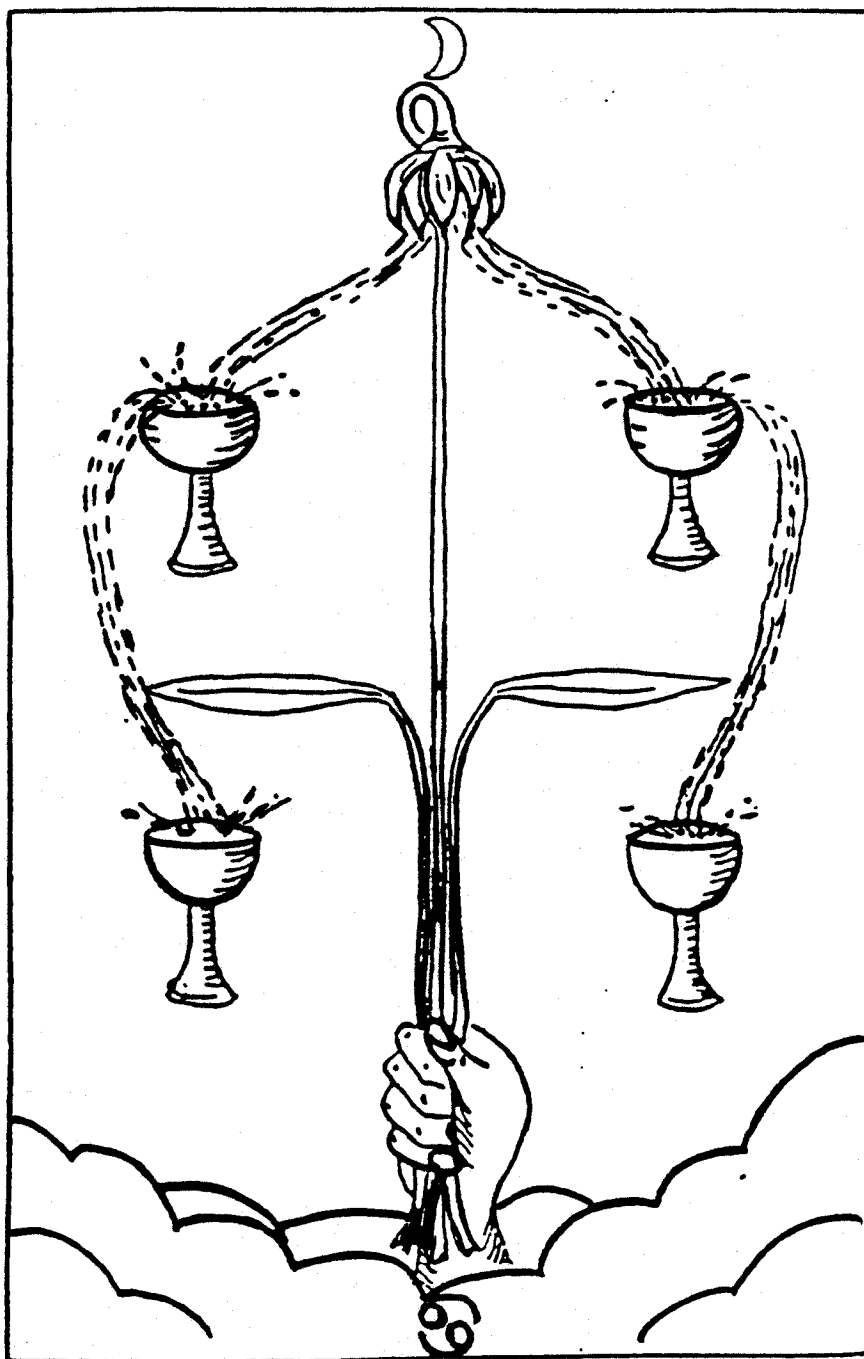


LESSON 65

FOUR OF CUPS

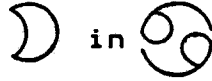


LESSON 65

4 OF CUPS

"Lord of Blended Pleasure"

20 to 30 degrees Cancer



Four cups, the upper two flowing into the lower two which do not overflow. An angelic hand grasps a branch of lotus which ascends a stem bearing one flower at the top of the card from which the white water flows into the two upper cups. From the centre two leaves pass right and left, making as it were a cross between four cups.

