BENITO MUSSOLINI

the Fascist Dictator

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 Benito Mussolini was born on July 29, 1883 in Italy.1 He was the dictator of Italy from 1922 to 1945. The American politicians were amazed at how quickly he established stability and prosperity in Italy. Even George Bernard Shaw, the playwright and writer admired him

The victors of war and historians give their version of world events. They omit relevant facts. I hope to give a more coherent and accurate view of the events that led to the power of Mussolini, since my husband took part in the civil war that brought Mussolini to power at a time when Italy suffered political chaos and disarray due to the ravages of World War I. This is his chart. What does it reveal as to his character and destiny?



2Mussolini's father was a teacher and also a socialist. He was an advocate for the people. Mercury, the ruler of the Midheaven (father) is in the 9th house (higher education and teaching). It conjoins the Sun, the ruler of the 9th house.

At the age of eighteen Mussolini obtained his certificate for teaching. He became a teacher. Gemini is the sign of learning, and teaching. Both Pluto and Mars the rulers of his Scorpio ascendant are in the sign of Gemini. His Sun and Mercury are also in the 9th house (teaching).

His reputation as a young sexual blade cost him his teaching contract. His Leo Sun was sextile to the planets in the 7th house (relationships) which was LOADED. His leonine traits (Sun sextile passionate Mars) expressed the vanity of his virility.

At the age of 26 he married Rachele Guidi. He had five children with her. Mars is the ruler of the 5th house of children. Mars is in a stellium with Moon, Saturn and Pluto. Mars is the planet of passion and desires. Eventually they must be transmuted and elevated to the intellectual and spiritual aspirations of the soul.

He is idealistic. Neptune is his strongest planet. It exactly conjoins the descendant. It is trine Uranus and sextile Venus and Jupiter. He believed Italy should be a republic and education should be universal. He disliked the Italian establishment of the Roman Catholic church and Italian monarchy. The energies of Uranus in the 10th house sextile the ascendant, propelled him to work for New Age values, freedom, independence, education and for the people. He joined the Italian Socialist Party and became the editor (Gemini planets) of their newspaper: "Avanti". He believed in power to achieve victory and the improvement of the lives of the people. He was a fighter for change. (Sun semi-square Uranus). He approved of the war. (Scorpio Ascendant sextile Uranus). The socialists believed in neutrality. They parted company.

After the war in 1919-1920 general strikes and political unrest spread all around the country after the fall of the lira (dollar) in 1920. The communists were seeking control hoping to establish a government similar to Russia's. They were unorganized. They were burning the wheat fields. They were really vandals. They would enter a restaurant and refuse to pay because they believed in 'sharing and sharing alike'. My husband's father owned such a restaurant. One of these men after having eaten, threatened his father with a knife, just as my husband happened to enter the restaurant. My husband calmly lifted the heavy wooden door bolt and knocked the knife out of the hand of the attacker. That was when my husband at the age of 16 in 1920 gathered hundreds of men from the hills and created his own army. They joined the political group called "I Fasci di Combattimento," which Mussolini established in 1919 (Leo Sun sextile Saturn). My husband said they were singing: "When we were children, our parents put us to bed. Now, we put our parents to bed." If they were caught by the communists, they were threatened to be boiled in oil. It was a vicious civil war. One of his men wanted to kill a priest who spoke against Mussolini. My husband saved the life of the priest by warning the priest's Mother to send her son out of town. The civil war lasted about one year. When my husband learned that the local politicians were favoring their relatives, he stormed their offices and threatened them: "We put you in power, and we can take you out of power!"

The Fascist movement gained strength and momentum over the scuttlebutt of a Communist take-over. Mussolini promised his supporters a republic, but settled for the monarchy. That was when many republican idealists deserted his cause, including my husband. Mussolini was practical (Mercury, ruler of the 10th sextile Saturn). He did not want a bloody, never ending war where the country is further raped and ruined.

