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## Quarterly Astrology Forecast for Spring 2023

### Spring Astrology Forecast

#### *Expand and Manifest*

Do you feel something calling you from the not too far future? Have you been feeling like it is time for a change, but have little or no idea how that would look? You are in good company if you do.

That change will begin to come into better focus in the months ahead, but it will be 2024 before the clarity becomes sharper. Like being a real life chess board, many people are already making initial moves for their life, and many more are exploring the options for their battle plan.

On the big picture level, the spiritual destiny nodes of the moon are finishing their journey through Taurus and Scorpio (since Jan. 2022). Before they change signs in July, it is time to complete the tasks of those two signs. Scorpio is an excellent researcher, helping you dig deeper to see if what you say you want is actually what you want. Emotional healing and release is a part of Scorpio energy.

At the opposite side of the polarity is Taurus which represents your values and desires, and your willingness to work hard for those goals. Everyone has been deciding what they value and what it time to release.

To help you complete this process this spring, Mars is in nurturing Cancer from March 25 to May 20, and Venus is in feeling oriented Cancer from May 7-June 5. This helps you take care of home base, allowing you to have solid ground from which to make the coming changes.

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### There's No Going Back

#### Saturn & Pluto & Eclipses, Oh My!

Astrologers have been talking about the changes occurring now for some time. Your life will never be the same. Dorothy and Toto can never go back to Kansas (Wizard of Oz reference).

It started on March 7 when down to earth Saturn entered *way out there* Pisces until early 2026. It's time to bring a new vision for your life into form.



Think back to roughly 1994-96 the last time Saturn was in Pisces. Where were you restructuring your life? The Universe has now spiraled around to a place where it is time to open to a higher vision and bring that into manifestation.

Be patient with the process because it is a new 29-year cycle and Saturn works for long term solutions, not overnight sensations. You must go beyond the world you know. Take a vision quest into the etheric and intuitive realm to bring back insight into what is next for you. Trust your inner knowing instead of looking for a guarantee.

In society, watch for increased regulations of drugs (both legal and not- magic mushrooms to treat PTSD). Legal battles over commercial fish farms, tapping ocean oil fields, Arctic Ocean passages boundaries, and mining lithium from sensitive underwater locations are ramping up.

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The big shift that is easy to track in your life is expansive Jupiter who spends about one year in each sign. The god of abundance helps you open your belief system to a larger view. He is a coach, mentor, minister, world traveler and publisher.

The god of thunder wakes you up to possibilities you had not thought of or retrieves ideas you dismissed as great ideas that would never work.

Jupiter was last in Taurus June 2011-June 2012. It brought large economic issues in Europe (stabilizing Eurodollar countries Greece and Portugal, major earthquakes in Turkey, Chirstchurch, Indonesia and Japan, *The Scream* pastel version by Edvard Munch sold for \$120 M the largest auction art item sale ever.

Taurus is associated with money, stocks & bonds, durable goods, and investment art. Taurus is willing to work for the sensual pleasure luxuries it enjoys. Is it time to replace that ratty old furniture or wardrobe item that is looking a little tacky? Do you need to make cosmetic improvements to your property for a future sale?

## 4 Jupiter in Taurus 8

May 16 to May 2024

Take a Conservative Risk on Yourself

*Within all of us is a divine capacity to manifest and attract all that we need and desire.*

Wayne Dyer

Although Saturn and Pluto are pushing you hard now (Page 1, right column), Jupiter is showing you a reason to be optimistic. If you are willing to open your belief system to larger possibilities, and then take a risk on yourself to step into those possibilities, then Jupiter will help you. **But you must take the first step towards your greater long-term good.**

If you know the natal chart house(s) containing Taurus, you know where the opportunity is to expand your belief system to manifest at a higher level. See house meanings in the Free Astrology Primer: [astromark.us/astrology-resources/](http://astromark.us/astrology-resources/)

**He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life.**

~Muhammad Ali

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(Saturn, Pluto, Eclipses continues from page 1, right column)

Spiritually, Saturn is associated with the Third Ray of esoteric knowledge. It is the incoming job of all awakened souls to help communicate higher concepts to those who just don't get it. And you must do so without judgement. Speak in a way they can hear you, not how you think they should hear you. (For example, speak to a fundamentalist Christian about prayer, not healing with crystals). It is no longer appropriate to hide your light, if it ever was.

**The next big shift is Pluto.** The god of the underworld temporarily moves into Aquarius March 24 to June 11, then returns to Capricorn to finish old business since 2008. In late January 2024, Pluto re-enters Aquarius for 20 years. Pluto helps you let go of that which you already know you must release.



