

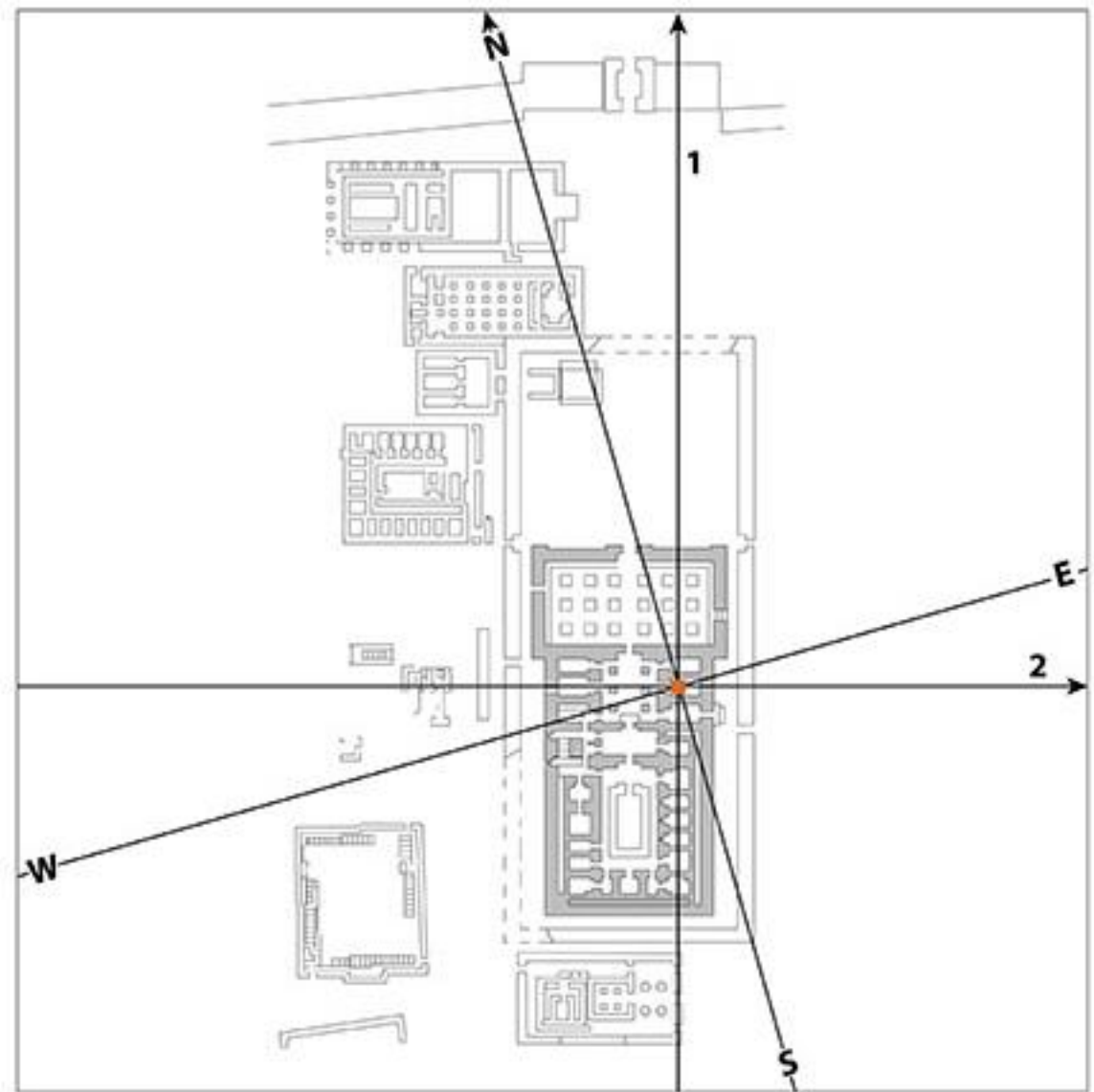
The Round Zodiac

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The Circuler Zodiac at Dendera
Louve

