

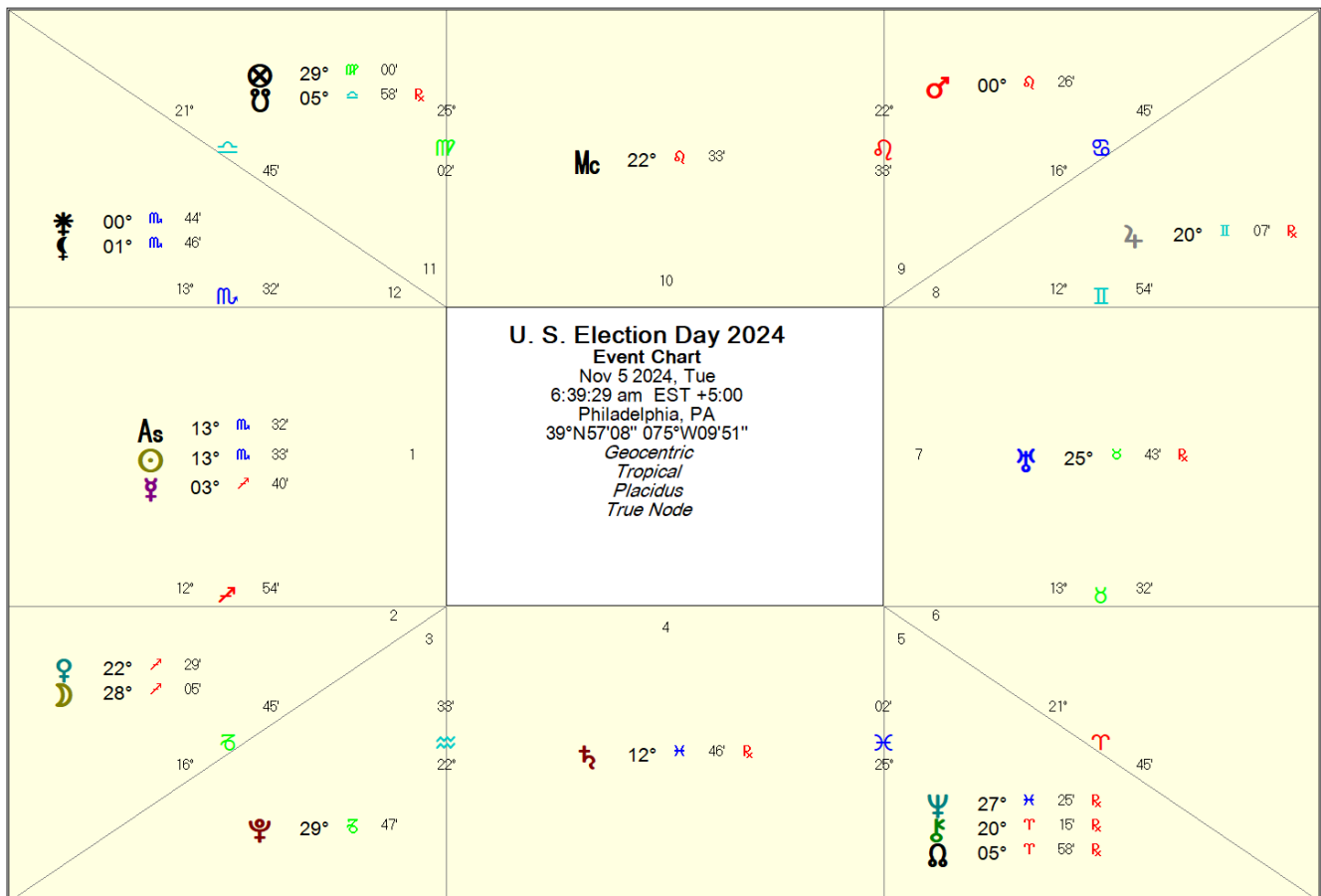


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2024 And the Fate of Freedom

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As Americans come closer to the exercising of that sacred right on November 5, 2024, those who can do so legally, as well as many guests who can only do so illegally, will cast votes for the candidates who best represent their own self-interests. As a matter of fact, and despite the illegality of it, some will even cast more than one vote on Election Day. And amid the overt incivility within this current political environment, the cesspool of propagandists comprising the corporate media will supply Americans with misinformation and biased reports pertaining to the candidates' character, pedigree, past and associations, thus leading Americans towards unwise decisions. At the end of the day, and no matter the outcome of the votes counted – because the votes counted could possibly differ greatly from the actual votes cast – roughly half the nation will accept the results with grace, mannerliness and decorum becoming of patriotic Americans, while the other (roughly) half of the citizenry will respond with rancor and with some portion of that group turning to rioting, looting and the throwing of bricks and Molotov cocktails. But more importantly, those men and women favored by the corporate media – the candidates whom the press either directly or through innuendo advised Americans to vote for – will soon after take their respective offices and amid their grandstanding for falsely magnanimous causes, and while making near-epic stands for self-serving spending, they will in fact fail to fulfill their oaths to office, and in that, fail to faithfully defend America and the Constitution, and through it all, not just simply fail to represent the American populace but essentially stick up their middle fingers at We the People while with a total absence of virtue, make certain that they "get theirs."

