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Your Weekly Horoscope for May 2 - 8

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Tip of the Week:

There are many layers of background influence regarding outer events, themes, and trends. Rest assured, synchronicity is also ever at play. Existence is on purpose and by design. These background influences include the fact that we are in the sunrise phase of the Age of Aquarius, which constitutes a 2160-year cycle! A core aspect of it centers on freedom, rights, and justice.

There are other, more current, generic cycles of influence underway as well, including **Pluto in Aquarius**, which is a 20-year cycle that began in late March 2023. Its function will be to transform humanity collectively and could have the effect of significant changes in society as a whole, possibly including extreme control. Yet, Aquarius is also symbolic of rebellion, and many will resist the process.

The deeper reality is that people tend to become polarized in their views, subject to where and how they access information, which is a social/political factor. This is clearly a major issue in North America at this time, but is also active elsewhere in the world as well. The overall complex naturally includes human psychology, perception, belief, and interpretation.

In this regard, wisdom guides us to seek inner alignment and to make efforts to determine what is and is not our 'business', both literally and figuratively speaking. Yet, free will can be understood as a chaos factor, which introduces possibility within the scope of probability, for better or worse. Thus, as the game goes, we can be influenced, and also make personal choices that lead us away from our authentic voice, path, and direction.

Have a great week,

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Weekly Horoscope:

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

On one hand, you are in a feisty and assertive mood. On the other, you are inclined to fortify your overall foundation. Saturn entering your sign later this month will add to your determination but could stir fears as well. It marks a good time to get clear on new directions. Mars in Leo, however, will help you to feel strong and courageous.

Taurus (**Apr 20 – May 21**)

The New Moon in your sign on April 27 in its waxing phase is inspiring you to take new leads. Yet, Venus in Aries is igniting an impulse to do inner work, whether psychologically or more literally, as with needed attention directed to your home front. So, you are likely to be extra busy this month, even though others might not see it.

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

A strong inclination to retreat vies with an equally strong impulse to assert new aspects of your overall sense of individuality. This inner conflict will not last long, however, so aim for some measure of resting to recharge because the pace will quicken towards month's end and will continue as such for many months.

Cancer (Jun 21 – Jul 22)

Taurus can be described as your friendly sign. Currently, the emphasis includes emerging ambitions to make sound investments with the long term in mind. This trend will both continue and deepen. Discernments regarding these might require a quieter mind, however, to offset the noisy, distracting influences of the world.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 23)

Directing attention to your public and professional life and status is the call now. A steadily emerging ambition is featured, and this trend will continue all summer. In the short term, a philosophical mood is lingering, supporting you to realize a larger vision genuinely worthy of your true gifts, skills, and strengths.

Virgo (Aug 23 – Sep 22)

Your philosophy can be described as guided by common sense. Yet, how it is defined is a subjective matter. You have entered a cycle that implies changes in this regard. You are being guided to reconsider what you might have otherwise been reactively inclined to assume or do over the past while. Inner work is indicated as well, some summon courage to be self-honest.

Libra (Sep 22 – Oct 22)

Spring cleaning or some other form of purging is the call now. The goal is to clear the clutter to deepen your overall sense of connection and perhaps intimacy, especially with yourself. Since the primary relationship is ever with our own self, this should make sense. A rebellious assertion is also indicated, which could include getting past your own resistance.

Scorpio (Oct 22 – Nov 21)

Strengthening foundations on relationship fronts is a central theme now. The overall process might require more effort than you would like to make. Obtaining some kind of training is very likely, or you could be the one providing it. In the deeper end, you could find yourself at a crossroads and feel the need to get clear on what is your best direction.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 – Dec 21)

Your world is changing, in terms of your daily focus and rhythm. Positively, it is manifesting as an expansion of some kind, perhaps especially on social fronts. With your sights set on the future, you are determined to be aware and proactive regarding what you need to do to arrive in good form. Supported by Aries and Leo, you are likely feeling the love, or at least the fire.

Capricorn (Dec 21 – Jan 19)

Your focus is set on the future. Practical considerations are strongly on your mind. This may be more fully a time for who you know, more than what. At worst, you could feel diminished somehow at a core level, prompting you to determine how to regain your strength. The answer probably includes a steady determination to rebuild altogether.

Aquarius (Jan 19 – Feb 19)

Your focus is strongly directed to home and family currently. There may be a subtle edge on the airwaves in this regard. Positively, you feel energized and focused to get

things done. A learning curve is also rising, which includes the irony of 'unlearning' or of letting go of old self-concepts, assumptions, or interpretations that are no longer relevant.

Pisces (Feb 19 – Mar 20)

Cultivating a whole new foundation of perspective and approach is an important current theme. The question you might ask is: "Am I genuinely minding my own business, or have I become swept up in matters that are altogether counterproductive?" If the answer is yes, take the time to carefully reconsider where and how you can better invest your time and energy.

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