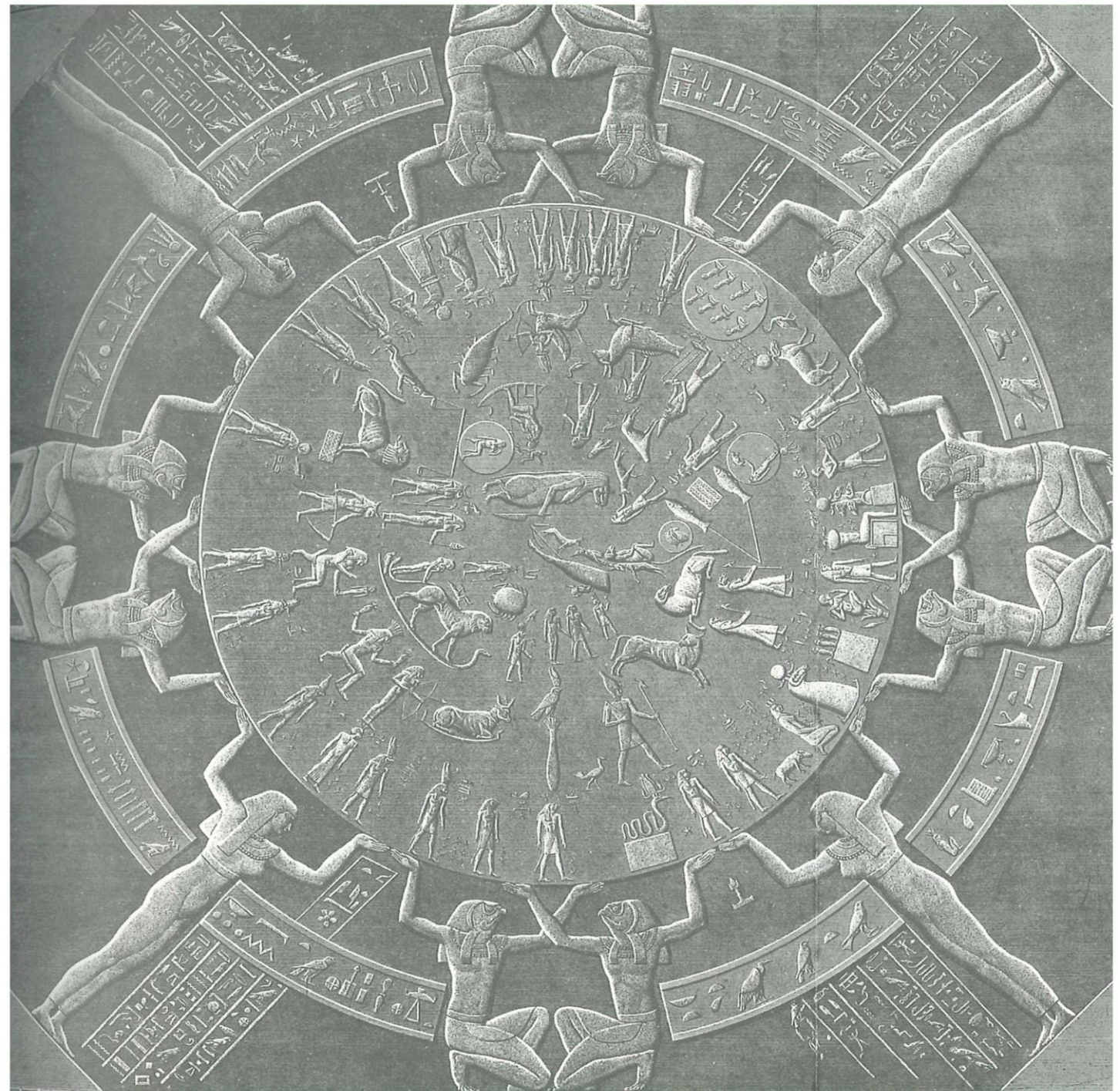


Dendera Zodiac:
2.55 metres x 2.53 metres

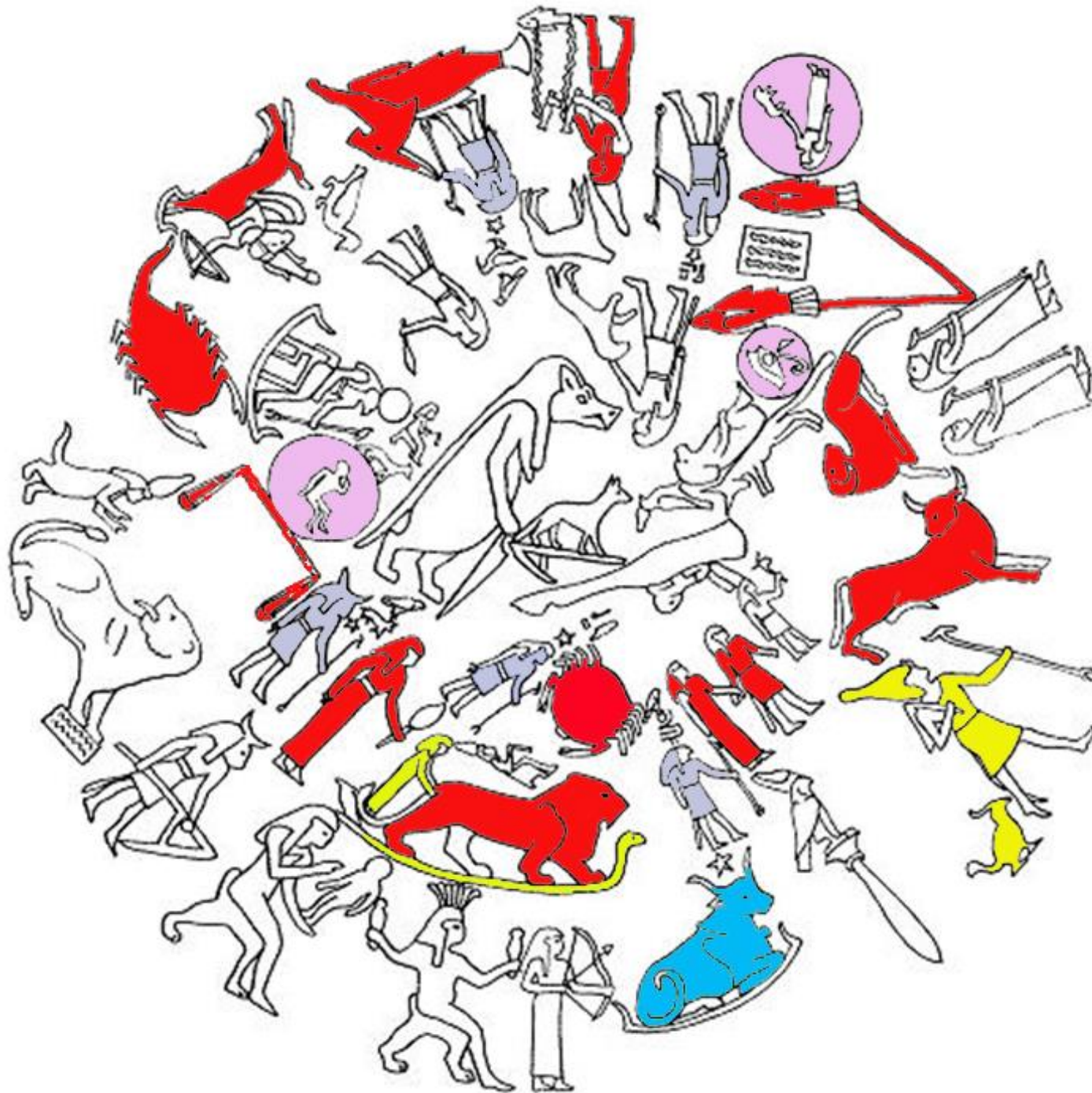
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visited Dendera and made a careful measured
drawing of the artifact, which was later
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large figure on the right is Nut.

