

**Full Moon August 2011. "...all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed."**

All we really know is that it's over. Whatever it was, it ain't no more. Admit it.

It's hard to say what's next, but of course the last thing you'd want to know would be that. Because that would limit what can be. And that's part of what's over – that masculine defining of what is, of limiting what can be by naming it. The last thing you want is to KNOW anything. Prevents you from allowing EVERYTHING, you know?

It's interesting to watch how spirit is working to evolve us. Working us along a surface of "knowing" ... all these different ways that're offered as "solutions." Like, you just do this one thing, and whatever you were working on you'll be done with. One step. Just do this. And then, next thing you know, 8 of the 15 astrological bodies go retrograde, and you realize you are re-doing a bunch of stuff you thought you were done with.

Pluto and her supporting cast of Neptune, Uranus, Alpha Omega, Ceres, Pallas, Vesta and finally Mercury, all going backwards through the sky. All leading us back to unfinished business for another touch. How we connect to the divine, who we really are, who we can become, our sense of knowing, our sense of protection, our sense of identity. How we experience the world. Retrograde. Old versions, coming back.

Spirit put Pluto in Capricorn during this pivotal time because it is time again to find a new way to live. Capricorn is the sign that wants, more than any other, to have a WAY. Directions, steps, a plan. Capricorn wants to know. To limit, to narrow the possibilities. And putting Pluto there is like taking a blowtorch to all of that. I call Pluto Kali. I think SHE is a much better archetypal expression of the experience. The dark feminine destroyer, 100 hands, each holding a man's head. Before the New, death of the Old.

Pluto in Capricorn is destroying our false-masculine, egoic, limiting versions of How to Live. There is a beautiful essence of Capricorn that will be left. It is a masculine acceptance of here. It is the ability to see that The Way brought you Here. That what got you here is no more, but that you know who you truly are. So that you can start again, from here, wherever that is.

Pluto was last in Capricorn from 1764 – 1778, during which time humanity shrugged off the yoke of monarchy. The Declaration of Independence is perfectly worded to express the energy of Pluto in Capricorn. What was, ain't no more. Don't know where I'm going but I know where I've been. Probably for most of that time there was a personal sensibility to it. That, "I'm going through my stuff" feeling. But it became collective. If you haven't read it lately... it feels good to read it now.

So we are feeling this now. Yes, Mercury is retrograde and yes, the tip of the ice berg does stick out of the water. If it were just Mercury that were retrograde than what we would feel is that our ways of being, of connecting, of knowing – these would be solid, complete in our response to the intensification of world-experience that Mercury Rx creates. The old stuff would stay put. But that's not what I'm hearing from people. People are saying that they are dealing with all kinds of intense stuff they thought they had put to bed. And I say, "yeah, you are. Me too." Spirit is asking us to grow out of personal struggle into a collective, Earth-saving transformational force. It ain't easy.

But of course, it is perfect. And there's this, too. There is always help. Besides your own willingness to do the work, Spirit always wants to give you a hand. To give you at least one of the answers. In the chart for this Full Moon, which happens on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of August at just about noon, Pacific Time, there is an arrow pointing to a way to be in response to this test which is taking away all the ways we've known. A way to allow HERE to be wherever it wants to be.

To help you survive the Pluto Rx in Capricorn riddle, allow yourself to embody Juno in the 6<sup>th</sup> degree of Libra, **"A wandering landscape searching for a canvas on which to dwell."** When the Full Moon shines its light into all that shadow, remind yourself that you are, "A wandering landscape searching for a canvas on which to dwell."

"... And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

I look forward to seeing you there.