

Spiritual Unfoldment Through Tarot

The Second Stage

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It is important to know that Key 0, The Fool, is at the top of the Tarot Tableau because Super Consciousness is instilled in all of us.

We all have The Fool aspect that will journey from Tarot Key 1 in and through to Tarot Key 21.

During this journey, we experience all the aspects, all the principles, all the effects, which are the functions of consciousness that really belong to the Super Consciousness level.

Previously, we explored the first stage of spiritual unfoldment and how this principle works within consciousness.

We also discussed the agency or law through which the principle works and then the effect of the unfoldment.

Each stage of unfoldment are like a whirling circle which stirs the principle into action.

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For example, if we focus our attention on the polarity of Life and Death that is assigned to Key 1, then the conditioning of subconsciousness forms the suggestion of Key 8 which brings about the effect of Key 15.

The phenomenon of Key 15 usually happens to be the problem, which is why this Key is called The Devil.

As we explore our problems that arise within our life, we normally focus on how to not repeat the problem or try to learn from the problem, which means we concentrate once again and this returns back to the principle of Key 1.

We will go around and around in a circle, but we are not stuck in the circle even though it may appear this way for ourselves or others.

Eventually, as we live our life, moment to moment, day to day, we begin to outgrow our problems and will experience broader perspectives.

Instead of bondage which is attributed to Key 15, we notice humor begins to emerge, meaning the old problems of our yesterdays are no longer problems.

Mirth is also attributed to Key 15.

If we begin to laugh at our problems that we once experienced, inevitably this results in expansion of consciousness.

We outgrow our problems and it takes a broader perspective to really have humor.

If we are unable to find humor from our problems or unable to see the humor, then we still have a type of sensitivity that keeps us in bondage and we are not able to experience mercy.

All of us are at different degrees of perspectives in this circular motion that goes continuously around in our consciousness.

Again, the first stage of unfoldment, the principle of attention brings about the suggestion to subconsciousness that results in the effect, which will range in between the polarity of bondage or mirth that is assigned to Key 15.

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As we create experiences in our life and the first principle circles around in our consciousness, the spiral motion moves on to the second principle.

This involves more than just focusing or reacting to the idea of attention, but instead to all the other ideas that are involved with attention such as the pair of opposites of life and death for Key 1.

When we are not giving attention to ourselves or really anything that we may perceive, or if we lack the intensity to concentrate, then this is naturally a sort of death to the consciousness.

Our degree of concentration, or our degree of self consciousness is really our degree of living.

Once we break free of the bondage from some experience that created a problem, then our spiral motion within consciousness moves into a positive side of effect.

The positive influx created within our consciousness will move us into the second stage of unfoldment which involves the principle of memory.

Within Qabalah, this principle is assigned to the Intelligence of Unity because it is through the subconsciousness that our memory even exist at all.

Where does memory reside?

Well, it is not the brain which is the organ that is used as a broadcaster for receiving and transmitting frequencies.

The brain is an electromagnetic type of instrument.

In essence, memory is beyond the physical plane, beyond the narrowness of appearances, and beyond our comprehension.

The human brain is an instrument just as the piano.

The piano keys would appear as a type of memory that has assigned music notes that upon contact would release the key note sound.



But, if a piano key is broken, then the piano will not release the musical note assigned to that key.

We can press the piano key multiple times, but no sound is transmitted, or vibrated, until the piano is correctly tuned and the key is repaired.

The piano does not hold memory of the musical key note.

This same functionality applies to the human brain.

Memory is the basic principle that is brought into action as a result of the first stage of unfoldment which include Key 1, Key 8, and Key 15.

What we pay attention to becomes the habit patterns on memory, which are the agencies through attention of Key 1 that brings about a result of memory.

Each result is a memory.

There is no such thing as lost memory, but only our ability to recollect.

This is why we need to sharply pay attention to life, so that we have sharp access to memory of what is in accordance with reality.

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Key 9, The Hermit, is assigned to the Intelligence of Will and is the agency of which the principle of memory and the second stage of unfoldment occurs.

When we interpret life from any perspective, or if we choose to act on something such as eating food, we use our personal will that is derived from memory.

Our memory drives us to experience the eating of food over and over again, especially if the food was enjoyable.

The Hebrew letter Yod is assigned to Key 9, which attributes to 'response.'

This means we respond to memory.