There is an ancient story about a woman who goes to the market to sell a basket of beans which she carries upon her head. She passes through the gates of the market making her way through the crowd and upon reaching the other side takes down her basket from her head to sell her beans only to find that the basket is now empty – and not because any one person took all of her beans, but because every man and woman she passed in the

crowd took just one bean. This story – a Babylonian allegory – was supposedly used to illustrate the belief that when the world reaches a point wherein almost everyone is at least slightly corrupt, society is nearing a collapse. Look around, America. This is what the world looks like when almost everyone is at least slightly corrupt. Corruption, however, is not a new or relatively recent condition for humanity. As this 4,000 year old allegory demonstrates, history is full of accounts of corruption, and so much so that U. S. Zodiac has made the decision to change humanity’s anthropological designation from *Homo sapiens* (literally translating to “intelligent humans”) to *Homo corruptus* – or “corrupt humans” – as humanity seems to be much more inclined towards corruption than it is towards exercising good sense. And while corruption is an ever present reality within the human experience, there does appear to be points in time when the level of widespread corruption rises and falls. U. S. Zodiac believes that this matter of corruption can be explained through astrology, and astrological analysis indicates that America’s *culture of corruption* is rooted primarily in the nation’s two party political system (aka *the one-party fraud*), or perhaps what is more accurately referred to as a *political aristocracy*. (Note: at present, U. S. Zodiac considers the votes to be cast by the Libertarians, the Green Party, etc., of too small a number to reclassify the political system as anything other than “two-party”.)

These things stated, we believe that a specific form of corruption must be clarified prior to moving on, and this form of corruption is the most heinous of all: slavery. In the past (at least in the Western world), the curtailment of individual liberty could come in the form of *indentured servitude*, military *conscriptio*n, *subjugation* to a monarch, or *vassalage* to a feudal lord. And while *chattel slavery* – the titular ownership of one human being by another – has been banned in the US and most countries around the world, other forms of slavery still exist, with some forms of slavery being practiced in this present day right here in America. *Tax slavery*, for instance, makes the citizenry the slave of the politician, as they [the politicians] spend in accordance with their own self-interests, and burden the population with the repayment of the expense through ever-increasing taxes. *Debt slavery* is the product of both politicians and corporations (in this case, financial institutions) through intentionally lax usury laws combined with the government’s failure to protect the nation’s internal economy, thus forcing the population into debt to pay for living expenses. *Wage slavery* (which leads to debt slavery) is also a partnership between government and corporations and is brought about in two ways, the first by flooding the marketplace with labor through excess immigration (thus lowering the value of labor and in turn, the prevailing wage), and secondly by allowing domestic corporations to utilize foreign slave labor and then import their goods without the penalty of tariffs (also devaluing labor domestically). The corruption of slavery comes in two additional forms, those being socialism and communism, in which the populace simply becomes slave to the state. Note that, in the case of *wage slavery*, the aforementioned *foreign slave labor* is the product of communism wherein the population is slave to the state.

Any of the various forms of slavery already imposed upon Americans (tax, debt, wage), as well as the potential imposition of any other forthcoming form of slavery (socialism, communism, etc.), comes only at the American citizenry's being denied of their right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, as well as at the denial to them of the American Constitutional lifestyle, and is, aside from being Constitutionally illegal, wholly the product of the actions of an autocratic, corrupt and lawless political aristocracy. But how does a corrupt political aristocracy emerge right under the noses of those who populate *the land of the free*? Through the citizenry's incrementally lowering their standards year after year. And by each of America's political factions having its own "pet causes" for which it is willing to bend the law or trample the rights of others "just a little" so as to make it all work out the way they want it to. This corrupt aristocracy has grown out of each of America's political factions by their ignoring the pedigree and past of, as well as the personal and business connections held by, their own political party's office holders. This aristocracy has thrived due to both of America's political factions forgiving their own political party's office holders for lapses in good character, and by their reelecting their own political party's office holders even after they have been exposed for bending or breaking the law to fulfill the political party's objectives. And this has happened right under the noses of the American people due to their forgetting – especially when convenient to do so – that the corporate press has lied over and over again to the American public through the years about the pedigree, past, character and connections of, political party insiders.

And that is exactly how it happened.

This is the namesake shortcoming of *Homo corruptus*. Reconsider the ancient story of the woman with the basket of beans. America's two oldest political parties' having become rife with men and women of exceedingly low moral character has coincided with the American citizenry's perpetual incrementally lowering of its standards for acceptable moral conduct. Like kind attracts like kind.

And sometimes hearing (or reading) the truth hurts like hell.

Without question, what is in fact the most important thing for Americans to consider at this particular point in time is that this autocratic, corrupt and lawless political aristocracy, with *malice aforethought*, is knowingly and willfully working on behalf of other interests to reduce America's position as the world's military, industrial, agricultural and technological superpower, as well as intentionally working to eliminate the American middle class. And if not already, the members of this political aristocracy are becoming filthy rich and frighteningly powerful for their efforts.

