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- The Star of Symphony

Meaning: Steady sound

Symbol: Drum

Deity: Vasus – the demigods

of primordial elements

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DESCRIPTION



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The best way to translate the meaning of Dhanishtha is “steady sound”.

Alternatively, it can be translated as “the wealthiest” or “the most beneficent”.

Another name for Dhanishtha is Shravishta, which can be translated as “that which is founded sound and hearing”, “the most heard of” or “the most famous”.

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The meaning of Dhanishta indicates that this nakshatra brings people significant material fortune. The meaning of Shravishta signifies an important relationship with the former Shravana (the Star of Hearing).

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Dhanishtha nakshatra indicates that people are prepared to put into practice what they have heard and learned. Dhanishtha nakshatra gives empowerment to apply one's knowledge, to make tangible practical use of plans and concepts, and helps to accomplish goals, setting plans into action.

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The main symbol for the Dhanishtha nakshatra is a musical drum, possibly Shiva's favorite drum, the Damaru. The Damaru has two prominent characteristics, rhythm and hollowness. Hollowness indicates its receptivity to external influences. Therefore, Dhanishtha nakshatra gives people receptivity to insights and guidance from the Divine.

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Due to their inherent receptive and open nature, Dhanishtha people should be cautious of getting influenced by lower frequencies or destructive people, ideas or trends.

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Drums are often used to create rhythm, which is associated with time. Therefore Dhanishtha nakshatra connects people with the universal rhythm and gives them immaculate timing.

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The ruling deities of Dhanishtha nakshatra are the eight Vasus, who are the solar gods of light and energy. The word vasu means “ray of light” and “something of excellence and goodness”, which indicates that they bestow a charitable attitude and high virtues.

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***The eight personalities
each have unique
roles in the universe,
but are all related to
prosperity. They are
Apa, Dhruva, Anita,
Dhara, Anala, Pratyusha
Prabhasa and Soma.***

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Apa means “water” and gives Dhanishtha people musical ability, confidence, invincibility and a warrior-like disposition, which in its negative aspect can manifest as vanity and obstinacy.

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Dhruva means “fixed” and is connected to the Pole Star. Dhruva empowers Dhanishtha people with determination, reliability, perseverance and good organizational ability. In a negative aspect it may manifest as stubbornness.

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Anita means “wind” and imparts Dhanishtha people with business acumen, resourcefulness and motivation. In its negative aspect, this can make them self-centered.

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**Dhara means “a bearer”
or “a stream of water”.**

**Dhara blesses Dhanishtha
people with wisdom,
generosity and conversational
ability. In its negative
aspect, it may make a
person over talkative
and unfocused.**

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Anala means “fire” and gives Dhanishtha people energy, mental acumen and discrimination. In its negative aspect, it can make them hot tempered and consequently capable of hurting others.

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**Pratyusha means “dawn”
and influences Dhanishtha
people to be to radiant,
joyful, optimistic and hopeful.
Prabhasa means “night”
and imparts Dhanishtha
people with lightheartedness,
purity, a good nature and
wholesome aspirations.**

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Soma, which refers to the Moon, gives Dhanishtha people gentleness and sensitivity.

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As Dhanishtha nakshatra receives several blessings, it enables people to live a life of luxury and discover diverse talents, characteristics, adaptability and artistic potential. As the eight Vasus are supposed to be wealthy and skilled at music, Dhanishtha nakshatra grants musical abilities and attraction to drama, dance and musical expression.

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Dhanishtha people will be most benefited if they can incorporate spiritual music into their lives. This will empower them to become more in tune with their true selves and the universal harmony.

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Dhanishtha nakshatra gives good conversation skills and the ability to make others feel accepted. It makes people seek out group activities and be naturally social. Despite having colorful social lives, they may also experience emptiness within. If they expect others to fill this void, it may cause tension in relationships and lead to disappointments.