If we did not enjoy the experience with a particular type of food, we respond to memory with the unenjoyable pattern that we hold within our consciousness.

Memory drives us because it is like an electromagnetic element similar to the iron filings to a magnet.

What we remember has to do with how we use our personal will with our basic response to ourselves and to life.

When we experience disappointment, unhappiness, or betrayal, these are received subconscious suggestions on how we interpret life.

We do not forget these responses and we hold those particular patterns.

More importantly, we need to know that that this is not just the principle of memory involved.

Key 1, Key 8, and Key 15 of the first stage of unfoldment are also involved.

This is the difficulty of bringing together groups of Tarot Keys or the stages of unfoldment because we cannot hold that many at once within our third dimensional consciousness.

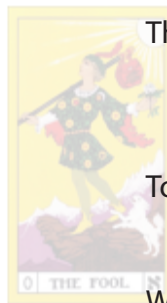
If we aim and strive for higher dimensional consciousness through training our minds, then we will be able to bring together the groups of Tarot Keys in a way that creates different responses to our memory.

We begin to learn how to see our experiences in a different manner.

Let us remember that assigned to Key 15 is the Hebrew Letter Ayin, which means 'eye' and represents the limitations from what we see from appearances.

The bondage of ignorance is the result from the acceptance of these limitations and appearances as the only reality.

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The Hebrew Letter Yod is assigned to Key 9 and has the meaning of 'response', but Yod is also attributed to 'touch' and the 'union of opposites'.

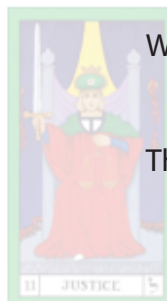
Touch is so important to understand because all of our senses use touch.

When we see something with our eyes, that is really a vibration of touch that the camera part of our eye interprets with our consciousness.



When we hear something with our ears, that is also a vibration of touch that the mechanism in our ears interprets sound with our consciousness.

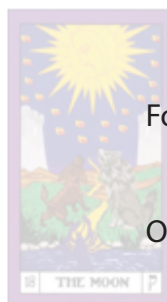
When we taste something with our mouth, that is the nerve endings on our tongue which were touched and interpreted taste from our consciousness.



When we smell something with our nose, the nerve endings registers the vibration that is interpreted by our consciousness.

Therefore, the sense of touch with our memory, with our world, with our life, with whatever is going to happen and gives us the perception and the ability to express illumination or lack of illumination is our real sense of touch.

Most of us misinterpret the sense of touch and the experience creates a response of Key 9 in which ignorance of Key 15 is involved.



For example, we are in contact with somebody who appears immature or not kind with other people.

Our sense of touch with memory will create the response that brings about our reaction in relation to the unkind person.

Normally, our reaction would be adversely, but there are various ways to react and that has to do with what we do with Key 2, the Principle of Memory.

We want to train our mind to learn how to react in terms of our memory which is in response to Key 9, the agency of the second stage of unfoldment.



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How do we train our mind in terms of memory?

We can reference Key 16, The Tower, which is the effect of the second stage of unfoldment.

The strong pictorial imagery of Key 16 tell us we have to knock out the false, elusive, deluded ideas.

Key 16 is the Tower of Babel and is built by words.

The Hebrew Letter Peh is assigned to Key 16 and has the meaning of 'mouth as organ of speech' which symbolizes the power of utterance and generates the issues of life.

Our speech is result from our thoughts.

Therefore, we think before we speak which our speech is the result and response of memory.

When we communicate by speaking to other people, we are not just saying a bunch of words.

We are attempting to develop the more sense of touch with the person.

We need to analyze our memories of Key 2 and learn how to develop a new response of Key 9 which will create the effect of Key 16 and knock out the false ideas and attitudes we have developed in our life.

Key 16, The Tower, is symbolic as if we were surrounded by a tower of bricks.

All we will see are bricks and not see the light or experience the light.

Our degree of ignorance will create incorrect responses to life which brings about the degree of our imprisonment on this isolated tower.

Key 16, The Tower, gives the idea of being separated from the rest of life and this idea has to be knocked out.

Once the idea of separation is knocked out, then we are brought back to Key 2, which is the Principle of Memory and also the Unifying Intelligence.

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The High Priestess means primary receptive aspect of the Life-power and she is the pre-cosmic root-substance which is beneath all the objective planes of existence.

She is the First Mother.

She is the First Matter.

She is the Virgin Goddess.

