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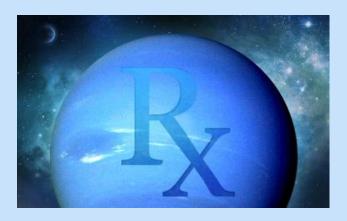
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## RETROGRADES



#### A Transiting Affair

- In normal, cyclic, everyday life, most planets retrograde from time to time (Sun, Earth, and Moon do not retrograde)
  - We call these transits, the daily movement of the planets
  - They effect everyone via these transits and resulting retrogrades
    - Depending on where the transit falls within our natal charts
  - They interact with our natal planets, make aspect, form relationships, and trigger events relating to the houses and planets they transit
  - Transit may only last from a few hours to a few years, they can awaken something that was previously dormant in our charts
- In all cases, we only have a fleeting, elusive expression of a transiting planet unless it actually makes contact in our natal chart
  - It can be felt in general terms, but not in specifics
  - It is only when it makes contact with something in our natal chart that it can stimulate or trigger some kind of expression

# Retrograde Planets The Natal Experience

- So we can experience a transiting planet going direct or retrograde
  - But it depends on where the transit falls within our natal charts
- Or we could be born with some retrograde planets in our chart
- Natal retrograde planets will be felt differently than a direct planet
  - They will be inhibited somehow
- Maybe we experience it more internally, carefully, reflectively
  - Are we constantly looking back over what we've already done, making sure it's right?
  - V Do we frequently get the opposite or unexpected impact from something we did?
  - Are we learning from the experience of our retrograde planets?
  - Can we look at it from the perspective of the Soul, observing the inner causes of some outer effects?

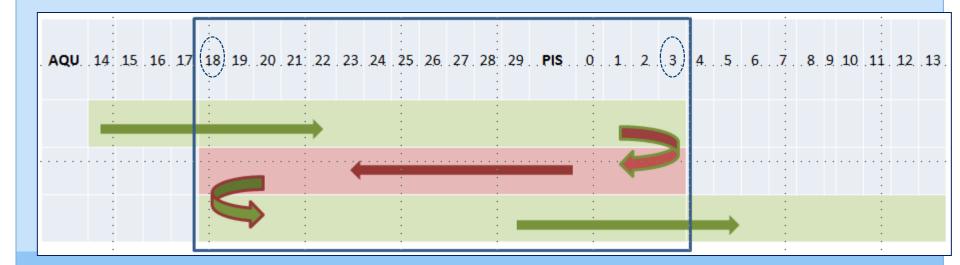
#### Why a Planet Goes Retrograde

- Appear to move retrograde based on position of Earth & Planet
  - Always when the planet is opposite the Sun (conjunct the Earth)
  - The Earth catches up with an outer planet, then passes it
  - Also when an inner planet catches up with the Earth
  - This is observed to us on Earth as the planet moving backwards
- Planets closest to the Earth (Mars & Venus) retrograde least often

# Retrograde Motion Mars Earth

#### 3rd Time is the Charm

- There are 3 distinct passes in a retrograde cycle
  - the first pass over a span of degrees as the planet moves forward
  - the second pass over those same degrees as it goes retrograde
  - and finally the third pass as it moves direct once more
- So the cycle includes all 3 passes, and spans the degrees hit 3 times



#### **Retrograde Planets**

- Inner planets in retrograde
  - Mercury retrogrades the most often, abt 22 days every 4 months
  - Venus retrogrades for 42 days every 19 months
- Outer Planets usually retrograde longer and more often
  - Mars retrogrades for 72 days every 25.6 months
  - Jupiter retrogrades for 121 days every 13.1 months
  - Saturn retrogrades for 138 days every 12.4 months
  - Uranus retrogrades for 151 days every 12.15 months
  - Neptune retrogrades for 158 days every 12.07 months

#### Impact of a Planet in Retrograde

- Outer planets are retrograde a significant amount of time
  - So we won't discuss them in detail for this webinar
  - But the same principles apply to them as with the planets we will be discussing
- In all cases, retrogrades will be felt differently for those people who have them in their natal chart
- But it's hard to qualify what will be different, or how each one of us might express a retrograde planet
  - They might call for more reflection on actions than usual
  - This can result in more internalization of the planetary expression
  - Or it could be inhibited in some other way