If the Revolutionary War 1778-98 is any indication of what happens when Pluto is in Aquarius, then we are in for some tumultuous times. Warfare is going in a high tech direction. Technology is ramping up for its next revolution. Sorry to say: hard-headed conspiracy theorists and outright liars who twist the truth to their fear-based listeners will act out even more loudly than before.

Pluto brings hidden things to the surface. For example, private messages from Fox talk show host Tucker Carlson uncovered that he did not like the former President but still passed on his lies to boost ratings.

The good side of hidden things coming to the surface is the ability to move forward based on truth. Humanitarian ideals will get better traction in the coming 20 years, but this type of change does not come overnight. It is time to bring your higher ideals into the world.

**Remember: it only takes a small percentage of high consciousness people to wake up the sleeping masses and change the world for the better.**

**Two eclipses** bring deeper soul level motivations to the surface. Both are tied to Mercury retrograde (See page 3).

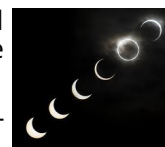
The April 20 solar eclipse is interesting. It is at the last degree of Aries.

A solar eclipse brings new beginnings based upon what your soul wants to bring into the world, yet the last degree of a sign brings completions. Regardless, it is time to pioneer a new path.

The May 5 deeply emotional Scorpio lunar eclipse urges you to go beyond the superficial. It helps you assess what you value and what needs to be released. This is part of the 4th Ray where you must live in your center in spite of external world chaos. It helps you release self-defeating beliefs and behaviors so you are better able to manifest your needs and desires based upon higher values.

The bimonthly New & Full Moon email newsletter addresses the eclipses in greater detail.

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## Putin-Zelensky Karma

### *The Pluto Connection*

Relationship astrology is not just for love, families and business. You can see connections between murderers and their victims, or two leaders involved in a year-long war.

Ukrainian President Zelensky has his moon in Leo, the sign of leadership and entertainers. It is directly aligned with Putin's South Node ♁, a sensitive point having to do with karma. The general philosophy in astrology is that Putin owes Zelensky his moon. In a position of leadership, the moon is associated with the people and home country.

Putin's North Node ♈ of dharma and spiritual destiny is in Aquarius right at the top of Zelensky's chart. This is Zelensky's area of foreign places and being in the public eye. Putin must learn to create win-win environments, but his past life point in Leo wants to be the boss.

Putin's Pluto ♇ in Leo is very near Zelensky's moon and Saturn. Pluto is associated with death and destruction. This requires Zelensky to step up into his authority figure and establish boundaries. When you look at this from Putin's point of view, this lands in the very public sector of Putin's chart. This makes it much harder for Putin to let go of the power as the lower vibration of Leo is ego.

Putin was born with Saturn closely aligned with his sun, meaning that he is the boss and you had better not get in his way (even though they are in Libra which can smile nice). This aligns with Zelensky's natal Pluto in Libra, suggesting that Zelensky must stand in his own power with Putin.

Saturn just moved into Pisces for everyone. The planet of restrictions will challenge Putin's moon in Gemini. The moon represents the people of Russia, and the challenge is to a money house. It will be interesting to see if the Russian people will stand up against the cost of the war. It is also the house of "other people's money" so watch to see if China and India place restrictions on how much help they give Putin.

Zelensky has a challenge coming from Pluto moving into Aquarius now through first quarter 2024. It opposes his natal Mars. This is not an easy transit as it happens in a person's chart only once every 248 years. I'll not give power to the very bad side of this transit. Sorry to say, I don't see a quick end to this conflict.

Putin 10/7/52, 9:30 AM St. Petersburg;  
Libra Sun, Gemini Moon, Scorpio Ascendant  
Zelensky 1/25/78, 2 pm; Krivoj Rog, Ukraine  
Aquarius Sun, Leo Moon, Gemini Ascendant

Mankind must put an end to war  
before war puts an end to mankind

~John F Kennedy

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Here is a summary below:

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**THE SEVEN RAY ESOTERIC ASTROLOGY CONSULTATION IS OPEN TO EVERYONE.** It is the only consultation available to new clients as I move further into the spiritual growth side of astrology and semi-retirement. \$210, 1.5 hr  
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## ♃ ♄ Mercury Retrograde

April 21-May 14, 16° back to 5° Taurus

Taurus represents your values and desires, and the hard work you do to fulfil those desires. Now is the time to review what you value and what no longer holds energy for you. That can include your possessions, the way you make your money, and the people with whom you spend time.