Drawing: 1802
Moved to Paris 1822

It was thought to be tens of thousands of years old and thus challenged religious views about the history of humanity. It sparked the beginning of the debate between religion and science in France.







Red are signs of the Greek zodiac.

Yellow are constellations Orion, Lepus the hare? the Hydra and possibly Coma Berenices.

Blue: the star Sirius

Pink are the suggested images for the Sun and the Moon.

The 'child' could be the new moon in Libra

The Eye of Horus could be the Sun in Aries – equinox.

The other is thought to be an eclipse of the sun?

Grey are the planets

The non-colour parts are the Egyptian constellations.



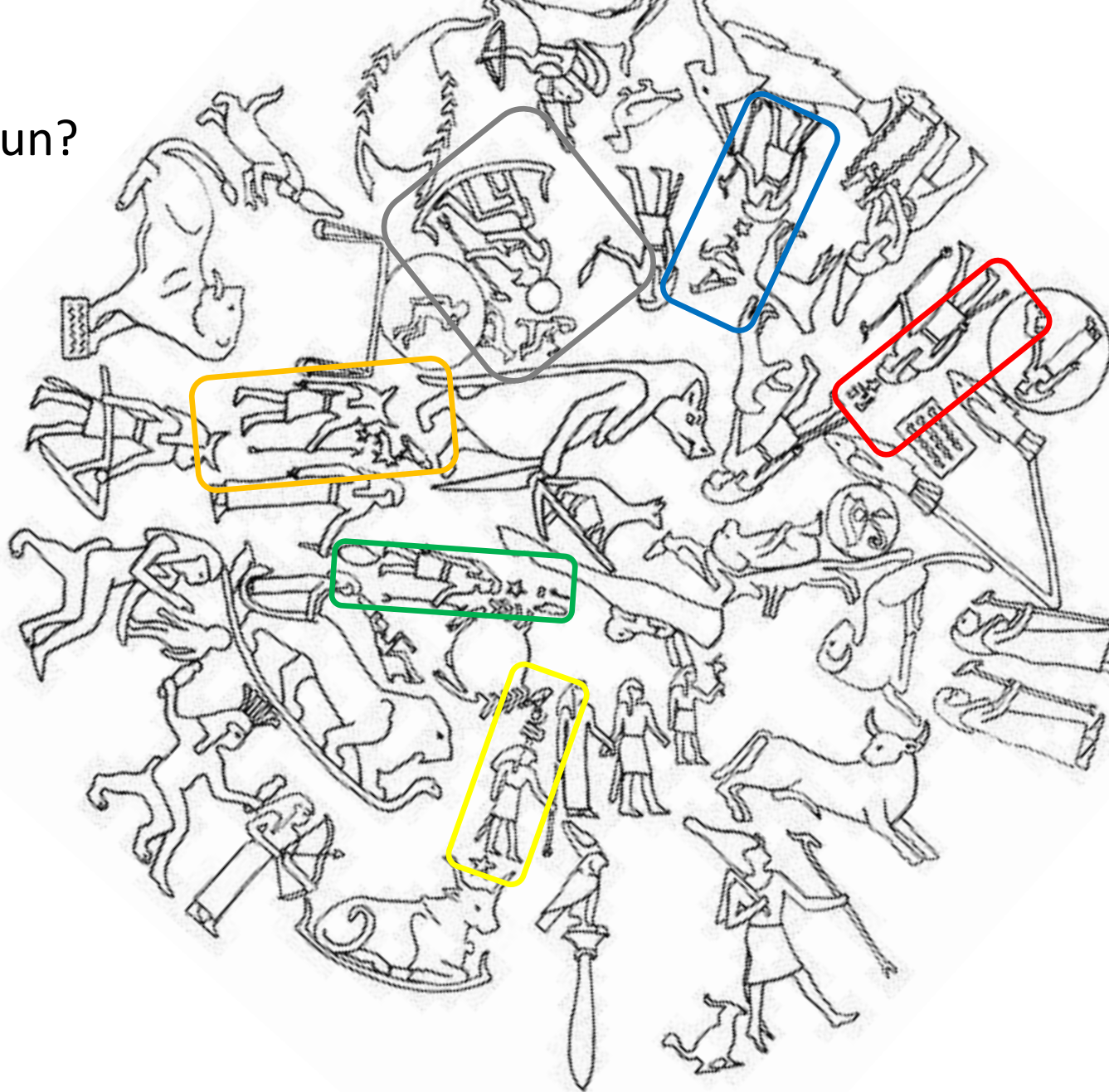
Dendera Zodiac

Planets located among the stars. Planets all in Exaltation – a Greek powerful zodiacal placement for a planet.

