

A Black woman with large, white, feathered angel wings is sitting in a field of green grass with small white daisies. She is wearing a red and black plaid long-sleeved shirt tied at the waist and denim shorts. She is smiling and looking towards the camera, with her arms crossed over her knees. The background shows a sunset with orange and yellow light over a horizon with mountains, under a dark blue sky with stars.

DOWN HOME CELESTIAL WISDOM

Black American Tarot Deck

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Introduction

Dedication for the Down Home Celestial Wisdom Tarot

When I first picked up the Rider-Waite tarot deck, I was 18 years old and its imagery never sat right with me. There I was off-roading from my religion of origin and into the part of me that was drawn like a moth to the flame towards the esoteric and root forces that described Spirit and that archaic imagery challenged my resolve to explore the wisdom within these cards. Though I still wound up learning how to use the tarot like a compass to ascertain wherever I was at any given point in my life, its images still never spoke to my heart.

I never imagined that many years later I would design a deck filled with the faces of my people and the wisdom of my ancestors. In my soul growth journey, I have encountered many beautifully rendered tarot decks over the decades. Yet I never fully acknowledged that what I longed for was representation and a soul-deep recognition until I started creating this deck.

Those OG Rider-Waite decks always gave the Black folks I knew the heebie-jeebies with all that old school religious imagery and spooky symbolism that nobody ever tried to break it down in down to earth terms for us. They just told us to stay away from them.

I wanted to create a deck that was warm like your auntie's hugs and held the wisdom of your elders telling you the truth about yourself at kitchen table or at the family barbecues.

It took dedicated focus and stubbornness to bring this deck to bear. Every card image and meaning comes from a place of prayer, wisdom, and grace.

***Down Home means you will always find your way home.
Celestial means heaven sent,
the everyday miracles you experience.
Wisdom means the truth that will always set you free.***

I have brought my aunties, uncles, grandfathers, grandmothers, and my Mama and Daddy with me on this journey. My son Skye is in here too, as a tribute to him always rooting for me. I give thanks to all who believed in me and supported me during this unfolding of my dream.

What you hold in your hands is the result of a lot of Celestial and a whole lot of love.

***"I dedicate this to my ancestors,
who didn't get to write their own
wisdom down but lived it
anyway.***

***I dedicate it to my soul family
who helped me with their proof-
reading skills and telling me
when I could make it better
- my Mother-Miss Trish
& Lava Bai & Rev. Maryum.***

***Then finally - to whomever is
holding this book right now,
wondering if it's really for them.
It is."***

Thank you for supporting the
Down Home Celestial
Wisdom Black American
Tarot.

This guidebook is your
companion to every card in
the deck—rooted in ancestral
truth, soul wisdom, and real-
life storytelling. Download it,
keep it close, and let it speak
to your spirit whenever you
need it.

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How to Use the Deck

This deck ain't about memorizing stiff rules or trying to sound deep. It's about listening. Shuffle the cards with your whole heart in it. Ask your question out loud or let it float through your mind. When a card jumps out, don't overthink it—Spirit already knows what you need.

Each card has a story to tell, but the real power is how it speaks to you in that moment. Notice the colors, the faces, the words that stir something inside. That stirring? That's your inner wisdom waking up, saying, "Pay attention, baby."

Use this deck daily, weekly, or whenever life feels heavy on your shoulders. Pull one card for guidance, three cards for a snapshot, or lay out a spread if you're ready for a deeper conversation. However you use it, know this: the answers don't come from the cards alone. They come from Spirit moving through you, reminding you that you already carry the truth.



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Major Arcana

The Major Arcana is the big story. These cards walk you through the ups and downs of life's journey — the leaps of faith, the trials, the lessons, and the moments of awakening. Each one is like a landmark on the road of your soul's unfolding.

In this deck, the Major Arcana shows up in the faces and places we know: the elders, the lovers, the wanderers, the keepers of wisdom. They aren't far-off myths. They're us. They're family. They're the ancestors whispering through everyday people in everyday moments.

When you pull from the Majors, pay attention. Spirit is pointing you toward a chapter that can shift your life, if you let it.

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o – The Wanderer



One Who Wanders & Isn't Lost

The Healing Truth:

God whispers and our Wanderer hears it. It's an inescapable calling. That open road, the crunch of the gravel beneath boots that drive journeying feet to the timeless beat of the heart, your dreams and spirit.

Wandering is in our DNA . Sometimes you get that feeling in your bones to split and wander into new destinies because your primal instincts have kicked in. The Wanderer is just responding to Great Spirit's instruction to step out of faith.

The Wanderer knows that Spirit will provide all needs during this initiation into faith. The right places, the right faces, the right annoyances to grow from, the softer landings to expand the heart into wisdom. Not carrying no heavy baggage, the Wanderer is ready to go.

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Keywords

New Beginnings • Sacred Risk • Instinct • Trust •
Divine Timing • Freedom • Soul-Led Journey •
Listening For Signs • Curiosity • Surrender

Upright Meaning:

When The Wanderer shows up, something inside you is ready to move. It might not make sense on paper, but your soul heard the call and it's ready. This card says: the next step won't reveal itself till you take it. You're being guided not by logic, but by something older, wiser than little ole you.

Don't let your fear dress up as practicality. Don't wait for everything to be figured out before you follow the call. You don't need credentials, you need courage. Spirit's got your back and the World is waiting.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be hesitating, holding back, or doubting your readiness. Maybe you're clinging to safety or second-guessing your inner voice. The Wanderer reversed asks: *What are you afraid to leave behind?*

Or maybe you've already jumped without checking your footing and now the wind's knocked you out. This isn't failure. It's a course correction. Pause. Re-listen. Spirit will re-route you.

Affirmation:

"I don't need all the answers to start. I walk with faith as my compass, and Spirit always shows me the next step."

1 – The Alchemist



One Who Works With What They Got

The Healing Truth:

Taking the dreams born under the starlit skies of night, our Wanderer transforms into the Alchemist. The one who knows once Spirit whispers, there comes a divine urge to do something with the accumulated wisdom.

Turning inward, the Alchemist leans into the materials of his own life. Pain, hunger, joy, faith, failure: all the blessings of the journey become the tools for change. By focusing a will that is hard-won by the efforts of adventure, the Alchemist knows that when you work with Spirit, transformation is guaranteed.

There is majesty in the ordinary, and with applied resolve, the miraculous is birthed.

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Keywords

Making do • Focused action • Inner power •
Turnaround time • Use what's in your hands

Upright Meaning:

The Alchemist don't wait for perfect. They look at what's on the table, what's in the cabinet, the junk drawer, the corner of the heart. And make it work.

This card comes up when it's time to stop second-guessing and start doing. You already got enough to take the next step. Light that candle. Wash that floor. Say that prayer like you mean it.

Whatever your version of sacred is, it start there. When you move different, life answers back.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be putting your energy in the wrong direction. Trying to fix something outside before you've cleaned up what's going on inside.

Or maybe you've been waiting on somebody to give you a sign. Baby, you're the sign. Make a choice. Get clear. And mean what you do.

Affirmation:

*"I don't need things to be perfect to move.
I just need to mean it when I move."*

2 – The High Priestess



The One Who Keeps the Old Ways

The Healing Truth:

The High Priestess drifts in like clouds over the moon, cloaking clarity. Like cosmic curtains closing, she shuts down the chase for logic. She signals it's time to go inward and settle like a seed beneath the soil.

Any truth revealed now, you are not ready for it.

It is time to walk away from the everyday. Shake off the shoulders. Step outside the lines. It's not about figuring things out. It's about feeling what's already true. Do not force what's not ready.

The High Priestess sways and she prays. She listens to Spirit with her whole self. And in that surrender, she finds a calm certainty that says everything is unfolding just as it should. Not on your schedule, but on Spirit's time. So hush now. Let it rise.

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Keywords

Stillness • Gut sense • What's not said •
Holding your own • Wait and Watch

Upright Meaning:

The High Priestess don't run her mouth. She watches. She catches the details most folks miss. You might walk past thinking she's just sitting there, but trust, she's clocked the whole scene before you even opened your mouth.

This card says: hush. Everything you need to know is already bubbling under the surface. Let it rise on its own time. Don't chase answers. Don't push for clarity. Some things show up when you're quiet enough to hear 'em.

Reversed Meaning:

This card flipped means: You might be leaking energy. Telling too much, trusting too quick, or doubting what you already know. Pull it back.

Stop trying to make people understand you. Let them wonder. Some things are better left between you and God.

Affirmation:

"I don't explain what I know. I honor it."

3 – The Life – Giver



3 THE LIFE- GIVER

Soul Comfort • Creation • Tender Strength
Spirit makes space for me to breathe.

The One Who Feels Like Home

The Healing Truth:

The Life-Giver is that divine feminine energy that wraps you in its unstoppable grace of givingness. She shows up like a warm blanket on a wintery day, nourishing and supporting with a listening ear, handing you a plate of steaming goodness, just when it's needed.

This is the presence of love and patience showing up as your sister-friend, your play cousin, the woman who makes you a to-go plate without you asking. Her power is in her presence which is the kind that makes people exhale around her.

Abundant creativity is the Life-Giver energetic and when it shows up in your life, drink it in and redistribute the blessings.

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Keywords

Soft Power • Nurture • Creation
• Warmth • Healing Presence

Upright Meaning:

The Life-Giver is the one who shows up when you're too tired to ask. She doesn't need to be told what to do because you feel her healing just by being near her. She brings you a plate, or hums a song that soothes your nerves.

This card is a sign that something within you needs nurturing. An idea, a bond, a new season of self. You don't have to force it. Just tend to it with the kind of gentle devotion that you deserve. This is all about you and your loving relationship with yourself.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be trying to love others from a place of depletion. Saying yes with a tired heart. Giving more than you're getting. Or worse, forgetting your own soil while watering everybody else's.

This card reversed is your cue to return to yourself. You are not just the caretaker, you are worthy of care. You don't have to break to be loved. Tend your own roots.

Affirmation:

"I give life, but I always remember to give to myself."

4 – The Emperor



The One Who Holds It Down

The Healing Truth:

Here is the divine masculine expressing with sovereignty and heart. The beloved uncle who listens and assists with tart street wisdom bracketed with love.

The Emperor reminds us that boundaries are not walls to keep you out, but that they are a loving perimeter that allows freedom and protection. This card whispers “that you don’t have to carry all your trouble alone anymore”.

It reminds you to state your truth with clarity and confidence . Never do you have to be apologetic about naming what you want or need. The Emperor is that stand-up spirit that is steady, reliable and responsible, reminding you that real power don’t show off. It shows up.

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Keywords

Stability • Protection • Quiet strength

• Structure • Backbone energy

Upright Meaning:

This card is a call to take your role seriously. Lead with intention. Make clear decisions. Put structure in place that supports your life and well-being. The Emperor energy helps you think long-term and follow through.

Now's the time to claim your authority: in your home, your work, your relationships, or wherever things have been too loose or unclear. That doesn't mean controlling everything. It means showing up fully and taking responsibility for what's yours.

Think protection. Think planning. Think foundations that can hold what you're building. This is about creating order where there's been too much chaos and doing it with quiet strength.

Reversed Meaning:

When flipped, this card might mean you're being too rigid or too passive. Either clamping down too hard or letting things slide that need addressing. Don't confuse control with care.

Another meaning is that this card also points to daddy issues or beef with old authority figures who didn't protect you or provide you with what you needed. Heads up: you are grown now and you get to live your life the way it works for you. Free from the tyranny of your past.

Affirmation:

"I lead by example. I protect what matters."

5 – The Preacher Man



The One Who Bridges Heaven and Home

The Healing Truth:

He's the voice that calls down Spirit and still reminds you to call your Mama. He knows how to thread the old ways with real life. It's not the fact that he memorized scripture. It's the fact that he walks his talk. He lays hands on your shoulder and prays for your bones and your bills. The Preacher Man is here to remind you that the sacred is not separate from your life. It's stitched into everything you do.