The huge stem has grown from the waters of previous the card falling into the sea, they have mixed their purity to produce a powerful lotus that outshines the rest. The lotus stem and leaves not only form the cross of the four elements (in balanced disposition) but a triangle. The cups form a square - the triangle is giving birth to the square. This also shows the first step into the world of Briah or formation, the blueprint is formed in perfection and balance.

To explain this further the cross is a symbol of perfection of the manifesting force. This force is masculine and feminine, shown by the vertical (electrical/phallic) and horizontal (deep and productive connotations) which is shown further by the cross penetrating through the upward pointing triangle (heat) and

giving forth the Sperma Aqua Fortis from the mouth of the lotus. The triangle is the trinity from which the 3 giveth balance forming the diety. The three points are the positive and negative forces and the neuter. The latter is the balancing force and is situated at the apex of the triangle where the egg is fertilized.

The corrosiveness of the Aqua Fortis is depicted by the cross in which it travels, and the Fierce Fire in which the Aqua fortis is distilled is represented by the upward triangle. The Aqua Fortis carefully mixed, giveth colour to matter, and it pours into the four cups which form the square - the hermetic tetrad, the 4 fold man, whose nature is salt. This water pours into the top two cups which overflow into the two bottom cups. The two bottom cups fill but do not overflow to return the waters to the great sea. This shows that separation has begun.

The 4 of Cups represents the perfecting of matter. Its name is "Lord of Blended Pleasure" which is quite apt when considering the blending of the masculine and feminine principles, but do not overlook the meaning behind the word "blended", for Aqua Fortis must be increased with care of ingredients to be of any value, and it colours nothing permanently without cohibition.

The 4 of Cups is coloured in the Queen Scale. The backdrop is the colour of the Sign, Oxide Red, and the cups are the colour of the Planet, Silver White. The lotus flower is the complementary colour to the cups, Gold White, and the lotus stem and

leaves are the complementary to the backdrop, Deep Green. The hands and clouds are Brilliant White showing the presence of spirit. The water is coloured White representing its purity.

White tinted Silver and Gold shows the beginning of purity being transformed into power. The White water (pure essence) is drawn up from the deep waters beneath the mists through the Green steams of the lotus representing growth, then it pours from the Gold White lotus, which is the action of Spirit through Wisdom, to the Silver white Cups showing the workings of spiritual law onto the higher mind. The Oxide Red in this card represents hopeless resistance to the omnipresence of spirit described above and acts as the Gateway of Life.

Overall, the colours of the 4 of Cups generate religious and spiritual values which seek to cultivate peace and spiritual awareness in an environment of growth and healing. They can open up the psychic to new realms and spur the imagination.

The planet and sign associated to the 4 of Cups is Moon in Cancer. The full Moon in Cancer gives forth the magic power of Love. The characteristics of the Moon in Cancer are dominated by sensitivity and emotion. There is a strong tendency to withdraw or retreat to a refuge, either within the self or within an environment. There is fondness of comfort and ease in life; self indulgence is essential, not a luxury for general happiness; there is changeability. Direction can be given purpose through the guidance or influence of another. It is reflectiveness of

others characteristics where ones own character is hidden behind a false persona. There is dealings with water, land and housing. Security is of uppermost importance next to family. The Moon in Cancer gives a psychic ability and an innate understanding of the workings of karma. It is universal in its love and an individual will go to great lengths to live in peace and harmony with all that come into contact. Dreaminess and stillness can loose opportunities. Those with Moon in Cancer can receive the fruits of life if they but open their eyes and behold of them.

The 4 of cups represents success and pleasure approaching its end as it has reached a stage of perfection. It is a stationary period of happiness and enjoyment but too passive in nature to reach perfection; there is an element of corrosion. It is Chesed of Heh (receiving pleasure or kindness from others, but some discomfort therewith; satisfaction has not been achieved so one tries again and again to partake in nourishment.)

DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

A sense of commitment may be so strong that ones selfhood is denied. This obligation is not loyalty but slavery; you must free yourself from it. Inertia leads to weakness and one must first encounter stimuli to continue to develop. The querent has

potential to manifest his own perfection, but leaving ones energies to idleness brings nothing. Being orientated in self-indulgence attracts destructive activities. On the more positive side there can be an element of calm and stability - almost serenity - in the querent, or the situation of concern. The 4 of Cups points out that the querent may already have, or will have, formed or received an understanding of what their outcome will be. "Inertia".

