YOUR HIGHER SELF

An astrological profile divined at birth by your Higher Self through the Sabian Symbols and interpreted by Lyn Birkbeck



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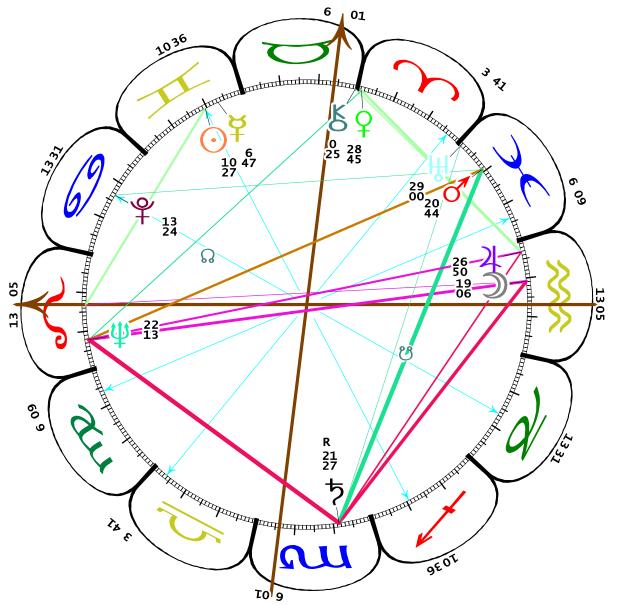
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* Please check that birth details are correct as given, and be aware that the degree positions of these planets and points are Birth Time Sensitive and therefore their Sabian Symbols and interpretations should only be relied upon as accurate if your birth time is precisely accurate too. However, one can use these degree positions as purely symbolic if they are reliant on a vague or notional birth time, which means that they can give one a 'star to steer by' even though that star may not be strictly one's own.

NOTE - Each of the Answers take the form of the actual page of the relevant Sabian Symbol and its Interpretation taken from *The Astrological Oracle* (Lulu) by Lyn Birkbeck. Occasionally you will see references to pages in the book and to its use as an oracle which will be edited out for version 2. If you have not got a copy of this invaluable divinatory tool, it is now available at...

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INTRODUCING YOUR HIGHER SELF

The Nature of Your Higher Self

Your Higher Self could be described as the dimension of your being that is aware in a compassionate, wise, open and non-judgemental way - of the nature of all the various parts of your personality and life. As such, like a good manager, it can bring all those parts together to work and play as a whole; progressively creating a state of being that is positive and realistic, healthy and productive.

In this profile of Your Higher Self, these parts of your personality are seen to correspond to the positions of the Sun, Moon and Planets in your birth chart, as shown on the previous page, along with important points therein, namely your Ascendant, Lower Midheaven, Descendant, Midheaven, North Lunar Node and South Lunar Node.

But the position of each of these heavenly bodies at your time of birth is not just seen in terms of being in one of the twelve Signs of the Zodiac. It is the precise *degree* - out of the 360 degrees of the Zodiac - which it was on at birth. And this degree has a highly individual 'sign' all of its own - a very special image called a Sabian Symbol, which will be described shortly.

A Story of Your Birth

We can say that prior to our birth our Higher Self was intimately acquainted with all these parts of us, but with the shock of coming into the world our parts and our Higher Self got separated. In other words, we forgot, at least partially, who we actually are. This was a bit like having a complex tool or game, and then losing the manual or instructions. Part of the game-plan, one could say, but now we have a new tool to help us...

Sabian Symbols as Keys to Remembering Who You Are

Fortunately, these images, the Sabian Symbols, can be used to identify each of these parts, that is, each of the degree positions of the planets and points in your birth chart. So these Symbols can effectively jog your memory as to the nature of those parts - easily in some cases; not so easily and taking somewhat longer in others. In this profile of your Higher Self, we imagine that you asked your Higher Self at birth certain key questions concerning each of those parts in a bid to remind yourself of what and who you are, why you are here, and what kind of life you'll have. And these questions were answered in the form of the Sabian Symbol for each of those planets and points that represent each part of you.

Of the Higher Self = From the Higher Self

Now although this profile is *of* your Higher Self, it is more accurate to say that it comes *from* your Higher Self. Therefore you will find in reading it that you are actually understanding it *through* your Higher Self. This may be experienced as like an unveiling of the upper levels of your mind - an illumination from above, if you will - which is that Sabian Symbol *re*-minder in action! And in the process, you 'log on' to your Higher Self and gain access to its higher intelligence.

The Origins and Nature of the Sabian Symbols

In a way totally appropriate for gaining a distinct sense of your Higher Self, the Sabian Symbols were themselves channelled from a higher dimension of consciousness. These images were psychically received by a gifted sensitive called Elsie Wheeler, at the behest of one of the 20th Century's most respected astrologers, Dr. Marc Edmund Jones (who was also the founder of the Screenwriters' Guild of America). Marc Edmund Jones took Elsie Wheeler into Balbao Park in San Diego one day in 1925, parked in a quiet spot, and in four sessions noted down all 360 images as Elsie 'saw' them on cue, as was her very special talent. Marc's method here was to prepare 360 blank cards with the Sign degree numbers written on the back of each. He would shuffle the cards face down, select one and present it blank face up to Elsie. As she then described what she 'saw', he quickly pencilled down her description on the card - sometimes questioning, sometimes being corrected by her. He and she then repeated this procedure for each of the remaining 359 degrees – all in that one day. The remarkable speed and intensity of this operation - plus the fact that Marc used certain occult disciplines and rituals to facilitate and validate what was happening - points to the likelihood that he too was involved in the psychic process. His own belief was that they were channelling an occult brotherhood from ancient Mesopotamia (Sumeria), some of the originators of astrology, still existing on inner planes.

The Pedigree of the Interpretations

Following upon this channelling of the Sabian Symbols, they were duly interpreted by Marc and his students, and thereafter by a few highly experienced astrologers, most notably the pioneer Dane Rudhyar. While being used predominantly for chart interpretation, they have also taken the form of several published oracles. In this profile of Your Higher Self the Sabian Symbols have been interpreted in a very accessible way by world-famous astrologer Lyn Birkbeck, drawing upon the most extensive of all Sabian oracles, his book *The Astrological Oracle (2002)* and i-app *Astro-Oracle*. Lyn has been an astrological consultant since 1979 and the use of the Sabian Symbols comprises a significant area of his expertise. He is also the author of seven other books, including the bestselling *Do-It-Yourself Astrology* (now available as *The Watkins Astrology Handbook*).

Getting the Best from Your Higher Self Profile

In order to facilitate this process, here are a few hints on using the Symbols and their interpretations that are given in answer to the questions posed to your Higher Self concerning each planet and point in your birth chart.

- Ponder well and absorb the questions that you asked your Higher Self of each planet and point at birth (which you are about to see). Then when you read the Sabian Symbol and its interpretation that is the response to those questions, you will more easily see how the questions are being answered.
- Look at the Sabian Symbol itself first, and intuitively and freely associate with it. What does it immediately bring to mind? Then look at the Keyphrase beneath it to help you associate further.
- For ease and accuracy, the interpretations of the Sabian Symbols are presented in four categories: General; Love/Relating/Social; Money/Work/Creativity; and Karma/Attitude/Health. And within each of them you are given both advice (Keep Focused On) and caution (Watch Out For).

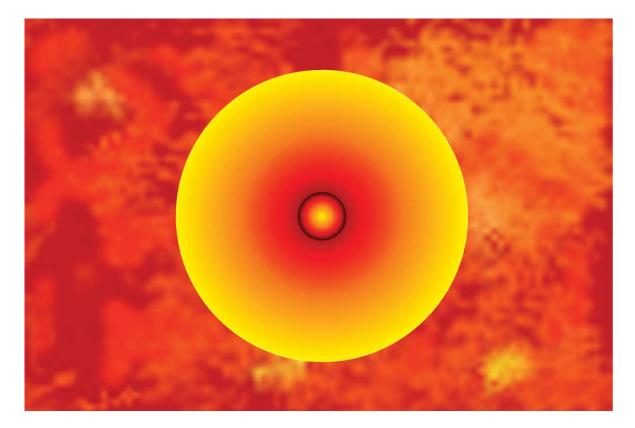
Firstly, read the various types of interpretation in terms of how the questions apply to those areas of your life and personality. The questions of some planets would obviously apply more readily to certain categories of interpretation. For example, the Venus question 'What kind of love life do I have?' would be more aptly expressed in the Love/Relating/Social interpretation. But you will find important nuggets of insight in all the categories!