He carries wisdom that he lives and he passes down to feed our minds, our heart and our soul. You don't have to believe every word to be blessed by his lived truth. This card reminds you: You come from people who prayed with one hand and worked with the other. Who laid down roots deep enough to catch you when you fall. You get to choose your own path but don't get to forget the ways of the folks who came up before you, who thrived and survived.

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Keywords

Spirit • Roots • Real talk • Guidance

Upright Meaning:

The Preacher Man knows the old ways, but he also knows how to break it down so you feel it and understand why we live like we got common sense.

This card is about learning from something older, something solid. It's about passing on wisdom, holding space for Spirit, and honoring the rituals that kept us alive. It may be time to find a teacher or become one. Either way, it's about respecting what's sacred without getting stuck in how it's always been done.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be blindly following a path that ain't yours. Or maybe you've thrown out every old teaching and lost your grounding. This card flipped says: don't follow just to belong. And don't rebel just to be loud.

Make your own meaning. Build your own altar. But know your roots, too.

Affirmation:

*"I walk with the wisdom of my elders,
but I make my path my own."*

6 – The Lovers



The Ones Who Choose Each Other

The Healing Truth:

Out under the Southern stars, two folks meet where the air feels charged, like the night itself is holding its breath. It's more than sweet talk . It is that hum in your bones when giving and receiving find balance. Doing and being, fire and water, standing eye to eye.

This card hums with that sympatico vibe. Of that click that we fit. Not just as lovers, but as two souls showing each other the truth and the beauty underneath.

They knew the power of deep union, not just for romance but for survival, for joy, for keeping the soul steady. The Lovers is that blessing of connection made real: Harmony with another, with yourself and with the rhythm of life.

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Keywords

Connection • Chemistry • Crossroads
• Truth-telling • Aligned choices

Upright Meaning:

This here card? It's that moment when your whole spirit leans in and says: *"Mmhhh... this is it."* Might be a person, might be a calling, might be one of them choices that won't leave you alone 'til you answer it. This card ain't just about getting boo'd up, though that can be part of it. It's bigger than romance. It's alignment — when two paths, two people, or two parts of your soul come together like a Sunday morning harmony. You feel it in your chest before your mind even catches up.

But don't get caught up in butterflies and forget the backbone. Choosing real love means choosing to be seen without filters or subterfuge, just you, raw and honest.

The Lovers says: *"Tell the truth. Choose what's real. Choose what's rooted."* If it feels like home in your spirit, trust that. This is about makin' a soul choice, not a show choice.

Reversed Meaning:

Now when The Lovers flips upside down, whew... that's a tangle. Heart says one thing, head says another. You might be split, pulled in two directions, trying to please everybody 'til you disappear. Don't mistake obligation or fantasy in fine clothes for love.

This card reversed calls you to get real. Stop performing. Stop twisting your truth just to keep the peace. Love that cages you ain't love — it's control.

Step back, breathe, and ask yourself: *"Am I choosing what lifts me, or what drags me?"*

The right love won't make you smaller. It meets you full-size.

Affirmation:

"I choose what loves me back and I choose myself first."

7 – Full Tank



The One Who's Rolling Out

The Healing Truth:

It's that moment when you done cried your last cry, checked your mirrors, topped off the tank and now you sittin' in the driver's seat of your own damn destiny. You ain't askin' for nobody to ride shotgun. You done wasted enough time parked in fear, lettin' folks tell you how to drive when they ain't even got a license for your kind of freedom.

Full Tank is about movin' with purpose. You are not sightseeing on this trip because this is a real journey. You are laced up with focus, your back straight, playlist bumpin', and Spirit whisperin', "*Baby, go for it and roll. We got you.*"

Some days you gonna hit potholes. Some nights the fog gonna set in. But you got the kind of faith that don't flinch. You was made for long hauls and bold beginnings. When this card shows up it's time to quit stallin', trust your own GPS, and drive like your healing depends on it —'cause it does.

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Keywords

Determination • Movement • Self-trust •

Forward motion • Handling business

Upright Meaning:

This card says: you're fueled up and ready. No more delays, no more distractions. You got gas in the tank, your head on straight, and a route in mind. Might not be fancy, but baby, it's moving.

Full Tank is about progress with purpose. You're not just drifting, you're going somewhere. Every choice you make from here on out is about keeping that momentum. And if the road gets bumpy? So what. You got snacks, good music, and the power to keep going.

Reversed Meaning:

When this one flips, you might be stalled out. Spinning your wheels. Could be you're doubting yourself, listening to folks who ain't even in the car, or sitting in park when your heart knows it's time to drive.

Check in: *Did you forget why you started? Are you trying to steer from the backseat of someone else's trip?*

Reclaim the wheel. You don't need permission to move forward.

Affirmation:

*"I've got what I need to move forward and
I'm rolling with faith and focus."*

8 – Strength



The One Who Don't Need to Prove a Thing

The Healing Truth:

DHCW Tarot is built off the Rider-Waite, but we substituted their maiden bending down to the lion with a strong Sistah smiling up at her adversary — or horse.

Sistah in our version meets the opposition head-on, face to face, eye to eye at its level, with calm assurance and inner luminosity. It gives confidence and security from deep inside. It is in-born and Spirit-distilled. She don't lose herself in the face of adversity. No, she steps into the fuller expression of herself: grounded, assured, lit all the way up from her inner generosity, joy, and serenity.

This horse ain't here to be broken. It is here to be met. Strength knows how to hold her ground without raising her voice. She stares back with radiantly serene in the knowledge that she always meets herself in any ruckus and meets it boldly.

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Keywords

Grace • Presence • Inner Power

Upright Meaning:

You're carrying your strength with grace right now. You don't need to flex, explain, or win anyone over. You are in right relationship with your own power. Because of that, everything around you responds in kind. Animals trust you. People feel safe. The wild in you knows when to be still.

You've got emotional intelligence, self-restraint, and the kind of gentle courage that doesn't make headlines, but the kind that changes lives in really significant, quiet ways.

You don't need armor when you're walking in your truth.

Reversed Meaning:

Are you holding back too much? Or are you holding on too tight?

This card flipped can show up when you've lost trust and faith in tenderness. You allowing yourself to be all big and bad, when the situation might call for you to soften and go with the flow.

Come back to center. You don't lose through humility. You won't be disrespected if you speak with quiet compassion. Remember: your softness ain't weakness. Real strength bends, it don't break.

Affirmation:

*"My power is quiet, rooted, and real.
I don't have to force what flows."*

9– Mama Know



The One Who Lights the Way

The Healing Truth:

When the night closes in around you, silence meets you where you stand with a deep sense that messages are being spoken directly into your heart. Truths that you've allowed the din of busyness to hide from you. Mama Know drifts from behind the mists of forgetfulness and pulls your coat.

She whispers to you to not chase after the answers. She just sits down with you holding your hand in hers, letting the truth rise like steam off a hot cup of tea. She's Spirit that rides with you when the world is too noisy and nothing makes sense. "Every tub's gotta stand on its own legs" she'll tell you. That means that you don't have to beg for answers or chase after signs. You just gotta get quiet enough to catch what is already stirring inside of you. This card don't ask you to disappear but to return. Not to the world but to yourself. Light a candle. Turn down the volume. Let the silence deepen. Mama Know is with you, rocking in that invisible chair, nodding real slow. Waiting until you remember.

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Keywords

Sacred solitude • Inner wisdom • Soul-searching
• Spiritual guidance • Quiet knowing

Upright Meaning:

Mama Know don't holler. She don't hurry. She just sits with you and lets the truth rise up. When she shows up, it's time to unplug from everybody and go off by yourself. Not everybody will understand your need to go inward and that's alright. Growth don't need an audience.

The next steps will be revealed. You are ready to step into your authority and truth. Your soul's wisdom is shining as bright as Mama Know's lantern.

Reversed Meaning:

You may be ghosting your own needs by staying so busy that you are avoiding what's stirring inside.

Or maybe you're just lonely and feeling cut off from yourself. You didn't mean to do it on purpose; it just shook out that way by circumstances.

Either way, this card flipped says: You can find light again, but first you gotta look inward. Stop waiting for someone else to show up with answers. The guidance you need? That's already in you, sugar. Just hush... and listen.

Affirmation:

"I carry an inner light that always guides me home."

10– The World Keeps Turning



What Goes 'Round...

The Healing Truth:

Round and round it goes; where it's gonna stop, nobody knows...That's how The World Keeps Turning card showing up reveals the nature of Life.

Sometimes Life lifts you so high you forget what struggle felt like. Other times, it lays you flat on your back, looking up at the ceiling like, *"What just happened?"*

Our man on this card don't waste time crying over every dip or spin on this Wheel. He just stays centered and stays aware that divine rhythm is always on point, whether you're ready or not.

Keep your head to the sky and know that you ain't being tormented. Nah, baby the Universe knows what it's doing. It's cooking up something perfect for your benefit. It's all in how you ride the wave.

Maybe what you thought was a detour was the only route that could take you home. And don't forget to smile. Fate loves a brave face.

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Keywords

Cycles • Change • Karmic rhythm
• Divine timing • Unexpected turns

Upright Meaning:

Life's turning, baby. Sometimes you're up, sometimes you're laid out wondering how you got dealt that hand. This card says: things are in motion. The universe is shuffling the deck, and your job is to ride it with grace.

You don't need to control the spin. You just need to stay aware. 'Cause what looks like chance? Might just be alignment. Fortunes come and go, but you know what? They always comes back 'round. Trust the process. Stay ready. And wear something cute; you never know what's next.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be feeling tossed around right now. Like life's spinning and you can't get your footing.

This card reversed says: stop trying to force it. You can't out-muscle divine timing. Step back. Breathe. Look for the lesson. The wheel might be spinning, but your center doesn't have to.

If you've been ignoring signs, trying to dodge change, baby, that's how you get dizzy. Let go of what ain't yours to hold. This turn ain't punishment, it's momentum from what has played out before.

Affirmation:

I trust the turning. What's mine will circle back better.

11– Just Desserts



What You Serve, You Taste

The Healing Truth:

She knew the rules when she broke 'em. Her butt wrote that whole check and knows it's time to cash it. She's not gonna be mealy mouthed about it either. She's gonna meet the consequences with her full self. Not sorry. Not even nervous. She even stands in her truth, a little arch, a little sassy.

Just Desserts knows that what you put out in the world, is what you get returned to you. You don't have to run down Crenshaw away from your actions. Just turn 'round and look at the situation with self-compassion and grace.

This is your smell the coffee moment. You can add sugar to it, to make it more tasty or you can gulp it down bitter. You earned it so take it as a blessing instead of as a punishment. Take it as your notice that if you want better results, you not only gotta do better, you gotta be better. Just remember when the time comes to pay the piper, only take what's yours. Leave the rest.

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Keywords

Karma ● Truth ● Accountability ● Balance
● Consequences (good or bad)

Upright Meaning:

Just Desserts is the card of sacred balancing. What you dish out? Comes back hot, fresh, and plated with precision. This card don't play favorites, but she does play fair.

Truth is on the table now. You're being asked to check your own scales: *Are you walking in integrity, or just hoping nobody notices the lean?*

This is also the card of earned rewards. If you've been putting in the good work with a clean heart, blessings are on their way - sweet and deserved.

Reversed Meaning:

Something's off. Maybe you're dodging consequences, or maybe someone's been sugarcoating harm. Either way, this card flipped is a warning:

Don't bake your story with lies and call it cobbler.

You may need to fess up or finally stop making excuses for someone else's mess. There's also a chance you're being too harsh—with others or yourself.

Remember, Just Desserts don't mean punishment. They mean truth with flavor.

Affirmation:

*"I receive what I've earned with grace,
and I release what ain't mine to carry."*

12– New Perspective



The Gift in the Pause

The Healing Truth:

Sometimes you can look at a problem and rush at it like you're jousting against the Black Knight.

But solutions do not come at the same level as the problem - so says Uncle Einstein. Take a step back. Go counter-intuitive. Think outside that box. You gotta come at it sideways or upside down sometimes. Feel the breeze and allow the answer to drift into you like a floatation device in the pool. When you're still, what you need comes to you.

Laugh, play, walk away for half a day. Talk to your two year old nephew. But by opening up to the quirky, what was once murky, will become clear as day.