The scroll she holds represents memory and keeps a perfect record of all experiences and everything within creation.

This scroll is linked to our subconsciousness which means we have access to all of memory.

The problem most of us have is our inaccurate understanding of the principle of memory, which is why we need the seven stages of spiritual unfoldment to guide us on how to correctly understand consciousness.

Key 2 has the Hebrew letter Gimel assigned which means "Camel."

The camel is known as the ship of the desert and implies the carrying of supplies of water, transportation, and communication.

Also assigned to Key 2 are the pair of opposites of Peace and Strife.

When we learn how to correctly remember our experiences as they should be remembered, we will have peace.

Otherwise, we will use our memory in a way that brings us strife.

How do we begin to correctly use our memory?

First, we need to suggest to our subconsciousness that the robe of the High Priestess symbolizes Water and is the 'root matter' of our vibratory universe.

Why Water?

Because the 'root matter' is identical to our subconsciousness.

In terms of creation, Water is the First Mirror with the function of mirroring which creates duplication and reflection.

Water is directly related with the number 2.

The conscious energy of the One Force acts upon itself in the subconscious aspect of 'root matter' that brings into being all physical structures.

Our personal subconsciousness is a manifestation through our own personal body of the great and all-inclusive universal subconsciousness.

As we continue through the seven stages of unfoldment, we need to know that the robe on the High Priestess symbolizes the source of water, the flowing and fluidity of ever-changing forms of life that streams from the beginning of Key 2 through Key 21.

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Once again, how do we begin to correctly use our memory?

When we look at Key 2, the High Priestess, we can tell our psyche that we are to wash clean our subconsciousness.

Next, we can look at Key 9, the Hermit, which is the agency that Key 2 works through, then we tell our psyche that our Higher Source is to send the rays of light and guidance in order to help wash clean our subconsciousness.

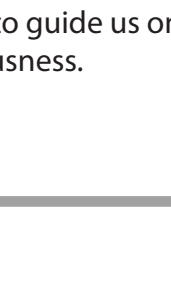
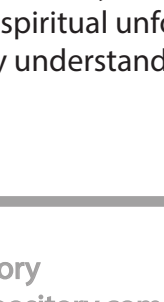
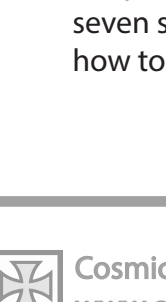
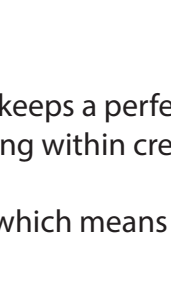
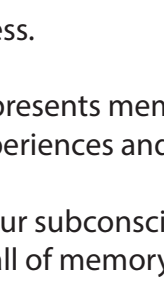
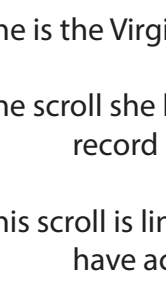
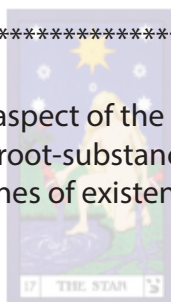
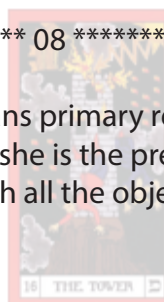
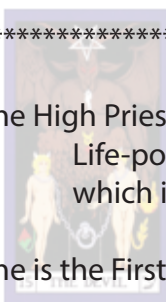
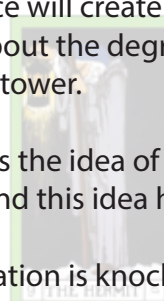
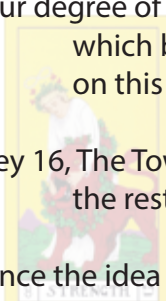
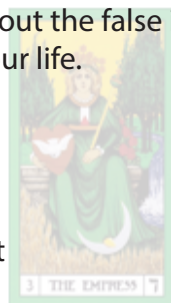
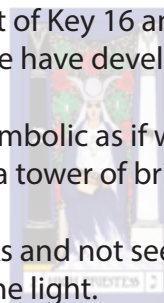
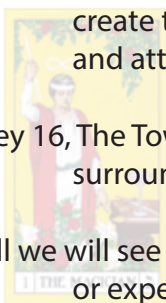
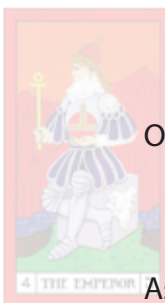
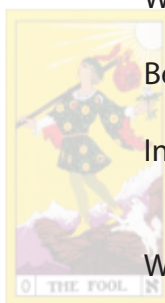
We can tell our psyche that we strongly desire to purify our self awareness with the fire and flame to get rid of the ignorance and darkness and enemy.

