beg for your blessings so that I can be sincere in devotional service.

Thank you,

RG (India)

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