When you quit forcing it, the answer shows up wearing flip-flops and carrying lemonade.

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Keywords

Surrender • Shifted mindset • Letting go •
Seeing differently • Spiritual stillness

Upright Meaning:

Sometimes the only way forward is to flip the script. New Perspective shows up when the old way of thinking just won't work no more.

You might feel stuck or slowed down—but this card says: lean into it. Let the world turn without you for a minute. Let your spirit recalibrate. This is sacred suspension.

Hang back. Look again. Something you couldn't see before is waiting to be revealed.

Reversed Meaning:

This card reversed is a nudge which says: Stop trying to force forward motion.

If you're scared to surrender or resisting the pause, ask yourself: *What am I afraid I'll see if I stop moving?*

Let go. Breathe. Flip the view. Peace might be on the other side of letting go.

Affirmation:

*"I open myself to a new way of seeing.
Stillness shows me what striving never could."*

13 – The Change



13 THE CHANGE

Endings · Release · Rebirth
Let it go. What's gone grew you.

Let It Fall So You Can Rise

The Healing Truth:

Your Spidey senses are tingling. You got an itch in your bones like the changing of the Seasons on your bum knee. You feel the winds picking up and you don't really wanna fuss with it. But here it is, something in you is shifting and growing and expanding.

Your life ain't fitting the way it used to. What used to light your fire, now don't even hit a spark. And that makes you want to cling even harder.

So Spirit is gently gripping you by the collar and pulling, while you've gone all octopus on the doorjambs, screeching NOOOOOOooooo !

It's time to let go. Go ahead and wail over the 'unfairness' of it all. But you best believe, the new fit is gonna be so primo, you'll look back and wonder what all the fuss was about.

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Keywords

Transformation • Endings • Release
• Rebirth • Shedding

Upright Meaning:

Something's ending, baby, but not 'cause you failed. 'Cause you grew past it. The Change don't come to hurt you. It only comes to free you.

Yes, it might sting. Yes, you might cry. But this is what you call spiritual composting. Taking what has dead and gone and having it become the nutrient rich soil for your next season.

So there ain't no need to cling to what don't work. You just need to let go. The old you? Too blessed to be stressed. But the new you? Think phoenix rising! Free at last. Thank God, I am free at last!

Reversed Meaning:

"What I resist, persists" the old folks say. What that means is you know that you are rollin' on four flat tires trying to get some place fast. You trying to pretend that you got this and the way ain't bumpy as hell.

But The Change reversed says "honey, don't act brand new" Let's get out the busted bucket and be free. You can either be dragged out by more mechanical breakdowns or you can give it up and cut it loose.

One way continues the mayhem and foolishness and the other way uses the common sense God gave ya.

Affirmation:

*"I trust what's leaving. I honor what's becoming.
I rise through the change."*

14 – Keepin' It Steady



14 KEEPIN' IT STEADY
Scrutiny · Weighin' the Cost · Restraint
Peepin' the angles.

Walkin' the Line with Grace

The Healing Truth:

You gotta study for an exam but your roommate is bumpin' your song and the laughter and sound of ice tinklin' in the Henny got you wanting' to turn it up instead of going for yours.

It's times like these when you are torn between a good time and the right thing that shows you exactly what you're made of.

Can you forego the instant gratification for the long haul?

Do you believe in yourself enough to keep to the straight and narrow that could make or break your future?

The Keepin' It Steady card is playing the blues on harmonica. It's a perfect soundtrack for your "woe is me" pity party. Think about whether or not your choice to create a better future is reason enough to cry the blues. The choice is yours. Do you turn the volume up or turn it off?

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Keywords

Balance • Spiritual and sensual harmony
• Integration • Moderation • Self-respect

Upright Meaning:

Keepin' It Steady walks the line between spirit and flesh, discipline and desire, praise and pleasure.

The choice you make is between what serves your highest and best versus what keeps you basic without much forward progress.

This card invites you to slow down, stir gently, and move with intention. You don't have to rush. You don't have to go through extremes. Just stay true to you, centered and radiant, no matter what path you walk.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be swaying too far in one direction: overindulging, under-caring, or trying too hard to please. This card flipped says: *Where are you out of rhythm with your own truth?*

You don't need to justify your pace or your choices—just realign. Get back to your own center. Don't abandon yourself trying to walk somebody else's path.

Affirmation:

"I walk my own line, blending grace and power as I go."

15 – The Temptations



What You Keep Reaching For

The Healing Truth:

They say don't let the left hand know what the right hand is doing. This card says there isn't any hiding from self-sabotaging choices we make on the daily. This card is a spotlight taking it from:

"It's happening to me"

to

"What I actively participate in."

The Temptations card is the space where your mind and heart says one more hit and being done. It is where you come face to face to know the difference between the thrill and cost of the aftermath - whether you can hold your eyes in your mirror in the morning or whether you cast them down in shame.

This is the card that peels back that mask and asks you " **Who are you when no one is watching?**" "**When do I feel whole?**" "**Are these choices bringing me closer or further from me?**"

The chain over her knee is non-binding so it indicates that she can get up and walk away any time she wants. This is your wake up call to step out from under all the choices that dim your light and distances you from your heart.

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Keywords

Desire ● Distraction ● Sabotage
● Self-honesty ● Liberation ● Masks & roles

Upright Meaning:

This card ain't about right or wrong. It's about real. About noticing the things you keep reaching for like comfort, approval, escape and asking if they actually feed you, or just keep you full of longing.

The Temptations show up like familiar songs: smooth, easy to follow, but always leading you in circles. This card is a holy pause.

It asks: *Are you choosing this with your whole self or just soothing some ache you haven't named yet?*

Reversed Meaning:

It's dawn in the mountains time. You said NO to the okey doke and you saw the man in the mirror and you ready to make a change! Standing upright without the haze of self-soothing, you caught your eye and heard the cry for help and made the call sugar!

When The Temptations card shows up reversed the chains done clattered to the floor and you have stepped over them, a little shaky but steady in your resolve.

Now is the time to burn rubber on fun dressed up in sabotage and reclaim your true liberation: Clarity, self-respect and the ability to fully love and approve of yourself!

Affirmation:

*"I walk free from the patterns that used to hold me.
I know the cost and I choose me."*

16 – The Come-Apart



The One Who Rises from the Ashes

The Healing Truth:

The storm warning had been issued. At first you didn't heed the signals to batten down the hatches. So when the rains and winds come upon you, your mind is clawing through the shouldas and the couldas like a rosary as you stare into the hurricane that is sometimes the key Life events barreling down upon you.

This is sacred demolition. Spirit tearing down the false to make space for your truth. Deep within you, it triggers the survival skills that may have laid dormant up until now. Like lightning striking your ass, you rise to the occasion, all hands on deck to survive.

The Come-Apart times of Life come at you out of nowhere and all that is inside of you comes forth to shine and make it through. It is not a punishment, it's a refining period that strengthens your backbone *and* shapes you into the force of nature you were born to be.

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Keywords

Upheaval • Breakdown • Wake-up call •
Divine interruption • Truth exposed

Upright Meaning:

This is the moment everything unravels so the real story can begin. The Come-Apart don't ask for permission. Chile, it just happens. A lie gets exposed. A job ends. A house gets sold out from under you. You lose what you thought you couldn't live without.

But underneath the shock is something sacred: the chance to rebuild right. Spirit clears out the rot so you can plant something true. It hurts like hell, but it frees you to become the strongest and loudest you, you ever was.

Reversed Meaning:

War torn, battered but still standing, you have come through the disruption of how you was living and who you thought you were. Instead of going woe is me, how about a little appreciation for what a bad-ass you are?

This is your time to shake it off and search for the blessings. You now know who your allies are. You now know that recovery and renewal is your destination from here. When one door slams shut, two more open. Keep your eyes and ears open for the new possibilities and blessings that coming your way.

Affirmation:

*"I bless the breakdown, for it clears the path
to my breakthrough."*

17 – The Star



The One Who Glows Soft After the Storm

The Healing Truth:

There is peace in the night sky. Comforting starlight breaks up the vast darkness letting you know that you aren't alone and Heaven's light sheds its healing rays to soothe your heart.

When we are kids, we wish on shooting stars, so when the Star card shows up, it is an invitation to surrender and slow down. Allow all thoughts of control to slip away. Give into something older and wiser than time and ever present to heal after struggles and loss.

Healing comes best when one rests with the idea that everything is gonna be alright. Your only job now is to keep breathing and let the light do the rest.

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Keywords

Hope • Healing • Renewal • Guiding Presence
• Quiet Faith • Light in the dark

Upright Meaning:

You've been through it, baby. And now, here comes the hush. Not because everything's fixed, but because your spirit is remembering how to rest.

The Star shows up when you're ready to trust life again. Maybe just a little. Maybe just enough. This card is a holy pause. An inner stillness that says: breathe, hydrate, look up.

What was broken is mending. What was scorched is greening again. You may not have the whole path figured out, but you can feel the promise of it. Keep your eyes on that light. You are healing. You are returning to yourself.

Reversed Meaning:

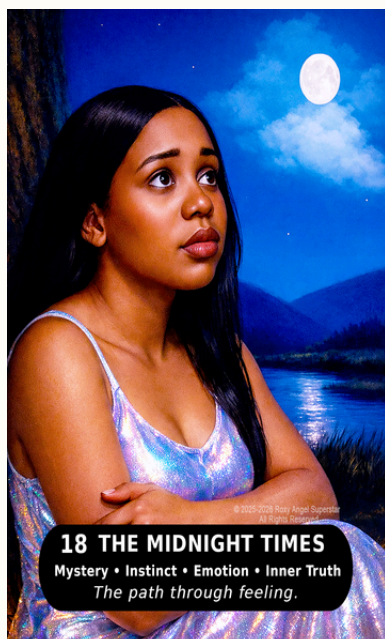
You might be feeling far from yourself. Disconnected, worn down, too tired to trust the light is coming. The reversed Star says: don't force the faith—just reach for it. Even a flicker is enough.

You don't need all the answers. Just a little stillness. A little softness. Let yourself be held by what's bigger than the pain. There's light in you yet.

Affirmation:

*"I am guided by a quiet strength.
My healing is sacred and it's happening."*

18 – The Midnight Times



The Bare One, Walking the Long Night

The Healing Truth:

When the time between midnight and dawn feels too wide to cross, it's not just the dark that gets you. It's the quiet. The kind of quiet that makes you feel every unsettled thing still living in your chest. The Midnight Times rises over the long night of the soul. This is the hour when illusions melt and what's real inside you comes bare.

She gazes up at Mama Moon, looking for answers, but the truth is already in her. Raw. Honest. Unfiltered. She can't fake the funk here. Her soul won't let her.

This is where you let the weight of your dreams, your fears, your unmet needs come to the surface. Spirit is ready to shine light where your courage leads. But first, you've got to stop running from yourself. Look yourself in the eye. Feel it. Name it. Let your ache speak. Let the stillness seep and allow the Midnight Times show you what's been waiting in the dark all along.

Keywords

Uncertainty • Intuition • Shadow work
• Mixed messages • Emotional tides

Upright Meaning:

The Midnight Times brings you to that in-between space where emotions swell and old truths no longer soothe. This is where shadows dance and memories whisper. It's not a time for answers. It's a time to feel your way forward. To sit with the discomfort, the mystery, the ache. Your instincts are louder than words now. Trust them.

You may feel unsure, tender, or like you're being pulled by tides you can't see. That's okay. The Midnight Times isn't here to define the path. She's here to ask you to trust it. Let yourself be honest about what still haunts you. Name what needs healing. Then move gently toward it, one barefoot step at a time.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be ignoring your intuition, second-guessing yourself, or trying to think your way out of something your heart already knows. The more you fight the unknown, the foggier it gets.

This reversal says you may be lost in illusions, chasing ghosts, fearing shadows, or believing old stories that were never true.

Your fear might be louder than your faith right now. But listen. The Midnight Times don't lie. She'll wait until you're ready to tell yourself the truth.

Don't drown in the "what ifs." Feel your way through, even if it's tender. You don't need all the answers. You just need to stop running from your own reflection.