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs directly relating to the self:

In this position the 4 of Cups tells that you have had (or will have) help along the way, so do not forget those that help you. There is a need for more financial security, one that is never quite satisfied and well being is valued on how much comfort one can be in. Business ability is good although there is a tendency to inaction and then miss opportunities. If though, one remains alert, a great many situations are turned your way providing fortune and happiness. This is a position of plenty for the 4 of Cups, therefore its Key word is "Luxury".

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships; brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

The 4 of Cups in this position advises that you have all it takes to build your own life of independence. Inquisitiveness, a retentive memory and self determination are attributes for those receiving this card here. There is a pull between personal obligations to family and neighbours and the need for freedom. This can encourage excessive behaviour towards "enjoying oneself" while still within the confines of obligations, with an over generous attitude towards those one feels obligated, but this will not free you from your commitments, for it is your own sense of guilt that must be resolved. On the surface one appears to be in the land of plenty; underneath the surface there is conflict and restriction. "Obligations".

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

This is a fortunate position for the 4 of Cups. A position of stability, content and of plenty. Life is enjoyed to a fullness. With this there is clarity and foresight with a divinitive quality but having dependence on security, and at times parents, underdevelops self confidence which inhibits ones talents. One identifies emotionally with home and family. Real estate concerns come into importance resulting in fortunate outcomes. The 4 of Cups also advises that this is a time of rest, recuperation and stabilization before shifting on to the next

stage of your life. "Emotional Comfort".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

In this position the 4 of Cups shows that one gratifies emotional needs. There is a tendency to misuse energy. The lesson to be learned is a careful blending of pleasures and obligations so that responsibility to the self and to others is taken care of. There is fun and fortune in sports, arts and gambling; enjoy it while you can for it is limited. There are others in your life that you give your love to who may feel a bit smothered by you. Let go and love freely and not possessively otherwise obstacles will arise. Amongst your activities you will meet with strangers which may encourage unrest for the good or for the worse, its up to you, how you channel your energy "Self Gratification".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment: employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of skills; psychology:

Health is strongly influenced by emotions. State of health depends on dietary habits, because ones weight as well as a dropsical tendency may be a problem. Work situations are ones of service to others. How you can get on at work and in work

relationships again depends on your emotions. Nevertheless the 4 of Cups has an essence of stability in it and those with this card in this position are most likely to have a stable job situation - any frictions are minor. Advancement is hard because of personal reservations and lack of confidence, or maybe its just too much effort to unbalance your present situation, or, do you feel too secure to disrupt yourself! The Key word for this card here is "Hesitancy".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what is lacking; the workings of karma:

In this position the 4 of Cups represents peace, equilibrium, and agreement. You have your little territory and others come and go to meet you. No loophole is left in a contract or partnership, as everything is made safe and secure. Family is influential in your marriage or relationships due to your oversensitivity to them. Emotional fulfilment can be acquired through relationships. Business affairs cannot be avoided and will require constant dealings with the public. Circumstances bring forth complexities which in the long run will offer a wider choice to the querent, so don't feel trapped for there is more to a situation than meets the eye. "Refuge".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and

finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

There is concern with finances, inheritance and insurance. Land taxes need to be dealt with and partnerships settled. Here there can be excessive indulgence in personal pleasures as the emotions are not stable. This brings forth involvements of a sexual nature, touched with the illusion of love and romance. Beware of accidents. The 4 of Cups represents psychic sensitivity to unknown forces, energies and earth vibrations. This is a position of awakening, of the mind and body, to new possibilities, and to sight of a different perspective where one finally sees themselves and those around in a clearer light. It is a synthesising of events followed by realization and contemplation. The grail has been handed to you, all you have to do is open your eyes. "Awakening".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

The 4 of Cups advises that the only limitations in your life are the ones you place on yourself through fear or family obligations. Your most urgent priority should be making your way in life, gaining an education and place in society. Nevertheless there is a tendency of stillness, of holding back until it is too late, then you lament for what you willingly lost. You attach

yourself to social or religious institutions where moral and spiritual values are brought to the fore. Fondness of travel causes relocation to an area far from the place of birth. A need to know leads one into many forms of study. Those receiving this card here have been known as hermits, for they retreat into their world of thought (or of particular interest like books).

"Research".

