

Aries (March 21 - April 19) –

I suspect that your financial situation is not as you would like it to be. April forced you to pay some bills you hadn't anticipated, take stock of your spending and ultimately left you broke and depressed. I have a bit of mixed news for you. The new moon solar eclipse is going to shake up your house of earned income. You will be given the opportunity to become involved with several new income streams. One will be much more attractive than the others but you must weigh your options carefully and question things that seem too easy. If you don't, your willful ignorance could prove lethal. Sure, you can keep telling yourself that all you're doing is picking up envelopes and dropping them off, but the things you see will haunt your dreams and cloud your conscience. You'll try to sleep but images of girls in dark basements, pleading terrified faces, and straining limbs in restraints will clap through your mind like a thunderstorm. When your cool façade crumbles under the weight of knowing too much, the men will arrive at your door. You'll know what they're there for.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) –

The solar eclipse entering your new moon on May 9 will bring a gorgeous shimmering fresh start to an important relationship in your life. Are you about to get engaged, move in together, walk down the aisle or embark on a new adventure? You'll jump in head first, without reservation, and it will be magnificent. Of course, it won't last long. As the sun moves into Gemini later in the month, the dual nature of your partner will start to reveal itself in an almost imperceptible way. Why is that coffee mug put away in the dish and bowl cabinet? Why did dog shampoo appear in the shower when you don't own a dog? Why is a twenty foot Sigil of Baphomet being constructed of paper mache in your spare room? You gently try to coax some answers from your partner and are met with maniacal hiccup-like giggling followed by swift cold rage. This goes on for nearly an hour and it dawns on you that you may have rushed into things. There is clearly more to this but you won't have the energy to pursue it further or make any more decisions this month. You have become the person living a life of quiet desperation who you'd always imagined to be much older and more pathetic. If it's not already too late, I urge you to spend some more time getting to know your partner and hold off on the big moves until June.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) –

This will be a strange month for you, Gemini, with the universe imploring you to give things up and pouncing on your mental weaknesses. The first few weeks of the month are likely to appear fairly calm and uneventful with an empty calendar and stillness in the air. Noticing that toward the end of the month your schedule will fill again, you may start thinking about a little getaway. I recommend that you stick close to home, and try to work through what you're being dealt. If you do go, the subtle lingering effects of the April 25 eclipse will have you craving solitude and austerity. Your getaway will be in the form of a retreat to a lakeside town. The type of place that's bustling during the summer but soulless and desolate until mid-June. As you pull through the main street you see that the sidewalk is empty with a few people staring mindlessly slack-jawed through shop windows. Your rental cabin will be removed from the center of town and walled in glass. You'll carry your bag up the front walk and shiver. The air is hazy but chilled and seems to be visibly deep blue. An unsettled feeling grips you as the door closes quietly behind you on its own. You drop your bags moving stiffly toward a small wooden desk, the only piece of furniture in the space. You put on the glasses resting on top of it. Taking in the 360 degree view of fog your mind slows and you feel wholly yourself yet wholly outside yourself. You have no idea how long you sit at that desk, but you're aware that you haven't moved an inch or felt a pang of hunger. Gazing straight ahead it seems to take weeks for your mind to develop the thought that you are entombed in this glass room, but you have no desire to leave anyway.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) –

April was difficult for you. Even your distant acquaintances are aware of how much you struggled, especially socially. Mars, Mercury, Venus and the Sun are about to unite to be sure all that changes this month. Join a team! Start a club! Rent a dog and hang out at a dog park! Whatever it takes, this is a shining month for you to meet someone. However, please keep it at that for the time being and let this relationship develop in a non-physical way. Mid-month your house of health will be comingling in a dangerous way with your house of love. This can often manifest itself in physical ways which are most unpleasant. The fact that this is all happening to you, a Cancer, the crab sign, raises a very troubling possibility. Whether you are male or female, there is a high probability that you will encounter vagina dentata this month. Yes, that does refer to the growth of teeth where they should not be. If you are female you will likely develop the condition yourself. There are several ways you'll be able to tell, but I don't suggest you go out of your way to check. You could, literally or figuratively, be scarred for life. Try getting to know someone before you bring him home for once. Who knows, he may hold your interest until June. By then, the condition should recede. If you are a straight male, you'll have a better chance of

avoiding exposure to this phenomenon, assuming you can keep your lust in check. This may be easier said than done given the number of hot girls who will be fawning over you this month. This is not the time to have a few too many drinks and throw caution to the wind, unless castration is a consequence you're prepared to deal with. This is the month to build a solid foundation for a real relationship. If you're a gay man, you have that much more to celebrate at the gay pride parade this year.