Affirmation:

"I trust what I feel, even when I can't explain it."

19 – The Sunny Times



The One Who Shines & Don't Hold Back the Joy

The Healing Truth:

Happy feelings are in the air, touching people everywhere...

That old song had it right. The Sunny Times come when you finally let the goodness of life wash over you without apology. You're not shrinking your joy. You're sharing it with the ones who earned the right to sit at your table.

Picture the family laughing over a game of Spades, the sun's rays felt on their skin and nothing trying them today. That's what this card is. A season of rest, recreation and sweet reunion. A moment when joy gets to be easy.

Let it be good. Let it be yours. You deserve every second of this light after the rain.

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Keywords

Joy • Clarity • Celebration • Vitality
• Reconnection • Radiance • Soul family

Upright Meaning:

The Sunny Times brings a deep exhale, a belly laugh, a “pull up a chair” kind of warmth. It says: You made it through. Now let yourself shine.

This is what celebration feels like when it's real. A graduation. A wedding. An anniversary. A project finally done and done right. The deed gets signed. The dream gets its stamp. And through it all, you're surrounded by your chosen ones, the folks who weathered storms by your side.

One hundred percent joyfulness and just you in full bloom. This card says it's safe to be you. Safe to be seen. Safe to live wide open under the sky.

Reversed Meaning:

Even on bright days, doubt can creep in. The reversed Sunny Times asks: ***Are you shrinking around your joy?***

Maybe you've been taught to tone it down, not get too happy, not trust when things are good. But Sugar, joy is your birthright. Let it in. Just because shadows exist doesn't mean the sun ain't real. Lean into what's lighting you up! Don't second guess the blessing.

Affirmation:

“I let joy find me and light up the room!”

20 – The Reconciliation



The One Who Surrenders to the Grace of Forgiveness

The Healing Truth:

At some point, you gotta quit dragging the same tired guilt up the road like a busted suitcase with one wheel. Baby, let it go. Ain't nobody saying what happened didn't matter but it ain't the whole of you. You don't have to keep rehearsing your worst moments or theirs.

Sometimes the most grown thing you can do is forgive yourself and the ones who didn't know better. This card ain't about judgment. It's about clarity. It's about realizing you've outgrown the pain but been too scared to set it down.

But hear this: grace don't knock forever. When it pulls up in that dusty old Buick you better be ready to get in. You ain't who you were. That old version of you? Bless her.

And keep IT MOVING.

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Keywords

Awakening • Release • Forgiveness • Grace •
Spiritual clarity • Turning point

Upright Meaning:

The hallmark of someone who is at peace in their heart, is serenity in their demeanor. When you don't have no beef with anyone else or any situation, your life is radiantly beautiful as depicted in The Reconciliation card.

It isn't loud. It doesn't come with fanfare, a breakdown or a breakthrough. It comes quiet, like a matriarch's nod, a long exhale or a table set with room for everyone.

You've done the interior work. The heart-check. The soul-sweep. This is your confirmation: *You are in alignment*. You've returned to your own good name. Not perfect, but whole.

Reversed Meaning:

Peace might feel out of reach right now. Maybe you're still tangled in old blame, still holding on to what they did or what you didn't do. Maybe you keep running that same scene in your mind, waiting for a better ending.

The Reconciliation reversed says it's time to stop rehearsing the pain. Bitterness won't protect you. Shame won't save you.

This card comes to whisper:

What if you're already free, but don't know it yet?

What if you've done enough to exhale? To forgive? To soften?

Peace is your birthright. You just have to let go of the pain to allow its healing into your heart.

Affirmation:

*"I forgive the past, bless the present,
and open to the peace that's ready to return."*

21 – The Journey's End



The One Who Crossed the Finish Line

The Healing Truth:

Some of y'all don't know when to stop and enjoy the view. You done climbed the mountain, crossed the river, learned the lesson, and still looking for the next hill to conquer. Baby... sit down somewhere.

The Journey's End ain't about doing more. It's about recognizing you've become the person you once prayed to be. It's about letting peace feel good, without guilt in the mix.

You've earned this stillness. Every heartybreak, every breakthrough, every "keep going" when you wanted to quit – it's all woven into the beautiful truth you're living now.

So go ahead. Let your soul catch up with your spirit. Put your bags down. You already made it home.

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Keywords

Wholeness • Fulfillment • Integration
• Spiritual completion • Belonging

Upright Meaning:

This is it. The long road behind you, the soft swing beneath you, the porch light always waiting. The Journey's End means you've come full circle, not just with the world, but with your own soul.

This card says you didn't miss it. The blessings, the wisdom, the becoming, because you're living it now. Every scar, every prayer, every turning point brought you here. There's nothing to prove. No more chasing. Just ease. Just grace.

You've remembered who you are, and now you get to live that truth. Joyfully. Unapologetically. Rested. Rooted. Radiant.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be so used to striving, you don't know how to receive.

The reversed Journey's End asks: *Are you letting yourself arrive? Or are you circling the driveway, unsure you deserve to come inside?*

This is your permission to land. Stop searching for what you've already become. Rest in your fullness. The journey gave you wisdom, so now let it give you peace.

Affirmation:

"I am whole, I am home and I am enough."

Minor Arcana

If the Major Arcana is the big story, the Minor Arcana is the day-to-day living of it.

These cards speak to the ordinary moments that shape a life over time. The conversations. The choices. The work. The love. The stress. The small wins and quiet losses that do not make headlines but make you who you are.

In this deck, the Minor Arcana lives in familiar scenes and objects. Mason jars on a table. Drums calling people into motion. Microphones carrying truth or tension. Foundations built through effort, education and care. These cards show how spirit moves through real life, not just turning points.

When the Minors show up, look closely. Spirit is talking about your patterns, your habits, your relationships and your responsibilities. This is where you see what you are tending, what you are carrying, and what needs your attention right now.

The Minor Arcana reminds you that meaning is not only found in big awakenings. It is built in the everyday.

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The Drums Suit

The Drums carry the fire. This suit is your calling, your creative spark, your reason to get up and move. When Drums show up, it's about action, ambition, and the rhythm that won't let you sit still. This is the energy of beginnings, building, and the courage to answer when Spirit hollers your name.



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o – Ace of Drums



Upright Meaning:

You hear it, don't you? That wild, holy rhythm of Heaven bumpin' in your bones? That's not just a catchy beat. It's the Muse waking you up. The ancestors been whisperin' through the drumskin, and now they're hollerin': "Let's go, baby!"

It's time to hype up those dusty dreams you stuffed in the back of your soul closet. You been hit with the call, the vision, the vibe—and yet here you are, hovering over the snooze button.

Keywords

- Divine Spark
- Ancestral Rhythm
- Creative Fire
- Sacred Activation

Uh-uh. Get up. Get movin'. This ain't rehearsal. This is the invitation. Shake what the good Lawd gave you. Dance like you're on sacred ground. Because you are!

Reversed Meaning:

You been hearing that beat but dragging your feet. Maybe you doubt your gifts. Maybe you waiting for permission. Baby, the rhythm don't wait. The more you ignore it, the louder the ache gets. Ain't no growth in silence when the drum is calling.

Affirmation:

*"I answer the sacred rhythm.
I move in joy, power, and purpose."*



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2 – Two of Drums



Upright Meaning:

We got the beat now! This card is your cue to grab your partner and get in sync. Whether it's a project, a prayer, or a plan—you're not meant to go it alone.

Spirit is sliding you the perfect counterpart: someone who knows how to move to your rhythm.

This is about finding that one who makes your creative engine purr: your play cousin, business bae, holy homie, ride-or-die.

Keywords

- Harmony
- Collaboration
- Divine Pairing
- Shared Rhythm

"It takes two to make a thing go right"? Sho you right. Now act like you believe it.

You don't have to control every beat. Spirit's got the score. You just gotta show up ready to listen, lean in, and let the Divine flow lead.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be out of sync with someone—or worse, trying to force harmony where there ain't none.

Ask yourself: ***Are y'all really co-creating, or just co-existing?*** Step back and let Spirit reset the rhythm.

Affirmation:

"I move in partnership with purpose.

I trust the rhythm of divine collaboration."



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3 – Three of Drums



Upright Meaning:

Let's expand this song, baby. Time to bring in the bass, the melody, the whole groove. What started with you and one other is now growing into a full creative committee. You're being called to think bigger, build stronger, and stretch further.

The rhythm's rolling, the ideas are humming, and the work? Oh, it's got that sweet Electric Slide glide to it. Don't fight it—flow with it. Your hard work and heart are paying off, and Spirit's tuning the rest of the band to your frequency.

Keywords

- Expansion
- Alignment
- Long-Range Vision
- Rhythmic Momentum

This ain't the time to coast. It's time to tap into that long-game vision. Lay your foundation, chart your path, and keep your eye on the horizon. Business is moving, blessings are building—you just gotta keep driving that beat forward with purpose.

Reversed Meaning:

Things might feel off-beat. Maybe you're stuck between expansion and fear, or you're waiting on others to catch up. Take a breath. Recalibrate your rhythm. The next step is clearer than you think.

Affirmation:

"I expand with grace, build with purpose, and trust the groove of growth."



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4 – Four of Drums



Upright Meaning:

We done hit that happy groove line now! Oh yes honey, this card is all about the good times rolling. Spirit is handing you a moment of pure, deserved celebration.

You DID that thang, sugar. No false modesty. You kept your head up, your drumstick steady, and your spirit strong through all the hiccups and heavy lifting. Now the committee has spoken and it's time to party.

Tear the roof off the mutha-sucka, get your groove on the dance floor, and go ahead and mack on special somebody who's holding up the wall.

Life is too short not to enjoy the wins. You made it through the mess. Now bask in the blessing.

Reversed Meaning:

Quit acting like you don't need anybody, don't feel anything, don't care anymore. You may be fronting like everything's okay when everything feels dull and lifeless because you don't feel like anybody else is getting just how hard the struggle is for you.

But hold up, this card is a message to stay open, exhale and allow Spirit to show up and show out for you. Chill, relax and receive the blessings around you.

Affirmation:

"I rest in the knowledge that what is mine is going to find me."



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5 – Five of Drums



Upright Meaning:

The Peace Train has just screeched to a halt. Too many folks trying to lead the rhythm, and nobody listening to the groove.

Our Five of Drums is showing the egos flaring up, the patience thinning, and that the vibe has gone completely off. It's giving "power struggle," not progress. The question is: *Are you gonna use this passion to fuel a fire or to burn the whole stage down?*

Now's the time to check your tone and choose your words with love. There is a right way and a wrong way to let somebody know there's a better way for things to move forward. A way that doesn't leave folks bruised up and all in their feels, right?

Keywords

- Conflict
- Egos
- Disruption
- Misaligned Energy

Reversed Meaning:

The music and rhythm has exited stage left, leaving behind hidden pursed lips, tensions and conflict simmering beneath the surface. It is silently stewing, showing up as eye rolls and resentments brewing.

This is your call to be honest and stop faking the funk. Avoidance may seem to keep the peace, but it fractures the beat from the inside out. Drag out the truth and set everybody free! Get the vibe right with diplomacy and care.

Affirmation:

"I check my ego and invite harmony and love back into the room."



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6 – Six of Drums



Upright Meaning:

Here's to the thundering beat of feet marching with a purpose! This card shows up when your work, your vision, your soul's direction is gaining traction. You are leaning into something bigger than yourself now. And baby, even the ancestors are clapping in time.

Your progress is inspiring others. People are taking notice, uplifting and commenting on what you are doing. Whether you're on the front lines or guiding the rhythm section from behind, it's time to recognize!

Reversed Meaning:

Your momentum may be sputtering out. You might be questioning your impact or feeling overlooked for your efforts.

But remember the beat don't stop and though the spotlight is sweet, your purpose don't need an audience. Keep drumming. The Divine is working quietly and steadily for your benefit out of sight.

Affirmation:

*"I keep moving in purpose,
trusting that every step matters."*



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7 – Seven of Drums



Upright Meaning:

It's the dark of night. You're in the thick of it, facing down battles that ain't just physical. Some enemies are loud. Some live in your head. All of them want to knock you off your rhythm.

