

## Samhain Full Moon Circle and Full Moon in Scorpio

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This Full Moon in Scorpio will be an intense, emotional full moon. Scorpio is a deep, water sign, ruled by the planet Pluto. Scorpio rules transformation, letting go of what is toxic in our lives, renewal, rebirth, rising through the ashes into the light. Scorpio also rules over sex, death, addictions, obsessions, our deepest emotions and shadow sides (anger, grief, fear, jealousy). Shining its light on these aspects in order to heal and release them.

At this ritual we will be working with Ereshkigal the Sumerian Dark Mother, who represents the ancient pain of suffering and all its forms, the mystery of our own inner shadow that we repress and hide from ourselves until life's cruel blows force us to re-examine everything we have ever known.

In our lives, after everything has been stripped away, our false pride, egotistic habits, perhaps physical things such as jobs or money, we eventually hit rock bottom. Just like the Goddess Inanna when she hits rock bottom, at the moment she is hung on the hook by Ereshkigal in the Underworld. Hitting bottom is the powerful, intense, point when things

become crystal clear. It is when we see and understand so much more as to what this descent is all about.

In our own lives there comes a time when we need to face our own fear, our darkness, and our own shadow. When challenging life situations and events present themselves, we have a choice, we can go with guts and willingness all the way in, all the way down or be dragged kicking and screaming and fighting. Once we have let go of our own shackles and faced our fears we can ascend back into reality with new hope and enthusiasm.

### East

**Gate Keepers of the Rising Star and of the Rising Sun open your mysteries unto us this night.**

**Gate of the forgotten memory, stir your light in our heads.**

**Kindle the warm fires of remembrance in our being.**

**Hail and Welcome.**

### North

**Gate Keepers of the fiery angel and of the star fire open your mysteries to us this night.**

**Manifest the sword of fire, truth and spirit into our hands,**

**And protect us from those that wish to destroy us.**

**Hail and Welcome.**

### West

**Gate Keepers of the twilight shadows and of the setting sun open your mysteries to us this night.**

**Ignite the cold dark blue rays around us and Protect us from the sorrow of remembrance.**

**Hail and Welcome.**

### South

Gate Keepers of the formless hunter and of the abyss open your mysteries unto us this night.

Come bornless one, bring your cleansing darkness

Protect us from those that want to judge us.

Hail and Welcome.

Mighty Ereshkigal,

Great lady under the earth,

Queen of the underworld.

Grant us safe passage this night oh Queen

as we journey to your land,

and to the Lapis Lazuli palace.

We honour you this night.

Hail and Welcome.

Mighty Inanna,

She who gave her life in the journey to the underworld,

She who escaped the darkness of the abyss.

We honour you this night and ask you accompany us

safely to the gates of the underworld as you have seen, and know the way.

Come to us this night and

accept our love and our gratitude.

Hail and Welcome.

*Meditation to the underworld.*

*Activity*

*Close*

Mighty Inanna,

We thank you for your presence here tonight.

We thank you for guiding us on our journey to the underworld, and for keeping us safe.

Hail and Farewell.

Mighty Ereshkigal,

Queen of the dead.

We thank you for your presence here tonight,

and for allowing us to return safely to the mortal realm.

We thank you also for sharing your wisdom and knowledge.

Hail and Farewell.

### South

Gate Keepers of the southern gate,

thankyou for opening your mysteries to us.

Hail and Farewell.

### West

Gate Keepers of the western gate,

thankyou for opening your mysteries to us.

Hail and Farewell

### North

Gate Keepers of the northern gate

thankyou for opening your mysteries to us.

Hail and Farewell

### East

Gate Keepers of the northern gate

thankyou for opening your mysteries to us.

Hail and Farewell