- Venus – near Pisces, (exaltation) represented as Hapy
- Jupiter – near Cancer (exaltation)
- Mars – above Capricorn (exaltation)
- Mercury – near Virgo (exaltation)
- Saturn – next to Libra (exaltation)

Scholars claim that this planetary alignment occurred around the summer solstice in the year 50 BC. But Venus was in Cancer and Mercury was in Taurus.

Is this the sun?



Dendera Zodiac

Planets located among the stars. Outer planets all in Exaltation.

- Venus
– in front of Pisces,
(represented as Hapy)
- Jupiter
– in front Cancer
- Mars
– above Capricorn
- Mercury
– in front Virgo
- Saturn
– in front of Libra



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zodiaque de Dendera
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Isis holds a baboon
by the tail?
Thought to be an eclipse in
the amongst the stars of
Pisces. There was a Solar
Eclipse 7 March 51 BC



A similar masculine figure in
the rectangular zodiac, also
next to Pisces



?Venus
Behind
Aquarius
Represented
as Hapy.

Fomalhaut at
his feet.

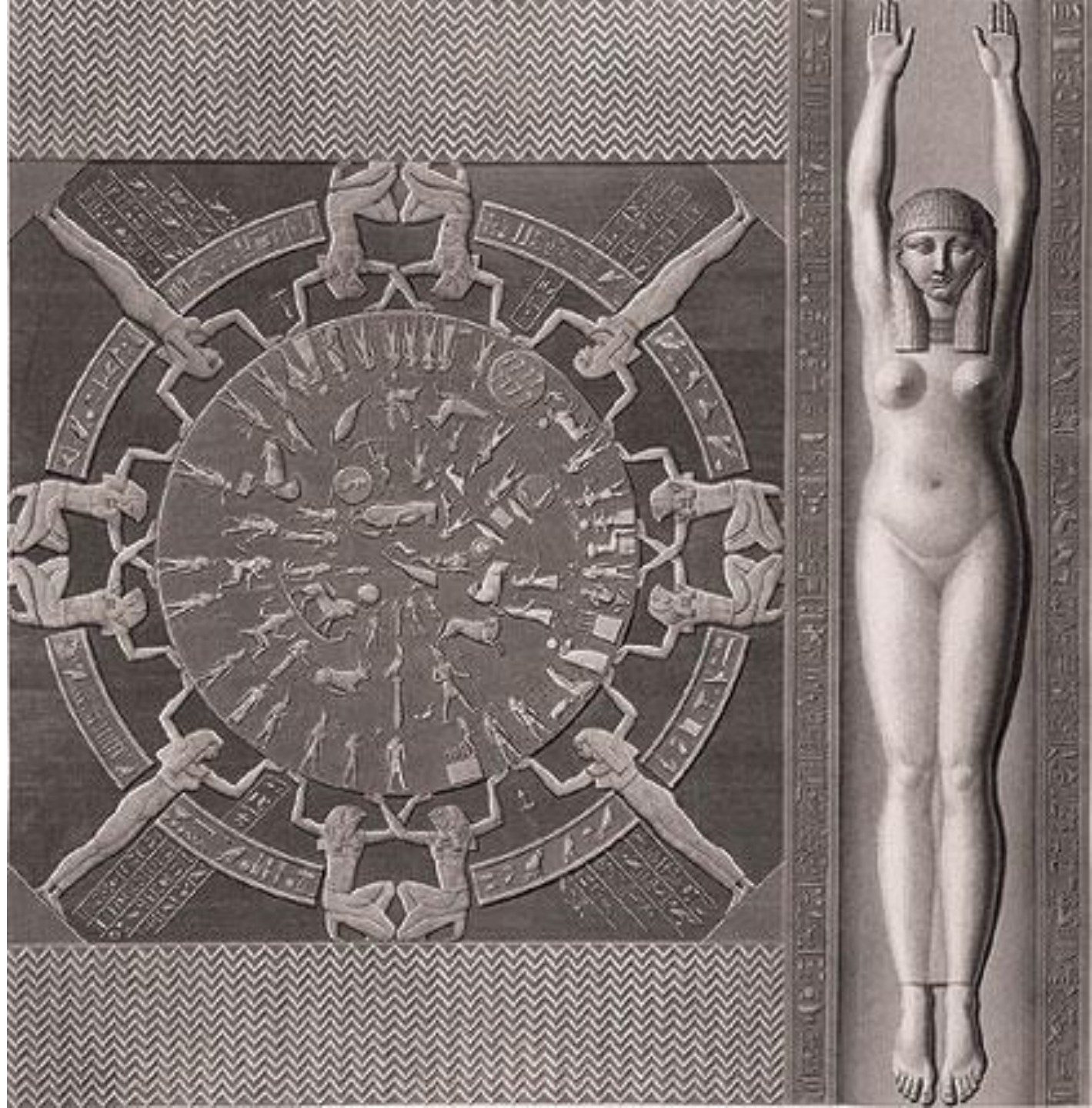


Isis as the seated cow with the star over her head – Orion has the Hare (?) at his feet.

While the ceiling was still in Dendera it was drawn in detail.

