Notes On The Tarot

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In the *Tree of Life* in the Tarot, each path forms the connecting link between two of the Sephiroth. The King and the Queen are the correlations of the *Abba* and the *Aima* in that suit; the Knight or Prince answers to Microprosopus, and the Knave or Princess which was anciently a female figure, is referred to the Bride, *Kallah* or *Malkah*.

Combining, then, the material attributions of the Sephiroth and the Path, it results that:

0. **Fool** = The Crown of Wisdom, the Primum Mobile acting through the Air on the Zodiac.

1. **The Juggler** = The Crown of Understanding, the beginning of material production, the Primum Mobile acting through the Philosophic Mercury on Saturn.

2. **High Priestess** = The Crown of Beauty, the beginning of Sovereignty and Beauty, the Primum Mobile acting through the Moon on the Sun.

3. **Empress** = The Wisdom of Understanding, the Union of the powers of Origination and Production; the Sphere of the Zodiac acting through Venus upon Saturn.

4. **Emperor** = The Wisdom of Sovereignty and Beauty, and the originator of them; the Sphere of the Zodiac acting through Aries upon the Sun, and initiating Spring.

5. **Hierophant** = The Wisdom and fountain of Mercy, the Sphere of the Zodiac acting through Taurus upon Jupiter.

6. **The Lovers** = The Understanding of Beauty and Production of Beauty and Sovereignty. Saturn acting through Gemini upon Sol.

7. **Chariot** = Understanding acting upon Severity. Saturn acting through Cancer upon Mars.


9. **Hermit** = The Mercy of Beauty, the Magnificence of Sovereignty, Jupiter acting through Virgo upon Sol.


13. **Death** = The Sovereignty and result of Victory. Sol acting through Scorpio upon Venus, or Osiris under the destroying power of Typhon afflicting Isis.


15. **The Devil** = The Sovereignty and Beauty of Material (and therefore false) splendour. Sol acting through Capricorn upon Mercury.


17. **Star** = The Victory of Fundamental Strength. Venus acting through Aquarius upon Lima. Hope.
18. **Moon** = The Victory of the Material. Venus acting through Pisces upon the Cosmic Elements, deceptive effect of the apparent power of Material Forces.

19. **Sun** = The Splendour of the Material World. Mercury acting through the Sun upon the Moon.


21. **Universe** = The Foundation of the Cosmic Elements and of the Material World. Luna acting through Saturn upon the Elements.