ASTROLOGY'S SECONDARY PROGRESSIONS

In the process of our analyses and forecasts U. S. Zodiac practices Western, tropical astrology exclusively, and in that, employs a variety of astrological techniques, some of which are from the ancient world, the majority from the medieval period, along with some modern techniques and a number of proprietary methods. In the course of our work, and whether the analysis is for an individual or the collective mindset of a nation, we have found that applying *secondary progressions* to a horoscopic figure has much to offer in the way of identifying both *right thinking* and *wrong thinking*, as the case may be. As this technique applies to the horoscope of the USA, we are of the opinion that the measurement of secondary progressions is uncanny in its corollary to the origins and evolving collective mindsets of America's two oldest political parties, the Democratic and the Republican, as well as its being equally uncanny in its revelations concerning each of the two party's irrefutable descents into corruption. And to be crystal clear on the matter, the secondary progressions, as applied to America's horoscope, do in fact expose both the Democratic and Republican parties as being morbidly corrupt. Moreover, we are of the opinion that it is through this astrological method of secondary progressions that a determination can be made regarding the two political parties' potential for either a further descent into corruption, a maintaining of the status quo, or a reversal back towards virtuousness. Spoiler: One party will remain irredeemable until *at least* year 2066, at which time, if that party still exists, it may (or may not) begin to find its way back to its origins. The other party is currently already at war within itself in the form of an internal battle between the ethical and the corrupt, with this internal battle having *officially* begun (astrologically) July 24, 2024. According to the stars, this political party will be firmly on a path towards expiation by the middle of year 2026. The question remaining is: will this political party's restoration of virtue arrive too late to rescue America from her enemies from within the rival party and abroad?

Before revealing our final judgment on the matter, we believe it is important for the reader to understand the perspective held by U. S. Zodiac towards the two political parties.

THE DEMOCRATS

Formed in year 1828 with what at that time was probably the best of intentions, the Democratic Party is America's elder political party, but did in fact ultimately succumb to corruption by representing the interests of America's slave owners. Relevant to these current times, U. S. Zodiac has observed a present day majority of Democrats who, while walking in political lockstep, simultaneously believe that America, firstly, is a so-called gift to the whole world and not just the people within its borders and that America should be carved up and divided equally among the people of the whole world, and thus intentionally diluted to the point of non-existence ("good riddance," is the preposterous

position held by many of them), and secondly, believe that in order to be a good person, one must feel some deep sense of shame regarding America's financial, industrial, agricultural and technological successes. Any form of objective, intellectual and unemotional debate with those who hold these practically standard Democrat positions is a pointless and profitless endeavor due to the self-righteousness the present day majority of Democrats feel for their (mostly) feigned self-loathing and the sense of sanctimony they derive from their emotion-over-intellect positions on economic and social policy. In actuality, any challenge to their collective sense of magnanimity (no matter how false or confused), and especially if presenting any of the simple truths to be found within actual economic and social statistics, is received by members of the present day majority of Democrats as a sort of personal affront – a vile insult – and in response, is immediately (and ignorantly) mischaracterized as some sort of advocacy for fascism.

Amid the present day majority of Democrat's self-righteous (mostly feigned) self-loathing and contrition, as well as this majority's social-sanctimony, is a common and collective, as well as selective, lapse of memory. For instance, and prior to it being banned, theirs was in fact the party supporting slavery. When chattel slavery was ultimately outlawed by Republican Abraham Lincoln's signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, the Democrat community was in no way discouraged, and instead, found new and more efficient means of placing a yoke on the necks of their countrymen and countrywomen – means that they continue to make use of to this very day such as debt slavery, wage slavery and tax slavery. Thus it should come as no surprise that within the ranks of the Democrat constituency is significant support for slavery to the state in the forms of socialism and communism.

Another convenient lapse of memory found among Democrats is in the matter of America's involvement in large-scale wars and various military actions. For instance, America's entrance into World War One was during the administration of Woodrow Wilson – a Democrat. World War Two was entered into and exited from by two Democrats – Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman, the latter Democrat leading America into the Korean War. Another Democrat, a notorious racist and election cheat (allegedly even against members of his own Democratic Party), Lyndon B. Johnson, took America into the Vietnam War. In reality, America did not have a "Republican war" for over 120 years, that is, until Iraq Parts One and Two, both of which were entered into under father and son Bush – and with both Bush men being *Rockefeller Republicans* (aka fakes). Separating Iraq Parts One and Two was the US-led NATO bombing of Serbian civilian targets for the purpose of ousting the country's populist president (apparently he had run afoul of the Western world's banking community), with this violation of international law and human rights taking place under the Administration of William Jefferson Clinton, yet another Democrat.

The false magnanimity of the present day majority of Democrats must also be addressed. For example, hidden within the duplicitous nature of the Democrat collective's advocacy of

granting mass asylum and citizenship to non-vetted Mexican, Central American and South American migrants, is the accessing of the funds spent by the federal government for assisting the migrants through Democrat-owned private businesses that facilitate the migrant services on behalf of the federal government. These are otherwise known as *sweetheart deals*, or being in *the good ol' boys club*, or, by the names *corruption* and *graft*.

Although they will certainly argue the point, when it comes to defending the Bill of Rights, the present day majority of Democrats are an abysmal failure. Fundamentally, the Democratic Party supports only three rights. The first is *gay rights* and this is upheld for the purpose of maintaining votes within the gay community. The second is *abortion rights*, and it is for the purpose of a revenue stream from abortion providers to abortion industry lobbyists and various political action committees. (To the party's operatives, "A woman's right to choose," is likely little more than a campaign slogan.) Third is the *right to recreational indulgence in the intoxicants of one's choosing*. Beyond these three rights there is no support from the Democrat collective, and especially when it comes to the right to free speech, the right to bear arms and the right to practice the religion of one's choice, thus leaving the Democratic Party looking like little more than an advocate of ironfisted authoritarianism.

