Edgar Cayce and Astrology

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Edgar Cayce, the famous "sleeping prophet," gave very profound psychic readings the first half of the 20th century. The fact that Edgar Cayce gave information concerning astrology and reincarnation was a complete surprise to him, for he was a devout Christian and a Sunday school teacher. As people seemed to be positively influenced by these strange notions, however, Mr. Cayce relaxed and allowed more information to flow through him.

Some of the fascinating concepts from the Readings include: interplanetary sojourns, reincarnation, astrological influences, karma, and the mission of spirits and souls. For instance, the "effects" of the planets are due to the intriguing fact that we have interplanetary sojourns upon these dimensional spheres in – between earthly lifetimes! Sounds intriguing? Read on!

The planets are vibratory centers that correspond to music, tones and color in a vast and orderly universe. We are aware of them in our consciousness, much like recollections of our experiences or lessons in our memories. It is to be remembered that ***our individual wills*** are more important than the influences of the stars, reminds Cayce. Nevertheless, we are influenced. As we grow in consciousness, in awareness, it is necessary to pass through "the eight vibrations" or dimensions in our solar system, which are stages in development along our journeys to unite with the Creator. The following is a brief description of the planets and some of their effects. Be prepared for a few surprises!

Mercury is associated with high mental abilities. A mercurial soul is a gifted soul and needs to watch for self-aggrandizement or his abilities will be merely stumbling stones upon his path. Mercury brings understanding and communication, specifically the understanding of the other spheres. “Messages” are a part of life. Mercury is connected to the pineal gland and the color indigo.

Venus is indeed the planet of love. Sympathy, the alleviating of hardships, the seeking of love, beauty and song are some Venusian influences. Beauty, either natural or man-made, will move these individuals; furthermore, there is a desire to beautify the home. There is a strong attraction to the opposite sex. Charming.
Venus is associated with the thymus and the color green.

Mars may bring with it anger, impulsiveness, and a temper. Action and activity preclude any inclination to laziness. Accidents may occur. Stubbornness needs to be handled with patience and self-control. This entity may have an exalted opinion of himself, which is not necessarily bad. Mars is courageous.
Mars is connected with the adrenals and the color yellow.

Jupiter confers universality and ennoblement, turning one's attention to large groups of people or nations. It is expansive and may bless one with wealth, which includes a wealth of friends, a broad-mindedness, and the ability to consider others. Grand ideas and notions. Strength of character.
Jupiter is associated with the pituitary and the color violet.

Saturn is the big surprise. Far from indicating obstacles and restrictions, it represents ***changes***! These may be sudden or violent changes and represent testing periods of endurance and patience. Projects and associations are started, but follow-through may be a problem! Saturnians need to learn persistence, says Cayce! A soul "banishes itself" to Saturn to begin anew, probably because the entity became stuck or fixed in some way. From here the entity was sent to Uranus, presumably to rebuild the will to make better future choices. Saturn is connected to the gonads and the color red!

Uranus is the planet of extremes--and of the extremist! It gives an interest in psychic phenomena and the occult. "Moods and wonderments," says Cayce, "...when the entity is good, he can be very, very good, but when he is bad, he can be awful." A Uranian has times of smoothness and other times when "everything goes awry;" also, periods of ecstasy and depression. Thus, one's will and one's overall decisions to follow a path are important.
Uranus is associated with the thyroid and the color blue.

Neptune is the mystic planet. Neptune gives the urges to seek the unusual, the mystical, the "unseen" forces around us. Neptunians are drawn to water. They seem peculiar to others and are many times misunderstood. A love of mysteries can indeed be spiritual, but it can also be "of the sleuth or detective nature." Watch for confusion and hero worship! This is a good, kind soul who could positively affect others – if they overcome their reclusiveness.
Neptune is connected to the reproductive cells of Leydig and the color orange.

Pluto was discussed by Cayce years before it was discovered! He had referred to Vulcan and **Septimus**, the seventh planet from the earth. When Pluto was discovered in 1930, Cayce affirmed that Vulcan, or Septimus, was the same planet. Regeneration and a growth in consciousness is indicated, but an affliction brings self-centeredness. Beware of wrath and grudges, warned the sleeping Cayce, "stay attuned to the love force." Pluto represents spiritual growth and development of the soul and its influence is just now developing in the destiny of humanity.

This cursory sketch is merely the beginning of a study of Edgar Cayce's contribution to astrology and cosmology. I hope it has piqued your curiosity enough to read further. A good place to begin is Margaret Gammon's ***Astrology and the Edgar Cayce Readings.***

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