

Astrological Aphorisms for Healing

THE MOON may be regarded as the giver and the taker of life; that is, the moon acts as a medium in carrying the life forces from the sun to the earth and man, and the moon forces also eventually produce death.

2. When the moon is full, the tides are higher, the bones are fuller of marrow, and oysters are fuller than at any other time. The temperature is then also highest in fevers.

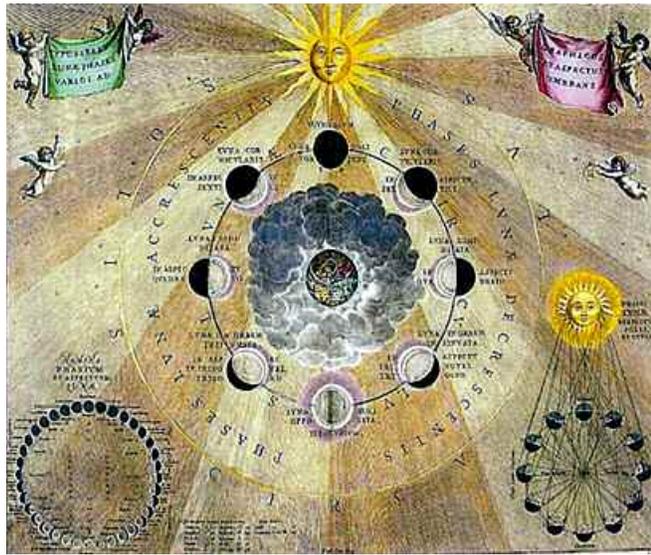
3. During the first half of life, particularly in childhood, the moon has greatest rule, and during the latter half of life the sun has the strongest influence.

4. The moon has great influence over insane people; that is, lunatics, and over hysterical, epileptic, and nervous patients. These patients feel the changes of the moon very greatly; especially are they very restless during the full of the moon. They should never sleep with the moon shining on them.

5. At the new moon the material forces are weakest. The period of the waning moon, namely between the full and the new, is strongest for spiritual work, for at that time the influence of the sun is greatest.

6.-Do not perform an operation when the moon is in the sign which rules the part of the body to be operated upon. Ptolemy says, "Pierce not with iron that part of the body which may be governed by the sign actually occupied by the moon."

7. Operations performed at the exact change of the moon are rarely successful. Choose the time for an operation when the moon is waxing or, as it is commonly termed, the light of the moon. Do not operate when the sun is in the sign which rules the



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Phases of the Moon

Lunar phases, transits, and aspects affect many facets of human health, including vitality, immunity and rates of recovery.

part of the body to be cut.

8. The moon revolves around the zodiac in about twenty-eight days. Disease reaches a turning point every seven days. Starting from the place of the moon at the beginning of the illness, a change may be expected in seven days (the square), on the fourteenth day (the opposition), and on the twenty-first day (another square).

9. The moon rules acute disease, the sun chronic.

10. When operating it is well to watch the squares and the opposition of the moon to the transiting sun, Mars, and Saturn.

11. The moon has greatest rule over the health of the woman, while the sun most influences the health of the man.

12. From the new to the full moon stimulants produce the most effect and sedatives are the weakest; decrease the dose of the one and increase the other.

13. When the increasing moon is in good aspect to the radical Jupiter or Venus, cardiac stimulation produces most lasting results. Palpitation is most efficiently treated when the moon is decreasing and aspecting the above planets favorably. Apply

heart stimulants with extreme care when the moon is discordantly aspected to these planets and especially when it is dark or waning.

14. Good aspects to the radical moon from the transiting Jupiter and Venus are very helpful.

15. When placed in the sixth house of the horoscope at birth Saturn has a tendency to lower the vitality.

16. The sign in which the sun is at birth is a very vital locality in the horoscope, its influence varying according as it is cardinal, fixed, or common. Also the house containing the sun, be it cadent, succedent or an angle, is important. From the strength of the sun you may often judge the response which you will get from your patient.

17. Benefic aspects between the radical sun and Mars give great vitality and resistance to disease. An evil aspect between the sun and Mars is better from a health standpoint than no aspect at all.

18. Aspects to the Ascendant and the Midheaven are often unreliable unless you are absolutely sure of the minute of birth. As clocks are frequently off time and there is much confusion in regard to different kinds of time, these two points should be used with great discretion

19. Planets that are in critical degrees (the 1st, 13th, and 26th degree of Cardinal signs; the 9th and 21st degrees of Fixed signs; and the 4th and 17th degrees of Common signs) have a greater influence either for good or evil than in other degrees.