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

The 4 of Cups represents achievement of prominence and furthering of career. One reaches a plateau where harmony and stability prevail under the auspices of continued proliferation. You may run your business from the home - or more likely have your place of business like home. Such success brings the lure of indulgence in chosen pleasures. This is where one can meet a downfall. Too much play and not enough work does not maintain success. Degeneration quickly sets in if you relax too much. Continued success is in placing importance on creating a happy medium between work and leisures. Another aspect of this card here is unawareness of ones success. Too much discontent conjures up imaginary vexations driving one on and on in circles.

"Proliferation".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; ones attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love

received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfillment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

This position is fortunate for the 4 of Cups in all of the above matters. A strong emotional need for friendships draws one to group activities bringing forth numerous friendships, a lot of whom are women. This card shows the love of Mother Nature and the unconscious understanding of her secrets. Assimilation of the workings of life by osmosis when involving oneself in the above activities causes a gradual buildup of knowledge. This knowledge is then turned and directed back into ones personal projection to the world around and ones method of communication, benefiting all those around you. You must learn to give of yourself and not just take. "Osmosis".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

Flexibility and intuitiveness shown by the 4 of Cups in this position tend to out-balance stability. The karma one must learn is perseverance; to hold firm in the face of all adversity to change bad into good. This is extremely difficult, for you are the Chameleon quickly changing to fit all situations for the sake of peace. The hidden enemy is emotion which constantly brings unresolved problems to the surface until such time as you can

finally face them. Nevertheless this card depicts a powerful tenacious resource that invariably wins out in the long run. There is a deep love for all of humanity that may take one into areas or institutions of selfless service. "Chameleon".

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4 of Cups: "Lord of Blended Pleasure"

(Third Stage Conjunction - joining)

In 1st position:	"Inertia"
In 2nd position:	"Luxury"
In 3rd position:	"Obligations"
In 4th position:	"Emotional Comfort"
In 5th position:	"Self Gratification"
In 6th position:	"Hesitancy"
In 7th position:	"Refuge"
In 8th position:	"Awakening"
In 9th position:	"Research"
In 10th position:	"Proliferation"
In 11th position:	"Osmosis"
In 12th position:	"Chameleon"

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MEDITATION ON THE FOUR OF CUPS:

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Now let the Student look at the card and feel its vibrations.

Write down your overall impression.

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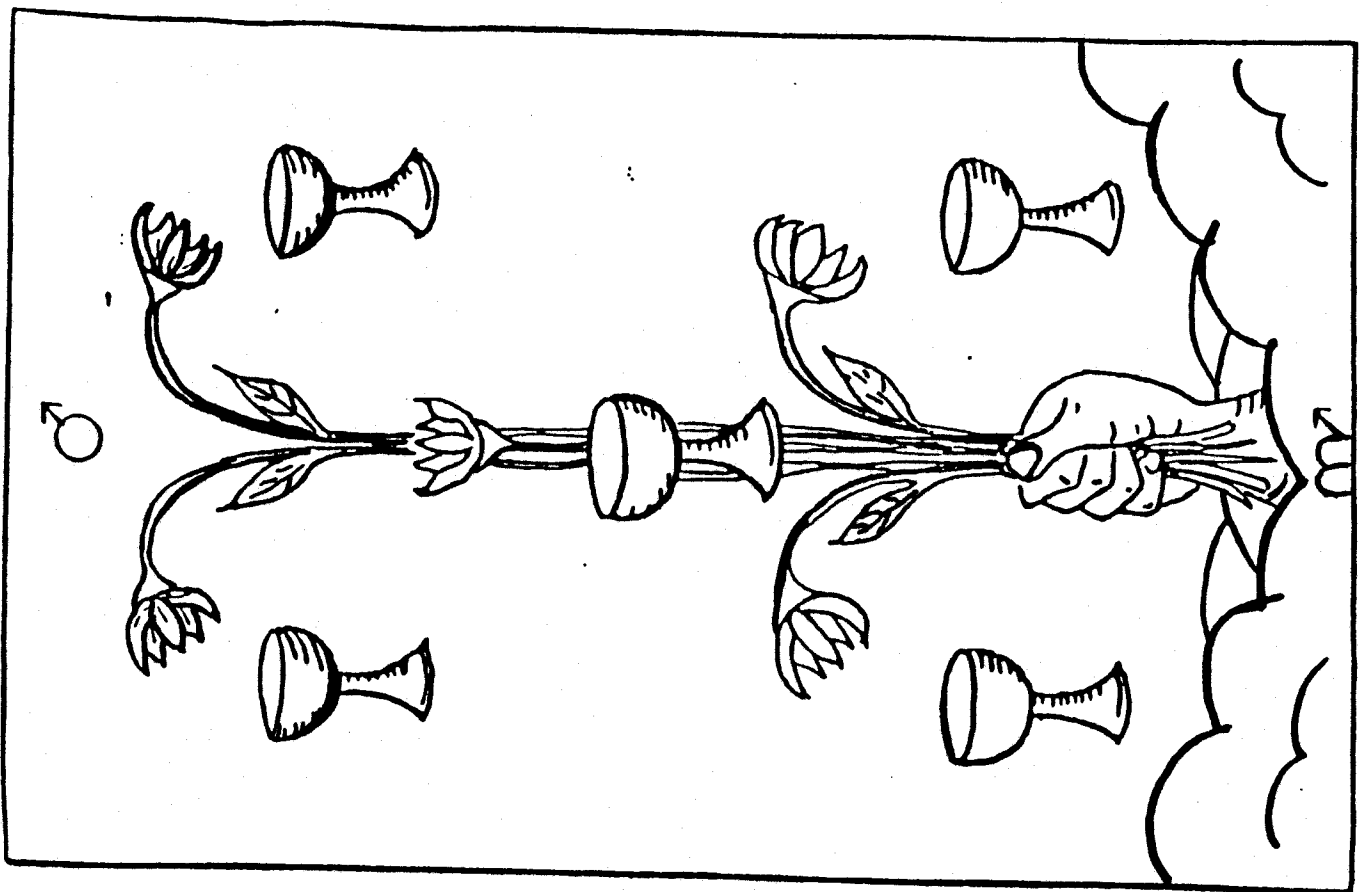
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LESSON 66