Who is our enemy?

There is only one enemy which is the same for all of us.

Our enemy is our memory.

When we incorrectly interpret our memory, we travel through ignorance and darkness which results in strife.



Again, this is why the Union of Opposites along with peace and strife are assigned to Key 2.

The Uniting Intelligence is the mode of consciousness that brings distance places closer together and establishes communication which is needed to obtain peace instead of strife.

We have to recognize that everything in our life that has happened to us is because of the impulse coming from our Higher Source that is symbolic in Key 9.

No matter what we have done or what we have been told, all of the experiences where necessary and inevitably required for our stage of growth.

We need to realize that all strife we have experienced is from the source above, growing us, cracking the shell like seeds, then through the crack comes the dirt so we can grow up, through the earth and always reaching and growing towards something higher.

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We can use our memory and view our experiences to see that we were clumsy and immature by the impact of false appearances, but our previous theories of what we believed to be true leads us to the effect of Key 16, The Tower, which are assigned polar opposites of grace and sin.

Key 16 provides the pictorial image of a very wild, thunderous, and unpleasant kind of storm which results in both of what we have said to be the grace of God and the wrath of God.

If we believe that our Creator is outside of ourselves, this erroneous belief can cause wrong ideas that lead to strife.

The lightning bolt eventually strikes down this idea and we begin to know that our Higher Source was in our heart and growing its own center of expression, its own vehicle, and this is who we are, as a type of extension we term the lower self of our higher self.

We are all eternal beings involved in the sharing of this One Identity which we call "I Am."

The great alchemists of today and who have came before us have profoundly said,

"I Am you.
You are me.
We are eternity."

When we are able to genuinely remember that we are all one, we can consciously seek the Uniting Intelligence of Key 2 which allows us to discriminate more clearly our memory of experiences with peace and strife.

Strife is normally what we continuously stir up within ourselves because we hook into habit patterns of responding to the unhappy part of our memory.

Let us remember that the unhappy part was essential for our growth, but now we have arrived at another phase in our life that we can "unhook" or "let go" of that habit pattern of thought.

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Key 2 is the whole principle of memory that provides the understanding for the pair of opposites of peace and strife.

Key 9 is the agency for the principle of how we respond to our memory.

Key 16 is the result for the principle that works through the agency and will create grace or sin.

This activity of the second stage of unfoldment will provide both the positive and negative sense of our false towers of babel.

We want to open ourselves up to the awakening of grace instead of putting another brick on the tower and isolating ourselves from the storms of fear that derive from sin.

We all have this same experience, but just in different degrees of consciousness.

We all experience strife and sin or else how would we know peace and grace.

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Within Qabalah, Key 16 is assigned to the Exciting Intelligence because this mode of consciousness stirs up activity, produces changes, and effects transformations.

The tower of Key 16 is built upon a foundation of misapprehension which we suffer the destruction of our former beliefs and philosophy in order to obtain wisdom and experience grace.

In actuality, as a collective, we have become materialists to such a high degree without even realizing it because of the guilt complexes we have developed from habit patterns.