Still, you stand your ground. You grip your drum tight. You pull courage from a place so deep, it don't have a name—just a heartbeat.

You don't shout. You don't flinch. You beat that drum like a prayer. You call on Spirit. You call on your people. And baby, they show up. In the hush of that firelight, in the space between every pulse, they say: *"Keep going. We got you."*

Keywords

- Spiritual Defense
- Ancestral Support
- Inner Fortitude
- Holding the Line

This card is your reminder that your strength ain't just yours, It is inherited, practiced, protected. When you stand tall, you do it from generations.

Reversed Meaning:

Sometimes fear can have you feeling like you ain't got nobody and nobody got you. The battles in life got you so weary you can't even take another step forward. But that's alright. When this card appears reversed, it's a signal that it's time to ask for help. Retreat. Rest, because your objective don't require you to fight to the death. Sometimes you have pull back to go even harder another day. You'll be that much more empowered when you know it is time to move out and go for yours again.

Affirmation:

"I am never alone. I march to the beat of faith, fire, and a thousand voices behind me."



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8 – Eight of Drums



Upright Meaning:

It's happening. And it's happening right now. The message just dropped, and every part of your spirit knows it: *This is your moment.* The ancestral energies are lit up like a neon sign, the beat is pulsing like a heart on fire, and every rhythm around you is screaming “Move, baby!”

No more hesitation. No more second-guessing. Spirit already cleared the path. Green lights all the way. Pedal to the metal. You're not being pushed—you're being *called*.

Throw your back into it. Throw your whole self into it. The time for delay is done. You are the answer. You are the movement. You are the moment.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be missing your window, love—stalling when you should be sprinting.

The energy is rising with or without you. Don't overthink it.
The time is now.

Affirmation:

“I trust divine timing.

I move when Spirit says MOVE!”



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9 – Nine of Drums



Upright Meaning:

This is the last stand, brothers and sisters. I know you're weary. I know your back is aching and your soul is tired. But you didn't come this far to quit now. You've climbed the hill, carried the weight, kept that rhythm steady even when your hands were trembling.

Now hold fast. This ain't the time to slack or shrink. Your breakthrough is closer than it seems. Just a heartbeat away. Keep your eyes on the promise and go all in.

Keywords

- Perseverance
- Final Stretch
- Spiritual Resilience
- Sacred Endurance

Spirit is with you every step and baby, your account is about to be paid in full!

Reversed Meaning:

Tempted to lay down your burden too soon? Don't let the sweat equity you put in be for nothing. Don't let weariness rob you of your reward. Rest if you must, but don't you dare stop that beat. You're almost at the gates of glory.

Affirmation:

"I've come too far to quit.

My breakthrough is already on its way."



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10– Ten of Drums



Upright Meaning:

You tired because you should be.

This card shows up when you've been carrying a heavy-ass load, all uphill, all alone. No rest. No relief. No reprieve.

And here's the truth: you are not Charles f***ing Atlas. You're human. A beautiful, divine soul—not a damn pack mule. And baby, the world will not fall apart if you put some of that mess down and put yourself first.

This is your wake-up call: you are not meant to carry it all. Let. Some. Things. Go. If the usual folks won't step up, ask anyway. Spirit's got people waiting in the wings—you just gotta open your mouth. Don't break yourself for systems, people, or patterns that ain't lifting a finger to help. This ain't how a body supposed to live. You deserve breath, balance, and backup.

Keywords

- Overload
- Burnout
- Self-Neglect
- Release

Reversed Meaning:

When this card is reversed, you might be clinging to burdens out of habit, guilt, or pride. But sugar, self-sacrifice don't make you holy—it makes you exhausted. Give yourself permission to tap out. If not just for mercy's sake, then just maybe just for you.

Affirmation:

"I lay down what is not mine to carry.

I respect myself enough to stop and rest."



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11– Squire of Drums



Upright Meaning:

This joyful soul right here? That's you when you remember what it's like to fall in love with life again. The Squire of Drums shows up when you're ready to stretch, start, or stir something new.

You might not have the skills down pat yet but you've got that spark. You're hungry for a new song and the beat is picking up. This card says: Answer it. Take the chance.

Keywords

- Divine Spark
- Ancestral Rhythm
- Creative Fire
- Sacred Activation

Pick up the sticks, speak your truth, start your thing. Don't overthink, just begin. Lean into it. Don't wait 'til you're "ready." Ready is a lie. Excitement is the compass now.

Reversed Meaning:

You're sitting on creative energy, but you're scared to mess up. Fear of looking foolish might be keeping you stuck. But you don't have to know everything to begin. Nor do you have to wait for permission that'll never come.

The Squire reversed warns: procrastination is costing you growth. Let go of needing it to be perfect. You can refine as you go. Just don't silence your spirit.

Affirmation:

*"I honor the fire inside me by letting it move through me.
I don't need to be perfect—I just need to begin."*



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12– Knight of Drums



Upright Meaning:

Vroom, baby. The winds of change are blowing past you as you embody the spirit of the Knight of Drums. You've got that fire burning in your belly, and you're itching to put the pedal to the metal launching straight into your destiny, your dreams, your passion.

This card says: GO FOR IT. Make your move. Don't tiptoe, whisper, or soft-pedal. This is your season to pursue your quest with boldness, bravery, and the deep knowing that you've got this.

Reversed Meaning:

You feel the fire, but hesitation's got your foot on the brake. Maybe you're worried about crashing. Maybe you're chasing so many sparks you're burning out.

Either way, it's time to pause and ask: *Are you moving with purpose or spinning your wheels?* Don't let fear of missteps keep you parked.

Recalibrate your rhythm and move in alignment with your soul, not the noise.

Affirmation:

*"I move with courage and clarity.
My fire fuels purpose."*



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13– Queen of Drums



Upright Meaning:

You are the living, breathing heartbeat of your people. Your rhythm doesn't just move bodies. It moves spirit. You lead with joy, hold it down with love, and don't let anybody shape your sound but you. You've come through storms with your head high and your light intact.

This card says you're not becoming powerful. You *are* powerful. Your creativity is magnetic. Your laughter heals. Your presence shifts the whole room. And that joy you carry? That's not extra. That's sacred. That's part of your calling.

Keywords

- Wisdom
- Joy
- Creative Leadership
- Emotional Warmth

Reversed Meaning:

Have you been pouring so much into others that your own joy is running on fumes? Baby, even the drum needs to rest. You can't serve from an empty beat.

This card asks you to fill your cup, reclaim your rhythm, and remember that your joy matters too.

Affirmation:

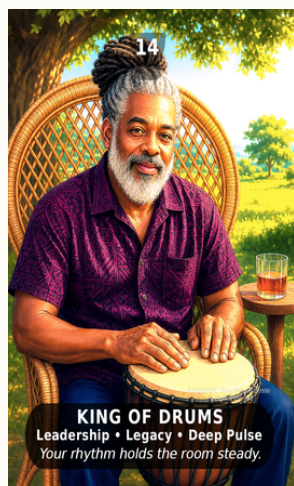
"I lead with love and joy.

My presence is sacred, elevated and serene."



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14– King of Drums



Upright Meaning:

You're in your zone now. That level-headed, charismatic leadership? It's not something you fake. It's something you are. This card shows up when you're feeling yourself—when you meet chaos with calm, and move through challenges with that deep-down, hard-won confidence that only comes from lived experience.

You don't rush. You don't posture. You lead by being grounded, steady, and fully present. You know who you are, and you carry that knowing into every room you enter. No need to prove anything. Just show up, rooted in your rhythm, and let your presence speak volumes.

Keywords

- Mastery
- Calm Authority
- Legacy
- Leadership
- Spiritual Presence

Reversed Meaning:

Are you doubting your wisdom? Playing small when Spirit is calling you to anchor the room? You don't have to perform to prove you're ready.

This card is your reminder: to stop shrinking. You don't have to bark to lead. You don't have to do the most. Just be who you are and let that be enough and lead from there.

Affirmation:

*"I lead with grace, grounded in wisdom.
My presence is powerful."*



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The Mason Jars

The Mason Jars hold what matters most. This suit is love, connection, and the feelings you carry close to your chest. When Mason Jars show up, it's about relationships, emotional truth, and what you're preserving, sharing, or letting spill. This is the suit of the heart, sweet and sometimes bitter, but always real.



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o– Ace of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

This is divine refreshment, a sacred “Yes” from the Universe. The glow you’re feeling? That’s Source Energy saying, “I see you.”

You do not have to hustle for this blessing, because it is already present.

This is new love, new healing, new insight, or just a new chance to feel good again. A sweet beginning that does not come from logic, but from Spirit. Open your heart wide because here comes your blessing now!

Keywords

- Overflow
- Spiritual gift
- Fresh Start
- Answered Prayer
- Emotional Opening

Reversed Meaning:

You might be holding your jar upside down, wondering why nothing is coming in.

Baby, is your heart closed up? Is the well running dry 'cause you forgot to listen to your soul?

This card reversed says: pause. Don’t block the flow just because you are scared it might not last.

The faucet ain’t broken—just your trust. Turn your jar back upright, center yourself and let love back in.

Affirmation:

“I open my heart to Spirit.

I receive with joy, and I trust Divine flow.”



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2- Two of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

Now that you've made courageous contact with your heart space, it's time to connect with somebody else. This is about resonance. This card is about sharing your glow with someone who sees you, feels you, and pours back into you.

Could be love, could be deep friendship, could even be a healing conversation with someone you thought was gone for good. What matters is the exchange—two people showing up with open hearts and a clean slate. You don't have to be perfect. You just gotta be real.

Keywords

- Union
- Mutual Respect
- Heart-to-Heart Connection
- Emotional Harmony
- Sacred Exchange

Reversed Meaning:

Somebody might be sipping from your jar without offering a drop of their own. Or maybe you're the one who pouring too much of yourself out, hoping that they'll finally see your worth. Either way, something's off-balance.

This card reversed is a heads-up to check the flow: *Are you loving with the spirit of reciprocity, or draining yourself in someone else?*

This card says: Love yourself first, then share.

Affirmation:

"I honor sacred connection.

I give and receive from the overflow."



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3- Three of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

Now we're cookin'. This here is heart joy made public. Your glow has called in kindred spirits. Those folks who lift you up and laugh with you 'til your belly aches. This is shared celebration, communal healing, and love without conditions.

You've found your people, baby. Or maybe they found you. Either way, it's time to pull your chair close and dance with the hearts of others. This card says joy multiplies when it's witnessed. Go ahead use this energy to collaborate and shine together.

Keywords

- Celebration
- Soul Family
- Collaboration
- Emotional Uplift

Reversed Meaning:

Maybe the circle ain't circling right now. Could be disconnection, gossip, or feeling like you're on the outside looking in. It's okay. Not every space is safe for your tenderness.

This card reversed reminds you: don't dim your light just to belong. Find the ones who honor your soul the way you honor theirs. True celebration includes your wholeness.

Affirmation:

*"I am seen, supported,
and celebrated in sacred community."*



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4– Four of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

Sometimes the best thing you can do is nothing. This card says sit your tail down and rest awhile. You've been filled, you've shared, you've celebrated, so now it's time to let it all settle.

You ain't gotta chase what's meant for you. And you don't even have to bust a sweat to be worthy. Spirit knows your name, even in your quiet. This card says your next blessing may be floating toward you while you nap under a tree. Let it come.

Reversed Meaning:

Oh-oh, you done sat still so long, you've melted into an apathetic lump on the couch. That laziness done drifted you far from your heart and your dreams. You've even somehow convinced yourself the goal ain't worth it anymore. You've gotten separated from your own certainty and desire.

This card reversed is your wake-up call. As they say "Break OVER!" Snap out of it. Reconnect. Your blessings still got your name on them—don't miss 'em just because you stopped looking.

Affirmation:

*"I rest in the knowing
that what is mine will find me."*



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5- Five of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

Whew, baby. This one stings. This is the card that shows up when you tried (Lord knows you tried), but it still didn't turn out like you hoped. Maybe the love went unreturned. Maybe the dream fell flat. Maybe your spirit is just tired of trying to hold it all together.