Secondly, read the various types of interpretation as *they* apply to the questions. This may well be quite obvious and often be quite literal. For example, the questions of your Lower Midheaven often concern the home, so if you had this placed at, say, Libra 7th degree which has the Sabian Symbol 'A Woman Feeding Chickens And Protecting Them From Hawks', the Money/Work/Creativity interpretation states 'getting some form of

nourishment or security is well-starred here' makes it obviously favourable. Yet at the same time in the Karma/Attitude/Health interpretation it warns 'Watch out for and ward off what assails you' as the karma and health of the home speak of a need for physical and psychic protection. Again, as pointed out above, your Higher Self's understanding of the Symbol and its interpretations, and what they apply to, kicks in automatically - that is, if you let it and do not try too hard to 'understand'.

- Some answers given by the Sabian Symbols will be obvious, like the above examples, showing the fate of that part of your life and being to be more clear-cut, be it encouraging or challenging. You will also see how the answer applies to your past in some respects, to your present and quite specific issues in others, and to potential for the future in yet others. Occasionally it may be harder to see the connection between the answer and the questions, meaning that there is not an obvious answer, and that it has to be worked upon, both in terms of reading the profile and in your life itself. Again though, through doing so you will find that the Higher Self and its power of understanding are activated.
- When there is something in particular concerning which you need guidance and insight, then look through all the questions of all the planets and points until you find one or more questions that relate in some way to your concern. Then look to the answers or Sabian Symbols that are the relevant responses.
- If you have two or more planets and points on the same degree, then you can be sure that its Sabian Symbol is very significant in your life.
- Progressively, as you read and re-read your Profile, you will see one or more themes emerging, themes which tell your 'story' in a supportive and empowering way.
- Feel free to jot notes or make comments on your Profile, be it hard copy or pdf, as this will further connect you to your Higher Self.
- The images for the Planets are specially designed mandalas which act as Planetary Portals, gazing at which will help you access each Planet's energy. The backgrounds are actually sourced from NASA photographs of each respective Planet.

And so, beginning with the questions you asked your Higher Self about the Sun in your birth chart, and with the Sabian Symbol that comprises the answers to those questions, here is the profile of Your Higher Self...



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR SUN...

- What is my life essentially all about?
- What have I got to accomplish this purpose?'
- What is the creative core that burns within me?
- What is the nature of my Spirit or Self?'
- What is my central spiritual intent this lifetime?
- What is the key to or nature of my father?

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Sun in your birth chart, is as follows...

Gemini 11th degree

A NEW PATH OF REALISM IN EXPERIENCE

\star TOMORROW NEVER KNOWS \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Here we have some kind of departure from what was previously considered the norm. Life is very much identified through what actually happens rather than through merely thinking about it. There is no substitute for experience.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...your ability to appreciate the newness of anything, and to make full use of the power inherent in what *is* new. ...gaining a fresh grasp on what is happening now, or will happen, as a result of studying what has gone before.

^(c)WATCH OUT FOR ... an inability to see things through as some alternative catches your attention, or giving into an excuse to stay where you are, thus causing you to evade life's challenges and miss out on its inherent rewards.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

Whatever idea or venture you have in mind will only reveal its real value and nature when you have actually embarked upon making it a reality. Projections, surveys, feasibility studies and oracles can only tell you so much. Sooner or later one really does have to see how it runs in real terms. You may have already made a move, and this Symbol affirms it.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...how the way will open to you, helping you develop as you go, once you have decided to go forward with the object of your enquiry. If you are already in process, then be quick to learn from and respond accordingly to whatever is happening as you proceed. ...the fact that now you are really finding out what's what – or are about to – and this is priceless, for it will serve you into the future one way or the other.

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...doubt clouding the way ahead. ...newness merely for the sake of it.



LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

The maxim that there is no substitute for experience is especially true with respect to the emotional life and dealing with people generally. This is because our feelings are like wells which we only experience the nature of by having them drawn from, and as a result of drawing out the feelings of others, or having our own drawn out.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that all emotional experiences ultimately enrich our lives and those of others – providing we see it that way. ...the idea that you will only find out how you really feel by taking the plunge into the unknown territory that is intimacy.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...missing out on the opportunity for emotional experience by holding back from, or within, a relationship; missing out on such key experiences as are on offer here could seriously inhibit your ability to relate or attract at a later date. ...resenting others for *your* choices.

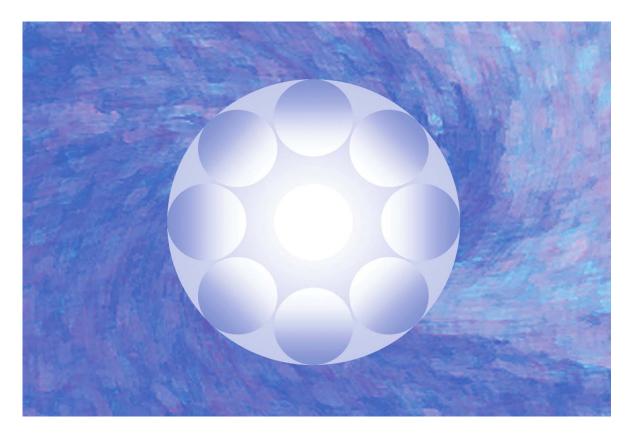
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Life is forcing you or obliging you with a new way of experiencing your reality, thus making it sharper and more vivid.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...appreciating this new era and what it is showing you about your life on Earth. ...the fact that everything that happens to you now is to do with the real you – not what you think you could be or ought to be – and is your future in the making. ...the feeling that you are more 'you' now than you have ever been – the you of *now*. ...the belief that much of life is purely about acquiring raw experience as opposed to expecting assurances. ...the experiences you are having rather than the ones you fear you might have.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...anxieties about your future, because they exist simply because you lack faith in your own path and how it is now asserting its need to have you embark upon some new chapter, strike across some virgin territory.

'The proof of the pudding is in the eating'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR MOON...

- \mathcal{D} 'What is the nature of my soul and feelings?'
- What do I possess that enables me to nurture myself and others?'
- Where and how do I find security and a sense of true belonging?'
- **)** 'What is the nature of my predispositions and instincts?'
- \mathfrak{D} 'In what ways do I respond or react to life and others?'
- \mathcal{D} 'What is the key to or nature of my mother?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Moon in your birth chart, is as follows...

A BIG WHITE DOVE, A MESSAGE BEARER

\star GLAD TIDINGS \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

'Rest assured' is the answer to your enquiry.. Peace shall come. A safe haven is near at hand. An end to disaster. Redemption. This Symbol guarantees that the sheer beauty and integrity of life and its forces will eventually bring into manifestation what is longed for in the pure and faithful heart - be it the resolution of a personal difficulty or world peace. Like appreciating the Oracle itself, such messages are like sonar showing something on the screen. You cannot physically see it, but you trust the 'technology' and know it to be there.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the ever-present quality within yourself or others of goodness combined with acceptance that unerringly produces positive results. ...the idea that whatever happens, it will contain a valuable message.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...a naive or do-gooder attitude of mind.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

There are reliable signs of matters improving. Finances stabilize or take an upturn, working conditions and relations get better, creative ideas or solutions become available. Possibly someone or something appearing that can put things to rights, or point the way. A more pure and peaceful quality is coming into fashion.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...offering an olive branch to anyone with whom you are in conflict for this paves the way for mutual profit and advancement, not to mention the removal of strife and delay. ...casting your bread upon the waters, making your bid, advertising your wares.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...bloody-mindedness; not giving in for reasons of pride and need to always be in control. ...giving up through loss of faith.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

Someone is bringing you the emotional solace or fulfilment that you have been looking for. And/or you are doing the same for them. On a more incidental level, whatever you are currently thinking, hearing or looking at is a good sign. A cause for rejoicing.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...and accentuate those aspects and feelings that fill you with love, peace and optimism. ...all problems as being resolvable as long as you believe in, and give expression of, love and acceptance.

⊕WATCH OUT FOR ...becoming preoccupied with snags or shortcomings to the point that they eclipse the very real goodness that is within and around you – or soon will be. ...thinking that someone, be it yourself or another, is the 'saviour'. They may well be there the answer to your dreams, but that does not mean you should project on to them an image they cannot live up to.

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

In many respects this Symbol is the ultimate oracle for all questions: everything will work out eventually as long as you trust that to be the case, for it is the trust that carries one through to that place and time, and attracts signs that you are on course.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...believing in the best of possible outcomes, and that is precisely what you will get – but the whole point is that such is given for what it is and shall be, not necessarily as what you expect it to be. This *is* the message – it is up to you whether or not you receive or understand it.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...refusing to recognize, believe or accept good news or reassurance or that things will get better. ...cynicism, for this would be a bit like saying that the big white dove was just a whitewashed crow.



'And all shall be well and /All manner of thing shall be well'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR MERCURY...

