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WHAT'S THAT BRIGHT DOT? May 2023

HOLA STAR GAZERS – THERE ARE TONS OF BRIGHT DOTS IN THE SKY, AND THEY'RE CONSTANTLY CHANGING HERE'S THE BIGGEST THIS WEEK AND ALL MONTH.

IF YOU HIT THE DARKNESS THIS WEEK AFTER SUNSET AND LOOK WEST, THE EVENING STAR, VENUS WILL BE SHINING BRIGHT, WITH RED MARS TRAILING BEHIND IT, AND THIS WEEK MARS WILL BE NEAR CASTOR AND POLLUX IN GEMINI, AND TO ITS LEFT WILL BE PROCYON IN CANIS MINOR!

AS THIS MONTH GOES ON BOTH VENUS AND MARS WILL MOVE CLOSER AND CLOSER TOGETHER UNTIL VENUS HITS ELONGATION AT THE BEGINNING OF JUNE AND THEY START TO SEPARATE AGAIN.

IF YOU ARE AN EARLY RISER, LOOK TO THE EAST AT 4AM. THERE YOU WILL SEE FOUR STARS THAT MAKE THE GREAT SQUARE OF PEGASUS. TO THE RIGHT YOU WILL SEE A BRIGHT LIGHT. THAT IS SATURN. A LITTLE OVER AN HOUR LATER AT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO SPOT JUPITER RISING IN THE GLOW OF THE SUN.

THESE ARE JUST SOME OF THE BRIGHT DOTS OUT THERE THIS MAY – IF YOU WANNA KNOW MORE, JUST ASK! I'M TRACE DOMINGUEZ, KEEP LOOKIN 'UP!