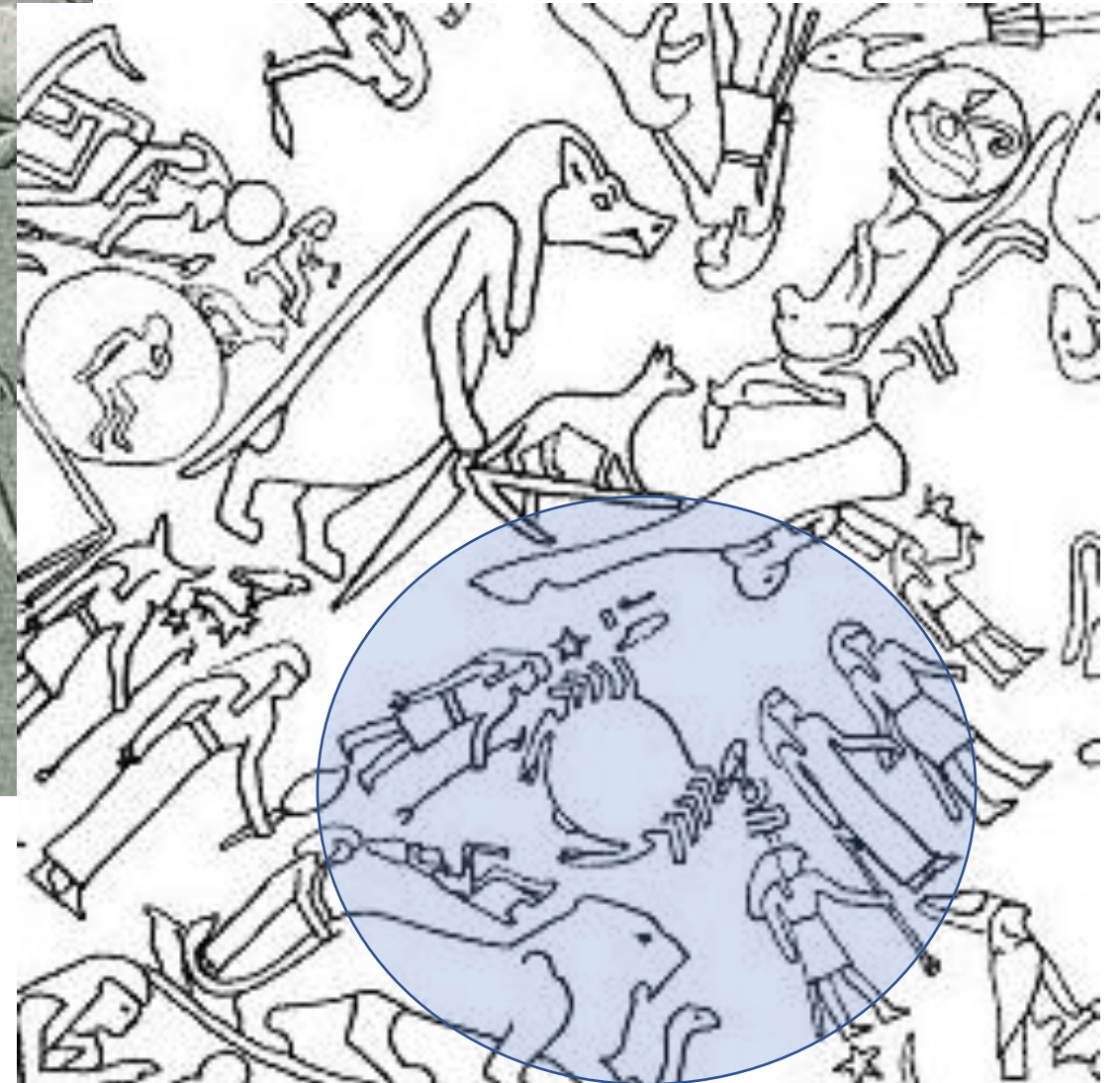
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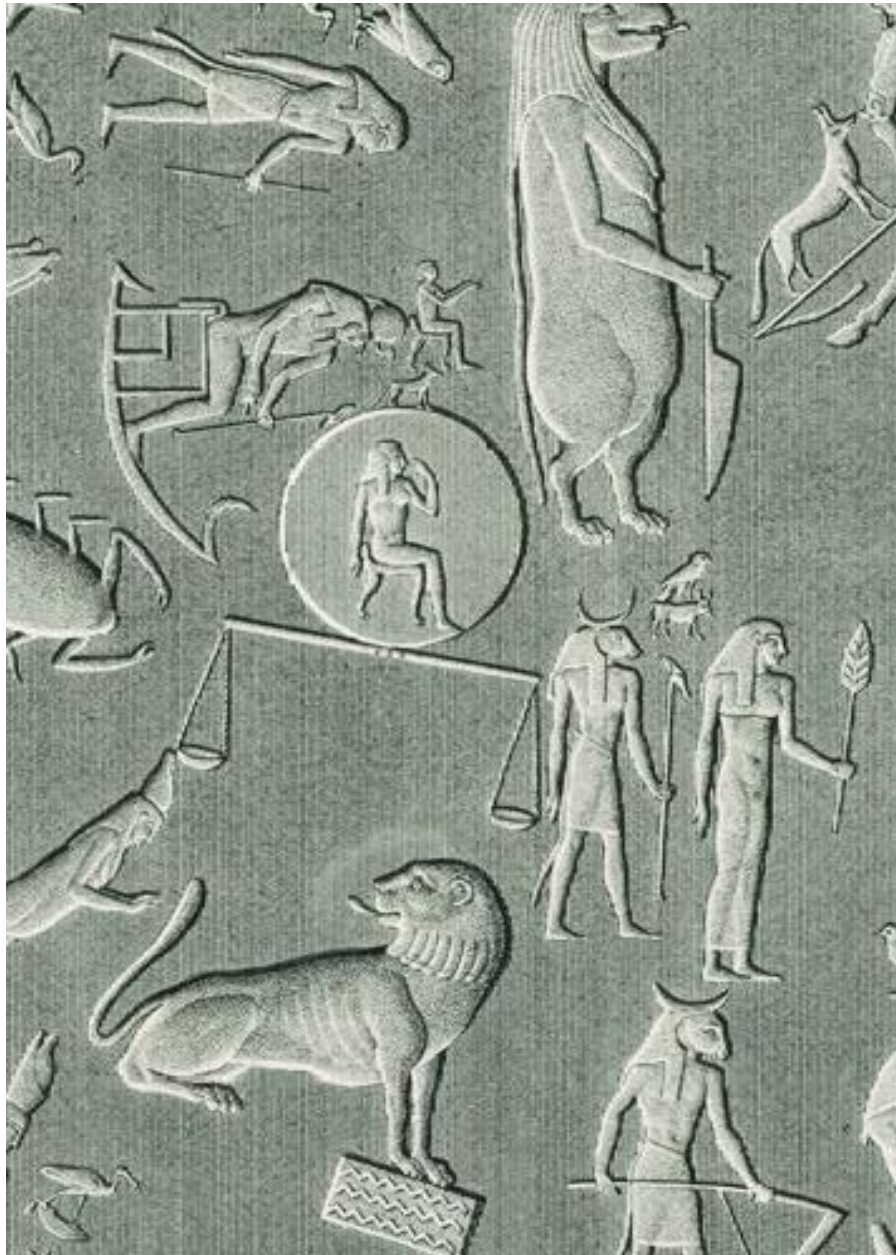
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Mercury and Jupiter are different in these drawings



