

Kinley – Aquarian Insight Free Reading in Agony Aunt Style

Question:

I am at a stalemate in my relationship. I am in this huge conflict with my partner and not finding any resolution to it. I need advice and guidance on how to deal with this conflict.

Reading:

The first tarot spread I did was a three card 'Past, Present, Future' reading to take a look at the general energies surrounding your question. I've included a general meaning of each card followed by my interpretation of it within the context of your reading and question.

PAST – Ace of Swords: This may be the indication of a beginning of a new better and life. The first step may be the hardest, but the Ace of Swords gives you the courage to take this step. Keep a clear head and do not give in to emotional outbursts; this is a time of logic and doing what needs to be done.

The Aces are very strong cards and usually indicate the beginning of a new phase or situation. The Ace of Swords in this placement shows me that you have great clarity about what it is that you want to achieve and that it is something you are willing to fight for. The importance of this card is that it shows how important the issue at the heart of your conflict is and that is definitely something to keep in mind in the coming weeks.

PRESENT – Emperor: The father figure, the boss; the Emperor is always in charge. It is his way or the highway. Could indicate a father figure, boss or a man in your life that displays these dominant traits. Are you being too stubborn? Do you need to step up and take charge?

This card could be a representation of why you are in a stalemate situation; both of you are channelling the energy of the Emperor and sticking hard and fast to your guns. Neither one is budging from what you want. While this can sometimes be a good thing, as the Emperor is very determined and gets his way much of the time, when both people are bringing this rigidity, little can be achieved. It often indicates that another way must be found that is more malleable and allows room for change. It can also show that the situation is related to boss or father figure.

FUTURE – Queen of Cups: This card may indicate a woman who is a Pisces, Cancer or Scorpio, or someone of another sign displaying these qualities. A gentle woman who nurtures and takes care of others. She can display great affection and love. However may be prone to romantic delusions and mood swings.

The Queen of cups energy is very different from that of the Emperor. She is governed by the element of water, thus, like water, she is more able to flow and change as the situation requires. She also is the most in tune with her emotions of all the Queens, so she could be showing you that the current logical stance you have taken has lead to the current stalemate in this battle of wills. This can be remedied by introducing more emotions and just all round softness. Her energy is also more in tune with your own nature.

Next I did a 'Celtic Cross' reading which helps me to take a more in depth look at your query.

The first card tells me about the root or circumstances of your query; you got the **9 of Cups**. Usually this is a sign of great personal happiness and fulfilment. This is the `Wish Card' and indicates the fulfilment of a wish with a resounding "Yes". As always, be careful what you wish for though. On the whole, though, this card indicates good things about to come your way.

This is the first card of the reading and as such shows us what the problem is. The 9 Of Cups here correlates with what was indicated by the Ace of Swords; the issue at the very heart of your conflict is of the utmost importance. You are so sure that this is the correct path and will lead to eventual happiness and fulfilment. When we feel this strongly about something, we can often not understand any opposition because it is so evident how good things could be.

The second card shows me what obstacles you face, for better or for worse. Here you got the **3 of Wands** which indicates the first favourable returns on your hard work and effort. It is the first sign of success after a difficult time. Do not count your chickens just yet though; be careful not to boast or celebrate just yet, wait until all the results are in. For now just be pleased that you are doing a good job.

Usually this is a great card and indicates much energy, enthusiasm and momentum. However, because of its placement in this spread, it mist likely indicates a great amount of frustration. You may be feeling like you have put in so much effort and energy to achieving what you want, yet you're not seeing the rewards that you feel you are due.

In the past you have the **Page of Pentacles**. This card may indicate a time of steady work and development, which is great if you have lots of work that needs doing. However that energy can quickly become slow, boring and stagnant, leaving you wanting some excitement. Fear not, this is just a temporary phase so make the most of this diligent energy. May indicate a Taurus, Virgo or Capricorn child.

This follows what I was saying about the last card; you have done the work. You've put up with a steady, slow situation in the hopes that you were working towards something. I would also like to say at this point that I picked up on a childlike energy on the periphery of

your reading. This may be because there is an actual child that is involved with or affecting the issue, but it could also be representative of a childlike mind and determination. Children are generally more focused than adults. They only know what they want, and don't come up with reasons for why they cannot have it.

In the present you have the **High Priestess**. This is the Goddess card and indicates femininity, particularly intuition and sexuality. Follow your instincts; the guidance required is contained within. Be aware of messages and signs around you; get in touch with your spirituality. A time of being found attractive by others; be sure to use this new found power wisely.

If you're facing someone who will not be deterred from their course of action or way of thinking (such as the Emperor) the High Priestess is a very good energy to channel. While she is wise and knowledgeable, she relies on her instincts as well and thus taps into a greater guidance and intuition. If you're being met by rigid stubborness (often seen as a very male energy, although women are just as capable of it) then the High Priestess shows a different way to address this. You are a Goddess and must remember that no matter what the conflict is about, you and your partner have a connection. There is love and attraction at the heart of your relationship, and perhaps you have over-looked that because you are focusing on the actual issue and have stopped relating to each other as people. Get back in touch with what you mean to each other and reconnect at that level, as this will be more helpful than just arguing the issue or going over the same points again and again.

In the future you have the **6 of Wands**. The 6 of Wands is also known as the `Victory card'. Despite challenges and opposition victory has been secured eliciting praise, recognition and reward. There is a warning here also about not becoming too complacent and relying too heavily on the recognition you now receive; you must continue to show you are worthy of it. However, for now enjoy your victory.