#### **Energy of the more Personal Planets**

- Mercury: Intellect, communication, lower mind
- Venus: Love, refinement, values, right relations
- Mars: Desire, anger, activity, motivation, reaction
- Jupiter: Expansion, opportunity, higher education/beliefs
- Saturn: Responsibility, authority, structure, limitation

#### Mercury Intellect, Communication, Lower Mind

- In a fire sign, he is usually bright, excitable, intuitive, expressive
  - Rx he may be more intuitive & creative, but it will probably be less obvious about how that is expressed.
- In an earth sign, he is apt to be logical, down-to-earth, practical
  - Rx he may be less logical and more intuitive and creative.
- In an air sign, he is likely cerebral, intellectual, and interactive
  - Rx he may be less of these things, quieter, intuitive instead of intellectual
- In a water sign, he is already intuitive, sensitive, or imaginative
  - ✓ So being Rx will enhance these things, yet may internalize them

## Venus Love, Refinement, Yalues, Relationships

- In a fire sign, she approaches relationships impulsively, generously, optimistically
  - Rx the passion may be restrained; it will still be felt, but won't be expressed as uninhibitedly
- In an earth sign, she approaches relationships sensually, critically, seriously
  - Rx she may be shy and unassuming about it
- In an air sign, she approaches relationships full on with a lively personality, a talent for putting people at ease, and unreserved friendliness
  - Rx these traits will be curbed somehow
- In a water sign, she approaches relationships with deep affections, seductively, or with emotional dependence
  - Rx these traits can have a darker side, bring insecurity or suspicions, or they could be internalized some other way

# Mars Desire, Anger, Activity, Reaction

- In a fire sign, he will react impulsively, enthusiastically, energetically
  - Rx will curb the enthusiasm/energy, and tame the impulsiveness.
- In an earth sign, he will react sensually, industriously, ambitiously
  - Rx will inhibit those traits somehow
- In an air sign, he will react curiously, sociably, inventively
  - Rx may obstruct his ability to adequately express that curiosity, to behave sociably, or to press forward with the inventiveness
- In a water sign, will react hyper-sensitively, jealously, or compassionately
  - Rx that could enhance inner feelings of frustration or anger and fuel negative emotional reactions

# Jupiter Expansion, Beliefs, Higher Education

- In a fire sign, he brings expansion/integration impulsively, enthusiastically, generously
  - Rx it will dim these traits somewhat
- In an earth sign, he brings expansion/integration through over-indulgence, discrimination, and ambitiousness
  - Rx it will inhibit the ambitiousness, impair the ability to effectively discriminate, and hopefully curb any over-indulgence
- In an air sign, he brings expansion/integration through versatility, sociability, and philanthropic pursuits
  - Rx it will inhibit the full expression of those qualities
- In a water sign, he brings expansion/integration through idealism, keen insight, and social consciousness
  - Rx it will internalize these traits, and expression might be difficult

#### Saturn Responsibility, Authority, Structure, Limits

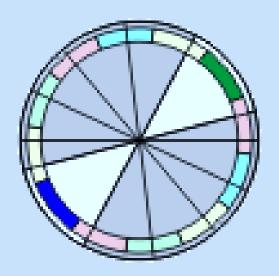
- In a fire sign, he brings about opportunity and structure through determination, creative discipline, or orthodox religion
  - Rx will tighten the structure, making it more restrictive
- In an earth sign, he brings about opportunity and structure through perseverance, perfectionism, and organization
  - Rx may mitigate the perfectionism and curb both the perseverance and impulse to organize everything
- In an air sign, he brings about opportunity and structure through intellectual discipline, deliberation, and stubbornness
  - Rx those traits will probably be less disciplined, deliberate, stubborn
- In a water sign, he brings about opportunity and structure with sternness, a penetrating mind, and devotion to fellow humanity
  - Rx will blur the borders that provide this kind of structure, not able to effectively contain this elusive energy

