

Magic of Tarot Session 2 - The High Priestess

Session Three Notes

#2: Represents balance and polarity: As you maintain your balance within the polarity of life's opposites you can receive the higher guidance of the universe.

The High Priestess represents Cosmic Memory:

- Your subconscious keeps a perfect record of all of your experiences.
- This level of consciousness contains all the knowledge (the entire history) of the universe, which you can draw upon.
- You can also use this card to activate and improve your personal memory.
- We can tap into this limitless source of knowledge, including knowledge of the laws of the universe and how to live WITH them, by emulating the state of her pose and position.
- You can also tap into the higher guidance of your inner teacher (through suggestion)

It is the alma mater (nourishing mother) of the universe, she represents the femal substance of creation that gives birth to all form through suggestion.

The Title of this card: In the ancient mystery tradition the High Priestess is the revealer of the mysteries.

Her eyes are open and looking directly at you: your subconscious sees and knows everything about you. Meditating on this image helps you to see beneath the veils of your denial.

The flowing water from her lap: The stream of consciousness which gives birth to the manifestations of your life.

- **White Foam:** having received its direction from The Magician (like a gush of male semen), it forms the manifested contents of your life.

The Tora Scroll: Torah is the book of spiritual laws governing the universe. It's scroll-form represents the natural unfolding of your awakening to these laws as you meditate in the state of the High Priestess.

Exposed left hand: Openness and receptivity

White Garment: Purity of desire and intention (see The Fool's white rose).

Lunar Symbols: Just as the moon shines by reflecting the light of the sun, the subconscious reflects the thoughts of your conscious mind (The Magician) into the manifest world.

- Just as the moon rules the tides, the High Priestess rules the water-like flow of the mind-stuff of the universe

Elaborate Head-dress balanced: Represents the balancing of the moods, emotions and mind-stuff.

- Being **atop her head** represents the opening of the crown chakra, through which we receive higher levels of consciousness

The Imagery of Higher receptivity: The entire image is designed to help get into the state of peace and poise that renders you receptive to the higher levels of consciousness.

- The black and white pillars represent the pairs of opposites we encounter in life.
- The Yod represents liberating energy, the Kaph represents grasping or containment
- The equal armed cross on her chest represents balance
- The cube on which she sits represents balance, stability and the crystallization of thoughts into things.

The Veil behind her: Represents the veil between the conscious and subconscious mind.

Contains the Kabbalah Tree Of Life diagram, concealing and revealing the ultimate realization of the ten Divine Attributes that make up our essential being and the essential being of the universe.

The Pattern...

This is the truth about the self:

- 0 *All the power that ever was or will be is here now.*
- 1 *I am a center of expression for the primal will to good which eternally creates and sustains the universe.*
- 2 *Through me its unfailing wisdom takes form in thought and word.*
- 3 *Filled with understanding of its perfect law I am guided moment by moment along the path of liberation.*
- 4 *From the exhaustless riches of its limitless substance, I draw all things needful, both spiritual and material.*
- 5 *I recognize the manifestation of the undeviating justice in all the circumstances of my life.*
- 6 *In all things great and small I see the beauty of the divine expression.*
- 7 *Living from that will, supported by its unfailing wisdom and understanding, mine is the victorious life.*
- 8 *I look forward with confidence to the perfect realization of the eternal splendor of the limitless light.*
- 9 *In thought, and word, and deed I rest my life from day to day upon the sure foundation of eternal being.*
- 10 *The kingdom of spirit is embodied in my flesh.*

Pomegranates (seeds) and Palm Leaves (femal organ): Representing the opposite and complimentary forces in generation: seeds ie: uniting of conscious and subconscious mind.

Uniting Intelligence: This is the mind-stuff that is the united basis of all manifestation.

Buds on the pillars: The limitless potentials of the subconscious mind

Gimel: Camel: carries water within, transports and communicates – conveying information from the infinite mind to the conscious mind.

Yellow ground: indicates we are essentially dealing with the level of mind or Mercury (messenger of the Gods)

Key Point: your subconscious takes your every suggestion, including the forms of your thoughts, and directs nature to manifest forms like it into matter.