The strength held by the present day Democratic Party is based in its unity – the aforementioned walking in political lockstep. Everyone, it would seem – no matter what sort of a weirdo they may be – potentially has a seat at the DNC table. And it would appear as though they do not judge a member (or a potential member or community of members) based upon character. Equally, and as the original political party of political dirty tricks and muckraking (as well as the party that has allegedly long ago perfected the act of election fraud), the present day Democrats are not hindered in their pursuit of their political goals due to written law or acceptable moral conduct.

In summary, if one listens to the message the Democratic Party offers, especially as it is reiterated, ad nauseam, by the corporate press, one would believe that the Democratic Party's collective focus is upon acts of charity and the hope of building a Utopian society. But if one observes the actions of the Democratic Party, one clearly sees the intentional act of creating division within the nation (certainly not something new for the Democrats) as well as the advocacy of statism, authoritarianism, elitism, slavery – in the forms of socialism, communism, tax slavery, wage slavery and debt slavery – as well as a predilection for far reaching restrictions in terms of individual liberty (except the three rights they support) and an advocacy of a near-complete regulation of human existence.

It is due to these traits that the Democratic Party is properly associated with the authoritarian and potentially despotic qualities of the planet Saturn, and thus they are given the moniker, the Tyrants.

THE REPUBLICANS

Formed in year 1854 for the express purposes of fighting against corruption, rejecting aristocracy and for working against the expansion of slavery farther into western America, the Republican Party is the nation's second oldest political party. The first Republican president elected to office was Abraham Lincoln in the year 1860. In the near-century to follow, the Republicans did in fact lead the nation towards advancements in civil rights, with the Civil Rights Act of 1875 being signed into law by Republican President Ulysses S. Grant, and the Civil Rights Act of 1957 being signed into law by Republican President Dwight D. Eisenhower. During this time the Republican Party did act as a bulwark, protecting the working and middle-classes from the avarice and ambitions of unscrupulous wealthy aristocrats.

And, yes. At some point in time, something went terribly wrong with the Republicans.

Jumping ahead to year 1953, Republican President Dwight D. Eisenhower brought an end to the Korean War (a conflict America entered into under his predecessor, Democrat President Harry S. Truman.) Before his leaving office, Eisenhower gave the American people one of the most important warnings ever issued by a president: "Beware the military industrial complex." The warning was not heeded and soon after America was entered into the Vietnam War by Democrat President Lyndon B. Johnson. If at that time it was in fact the case that America's entering into the Vietnam War was an act of war-profiteering on the part of President Johnson and his cronies in the military industrial complex, then it would explain why the jackals were loosed upon Republican President Richard M. Nixon soon after bringing the Vietnam conflict to a conclusion. Nixon's stumblebum successor, Republican President Gerald Ford, formed a shocking alliance with the staggeringly wealthy, self-serving aristocrat Nelson Rockefeller, a Democrat, and appointed him as his Vice President, thereby signifying that more than mere cracks were now threatening the integrity of the Republican Party, but instead, deep fissures – fissures that would soon break apart the party leadership into two groups, with one small group left struggling to maintain the party's core values, and the other larger group straying towards a profound and unfortunate change in direction that would quickly bring with it a host of *Rockefeller Republicans* (aka *fakes*) being admitted into the party. These fakes would later use the Republican Party as not only a command center for the military industrial complex Eisenhower warned of, but also as a public relations tool by which the party infiltrators could manipulate public perception on matters of foreign affairs, thereby allowing them to eventually make use of America's armed services as the group's private mercenary force to further its *petrol-centric* ambitions in the Middle East.

Around this time, this corrupted break-away faction within the Republican Party began the building of a *neo-conservative culture*, with that being defined as a preoccupation with material gains made at most any cost, an advocacy for war-mongering under the guise of America's *policing* the world, a partnership with religious fundamentalism, and an

advocacy of corporate personhood. This neo-conservative doctrine was joined to a disdain for nearly all countries in the Middle East with the two exceptions being Israel and Saudi Arabia, as well as a presumptive alliance with Israel and Great Britain in terms of intelligence gathering, analysis and sharing.

Upon his 1980 election to the presidency, Ronald Reagan, a Democrat turned Republican and a political outsider, took office amid significant opposition from the Democrat infiltrators operating within the Republican Party, with the most notable figure among the fakes being his vice president, George Herbert Walker Bush. In reality, and in consideration of the exceedingly low moral character of the men and women who opposed him, Reagan was probably lucky to have survived his presidency, though he almost nearly did not. But before leaving office, Reagan did right the ship economically, and created a renewed sense of appreciation for Americanism, by both the citizens and the world.

And as the rest of Republican history goes, after Reagan served eight years while being continuously undermined by Vice President George Herbert Walker Bush, Bush – a crude prototype of the burgeoning neo-conservative archetype – took the office of the presidency and then undermined the nation directly for four additional years. As the Bush presidency ended and the Clinton presidency began, Bush, along with Democrat President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore Jr., together sabotaged American industry and forever undermined US national security by ensuring that Communist China received *most favored nation trade status* along with the very best of American industrial technology. Eight years of Clinton were succeeded by eight years of the junior Bush – the archetypal neo-conservative Republican – and the costly (in dollars and blood) shenanigans in the Middle East resumed. Eight years of Democrat Barrack Obama followed, after which came the single term presidency of Republican Donald J. Trump, a political outsider.

