

## Magic of Tarot Session 8 - Tarot Key 7: The Chariot Session Eight Notes

### Your Power To align Your Personal forces With the universe (With Divine Will)

#### General Wisdom Of Tarot:

Each Tarot image imparts, stimulates and develops in you a potential power for leading a more heavenly life.

Practice For Fun: View each tarot image and tune in to feel the power emanating from it. A next step is try to describe what you feel as accurately as possible in a word or two. This brings will into the power of speech for communicating subtle truths (consistent with the meaning of Key 7: mastery of speech)

**A BASIC PRACTICAL USE OF THIS KEY:** Focus on key 7 to free yourself of personality reactions like annoyance, disappointment, dread, as well as self-sabotaging moods and attitudes, thoughts, speech patterns and behaviors.

#### This Tarot Card Image has its roots in: MERKIBAH (CHARIOT) MYSTICISM:

- **Merkibah: Chariot, also, BODY OF LIGHT : This is what Key 7 Represents and conveys: The personality mastered by will and guided by the higher ordering forces of the universe, represented by the starry canopy above.**
  - The prelude to Kabbalah, Merkibah Wisdom, was practiced by Jewish mystics.
  - Its focus was on the mystical meanings of the vision of the chariot that Ezekiel describes in the Bible.
    - The vision included four four-faced beings as pictured in Keys 10 and 21: which convey the secret powers of magic or mastery:
      - To Know
      - To Will
      - To Dare
      - To Be Silent
  - By envisioning this chariot, the meditator would eventually be taken by it to experience the heavenly dimensions and teachings of the Divine.
  - Viewing this this Tarot Image is said to produce a similar effect.

#### 7 = VICTORY

- The number 7 corresponds to the 7<sup>th</sup> Emanation on the Kabbalah Tree of Life, Named Netzach, meaning Victory. *It represents the victorious nature of your True (God) SELF.*
- **Abundance:** as in lucky 7's (starry canopy represents alignment with the stars):
  - mastery of the forces of the personality (control over the automatic mental, emotional, desire, thought, speech and action patterns) is the key to abundance.

- 7=1=6 or 16 – The Tower, which conveys the higher awakening brought on by a crisis.
  - The Chariot is the state of calm victory over or through a crisis that sets things in order.
  - Crisis means “Turning Point” in Greek – This Key portrays the point of turning from being controlled by the personality influences.
  - Meditating on Key 16 stimulates the awakening brought about through crisis.
  - Mastery of the (lower, false or personality) self is the victory of your life-time and leads to victory over circumstances
  - Mastery of the personality = mastery of circumstances
  - “improving circumstances begins with improving our responses”
- **Invisible reigns:** The charioteer is The True Self, holding the invisible reins (of will) over the senses: he is not giving free reign to sensuality.
- **The Chariot:** personality and physical body ) \
  - Notice the chariot is like a container for the lower chakras or force-centers, sending their energy upward (as in Key 8),

#### **Facing Front with eyes open:**

- **Facing front:** he is looking directly at you to facilitate you looking directly at yourself!
  - Representing the fact that the True Self is aware of you, and this image stimulates your self-awareness for greater control over the personality forces.
  - His eyes are open, representing conscious awareness – in this case, aware of his personality forces.
  - Awareness is the basis of Will
    - Vitvan: “Whatever you are aware of, you can control; whatever you are unaware of controls you.”

#### **This Image represents and conveys the True Power and Application of WILL:**

- Use your will to PUT THE WISDOM TEACHINGS INTO PRACTICE
- To rule over your personality
- To trust in Divine Will: what happens – relate to the universe as a safe and victorious place

#### **MASTERY OF THE POWER OF SPEECH**

- Right speech facilitates clearer awareness:
  - Newspaper headlines.
- DIRECT everyday speech and writing with WILL to overcome robotic sleep patterns
- NOTICE THAT HIS LIPS ARE CLOSED: master of silence (ie fourth face)
  - We lose power when
    - we speak too much

- we share information what should be withheld
- we speak *loosely*, mis-programming the subconscious (Every word programs the subconscious)
- Practice being non-reactive to words
- Use the Vita-words exercise

**Yellow Sky:** (fool, magician, empress) We are dealing primarily with the power of Mind  
 Orange framing: We are dealing with Intelligent (yellow) action (red) or Right Functioning

**Yellow Wheels:** Mind is the mover

- law of rotation: unmoved by the revolutions (changes, ups and downs)
- Wheels within wheels: the four worlds of creation and the Tetramgamaton
- Missing wheel: displays detachment and the invisible nature of the power in control: Will.