During a parliamentary crisis in 1922, Mussolini marched on Rome without resistance or bloodshed. (Progressed Sun was in square aspect to Mars). King Victor Emmanuel III appointed Mussolini Prime Minister. The progressed MC and part of fortune trined Mars. Progressed Uranus conjoined the part of Fortune and progressed Neptune trined Uranus. Mussolini's opponents were eliminated, as he controlled the press. He had complete control of the government. He had the support of the people. The Nodes of the Moon (public opinion) sextile and trine the Midheaven (the government). The arrogance of power (Sun in Leo) cannot tolerate selfish, little men with no visions of greatness for their country. He wanted the people to be lions and not sheep. (Sun in Leo square the Nodes of the Moon).

To raise the value of the lire, instead of austerity measures as practiced today by the financial elite, he told the **CEO's of corporations that** **their profits would be** **limited to only 10%.** That Italy would restore the glory of ancient Rome and would again become an EMPIRE. They appreciated that idea. If the corporations refused, then the government would take over the corporation. They had to acquiesce. He spoke to the heads of the unions. They were urged to cooperate in order to make Italy economically, politically, and socially great once again. He stressed power, the greatness of Italy and nationalism! He was exceedingly vain. He compared himself to Caesar. (Uranus was semi-square the Sun in egotistical Leo.)

He cleaned the swamps that caused malaria. He favored the people and made certain that mothers had enough milk for their children. He raised the value of the lire in a few years. The people benefitted. The politicians in the U.S. were amazed and admired him. He was a semi-benevolent dictator. At one point when Hitler was about to take action against a country, Mussolini threatened Hitler. Venus and Jupiter in Cancer were in sextile aspect to the Part of Fortune conjoining Uranus in the 10th house. They TRINED the ascendant. Then with Sun and Mercury in sextile aspects to the planets in the 7th house, victory was inevitable. He had the cooperation of the planets and the people.

Italy had entered World War I on the side of the Allies, but after the war, when they were dividing up the 'pie' Mussolini was resentful that Italy was not promised the territories in Africa that were agreed upon. This really aroused his leonine PRIDE and Scorpio RESENTMENT. Scorpios have a long memory and tend not to forgive. *It was this dishonorable treatment that was the beginning of a festering wound that would sever his affiliation with the Allies and the later rapprochement with Hitler.*

In 1930 Italy built a military base in Somalia on the border of Ethiopia. In 1934 a border dispute arose between Abyssinia (now called Ethiopia) and Italy. Mussolini was threatened with dire sanctions by the Allies. He justified invasion of Ethiopia to "suppress the practice of slavery". **Leaders always have an excuse to give to their people for a war.** Mussolini felt that England and France had colonies. He wanted Italy to have them also.

In 1896 the Italian army suffered a defeat at the hands of an African army. This humiliation was too much to bear for Mussolini's inflated ego and national PRIDE (Uranus semi-square Sun). The Ethiopia border dispute, propelled by revanchist sentiment, was an attempt to wipe away the shame of the earlier defeat against Ethiopia. **The arrogance and pride of superiority is the scourge of sanity. It can only lead to disaster and hopefully to lessons learned.**

On Oct. 3, 1935 he gave a radio speech to his people declaring that "when Italy joined the Allies, it cost Italy six hundred thousand dead and when peace was being discussed around the table only the crumbs of a rich colonial booty were left for the Italians to pick up". He urged his people to fight for justice and victory. He was a magnetic and dynamic orator. (Uranus sextile the Scorpio ascendant & planets in Gemini sextile Sun and Mercury). His charisma and leonine fighting spirit, persuaded the people. (Venus & Jupiter sextile Part of Fortune and Uranus). They agreed with him. Every nation was against him for the war. It lasted seven months and cost a hundred thousand lives. **Such is the price of arrogance and pride, based on selfishness and greed.**

Starting in 1935 he had a ten year love affair with beautiful Carla Pettaci. Venus rules the 7th house and trines the ascendant.

His enormous popularity began to wane after he aligned himself with Hitler in 1940. The Moon (people) inconjuncts the Nodes of the Moon (public opinion). On July 23, 1943 the Grand Council met, dissolved the Fascist Party, deposed Mussolini and handed the reins of government to the King and to the head of the Army. Pluto, Saturn and the Moon SQUARE the Midheaven. He was out of office and out of power. On 4/28/45 Mussolini and his mistress, Clara Pettaci were executed. His leonine Sun is quincunx to the IC, the "end of life."

True glory and nobility are only of the Soul, which is love...and love of ALL

humanity.

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