FIVE OF CUPS



LESSON 66

5 OF CUPS

"Lord of Loss in Pleasure"

0 to 10 degrees Scorpio

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A white radiating angelic hand, holding lotuses or water lilies of which the flowers are falling right and left. Leaves only, no buds surmount them. These lotus stems ascend between the cups in the manner of a fountain, but no water flows therefrom; neither is there water in any of the cups, which are somewhat of the shape of the water cup of the ZAM.

The picture here is one of exhaustion or over indulgence, one has partaken so much of a good thing that it has been exhausted - hence no water comes from the centre of the lotuses. The lack of water show that the lotuses have grown but not pollinated, which gives rise to superficial growth, and the sea from which they grow has not been nourished so that any growth in it to which the roots of the lotus reach is doomed to be barren and infertile due to all the nutrients of the sea being utilised in the previous card.

The five cups form the symbol of the North - the Apexes of two triangles meeting in the centre. Esoterically the North represents darkness, coldness and the barren, but this symbol gives forth concentrated energy to the central point, which is

necessary to sustain what life that is left. This concentration draws inward giving the appearance of a central pillar which must eventually generate enough heat for growth, but not here as this card alludes to the winter months of dormancy. This time of assumed stillness is necessary for a chemical change to take place during putrefaction.

Paracelsus says: "Place it" (Mercury) "in the Philosophic Egg, and seal it closely so that nothing may evaporate. Stand it in Athanor until, without any addition, it begins of itself to be resolved from above, so that it looks like an island in the midst of that sea, gradually decreasing every day, and at last being changed into the resemblance of blackening. This black substance is the bird which flies by night without wings, which the first dew from heaven, with its constant influence, its ascent and descent, has changed into the blackness of a crow's head."

This is where all have turned sour in nature, but as yet too active to stagnate, as there is an element of disturbance from the fifth cup, the central cup. Nevertheless putrefaction is taking place changing the nature of all matter, therefore what is lost cannot be recovered. The empty cups show unfulfilment of emotions and desires, and represent what has not yet been attained. This lack of fulfilment encourages a state of continual trying. The Spirit is constantly pushing to get through and be expressed in Matter. This pushing is endless hence the image of exhaustion in the 5 of Cups.

The 5 of Cups is the 1st stage of Sublimation. Putrefaction takes place in seven ways, and one of the seven is Sublimation, as Spirit, and can be described as "to make the body spiritual".

The 5 of Cups is coloured in the Queen Scale. The backdrop is the colour of the Sign, Jasper Red (Soft Orangy Red Brown), and the cups are the colour of the Planet, Poppy Red (Soft Orange Red). The lotus stems and leaves are the complementary to the backdrop, Paris green. The lotus flowers are the complementary to the cups, Brilliant Green. The edges of the cups give off a green aura to identify the cups against the backdrop. The hand and clouds are Brilliant White.

