



April 6 - August 25



April 9 - May 3

Saturn, and Mercury Retrograde
Oh My!

2017

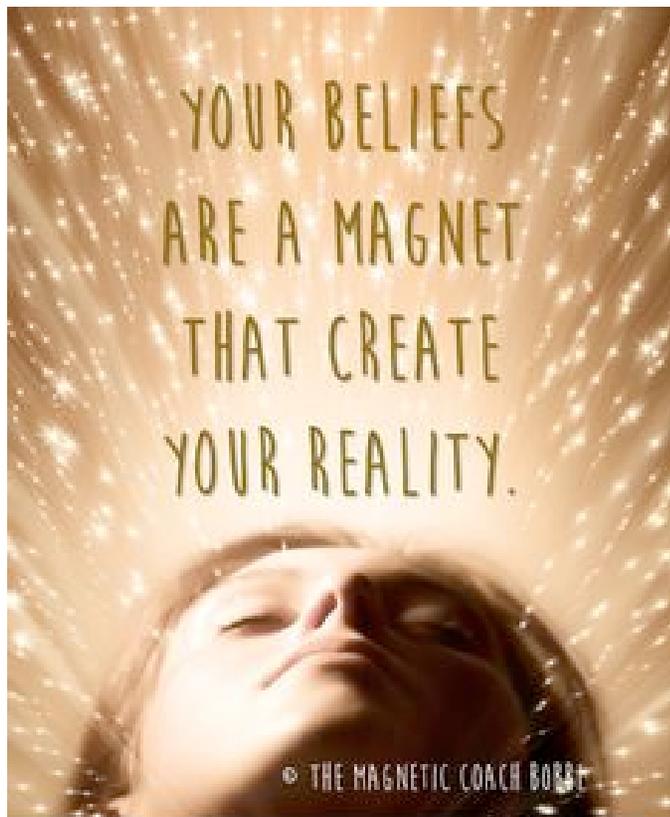
Saturn

To create form and structure in life.

To overcome fears, insecurities and inhibitions.

Saturn in Sagittarius

To limit, define, and focus yourself through **creatively expressing and believing in yourself** in relation to your dependents, career or reputation.



Saturn In Sagittarius - 'Direct'

Dec 30, 2016 - April 6 / Aug 25-Dec 1st

Approaching a life peak, when all your ambitions and efforts should bear their greatest fruit:

- Stabilizing your views about life.
- Concentrating on how to play 'the game' more skillfully
- Remaining open to new discoveries about yourself and the world
- Possible legal difficulties
- Taking long journeys for learning or to fulfill obligations rather than for fun.
- Attraction to subjects relating to higher consciousness, law, religion, metaphysics or philosophy
- A dutiful approach to learning, expansion and exploration of the horizons of your mind and the world.



Saturn Retrograde

Retrograde: April 6th - August 25th, 2017

When Saturn is Retrograde, he can limit or restrict the natural expressions of 'career drives' and 'sense of responsibility.'

He could bring in anxiety and fear involving your duties and responsibilities to the outer world, in wisdom of experience.

Saturn Retrograde Periods Bring in:

- **Karmic balance is found as debts are repaid, related to how responsible you have been in the past.** If you have been bad in the past, events may occur to teach you a lesson. If you been good in the past, events may occur to reward you for your good deeds.
- **Whatever is stunting your productiveness is what Saturn retrograde focuses on:**
 - To develop better methods and strategies
 - To address problems with self-discipline, avoiding responsibility or authority through shyness or sadness
 - To define boundaries for ourselves by saying NO!
 - To realistically assess and solidify commitments made, projects started and responsibilities undertaken in the past.
 - Weed sources of frustration at this time.

- A time to take stock before you continue.

You may be tested to make sure you are ready to take on the extra responsibility toward expansion and exploration of the horizons of your mind and the world.

- A good time to overcome your fears, insecurities and inhibitions.

Is typically NOT a good time:

• To say YES when we should say NO

- Not a time to take on any unnecessary responsibilities or long-range commitments. Only deal with issues from the past; do not take on new ones!
- Do not start any new business activity while Saturn is retrograde!!

How Does The Saturn Retrograde Affect You This Year?



To limit, define, and focus yourself
through
creatively expressing and believing
in yourself.

A Realization that it's time to:

overcome fears,
insecurities and inhibitions
that may be holding you back.
To build solid structures
and prepare for **your future goals**.

Aries ♈ March 20, - April 18, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Expansion of Awareness: Law, Politics, Education, Travel, your Beliefs, World view, or Religion.