Beginning in year 2017 and lasting through 2020, President Trump succeeded in rebuilding the American economy and bringing stability to matters of foreign relations, during which period of time Republican Party leadership partnered with the Democratic Party, and opposed, sabotaged, hindered and harassed Trump, their actions serving as incontrovertible evidence of the Republican Party's infiltration and the party leadership's systemic corruption.

We were first inclined to do with the Republicans as we did with the Democrats, that is, to define that which makes the party strong, but then thought better of it because the Republican party is not strong and has not been strong for quite some time. Thus, we will define the three primary contributing factors behind the party's weakness, the first of which (and the root of all other causes) is found in the Republican Party's being occupied by covert operatives from its rival, the Democratic Party. The ability of the Democratic Party to replace actual Republicans with their own morally degenerate operatives running for office on the Republican ticket is made possible only by the greater Republican constituency's doing as the Democrats have done, that is, by perpetually lowering their

standards for an office holder's conduct and moral character. But there is more, and next to the party's being divided, undermined and manipulated by political saboteurs, is the myopic greed so commonly found within the body of Republican leadership (which leads to the Republicans making dirty back-room deals and frequent "compromises" with the Democrats), which then leads to the third enervating factor, that is, the aforementioned unabashed greed within Republican leadership amid the leadership's repetitive (and ridiculous) claims of their party being "the party of morality" – received by the public as an unforgivable hypocrisy conspicuous even to casual onlookers. In summary, the causes for the Republican Party's weakness are found in division, greed and hypocrisy.

It is due to these traits that the Republican Party is properly associated with the planet Jupiter, but when in a compromised state, for which it is then associated with impiety, mendaciousness, conspiracy, moral decay, compromise, duplicity, excess and greed, and thus they are given the moniker, the Gluttons.

THE FORECAST

As astrologers, our first inclination is to speak astrology on these matters. But we have made a commitment to our readers and clients to deliver the information in these reports in layperson's terms.

We're going to do our best here.

In astrology, *secondary progressions* is a way of refiguring a horoscope – either for a person or a nation – and looking forward in time. U. S. Zodiac believes that, in the case of the USA's horoscope, what we are looking at "forward in time" through this particular measurement is changes in mindset – right thinking versus wrong thinking, primarily, but not limited to that, either.

Within the horoscope of the USA is an inherent conflict between We the People and the government, with We the People (or the *will* of the people) being represented by Jupiter (aka *the Greater Benefic*) and the government (or the *will* of the government) being represented by Venus (aka *the Lesser Benefic*) but with an eternal undermining influence from power-hungry Saturn (aka *the Greater Malefic*).

Understand that Saturn is the father of all mischief, and the weaker the condition he is in the greater the mischief he brings about. Contrary to Saturn, when strong in the their influence both Venus and Jupiter are of a purely good nature (benevolent), but similarly to Saturn, when in a weakened state, the benevolent nature of both Venus and Jupiter is either reduced or becomes corrupted.

Thus, as these planets *progress* through the degrees of one sign or another and thereby fall under varying influences resulting in either a strengthening or weakening of their nature, likewise will there be, and through the years, a time when the will of the People is nearly incorruptible and just as nearly unconquerable by any despotic force, and then at other times, the will of the People will be corrupt, and the greater body of the citizenry subject to whatever force (good or bad at that time, as the case may be) imposed upon them by the government.

Collectively speaking, and as represented by a strong Jupiter, at the time of America's founding, both the will and the intentions of the People was strong and without compromise. At that same time, and as represented by a strong Venus, the overt nature and will of the men who at that time comprised the government was also strong and without compromise, though with the insidiously undermining covert influence of a very mischievous Saturn.

Feet of clay.

But is this underlying influence of Saturn within the US government at the time of its founding not simply reflective of mankind's natural inclination towards corruption?

Another word on the effects of Saturn is required before proceeding, as Saturn is the planet that represents Fate or the *ultimate destiny* of both individuals and nations. Saturn's corresponding horoscopic house is the tenth, representing the power and standing one may achieve for an individual, and in the case of the horoscope of a nation, the tenth represents the government and its credibility; therefor, in the horoscope of a nation, the nature and fate of the government is essentially the fate of the people. Saturn's occupation of the tenth horoscopic house, for either an individual or a nation, is an unfortunate placement for this planet, and in the case of the USA, Saturn's occupying the tenth house served as a harbinger that, sometime after America's founding, and once triggered by Venus and Jupiter progressing to zodiacal degrees (and angular relationships with other planets) that weakened them and corrupted their benevolent nature, the inherently wicked nature of Saturn would take prominence, and the American people would begin a protracted struggle with the forces of corruption and tyranny.

As this is a time-sensitive report and not a book, there is a need to jump forward to the matter of America's two oldest and most influential political parties and their respective relationships with the stars.

Astrology and the Democrats:

The Democratic Party was first founded in the year 1828 coincidental to a seven year period during which Venus (representing the US government in its overt form) was in a weakened state, thereby indicating a time of increased governmental corruption and defiance of the will of the People. And while obviously formed under the best of intentions and having done a number of good things, the Democratic Party was, nonetheless, eventually corrupted.