- ² 'What kind of intellect and perception do I have?'
- ♀ 'How do I work effectively?'
- ² 'How may I allay or avoid anxiety?'
- ² 'How may I best communicate?'
- ² 'What is the optimum way of using of my mind?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Mercury in your birth chart, is as follows...

AN OLD-FASHIONED WELL

\star source and refreshment \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Here is where one may obtain emotional, spiritual, intellectual or physical nourishment. Water or nourishment is always there at some level, yet its accessibility is the crucial issue. There is also the symbolism here of the possibility of luck that is drawn from some past good deed. The meaning of Hexagram 48 in the Chinese oracle, *I Ching*, is identical to this.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...friendly and refreshing words and sparkling ideas that constantly replenish others. ...making full use of whatever is clear, fresh and good. ...digging down deeper if necessary.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ... what is drying up from disuse or a lack of faith in its infinite supply (like the Oracle). ...denying yourself what you need through an act of self-punishment or misguided asceticism or plain fear.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

You are dealing in or with what is most basic to requirements, depending on your field of endeavour. The issue is therefore one of finding a way of accessing and maintaining this supply or whatever it is, or wherever you are - for it is in there or out there somewhere.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that what you are after is now available, and that you might have to dig for it, divine for it, pray for it, make way for it, or work harder for it. ...the belief that what you know to be truly good becomes accessible. ...traditional or tried-and-true methods that blend in with existing surroundings and practices.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...products, people or ideas that are in the least tainted for they will get into the 'food chain' and become troublesome and hard to eliminate at a later date. ...sources of supply that are limited, unpredictable or dubious.



'The town may change, but the well does not'

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

This suggests a person or relationship that is deep, reliable and possibly of a conservative or traditional disposition. But you should 'test the water' first. This person may be you.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that a relationship is only as good as what you are bringing to it, or accepting from it. ...that you 'divine' and draw upon the wellspring of goodness in one another ...the better, purer, longstanding qualities of yourself or other, for such form the basis of a healthy relationship.

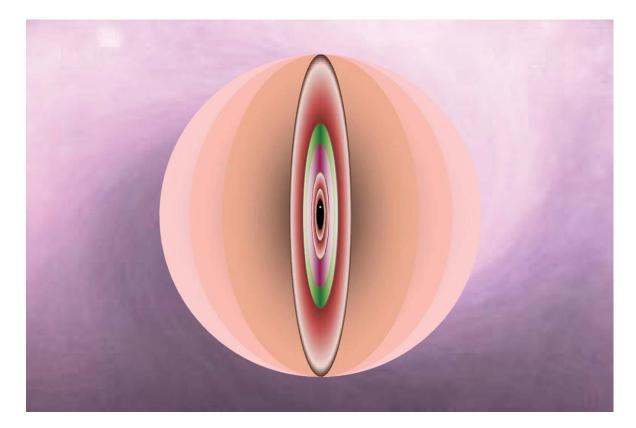
©WATCH OUT FOR ...relationships and people that are not nourishing that part of you that you feel needs nourishing. ...taking to a new relationship the problems you had in an old one. ...you or they being stuck in the mud and being unwilling to be 'sluiced', that is, to acknowledge and remove emotional blockages and fearful attitudes.

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Your past and background have everything to do with how things are in the present, for they are the wellspring of your being. Ask yourself if they are in need of purification or clarification, or if you have cut yourself off from them – or should have done so in order to leave a negative past behind - for this could bear significantly upon the object of your enquiry and state of affairs. Also, what you truly wish for, you will eventually get – for good or ill.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the very best in terms of your sources of energy, information and emotional sustainment. ...what you feel deep inside of you as being good and true – for it is!

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...impure thoughts, feelings, foodstuffs, etc. for no matter where you are or what you may be doing, these will always be with you, influencing your life and wellbeing.



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR VENUS...

- ⁹ 'What kind of love life do I have?'
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- ⁹ 'What is my key to happiness?'
- ⁹ 'What is attractive about me or to me, or artistic about me?'
- What is the nature of my femininity, or the femininity I am attracted to?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Venus in your birth chart, is as follows...

A CELESTIAL CHOIR SINGING

\star COSMIC ATTUNEMENT \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

The angels or divine agencies are intoning their 'music', the sound of spiritual harmony, so that we might more easily hear it, and live our individual lives in accordance with it. Here is the Music of the Spheres, the idea or reality that Creation is akin to music in that everything and everyone has a note, part or piece to play that contributes to a symphonic whole, and that evolution is a process of development analogous to a musical theme with its movements, stanzas, rhythms, etc.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...your genius for aptly expressing the poetic and harmonious themes that permeate the fabric of reality, thereby enabling yourself and others to experience their individual place in it. ...astrology itself as the celestial 'score'.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ... having an inflated, high and mighty sense of self that is out of tune with the everyday world. And there is only one way to go from there: down.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

Your work, and/or its functioning, is all about harmony and being attuned to some higher frame of reference. Music itself maybe. Whatever career or money problems you might have are down to some part of you or yours being out of tune with the whole. This is all rather like an orchestra or band having to practise and practise until they get it right.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...discovering or being true to whatever greater whole, organization, movement, etc. that you are part of or want to be part of. ...putting in the time and effort to 'get it right'. ...the fact that there are higher forces that are helping you – but you must tune into that high frequency wave band, the very source of your inspiration. ...consistently that goal of success-through-harmony that you can see or hear in your head.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...settling for less than your best. ...forgetting you are helped from on high.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

This could be a marriage made in heaven that you have or are after – but bringing it down to earth could be the problem. You like or want your social life to be something that is closely knit and concerted, rather than a haphazard mingling of various people. Such tall orders for these areas of your life require that you...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the spiritual rather than exclusively mundane, sexual or emotional side to relationship. ...creating or joining a group of people that pursues specific rituals that have some metaphysical interest.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...having your social, sexual or romantic expectations frustrated by your looking or dwelling among people or places that do not cater to your appetite for the lofty or divine.

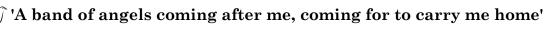


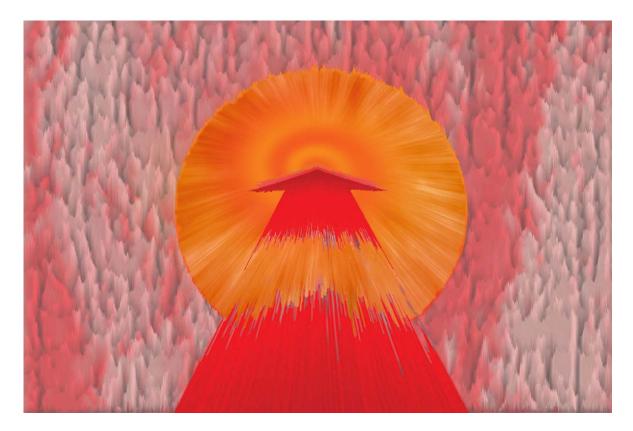
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

This Symbol is saying that your life or soul has reached a point where it can and must be attuned to some greater pattern of existence. Yours is the quest for harmony leading to the attainment of true spirituality. Each part of your being has ultimately to be in harmony with every other part, utilizing some form of cosmic attunement such as astrology, angels, or any cosmology that appeals to you.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...anything or anyone that has an unmistakable beauty or harmony about them – be they animal, human or divine, or in Nature. ...taking time to develop an ear for your inner voice, through singing, music making, meditation, yoga, tai chi, creative activity, etc.

 \bigcirc WATCH OUT FOR – any part of your body playing up, for this would be a sign that it, and the aspect of your personality that corresponds to it, is out of tune with the whole.





At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR MARS...

- ♂ 'What do I truly want and how may I best attain it, and in the same way, mobilize and assert myself?'
- σ 'What gives me courage, and in what way will I most need it?'
- ♂ 'What is the nature of my sexual and personal drive, and of that which energizes me?'
- ♂ 'What assists my decision making?'
- ♂ 'What is the nature of my masculinity, or the masculinity I am attracted to?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Mars in your birth chart, is as follows...