This looks like a powerful retrograde because there are two eclipses that bring up the emotional depths and also hints about pioneering a new path. The retrograde begins just before it connects with revolutionary Uranus, so change is ahead.

Watch your life to see if innovative ideas and/or the strong desire for change increase when Mercury actually aligns with Uranus on June 4.

See all 2023 planetary retrogrades at:

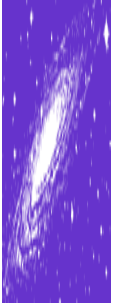
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## 7 RAY SOUL PURPOSE ESOTERIC ASTROLOGY for Rumi 9/30/1207,

Balkh, Afghanistan: Sun in Libra , Moon in Capricorn

**A soul ray is a universal frequency that each person incarnates on to provide opportunities for growth and service in this life.** Where your zodiac sun sign is of our solar system and has to do with personality, a soul ray is Universal in nature. It helps you do what you came to accomplish in this incarnation.

As the most famous Persian poet, Sufi Master (whirling dervish) turned Islamic turned ascetic Rumi was strong in the Third Ray of Abstract Thought and Esoteric Knowledge. Ray 3 communicates esoteric concepts into a language that all can understand.



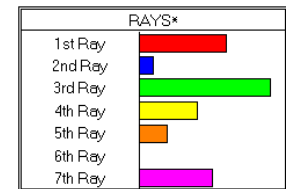
Although he wrote mostly in Persian, he also wrote in several other languages. Ray 3 people need to communicate in a way that people can hear and understand. To further provide his mystical teachings, he was encouraged to write poems for traveling troubadours to put into music as they traveled around the country. Now, his words are translated into an abundance of languages worldwide.

Ray One was also strong in Rumi. It brings the sense that you are never alone when connected to God. Ray One strips away anything that gets between a person and the One Source of all that is. Perhaps this is most seen in Rumi when he became an ascetic. Although extreme by most standards in our modern world, leaving the sensual pleasures of the world certainly removes any impediments to God.

Ray Seven of the energetic alchemy of transmutation may be best seen through the spinning dance of whirling dervishes. They raise their vibration to an ecstatic level through their movement and ritual. One of the key phrases for Ray 7 is "ceremonial magic." If you have ever been to a whirling dervish event, you would definitely call it that.

*"Dance until you shatter yourself." ~Rumi*

**Do not feel lonely, the entire universe is inside you. ~Rumi**



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The 90 minute consultation includes your personality and soul rays. The personality ray helps you manage the mundane aspects of planet earth. Your soul ray helps you activate greater personal meaning through spiritual growth and service. There are also sub rays to help you step into the fullness of your service in this incarnation, and graphs indicating the rays active in your natal chart to help you ground this esoteric work.

The consultation includes an esoteric look at your natal chart along with all the transiting and progressing cycles going on now and in the incoming months.

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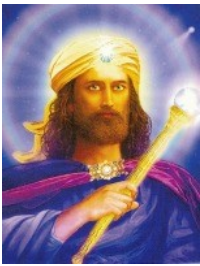
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This page is offered to address the spiritual growth side of current astrology from the esoteric point of view. Or, depending what is on my mind at the time, a metaphysical topic of interest this quarter or whatever seems appropriate.

## Ray 1- Stepping into Your Power.

Pluto tests Aquarius March 23-June 11, 2023, then backs into Capricorn where it has been since 2008. Pluto re-enters Aquarius in late January 2024 until 2044.



El Morya  
Master and Archangel of Ray 1  
of will, power, and unity



Michael

There is no nice way to say it: Pluto destroys that which has outlived its usefulness to make room for that which comes next. The last time Pluto was in Aquarius was approximately 1778-1798 when the USA Revolutionary War was going on.

Essentially, the Declaration of Independence (7/4/1776) was throwing off the old Capricorn structure (England was in authority then). Capricorn rules taxes so the Boston Tea Party is a good example of rebelling against taxation without representation. Death & rebirth Pluto has been breaking up old Capricorn structures since 2008 and now begins to open us to a new way.

People who want to go back to the good old ways are in for a disappointment. It would be a surprise if the old guard were elected to the next USA Presidency. We have already heard speeches about generational change.

Although astrologers often beat up on the god of the underworld, Pluto brings needed change. Everyone likes the results, but no one wants to go through the letting go process.