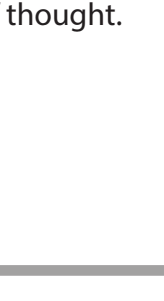
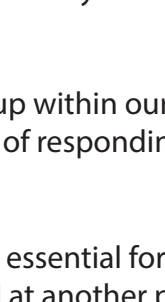
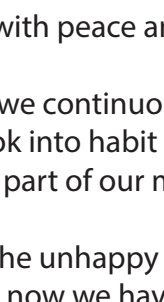
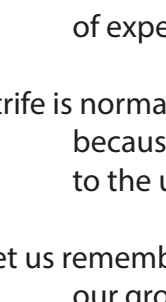
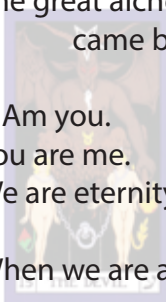
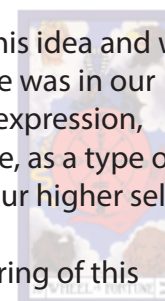
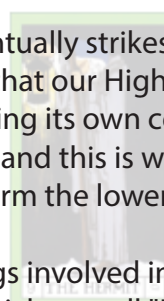
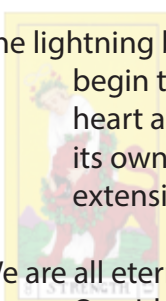
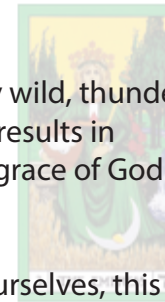
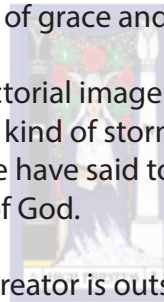
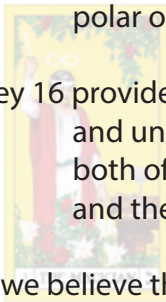
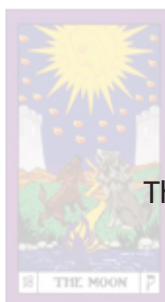
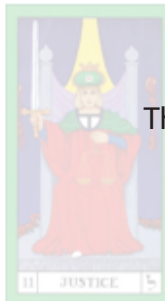
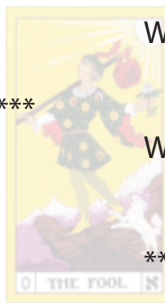
There are plenty of examples that we can reference by slowing down and taking a closer look at the marketing of products that have a tremendous impact on what we cannot live without, or what will make our life happier, or what will heal us, and the list goes on and on.

We must know that with materialism there are many delights which create wonderful experiences, but it is important for us to gauge the value we put into materialism and ensure we are not held in bondage as seen in the pictorial image of Key 15.

The lightning bolt of Key 16 is to remind us as a collective that our response, Key 9, to the extreme materialist philosophy will be struck down in order to provide the growth required for obtaining the true crown instead of the false crown of materialism.

The true crown is within us all for the discovery and remembrance of our true essence, whereas the false crown is the idea that something outside ourselves is how we reach attainment that will give us peace and grace.

This something outside ourselves belief originates as a collective from many lifetimes ago which has created the illusion of glamour and riches in materialism that has a type of hypnotic shroud over the whole cloak of consciousness in humanity.



The attitudes have become so deepened and so profound that to aspire in our remembrance has become far more difficult to develop the discrimination on how to respond with Key 9 and obtain our true value and know what is truly lasting.

For all of us who can clearly see the first and second principle of consciousness, and the agencies, and the effects, this does not exempt us from once again responding in a way that naturally could create the effect of our old habit patterns.

We are only more aware of the evolutionary level of responses in Humanity's collective consciousness which means we must continuously be on guard of our individual consciousness.

This does not mean we retreat into the mountains and leave everything and everyone behind because this is the same as going all in on materialism and worshipping idols.

One extreme to another is not the solution.

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This is the primary importance of creating the appropriate responses of Key 9 for our vehicle which will experience the true sense of touch and the recognition of what we call the union of our lower self and higher self.

Every soul in Humanity will eventually reach this understanding in their consciousness growth because no soul is left behind.

We all are striving together and building a collective consciousness that results in such beauty and love which is almost impossible to comprehend as a whole due to the appearance of chaos, but as we continue to work on ourselves, the ripple effect will correspond to everyone and everything.

Our outsides must match our insides.

This is cosmic law.

This is the importance of understanding the principle of memory and how to respond to memory in order to correctly experience the effects.

This is also the importance of how we can work together with our thoughts, our hearts, our words, our actions, in order to bring about the needed changes to the mass consciousness.

The only way we can accomplish this task is by doing our work through our own space, our own assigned lot, where we have placed ourselves in a position to work with what we have in order to know thyself, accept thyself, and become the Creator.

This is the center of expression of the One Infinite Creator that works through us to bring about the Glory and Divine Love we all will eventually experience.

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Let us review what has been discussed in the second stage of spiritual unfoldment because we need to constantly remind ourselves of this principle and how it works.

This is why we need each other to keep impacting our subconsciousness so that we gradually reach the deeper core of ourselves then react and respond to the reality of our Higher Source.

This is how we train our mind.

If we can know that the memories of yesterday has determined our effects of today which could be in range of ignorance to enlightenment, whatever the memory is that comes up, we must know that all memories are blessings because they were required for our growth in that particular phase of our life.