A LITTLE WHITE LAMB, A CHILD AND A CHINESE SERVANT

\star purity, innocence and watchfulness \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Here is a situation that signifies or calls for a basic and sensuous curiosity - overseen by something or someone who is more objective and aware of the vagaries of life – making for quite a special kind of experience or result; a particularly fresh and clear sense of what is actually happening or about to happen.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...creating a blend of guileless simplicity and a mature and gentle awareness. ...making the most of your potentials, not least because you are modest about them. ...monitoring or taking care of anything or anyone that is vulnerable to being taken advantage of or losing its way.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ... a naivety that needs to recognize its essential value if it is to avoid feeling victimized and disempowered. ... any kind of perverting influence that distorts or abuses childlike innocence and purity of intent.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

The images in this Symbol would seem out of place in the world of ambition and money, which implies that what you have in mind either has little place in, or chance with, such things - or that you are trying, or need to try, to inject a certain simplicity and guilelessness into the work and financial sphere. On a literal level, any occupations or enterprises that have purification or selfless service - or children and animals - as their predominant theme are wellstarred.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...introducing or pursuing charitable works or non-profit motivated activities, wherever possible. ...being motivated by the purest of values , which creatively would mean being inspired by noble values rather than by the lower ones that can be those of the market-place.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...prostituting yourself, your art or your principles for the sake of making a profit. ...being an 'innocent abroad'.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

There are elements to your situation that at one level can appear to be diverse and unrelated, and as such do not or cannot get on together. When viewed from a more enlightened perspective though, they fit together perfectly, complementing and supporting one another, and revealing something quite special. To enjoy this infinitely more positive scenario...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the essential or 'soul' qualities of those involved rather than mere personality traits. ...and respect the softness and childlike qualities of whoever you are concerned with, while at the same time unobtrusively monitoring what is going on. ...relating in a spontaneous and helpful fashion, for this is bound to bring out the best in everyone.

⊕WATCH OUT FOR ...viewing what is happening through cynical or resentful eyes. ...having your good nature or naivety taken advantage of.

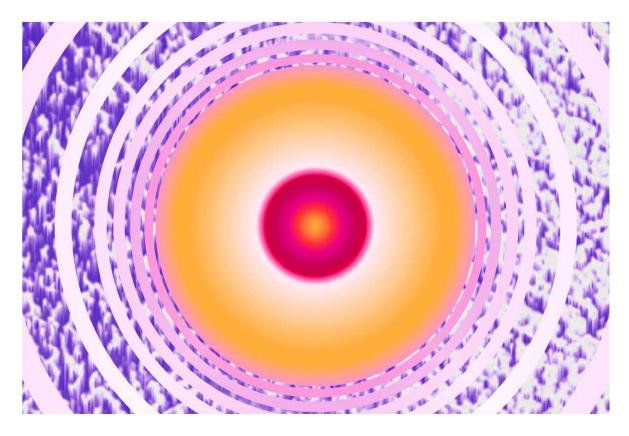
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Pure, or at least, purer living is indicated or recommended here, be it for purposes of health or spirituality or both. There is also the suggestion of Oriental or non-allopathic medicine. Here is a profound beauty in innocence and simplicity, and this quality is present in, or available to, you. Also available is a modest wisdom, or a wisdom through being modest.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...aligning yourself to some whole-souled purpose. ...meditating or pondering upon the image of this Symbol for this would put you in touch with what it is that you need to heal or further whatever is your current situation.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...being sucked in or polluted by any influences that the figures in this Symbol would shy away from. ...believing that being puritanical, squeaky clean or spiritual in a merely intellectual way is going to somehow get you or anyone else closer to God.

'He who departs from innocence, what does he come to? Heaven's will and blessing do not go with his deeds'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR JUPITER...

- ²+ 'What is the nature of my faith and belief?'
- ²+ 'What gives me a sense of scope and opportunity?'
- ²How can I best grow, develop and make the most of myself?'
- ²+ 'What best fills me with enthusiasm, joy and vision?'
- ² 'How can I live life positively, confidently and optimistically?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Jupiter in your birth chart, is as follows...

Aquarius 27th degree

AN ANCIENT POTTERY BOWL FILLED WITH VIOLETS

\star CONSTANCY OF SOUL \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

The situation is a testament to, or calls one to be mindful of, the constancy of refreshing sentiments that spring from the heart. Through all trials and tribulations there persists something pure and true that keeps one reminded and assured that ultimately it is all worthwhile, that some things are sacred.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the deeply-seated feeling within and about you that is consistent in saying that there is an eternal goodness to the human spirit. The refreshment that this brings. ...whatever reminds you of something more sublime and deeply significant, and this will be the guiding principle you are after. ...a prevailing influence, within or without, that can be relied upon to guide and inspire.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...aesthetically pleasing but ultimately insincere or superficial displays. ...disregarding your own or others feelings. That way misery or meaningless lies.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

This patently spiritual Symbol, in the context of the material sphere of life, has to refer to the importance of introducing or maintaining a spiritual quality to one's work, co-workers and financial dealings. If you are concerned about being able to make it materially as you pursue some spiritual course, then you are forgetting that the spirit will sustain you as long as you remain in touch with it. If your work itself is concerned with helping others to keep in touch with spiritual issues, then well and good, the Oracle blesses and confirms your course.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the sentiments of heart and soul in all your dealings, even though they feel easily crushed or disregarded. It is the very persistency of such sentiments that is their strength.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...making false offerings to God or Spirit or Higher Power by paying them lip-service, as just trappings of spirituality.

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LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

The person or relationship in question here is to be relied upon utterly. However, as this Symbol has everything to do with the soul and modesty you may need to view it in such a light in order to appreciate fully that you are indeed blessed with long-lasting love and commitment, and have nothing to worry about, in spite of the vagaries of human nature.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that at a deep level you and your partner or group have a soul connection that underlies and goes beyond what might appear as passing difficulties and disagreements. If you are alone, this too is blessed with a modesty and purity of purpose that should not be eclipsed by lesser considerations.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...doubting the rightness of your position through expecting something more showy or glamorous in your emotional life.

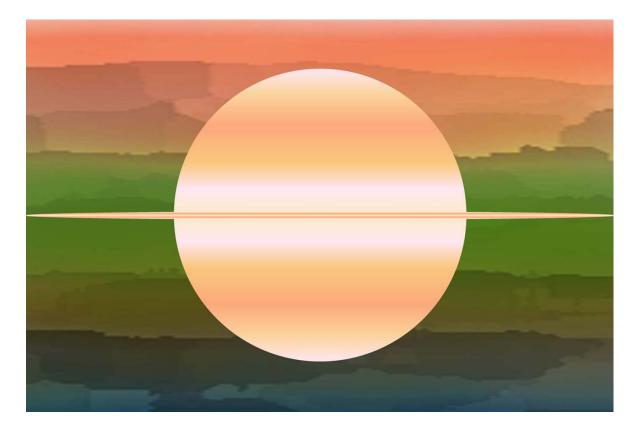
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Violets are symbolic of spirituality, pure and simple. That they are contained in a vessel points to the soul that actually animates the physical body – and has been doing so for a very long time. So this Sabian Symbol is saying that the object of your concern has to do with, or can benefit from, spiritual or energetic healing, or any religious or magical ceremony. This would also include dreamwork, meditation, breathwork, and hatha yoga.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...how the soul or spirit feels within the body. This will answer your question and possibly resolve any problem too. ...this Sabian Symbol's image, in your mind's eye or in physical reality, and you will gain a connection with the eternal peace that exists within, it being redolent of one's pure origin, and possibly of some spiritual tradition.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...missing out on this through not appreciating its subtlety and poignancy.

'The Soul is the Believer, with Memory so old. The Soul is the Believer, as Mind and Body show'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR SATURN...

- ち 'What am I learning in this life time?' and so...
- ち 'What do I probably have difficulty with, initially at least?'
- ち 'What is my basic key to success and stability?'
- 'How do I find a sense of discipline, boundaries and good timing?'
- 5 'What is the nature of my responsibilities and karma?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Saturn in your birth chart, is as follows...

Scorpio 22nd degree

HUNTERS STARTING OUT FOR DUCKS

\star hunting or being hunted \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

The time calls for the basic drive to go out into the 'wild', the 'jungle' of life, to get what is needed to sustain life on the one hand, and simply to provide an outlet for that drive on the other. You don't know what you are going to 'bag' until you are out there – or in there if it is something internal. It could simply be saying that you are new to something, so put a hold on any unrealistic expectations.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the natural and uncomplicated desire to go for whatever is required, with a sense of the right to do this allaying any sense of frustration. ...whatever it is you are trying to get, hit, locate, etc. – for that is the only way you are going to be successful.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...preying upon those weaker than oneself, be they human or otherwise, or conversely being a 'sitting duck' yourself.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

One has just set out, or is thinking of setting out, on some venture. You must tell yourself that it's early days yet, and whether one likes it or not, it is a dog-eat-dog world out there, and it would be best to acclimatize oneself to this fact. Is what you are after in demand enough? Are you being hunted – and for the right reason and at the right time? Remember, an oracle is not an accountant or a feasibility study.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...going for whatever you see as 'fair game', that is, an objective or market that will 'feed' you and yours, enabling you to survive and prosper. ...the fact that you don't know until you've tried.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...wantonly or vindictively using others merely to satisfy some base desire or to make you feel 'king or queen of the heap'. ...being the game rather than the hunter.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

This is simply looking for a mate, with all the persistence and chance that such entails. Or it could suggest a hunter and hunted, predator and prey kind of relationship. It could even be reciprocal, with each person taking turns to chase or chastise, snipe or snap at the other. Whether one or both of you relish this set-up or hate it could be a question here.