The good news is that Pluto brings changes you know need to happen. Pluto is responsible for volcanoes. Everyone knew that Mt. St. Helens was quietly active for a long time, then one day it woke up, erupted by blowing the top off the mountain, and changed what we thought we knew about volcanoes. **What has needed to change in your life? Here it comes!**

As one of the planets associated with Ray 1 of power and wholeness, Pluto removes anything that gets in the way of your connection to the One Source of what Hermetic Philosophers call "All That Is." This makes you more powerful in that the negative thinking and/or behavior that you picked up through living (fears, ego, self-worth) are removed so you have a direct and unfiltered connection to that One Source.

Aquarius is associated with creating win-win environments and helping people work together in spite of external differences (politics, race, religion, etc.).

### What higher ideal do you want to bring into your life?

Aquarius is associated with friends, groups and organizations. Are you willing to let go of people or organizations that are not in alignment with you- or do you prefer "the devil you know rather than moving into the unknown?"

### Is it time to align with friends who support you being in your power and helping you step into your higher ideals?

Although you probably do not know the details of the next step in your life, the current goal is to be open to the change that is coming ready or not. Trust in your connection to the One Source.

"Some of us think that holding on make us strong, but sometimes it is letting go."

"I have always believed, and I still believe, that whatever good or bad fortune may come our way we can always give it meaning and transform it into something of value."

~Herman Hesse

He wrote *Siddhartha* about spiritual self-discovery

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## Spring Equinox

March 20 \* 2:24:30 PM PDT

A chart cast for the next three months shows that the sun ☉ and Neptune ♆ make a challenging **square** ◻ to assertive Mars ♂. A square is a 90 degree relationship that can feel like you are being pulled in two directions simultaneously and they want different things. Depending on your perspective, this can be annoying or motivational.

Neptune is asking you to open to a higher vision for yourself-to go beyond your pragmatic world to see what your inner spirit wants to create next. The sun moving into Aries pushes you to get moving.

On the other arm of the square is Mars ♂ filled with an abundance of ideas in Gemini. Mars normally spends six weeks in a sign, but due to his retrograde cycle, he is in Gemini since early September 2022 until March 25, 2023 when he enters Cancer.

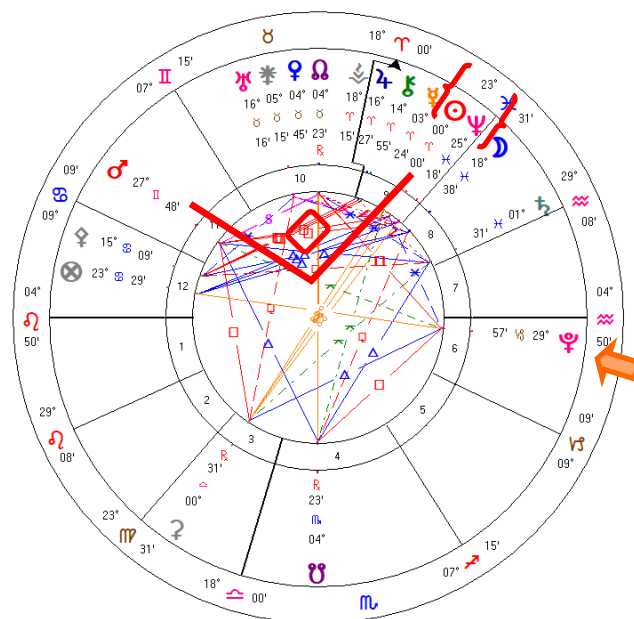
Gemini is like the butterfly in a field of spring flowers going from one to the next, constantly changing her or his mind about the best path to take. The square between these planets pushes you to make some choices, or at least to eliminate a few of the options in the months ahead.

The **arrow** is pointing to Pluto in the final degree of Capricorn, the sign it has been in since 2008. He temporarily moves into Aquarius on March 23, then will retrograde back into Capricorn on June 11 until the god of death & rebirth returns to Aquarius in late January 2024.

That means everyone and everything is in a major transition between the structured old world of Capricorn and the yet unknown world of Aquarius.

It's OK to sing along with The 5th Dimension music group now:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6VzZSXoPA-Q>



