

# Chapter Six: New Tarot Cards

In chapter four we performed an analysis on the Hermetic Tree of Life. This analysis simplified the Tree while at the same time vastly expanding the amount of information we can extract from it. Specifically, 33 new paths were discovered on the Tree, giving us a grand total of 55 paths. The 33 new paths plus cards for the 0, 00, and 000 paths give a total of 36 new trumps.

In this section we look at adding correspondences to these new paths in order to flesh them out. We'll do this by creating new tarot trump cards for each new path. Tarot cards in the Hermetic tradition are complex. They have several sub-components assigned to them. These sub-components include:

- A number assigned to each card.
- Two sephiroth from the Tree of Life that the card connects.
- A Hebrew letter assigned to each card.
- A Zodiac sign, planet, or element assigned to each card.

Our new cards will have its own version of each of these. Specifically, they will have:

• A number assigned to each card. These numbers start from the existing sequence, which ends at 21. The first new card (shown here) is number 22. The

numbers are at the center top of the card. They use Egyptian numbers rather than Roman numbers, as Egyptian numbers are much easier to read and there are claims that the trumps of the old deck are of Egyptian origin.

- Two sephiroth from the Tree of Life that the card connects. These are shown in the lower left and right corners of the card.
- An English letter assigned to each card. This is shown in the upper left corner of the card.
- A correspondence from one of two new systems: The Energies and Environments, and the Diamonds of Daath. These fill the role performed by the zodiac, planet and element correspondences in the old deck. The appropriate symbol assigned to the card is shown in the upper right corner of the card.
- A title and a meaning for divination, shown at the bottom center of the card. If no meaning is provided for a card then the title is the meaning.

### The Meaning Of The Cards

Each card should be interpreted as the harmonious interaction of all the forces present on the card: the two sephiroth, the English letter, the number, and the Energy and Environment symbol. Of these, the sephiroth are the primary energies, with the other forces playing a secondary role. Imagining theses forces working together leads to an understanding of the meaning of the card.

As a short-cut, most of the cards have a short summary of their meaning written above the title. This summary should take a back seat to visualizing the forces of the card.

The meanings of each card are summarized below for easy reference.

| Card Number<br>And Name | Meaning                    | Reversed                        | Notes   |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 22 The Dreamer          | Revitalization             | Lethargy                        | Represents normal dreams, but also lucid dreams where the person consciously controls the dream. Also the idea that certain aspects of reality may have dream-like qualities. |
| 23 Consecration         | Sanctify                   | Desecration                     | This is a phase of preparing.   |
| 24 The Muse             | Inspiration                | Delusion                        | The goal of the work is first understood.   |
| 25 The Bride            | Preparing for a new life   | Self interest                   | Self preparation.   |
| 26 The Creator          | Giving form to ideas       | Destructive energy              | The work begins.  |
| <b>27</b> Love          | Love                       | Burden                          | The effort needed to do the work flows easily.  |
| 28 The Church           | Carrying out the work      | Propaganda                      | The effort needed to do the work is formalized.   |
| <b>29</b> Hope          | Expectation of receiving   | Loss of direction and structure | The expected rewards of the work allow you to continue. One of the Christian Virtues missing from the standard deck.  |
| 30 Charity              | Altruism                   | Greed                           | Giving of yourself as needed to reach the goal.<br>One of the Christian Virtues missing from the<br>standard deck.  |
| 31 The Mask             | Disguised behavior         | Going through the motions       | A dry spell.  |
| 32 The Voice            | A message                  | Led astray                      | Reminder of the need to continue the work.  |
| 33 Logic                | Using reason               | Poor reasoning                  | With experience gained, we can now use reason to perform the work better.   |
| 34 Meditation           | Increased awareness        | Lost in trivial pursuits        | Focusing on the goal of the work.   |
| 35 Prudence             | Reason and self discipline | Indulgence                      | Doing only what is needed to reach the goal. One of the Christian Virtues missing from the standard deck.   |
| 36 The Atheist          | Seeing past illusion       | Skepticism selectively applied  | Recognizing and ignoring side issues.   |
| 37 Chaos                | Disruptive change          | Out of control change           | The work begins to take hold.   |
| 38 Blood                | Suffering                  | Abuse                           | The strain of the work begins to take hold.   |
| <b>39</b> The Vision    | New point of view          | Madness,<br>deception           | An understanding of the consequences of the work is gained.   |

