

MAY 24TH – THE DAY OF THE MAGNIFIER

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SIGN: 2°-4° Gemini

STRENGTHS: Expressive, Incisive, Socially Involved

WEAKNESSES: Self-Centered, Caustic, Closed

Those born on May 24th seem to have an opinion on every issue under the sun. Their main interest, however, is in society and their orientations toward it can range from mildly critical to outspoken or even revolutionary. Usually possessed of quick minds and caustic tongues, May 24th people rarely leave others in the dark very long about where they stand on a subject. The problem is, however, that every few years (or even weeks) their viewpoints may shift, and therefore people around them may be left bewildered, standing with their mouths open in amazement.

Although they have a lot to say about society, and may be in the limelight, May 24th people are usually quite reserved. Indeed, they can be resentful of encroachments on their private life. Basically they only want to say what they have to say when, where, and how they wish. Because of their outspoken attitudes they give the impression of being approachable and open – but this may not be the case. For some born on this day, communication is not a two-way dialogue but a matter of the world listening to what they have to say. The friends and the families of May 24th people may grow used to hearing pronouncements and in extreme cases facing merciless, satiric criticism.

Most often those born on this day side with the proletariat rather than with the privileged classes. Battler by nature, they feel akin to the underdog in a fight. Unfortunately, they may lose objectivity and come to ally themselves with a political entity or faction ultimately unworthy of their support.

May 24th people are extremely facile in their use of language and also high adept at turning emotions in their favor. They have an incisive, philosophical manner that is attractive. May 24th people inhabit a world of ideas, usually very expansive ideas concerning broad issues. When necessary, however, they can concentrate intently on a pressing matter at hand. Not specialists in attending to themselves or others on a day-to-day basis, those born on this day are usually too wrapped up in their own world to bother with mundane chores like taking out the trash or doing the laundry. Many depend on a support system to care for them otherwise they would fall into very sloppy ways.

Although their influence may at times seem divisive and negative, May 24th people serve a highly important function in bringing out what has hitherto been suppressed in others (possibly anger, resentment, even violence). After the smoke has cleared, the situation is probably improved, or at least clarified, for all concerned (even if something unpleasant has occurred). May 24th people must avoid becoming dictatorial, overbearing personalities, and should keep their attitude light. Cultivating a healthy sense of humor plays a great part in this.

HEALTH: May 24th people must be careful not to overextend themselves in social obligations. They are easily overstressed, as their nervous systems are highly sensitive. Their urge to seek retreat, to find hideaways, is generally a healthy one, as it is in seclusion that they get the rest so necessary to their functioning. Because of their quick and constant movements, those born on this day should beware of accidents to the arms, hands, and shoulders. Smoking should be avoided as well. Although the sleep patterns of May 24th people may become erratic, a full night's rest every few days, at least, is essential for their health. Cooking is an excellent activity for those born on this day and a highly varied, even exotic diet is recommended.

ADVICE: Slow down lest your frenetic pace and demands wear others out. Learn to control your tongue and be less judgmental. Be more faithful to your friends and your beliefs. Avoid making pronouncements from on high.

MEDITATION: For many people, the bedroom is the battlefield.