Our Higher Source is guiding us through the principle of attention and the principle of memory as we walk through the lower valleys.

The lightning from our Higher Source that strikes each tower of babel that we build is necessary in order for our growth in consciousness and expansion of awareness.

The result is havoc because we are not to become isolated, selfish, or keep life long values on material things because everything we build on the physical plane falls apart and dissolves in time.

We will suffer at different degrees of lose and unhappiness in different phases of our life, but this is really the expression we respond with by missing the mark due to ignorance and sin.

Key 16 is not only about destruction of the tower of babel from the lightning flash.

Grace can suddenly be brought about by the lightning flash which will slash our perception of the darkness of appearances and ignorance symbolized in Key 15, The Devil.

Our perception begins to react differently because we notice that our thoughts from our memory which created habitual responses no longer serve us and we grow through and beyond our problems.

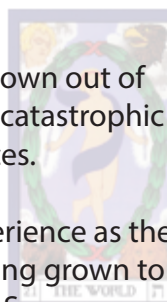
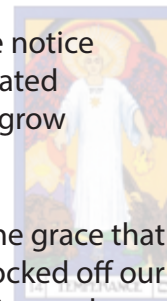
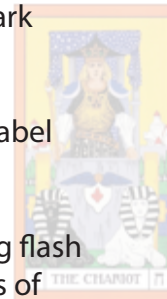
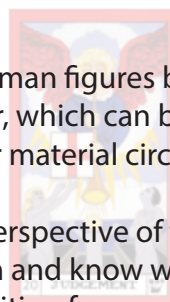
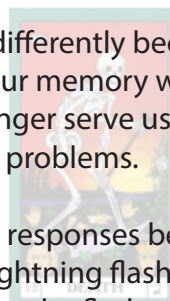
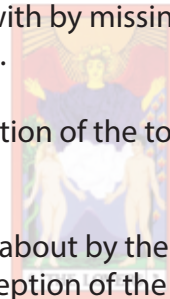
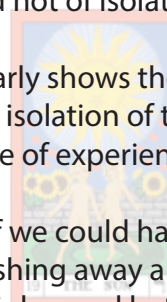
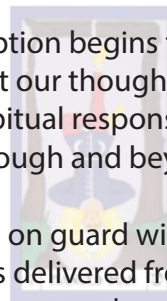
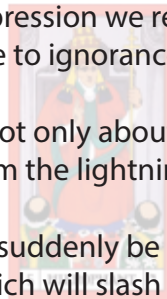
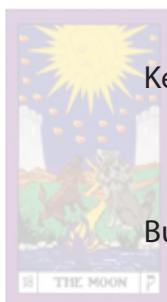
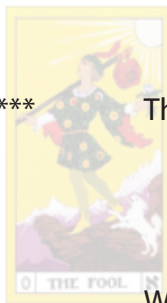
We remain on guard with all our responses because the grace that was delivered from the lightning flash that knocked off our false crown brought about the flash of realization and illumination for the recognition that life is one of unity and not of isolation.

Key 16 clearly shows the two human figures being thrown out of the isolation of the tower, which can be a very catastrophic type of experience in our material circumstances.

But what if we could have the perspective of this experience as the washing away all rubbish and know we are being grown to a higher and better condition from our Higher Source.

In truth, when we respond from our heart which aims toward unity, then the thoughts of our mind will be in conjunction and aligned for better everyday conditions.

This means the old habitual patterns of our yesterdays will melt away and we grow from the bondage of Key 15 toward higher consciousness and liberation.



When we work together for these understandings of conscious energy that flows through us all, and when we have the willingness to open ourselves to the techniques, the thinking, the feeling, that will pour out a correct kind of response of the Universal Will, we will be serving to that degree of our Creator and helping to bring untold numbers of humanity into the next level of development for the brotherhood of man.

We may never cross paths or meet the brothers and sisters in flesh during this lifetime who we assisted by working on our own expansion and consciousness growth, but eventually we will know them and they know us, maybe on some other plane of existence or another lifetime.

For us to have the willingness to experience the response of the lightning flash and to be the lightning flash for those who need it from us.

Nothing could give greater satisfaction than to know that we have been able to help each other by actually doing some of the most difficult potentialities that exist in this Universe.

We do not need to let memory be our enemy, for the wisest of Humanity lives in the Now moment with a happy heart.