Leo (July 23 - August 22) –

The eclipse this month is lighting up your house of home and family. The emphasis is on change which suggests that you'll finally get to some renovations you've been planning for a while. This will be a nice upgrade if you hire professionals and take things one step at a time. Don't even think about undertaking these projects on your own. You've been hearing a little scratching scamper at night for some time now. It wakes you causing you to lie in bed mimicking rigor mortis with a stillness devoted to identifying the source of the sound; it doesn't come back. Sometimes when you're watching TV you swear you hear a shrill screechy cackle and immediately hit the mute button to prove yourself sane; all remains quiet. Take solace in the fact that you are not losing your mind. A breed of albino squirrels is thriving within your walls. Bulbous pink mounds have developed where their eyes should be; they've never been exposed to the light. Their little clawed paws have a dexterity unknown to their tree-dwelling cousins from feeling their way through their pitch black lives. Their teeth have evolved into indestructible, powerful, gleaming blades from years of gnawing through pipes. Their bushy tails, a translucent white, are strong, determined, and laced with carbon monoxide ridden dust from the heating vents. Worst of all, these squirrels have abandoned their relatives' preference for an herbivore lifestyle. After basking in the strength they gained from feasting on mouse and rat carcasses, they have a taste only for blood. This is the season when mice and rats are taking to the streets again, no longer needing to seek shelter indoors from harsh winter weather. The squirrels are ravenous, irritable, and determined. If you start trying to knock down walls or cut ceiling holes for light fixtures, you and your family will be overrun by these mutant bloodthirsty albino squirrels. You will be held captive in your own home until the bloody battle comes to its natural end. You will not win. Leave the real projects to the contractors.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22) –

The eclipse for you this month will mean that you are finally able to take the trip you've been dreaming of for a while. It will likely be overseas. I'm not going to advise you not to take this trip, it means too much to you. I'm having trouble even seeing which country you have in mind. What I do see are winding alleys, streets with

names you don't understand and a lot of chaos. Virgos are typically analytical and observant scrutinizing everything. You may make an effort to step outside your comfort zone on this trip and relax. This is a bad idea. You'll likely go out at night feeling great, wearing a new outfit & mixing it up with the locals like regular world traveler. You'll think to yourself "man, I'm made to travel, I'm so damn likeable, I give America a good name worldwide!" You'll move from bar to bar in a sloppy roving pack with your newfound pals. After an hour or two it dawns on you that you can't understand anything they're saying. Maybe their accents have just gotten stronger...maybe they were never speaking English at all. Who cares!? You're experiencing another culture as it was meant to be experienced! You duck into a small bar, barely large enough to contain the group, do a shot & spill back onto the street again. Funny, you thought you had gone around the block but you've never seen any of this before. Alcohol-numbed to the warning signs, you continue without trepidation. At the next stop the frivolity drains suddenly from the room. You're easily forced to your knees as men rocking and glowering form a dense circle around you. You're pockets are yanked inside out & through dizzy nausea you see travelers' checks, American cash and credit cards bearing your name being passed all around you. The next thing you're aware of is coming to, naked, on a cold marble slab in an unfamiliar doorway. Squinting, you try to make sense of where you are. Everything looks the same but there are no identifying landmarks. You may not make it back to your hotel, nevermind your home.

Libra (September 23 - October 22) –

Springtime is a good time to go on a trip with your family, friends, and loved ones. Memorial Day weekend is right around the corner and presents the perfect opportunity to escape to an old rustic town hidden in a forgotten valley. While you're there, be sure to have a nice early dinner at a quaint historic hotel, but please, try not go on and on with all that big talk about your future. If you choose to do so, your boastful (yet completely hollow) words will cause you and your party to drink too much and leave the meal much later than you expected. At dusk, you'll confidently lead your group up a long winding garden path – a shortcut you say - that begins at the hotel and ends at the gate of an elaborate, but poorly-maintained hedge maze. You'll tell everyone "don't worry I'll find the way through this childish maze in no time." At first they'll oblige and follow, but, before too long, you'll look back and find that they're no longer behind you. It's then that you hear something rustling in the grass and notice a small harmless looking hare hopping along in front of you. In your drunken delirium, you decide to follow the rabbit's footsteps until you reach the very center of the maze. It's there that you encounter a marble mausoleum with an open iron door. As your curiosity knows no bounds, you walk through the entryway and

stumble into the side of an open sarcophagus situated in the middle of the chamber. It's at that moment the iron door closes. You try to open it, but it's been locked from the outside. You keep your cool for a few minutes and rack your brains to find a way out, but your train of thought is soon interrupted by some eerie, rhythmic, and enigmatic chanting. As the chanting progresses, it becomes louder and louder and more and more apparent that the voices are praying about some kind of "twilight kingdom." And that's when your last three thoughts finally occur to you: Was that rabbit a witch's familiar spirit? Are the people beyond the walls of this vault actually my friends and family? Is this sarcophagus meant for me?