This card says: cry if you need to. But don't stand there looking at what spilled so long that you forget what's still glowing behind you.

Keywords

- Grief
- Disappointment
- Emotional Loss
- Letting Go
- Soul Surrender

Every closed door ain't rejection, it's just a redirection. If it don't fit, don't force it. Your peace is worth more.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be stuck in the story of what went wrong. Grieving the old so hard, you're blind to the blessing waiting in the wings.

This card reversed says: it's time to turn around, love. Spirit still has Plenty for you, just when you think all is lost. When one door closes, another one opens.

Release the sorrow. Don't deny it, but don't live there either. The next chapter is calling.

Affirmation:

*"I release what was and open to what will be.
My joy is being restored."*



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6– Six of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

This is a homecoming to your own heart. That little you—the soft, bright, curious one—might be peeking through right now, asking for some love.

This card says take a moment to sit with her, offer her kindness, and let her remind you who you were before the world rushed in.

And this healing don't stop with you. You might be giving to someone else in a way you wish you were once given to. You might be receiving something now that makes your whole soul exhale. It's the mutual appreciation society, baby. Giving and receiving, both sacred.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be holding on to an old story or feeling like you missed your shot. Or maybe you're pouring into others hoping to fill your own cup. This card reversed reminds you: your inner child don't want perfection, she just wants presence.

Let the past be what it was. Give yourself what you needed. And if someone offers you sweetness now, take it in.

Affirmation:

"I meet my inner child with love and offer my heart generously to the present moment."



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7- Seven of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

Thump, thump, thump. That's your spirit knocking. You've got options on the table, dreams in jars, and voices in your ear telling you which way to go.

But this card says: shh. Be still. Come home to your heart before you reach for anything.

You've played the roles. You've chased the shiny things. Now it's time to ask yourself what really feeds your joy. Don't choose from fear, or habit, or somebody else's idea of success. Choose what makes your soul exhale.

This is sacred sorting. A calling to remember who you are and let that guide your YES.

Reversed Meaning:

When this card's upside down, it's easy to get swept away by fantasy or paralyzed by confusion. You might be lost in your head, chasing every dream but your own.

Slow down. If you don't know what to choose yet, don't. Give yourself space to feel again. Your true desire won't hide—it's just waiting on you to quiet the noise.

Affirmation:

"I choose what aligns with my joy, my truth, and my sacred path."



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8- Eight of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

This is the moment when you set the jar down gently and walk away. Not with bitterness, but with clarity. You've poured into people, places, and things that once lit you up, but now? Now your spirit's whispering, "It's time."

This card is not about drama. It's about discernment. About knowing when the season is over and loving yourself enough to leave the table when the meal is done.

You ain't mad. You're just done pretending the taste still satisfies.

It takes courage to walk away. But this is a holy release. Trust that what's ahead will match the growth inside you.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be holding on out of habit, guilt, or fear of the unknown. Maybe you know it's time to go, but you keep hoping things will shift. This card reversed says: stop shrinking to fit a life you've outgrown.

You deserve fullness. You deserve peace. And if you stay too long, you'll start forgetting who you are. Let go with love and walk on with grace.

Affirmation:

*"I honor the ending.
I release what no longer reflects my truth.
I choose peace over familiarity."*



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9– Nine of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

There's a deep satisfaction that comes when you've got all your ducks in a row. You've stockpiled the love, the contentment, the fulfillment of a life well lived, and it shows.

Looking over what you've accomplished makes you smile from the inside out, and you're not shy about letting the world know your joy. This is your time to pat yourself on the back and rest in the feeling of being provided for so well that your cup of plenty is overflowing.

Keywords

- Soul Satisfaction
- Fulfillment
- Well-Earned Peace
- Contentment
- Deep Rest

Spirit done showed up and showed out in your life. Now you get to reap the blessings and relax in the flow.

Reversed Meaning:

When reversed, this card asks:

Are you chasing comfort that you really can't genuinely afford? Are you trying to look fulfilled when you really are sucking wind?

Sometimes we keep going when we've already arrived. Sometimes we hoard blessings 'cause we're scared they'll run out.

This card says: slow down. Joy won't leave you if you rest inside it with authentic respect and chill.

Affirmation:

"I give myself permission to rest in the glow of my own accomplishments."



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10- Ten of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

What happens when you stop dimming your shine and let yourself feel how far you've come?

You know who you are, what you can do and ain't no stopping you now, baby! Now you get to bask in the glow of your inner knowing.

It's all about awareness that YOU are *that* one. You are the love you've been pouring into the world. You are the rhythm, the grace, the answered prayer.

Keywords

- Wholeness
- Self-Love
- Security
- Joy

This card showing up is all about that acknowledgment that this is your "*all is well in my soul*" moment. You've earned this peace, darling. Hold it, hug it and don't let it go!

Reversed Meaning:

You might be questioning your worth or comparing your joy to someone else's.

Maybe you've got all the pieces but can't feel yourself *inside* the picture.

This card reversed says: *Don't look outside for what's meant to rise up inside.* You already are the dream.

Sit with yourself. Hold your own heart. Let the love within you show up and share its bounty with you, Beloved.

Affirmation:

"I am the joy I've been seeking.

I overflow with self-love, gratitude, and grace."



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11- Squire of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

The Squire of Mason Jars don't need to be convinced that magic is real. They feel it. They trust it. They carry it like a whisper from Spirit that says, "You're ready."

This card shows up when something new is stirring inside you: a feeling, a vision, a whisper of purpose. You may not have the map, but baby, you've got the glow. And that's enough to get started.

Keywords

- Spiritual Spark
- Emotional Openness
- Divine Curiosity
- Inner Trust
- Intuitive Beginnings

There's courage in this kind of softness. You don't have to know how it ends. Just follow the light.

Reversed Meaning:

Your inner dreamer might be scared to come outside. Maybe you've been told to "grow up" or "get real". Maybe that tender part of you is tired of being laughed at or overlooked.

But your spirit didn't bring you this far to dim your joy. This card reversed says: *Allow your curiosity rise up again.*

There's a message waiting for you if you just open your heart and step out on faith.

Affirmation:

*"I trust the spark inside me.
My spirit knows the way."*



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12– Knight of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

The Knight of Mason Jars doesn't need blueprints or feasibility reports to make a move. When the Knight feels that spark of intuition, he unleashes the fire in pursuit of what he knows in his gut is true.

When he trusts that glow is real, he's gonna follow it wherever it leads. Whether it's love, art, healing, or truth-telling, the Knight of Mason Jars is *in it*. Passion first, plan later.

This card says it's time to move with heart. Be bold in your tenderness. Let the world see what you care about. Your emotions are fuel, not baggage. Let them guide the way.

Reversed Meaning:

When reversed, the Knight might be chasing a fantasy instead of a calling. Or maybe just getting carried away by emotions without grounding. Maybe you're in love with the *idea* more than the work. Or maybe you're giving your heart to something that won't love you back.

This card reversed is a reminder: check your direction. Don't let passion burn you out or carry you off course. Come back to center and ask, *"Is this aligned with where I wanna be? Or am I wasting my time?"*

Affirmation:

*"I move with purpose,
guided by the fire of my heart."*



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13- Queen of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

This is the Queen who walks through life humming a hymn only she can hear. She's full: *full of love, full of spirit, full of wisdom.* She gives from the overflow, pouring sweetness into whatever or whoever she tends.

She's at peace with herself. Whether she's alone in her kitchen or wrapped up in love, she's present. Whether she's on the grind or in deep rest, she's in tune. Her power is quiet but mighty because it's rooted in knowing. She knows who she is. She knows what she's worth.

Keywords

- Emotional Mastery
- Divine Femininity
- Intuitive Power
- Soulful Presence
- Sacred Self-Care

When the Queen of Mason Jars shows up, she says that you are in balance and that you are knowing that you are the embodiment of Queen energy. Go live your life, honey!

Reversed Meaning:

You might be giving too much without refilling your own jar. Or maybe your boundaries got blurry and your heart's tired.

The Queen reversed is still powerful but she needs to come back home to herself.

Take a breath. Tend your own garden. Being tender doesn't mean being drained. Being soft doesn't mean being used. Reclaim your power and fix your crown.

Affirmation:

*"I tend to myself with the same love I offer the world.
I am full, I am whole, I am divine."*



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14– King of Mason Jars



Upright Meaning:

The King of Mason Jars shows up with the spirit of masculine steadiness with a side platter of full heart. You are aware that there is no need to be loud to be respected. You understand that power creates a space for others to shine. Your love is shown by being present and doing. You show “I got you,” without even needing to be thanked for it.

This card calls out that grown up energy within you to show up and BE tender loving care in everything you do.

Reversed Meaning:

If reversed, this card can point to the fact that you have been pushing down your real feelings so long, that now they are leaking out of you sideways. Instead of being patient and expansive, you’ve gotten all tight and prickly.

Maybe you’ve been playing strong so long, that you’ve forgotten how to let someone hold it down for you.

This is your card is your cue to let the love in. You don’t have to carry it all. It’s okay to feel, to rest, to ask. Real strength makes space for your needs getting met too.

Affirmation:

“I lead with love. My presence is powerful patience and loving action.”



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The Microphones

The Microphones carry your voice. This suit is truth, clarity, and the thoughts running circles in your mind. When Microphones show up, it's about decisions, communication, and the courage to say what's really going on, even when it's hard to get the words out. This is the suit of the mind, sharp and sometimes painful, but always honest.



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o– Ace of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This card right here? It's a call to clarity, baby. Spirit done handed you the mic and said, "*Say it with your chest.*" You already know the truth. You feel it in your gut, it's been tap-dancin' on your spirit. This ain't the time to doubt yourself or play small.

What you've been sitting on: *those thoughts, those dreams, that truth?* They are ready to be heard. So speak plain. Speak strong. And don't let nobody tell you what you meant to say.

Keywords

- Truth Hittin' Hard
- Mental Sharpness
- Speak Up & Out
- Soul Clarity
- Inner Mic Check

You meant what you said and said what you meant

Reversed Meaning:

You might be caught in a swirl of overthinking, doubting your every word, or biting your tongue 'til it bleeds.

But baby, repression ain't protection. If your throat's tight and your mind's cluttered, it's time for a soul cleanse.

Step back, breathe deep, and get quiet enough to hear your own truth again. Don't let the noise drown out your knowing.

Affirmation:

"My truth is a blessing.

I speak it bold and beautiful, just like me."



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2– Two of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Whew. You ever been at that fork in the road where both paths got weight to 'em?

That's what this card is about: *Crossroads*.

No more running loops in your mind. Now it's time to drop down into your soul and ask what feels true. Not what looks good on paper. Not what will please folks. Not what will keep the peace. What feels right.

Take a minute. Pull back. Make a little list if you got to. And then choose from strength, not fear. You already know deep down. Now trust that.

Reversed Meaning:

Analysis paralysis, baby. You might be second-guessing, dodging the decision, or letting other folks' opinions turn your mind into storm clouds and static.

Get still. Turn down the outside volume and tune into your own voice.

Then proceed to choosing.

Keywords

- Crossroads
- Decision-Making
- Tough Call
- Duality
- Inner Truth

Affirmation:

"I trust myself to make wise choices.

My truth is loud enough for me to hear."



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3- Three of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This is the heartbreak anthem. That inner radio is spinning all your greatest hits of hurt: replaying old breakups, failures, rejections, and fears on loop. And it's heavy. It's really heavy.

This moment calls for naming the ache, sitting with it, and letting Spirit hold you through it. Wrap yourself in love like your granny's quilt. Let the tears fall if they must. This storm will pass and you will survive.

Keywords

- Heartbreak
- Sorrow
- Mental Replay
- Truth Revealed
- Grace In Grief

Reversed Meaning:

You might be trying to skip over the pain, hush it down, or act like it didn't cut deep.

But Sugar, what we bury grows wild. Let yourself feel what you need to feel, without judgment.

Don't run past the hurt. Let it run through you so it doesn't run you from the shadows.