The product of great deliberation on the matter, U. S. Zodiac holds the opinion that the Democratic Party's corruption is coincidental to a series of angular relationships cast by Saturn to other bodies in the USA's horoscope, corresponding to the ease with which the party adopted the interests of America's slave owners as part of its party platform as well as the party's jubilation in leading America to war (an opposition to radix Chiron and a trine to radix Mars). Of equal deliberation has come our judgment that both the Democratic Party and the aforementioned undermining and covert forces in the US government are a one in the same Saturnine influence, and that the individuals who took part in policy making and legislation on behalf of the Democratic Party from years 1900 through 1917, and from 1932 to present, have and are presently, engaged in an attempt to enslave the whole of America, and work to do so under the pretext of magnanimity (Saturn's progressed 90-degree angle to Pluto and ingress to Scorpio).

The nature, and thus the influence upon America, of Saturn's occupation of the sign Scorpio while occupying the tenth horoscopic house is horrific, and corresponds to inclinations towards the enslavement of others, forced labor, violence, abuse, brutality, sadistic sexual perversions, the victimization of children, cruelty, a maniacal urge for revenge, power-madness (and at any cost), the desire to murder, lying and manipulation, the creating of division among others, authoritarianism, dictatorship, autocracy, elitism, aristocracies (especially hereditary), violations of rights, injustice, the taking of others' resources and property by force, compulsion, extortion, intimidation, mass-arrest (concentration camps), forced population reductions (mass-murder and genocide), scorched earth and war-profiteering. Certainly, the assassination of political rivals is not only on the table, but would in many cases be seen as expedient, and therefore preferable to other means. With Saturn in Scorpio, the focus is on obtaining absolute power and at any cost, no matter how brutal, immoral and murderous. As the only positive [sic] quality to this stellar influence is a dedication to one's work – and since the work is entirely evil in nature – there is absolutely no upside to the influence.

As there is no remorse to be found in this Saturn-Scorpio combination, the weakening influence upon a planet when stationary (a cessation of apparent motion) or in retrograde motion, serves only to increase the evil influence. Within the US horoscope, secondary progressed Saturn became stationary in January of 1996 and began its retrogradation in January of 1998. Ergo, and astrologically speaking, the Democratic Party will remain corrupt in the absolute until year 2066 when Saturn, still in its retrograde motion, will

reenter the sign Libra, upon which time it may (or may not) begin the process of trying to repair itself, that is, if it [the party] still exists at that time. Still, it will not be for many years even after this horoscopic event that the Democratic Party could even possibly return to looking anything like its original self, as it will likely remain a safe harbor for the nation's corrupt, perverted and criminally minded political players, with these political players finding support among the constituents that can on some level relate to them.

The astrology of the nation's political division:

Astrologically, the differences between the varying life's philosophies that prevailed during the years 1832 – 1896 can be considered the foundation for what would ultimately result in a political divide in America. The philosophies behind the advocacy of slavery and its abolition, manifest destiny, women's suffrage, communism, socialism and corporatism (due to the Supreme Court's establishment of corporate personhood (*Santa Clara v. Southern Pacific 118 U. S. 394 (1886)*)) were now not only competing with one another, but also competing with America's core values. It was during this time that the Democratic Party would come to partner with the same sort of aristocratic financiers for which the party was founded for the purpose of opposing. These great divides in the minds of men and women were happening all over the world, but here in America, these competing life's philosophies were the fuel for the fires of political divides and not just philosophical. In the midst of this all, year 1848 was the time of exactitude for the momentous 90-degree angle cast from Jupiter to Saturn within the USA's secondary progressed horoscope, with this progressed aspect remaining in effect through year 1854 (the aspect separating 0-degrees, 11-minutes of orb – still nearly exact), the same year during which the Republican Party was born.

(The year 1848 90-degree angle cast from Jupiter to Saturn in America's secondary progressed chart was the first of two points of exactitude, the second occurring in 1881. It should be noted that 1848 is also the year Karl Marx's Communist Manifesto was published in London, England, with both of these year 1848 incidents occurring under the protracted influence of the 1845 *great conjunction* of Jupiter and Uranus (*in mundo*), and in degrees of the zodiac corresponding to events with a significant and long lasting impact on the whole world (and not just the USA), and directly related to radicalized ideologies pertaining to systems of economic distribution.)

Astrology and the Republicans:

U. S. Zodiac is not the first to associate the planet Jupiter with the Republican Party and the planet Saturn with the Democratic Party, however, our extensive work with the USA's horoscope and Annual Revolutions for America has convinced us over and over again that this planetary assignment to the political parties is indeed *very* accurate. And through this

planetary assignment and the use of secondary progressions in the horoscope of America, it is obvious that the birth of the Republican Party under the stellar influence of the 90-degree angle between Jupiter and Saturn was a remonstrance to the Democratic Party's then-belligerent support of slavery, as well as the deleterious effect upon society by an unrestrained and unscrupulous financial aristocracy. And the Republicans did in fact have a nice run having overseen the abolition of slavery and doing a number of good things, that is, until corruption took hold.