 \odot KEEP FOCUSED ON ...accepting that there is this predator/prey situation and that you must create a balance of power. ...whether or not what is going on is really harming anyone. If you think that it is then you are bound to do something about it – like leave or make your stand.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...being either cruel on the one hand, or a victim or patsy on the other. ...the fact that there is predatory streak in most people.

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

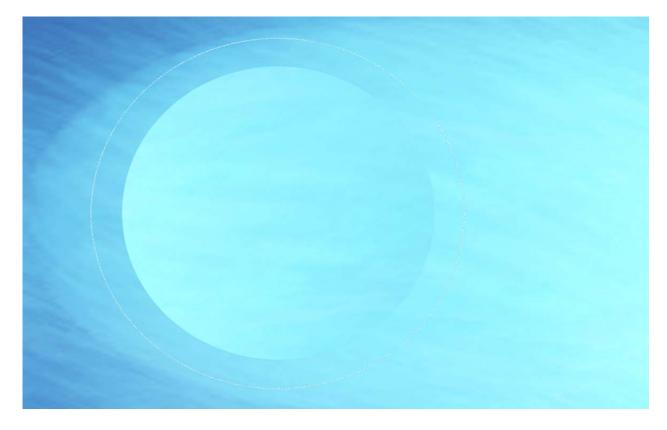
What is indicated here is a conflict concerning finer feelings versus basic needs, desires versus fears, freedom versus limitation, ambition versus capability, or spirituality versus materialism. The ultimate karmic law is that of balance, which would have us be harmless, yet at the same time not be so soft that we ourselves get harmed in the process.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the probability that the situation is either calling you to toughen up or soften up – or a balance of both, depending upon the circumstances. ...hunting down what is vulnerable in yourself, like your inner child, before someone else does. Try using Self-Talk here: http://www.lynbirkbeck.com/downloads.html

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...being a 'lame duck' or victim because that would be asking for more and more punishment, which could eventually take the form of physical complaints or damage. ...'petty tyrants' who try to oppress you; never let them do so.



'And a-hunting we will go'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR URANUS...

- ₩ 'What is the nature of my intuitive ability, my sense of truth?'
- 버 'What is original, inventive and unique about me?'
- ₩ 'What is my key to the truth of my being, to my awakening, to what is special about me, and ultimately to my genius?'
- ₩ 'What is the nature of my friendships and thereby the faculties and social values that my soul group and I are helping to evolve?'
- ₩ 'Where and how do I find freedom and independence?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Uranus in your birth chart, is as follows...

A PRISM

\star The one and the many \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

It is how you are viewing your situation that is the critical issue. For success or clarity you need to identify the individual elements of it, and then appreciate how they all have the something in common, like the same origin seen here in the fact that white light breaks down into the visible spectrum of seven colours. Also, how the one can be seen in the many, and the many seen in the one; how everyone is the same but different - 'In lak'ech', as the Mayans greet 'I am another (like) yourself'.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...attaining a clarity of judgment and simplicity of expression that is a wonder to behold. ...breaking down the issue of your concern into component parts and thereby understanding it better. Conversely, finding out how the various parts go to make up a whole.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...stating the obvious to an extent that misses the point. ... losing sight of something by reducing it down to meaningless parts, like reducing a rose to a heap of petals.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

There is something or someone that is the 'originating factor'. You could call this the first principle, the inventor or artist, the founder, or whoever or whatever it was that started the ball rolling. This 'originating factor' then got or gets broken down into various themes, branches, styles, offshoots and derivations. So...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the precise nature of the 'originator factor', and then you will become clearer as to how it should be taking shape and organized into meaningful, profitable and satisfactory individual parts or facets. In effect, you are being a prism, or you are finding someone else who acts as one, as an organizer of the many into the one, into an integrated whole, where each part knows what colour they are, what their job or role is supposed to be, and how they correspond to and with one another.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...overlooking the original idea or vision for then you won't appreciate the parts everything and everyone has to play.



LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

Here is a relationship that emphasizes distinct traits of character of each individual yet at the same time reveals something that have very much in common. Or it could be imaging a group that includes diverse qualities, yet is well integrated, a great team.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...discerning what part you play in contributing to the relationship or group, for you most certainly do. What 'colour' are you? ...how certain qualities of the other person(s) complement your own, even though, or rather because, they sometimes contrast one another.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...falling prey to the common illusion that a person or a relationship is only what they appear to be when you have explored and got to know a number of their shades. There is always some extra quality that is 'off the visible spectrum'. This is the mystery of personality.

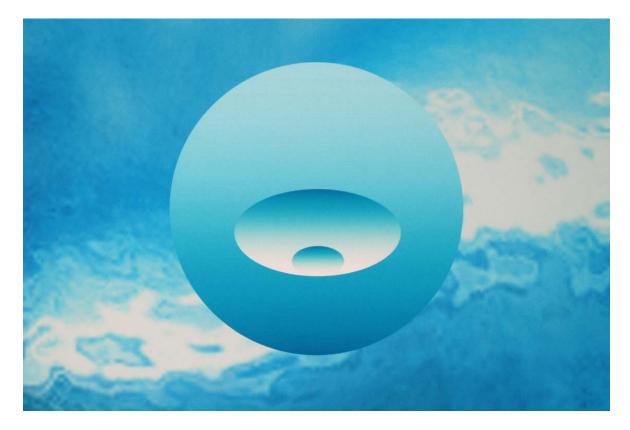
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Esoterically, the breaking down of clear light into the colours of the spectrum symbolizes how pure spirit manifests as the various aspects or planes of being. These colours correspond to the various energy centres or chakras.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...each of your chakras and visualize them as the following colours as a means of tuning, realigning and revivifying them: Crown (Imagination)= Violet; Brow (Intuition) = Indigo; Throat (Communication) = Blue; Heart (Love) = Green; Stomach (Security) = Yellow; Sacral (Sexuality) = Orange; Groin (Survival) = Red. Then imagine a prism above your head, and visualize all the colours/chakras converging on the prism and coming out above it as clear light. You can then reverse the process: the clear light descending through the prism and breaking down into the spectrum/chakras.

⊕WATCH OUT FOR ...the less vibrant chakras for they correspond to parts of you that need to be tuned or energized more intently.

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ho}\,$ 'To what is One, sages give many a title'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR NEPTUNE...

- Ψ 'Where and how do I find peace and redemption, a sense of wonder and oneness?'
- ₩ 'What is the nature of my psychic sensitivity, spiritual awareness and inspirational qualities?'
- Ψ 'What possible illusions or blind-spots do I have?'
- Ψ 'What image or setting is conducive to meditation?'
- ₩ 'What are my powers of creative imagination, visualization and transcendence?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of Neptune in your birth chart, is as follows...

A BAREBACK RIDER

\star FEELING THE FORCE \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

You are involved with or contemplating something that requires a deep and natural connection with what is powerful and forceful in you, or in something or someone else. This in turn requires a spontaneity born of a willingness to develop special skills or give dramatic displays, but avoids violence.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ... the fact that, although training and preparation are necessary, at some point one just has to leap on and grab hold of whatever it is you are intending to do. Otherwise you will only ever be known for your intentions rather than your achievements. So grasp the nettle.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...a rough and readiness that plays to a need for raw sensationalism, and consequently disregards the care and technique required for a relatively 'safe ride'. ...violent emotions, for they could inflict harm physically.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

The situation requires boldness, balance and skill, but above all it requires confidence. Confidence is always something that is built (brick by brick) or inborn, but in this case it is also something that is ultimately won through simply believing with every fibre of your being that whatever it is can be done or dealt with.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...keeping your seat, that is, not letting any violent twists or turns interfere with your concentration or equilibrium. ...knowing your business or art intimately well, for then even if you suffer a fall, you will be able to remount and carry on. ...going for it.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...being frightened of falling off, that is, failing or looking a fool. This would mean that you either failed because you let your fears intrude upon your concentration, or because you never really started or got going at all.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

Here is a relationship or individual that has to be either taken by storm or given a wide berth. This is because it is dangerous at some level – probably sexual. If you are already involved, then you will just have to ride it out, keeping your balance and poise, and maybe distance, as best you can – while enjoying it even.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...what it is in you that is looking for danger, and why. Bear in mind that 'danger' can mean anything that bothers, frightens, frustrates or exercises an exciting pull on you. So, for example, you may be confronted by something impossibly challenging because you are trying to avoid something more normal or realistic; or, you choose a rough ride because that is how you get to know how to handle your own feelings and urges.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...'unsafe' sex. ...being treated as a sexual object or treating another as such. ...being taken for a ride. ...being masochistic; -if so, track that one down