YOU are easily expressing: Mastery. Expansion. Growth. Flourishing. Onward and Upward

Resolution: Requires blending. Absorption. Demonstration. Communication. and Self-Focus.

Taurus ♉ April 19 - May 19, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Transformation: Other's Money or Shared Resources, Debt, Death, Inheritance, Taxes, Surgery, Emergency Rooms, Psychiatrists, Sexuality, Self-mastery or Crisis.

YOU have a dilemma that requires advice: Need to sort out priorities. and make adjustments.

Resolution: Be ready to establish a new order. Revise and Rearrange.

Gemini ♊ May 20 - June 20, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Others: Your Spouse, Marriage, Business Partners, Opponents, Competitors, Contracts, Lawsuits, Court Rooms, Balance of Others.

YOU are encountering an opposition: Need to avoid reflex actions and work towards fulfillment.

Resolution: Repolarization. Realization. Awareness.

Cancer ♋ June 21 - July 21, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Self Improvement: Your Obligations. Daily Tasks, Pets, Employees, Servants, Tenants, Employment, Service, Duties, Health, Illness, Disease, or Doctors

YOU have a dilemma that requires advice: Need to sort out priorities. and make adjustments.

Resolution: Be ready to establish a new order. Revise and Rearrange.

How Does The Saturn Retrograde Affect You This Year?

Leo ♌ July 22 - August 21, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Creative Self Expression: Your children, loved ones, creative works, hobbies, recreation, romance, leisure, vacations, gambling, speculation, or risk taking
YOU are easily expressing: Mastery. Expansion. Growth. Flourishing. Onward and Upward

Resolution: Requires blending. Absorption. Demonstration. Communication and Self-Focus.

Virgo ♍ August 22 - September 21, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Establishing Foundations: 'The Past', Mother (or Father), Family, Roots, Heritage, Property, House, Land, and Real Estate.

YOU have a challenge or crisis of action with your identity: Need to 'get it out!' Empowerment through expression and activation of ideas.

Resolution: A test of religion or spirituality A stepping-stone to maturity.

Libra ♎ September 22 - October 22, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Communication with the Environment: Familiar neighbors, siblings, relatives, short trips, your vehicle, documents, all forms of information, media, early education, or primary schools

YOU have an Opportunity: Reach out, Interact with it, Go get it!

Resolution: Elevation. Application. Reorganization. Clearance.

Scorpio ♏ October 23 - November 20, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Your Relationship to Substance: Your Values, Money, Possessions, Resources, Adornments, Attachments (that you think define you), Skills, Comfort, Tangible Beauty.

YOU are encountering growing possibilities: Emergence of Demanding Opportunities.

Resolution: Emotional integration. Yielding to what is to be.

Sagittarius ♐ November 21 - December 20, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Self Awareness: Your 'identity' your life, body, appearance, vitality, immediate environment. and/or your perception into the world of new possibilities

YOU are being impacted: To lead and unify the purpose of beginning something new with your identity. (via social cause or group affiliation)

Resolution: Consider this a doorway to be entered, leading to something yet to be born.

Capricorn ♑ December 21 - January 18, 2018

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Duty and Responsibility through Transcendence: Endings, taking care of unfinished business or obstructions. People in hospitals, prisons, ashrams, or 'not present'. Internet transactions, secrets, hidden agendas, addictions, escapism, sacrifice, loss, or charity.

YOU are encountering growing possibilities: Emergence of Demanding Opportunities.

Resolution: Emotional integration. Yielding to what is to be.

Aquarius ♒ January 19 - February 17, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Social Reform: Group involvement, collective endeavors, Friends, Colleagues, Networks, Step-children, Hopes, Wishes, Dreams, Ideals and Progress, Humanitarianism, Global Awareness and Aspirations.

YOU have an Opportunity: Reach out, Interact with it, Go get it!

Resolution: Elevation. Application. Reorganization. Clearance.

Pisces ♓ February 18 - March 19, 2017

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Duty and Responsibility through Social Integration: Your Authority, Status in the Community, Vocation, Profession, Career, Achievements, Reputation, Your Father, Boss, The Government, or your Reality.

YOU have a challenge or crisis of action with your identity: Need to 'get it out!' Empowerment through expression and activation of ideas.

Resolution: A test of religion or spirituality A stepping-stone to maturity.



Saturn Cycle Complete

After the retrograde has completed its cycle
by **August 25th, 2017:**

you can look to be more practical in your capacity to deal with limits,
and have more to offer yourself, in your sense of responsibility to the area
of life Saturn is transiting.

Now with a clear decision and direction toward your desired goals:

You may have the capacity to come to terms with the relevant issues
that need to be changed,

can be focused and motivated, toward your goal and
can begin to enact preparations for the next phase.