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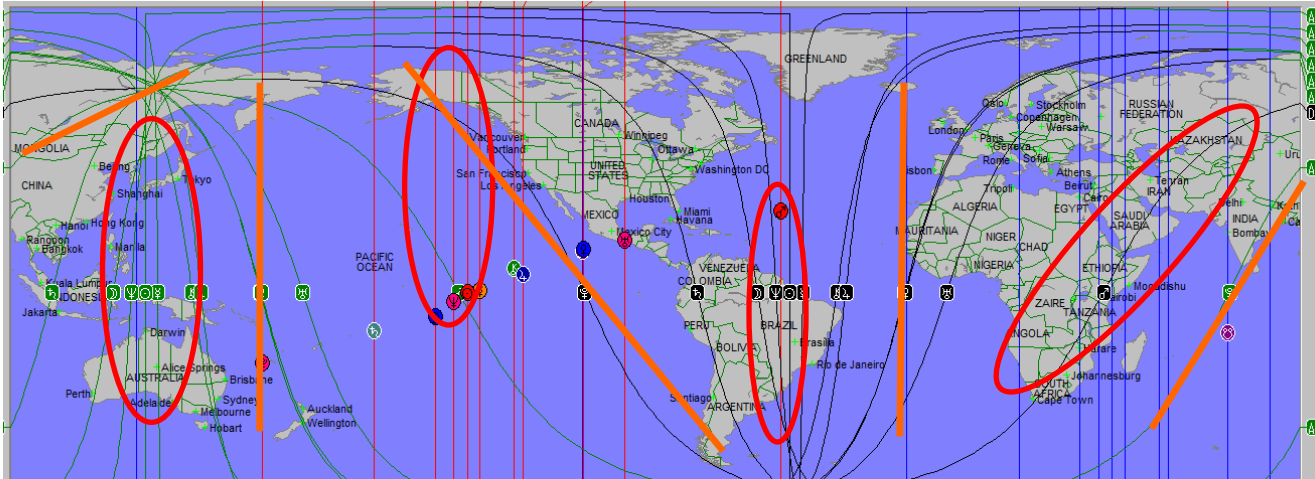
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## Spring Equinox Map \* See chart previous page



This is an AstroCartoGraphy® power lines map for Spring Equinox 2023 and the three months until Summer Solstice, and it relates to the equinox chart on the previous page

The spring equinox chart is not particularly challenging compare to previous solstice and equinox charts. However, significant planets changing signs are likely to shake up the energy

**RED CIRCLES:** The red circle show where the challenging square aspect discussed on the previous page land as action zones. Watch for news from Papua New Guinea to Japan, Brazil, Alaska, East Africa north to Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Iran

**ORANGE Lines:** These are the Pluto ACG lines. I thought these zones would bear watching since Pluto is in transition between the last degrees of Capricorn and first degree of Aquarius. Watch Mongolia, the Solomon Islands-New Caledonia, California coast to Alaska, the tip of South America, NW Africa to Iceland, and the Calcutta side of India into Nepal. Because Pluto is not directly connected to any other planets right now, it is possible this like will be quiet. We shall have to watch.

I would also watch the areas of Australia, South Pacific and South Indian Ocean because the April 20 solar eclipse is there.

**We are what our thoughts have made us; so take care about what you think.  
Words are secondary. Thoughts live; they travel far.**

~Swami Vivekananda

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## Tune in and meditate with metaphysical friends on April 9

(or the evening of Sat. April 8 in western USA or Hawaii time zones)

Join us by going into meditation and tuning in to Gobekli Tepe in SE Turkey.  
We shall send light out to the world on April 9 and include healing for this region hit so hard by the earthquake.

Gobekli Tepe is a UNESCO world heritage site about 86 miles from the big earthquake in SE Turkey. It is at least 6000 years older than Stonehenge and better built.



Many believe that Abraham spent time in this area. In the Ascended Master work, current philosophy is that biblical Abraham was a physical incarnation of the leader of the Seven Rays, El Morya.



It is a powerful place considered to be a portal between worlds. Due to its distant location, it has not yet become overrun by tourism.

More info on Gebekli Tepe: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/G%C3%B6bekli\\_Tepe](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/G%C3%B6bekli_Tepe)

Aries is the sign associated with exercise and athletics. The sun moving into Aries helps you get your body moving, unless you agree with friend and fellow astrologer Diane N. (Thanks to DN for this insight.)

*In case you feel bad about missing your exercise today, ponder this:*

- *The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54.*
- *The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57.*
- *The world bodybuilding champion died at the age of 41.*
- *The best footballer in the world, Maradona, died at the age of 60*
- *James Fuller Fixx, credited with helping start America's fitness revolution by popularizing the sport of running, died of a heart attack while jogging at age 54*

*BUT ...*

- *The KFC inventor died at 94.*
  - *Cigarette maker Charles Winston died at the age of 102.*
  - *The inventor of opium died at the age of 116, in an earthquake.*
  - *And, the Hennessey Liquor inventor died at 98.*
- How did smart people come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life?*



*The rabbit is always jumping up and down, but it lives for only two years, and the turtle, that doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.*

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