Affirmation:

*"I honor the truth of my pain and open myself to healing.
I am not my past. I am my power."*



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4- Four of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Close the shop, sugar. This ain't the time to push through. This is the time to pull back. You've been holding it down, maybe too long, and now your soul is waving a white flag.

The Four of Microphones shows up like a handwritten excuse from Spirit saying: "Go lay down, baby." Turn off the phone. Let folks figure out their own mess for a minute.

You need silence, softness, stillness. This is a sacred pause, not a failure. The world can wait while you remember what truly matters.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be running on fumes, clinging to busyness as proof of worth. But baby, burnout don't bless nobody. If you don't take the rest, your body will take it for you.

Give yourself permission to pause before life makes you.

Keywords

- Rest
- Reset
- Unplug
- Sacred Pause
- Mental Space
- Soft Boundaries

Affirmation:

"Rest is my birthright.

I unplug to remember who I am."



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5- Five of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Somebody always got time for drama and this card says the mic's been snatched by some mess. Whether it's you or someone else bringing the static, there's ego in the air and tension thick enough to cut with a side-eye.

The Five of Microphones is that moment when folks start swinging verbal swords instead of seeking peace. But baby, don't let yourself get pulled into a battle that ain't even worth the bruises.

Keywords

- Conflict
- Ego Games
- Pettiness
- Sharp Tongues
- Messy Energy

Ask yourself: *"Are you trying to be right, or are you trying to be real?"*

This card calls for a check-in. Are you contributing to the fire or calling for rain?

Reversed Meaning:

The heat may be cooling, but the sting is still there. Words were said, lines were crossed, and now it's time for cleanup.

Be honest. Take responsibility where it's yours. Then release the rest. You don't need to carry someone else's chaos.

Affirmation:

*"I step back from the drama
and center myself in truth, not ego."*



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6- Six of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Sometimes, baby, it's just time to go. The kitchen's too hot, the vibes too funky, and your soul is hollerin' "GET OUT!"

You've reached your limit for foolishness, gaslighting, chaos, or emotional tug-of-war and this card says bless it and bounce.

You're not leaving because you're weak. You're leaving because your peace is worth more than your pride.

Even if you gotta limp away or gnaw your own foot off metaphorically, this move? It's medicine. Spirit's guiding you somewhere softer. Somewhere you can breathe. Let go, pack light, and trust where you're headed.

Reversed Meaning:

You may be clinging to a situation that's already gone stale, hoping it'll fix itself. But dragging a dead thing behind you will only slow your healing.

It's okay to grieve what didn't work. Then choose your peace and keep it moving.

Affirmation:

*"I honor my right to leave
what no longer honors me."*



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7- Seven of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Your soul done read the room, and baby, you're done. This card says the vibes are off, the truth is murky, and the situation is giving *"Not my circus, not my clowns."*

Whether it's drama, deceit, or just folks doing too much, you have made your ruling: *"My name is Bennett, and I ain't in it."*

You are not signing up to fix what you didn't break. You're not about to carry the guilt, the blame, or the chaos someone else stirred up. You can love folks, sure, but from a safe, prayerful distance. And that's your right.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be tempted to swoop in and save the day or speak on what ain't yours to fool with. Reversed Seven of Mics says: Press PAUSE on that mess.

Then ask yourself: *Is this your mess to mop?* Or are you being guilt-tripped into holding someone else's baggage? If the situation doesn't sit right in your spirit, trust *that* Honey!

Affirmation:

"I honor my peace by stepping back from what ain't mine to fix."



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8– Eight of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

You are in over your head, kid. Let's not sugarcoat this: you're exhausted, overloaded, and trying to smile through something that's pressing down on your spirit like wet concrete.

You have missed the off-ramp. You kept going when your soul whispered, "pull over." And now? You're stuck in the swirl, feeling like it's all on you to fix what's broken, to carry everybody, to perform Black excellence while you're crumbling like a day-old milk carton.

Keywords

- Pressure
- Mental Overwhelm
- Trapped Energy
- Internal Collapse
- Silent Suffering

But baby, you are not a machine. You are not the magical Negro archetype holding up the whole damn world. You deserve softness. You deserve support.

Reversed Meaning:

You've been swallowing your truth to keep the peace or playing strong for others when you're barely holding it together.

It's time to say the quiet thing out loud. Ask for help. Release the image. You don't have to suffer just to prove your strength.

Affirmation:

"I am not alone. I release the burden of holding it all together."



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9 – Nine of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

In your mind, you're the weakest link. You're spiraling, sugar. Drowning in doubt, guilt, and a storm of self-blame. Ain't nobody else swinging on you. You're doing it to yourself. You've become your own punching bag. So where's the love, dear one? Where's the grace you give to everybody else?

Have you piled on the pressure so deep: between the work, the caregiving, the never-enough grind, that you forgot to give yourself a break?

Keywords

- Anxiety
- Self-Blame
- Inner Critic
- Mental Spiraling
- Overburdened

This card is your red flag from Spirit: *"Check yourself before you wreck yourself."* Literally. You need rest. You need care. You need compassion. And guess what? It needs to start from you.

Reversed Meaning:

You may be denying just how loud your inner critic has become. Maybe you've numbed it with distractions or tried to outrun it.

But this card says it's time to face those thoughts with truth and tenderness. You are not your worst days. And you don't have to keep proving your worth to deserve rest.

Affirmation:

*"I give myself the grace I give to others.
I am not my fear. I am my healing."*



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10 – Ten of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

Breakdown ahead. The alarm is coming from inside the house. You're fried, crispy, and done. This ain't just exhaustion, it's system overload. And the hard truth is: you've ignored every whisper, nudge, and blinking warning light that came before.

You've carried too much, stayed up too late, said YES too often, and now? You're in full shutdown mode. Spirit has pulled the plug so you can finally rest.

Close the door. Put up the "Out of Order" sign. Cancel the tour. What you need now is self-care, tenderness, and radical, unapologetic nurture. Period.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be clinging to the last shreds of productivity like a badge. But baby, it's time to surrender. Let the breakdown *become* the breakthrough.

Your healing begins when you stop pretending you're fine.

Affirmation:

"I lay it all down.

My healing matters more than my hustle."



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11 – Squire of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This one is the messenger-in-training. The Squire is still learning how to hold the mic without letting it run wild. You're curious, maybe even nosy, but it's because you care. You want to understand the world, to speak it right, to give voice to the parts nobody's talking about. Your gift is the raw truth. But sometimes raw means undercooked.

This card says it's time to ask the question you've been sitting on. Read between the lines. Don't worry if you fumble a bit. Every master speaker once had shaky words. This is your cue to speak up, learn, and grow.

Keywords

- Curiosity
- Fresh Perspective
- Mental Buzz
- Unfiltered Honesty

Reversed Meaning:

Whew, baby! You might be doing too much with too little. Spilling tea that ain't steeped yet. Talking without listening. Or maybe you're clamping your mouth shut when your spirit's begging you to speak. Either way, something's off in the communication.

Slow your roll. Take a breath. Make sure what you say carries soul, not just sound.

Affirmation:

*"I give voice to the truth, even when it's tender.
My words are learning their power."*



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12 – Knight of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This Knight ain't whispering. She charges in, mic in hand, telling it like it is. She's bold, fierce, and focused but sometimes reckless if she ain't grounded.

This card is about that push to defend what's right, speak the truth, or finally hit "send" on that message you've been rewriting for weeks.

You've got the vision, now it's time to move. This ain't about talking to be heard, it's about saying what needs to be said. Stand tall. Be swift. Don't let overthinking slow you down.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be swinging that mic like a sword, cutting folks with sharp words. Or maybe you're rushing in without the facts, trying to win an argument instead of seeking truth.

The reversed Knight warns against being a blowhard with no common sense. Slow down. Tune in. Don't let your mouth write a check that your butt can't cash!

Affirmation:

*"I speak with boldness, grounded in truth.
My words move with purpose, not ego."*



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13 – Queen of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This Queen don't raise her voice; she raises the *vibration*. She's the auntie who sees straight through the story, the sister who names the thing in love and precision. She's been through it. She's paid for her peace with real-life receipts. And now? She speaks to elevate, not to entertain.

When she shows up, it's time to get honest—with yourself, with others, with the legacy you're shaping. She carries your grandmother's words in her chest:

Keywords

- Truth-Telling
- Wisdom
- Clarity
- Discernment
- Righteous Speech

“Every tub’s gotta stand on its own legs.”

It ain't your business to carry what ain't yours to carry, baby. Everybody is accountable for their own stuff.

Reversed Meaning:

Watch your tongue, love, because it cuts both ways.

Reversed, this card warns against sharp words, cold detachment, or truths twisted into daggers. You may also be hiding your voice out of fear or people-pleasing. The Queen of Mics reversed asks: *Are you using your words to build or to wound? Are you silent where you need to speak?*

Truth without compassion is cruelty. But silence when truth is needed? That's a weight you don't want to carry.

Affirmation:

“My voice is rooted in truth, guided by wisdom, and spoken with grace.”



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14 – King of Microphones



Upright Meaning:

This King has lived some things and found his voice in the living. He speaks with love, clarity, and command. When he talks, people hush up and listen. His mic is a ministry, a melody, a message wrapped in velvet and backbone.

Pulling this card means you're being called to own your voice; but not just to speak, to *move people*. This is leadership through communication, truth-telling with tenderness. You're stepping into your seasoned wisdom, and it's time to sing the song only you can sing: out loud, full-hearted, no apologies.

Speak life, not noise. Let your voice be a bridge, not a weapon. Show up with your grown-folk power but let it land with grace.

Reversed Meaning:

When reversed, the King of Mics may be withholding or misusing his voice. Maybe you've let fear, ego, or exhaustion hush your message—or you've been talking at people instead of connecting with them. *Are you speaking truth or just trying to sound good?*

Reversed, this card says: Get quiet and reconnect to your core message. Let the applause go. Let the real come through. Say it like you mean it, or don't say it at all. Don't let that crown tilt. Real kings don't bark. They bless.

Affirmation:

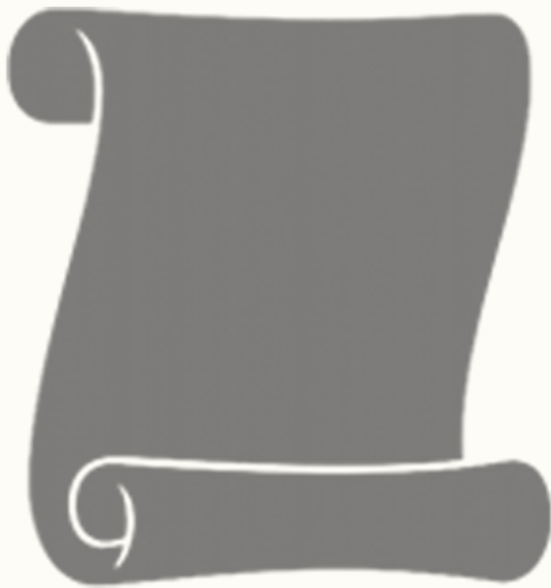
*"My words are seasoned with soul.
I speak with love, lead with truth
and sing from a loyal heart."*



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The Foundations

The Foundations hold you up. This suit is your work, your resources, and the ground you stand on. When Foundations show up, it's about stability, security, and what you're building for the long haul. This is the suit of the body and the bricks, the part of life that doesn't always shine but never stops mattering.



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o – Ace of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

What you're holding now didn't start with you but you're the one meant to carry it forward. This card speaks to something solid: a seed of wealth, wisdom, or opportunity passed down with love and labor behind it. A diploma, a deed, a skill, a family recipe, a story, a good name. Something earned before you that now blesses you.

It might feel heavy. It might feel humbling. But baby, it's yours now. The Ace of Foundations reminds you: this is not charity, it's legacy. Someone came before you and laid this brick. Now you get to stand on it and build something real. There is work to do, yes, but you are not starting from scratch. You are starting from sacred ground.

Keywords

- Roots
- Ancestral Blessing
- Responsibility
- Security
- Skill Passed Down

Reversed Meaning:

When reversed, this card can point to disconnection from your roots, self-doubt about your worthiness, or fear of accepting help. You might feel like you're not ready, not qualified, or not allowed to hold the blessing being handed to you. Or you might be ignoring the gifts of those who came before rejecting tradition out of fear it'll cage you.

