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# INTERPRETATION

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Section 1 Question 4

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## Question 4:

Discuss the Sun conjunct Chiron in the 1<sup>st</sup> House and its influence on this female's core sense of identity. (Include Sign, House, Aspect only & Rulerships).

I will call this client Jenny for the sake of clarity.

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“Few are those who see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts.” Albert Einstein.

Identity is a rich and complex subject, one definition is: “the characteristics, feelings or beliefs that make people different from others”<sup>1</sup>. In a psycho-social setting, identity can be seen as a developing process of how one views oneself - including self esteem and gender identity - in relation to others, ideas and nature. There is a fluid interface where we are negotiating who we are in relation to our social roles and the world. It is this fluctuating boundary between self and other that defines our idiosyncratic uniqueness. We all have multiple identities, a variety of sub-selves informing us from within while our different hats inform us externally as we act in different settings, with an overall coherence becoming more possible with maturity.

Within this landscape of personhood lies our authentic self, beneath many layers of conditioning which the majority of people never seek to uncover. Much joy and contentment can be found when we live in congruence with this true self as it takes a lot less effort and energy. Going against the crowd and living one's truth can be an incredibly challenging life choice, yet the fruits of walking off the beaten track are the innate self-worth and reduced anxiety experienced when discovering one's natural gifts and abilities and finding opportunities to implement those gifts for the greater good.

This could be reflected in Alan Oken's description of the dot in the Sun's glyph: "the creative spark of Divine Consciousness within each of us, linking Man with the source of all light and making him co-creator in the universal plan"<sup>2</sup>, he goes on to say that the Sun co-ordinates the many facets of one's being and is integral to one's life purpose. Interestingly, there is a remarkable correlation between the astrological glyph of the Sun and the circle which Carl Jung used to symbolise the Self which is the unifying of all aspects of an individual psyche, the product of the individuation process; and the Ego as the centre of consciousness and identity, similar to the dot in the glyph.

The myth of Chiron tells of a fight between Hercules and the Centaurs where one of Hercules' arrows struck Chiron in the leg, creating a constant wound from which Chiron suffered for the rest of his life. "Chiron became a wise man, prophet, physician, teacher and musician"<sup>3</sup> who mentored many Greek heroes and princes. Apart from showing our wounds and pathways to healing, Chiron, being a centaur himself symbolises the instinctual nature, shamanism and nature herself. As fate would have it, Chiron also shows the stimulus towards individuation.

The conjunction of Chiron with the Sun in Jenny's chart gives us clues to a wounding in her very early years to her individuality and sense of purpose. This could have manifested in some form of harsh treatment, perhaps from a father figure. Jenny may display a distinct lack of confidence and an inability to let her true self shine due to having experiences of not being accepted or validated. This may cause difficulty in setting goals for herself and focussing. Conversely, she may overcompensate through a show of bravado or displaying great charisma, yet not feeling it inside.

The conjunction being in the first house suggests that the wounding was very primary to her sense of existence, perhaps being expressed in challenging circumstance or illness playing a part around the time of her birth. She may suffer from issues to do with her appearance such as body dysmorphism, a condition where a person's perception of their body is distorted and seen as deficient;

a physical disability or a life-changing illness. These issues can have a profound effect on the way Jenny perceives herself as a woman. There can be a great fear of self-assertion and initiative, although the reverse can also be true when an individual feels the need to cover their self-doubt with a compensatory fighting spirit. Jenny may live with an overpowering sense of independence, feeling that she must rely solely on herself, fearing to ask for any assistance. Chiron conjunct the ascendant can manifest as an identification with these wounds, feeling that they are what makes her who she is.

If this wounding to the identity isn't enough, the Sun is already awash with the feelings and issues of the environment where the fragile ego identity can easily be extinguished by the vast oceans of Pisces. Jenny's energies will easily blend with her environment like a sponge soaking up the needs and expectations of those around her. She may have a sense that her individual being is only of importance in relation to being able to 'take care of the masses'.

Neptune, ruler of Sun/Chiron in the 9th house suggests issues to do with selfless altruism in the context of spirituality or religion. With Neptune ruled by Pluto, with final dispositors Mercury in mutual reception to Mars conjunct Pluto. There could have been destructive or controlling elements of a religious persuasion impacting her. The natural innocence and playful light of a child can be deeply affected by a harsh and strict religious environment.

At age 55, as Jenny's sense of self has grown over time, she would most likely have had some experiences triggered by transits that instigated an inward journey of growth towards individuation. Especially during the Chiron return at age 50. It's likely that she has sought out wisdom or healing in a variety of forms and is already incorporating this into her life. This placement has the potential for much healing or, as Melanie Reinhart puts it: "wholeing" resulting in the ability to learn how to shine in her true light. She will know that as she develops a strong personal magnetism she is

expressing that divine spark that exists within each of us. The strong Piscean emphasis offers the promise of a deep compassion for others and/or developing innate creative gifts and talents. Her very presence may act like a catalyst for healing to those around her, as she grows in her capacity to enable and empower others. The painful experiences denoted by Chiron have given her the option to walk to the beat of her own unique drum on the very rewarding path of self-discovery.

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Female Chart

17 Mar 1965

5:00 am AEST -10:00

Brisbane, Australia

27°S28' 153°E02'

Geocentric

Tropical

Placidus

True Node