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21) –

A lot of you Scorpios have been feeling terrible for a long time now. Guess what? It's time to deal with your suffering this May. Consider the following questions: Have you been feeling pain in your hands, feet, or side? All of the above? How about that forehead of yours? Are you having trouble figuring out the root of your discomfort? You lack topical wounds, don't you? Well, it may be possible that you're suffering from invisible stigmata. To deal with your affliction, you can pursue the following three avenues: see a doctor to be sure your agony can't be medically explained, attempt a special type of pain relief exorcism, or become a mystic and live with your constant torment. It's not clear at this time what will happen to you if you select either of the first two choices, however, your fate has been decided if you choose the third option. Many Scorpios are self-destructive, so becoming a masochistic mystic will likely be your decision. Although you've always been pretty self-reliant, you're going to feel the urge to switch to a bedridden way of life. Due to this change in lifestyle, a major rift is going to develop among those who are part of your inner circle. Half will adore you and half will question your credibility. But then, next May, you'll claim to see an extraordinary vision for the first time. It's this vision, which cannot be predicted now, that will cause the believers and doubters to be on the same side. The question is: will they be on your side?

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) –

Lately, you've either been complaining a wee-bit too much, telling far too many people about your rigid political opinions, or both. So far, you've managed to avoid detection. Good job. You've lucked out. People haven't taken you seriously. They figure you're harmless - but not this month. Oh no, not this month. Something about the waxing moon that begins on the tenth - in combination with the position of Jupiter - is going to push you close to the edge. So, before it's too late, it may be a good idea to slow it down and take a couple of breaths. Perhaps you should call in sick to work the night of the ninth and take three or four sleeping pills. Should you choose

to do otherwise, important and influential people are going to take note of your words and actions and label you a victim of hysteria. Before too long, you're going to find yourself involuntarily committed to one of the few remaining mental hospitals in your area. At first you'll be treated nicely, as if everything has just been a great misunderstanding. But then, unfortunately, you're going to be transferred to an infrequently used wing that's under the direction of a psychotic psychiatrist named Dr. Dibbuk. At the time you meet Dr. Dibbuk, or Dibbsy, the nickname his nefarious friends call him, he's going to be in his rotating chair therapy phase. Then, he'll try and use his "crib" to help you. Then, comes the ice bath regimen. What next? Well, it's electro-shock time. Finally, because he loves the painting "The Extraction of the Stone of Madness" by Hieronymus Bosch so much, Dibbsy is going to see if a little bit of trepanning will do you any good. Come on, he only wants what's best for you. He just has a strong cruel-to-be-kind-desire to remove those poisonous goblins from your head. After all, it's not his fault the road to hell is paved with good intentions.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19) –

Capricorns are known for being stubborn, but please, for your own good, make the right choice and heed this warning: Do not make eye contact with strangers this May and remain as humble as humanly possible. Jealous individuals are going to surround you this month and their uncontrollable envy will undoubtedly lead to your undoing. The evil eye can strike at anytime, but its power will be strongest on the twenty-fifth during the full moon. To protect yourself, it is strongly recommended that you whittle a fist and phallus pendant out of some fresh water driftwood. Be sure that the fist is making a fig sign, which is a symbol of good luck. Whatever you do, do not go to any major museums for the next thirty-some-odd days. If you should make that poor decision, you will be drawn to a rare collection of Roman mummy portraits. At this exhibit, you will notice a wood panel painting of a devastatingly beautiful woman with dark brown piercing eyes. Your gazes will meet and lock, your body will shutter, and in mere seconds all that will be left of you will be a pile of dust on the museum floor. No fist and phallus pendant, no matter the size, will be able to save you - even if you were talented enough to carve an ejaculating phallus.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) –

It seems that luck and Uranus are on your side this May. A certain person you know has decided to include you in his or her will. Eventually, you're going to receive a sizable inheritance! Unless, of course, you fall prey to greed and decide to squabble over the terms of the will. Your unwillingness to share, a common fault of the Aquarius, could become a serious problem for you. Oddly enough, should you choose the covetous path and challenge the will, you'll actually be successful – but

only for a relatively short amount of time. One of the individuals you swindle is someone who should never be crossed: a warlock named Meskalamdug Naram-Sin. Yes, it's true, you don't know anyone with that name, but that's only because this conjurer goes by an inconspicuous alias that cannot be seen in the stars. Naram-Sin, a nasty and spiteful fellow, will begin to exact his revenge upon you three days after you receive your money. He intends to have you suffer a slow and painful death by torturing an effigy of you that he has painstakingly sculpted. Over the course of 567 days, this waxen figure will be pricked with pins and gradually burned until you waste away to nothing. As some wise witches once said, "Weary sev'nights, nine times nine, shall you dwindle, peak, and pine."

Pisces (February 19 - March 20) –

Those seemingly inexplicable noises you've been hearing in and around your house happen to be the handiwork of a poltergeist. If you don't take action soon, things are only going to get worse – much worse. It is strongly suggested that you head down to your basement, pour some salt into the shape of a pentagram on the floor, and burn twelve ounces of sage in a crock that used to (preferably) belong to your grandmother. If this isn't done by the twenty-second of May, a demon will appear in your kitchen at dawn the next day. He will be holding a gigantic venomous serpent in his right hand and a golden glowing sword in his left. He will tell you, telepathically, that he has come for something - something that you will only part with over your own dead body. Still, it's possible that reciting a protective Mesopotamian incantation in front of this evil being will save you. Be sure to describe the demon and everything he has done. Then again, by this point, there's a good chance you've waited too long and will be hewed in half, bitten by the basilisk, or both.