

## The Source of Identity

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“Look at me, look at me!” ( Australian TV comedy “Kath and Kim”).

The shining personality of Leo struts its stuff on the stage of life at the centre of the spotlight. Likewise the Sun gains our attention as the sole luminary expressing magnanimous warmth and light, nurturing wellbeing and evoking awe through the magnificence of sunrise and sunset.

The Sun rules Leo.

Hindu cosmology acknowledges the Sun as the true source of human identity. Our monadic spirit-spark originates from the central spiritual sun; soul substance or self-reflective consciousness is a gift of devic substance from solar angels from the heart of the Sun; our solar plexus reactively expresses fire - by -friction akin to the fiery surface of the physical sun. The Solar Logos is a divine entity expressing the three aspects of divinity – spiritual will, love and light.

The Gayatri is a Hindu mantra addressed to the Sun, from the Rig Veda. In a paraphrase from the Sanskrit we read:

Thou radiant orb of dazzling Solar Splendor!

Enfill our minds with thy brilliance!

So that we may perceive our unity with Thee.....<sup>i</sup>

It is the successive identifications of Leo with the three aspects of the Sun which is the path of spiritual attainment for the Leo. Then, like the Sun, there is an impartiality and inclusivity in service to all through leadership, generosity of heart and mental capability.

The historic Christ, representing the soul or consciousness aspect, bade His followers to shine as lights to the world and not to hide their light under a flour bin!<sup>ii</sup>

The soul is also the stimulator of heart energy. Leo rules the heart chakra. Brain cells are found in the heart and the heart chakra has a large radiatory aura, suggesting its ability to influence and include others in magnetic attractive soul love. We can trace a line of hearts from the heart of the Sun, at the heart of the solar system, to the planetary heart at the heart of the kingdom of souls, to the human heart centre.

The Tibetan Master DK gives a meditation which helps direct soul energy to the solar plexus and lift the vibratory field of the solar plexus to the heart chakra - from sentimental, reactive and possessive love to intelligent, inclusive impartial love.<sup>iii</sup>

Leo rules the fifth house of the astrological chart, emphasising individual creativity and care of children and younger travellers on the spiritual path. The mature and spiritually evolved Leo can inspire young people with the unique self-expression which typifies this sign, yet do so in a way that complements the opposite sign of Aquarius. Aquarius rules group interactions in the presently emerging Aquarian Age through individuality which serves group purposes.

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<sup>i</sup> Geoffrey A Baborka *The Divine Plan* xxii

<sup>ii</sup> Matthew 5:15 *The Bible*

<sup>iii</sup> Alice A. Bailey *Discipleship in the New Age* Vol II p.123