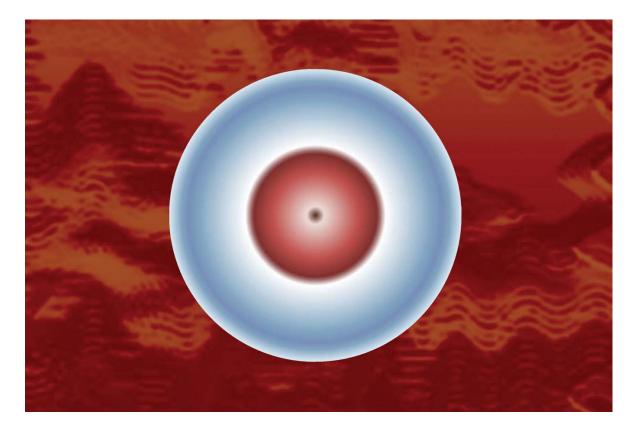
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Danger and the exhilaration of living close to Nature or your animal drives is the issue here. Or the opposite is the case; you are shy and out of touch with them. In other words, previously you have allowed your passions to take you over and now you are having to tame and control them or be on better terms with them.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...being aware and attuned to your libido in order that you can harness it to do what you have now got to do. The libido is like the engine that drives one's being, and it has to be given rein or hitched to whatever needs setting in motion. Or reined in or unhitched – as the case may be. Either way it has to be harnessed, that is, got a hold of consciously.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...playing with fire, getting too involved with energies beyond your control.

`'Life is like riding a bicycle; keep going or you fall over'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR PLUTO...

- Ψ 'What are my powers of regeneration and survival?'
- Ψ 'What are my most deep and genuine qualities?'
- Ψ 'What best enables my transformations in life?'
- ♀ 'What is the nature of my convictions and my key to living up to them?'
- Ψ 'What is the nature of my obsessions and my key to overcoming them?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Pluto in your birth chart, is as follows...

Cancer 14th degree

A VERY OLD MAN FACING A VAST DARK SPACE TO THE NORTHEAST

\star desolation to consolation \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

The eventual confrontation, after a considerable length of experience, that one has with what appears to be a quite desolate prospect, but when seen with a deeper understanding is actually a source of great consolation. The northeast is traditionally the direction of spiritual truth and guidance, but it could equally be seen as having some more personal significance.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the inner maturity that enables you to reflect upon the deeper and graver issues of life and your role in it, and then discover something uplifting on the other side of it. ...seeking spiritual guidance as a path through current difficulties, for it is possible that nothing else will suffice. ...earnestly seeking.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...giving in to a sense of remorse and pointlessness. ...flippancy.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

You could be going through a seemingly bad patch here, or, you could be someone in a position to help those that are. In either case, you are gaining or using hard-won knowledge and experience which will serve you and others very well in the future.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...finding the most experienced in your field of concern, or drawing hard upon your own experience in the midst of current difficulties and thereby turning them to your advantage. ...putting experience before academic knowledge. ...a sense of purpose that sees blocks to progress as being par for the course. ...seeing beyond immediate problems.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...leaving what are grave and pressing problems to those that are not really equipped to deal with them, either because they are past it or nowhere near it.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

A heavy and difficult relationship, or time of relating, has within it the potential to reveal strengths and truths that you would not otherwise have found, or even chosen to find. Such episodes serve to bring out of us the better and wiser parts of ourselves.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the truth that there is a 'prize' waiting for you beyond whatever it is that is blocking or depressing you. Facing up to despair, hopelessness, loneliness or any other negative feeling, is the light that penetrates and guides you through such darkness. ...finding, if necessary, someone who can help you do this.

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...collapsing into 'easy' ways out of current emotional problems – such as losing your rag, evading the issue, resorting to drugs or alcohol – for they will only come back to haunt you at a later, possibly more inconvenient, date

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

At certain points along one's path of spiritual striving and discovery, one is inevitably confronted by what is theosophically called The Dweller on the Threshold, the accumulation of all one's past sins of commission and omission. Then, having finally overcome negative traits and redeemed oneself through such confrontation and reparation, one is then blessed or redeemed by the Angel of the Shining Presence, representing the truth, beauty and goodness of one's Higher Self.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that it is through your darkest hours, the Night of Soul, that true light, strength and goodness are found. ...facing your void, aloneness or dark origins, for this will eventually lead to spiritual insight and good health, at least on a psychological level. Be ever-hopeful.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...giving into despair as if it is final; it is actually a Rite of Passage.



'Nil desperandum'(Never despair)



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR ASCENDANT...

- * 'What is the nature of my appearance or persona?'
- * 'What is the nature of my birth itself which in turn gives rise to how I emerge into the present moment or present myself?
- * 'How do I go to meet life; what is my process of becoming?'
- * 'What is the window through which I see life and through which life sees me?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Ascendant in your birth chart, is as follows...

Leo 14th degree

THE HUMAN SOUL AWAITING OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPRESSION

\star INNER CERTAINTY \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

A state of anticipation and preparation for expressing yourself or with regard to whatever is the object of your enquiry. This also suggests that the manner in which one waits is crucial to the process. Because the soul is by its very nature looking for first a means of expression (a personality), and then a form to give to whatever that personality desires, this Symbol could at first appear to be all too obvious and of no personal significance. However, the significance is in the word 'awaiting'.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the primary assumption that there is a meaning and ultimate purpose to your life. This ensures that it becomes progressively clearer and clearer what that meaning and purpose are.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...idle hoping that 'something will turn up' without investing any thought or effort into it doing so. ...giving up.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

The inspiration, idea or wherewithal is not yet available or it has not reached the point where things can actually take form yet. The potential is there but not yet the reality.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...whatever it is you are aiming to make manifest because the essential or creative impulse is there – it is just that it will take time to develop. ...keeping an eye for the main chance. ...investing in future development.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...counting your chickens before they've hatched. ...presenting something (the object of your enquiry) to the world or some authority before it is ready. ...attempting to give form to an idea before that idea has accumulated enough weight, detail or depth. ...throwing yourself away on the first offer that comes along – this would indicate that you do not yet have enough faith in yourself or your product to bide your time.



LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

Here is a relationship that calls up the deepest and most feeling parts of yourself or of all concerned. If your question has to do with some particular period in time, then this Symbol is telling you that you are or will be still in the process of this 'calling up'. In other words, the nature or objective of the relationship is to connect with the most profound feeling level of those involved. In this way the relationship finds its way and its fate is satisfied.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...waiting for the right moment for making yourself felt, or for becoming aware of how the other person(s) feel(s). ...letting time and the flow of emotions to bring about a natural resolution or explanation.

⊕WATCH OUT FOR ...being impatient to make yourself felt or noticed, or to get something, for this would have a negative or unwelcome effect.

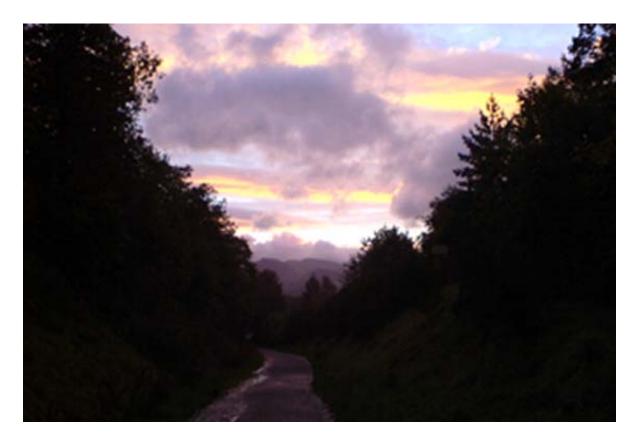
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Whatever your concern, it is still a time of waiting for some change or for that desired window of opportunity. Consciously or unconsciously, you are making yourself right and ready for when that opportunity arrives. Life itself is moulding you into a shape which will know how to best use that springboard into the future when it presents itself.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...how the very process of waiting, in whatever your situation happens to be, is breeding in you special or spiritual qualities that are precisely what is required for when the right time comes - including recognizing that time. ...listening for and to your inner voice.

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...impatience, jumping the gun, getting ahead of yourself – along with the legion of complaints, like heart and nervous problems, that they can give rise to. Such are caused by a lack of faith in the sure process and purpose of Nature, the Cosmos or God.

'Call the world if you please 'The vale of soul-making'.'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR LOWER MIDHEAVEN...

- * 'What is the nature of my roots or background?'
- * 'What kind of home and private life do I have?'
- * 'What creates for me a good foundation or base of operations?'
- * 'What gives me a deep sense of belonging, family and security?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Lower Midheaven in your birth chart, is as follows...