By **Dec 1st 2017**

You should be integrated and fully realized inside,
have a productive authority over the matter,
with achievement of your goal in place and recognition to move forward into the
new 'reality' you have built,
through your wisdom of the experience.



Mercury

To think, speak, learn and reason · Your everyday routine

In association and interaction with the environment

Mercury influences the words you choose, your daily, social interactions, communications received as well as given, mail or telephone calls, visitors, short trips throughout the day, and your thoughts.

There is a shift of your mental focus and attention as it transits.

Mercury in Taurus

To Concretely Acquire Knowledge.

To be resourceful, productive and stable in formulating concepts and communicating them to others.

April 1- 9, 2017/ April 9-20 Rx / April 17- June 7

**Your mental focus and attention turns to
What you Value in Life**

- **Business and Commercial Affairs**
- **Your Financial Assets**
- **Purchasing Possessions, Pleasures, Comforts**
- To put much more effort into thinking and planing and considering these values more than usual now.
- May need to defend your stance on your values.
- May enter into negotiations concerning property or money.
- Deliberate and dependable communication
- Transactions are more important now, to make the situation work out the way you want.*

* An exception if you have afflictions to your natal planets in relation to your birth chart. Also if Mercury is Retrograde. It is best to avoid significant financial or property transactions on such days. Information may be unclear or deceptive. A cloudy mind may not see all issues involved and may be misled.

Mercury in Aries

To Independently Acquire Knowledge.

To develop self-awareness in formulating concepts and communicating them to others.

March 14-30/ April 21-May 2 Rx / May 3-16, 2017

**Your focus and attention turns to
Expressing YOUR Point of View**

- **More Mentally Determined In Speaking, Writing, Associating, and Formulating Concepts and Ideas.**
- **Objectively Analysing Your Own Views**
- **More Mentally Alert; Quick witted.**
- An Impulsive, Quick, Clear Mind:
 - A Good Time To Get What You Want
 - A Good Time To Start and Accomplish Mental Projects
- However: May jump from issue to issue, constantly changing focus. Hard to get into an issue deeply.
- Can increase nervousness or anxiety.*
- More spontaneous travel
- Good time for negotiations or contract discussions to get all the issues on the table



Mercury Retrograde

Retrograde: April 9th - May 3rd, 2017

When Mercury is Retrograde, communication and mental clarity on all levels can be expressed at the extreme ranges -

The natural expression of your daily affairs and routine communication may be 'delayed' and easily 'misunderstood' by others.

Mercury Retrograde Periods Bring in:

- Unique expression. Mental processing can be turned 'inward' and 'introverted' or become 'overly extroverted' and 'loquacious'.
- Thought, Communication, and Association speed is 'stunted', 'slow', 'backward' or 'overly promised' in logical planning, processing and understanding.
- May experience minor health extremes with breathing, nerves/anxiety, coordination, memory, digestion, throat, vision or hearing.
- Public Announcements, Calculations, Schematics, Medical Diagnosis, Legal Decisions, Travel Plans, and Printed Publications may have errors in final assessment.
- Problems with Electronics, Computers, Networking, Internet Connections, Mechanical Devices, Appliances are expected.

Mercury Retrograde Can Bring Back:

- Money owed to you.
- Unfinished projects from the previous Mercury Rx.
- Agreements, Contracts, Buyers/Sellers or Business Commerce from the past.
- Past Advisors, Agents, Attorneys, Auditors, Class mates, Teachers, or Physicians into your life.
- Reconnection with Siblings, Relatives, Neighbors.

It IS a good time:

- To complete unfinished projects that have already been started. To follow through. To revise.
- To research and develop a thorough understanding (in Taurus) and focus on primary issues - not multiple.
- To 'internalize' and review your own communication. To become 'conscious' of clarity and messaging
- To spiritually re-examine life. Fresh perspectives may be revealed. Major breakthroughs intellectually, emotionally or spiritually may come in during this time.



Mercury Retrograde

Retrograde: April 9th - May 3rd, 2017

When Mercury is Retrograde, communication and mental clarity on all levels can be 'unclear'.

It is NOT A GOOD TIME for:

- Surgery of any kind.
- Signing or Committing to Contracts, Treaties or Important Agreements.
- Opening a Business or Starting a New Job, Project or Hiring a New Employee
- Beginning a New Love Relationship, Moving In, or Taking on a new Business Partner.
- Scheduling Meetings.
- Closing a sale.
- Delivering a Finished Product.
- Presenting New Ideas
- Printing promotional materials.
- Mailing Important Documents. Couriers, FedEx or Shipping Materials Overseas.
- Purchasing or Installation of Computers, Electrical Equipment, Machinery, Appliances.
- Purchasing or Installation of Major Home Construction/Remodeling, Assets in General or Business Investments.

