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MAGHA

The Mighty One

Meaning: Power

Symbol: Royal Throne

Deity: Pitris – the ancestral

spirits, family ancestors,

the forefathers

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DESCRIPTION



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The word Magha can be translated as “mighty”, “beneficent”, “great”, “magnificent”, “the most important” or “bountiful”. All these descriptions can be seen in the nature of Magha people. Magha nakshatra’s main symbol is “a throne in royal chambers”, which naturally connects this nakshatra to royalty, power, control and status.

Indra, the king of the demigods, lives in a palace in a paradise known as Maghavan forest. In ancient cultures, the highest material position one could reach was to sit on the throne as the king. However, this greatest achievement was usually obtained by birth.

Magha nakshatra thus indicates that in this lifetime they will gain from past actions and their ancestors. The throne is also a very powerful symbol of authority and indicates that Magha people could be authoritative, grand, royal leaders who could take up highly respectable positions.

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These people are very strong and dominating, and can't be pushed around by others. It will be beneficial if Magha people remember that when they gain leadership positions, they also gain the responsibilities to serve, care for and protect others. Any powerful position is an indication of a greater accountability towards others.

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Some Magha people may not take up leadership positions.

These individuals will still work with strong determination towards clearly defined goals and attain success. They prioritize their own needs and are outspoken about their desires.

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Unlike many other nakshatras which are ruled by different demigods, Magha nakshatra is ruled by the Pitris (ancestors).

Therefore Magha people often feel a prominent connection with their ancestral beliefs, culture and traditions.

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Magha indicates a strong and beneficial connection with the past. This may come as blessings from ancestors, fortune in the form of an inheritance, or qualities, powers and abilities carried over from past lives.

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Due to the strong connection with the ancestors, Magha people generally respect their elders, follow traditional values and are religious. They also may have an inclination towards arts and the ability to master them easily with practice.

Their unique shakti is “tyaga shepani shakti”: the power of the astral body to cut its ties with the physical body. Thus Magha’s energy will enable one to profoundly evolve one’s state of consciousness.

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These individuals may be rebellious with a tendency to revolt against authority.

These people are blessed with deep perception, penetrating insight and an independent spirit.

Magha people's primary motivation is artha, or material prosperity. Therefore they are naturally fiery, dynamic, ambitious and optimistic about achieving their goals. They tend to strive for achievement, glory, social status and material success. While they tend to work carefully, their end goal is to enjoy the results.



Usually Magha people will often choose to pursue high, lofty ideals which will yield significant results and may also benefit society. As they have the heart of a lion and an unlimited drive, they can become famous, successful, powerful and highly positioned

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Due to their hard working and enterprising nature, they can achieve almost anything. At the same time, they are generous and loyal which may lead them to become proud of their achievements.

Their weakness is to become too materially ambitious, arrogant, elitist and egotistical. If they undertake humanitarian or spiritual projects they can avoid these pitfalls. Otherwise, after they have reached extraordinary success, they will experience a sense of emptiness, which may push them towards pursuing enlightenment.

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They tend to be conscious and concerned about their dealings with others and take caution not to hurt anyone with their actions. Therefore they usually are righteous and empathetic towards others. If they cause disadvantage for another person, they tend to immediately offer an apology and try to rectify their mistake.

Due to their ambition and confidence, they do not like any hindrance from others in their own work and actions. This may lead them to impose their decisions on others without much consideration. If they behave this way they could make a lot of enemies.

Magha people usually experience an individualization process. They are in the process of determining their true identity. People often misidentify the body, mind and intellect as the self.

However, the great task for Magha people is to understand their true identity as an eternal spirit soul, servant of God.

To come to know the true self is the greatest accomplishment they can achieve. It will be beneficial for them to reflect upon what is the greatest gain that they can achieve in this life. If they do so, they will realize that it is not wealth, which can be lost or stolen or taken away at death. Neither is it any glorious position, which is insecure.

If a person desires to be 'on top' in the material world, he will need to incessantly compete with others. Even if one manages to defeat all others, can one defeat the Supreme Lord? The Supreme Lord eternally has the highest position, the greatest opulence and enjoyment.

The greatest achievement is to conquer the Lord's heart with pure love and devotion. The above verses teach Magha people that to become great is not about accumulating material opulence, but is to seek liberation from illusion. Even if a person possesses immense wealth, they will feel empty until they can experience a lasting loving relationship.

When one establishes an authentic living relationship with God, it will remain with him eternally, while anything else one can achieve is temporary and easily lost. As Magha people strongly desire to be productive, they will benefit from reflecting on what will bring them eternal results.

If they fail to take spirituality seriously, they may become consumed by a desire for worldly power and a need for recognition. Then they will use all their energy and abilities to accumulate material opulence, which will inevitably be lost at their time of death. Thus, ultimately all their hard work will yield no tangible results.

Magha people tend to desire to do everything in a grander and greater style. But they will only benefit if they can develop a spiritual perspective of what is “greatness”. For the father, what his young son does is insignificant. For the demigods, what humans do is trivial. And, for the Supreme Lord Krishna, what the demigods can do is inconsequential.

What can Magha people then do to be noticed and appreciated by God? Krishna says in the Bhagavad-Gita: 'Patram pushpam phalam toyam yo me bhaktya pranasyati', meaning that He accepts a leaf, fruit, flower or even little water, as long as it is offered with love.

Ultimately the Lord is only interested in our sincere and unmotivated devotion. Thus the greatest achievement is to love God unconditionally. Magha people will achieve higher consciousness if they understand that their abilities and any form of power are inherited from the Supreme Lord, Krishna. He is the reservoir of all opulence and the only one endowed with all 64 auspicious qualities.

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in the 3 gunas

Under tamas, Magha people dream of big achievements but fail to act because of laziness. Or, due to lack of humility, they execute steps without ever compromising their position. The result is they develop contempt for the world because they cannot achieve anything, yet the world moves on.

Under the influence of passion, Magha people tend to overwork and take pride in initial achievements. Due to this over confident behavior, their energy gets drained. They then feel apathy towards long term goals which require mode of goodness.

Under mode of goodness, Magha people plan very well how to achieve something lofty. Step by step, they channel their intense energy into dedication and relationship building. They achieve both inner and outer success.

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MOTIVATIONAL QUOTES



When hundreds of persons are sitting in an airplane, although they remain individual units they each share in the total force of the airplane, which runs at thousands of miles per hour. Similarly, when unit energy is identified with the service of the total energy, the unit energy becomes as powerful as the total energy.

-Srimad-bhagavatam 4.8.80, purport

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Those who are elevated to the higher planetary systems must come down again as soon as the results of their pious activities are exhausted. They are like the modern astronauts who go to the moon; as soon as their fuel is used up, they are obliged to come back down to this earth.

-Srimad-bhagavatam 4.9.10, purport

Children may play on the beach, and the father will sit and watch this childish play – the construction of buildings with sand, the construction of walls and so many things – but finally the father will ask the children to come home. Then everything is destroyed. Persons who are too much addicted to the childish activities of economic development and sense gratification are sometimes especially favored by the Lord when He destroys their construction of these things.

-Srimad-bhagavatam 4.22.36, purport

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*Out of many thousands
among men, one
may endeavor for
perfection, and of
those who have
achieved perfection,
hardly one knows
Me in truth.*

-Bhagavad-gita 7.3

A person who accepts the path of devotional service is not bereft of the results derived from studying the Vedas, performing austere sacrifices, giving charity or pursuing philosophical and fruitive activities. At the end he reaches the supreme abode.

-Bhagavad-gita 8.28