In America's horoscope Jupiter's influence is strong and benevolent and in its representation, closely tied to the American populace as a whole – competitive and yet fair, fierce and yet charitable, etc., much of what is good about America can be found in Jupiter's strength and prominence. But the planets move, both in real time, and theoretically, and through this planetary movement comes changes. And for America, and as measured by this progression of Jupiter into the eighth horoscopic house in year 1823, the nation became increasingly focused on matters of money and material gains. And this focus on money and material gains continued to grow stronger through the years, albeit slowly, but until ambition turned to greed, and greed turned to avarice. And like the Democratic Party having been founded 26 years earlier and under what was probably the best of intentions, so too was the Republican Party founded under the best of intentions. And as the Democratic Party did some good work and then succumbed to the forces of corruption, so too did the Republican Party do some good work and then succumb to the forces of corruption.

But there are differences here, and those differences are monumental in their consequence.

Of the two planetary influences within America's own horoscope, the Democrats' Saturnine influence is by far and away the more destructive of the two. As a matter of fact, in comparison, the Republicans' Jovial influence towards corruption carries with it so little in the way of motivation to injure others, that without the Saturnine influence, the Republicans would not likely have the gumption to get out and screw the nation on their own. Instead, the Republican Party is filled with *political dingleberries* (not a reference to cranberries) – treacherous assholes who partner with the opposition (Democrats) for the purpose of fulfilling self-serving goals through what they refer to as "compromise with the other side of the aisle." In their collective relationship with the Democrats, these weak and disgraceful Republican dingleberries play the role of the aquatic scavenger the *remora* – the little fish that attach themselves to the mouths of Great White sharks and feed on the flesh that becomes stuck between the sharks' teeth as well as any flesh dropped from the sharks' mouths. Think of Joe Biden walking across the White House lawn with his arms around an enormous bundle of ill-gotten cash, with Mitch McConnell and Liz Cheney crawling on their knees behind him, scurrying to pick up whatever cash falls to the ground from Biden's grasp. For further illustration purposes, we suggest allowing yourselves to imagine a grinning Nancy Pelosi filling a giant vat with buckets of gravy – a vat large

enough for Mitch McConnell and Lindsey Graham to lounge within it comfortably up to their armpits – a vat emblazoned with the word “compromise” – while the two men jubilantly ladle the gravy into each others’ mouths.

Jupiter’s progression into the USA’s eighth horoscopic house while in the sign Cancer translates to an arrogant and constant meddling in others’ affairs on the part of the Republicans, along with self-indulgence, over-indulgence and gluttony, in other words, greed – greed – greed – greed! And the aforementioned weakening effect upon a planet being stationary or in retrogradation began for Jupiter in mid-November 1904 and persisted in full force through February, 2002 (Jupiter’s retrograde motion now returning it to the benefic seventh horoscopic house), during which time Republican leadership demonstrated not only a general disregard for the party’s core values, but an overt disdain for those core values. This year-2002 event in the horoscope of the USA was coincidental to the obvious-to-all-but-a-fool plans for war-profiteering in the Middle East being formed by the Administration of George W. Bush (a fake Republican) and the Administration’s allies (and future fellow profiteers) “across the aisle.” Liken this event to the Republican Party’s alarm clock ringing, but the greater Republican constituency hitting the snooze button.

Pertaining directly to this matter, the next horoscopic event of great significance for the USA occurred on July 24, 2024. This is when secondary progressed Jupiter’s retrograde motion finally came to a halt. (In light of what had occurred in America close to this date, we found the timing of this stellar event to be very interesting.) Again, liken this to the Republican Party’s alarm clock ringing, but this time, accompanied by a full broadside salvo from the battleship U. S. S. Missouri.

In simpler words, the stars indicate the potential for an awakening within the Republican Party and its constituency, and this awakening leading to a return to the party’s core values defined as resistance to slavery, resistance to corruption and resistance to the undue influence of aristocracy, financial or otherwise. Essentially, the Republican Party has the potential to *right the ship* beginning now – from this present day – through February of year 2048.

In our astrological opinion, the saving of America from continued slavery (in one form or another) will require the Republican Party to become the dominant force in D. C., however, the party must be led by political outsiders, men and women who are not part of the party’s post-1970s *old guard* (those who are under the influence of the Democrats or Democrat infiltrators themselves) who have up until recently dominated the party for the past five decades. But as can also be seen in the nation’s secondary progressions, a brutally malefic 90-degree angle cast by Mars to Jupiter, already in effect hitting maximum influence in June 2026, suggests that the Republicans’ return to core values will not be easy and that the parasitic infection within the party will not go peacefully, nor will it likely leave its host without first doing some damage (remember that the Democratic Party (and

extending to its operatives) is inclined towards scorched-earth mentality). In other words, it would be naive to believe that people like Mitch and Lindsey are going to leave their giant vat of corruption gravy behind just because someone says “we’re not doing this anymore.” No, they will go kicking and screaming and if either decides to remain in politics after their ouster, America will likely see them abandon the Republican Party altogether and join the Democratic Party, ultimately partnering undisguised with those for whom they have been working all along.

And there is something to hope for. If beginning this year, 2024, the Republican Party is victorious in the quadrennial election, and Donald J. Trump, a political outsider, takes the Presidency, not only can the Republican Party during the years to follow fully extricate itself from the party’s infiltrators and saboteurs, but beginning March 2033, when in the secondary progressions, Venus – representing the government – casts a favorable angle to Jupiter – representing the Republican Party – the Republicans, no longer under the influence of corruption, will have the opportunity to fully right the ship, and through that, the American people and their descendants will have won a secure future, and with the future of the whole world once again benefiting from a strong and moral America.