When one is fighting for something, this is obviously a great card to have show up in your reading as it does indicate victory. However, the 6 of Wands is also a card of balance; give and take. The path that comes now is not just one that leads you to success, but is also the best thing for everyone. So again, rather than focusing on just what this means for you, think about how you can show your partner that this is the best thing for both of you.

For your goals, which show the best that can be hoped for from your situation the way things stand, you have the **Queen of Wands**. This card may indicate a woman who is an Aries, Leo or Sagittarius, or someone of another sign displaying these qualities. She has boundless energy and coupled with her charismatic nature she will not be short of admirers. She is the quintessential social butterfly, but at times can be overbearing and bossy.

This Queen most likely represents you. What you want won't come easily for you, and will require work and effort on your part but you must exude the self-confidence of the Queen of Wands. Real self-confidence cannot be faked, but can be achieved by keeping your goals in mind. Are you 100% sure this is what you want? The answer would seem to be yes. So now look at who you are and what you mean to your partner. You are charismatic and I feel a real connection between you both; you have more sway over him than you think. He

wants what is best for you both too, you just need to remind him of that. There is another meaning that this card could have. I get the impression that there are other people involved in this, especially some strong male energies (your partners brothers or friends?) so this card could represent a strong female that can help your cause.

For your feelings, you have the **5 of Swords**. You may have experienced a time of conflict and difficulty. You are most likely experiencing mixed feelings about the people and situations around you. Try to avoid any unnecessary conflict or arguments at this time even if you feel it is deserved. It is not an easy time for you so pick your battles wisely.

Again, this card gives the impression that you feel there are other people involved who are causing conflict and have too much of an influence on the situation. Don't get into unnecessary discussion with these people as little will be achieved. Most people have good intentions, but they often become embroiled in situations they have no business getting involved in.

The next placement refers to external factors or the environment around the query. You have the **Queen of Cups.** This card may indicate a woman who is a Pisces, Cancer or Scorpio, or someone of another sign displaying these qualities. She is a gentle woman who nurtures and takes care of others. She can display great affection and love. However may be prone to romantic delusions and mood swings.

This card may relate to the 'other people's energies' I've been picking up in this reading. I would once again urge you to reconnect with your partner; do not lose sight of the feelings that you share.

For your hopes and fears you have the **5 of Pentacles**. When this card appears it is likely that you are feeling rather impoverished and lacking security. This may mean that you do not have emotional or financial support. Are you really as worse of as you feel or is there a way out? If you need help, ask for it. This is the time when you will learn exactly who your friends are and this will be an important lesson to take with you when you move to a time of plenty and security.

You're worried that you don't have the support that you need at this time. This may be in terms of not having the financial security that you need, but if we follow the thread of the reading, most likely indicates your partner not providing that support. This is more your worry than something real, which is the good news. This card does show that there is help available if you ask for it.

I selected three cards for your outcome; **7 of Swords, 2 of Pentacles** and **6 of Swords.** The 7 of Swords most likely signifies some kind of trickery, dishonesty or lying. Now, it may be that someone is trying to take advantage of you by using these against you, but it could also mean that you are being called to be sneaky in order to protect what is yours. If you have been feeling stuck, there is a way out you just haven't realised yet. The 2 of Pentacles is the card of balance, especially with regard to finances and practical issues. Make sure you are not spending too much and that you keep a balance between the different areas of your life; not working too much and neglecting your health or pursuing money and not giving enough

attention to your love life. The 6 of Swords indicates a journey. You may physically go on this journey, i.e.; travelling or taking a short break but it may also indicate a journey taken within in the emotional realm. Either way, use this time to think about where you want to be and replenish your energy. Things are not perfect yet, but you are getting there.

Summary:

When there is a stalemate situation in a relationship, it's the meeting of two very stubborn minds. I'm going to give you an example which came to my mind as I was going through your reading. A woman wants to have a child, but her partner does not think now is the right time. He is worried about finances or the restraints that will be placed on social life. After all, nights out with the boys, or holidays will be restricted. But she wants their family to be complete. Every conversation seems to come back to this issue of the child. What happens is that the interactions between the two becomes about this ongoing battle, and they stop relating as a couple.

In the same way, the main emphasis of your reading seems to show that the way out of your deadlock is to relate once again to your partner on an emotional level. This does not mean that you have to give up on what you want, in fact, the reading indicates that the outcome is something that you will be very happy and fulfilled with. When the focus of the relationship turns to an issue or point of contention, it can have a corrosive affect on affection and intimacy which further drives a wedge between two people and makes a resolution even less likely. Luckily, things between you two are still good and there is a lot of love and affection.

Think very carefully about the outcome that you want; in your heart off hearts, do you believe this to be the absolute best outcome for you both as a couple? It may be the best thing for you, but is it the best thing for both of you? Is there a way you can reach a compromise? I guess what I am trying to say is that it is important to keep you both as a couple first and foremost in your thinking, as this will show.

Your partner seems to have a strong male support system, which may be, even inadvertantly, affecting his stance in this situation, but I do also feel that there is a strong woman, probably a family member or close friend, who can be your ally. On the whole though, as I said before, shift the focus back to you both. Show him why you work as a couple and that you have a strong foundation and can achieve anything together. If you can do this, it will allay fears and doubts more than any argument or debate, bringing you closer to the outcome you desire.

While the focus of the reading was on how to find a way through the conflict and how to break the stalemate situation, there are a couple of other things that came up which could have a bearing; a family reunion or gathering of close friends and family members and also a journey, maybe even overseas.

Peace and light,

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