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Q: I have a difficult time understanding how to order/prioritize the strength of influence of natal angles with/against other placements as they come into contact with transits in compatible/ambiguous/detrimental angles, events and elements. For example, is having a natal stellium in a sign in general more important than that sign being that of the midheaven? Or what is more important to pay attention to when your ascendant is via transit, currently opposed to its natal ruling planet; in my case-- natal Uranus in 1st now aspected by Desc Uranus in Taurus. The ASC, or DESC? I don't know how much I can clarify my question, other than: how do you go about determining what comes first or alleviates ill placements in a chart beyond sun, moon, ascendent alone?

A: I'm a little confused by the question but there's not really a specific set of rules for what's most important in a chart. You have to consider the chart in totality to get an idea of what the most important part of the chart is. In terms of transits, hard aspects by transit Saturn, Uranus, and Pluto tend to dominate (however in the case of when they're conjunct one house cusp and opposite the other, it's not really either/or and they're interpreted together). In terms of what "alleviates ill placements in a chart", again there's not one specific thing and it'll depend on the chart in terms of placements; but ultimately, when it comes to the hard parts of your chart, you've just got to understand them better, release whatever's associated with them, and focus on using that energy more positively.

Q: When a new or full moon is conjunct an angle, is the impact different from when the new or full moon is in that house?

A: Yes and no. The overall effect is the same (since it's the same house), but the impact of it is much stronger. Also, when a new or full moon conjuncts an angle, it'll go exact at some point, and around that time, it'll be super strong (whereas when it just occurs in the house, it's pretty subtle during the new or full moon period).

Q: My progressed ascendant recently changed signs and is now in the same sign as my natal Sun. It won't conjunct for another 6 years though. When should I feel the effect?

A: You may be feeling it already! Generally speaking, with progressions, you start to feel aspects 1 degree before and after (sometimes 2 but usually 1). But I do find with your natal Sun, you can start feeling that change with the progressed angle right away when it enters your Sun sign, because you feel your Sun so personally (it is you, after all!).