DEEP-SEA DIVERS

\star PLUMBING AND DELVING \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Circumstances necessitate going or sinking to the depths, especially emotional ones, in order to uncover root causes and the real potential of life – whether you know it or not. Investigating anything that lies beneath surface appearances or in the unconscious is auspicious. The answer to your question lies deep.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ... your desire to reach that which is most genuine and authentic concerning certain others and your relationships with them, or anything else, thereby bringing to the surface the truth of the matter. ...using the Oracle to delve deeper into your issue.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...the self-justification of loneliness. ...a superficial attempt or appraisal of matters. ...a paranoid inability to accept anything at face value.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

If your work entails depth investigation or treatment of some kind, then this is an auspicious oracle, and you should take note of the plusses and minuses given here overall. Generally speaking though, it is saying that you are having to dig down deep within yourself or into your resources in order to reach and attain what you are after.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...getting to the very root of any problem, ruthlessly confronting anyone or anything in yourself or your set-up that could be creating problems at a fundamental level. ...whatever gives you or your public, customers or colleagues the deepest or most genuine satisfaction – and promote or maximize that.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...superficial answers or methods, for they just won't wash now. ...wasting too much time and energy on unlikely 'treasure hunts'.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

The intimacy stakes, which demand the death of any wrong thinking or defence systems we have that inhibit the very closeness we crave. These 'deaths' can be very painful as those deeply entrenched psychological complexes resist access and transformation. This is because it is a battle between what one wants and what one fears.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that, for a successful intimacy to occur, ultimately one's feelings have to go deeper than the complexes, the desire for closeness has to be stronger than the fear of it. This is also why one may have to take the plunge or hit the bottom in order to realize this.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...getting too intense for too long, this will merely exhaust you and/or the other person further and create unreal problems; one has to come up for air every so often!

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

The causes of certain things (the object of your enquiry probably being one of them) lie very deep in the unconscious. So if you want to contact them then you will need to adopt some means of getting down there. This would involve firstly a willingness to go to those depths. This may also require having 'weights' attached, which means using a method where there is 'no turning back', or one that does not allow you to wriggle out of the situation or just rationalize it away. All of the above would also apply to a health issue, and/or that some deeper form of treatment or investigation was necessary.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...what you feel to be at the very nucleus of your being, and attempt to get as close to knowing and experiencing it as possible.

 $\textcircled{\sc watch}$ OUT FOR ... becoming obsessed with the object of your concern; go easy on yourself too.

'Errors, like straws, upon the surface flow; He who would search for pearls must dive below.'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR DESCENDANT...

- * 'What is the nature of my relationships, social life and dealings with the public in general?'
- What qualities might I look for or see in others that are really to be found inside of me?
- * 'What would describe my "other half" or "better half" that makes me more complete as a person'?'
- * 'What is the nature of my Shadow, that which I see to be as a negative quality that I project on to the world or one other in particular, when really this is simply the part of me I need to accept and own, and thereby become more effective?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Descendant in your birth chart, is as follows...

A TRAIN ENTERING A TUNNEL

\star light at the end \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Here is the beginning or prospect of having to make it through some sort of dark or difficult passage, which implies the need for the faith that there is light at the end of the tunnel – which of course there always is unless it is blocked (by lack of faith). The train in this Symbol implies that it is not just you as an individual on the threshold of this journey through an obstacle, but a group or whole of which you are a part.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...having what it takes to enter into situations that demand utter resolution and a reliance upon the wisdom and courage of those who have gone before you. It is your very commitment and faith that carries you through.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...giving up or being intimidated because of a test of faith or nerve. ...blind faith in lines of thought or activity of which you only have a theoretical knowledge.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

This looks like a bad patch with regards to cash or creative flow, seeing where you are going, or to work and money matters generally. It may well be that you are caught up in some general trend like a recession or slump. It is vitally important that you...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that you will come out into the light at the other end, for it is this positive attitude that lights your way through the darkness until the end comes into view.

^(c)WATCH OUT FOR ...losing your nerve and looking for some alternative route. At best this could prove to be a long way round, but it could just as well cause you to get 'derailed' or 'shunted into the sidings'. This means that your lack of faith could cause you to lose track of where you are supposed to be headed, or that others no longer support or believe in you.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

You are possibly having to go through an emotionally trying time, and you may not be able to see an end to it – but there is. This Symbol could also describe a relationship in which both or more people have to go through some psychological process (see Karma interpretation).

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...seeing the 'light' which is the reason why you have had to be plunged into the situation. You may not think there is any reason, resolution or light, but there is. ...hope for a better future as a result of discovering and coming to terms with the reason for your dilemma; use the Oracle again to help you find this out.

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...feeling too sorry for yourself, or worse still not understanding or working through your darkness – for this is the only thing that could actually get you stuck in that tunnel.

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

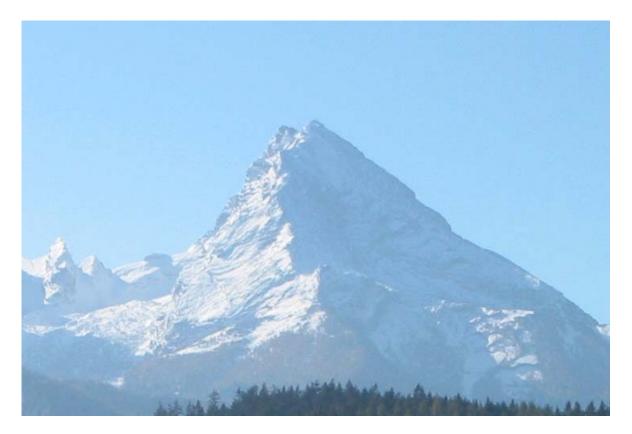
This is the Night of Soul, that time when one has to confront one's greatest fears –whatever they may be. Esoterically this is called facing the Dweller on the Threshold, which along with one's fears includes key doubts and the darker side of your personality – and maybe someone else's. Actually, someone else's shadow could be seen as your own being projected on to the screen of life in order that you might see it.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...penetrating the deepest and darkest recesses of your psyche so that they are then 'brought to light' and transformed into powers and talents, self-understanding and selfless understanding ...maintaining faith, hope and commitment, no matter what. Nothing lasts forever.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...giving up, for this would be like lying down on the tracks and waiting for a train to run you over as it made its way through the tunnel to the end you didn't believe was there.



'Pessimism feeds off the past, optimism dines out on the future'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR MIDHEAVEN...

- What is the nature, or facilitates the establishment, of my career and material purpose?
- * 'How may I best achieve my ambitions?'
- * 'What do I amount in the world, and how can I do so?'
- What confers upon me status, authority and recognition and the means of attaining them?

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the Midheaven in your birth chart, is as follows...

A WOMAN OF SAMARIA

\star ABSENCE OF AGENDA \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

Here there is no case to answer, or, an absence of opportunism, dogma and morality, that in turn attracts revelation of profound truth where more intent seekers would fail to do so. The Woman of Samaria was the first person to whom Christ revealed that he was the Messiah, simply because she had no vested interest in knowing this, one way or the other.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...your wholly unselfconscious generosity of spirit which lights your own way and automatically that of others too. ...being open to the new order of things. ...being free of desire and you will be free of fear, in direct proportion.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ... a self-effacing nature that meekly justifies itself with the notion that there is nothing to be done about one's meagre circumstances.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

Stressed here is the importance of emptiness and of being open to whatever course presents itself. Creatively speaking, this is, so to speak, the blank piece of paper which one can either wait to be written upon by your inspired hand, or can get agitated by and give up or contrive something relatively worthless. Knowing the Lord alone provides.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...doing whatever you are doing with as little expectation or forethought as possible, strong in the faith that what needs to turn up will do so when the time is exactly right. ...the possibility that your worth, ideas or product, being unusual, are as yet unrecognized, but will one day be hailed as something of great significance and value.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...having set plans or fixed agendas for they actually inhibit the flow of money or ideas, and blind you to new opportunities.



LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

This images a person to whom one can relate with the assurance that they will not judge you in any way. It could even point to a relationship of this nature, where neither person judges the other. As such, one or both people has the inner man or woman drawn out of them. Also, any repressed feelings in the form or anger, fear, frustration, etc. can be vented, giving rise to a new and refreshed sense of being. Such clearing of repressed feelings will also prevent them from wreaking social, emotional or even physical havoc. Or there is a need for this.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...maintaining as unstructured a view as possible of the object of your concern, for from kindness and openness an unconditional love and deep intimacy will grow.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...fearing or insisting that things develop in a preconceived way.

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Yours could be said to be a strange fate. This is because it is your very unsureness and unworldliness that marks and singles you out for some unusual and possibly momentous role. However, the paradox is that if you deliberately look for this role it will elude you. This does not mean to say that you cannot dream of such and remain open to it in a decidedly non-specific way. This is the karma of innocence and of taking no side in particular. Better still...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...eliminating any grand or detailed plans, while sensing what draws you on, much as a compass needle points magnetic North. ...seeing disruptions as timely course corrections.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...preoccupying yourself with what could or should have been or what might or should happen, for this would confuse you horribly – possibly giving rise to complaints of congestion or needless anxiety.