- Planning a large Wedding, Conference, or Event.
- Public Speaking Engagements.
- Advertising or Announcements
- Commerce, Distribution, Industrial Matters
- Traveling: Airway, Auto, Buses, Cabs, Trains.
- Auto Repair. Technical Operations.

If you must take action at this time:

- Try to reschedule. It's only a 3 week delay.
- Read the contract 3x to make sure there are no unclear areas of concern or false promises.
- Make extra efforts to be exact and clear in all stages of your logic, communication and daily association of all kinds.
- Ask persons you are communicating with to confirm receipt, clarify their understanding, and/or read back what you asked for.
- Check in and check up on all deadlines. Check for accuracy and performance in all materials delivered.

How Does The Mercury Retrograde Affect You?



To thoroughly understand the resources, the stability and the financial investment required to move forward, and to determine if they are in line with **your values**.

To independently acquire knowledge to **develop self-awareness** of the situation, so that you may clearly express your point of view, **and come to a decision**

Aries ♈ March 20, - April 18, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the demanding emergence of growing possibilities** involving your money, assets, security, possessions, resources, or pleasure. **YOU are beginning** to acquire knowledge about your life, body, vitality, physical appearance, immediate environment, and how others see you. **Resolution:** Emotional integration of relationship to substance, security, and personal resources. Yielding to what is to be.

Taurus ♉ April 19 - May 19, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning the Unity of Your Values **due to the purpose of beginning something new involving your life, body, vitality, appearance, and how others see you.** A need to acquire knowledge **due to the demanding emergence of growing possibilities about transcending**, resolving the past, unfinished business, isolation and psychological blocks. **Resolution:** Considering self-awareness of new individuality which may lead to a doorway of something yet to be born.

Gemini ♊ May 20 - June 20, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the demanding emergence of growing possibilities** involving **transcendence**, resolving the past, taking care of unfinished business, isolation, sacrifice or psychological blocks. A need to acquire knowledge for **opportunities reaching out to YOU about social reform, global awareness, organizations, friendships and group involvement** to which you belong. **Resolution:** Emotional integration of the end of the cycle. Freeing yourself from past restrictions. Yielding to what is to be.

Cancer ♋ June 21 - July 21, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the opportunities reaching out to YOU and interaction with** Groups, Affiliations, Global Awareness, Social Reform, Networks, Step Children. A need to acquire knowledge for **empowerment through challenges about social integration, career, business status or recognition.** **Resolution:** Elevation of Dreams. Application of Collective Endeavors. Reorganization of Profession. Clearance of Obstacles.

How Does The Mercury Retrograde Affect You?

Leo ♌ July 22 - August 21, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the empowerment through a challenge or crisis with your social integration**, career, business status, reputation or recognition.

A **need to acquire knowledge for YOUR mastery, expansion and growth in your awareness** of unfamiliar beliefs, ethics, or travel.

Resolution: A Test of your authority and spirituality. A stepping stone to maturity, your public life and achievements.

Virgo ♍ August 22 - September 21, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the mastery, expansion and growth with in your awareness** of unfamiliar beliefs, ethics, higher education or foreign travel.

A **need to acquire knowledge for YOUR dilemma that requires advice. Sorting out priorities in your transformation** of emotional consequence of relationship, death/rebirth, surgery or joint resources.

Resolution: Blending. Absorption. Demonstration. Communication.

Libra ♎ September 22 - October 22, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to a dilemma that requires advice. Sorting out priorities in your transformation** of emotional consequence of relationship, death or joint resources.

A **need to acquire knowledge for the encountering opposition and your working toward fulfillment in your relationships. Looking at what 'completion' you seek through marriage, partners or others.**

Resolution: Being ready to establish a new order in your investments. Revision of attitude toward change. Rearrangement of attachments.

Scorpio ♏ October 23 - November 20, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to encountering opposition, and your working toward fulfillment in your relationships. Looking at what 'completion' you seek through others.**

A **need to acquire knowledge for the dilemma that requires advice. Sorting out priorities in your personal reorientation and self-improvement. Looking at health, employment, service and healing.**

Resolution: Repolarization of relationships. Awareness of partners value.

Sagittarius ♐ November 21 - December 20, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to a dilemma that requires advice. Sorting out priorities in your personal reorientation and self-improvement. Looking at health or employment.**

A **need to acquire knowledge for your mastery, expansion and growth in your creative self expression** involving loved ones and pleasure.