| Card Number<br>And Name | Meaning           | Reversed                                    | Notes   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| 40 Faith                | Devotion          | False beliefs                               | Belief in rewards of the work. One of the Christian Virtues missing from the standard deck.   |
| 41 Wanting              | Desire            | Decadance                                   | The goal of the work becomes internalized by the effort. What we want changes what we do, but what we do also changes what we want. |
| 42 Redemption           | Corrective action | Too much effort spent trying for perfection | Making up for straying from the work.   |
| 43 Life                 | Struggle          | Languor, depression, inertia                | Maintaining the work.   |
| 44 The Law              | Natural law       | Repression                                  | Letting the work take a life of its own.  |
| 45 Limitless Light      | New truth         | Overwhelmed                                 | Cards 45, 46, and 47 represent both a beginning and an end.   |
| 46 Infinity             | Potential         | Insignificance                              |   |
| <b>47</b> Nothing       | Nothing           | Nothing                                     |   |
| 48 Becoming             | Becoming          | Tedium                                      | First swirlings. Shiva.   |
| 49 Detachment           | Detachment        | Distraction                                 | Seperation from a desired result. Vishnu.   |
| 50 Perfection           | Perfection        | Domination                                  | Stripping away imperfection. Kali.  |
| 51 Leadership           | Leadership        | Exploitation                                | Building a strong foundation. Indra.  |
| 52 Defense              | Defense           | Vengeance                                   | Protecting the work. Rama.  |
| 53 Compassion           | Compassion        | Jealousy                                    | Sharing the work with others. Buddha.   |
| 54 Confidence           | Confidence        | Doubt                                       | Initial success. Bhavani.   |
| 55 Knowledge            | Knowledge         | Cunning                                     | Understanding what must be done. Saraswati.   |
| <b>56</b> Humility      | Humility          | Pride                                       | Not consumed with success and abilities.<br>Hanuman.  |
| 57 Making               | Making            | Sloth                                       | Completing the work. Lakshmi.   |

## Reading A Fortune

Tarot cards are best used as tools to aid in meditation. Never the less, there is no denying their use in fortune telling is very popular. So a brief method for doing that is presented here. More in depth methods can be found by searching online for them.

- 1) Left the person you're doing the reading for shuffle the cards.
- 2) Lay out three cards. The first represents the past, the second represents the present, and the third represents the future.
- 3) Interpret the cards based on their individual meaning and position.

Chapter Seven: A Few Correspondences
This chapter presents a few basic correspondences to the various locations on the Tree of Life, including the new paths. These correspondences are meant to be helpful mnemonics.

For addition correspondences, see each individual tarot card. A few explanatory notes are provided after these tables.