'In transparency, worlds are created'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR NORTH LUNAR NODE...

- What are my present karmic conditions and intentions, and my point of focus for this lifetime (the Dragon's Head or 'bow-wave' of my personality vessel)?'
- Ω 'How do I find myself in-sync with socio-cultural trends and my surroundings, and thereby further myself more easily?'

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the North Lunar Node in your birth chart, is as follows...

Cancer 17th degree

THE GERM GROWS INTO KNOWLEDGE AND LIFE

\star QUICKENING PROCESS \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

You are involved in a natural process of development, anything from the expression of your own will to having a baby. The seed has been fertilized and now proceeds towards making something more of itself, multiplying exponentially as it does so.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the fact that this process is happening even though on the surface it may appear that nothing or very little is happening at all. ...nurturing any visible signs of development, or even just an awareness of it. ...seeing obstacles as challenges to growth, not as blocks to it.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ... trusting too much in instinct alone as a guide to furtherance rather than augmenting it with sufficient mental deliberation and discrimination. ...interfering or trying to make things happen faster than they are supposed to, for that way you could stymie or pervert the whole process.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

This very much symbolizes the creative process itself, which means that if your concern is to do with the creation or production of something, then trust that your initial idea or product will come to fruition and meet with success as long as you nurture it through all the necessary stages in an organic sort of way. Generally speaking, you are heading towards some form of success if you just...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...staying with the process and keeping mindful of what your original idea or target is. ...'quickening' the process through genuine encouragement and judicious investment.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...expansion for expansion's sake, for this could lead to something unmanageable or cumbersome, leading to eventual collapse. ...overlooking important parts of, or people involved with, the process.



LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

It may help here to see the start of a relationship as being like the successful interaction between a sperm and an egg. Once the one has 'fertilized' the other, the relationship then grows. The critical point though is whether it is allowed to grow into what it is supposed to be, owing to interference by one or both people created by their illusions of love and sex, loyalty and harmony. To avoid this...

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...what the relationship itself seems to give or demand of you, for such are indications of what the germ wants to grow into. ...nurturing one another through growth stages.

©WATCH OUT FOR ...signs that one or both of you is not happy with the way things are going. Do not assume things are alright because no-one says they are not. Ask and be honest with each other. ...critical stages of growth, and adjust to them.

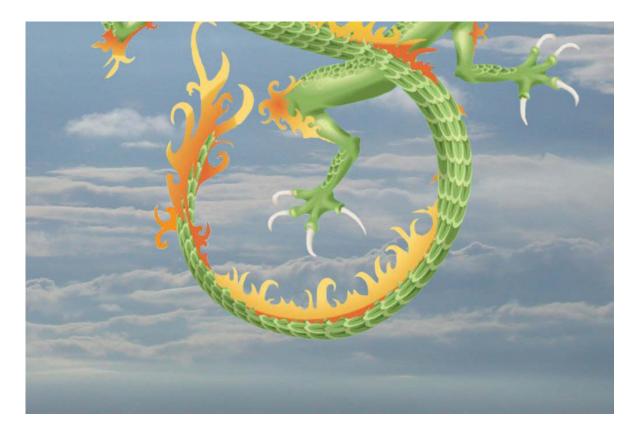
KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

The acorn and oak tree analogy: that everything and everyone has a seed or destiny which, according to one's karma and intrinsic nature, will eventually develop into what it, and it alone, is supposed to be (dharma). By the same token, you may now be experiencing the outgrowth or some critical development in respect of something that originated some time ago. Healthwise, we could be talking about any kind of cell proliferation here, including having a baby.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...thinking positively, even though you might feel some dark empty hole inside. Nature abhors a vacuum, so think and act creatively and what Nature fills it with will be good. ...what's happening now as an indication of your true path, unlikely though it may appear.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...dwelling upon your fears, for this will contribute to their manifestation.

'Large streams from little fountains flow Tall oaks from little acorns grow'



At birth you asked your Higher Self of YOUR SOUTH LUNAR NODE...

- V What are my previous karmic conditions and way of seeing life, the negative aspects of which I should progressively leave behind, deaccentuate or play down, (the Dragon's Tail or 'wash' of my personality vessel)?'
- [°]Where do I find myself out of sync with socio-cultural trends and my surroundings - possibly because I no longer belong there?'

NOTE: Unlike all the other parts of you, as the South Lunar Node indicates what you are trying to get free of, it is important to read the answer with this in mind, yet at the same time recognizing positive qualities that have been long and deeply installed. So, for example, a South Lunar Node with the Symbol 'A Mountain Pilgrimage' would suggest that retreating away from the world is what one should avoid, and that one should pay special attention to the 'Watch Out For's'. However, one also retains and draws advantage from a serious and disciplined spiritual awareness of what really matters.

The answer, in the form of the Sabian Symbol for the Zodiacal degree of the South Lunar Node in your birth chart, is as follows...

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Capricorn 17th degree

A GIRL SURREPTITIOUSLY BATHING IN THE NUDE

\star Self-conscious revelation \star

GENERAL INTERPRETATION

We have here an activity or occasion - possibly a literal and intimate communing with Nature which is somewhat marred by the anxiety that such an act will not be respected and possibly interfered with by those who are not sympathetically attuned to it. This anxiety potently comments upon the perennially narrow or lascivious attitude towards the naturalness of the human body - especially the female one.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...being true to your natural inclinations, despite any feelings of vulnerability. ...encouraging others to be more open through setting an example.

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...a coyness that can be a liability in itself, for it smacks of a lack of sureness of one's own purity of intent.

MONEY/WORK/CREATIVITY

Your effectiveness and success depends upon your overcoming self-consciousness by doing the very thing that makes you feel self-conscious – like doing your own thing, putting pen to paper, pushing yourself forward, or asking for a raise/loan/interview/deal.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...what it is you wish to attain, while trusting that the best way of finding out the worth of something, or if it will work or float, is by putting it through its paces.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...the strange fact that there's no success like failure – that is, the selffulfilling prophecy of saying 'I won't try for I know I won't make it/get it/hack it' – and so of course you don't.

LOVE/RELATING/SOCIAL

This Symbol perfectly represents the dilemma of wanting to immerse oneself in an emotional relationship but at the same time being fearful of feeling vulnerable and exposed. It also says that one feels the fear and does it anyway – so natural and irresistible is the urge.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...the exquisite pleasure and the ultimate increase in confidence that goes with taking the plunge into a particular relationship or social occasion. ...what it is you fear to reveal, like emotional vulnerability for instance, for that is what you are trying to overcome through such a relationship, and why you are prepared to risk it.

[©]WATCH OUT FOR ...exposing yourself to anyone who isn't prepared to expose themselves too. So test the water a bit first. ...chancing it when there really is something that you, or the other person, is not yet ready to reveal. ...tempting Fate

KARMA/ATTITUDE/HEALTH

Eventually we have to contact and express our inner selves, our souls – to speak our truth. This is done awkwardly and self-consciously at first, but with every unveiling we become more used to our 'nakedness' until we actually feel empowered by it and able to express ourselves fluently.

©KEEP FOCUSED ON ...identifying and eliminating the stage-fright or inhibitions that imprison you by surrendering to the truth that there is nothing to hide other than what some 'snake' led you to believe you had to hide. After all, when Adam and Eve felt shameful of their nakedness was precisely when they were cast out of Paradise!

☺WATCH OUT FOR ...embarrassment, for the word means to feel barred or held back by something – something that must be overcome before it overcomes you.



'Feel the fear and do it anyway'



POSTSCRIPT

It is strongly hoped that you have gained, and will continue to gain, insight and inspiration from this profile of Your Higher Self. What follows is a little more about the Sabian Symbols themselves.

There is evidently some connection to a sect in ancient Mesopotamia which was called the Sabians, which was also the name Marc Edmund Jones gave to his student group who tested the Symbols. The original Sabians were the followers of a religion led by Hermes Trismegistus, whose writings were in the form of the *Corpus Hermeticum*, and to whom is attributed the axiom that perfectly summarizes astrology: 'As Above So Below'. In the light of all this, it may therefore be said that the Sabian Symbols come down to us from the same source that has carried and kept through millennia some of the key mysteries and secrets of life on this planet.

Finally, please note that the actual words used in Your Higher Self that comprise the Sabian Symbols themselves are the original verbal forms of the Symbols as set down by Marc Edmund Jones in his book *The Sabian Symbols In Astrology* (Shambhalah Publications Inc, 1953). In later publications many of the Symbols have been reworded and elaborated upon.

'We are all from a grander place'