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One main goal in their lives is to fill this void by developing their relationship with the Supreme Person. The Supreme Lord appears as the Supersoul in the hearts of all living entities, and therefore can be the most intimate friend to them. If they can fill their lives with activities which remind them of and connect them to the Supreme Person, they will be filled with deep satisfaction.

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Dhanishtha nakshatra's special ability is "khyapayitri shakti": the power to give fame in abundance.

This reaffirms this nakshatra's ability to bestow opulence and success. Therefore people under its influence will easily excel if they are dedicated to their work.

Yet they should guard against becoming overtly materialistic or greedy for fame and recognition.

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**While they are ambitious,
they are also conscious of
their duties and responsibilities.**

**It is helpful if they remember
that material achievements
only have lasting value if
they are in harmony with
the divine will. They may
struggle with a tendency
to live up to the expectations
of others.**

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**Dhanishtha nakshatra
people have perseverance,
organizational skills and
the energy required to
make and achieve long-term
goals. Dhanishtha people
are courageous, energetic
and disciplined.**

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They use their given energy constructively, which allows them to develop more good qualities and to gain wealth. Dhanishtha nakshatra reveals to people how to harmonize all their actions with the rhythm of creation. Accomplishing this they will reach great success.

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Although Dhanishtha nakshatra ordains material success, people under its influence will only reach perfection if they also dedicate time to a spiritual path. It will be most beneficial if they can find authentic spiritual teachings from which they can take guidance. If they can seek out the spiritual practices which uproot all low desires, they will become liberated from all low consciousness.

It will also be beneficial for them to remain aware that the Supreme Lord is the source and enjoyer of all opulence. If they truly desire to deepen their understanding of God, they should cultivate a personal relationship with him. As the Supreme Lord is the source of everything, He can empower them if they seek higher knowledge.

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in the three gunas

Under the mode of ignorance, a sense of emptiness develops in life and heart due to not investing in loving relationships of sacrifice and service. Challenges in life are seen as punishments and therefore they maintain a morose mood.

Under the mode of passion, Dhanishtha people become greedy for success. Their focus becomes getting fame and recognition, and they become ambitious about the details, not about the principles.

Under the mode of goodness, Dhanishtha people excel due to their dedication. They are empowered by God to perform their duties with the help of their determination and achieve something extraordinary. They focus on things that have lasting value.

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MOTIVATIONAL QUOTES



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Sometimes one who is very alert so as not to commit sinful acts is victimized by sinful life again. I therefore consider this process of repeated sinning and atoning to be useless. It is like the bathing of an elephant, for an elephant cleanses itself by taking a full bath, but then throws dust over its head and body as soon as it returns to the land.

- Srimad-bhagavatam 6.1.10

The topics of Lord Krishna are so auspicious that they purify the speaker, the hearer and the inquirer. They are compared to the Ganges waters, which flow from the toe of Lord Krishna. Wherever the Ganges waters go, they purify the land and the person who bathes in them. Similarly, Krishna-katha, or the topics of Krishna, is so pure that wherever they are spoken, the place, the hearer, the inquirer, the speaker and all concerned become purified.

- Srimad-bhagavatam 2.1.1, purport

The word “bhagavad-gunanukathana-shravana-vyagra-cetasah” meaning “always eager to find the place where the glories of the Lord are being heard and chanted,” is significant in this verse. A businessman is always very eager to go to a place where business is transacted. Similarly, a devotee is very eager to hear from the lips of liberated devotees. As soon as one hears the glories of the Lord from the liberated devotees, he immediately becomes impregnated with Krsna consciousness.

- Srimad-bhagavatam 4.29.40, purport

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The eyes which do not look at the symbolic representations of the Personality of Godhead Vishnu [His forms, name, quality, etc.] are like those printed on the plumes of the peacock, and the legs which do not move to the holy places [where the Lord is remembered] are considered to be like tree trunks.

- Srimad-bhagavatam 2.3.22

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*Always chanting
My glories,
endeavoring with
great determination,
bowing down
before Me, these
great souls perpetually
worship Me with
devotion.*

- Bhagavad-gita 9.14