On the matter of fate:

The great astrologer C. E. O. Carter wrote, “Temperament and disposition are concrete, but character decisions are a matter of free will.” In our astrological philosophy U. S. Zodiac is essentially Hellenistic and thereby embraces a fatalistic view of the human experience. In that, we define fatalism as both the individual and a nation as having certain predestined events and conditions. While this does ostensibly entertain the notion that humanity is without free will, we further define our philosophy as mankind having free will within certain predestined events and conditions. In other words, a predestined event may include the opportunity to either ameliorate or exacerbate a particular situation by one’s character decisions be they either wise or corrupt.

Astrologically speaking, Saturn regulates the ultimate fate of both the individual and the nation. However, in terms of living conditions, quality of life (or lack thereof) and how the populace is treated by the government (as well as how the populace treats the government) Pluto regulates the fate of the collective within a nation, and within the horoscope of an individual, reveals that individual’s personal experience within that collective fate.

America’s fate and Pluto:

From the point of the birth of either an individual or a nation, the daily motion of the planets continues around the zodiac until the planets once again reach the same zodiacal

degrees they occupied at the time of the birth of said individual or nation. In astrological jargon this is referred to as a *return*. These returns occur approximately every 28 days in the case of the Moon, and once every year in the case of the Sun. The ominous *Saturn return* first occurs at approximately age 29-30, again at about 59-60, and for those who persist, around age 89-90. Saturn returns are notorious for putting one's lifestyle, life's direction and plans to the test. Humans do not live long enough to experience the return of Pluto, as its voyage around the zodiac takes approximately 240 years to complete. In actuality, some nations do not live long enough to experience a *Pluto return*, but for those that do, this return is coincidental to the fate of the nation, and in that, said nation's collective decisions as to what form in which it will remain for the duration of the Pluto cycle, that is, should the nation survive for another 240 years. Beginning approximately year 2020 and expiring approximately year 2024, America has been under the fated influence of its first Pluto return.

Using a very conservative 3-degree orb of influence for the Pluto return (both applying and separating) the influence of America's Pluto return was beginning its effect approximately March 13, 2020, and in full effect during most of 2022, with its effects lingering through approximately December 13, 2024. And as this fated astrological event quickly comes to a conclusion, and for better or for worse, We the People will in fact have made a collective character decision that seals the fate of America for the next 240 years, that is, should the nation survive.

The nature of this "collective character decision" put to We the People and upon which the fate of America is decided is revealed by the sign and horoscopic house occupied by Pluto at the time of the birth of America. At the time of America's birth, Pluto was in the sign Capricorn. Its ruler being the planet Saturn, Capricorn is a sign of authority, order, tradition, land itself and government. In the horoscope of America, Pluto's birth position is within the horoscopic second house – the house of money, material resources, banking and bankers, as well as the nation's values, which would naturally include the nation's predilection towards one system of economic distribution or another. In America's horoscope, the planet Mercury occupies the horoscopic eighth house from which it casts an inauspicious angular relationship to Pluto. As Mercury is the planet representing commerce itself, and the eighth horoscopic house a representation of the nation's disposition towards debt, this serves an indication that from the time of America's birth that the nation would struggle against an undue influence exerted by banks and financiers, with the influence clearly leading the nation towards significant debt. Moreover, this same toxic relationship between the planets Mercury and Pluto also reveals the potential for covert interference with, and manipulation of, the nation's natural cycles of commerce, with this interference and manipulation to be carried out by those same banks and financiers.

And therein lies part A of the core of the decision that must be made by the American people while under the Pluto return, that is, whether or not America will continue to *allow*

itself to remain in bondage to a culture of unscrupulous aristocratic financiers along with their liberty-crushing corporatism and periodic war-profiteering. And the key word is "allow" because even now in a weakened state, together the American people are too strong for the aristocratic financiers to force this bondage upon the whole of the nation, and instead can only manipulate the populace towards a voluntary acceptance.

Part B of the core of the decision that must be made by the American people while under the Pluto return is whether or not We the People will reject the bondage of a financial/corporate hegemony and yet voluntarily accept another type of enslavement in the form of either socialism or communism.

(Do not be fooled. Should America choose the path of either socialism or communism, the very same aristocrats behind the corporations will in fact end up holding the reigns of power in a socialist or communist government.)

In other words, and in summary, the "collective character decision" to be made by the American people before the Pluto return has fully ended is whether or not the nation shall remain enslaved to corporatism (as it has been for quite some time now) or enslave itself by capitulating to the empty promises of either socialists or communists, or if the nation will throw off all shackles and yokes, and return to embrace a state of liberty, self-determination and the right to free enterprise.

A thin thread of hope for a free America is attached to the 2024 presidential election. And it is within this predestined event that We the People will have the opportunity to exercise free will, and make a collective character decision that will either benefit or harm the USA for the next 240 years. Moreover, and like Atlas, the weight of the whole world presently rests upon the shoulders of the American people, for if freedom dies in America, it stands little chance of surviving elsewhere in the world.

Carpe Noctem,

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