New Moon (18 Leo 42) August 10-12, 2018

These days are extremely useful for envisioning the next month. Imagine you are planting seeds and setting intentions. Go within, taking some time to yourself, and create your intentions with as much lucidity and clarity as possible.

Themes to consider when setting intentions include:

- If you could create your own reality, what would it be?
- Do you fear revealing yourself too much?
- Do you have the courage to show your true self to the world? Are you afraid to be *'out there'*?
- Are you aware that you can make it up anyway you desire?
- Is there enough joy in your life?
- How are you doing with self-love?
- Is there a healthy 'two year old' inside of you wanting to get out and express?
- Consider creating something just because you can, or just for the fun of it.
- Consider activities that stretch you to show up and express on a bigger stage of life.
- Consider taking bold and courageous steps initiated by you testing and trusting your charisma.

Partial Solar Eclipse

A remarkable feature of this New Moon is the closing of the Eclipse Window with a Partial Solar Eclipse. Although only a partial New Moon Eclipse all the attributes of this time are magnified. Not only does this amplify the power and strength of your intentions for the coming month, it extends for at least the next six months or more .

Be sure you include in your envisioning process of planting intentional seeds, the urgent necessity to face any fears from the past, both your personal past and the collective past, that could be holding you back. If you can, courageously, with brutal honesty, confront these fears and 'shadow' programs, then the possibility of creating major breakthroughs are significantly heightened.

It is very important to be on-guard against escapism, or oblivious detachment. Checking out and pretending everything in you and the world is perfectly fine is not helpful as the profound opportunities available in this rare time-frame will be wasted.

This is the culmination of the process that began with the last New Moon is a significant time-frame for planting the intentional seeds that will be coming to fruition over next 2-3 years. You might also want to consider what seeds you planted back around January 30 to February 1, 2018.

First Quarter (25 Scorpio 20) August 17-19, 2018

This is the testing ground where you may be facing challenges in the way of fulfilling the intentions you have set into place. It's time for making decision, a reckoning perhaps. It can feel like a referendum on the seeds you planted last week. You could possibly regret that you intended the course of action you are on, or perhaps regret that you ignored the possibilities completely.

In any case, some kind of action is required, despite your uncertainties. It's not the time for resting or escaping. It's not too late to push forward with your plans, and it's best to not doubt the correctness of your intentions, even if you are faced with challenges or uncertainty just now.

Full Moon (3 Pisces 12) August 25-27, 2018

Time for maximum expansion - when the energies of life are most pronounced and heightened. Extreme kinds of experiences may occur. On one hand, overwhelming fullness of your consciousness and perceptions may be wildly exciting. It's great to be alive - to see and feel everything, even in the middle of the night.

However, these experiences can be so overwhelming it may feel like too much or being overloaded. Less sleep is often the case because consciousness is so expanded. Beware of manic behavior, as well as irrational fears that can surface in your or others. This is understandable as previously hidden (in the dark) or repressed aspects within and in the environment are now exposed.

At this time the seeds of intention from a previous New Moon have grown and stand revealed. If you have intended well, this is a gratifying time. Bask in the joy of their manifestation. In such cases, who needs sleep?

However, if you have not clearly intended or seeded at the New Moon, or failed to take actions towards their manifestation, you might feel remorse, even disappointment, as you become increasingly aware of what you may have missed. Notice these feelings, while remembering to not be too hard on yourself, as your self-judgment, and oversensitivity to the judgment of others, can also be greatly expanded now.

This Full Moon includes several additional features to consider:

- If things have gone well these past few weeks since the New Moon, you should be feeling really good about yourself and your life, including seeing beneficial results from your recent actions. You are seeing that you can have your life be the way you want it to be. Your sense of self-love has increased. Others are also noticing it and you are experiencing greater confidence and courage with your capacity to be your true self in the world. There is more joy in your life.
- **However beware of certain pitfalls that may arise unexpectedly, and that others can easily notice Including:**

  Arrogance
  Entitlement
  Extreme narcissism and egotism
  Patriarchal hierarchy
  Vanity
  Insensitivity to others

  If it has not been so good these past weeks, having failed to set intentions, or failed at manifesting them, you will feel incapable of escaping from awareness of your predicament. The solution is to have compassion and empathy for yourself. Do not judge yourself for your failure to set intentions, or to carry them through, or to judge the outcomes. The expanded awareness you now have is to be remembered. There will be other times for successfully implementing actions benefiting you, others and the world.

- Beware of coming on too strong, being too aggressive, and too commanding. This is particularly true if your nature is naturally confident and assertive. You are not the only one making it up the way you want it. There is a fine line between authentically inspiring and leading others from your own example, and becoming dictatorial, as if, only you are king/queen, only you are god/goddess. The expanded energies of the Full Moon can expand you too far. Fortunately there is a solution at this time.

- In this Full Moon, there is tremendous availability of accessing a deep connection to feeling empathy and compassion. The predicament of much of global humanity, including its grief, sorrow and suffering, is strongly in the collective field now.

  Genuine love and compassion, including self-love, is the other side of grief. Without the capacity to empathically experience your grief and suffering, self-love and love for others is difficult to realize. If you truly grieve, it's proof that you have really loved. Therefore, do not be surprised that this time involves more opportunities to be feeling, with compassion, the sorrows, and needs of others.

- If you are feeling confident and comfortable with your capacity to lead, to create, to inspire others, and to fully create your own reality, opens you to experiencing a deeper sense of interconnectedness to other people, including their sorrow, grief, and need for love and compassion, then this is a powerful time for you.

- However, without both, you may discover why Full Moons have been sometimes called lunacy. With both, you can begin to experience the original meaning of *Royalty to* model for humanity the very best qualities of a human being, while also serving others.

Last Quarter (10 Gemini 34) September 1-3, 2018

These days do require action and activity. This is not a time of rest or pure escape. The key word for this time is dissemination.

If you set intentions at the New Moon, bathed in a sense of accomplishment during the Full Moon, then this is a tremendous time to share, to express, to contribute what you have learned, and what you have gained.

Don't look at this as just more accomplishment, or additional *doing*, but rather an elegant and mature giving back, an effortless sharing, reserved for those open to receiving. Possibly what you are sharing are future seeds of intention for others.

However, if you have not had such an illuminating or successful time these past weeks, then you could be feeling the stress of having missed the opportunity. Events in your life can very much reflect your disappointment in having little to share, or in having made few, if any, strides toward a fulfilling life.

Use these difficult feelings and experiences to inspire a different approach, augmented by greater awareness and conviction next month and next year.