| Path # | The Tree Of Life   | Tarot Card      | King Scale Color              | Queen Scale Color              |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0      | Curve above 00.    | Nothing         | Invisible                     | Invisible                      |
| 00     | Curve above 000.   | Infinity        | Ultraviolet                   | Ultraviolet                    |
| 000    | Curve above Kether | Limitless Light | Infrared                      | Infrared                       |
| 1      | Kether             | N/A             | Brilliance (255, 255, 255)    | White Brilliance (255,255,255) |
| 2      | Chokmah            | N/A             | Pure soft blue (32, 32, 250)  | Grey (128, 128, 128)           |
| 3      | Binah              | N/A             | Crimson (127, 10, 1)          | Black (0, 0, 0)                |
| 4      | Chesed             | N/A             | Deep Violet (52, 1, 101)      | Blue (0, 0, 255)               |
| 5      | Geburah            | N/A             | Orange (251, 145, 31)         | Red (255, 0, 0)                |
| 6      | Tiphareth          | N/A             | Clear Pink Rose (255,89,172)  | Yellow (255, 255, 0)           |
| 7      | Netzach            | N/A             | Amber (238, 214, 37)          | Green (0, 255, 0)              |
| 8      | Hod                | N/A             | Violet Purple (129, 7, 183)   | Orange (255, 128, 0)           |
| 9      | Yesod              | N/A             | Indigo (13, 13, 43)           | Magenta (255, 0, 255)          |
| 10     | Malkuth            | N/A             | Yellow (255, 255, 0)          | Brown (64, 2, 0)               |
| 11     | Joins 1-2          | Fool            | Yellow (255, 255, 0)          | Green Yellow (191, 255, 0)     |
| 12     | Joins 1-3          | Magician        | Dark Scarlet (146, 15, 2)     | Medium Purple (127, 0, 255)    |
| 13     | Joins 1-6          | High Priestess  | Silvery White (229, 231, 255) | White (255, 255, 255)          |
| 14     | Joins 2-3          | Empress         | Green (0, 255, 255)           | Blue (0, 0, 255)               |
| 15     | Joins 2-6          | Emperor         | Scarlet (218, 51, 21)         | Crimson (127, 10, 1)           |
| 16     | Joins 2-4          | Hierophant      | Red Orange (255, 120, 42)     | Light Brown (91, 91, 0)        |
| 17     | Joins 3-6          | Lovers          | Orange (251, 145, 31)         | Lavender (191, 64, 191)        |
| 18     | Joins 3-5          | Chariot         | Amber (238, 214, 37)          | Light Blue Green (0, 91, 91)   |
| 19     | Joins 4-5          | Strength        | Yellow (255, 255, 0)          | Red (255, 0, 0)                |
| 20     | Joins 4-6          | Hermit          | Green Yellow (174, 212, 54)   | Brown (64, 64, 0)              |

| Path # | The Tree Of Life | Tarot Card       | King Scale Color             | Queen Scale Color                 |
|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 21     | Joins 4-7        | Wheel of Fortune | Light Orange (255, 200, 33)  | Dark Blue (0, 0, 64)              |
| 22     | Joins 5-6        | Justice          | Emerald Green (0, 153, 32)   | Cyan (0, 255, 255)                |
| 23     | Joins 5-8        | Hanged Man       | Blue (0, 0, 255)             | Dark Green (0, 64, 0)             |
| 24     | Joins 6-7        | Death            | Green Blue (1, 150, 154)     | Dark Purple (64, 0, 64)           |
| 25     | Join 6-9         | Temperance       | Blue Purple (78, 79, 167)    | Dark Yellow (191, 191, 0)         |
| 26     | Joins 6-8        | Devil            | Light Purple (138, 78, 192)  | Dark Red (64, 0, 0)               |
| 27     | Joins 7-8        | Tower            | Bright Red (158, 80, 131)    | Yellow (255, 255, 0)              |
| 28     | Joins 7-9        | Star             | Violet (158, 80, 131)        | Pale Silver (191, 255, 255)       |
| 29     | Joins 7-10       | Moon             | Violet Pink (229, 132, 197)  | Light Grey Green (191, 255, 191)  |
| 30     | Joins 8-9        | Sun              | Bright Yellow (255, 255, 52) | Pale Yellow (255, 255, 125)       |
| 31     | Joins 8-10       | Judgment         | Off Red (254, 55, 7)         | Dark Grey Orange (255, 121, 64)   |
| 32     | Joins 9-10       | World            | Light Grey (198, 198, 198)   | Black (0, 0, 0)                   |
| 33     | Joins 10-6       | The Dreamer      | Medium Green (0, 128, 0)     | Yellow (255, 255, 0)              |
| 34     | Joins 10-5       | Consecration     | Brown (128, 64, 0)           | Bright Red (255, 64, 64)          |
| 35     | Joins 10-4       | The Muse         | Watery Blue (32, 32, 255)    | Light Grey Blue (191, 191, 255)   |
| 36     | Joins 10-3       | The Bride        | Violet (158, 80, 131)        | Dark Grey (64, 64, 64)            |
| 37     | Joins 10-2       | The Creator      | Amber (238, 214, 37)         | Light Grey (191, 191, 191)        |
| 38     | Joins 10-1       | Love             | Red (255, 0, 0)              | Red (255, 0, 0)                   |
| 39     | Joins 9-5        | The Church       | Silver (236, 236, 255)       | Orange (255, 128, 0)              |
| 40     | Joins 9-4        | Hope             | Gold (208, 194, 29)          | Grass Green (0, 128, 0)           |
| 41     | Joins 9-3        | Charity          | Light Violet (196, 138, 175) | Medium Dark Grey (96, 96, 96)     |
| 42     | Joins 9-2        | The Mask         | Dark Amber (163, 146, 16)    | Medium Light Grey (159, 159, 159) |
| 43     | Joins 9-1        | The Voice        | Off White (245, 243, 221)    | Blue (0, 0, 255)                  |
| 44     | Joins 8-4        | Logic            | Fiery Orange (255, 95, 17)   | Tan (191, 191, 64)                |
| 45     | Joins 8-3        | Meditation       | Grey (128, 128, 128)         | Light Orange (255, 191, 91)       |
| 46     | Joins 8-2        | Prudence         | Blue (0, 0, 255)             | Bright Cyan (64, 255, 255)        |