20. Certain fixed stars have a powerful influence on disease. Especially should the three following nebular spots be watched: the Pleiades, 29 degrees of Taurus; Ascelli, 6 degrees of Leo; and Antares, 8 degrees of Sagittarius.

21. A child with no aspect between the sun and Mars may be more subject to many child's diseases.

22. A patient with many planets in airy signs requires more air in the sleeping apartment than others do; planets in fiery signs incline one to require much sunlight; and people with planets in watery or earthy signs suffer from too much sunlight.

23. With fixed signs on the angles and afflictions in common signs, the native overcomes disease; when common signs are on the angles and the afflictions in fixed signs, he is more apt to succumb to disease.

24. A well aspected sun when in the sign of Aries or Leo gives great vitality and an ability to throw off disease.

25. When people with Aries rising or the sun or Mars in the sign of Aries at birth are ill, their temperature rises much higher than that of other patients, and they suffer much more quickly from fever, for there is a tendency of the blood to rush to the head and to the skin.

26. An affliction between the sun and Saturn or a square between the moon and the sun gives low vitality. When this condition is found in the horoscope, it is well during illness to watch the progressed moon in aspect to these afflicted planets, and also especially the transits of the new and full moons.

27. Retrograde planets give very little help in disease. Regardless of whether they are in good or evil aspect, their influence is latent until they turn direct; then we may look for their awakened influence.

28. Planets when they turn from retrograde to direct are slow in motion. Their influence while in this slow motion is not as vital nor as powerful as when they are swiftly moving.

29. Planets are strong when in signs of their own nature, also when in aspect to planets which are in compatible signs.

30. When the hour of birth is not known a fairly accurate diagnosis may be obtained by using a flat chart; i.e., by placing Aries on the first house, Taurus on the second, Gemini on the third, etc.

31. Saturn's influence is contracting, while Mars' is loosening.

32. The sun rules the vital fluid which is specialized through the spleen. When the sun is afflicted at birth, disease frequently occurs when progressions of the planets afflict the sun.

33. When the radical sun or moon is within orb of the Pleiades in 29 degrees of Taurus, the Ascelli in Leo 6, or Antares in Sagittarius 8, trouble with the eyes is indicated, especially if Saturn, Mars, or Uranus is also at one of these spots.

34. Mercury in the twelfth house, afflicted by the sun, Saturn, Uranus, or Mars, also Mercury in Capricorn, the house of Saturn, when afflicted by a malefic, will affect the hearing.

35. Watch the malefic planets when they are

placed in either the sixth or the twelfth house, the sixth being the house which has rule over sickness, and the twelfth having rule over hospitals and places of confinement.

36. It is necessary to observe the antipathy between certain signs and planets. For instance, the fiery Mars may be posited in the watery Pisces, or the cold, earthy Saturn in the fiery sign of Aries. When a planet is in the sign of its detriment, it may especially become a menace to health.

37. The place where Saturn is found in the horoscope is most likely to be a weak place in the physical body, the place most easily affected by disease.

38. The Lucifer spirits from Mars aid in maintaining the heat of the blood by dissolving the iron, a Mars metal, and enabling the blood to attract oxygen, a sun element.

39. A patient with the planet Mercury in square aspect to Saturn is apt to suffer from gloom. A cheerful, sunny room should be chosen, with rose colored walls.

40. The sign of Leo on the Ascendant with the sun in its exaltation sign, Aries, gives abundant vitality and the power to throw off disease.

41. If a disease is caused by an affliction of Mars, we may look for help when the progressed moon reaches a good aspect of Venus. When the disease is of a Saturnian nature, we may expect the greatest help when the moon aspects Jupiter. Note the symbol of Venus, the higher octave of Mars, and that of Jupiter, the higher octave of Saturn; in each case the latter symbol is the inversion of the former.

42. If the moon is in conjunction with Saturn at the beginning of disease, we may expect that the disease will be of long duration.

43. Disease related to the moon is of an acute nature and may change within twenty-eight days, but when the disease is related to the sun, it is of a more chronic nature and likely to be of longer duration and more stubborn in resisting treatment. □

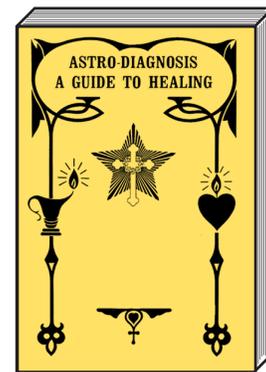
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