Resolution: Being ready to establish a new order in your daily duties. Revision of service or self discipline. Rearrangement of schedule.

Capricorn ♑ December 21 - January 18, 2018

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the mastery, expansion and growth with in your creative self expression** involving children, loved ones, the arts, speculation and pleasure.

A **need to acquire knowledge for YOUR empowerment through a challenge or crisis with establishing foundations.** The personal integration of your home, family, heritage and emotional security.

Resolution: Blending. Absorption. Demonstration. Communication.

Aquarius ♒ January 19 - February 17, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the empowerment through a challenge with establishing foundations.** The personal integration of your home, family, and emotional security.

A **need to acquire knowledge for opportunities reaching out to YOU in your communication with the environment. Teaching. Routine Interactions. Thoughts, short trips, siblings/neighbors.**

Resolution: A Test of your security and spirituality. A stepping stone to maturity, involving your 'mother', traditions, and heritage.

Pisces ♓ February 18 - Marh19, 2017

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Understanding Required Concerning Your Values **due to the interaction and opportunities reaching out to YOU through your communication with the environment. Routine Interactions.**

A **need to acquire knowledge due to the demanding emergence of growing possibilities due to relationship with substance. Finances, attitudes towards possessions, survival needs, material security.**

Resolution: Elevation of transmitting/receiving information. Application of short journeys. Reorganization of Intellect. Clearance.



Mercury Cycle Complete

By **May 3, 2017:**

You can look to be more resourceful in delivering concrete knowledge that you have independently researched or gathered.

You can trust your decision and communicate your logic with confidence for you have analyzed the situation.

You now know what you want, what you value in life, and you can negotiate to get it...

for you can speak with clarity and wisdom in the area of life Mercury is transiting.

You can be focused and motivated, toward your 'potential acquisition' and **can begin to enact preparations for the next phase** or decide that you do not want to move forward on it.

By **May 21st 2017**

You should be fully integrated in your transaction, or the matter under consideration should be resolved.



Mercury Transits

Key Dates that will Activate Change and Unity Toward Your Future Goals

Activation of **Freedom**...Rebellion to Break Free

April 28-May 10

New Fascination & Beginnings... Freedom Rings!!
(A growth opportunity could lead to flourishing expansion -- to be activated in Aug with eclipse)

Mercury Exact Conjunction with Uranus (25° Aries)

[Trine Saturn (27° Sag) oppose Jupiter Rx(15° Libra) trine Aug ecl pt (15° Aqu) and square Pluto (19° Cap)]

- New awareness involving relationships/partnerships
- Beliefs supported by steady structures and authorities
- Frustrated with 'old guard' and ready for 'freshness'
- Fast thinking, interesting and stimulating encounters
- High intuition, very original and clever insights
- A sharp mind, technical precision, quick wit
- Could bring in impulsive thinking and actions, and nervousness.
- Be careful driving or familiar travel during this time, could lead to accidents due to brash speed or unexpected movements.

Activation of **Ambition**...Rebellion to Break Free

May 28

Sorting Out Priorities. Make Room For Goals.

YOD: Mercury (13° Tau) **quincunx Jupiter Rx** (13° Libra)
sextile Neptune (14° Pis)

- A dilemma and need to sort out priorities. May need and Advisor. Difficult communication or travel adjustments required or negotiations involving your values, assets, ideals, or sacrifice in relation to others.
- Need to Establish New Order. Revise Plan and/or Rearrange Schedule.

Activation of **Change**...Rebellion to Break Free

June 1

Internal transition of 'letting go' and allowing change to come into your personal world.

Mercury (19° Tau) **trine Pluto Rx** (19° Cap)

- Smooth transition and exchange of your values, financial security or resources. Communication, transportation or commerce concerns are now expanding.
- Growth, power and authority is gestating - internally moving forward.
- May begin to dig to find out what goes on underneath the surface of events, or behind the scenes.
- New ideas may have a great effect upon your mind. Serious, profound and deep material would be exciting.

Activation of **Duty and Responsibility**...Supporting Growth and Change

June 4

Sorting Our Priorities. Limitations. Expert Advice.

Mercury (25° Tau) **quincunx Saturn Rx** (25° Sag) **semi-sextile Uranus** (27° Aries)

- Difficult adjustment between your rational mind, values, resources, the environment, and possible delays/limits or precautions with authorities, foreigners, travel, beliefs and responsibility. A reality quotient.
- A dilemma and need to sort out priorities. May need a Legal Advisor or Negotiator. A public matter.
- May Need to Establish New Order. Revise Opportunities and/or Rearrange Commitments.