With the colours of the fire element expressed through the water element comes very intense emotion with strong desires. Energy takes a new form, which if regulated can transform everything around it. These colours represent the evolutionary process of expansion of consciousness, leading eventually to the creation of perfection. The main source of drive shown by these colours is sexual. Those who want to survive under the influence of these energies must be resourceful, guiding energy into channels where it can be used constructively.

The Planet and Sign associated to the 5 of Cups is Mars in Scorpio. Mars in Scorpio works on two extremes; a dynamic, powerful will, or a devastating destructive personality delving to the depths of sensationalism and negative emotion. Such extremes produce people of great resourcefulness, people of

uncompromising defense methods and beliefs and those with a powerful sex drive can accomplish high goals or lead them into degradation. Self destruction arises from harboured grudges or feelings of dissatisfaction which turn stagnant below the surface. When trapped in a corner, the Mars in Scorpio person would turn on the self and destroy rather than be caught or remain cornered, just like the Scorpion which stings itself to death. Jealousy is an indulgence of the Mars in Scorpio person, who welcomes healthy rivalry to test his own strength. Self sacrifice in what is believed gives the Mars in Scorpio person a sense of rebirth, or cleansing. This sacrifice is a self invoked state giving relief from the normal which is fixed and unchanging. The later state is also self invoked as a form of security.

Geburah of Heh (disappointment in love, marriage broken off, kindness of a friend, loss of friendship, moral degradation).

DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

In this position the 5 of Cups represents one who has maladjusted to normal life. Strength of desire overrules discrimination, encouraging a pattern of overdoing ones projection of ideas and beliefs, especially expression of the emotions,

for example, reaction to defeat gives deep disappointment and to success is overjoy. The pleasures of life are indulged in to the fullest till one is made sick by them. And, even then there are those that never learn. This card represents the fanatic. It also represents overbearing external forces which some work at to overcome while others crumble under the pressure. These forces cause a depletion of energies and at times give a feeling of hopelessness. Nevertheless, against all odds one should keep trying. If you can't go through the brick wall, go around it. The Key word is becoming "Distraught".

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs directly relating to the self:

In this position the 5 of Cups depicts a loss of income and misfortune in a business venture; personal resources do not come up to expectation, managerial matters misfire; principles and feelings sink into degradation unless surrounding cards depict otherwise when it will imply temporary loss. There are those around you that seem to have the Midas touch and you will benefit by pooling your resources with them, although they may continue to benefit and you to lose. Don't despair, only growth can take place now, as continuum of evolution is in progress. "Despair".

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships;

brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

Communication through the expression of desires and moods is quite evident when the 5 of Cups turns up in this position. This card shows a sensitivity that can tune into the moods and needs of those one comes into contact. This makes good counsellors. Interpretation of others in this way can become distorted and taken personally leaving feelings of hurt, disappointment and at times emotional imbalance. The 5 of Cups warns against travel as there may be an accident due to recklessness. Education is generally along the lines of a trade and working with machinery. There is often bad feeling between family or neighbours. The safest action is silence. "Sensitivity".

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

The 5 of Cups in this position shows preoccupation with financial security. It shows confidence in business affairs and a feeling of financial security in the home, but the home environment is generally unsettled with emotional upsets that lead to accidents. The lesson here is to learn self control so that the domestic scene is put in harmony. There may be trouble over land and buildings and possible disputes. Loss may occur through theft or damage of property. Water pipe and drainage

problems are very likely. The 5 of Cups shows a difficult time, but this is a necessary time to install enough dissatisfaction within the self to encourage one to fight, and the get up and go needed to make changes for the better. "Loss".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

Love is given in such excess that it becomes dominating and overbearing. Rejection is felt because others cannot return love in such velocity. This excessiveness turns stale very quickly leaving dissatisfaction in relationships, making a relationship short lived. This is a position of degradation for the 5 of Cups as everything is done in excess. A person can gamble his life away under this influence taking oneself to the gutters. On another side of the coin the 5 of Cups represents boredom and a loss of enjoyment in the normal form of entertainment which leads to either a more refined lifestyle or to more exotic forms of entertainment. Pleasure admitted in undue degree enslaves the Will, nor leaves judgement free. "Turning Point".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment: employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of skills; psychology:

