

10th Episode – Does planetary movements affects our lives?

Following 9th episode of “*Importance of Shradh*”, towards Maha Kumbhabhisekam of Panching Gua Charas Jalalingeswarar Shivan temple, with good intention and thoughts for all devotees, the following write-up is prepared.

In the previous episodes we look into details of different level of energies and fundamentals of life. We also noted that we have to keep looking inward for many of our questions and “see things as they are” whereby a lot of answers can indeed be obtained by observing the nature (Na Ma Si Va Ya) (**Earth, Water, Fire, Pranic** and **Sky/Ether**) and meditation.

In this 10th episode we will look at the following question “*Does planetary movements affects our lives*”? Often many of us believe, to a certain extent and often relate our life problems with planetary effect of our birth chart – is it not?

Before we dive into any sort of details lets understand the basics of this universe. As often mentioned by Sadhguru, in this cosmos, our galaxy is a small happening.

In the Milky Way, this **Solar System is a speck**. In that tiny speck, planet **Earth is a super-tiny speck**. In that, your city (i.e. place of birth) is a **micro-tiny speck**. In that speck, **you are a big man!** People have lost perspective of who and what they are and how planets can affect us.

Sage Vyasa, the person who compiled the four Vedas – his father was an Aryan and his mother was a Dravidian. In spite of that, in South India, they don't ascribe to the Vedas. Dravidian culture never went for astrology by looking at the stars, they made predictions by looking at people. In South India it is called Nadi Joshyam. But the Aryan culture came with astrology.

Astrology (Planetary movement) is an **interpretation of astronomy**. **If you try to interpret** something, invariably **you miss a lot of points**. So, it is a mis-interpretation because you missed a lot of things.

The reason why the Aryan culture looked at the stars so much is, they were nomadic. They were always travelling. Since there were no roads, they needed to figure out which is north, which is south, which is east, which is west. When the sun was up, they knew. Once the sun set, there was really nothing except fire and stars. So, the Aryan culture revolved around fire and the stars. The stars informed them approximately which way to go. Slowly, observing the stars, they figured which way to travel. They kept looking up and their knowledge of the stars increased. Interpretations started, and they developed a certain mastery and knowledge about the stars.

However, the indigenous people of this land did not look up. They always saw the earth as their mother and paid attention to her. Because they looked at the earth, they developed agriculture, almost before anyone else on the planet could think of it. That means, they had food growing in one place. They did not have to chase anything. They did not have to go around picking something. They knew how to reap from the earth. Once they knew how to reap from the earth, they stayed in the same place. They started building homes; because they started building homes, they started singing. Because they built homes and they had to count how many bags of grain they had grown, they started arithmetic. Mathematics, music, aesthetics, agriculture, and the spiritual process developed in this culture because they paid attention to the earth. In short, they looked at fundamentals of **Na Ma Si Va Ya** and understood the 5 elements of nature very much so.

These are two different kinds of cultures, even in today's world: One is always looking up, not at the stars anymore, but at the one and only God up there. The other one is always looking down. The looking-down cultures live more sensibly because they consider **Mother Earth as God**, so they walk a little more gently on the planet.

So much into history to give each of us a little of flavour of what is happening around us and how we get influenced and inter-relate happenings which we create ourselves in this life and easily relate them to birth chart (i.e. planetary movements). This simple answer to know and relate all the happenings in our daily life, is indeed to **look for answers inward**.

Anyway, the choice is this: either **you try to live your life by predictions** or you have the capability to **make a plan and fulfil the plan**. All those minds which are incapable of a plan will look for a prediction.

The stars that we see in the sky are far away, so very far away that they have nothing to do with you. Just one star has a **big influence upon you – the Sun. And its satellite, the Moon**, also has some influence upon you. This planet has an even greater influence upon you.

But above all, **what is within you has the biggest influence upon you**. All those who are incapable of committing themselves to a plan and fulfilling it, want a prediction. The advantage with predictions is, you can keep changing them. But if a plan has to work, you have to pay enormous attention in creating one. Then you have to stick to it. Then it means your life is happening wonderfully.

Jalalingam temple will provide all the answers each devotee needs if we really seek inward and concentrate to control our mind and meditate to reverberate our energies to pleasantness.

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