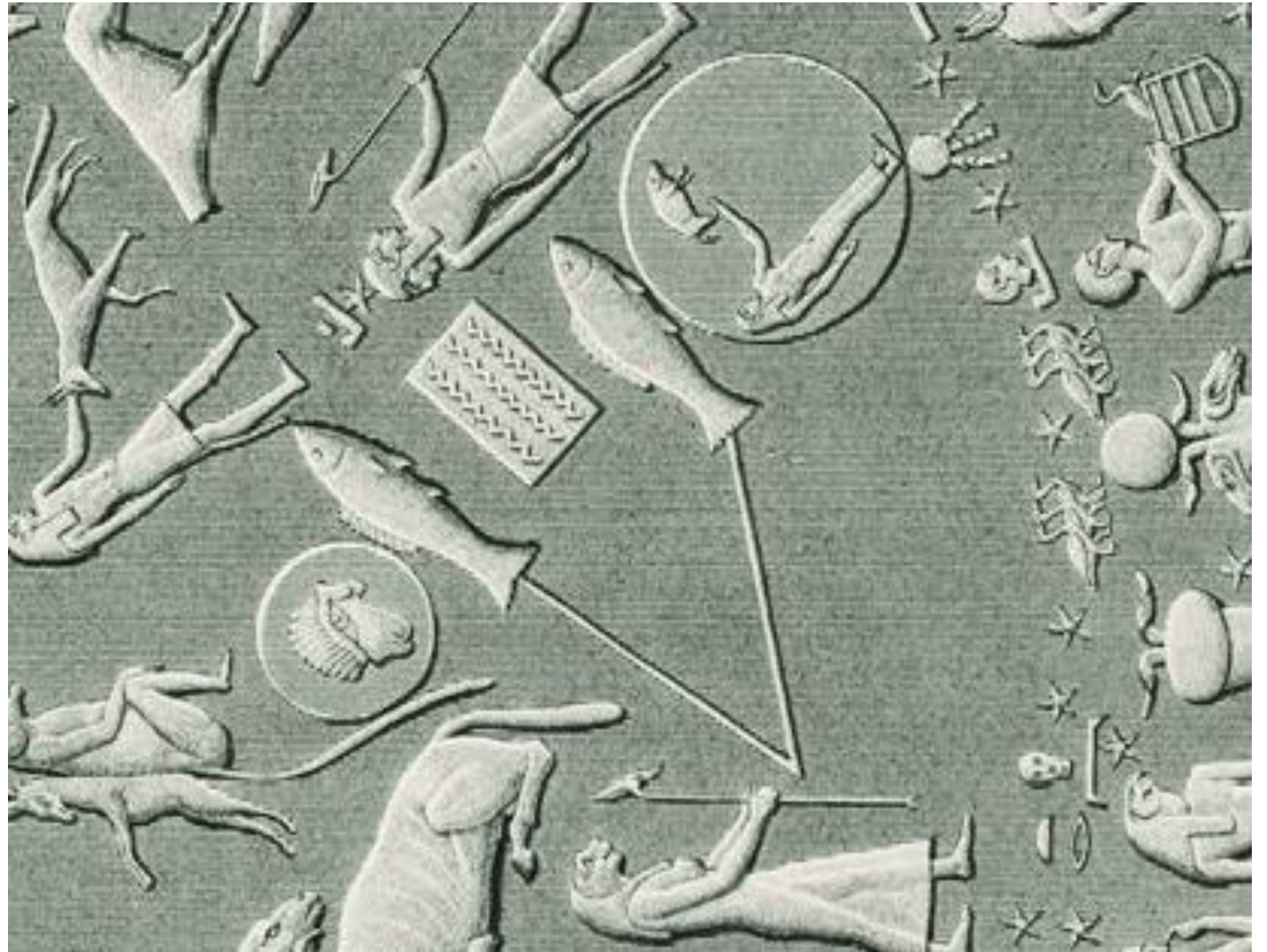


Where is the star next to Saturn?