Bound to serve the needs of others with reward only in

remembrance. In work relationships there is a loss of friendship. The essence needed for cooperation has been lost leaving nothing to hold relationships together. If querying about work it shows a possible loss of position, for a business it shows a loss in revenue. This is not a fortunate position for the 5 of Cups, leaving little to be hoped for. Psychologically one can take on the defeatist attitude which does little for the future. In addition to this very little energy is left to make a new start. Illness is very likely which even more hinders any progress. An adoption of self-centeredness evolves, or has evolved when the 5 of Cups turns up here. "Loss in Prosperity".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what is lacking; the workings of karma:

Under the above matters the 5 of Cups depicts that there is very little life, will, or energy left to continue what seemed to be a good situation. Something outweighs the situation forcing you away from the central pivot. With nothing to hold the centre together everything appears to fall apart. This happens more on the emotional level than any other level. A feeling of an empty pit is left from the above matters. The workings of Karma teach the mastery of aloneness; enthusiasm and emotional and physical drive is lacking. A great deal must be experienced before you see above the clouds. People have a vampirific affect on you. "Draining".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

Emotional intensity driven by strong desires predominates in this position until there is nothing more to give either to business, partnerships or relationships. Sex becomes an act without feeling or for self-gratification, finances peter out, inheritances become drained if any come your way at all, in any event there will be conflict with legacies, taxes etc. A death cannot be mourned as there is nothing left to give; joint finances become matters of contention. On the esoteric side the 5 of Cups represents sexual magic in its most basic self-gratified form, which only results in blockages of the aura causing spheres of stagnation and future disease. On a more positive side if well aspected, it represents psychic powers. This card also shows criminal tendencies and a violent, sudden death. "Emptiness".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

Concerning education and study the 5 of Cups shows someone going through the motions of learning but in essence not learning

at all. The mind just doesn't take any more or give any more. Travel is definitely not on, and if one ignores the advice not to travel, accidents or a loss may occur. Concerning religion, the path you are seeking does not have what you need - look elsewhere. Communications with the public are blocked in one way or another resulting in no contact. There is an overall superficiality with the 5 of Cups in this position. "Superficiality"

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

To travel a straight course through life you must learn and exercise self control maintaining a vigilance on discrimination of what is right and wrong. Be aware of your destructive tendencies and prevent them from hindering your development. The impersonal approach may pave a path but it makes no friends; don't be afraid to show a little compassion at times. Do not work such long hours as tiredness grows into staleness and one day you will wake up wondering what its all for, if you do not already feel that way. There is a tendency to undermine success and happiness. The 5 of Cups in this position also represents malpractice. The Key word is "Malpractice".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; ones attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfilment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

The 5 of Cups in this position shows the misfiring of plans, goals unobtained and proposed gatherings cancelled. Professionally, sacrifices are willingly made to serve future interests. Reassessment and restructuring of concerns under the above matters is indicated. An air of melancholy is spread in group activities leaving a taste of disappointment. These groups eventually disperse. The 5 of Cups is not favourable for starting up new activities as something or someone always falls short of expectation to pull the task through. There are undoubtedly disputes. The Key word for the 5 of Cups in this position is "Reassess".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

The powers of evolution and transformation are greatly in demand in this position, which apply pressure from the unconscious, but are held back by the conscious as it doesn't want change. Then, in time one will reach a state of mental and emotional exhaustion. The 5 of Cups shows little to no contribution to others along with a rejection of responsibility. There are a great many problems unresolved which weigh heavier and heavier over time. Eventually something has to give way, forcing either a fight to overcome obstacles, or complete degradation.

Healthwise it represents haemorrhoids, venereal ulcers, urinary problems, ovaritis, urethritis, lymphatic obstructions. The key word is "Exhaustion".

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5 of Cups: "Lord of Loss of Pleasure"

(First Stage Sublimation - make body spiritual)

In 1st position:	"Distraught"
In 2nd position:	"Despair"
In 3rd position:	"Sensitivity"
In 4th position:	"Loss"
In 5th position:	"Turning Point"
In 6th position:	"Loss of Prosperity"
In 7th position:	"Draining"
In 8th position:	"Emptiness"
In 9th position:	"Superficiality"
In 10th position:	"Malpractice"
In 11th position:	"Reassessment"
In 12th position:	"Exhaustion"

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MEDITATION ON THE FIVE OF CUPS:

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Now let the Student look at the card and feel its vibrations.

Write down your overall impression.

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