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|--------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 47     | Joins 8-1        | The Atheist | Invisible                      | Pink (255, 128, 255)             |
| 48     | Joins 7-5        | Chaos       | Dark Violet (77, 9, 31)        | Pale Rose(191, 64, 64)           |
| 49     | Joins 7-3        | Blood       | Red (255, 0, 0)                | Green (0, 255, 0)                |
| 50     | Joins 7-2        | The Vision  | Blood Red (135, 12, 2)         | Light Blue Green (0, 191, 191)   |
| 51     | Joins 7-1        | Faith       | Pale Purple (91, 91, 220)      | Mint Green (0, 255, 191)         |
| 52     | Joins 5-2        | Wanting     | Pale Red Orange (230, 141, 77) | Blue Green (0, 127, 127)         |
| 53     | Joins 5-1        | Redemption  | Salmon (225, 120, 120)         | Midnight (80, 82, 149)           |
| 54     | Joins 4-3        | Life        | Dark Tan (128, 64, 40)         | Yellow Green (191, 255, 0)       |
| 55     | Joins 4-1        | The Law     | Medium Tan (128, 128, 32)      | Medium Blue (64, 0, 255)         |
| 56     | Joins 66-1       | Becoming    | Brilliance (255, 255, 255)     | White Brilliance (255, 255, 255) |
| 57     | Joins 66-2       | Detachment  | Pure soft blue (32, 32, 250)   | Grey (128, 128, 128)             |
| 58     | Joins 66-3       | Perfection  | Crimson (127, 10, 1)           | Black (0, 0, 0)                  |
| 59     | Joins 66-4       | Leadership  | Deep Violet (52, 1, 101)       | Blue (0, 0, 255)                 |
| 60     | Joins 66-5       | Defense     | Orange (251, 145, 31)          | Red (255, 0, 0)                  |
| 61     | Joins 66-6       | Compassion  | Clear Pink Rose (255, 89, 172) | Yellow (255, 255, 0)             |
| 62     | Joins 66-7       | Confidence  | Amber (238, 214, 37)           | Green (0, 255, 0)                |
| 63     | Joins 66-8       | Knowledge   | Violet Purple (129, 7, 183)    | Orange (255, 128, 0)             |
| 64     | Joins 66-9       | Humility    | Indigo (13, 13, 43)            | Purple (255, 0, 255)             |
| 65     | Joins 66-10      | Making      | Yellow (255, 255, 0)           | Brown (64, 2, 0)                 |
| 66     | Daath            | N/A         | Lavender (177, 165, 207)       | Grey White (192, 192, 192)       |

#### **Notes**

The three numbers after each color name are the RGB values of the color.

The paths which correspond to astrological signs use the traditional colors of the astrological signs rather than the astrological colors given in Aliester Crowley's book Liber 777. The traditional astrological sign colors and the astrological sign colors in Liber 777 are usually the same, but not always.

The King Scale Color for Malkuth is is given as yellow, rather than the values found in Crowley's Liber 777. This was done to simplify the multi-color value given in Liber 777.

Some colors were changed from Liber 777 as needed to ensure that the King Scale colors contain red, green, and blue, and the Queen Scale colors contain cyan, yellow, magenta, and black. These are the primary colors of the respective color systems.