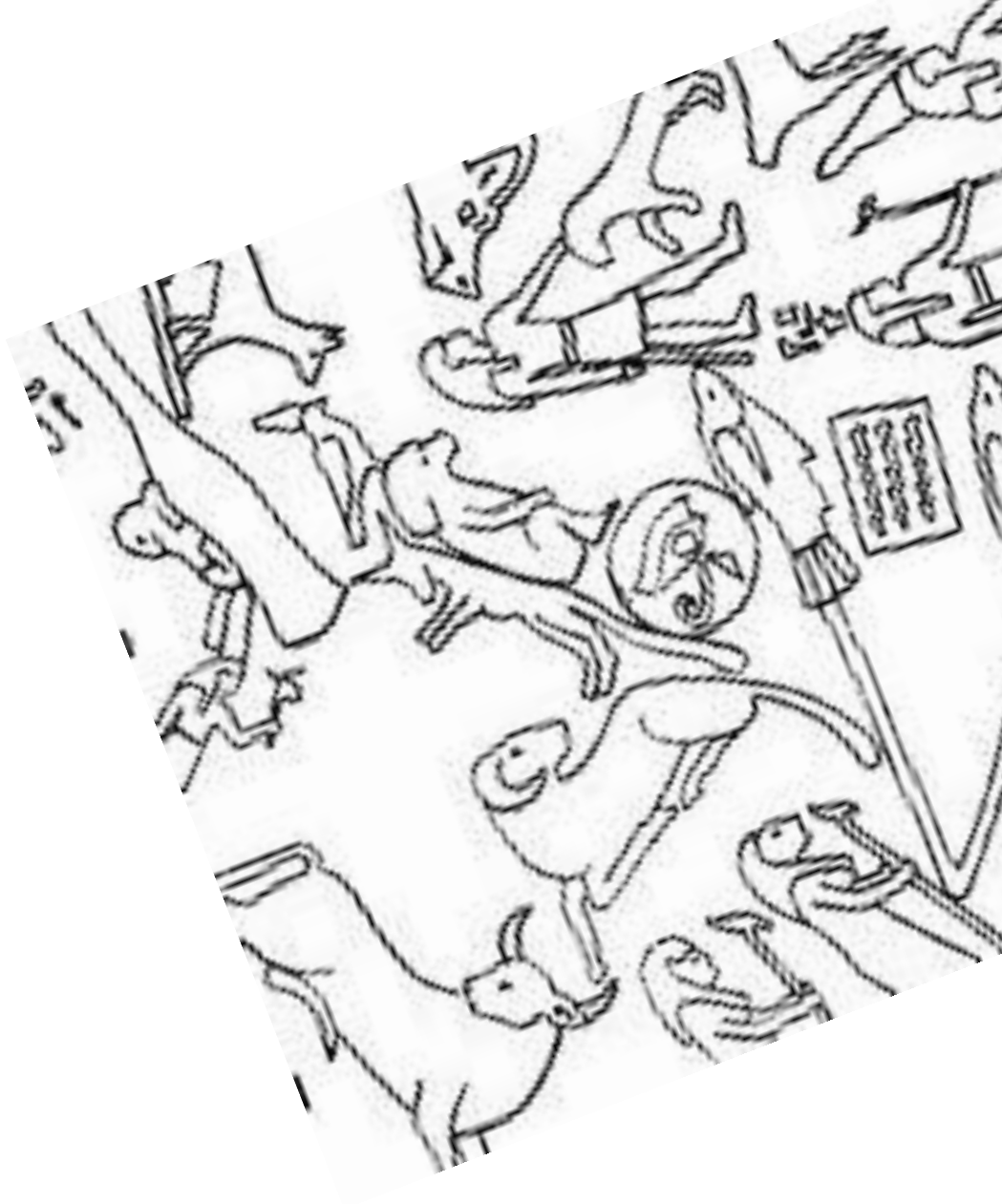
The Eclipses

Is this a baboon or is it a pig?
It is not being pulled by the tail
it is being held in the hand.

This drawing is quite different
to the original....



Is this the Eye of Horus – or something else?





Is this Mars, with the Heron over his head?

