

The Magic Of Tarot Lesson 18

Tarot Key 17: The Star

In Key 16 we learned that the universe does not respect personal egotism. Sacrificing that is the price we must pay for higher REVELATION through meditation.

The image portrays how to turn problems into solutions to REVEAL your guiding light.

Learning to direct your meditations: everyone INDISCRIMINATELY meditates on what they worry about, grieve over and feel resentment towards.

Hebrew Letter: Tzaddi: meaning Fish Hook

- When we meditate, we cast the “hook” of our awareness deep into the pool of subconsciousness, directed by a clear question.
 - Eventually the fish (nun, Key 13) of illumination bites and we travel down the path of transformation.

Type of Intelligence: Natural Intelligence

- Through meditation we make contact with our true nature and receive insights in a natural, organic way.

Astrological Association: Aquarius

- The Water Bearer: The DISSOLVING power of consciousness
- the sign of flashes of intuition
- Whole / humanitarian, universal approach to the world (opposite of individual identification of Key 16)
 - As we open to our own inner depths our ONENESS with all is revealed on a feeling level.

Golden 8-Pointed Star above: represents the quintessence of alchemy

- The inner light in which our solutions, guidance and insights are REVEALED.
- **8 points:** the power BEHIND natural creation

7 stars in the sky:

- Represents the 7 major planets of the zodiac as well as the 7 chakras
 - Through meditation we align with these.

Blue sky:

- We are dealing with the “inner” sky of meditation

Red Ibis:

- Ibis is the bird associated with Mercury: messenger of the Gods
 - It’s red color associates with Mars and the Magician in Key 1

Meaning: direct your meditation by turning it over to higher will to receive solutions and answers.

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Tree:

- Represents brain and spinal column: the physiological transformation that occurs through receiving higher messages.

Green grass

Reference to The Empress: New life emerging from revelation

Pool

- Consciousness
- **Ripples**
 - Sending awareness into mind stimulates activity that gives birth to revelation

Two Urns: Lifted up:

- Raised to a level of higher awareness
 - Same colors as the man and woman in previous card.
 - Conscious and Subconscious Minds
- They are being cleansed by the waters of conscious meditation

Pouring back into pool:

- Pouring mind into itself through meditation
 - Providing pool of subconsciousness with higher, deliberate programming.

Pouring into 5 streams on earth:

- The new illuminated content produces new manifestations on the physical level
 - Stream flowing back into pool: those new manifestations in turn program the subconscious: ie: when you manifest a success that suggests to your subconscious that you can do even more.

Naked beautiful woman

The unabashed state of self-awareness during meditation as we openly view our inner self

Left knee balancing on earth:

- Through this type of meditation we maintain stability

Right foot touching surface of water

She is dominant / in control over her subconscious activities through this type of “fishing” meditation.

Purple Mts. In background:

- This practice takes us to the heights of spiritual awareness and attainment
- Lower rise before mt: Meditation takes to the base or operates as foundation for higher attainment.

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1 + 7 = 17

- Key 1 = directed concentration
- Key 7 = mastery of personal forces turned over to the direction of the True or Higher Self
- This is accomplished through 17 = meditation

Meditation On Joy

Introduction: Joy is your natural state, one to allow, rather than one to attempt to manufacture. The feeling of joy is a vibration that impacts your life in necessary and positive ways. As joy dissipates, so does appreciation for life and the motivation to live. The more joy you experience, the more you liberate your unique talents, the more alive you feel, the more you love and feel loved, and the more serendipitous coincidences bloom miraculously in your life. Joy itself manifests abundance in all the forms that reflect and ignite your joy. In fact, joy does more on your behalf than any amount of personal effort you might exert to direct your life.

Feel your feelings fully.

Feel the energy in your feelings.

Feel that energy as alive, loving, and joyful.

Feel the joy of freely and fully being your true self.

Become aware of your unique talents, the things you love to do.

Feel the joy you experience when you do what you love.

Feel the joy of trusting that your expression of your talents is always perfect.

Feel the joy of trusting that your true self is always perfect.

Feel the joy of trusting that the true self of everyone is always perfect.

Feel the joy of unconditionally loving yourself and everyone else.

Feel the joy of trusting that everything that happens is always perfect.

Feel the joy of trusting that you are always perfectly loved and supported by the universe.

Feel your joyful energy expanding until it fills the universe.