This card asks: *What solid things are you refusing to trust? What foundations are right under your feet that you've been treating like quicksand?* You don't have to build alone. You just have to believe you deserve to begin.

Affirmation:

"I honor what was given. I am not starting from nothing, I am starting from everything they left me."



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2 – Two of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

You're holding two real choices in your hands. Neither is wrong, but both carry weight. This is that moment when Spirit stirs and the material world listens.

Do you stay put and secure what you've built, or do you follow the tug of new possibility?

This card don't play in pie in the sky realms. It's grounded in real choices: jobs, moves, property, commitments.

Keywords

- Decision
- Opportunity
- Real-life crossroads
- Financial juggling
- Home vs. Hustle

She's not flipping a coin about her future. She's weighing what'll nourish her roots and stretch her wings. Balance doesn't mean no movement. It means moving with care, heart, and trust.

Reversed Meaning:

Too many pots on the stove, and none of 'em tasting right. You may be hesitating out of fear, or dancing around a decision that's already overdue. Or maybe you're saying YES to everybody but yourself.

The reversed Two says: it's time to center *you*. Narrow it down. Everything ain't urgent—and not all choices are sacred. Choose only the ones that are aligned with your soul.

Affirmation:

"I trust myself to choose what supports my peace and my path."



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3 – Three of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is how we build: together. The blueprint's on the table, the elders are talking and the little ones are watching.

This card is about contribution, cooperation, and learning from those who've done it before. It's mentorship and muscle. It's planning with pride, not just for yourself but for who's coming after.

You might be building a business, a dream, a home or a way forward. Either way, you're not meant to do it alone. Open up to wise counsel, lean into real partnership, and remember: *legacy is a group project*.

Reversed Meaning:

Trying to carry the whole load yourself? That's not strength, that's strain.

This card reversed says check your ego and/or your fear. *Why are you pushing folks away when you could be building something strong together?*

You don't have to know everything. Let the ones who've walked this road before guide you. Release the lone-wolf energy and make room for community to rise with you.

Affirmation:

"I build something lasting by leaning on love, wisdom, and shared effort."



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4 – Four of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is the card of *"I made it."* You've laid the groundwork, stacked your resources, and secured your piece of the dream.

The Four of Foundations is about tangible success: owning the deed, finishing the degree, building your business or legacy brick by brick. It's not about flash; it's about *freedom*.

But this card also whispers: *What good is wealth if it doesn't give you peace?* True prosperity supports your joy, your rest, your next chapter; not just your image.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be clinging too tight to money, status, or "the plan." Scarcity mindset could be making you hustle for stability you already have or fear that it'll slip away.

The reversed Four invites you to shift from possession to trust, from hoarding to harmony. You don't have to grip what's already yours.

Affirmation:

"I am rooted in enough."

My foundation is solid, and I build from peace."



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5 – Five of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is the card of making it stretch. It speaks to the darker evenings filled with late notices and candlelight math. It's shining a light on that tight season when the needs outrun means and your dignity gets tested.

Don't get it twisted. This ain't about defeat. It's about resilience. Creativity. Grit.

You're doing what you gotta do and that's sacred. This moment may feel small, but it's building muscle. Help might be closer than you think. **Reversed Meaning:** Don't let shame shut the door on support.

You may be used to going without, but baby, don't make a home in survival mode.

Reversed, this card asks: *Are you identifying with lack so long that you've stopped reaching for more?*

Stop carrying your burdens in silence. Pride don't pay the bills. Let people show up for you. Let the light back in.

Keywords

- Struggle
- Setback
- Bills Due
- Resource Check
- Hard Times

Affirmation:

*"Even when resources seem tight,
I am never alone. I rise, I rebuild, I receive."*



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6 – Six of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is the blessing of enough to share. Maybe you're the one offering a hand or maybe it's your turn to receive. Either way, this card says help flows both ways and Spirit is balancing the scales.

The Six of Foundations is where pride meets grace. It reminds us we're part of a larger web. What you give with heart comes back around. What you receive with gratitude carries no shame. This card reminds you that standing tall in your blessings doesn't put you above anyone else. It keeps the circle of giving and receiving both strong and mutual.

Reversed Meaning:

Are you giving to prove your worth? Or refusing support because you're afraid of looking needy?

Reversed, this card points to imbalance: where help is expected but not appreciated, or offered with strings attached.

Check your boundaries. Check your pride. Generosity should never be a power play.

Affirmation:

"I give and receive from a place of wholeness, not obligation."



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7 – Seven of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

You've planted seeds and now you're watching to see what's growing. This card is the pause before the next push. It's about tending, pruning, and asking: *Is this still worth my time and energy?*

Not everything you start needs to be finished. Sometimes wisdom means stepping back, adjusting the course, or simply giving something more time to root.

Keywords

- Assessment
- Investment Check-In
- Re-Evaluation
- Long-Term Vision
- Patience

Your efforts are never wasted but it may be ready for redirection.

Reversed Meaning:

You could be spinning your wheels, watering dead soil out of habit.

Reversed, this card says: stop and reassess.

Are you clinging to something just because you've worked hard on it?

There's no shame in shifting. Your energy is precious. Make sure it's feeding something that feeds you back.

Affirmation:

"I honor my effort and give myself permission to change direction."



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8 – Eight of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is the grind that grows you.

The Eight of Foundations is about putting your head down and honing your craft. You're not chasing quick results.

You're showing up, day after day, building something solid with your own two hands.

Whether it's a job, a calling, or a new way of being, this card says: *Practice makes possible. Every brick matters. Keep going.*

Keywords

- Apprenticeship
- Skill-building
- Commitment
- Repetition
- Mastery

Reversed Meaning:

Burnout might be whispering. Or maybe the work feels pointless because your heart's no longer in it.

Reversed, this card asks: *Is this path still aligned with your purpose? Or are you just clocking in out of habit?*

Your energy is too sacred to waste. If the joy's gone, it might be time to reimagine the dream or find a new one.

Affirmation:

"I commit to what builds me up and honors my growth."



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9 – Nine of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is your soft No to the noise.

You've worked hard, you've given, you've shown up and showed out. But now, baby, it's time to soak in what you've earned.

The Nine of Foundations is the card of your own damn sanctuary. It's the peace you don't have to explain. You don't owe access to everybody just because you're thriving. Luxuriate. Replenish.

Keywords

- Self-sufficiency
- Rest
- Enjoying the fruits
- Boundaries
- Sanctuary

You're allowed to enjoy your harvest without guilt.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be feeling guilty for resting. Or maybe you've built the walls so high, nobody can get in. Not even love.

Reversed, this card asks you to check your relationship with solitude. *Is it freedom, or is it fear dressed up as independence?*

Make sure your sanctuary still lets the light in.

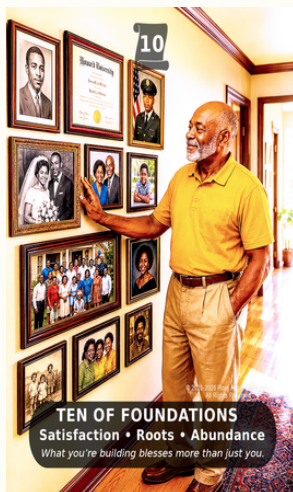
Affirmation:

"I cherish what I've built and make space for joy to find me."



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10 – Ten of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This is the vision made real. The Ten of Foundations is about family, land, a kitchen full of laughter, and enough love and security to pass on.

It's not just about money. It's about continuity. A place where your people can land and feel safe.

You may be stepping into the role of elder, steward, or provider. You're holding it down so the next generation doesn't have to start from scratch. This card says the foundation is not only laid, it is blessed.

Keywords

- Remembrance
- Appreciation
- Roots
- Continuity
- Legacy

Reversed Meaning:

Sometimes the weight of legacy can feel like a burden. You might be holding traditions that don't serve you or are feeling responsible for everyone else's well-being.

Reversed, this card asks you to define success on your *own* terms. You are allowed to build something different. Something truer.

Affirmation:

"I honor what came before me and build a future rooted in love."



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11 – Squire of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This Squire is just starting out, but do not underestimate his commitment to success. He's putting in the work, learning the ropes, watching every move in that shop like it's a masterclass.

This card is about taking pride in the early stages. It's about respect - both for where you are and where you are headed.

This is the grind before the glow-up. If you've got a dream or a duty, show up fully. Your effort counts. This is how strong foundations are laid.

Keywords

- Diligence
- Learning
- Humility
- New Responsibilities
- Early Steps

Reversed Meaning:

You out here looking for a shortcut when what's actually needed is presence and patience.

Reversed, this squire is calling out entitlement, calling out distraction. Baby, you cannot skip the sweat and expect the blessing to stick around. It doesn't work that way and you know it.

This is your moment to get humble and recommit. There is no shame in starting from the ground floor. That's where every root system begins.

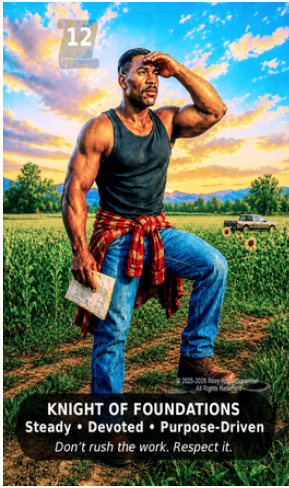
Affirmation:

*"I honor where I am
and trust that each step is sacred."*



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12 – Knight of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

This one doesn't make big speeches.

He shows up, tools in hand, ready to do what needs doing. The Knight of Foundations moves with purpose. He's building something real and he ain't rushing. He's the one who keeps his word, holds it down, and stays the course when others fall off.

You might not see flashy results just yet, but trust: *What you're working on has roots. Stick with it. This is legacy labor.*

Keywords

- Loyalty
- Hard Work
- Follow-Through
- Steady Pace
- Sacred Mission

Reversed Meaning:

You could be stuck in a loop, grinding just to grind, forgetting why you started.

Reversed, this card asks: *If you're moving from alignment or autopilot. Are you doing it for the mission or out of fear of stopping?*

It may be time to pause, stretch your back, and remember what the goal is. Hard work is noble. But it's not holy if it hollows you out.

Affirmation:

"I move with purpose and patience.

What I build will last."



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13 – Queen of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

The Queen energy in this card is giving someone who has survived lean seasons and has come out glowing. That fur coat? Earned. That deed in her hand? Paid in full.

She's the auntie who taught you how to save, to flip, and to show up looking like a million bucks without saying a word.

This card is about material mastery with soul. She owns what she's built and makes no apologies.

Keywords

- Ownership
- Wealth
- Wisdom
- Matriarch
- Moves
- Provision
- Divine
- Authority

If this is you, stand tall in your power. If it's someone you know, honor the lesson she carries: wealth isn't just about money. It's about *knowing your worth*.

Reversed Meaning:

You might be caught up in appearances, hustling to impress while your portfolio is floundering. Or maybe you're even doubting your own value because someone else shines louder.

Reversed, this Queen says: "Remember who you are. You don't have to prove anything. Real wealth is quiet and rooted. Get back to *your authentic self*."

Affirmation:

"I walk in my worth and hold my blessings with pride."



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14 – King of Foundations



Upright Meaning:

The King ain't gotta flex, his presence says it all. He's the one who shows up early, remembers your preferences, keeps your name in rooms you're not in yet. He handles his business with calm precision and makes sure everybody eats.

He's got good credit, better instincts, and a heart that knows how to build something lasting.

Keywords

- Leadership
- Provision
- Protection
- Stability
- Quiet Confidence

If this card shows up in your spread, it could represent you. It means it's your moment to lead with love while holding steady. If it represents somebody new in your life, Baby, you can trust because they're a real one.

Reversed Meaning:

When the King of Foundations is off balance, he can get too controlling, too caught up in providing to actually connect. He might feel the pressure to be perfect and forget to rest, trust, or receive.

This card reversed says: You're already enough. You don't have to hold it down all alone. Let softness in without losing your strength.

Affirmation:

"I lead with rooted strength and love that protects what matters."



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