**Houses In The Background:**

- House = Beth, The house of the personality
- Influences from the masses contained behind the gray wall of wisdom
- He is on the outskirts, individualizing, connecting with SELF – the Individualized Expression of Will
- White buildings: the spiritual purpose fulfilled by personality construction
- Purified houses of personality
- with red rooves pointing upward: the underlying drive of higher aspiration planted in every personality

**White shield on chariot:** Protection from lower influences

**Red insignia:** Diamond Pestle and Mortar: the will alchemizes the fires of desire into higher aspiration:

Will

----- = Victory of liberation

desire

**Winged solar disk:**

Indigo (color of devotion) wings / gold (color of spiritual light) symbol of the soul in flight of the regenerated forces of the animal nature

**The Image Of Victory**

We have a number of victories which we can list in order of their importance:

They all fall under: Victory over the self by the SELF.

1. The victory of control over the physical senses – The Resting Sphinxes
  - a. His perceptive awareness is guided by will to see through appearances

- b. He focuses on a deeper level of guidance (guidance from the Self, by the Will).
  - c. Black and white motivation to act FOR what the senses present, or AGAINST – guided by a deeper understanding, higher response.
- 2. The victory of control over the senses: the ability to control and direct the power of attention with will
- 3. The victory of mastery of thought
  - a. Yellow hair: enlightened thinking
  - b. wreath on head: mind fulfilling its natural potential, thoughts aligned with nature's processes
  - c. **Crown of gold**: (he is king of his mind)
    - i. Gold band: transmutation of thought-power – his thoughts are golden
    - ii. Golden 5 pointed stars: Higher Will rules fire (will), air (thought), water (emotion, mood, feelings), earth (the physical dimension – golden 5-pointed stars)
    - iii. 3 stars represent the perfect balance and integration of the right (The Empress) and left (The Emperor) hemispheres of the brain
    - iv. 3 x 5 = 15: he has mastered the illusory nature appearances.
    - v. Kabbalah Path 3 -5: Disciplined understanding or will guiding conceptualizations, setting boundaries (fence) around thought
- 4. **moons on his shoulders** The victory of control over moods, attitudes and emotions
  - a. Transmuting them to true spiritual devotion (indigo)
- 5. The victory over the power of speech – see open mouths of the moon
  - a. Use your will to cultivate balanced speech not controlled by mood or emotion
  - b. Apply will to speak more consciously and effectively speech – less robotically
  - c. Practice the law of 3 when speaking
  - d. WATCH how you program the subconscious of self and others through speech
  - e. Master the power of silence
  - f. Use the vitamin words exercise
- 6. Overall imagery of this key represents the victory that is awakening to the magical power of will and how to wield it for direction of the personality forces and their direction over circumstances.
- 7. The victory of INDIVIDUALIZATION which takes place as one heeds one's OWN will (the gray stone wall *of wisdom* separating him from the urbanized (buildings) masses and their efforts to influence and persuade) .
- 8. The victory of blending and balancing will with love (**copper breastplate** = venus, love; star-crown = Kether, Will)
  - a. The victory of LOVE over life's "slings and arrows"
  - b. The BATTLE to stay loving... armor = amoure

9. The victory of keeping personal forces in harmony with nature (**the evergreen trees and grass**) and the fact that we take our level of mastery with us – the victory described here lasts forever
10. The victory of mastery over the subconscious (**staff with figure 8 and lunar crescent**)
11. Being ABOVE the stream: water here represents the life-power and the stream of consciousness – will rules both
12. The stream is BEHIND him He is guarding his subconscious with his consciousness

**Type of Intelligence:** *The Intelligence Of The House Of Influence* (aka: wealth and power)

- He is **not** interested in influencing or having power over others
- Rather, he is focused on not being influenced by other than his True or Higher Will.
- Knows how to apply will to influence or direct the personality forces – this is the key to mastery over abundance.

**Hebrew Letter Chet: field, fence, boundary, demarcation**

The personality is the field of cultivation of the True Self

How to seal off or fence out lower influences of the personality and other personalities.

- BEING YOURSELF IS YOUR TRUE FREEDOM
- You never have to prove yourself, you only have to be yourself, to live victorious in life

**The Four Pillars supporting his cosmic shelter:**

He is reasonable; ie: he is supported by Key 4, representing the power to align personal reason with the order of the universe.

- Ring on pillars: blending of male and female energies for conscious creation

**Emblem on breastplate:** The 3 T's represent mastery (Hebrew letter Tav) demonstrated by love, via creative imagination (key 3).

**white fluted sleeves:** The sleeves of a riders gloves.

- White represents purity of higher intention driving the forces of the personality
- Bare hands: representing sensitivity in his “handling” of his forces as well as his direct conscious contact with those forces

**Pleated skirt with talismans:** 7 pleats correspond to the power of victory over the lower forces; talismans are magical designs that direct the forces of nature through invisible means

**Tilted belt with talismans:** The “belt” of the zodiac, like a fence or boundary within which he lives harmoniously through discipline and mastery (5 = discipline – sphere 5 on the Tree of life and mastery – the 5-pointed star)

**Astrological Attribution: Cancer** “the crab”: inner life contained within the outer shell – fence of protection.

- The Moon is exalted in the sign of Cancer: meaning here is the subconscious is functioning at its highest level to bring about victory in all things.