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## INTERCEPTIONS



## Signs Locked in a House

- Intercepted signs are locked in a house as if they are in a CLOSET.
  - One key to the closet can be the ruler of the intercepted sign
- With intercepted planets, it is important to release their energies
  - Because they rule the cusp of other houses
  - ✓ This takes time and work
- At first it appears as if the early environment does not encourage the development of energies described by the intercepted planet(s)
  - ✓ At least not to the degree that you need them.
  - ✓ This is frustrating because it also affects the areas of your life that these intercepted planets may rule

#### **Unlocking Interceptions**

- Transiting planets can help to unlock the closet
  - ✓ They create a temporary relationship with the intercepted planet
  - ✓ Triggering events that help:
    - Open the interception
    - Release the planet's energy
    - Promote a more fuller expression of intercepted planets/signs
- Also look at the ruling planets for the intercepted signs
  - Do they form aspects with any planets intercepted in the sign?
    - If so, is that relationship friendly or challenging?
- Experience and personal growth help as well
  - ✓ As we get older and learn to better express higher qualities
  - ✓ And in doing so more fully express Soul qualities of the intercepted signs, rulers of those signs, and the planets intercepted

#### Signs Repeated on Two Cusps

- Not only are two signs intercepted
  - Inhibiting the expression of those 2 signs
  - And planets in those signs
- But it then forces two other signs on two cusps each
  - Giving double emphasis to the repeated axis
  - Highlighting the area that needs extra work
- When this happens, the first cusp is usually the primary focus
  - The second, repeated cusp follows the lead of the first
  - And can be considered dependent on the first house for its fulfillment, using the experience already being worked in the prior house

#### **Understanding the Sign Axes**

- Aries-Libra is aggression versus harmony; self versus society. It is establishing balance/soul control over the personality.
- Taurus-Scorpio axis is practical versus compulsive; possessive versus intensive. It is using wisdom of the soul to establish right relationships.
- Gemini-Sagittarius axis is versatility versus overextending; knowledge versus wisdom. It is establishing control of the opposites through spiritual action.
- Cancer-Capricorn nurturing versus authority; sensitivity versus responsibility. It is nurturing the intuition of the soul in preparation for initiation.
- Leo-Aquarius axis is personal versus impersonal; creative versus unconventional. It is self-mastery leading to group awareness and selfless world service.
- Virgo-Pisces is analytical versus idealistic; discriminating versus fanatical. It is nurturing the Christ within the heart and consciously manifesting it.

# A Closer Look at the Intercepted Signs (Aries to Virgo)

- <u>Aries</u> environment discourages self expression, aggressiveness, initiation and independence. Be meek and mild don't try new things.
- <u>Taurus</u> Environment does not provide enough love, affection, warmth, validation, material needs or sense of self worth. Discouraged from being possessive and taken for granted and put down.
- <u>Gemini</u> Inadequate learning facilities. Interrupted education illness, learning disabled, care of siblings, etc.
- <u>Cancer</u> Too much or not enough emotional/material security.
- <u>Leo</u> Suppressed creativity. Discouraged from having romantic partners or children. Unsatisfactory romantic affairs and social life.
- <u>Virgo</u> Critical environment says you can never do anything right. Don't ask questions, just do not allowed to analyze.

## A Closer Look at the Intercepted Signs (Libra to Pisces)

- <u>Libra</u> not provided with opportunities for relating to people. Discouraged from socializing. Not being aggressive and independent, you stay at home.
- <u>Scorpio</u> Repressed sexuality and strong emotions (rage, jealousy) The environment may not provide us with self understanding or other people's values. Have a deep need to get involved with occult or metaphysical studies. Blocked inheritance.
- <u>Sagittarius</u> No provision for post secondary education. Discouraged from taking risks. Strict or different religious upbringing.
- <u>Capricorn</u> Insufficient respect, recognition, status and help with goals. Lack of job opportunities. Discouraged from going for goals.
- <u>Aquarius</u> Environment discourages individuality, having friends its too rigid for you. Feel trapped and need to break free.
- <u>Pisces</u> Environment discourages having faith in yourself or getting in touch with your intuition or going for your dreams.