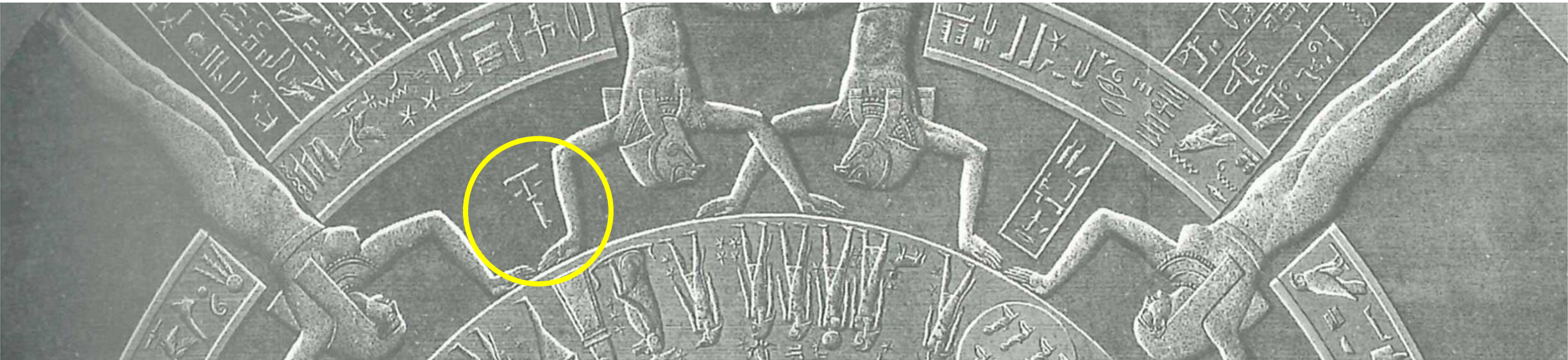


It is better therefore to work with the original when ever possible.

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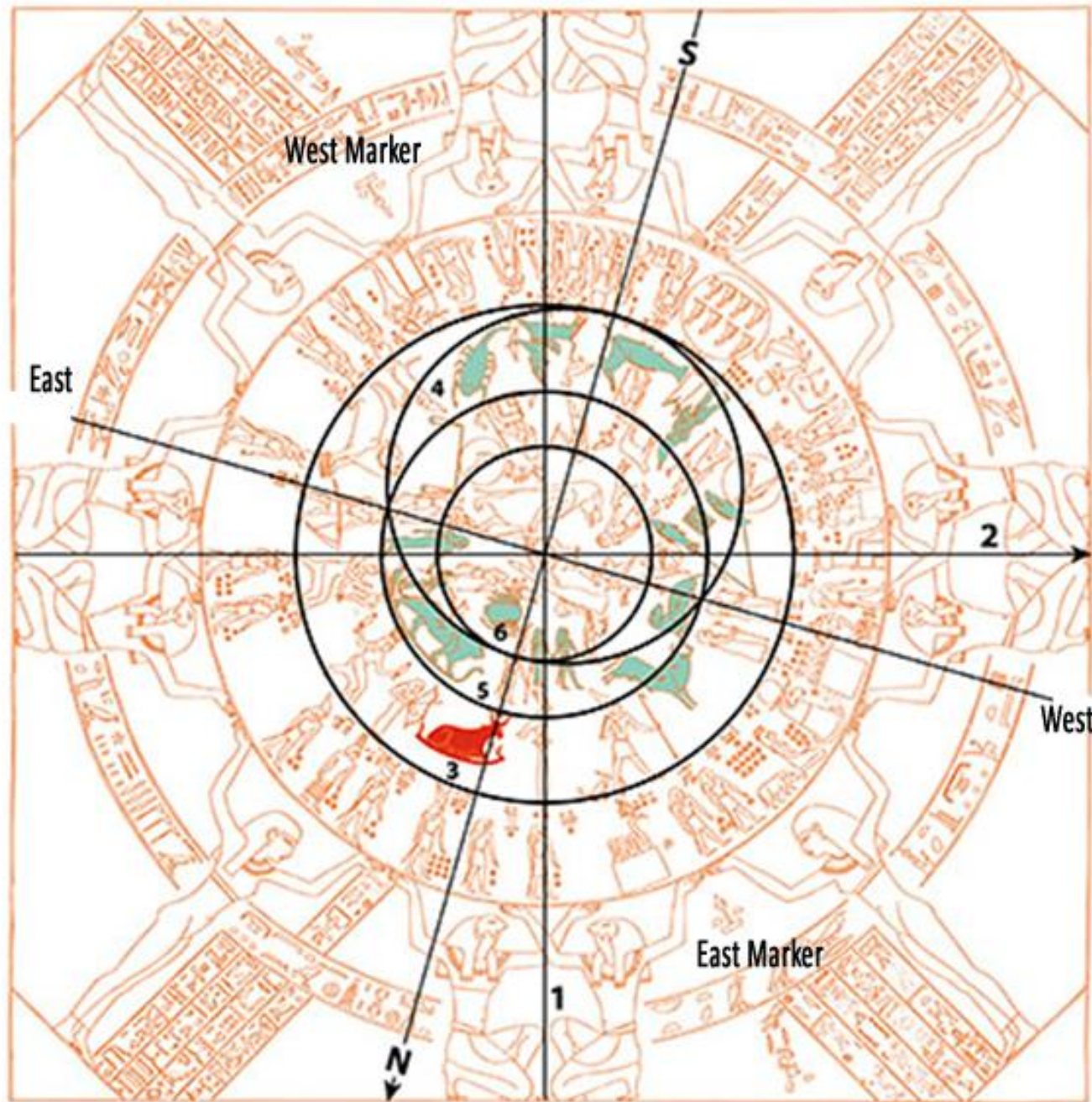


The hieroglyph for WEST, which is not aligned to the west.



The two east and western horizon markers.





The second circle shows the constellations in the southern hemisphere. The third circle shows the constellations in the northern hemisphere. The figures of the Zodiac are aligned along the eccentric circle of the ecliptic.

The axis joining Cancer to Capricorn (the solstices) points in a north-south direction.

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