

<u>Tj – Aquarian Insight Free Reading in Agony Aunt Style</u>

Question:

What was his purpose in my life? The break-up was horrible, for the most part I thought we were friends and now it seems like he hates me and won't even speak with me. I don't understand how two people can go from loving each other to total strangers. This sincerely pains me to my soul. It's been months and I don't know what else to do; one day I'm fine, other days I'm a mess in tears. I even tried getting out and staying active, I'm so hurt words can't explain. I just want to learn my lesson get closure and stop hurting. I just don't get why the heart loves the people who can't or won't stay with you. My life has been one big letdown after another in my relationships as a whole. I'm starting to feel unlovable when I have the most love to give I just want to understand.

Reading:

The first tarot spread I read for you was a three card 'Past, Present, Future' reading to take a look at the general energies surrounding your question. Throughout you will find the **general meanings** of the cards followed by my interpretation within the context of your reading and question. At the end there will be a summary.

PAST – High Priestess: The Goddess card generally 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.

I know you say for the most part you thought you were friends, but with the presence of the High Priestess I get the impression that secretly, deep down you were probably aware of how bad things have been. This is not to say that there wasn't love and attraction, but things were not right. So much of the bad after taste, as it were, that you are feeling now is due to how things ended rather than the way things were between you. This says more about him than you. The main message here for you is that you have good instincts, you were aware of that in the past and you can't doubt yourself now.

PRESENT – 3 of Cups: A time of enjoying the company of loved ones. This may take place in the form of a celebration or reunion. On the whole, positive emotions are indicated which are shared with those you care about. Take opportunities to enjoy time with family and friends.

If you are not already doing this, there is the suggestion here that much more time needs to be spent with loved ones; enjoy time with your friends and family. I get the impression from the reading that this break up has affected more than just the two of you. This may be because you have shared friends who are now in an awkward position or just that you don't know what to tell people. You are definitely in need of a support network and it is there if you look.

FUTURE – 9 of Wands: You have probably been working hard and pushing yourself and this is where exhaustion and doubt come in. You may be questioning whether this has been worth it and if you will ever reach the end. You are almost there and this card urges you to give that final push. This is not the time to give up as the end is within sight.

This card surprised me in this position. In your question you state that you are trying to get closure and move on, but I wonder if there is still an attempt or at the very least a hope that you will get back together again. If that is the case, then there are more struggles ahead. If, on the other hand, you are definitely looking at ways to start anew, then the good news is that the hardships you have been facing will soon be over. Things will become easier.

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 **Judgement**. The Judgement card asks you to reflect on your past deeds, forgive, accept the past is the past and then to release it all, so you can look to your future without fear. It is time to make that final decision and accept change so you can heal and renew.

OK, well the general meaning given pretty much covers what is at the heart of your current situation. But what a lot of people fail to understand is that we don't just have to accept and forgive others, but ourselves too. You've been through a very rough time and it is entirely natural that you're still affected by everything that has happened. But going forward, don't beat yourself up. If you think you did something wrong, learn from that. What I fear for you is that you are feeling like you were wrong to trust. A part of loving others is to make ourselves vulnerable; that is both the beauty and hardship of love. The mistakes that we make in relationships are things like holding on for too long when we know there are problems, or not verbalising our feelings because we fear losing the other person. These are the mistakes that we can learn not to make the next time.

The second card shows me what obstacles you face, for better or for worse. Here you got the 5 of Cups. You may find yourself struggling with feelings of loss and regret; the sense that there is some opportunity that you have missed. Rather than dwelling on what has passed and cannot be changed, this card urges us to look to the future as all is not lost. If the figure in the card were to just turn around, he would notice that while 3 cups may have fallen, 2 still stand.

The suit of Cups relates to emotions and feelings. The 5 of Cups is telling you that yes, you have reason to feel loss and regret, but all is definitely not lost. The reason we look at the obstacle in this spread is because it gives us a clearer idea of what is the specific problem.

For example, you could have gotten a card here that shows a person, a situation, depression, but the biggest obstacle is this sense of a missed opportunity; of regret.

In the past you have **Temperance**. This is generally a card of harmony and balance. You may be faced with opposing forces or situations, but you will find a way to blend these into a harmonic and balanced solution. The Temperance card makes the impossible possible; smoothly combining fire and water. Moderation in all things is also indicated.

The reason we look at the past is to put the present and future in perspective. As you can see, Temperance is the card of harmony and balance. This does not mean that all was wonderful and right, but it does show that being in that relationship brought some balance to your life. Now that you are no longer in that relationship everything seems extremely off kilter.

In the present you have **7 of Swords**. This card 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.

When the 7 of Swords shows up one thing is for certain, some ugly truths will be exposed very soon. If you've been lied to then you will soon know it, but if you've been the one that has been lying then the same is also true. The good thing about this is that once everything is out in the open it can be dealt with and then a true moving on can be experienced.

This card is not always about lies, sometimes it can be about trying to be sly or sneaky to get what you want. I would really suggest though that openness and honesty are crucial at this time, especially with yourself and the way that you are feeling.

In the future you have the **10 of Swords**. This card indicates that you may be feeling betrayed, hurt and extremely disillusioned. Yes, the worst has probably happened, but it is done. The worst is over and with it comes clarity and honesty. Now you can see exactly where you stand and move forward.

This follows on from the 7 of Swords in the previous position. It sounds like an awful card as it really does signify the worst that can be experienced about this situation. However, true closure and moving forward can only be experienced after the worst has been shown for what it is. Perhaps this will be when you fully realise that this relationship really is over, or find out something that you did not know before, but healing will occur after this.

For your goals, which show the best that can be hoped for from your situation the way things stand, you have the Fool. A new beginning. Stepping out with confidence and hope on a new adventure. Trusting in someone or something with the innocence and wonder of a child. While you feel the optimism of the Fool, just remember to look where you are stepping as you set out on this new adventure. It is good to be open and trusting, but make sure this is well placed.

The Major Arcana in the tarot is the journey that we all take within our lives. It is the path through our hopes, achievements, downfalls and desires. The Fool has no number, it is 0 and is placed at the beginning or end of the Major Arcana. This is because when we close one chapter we always come back to the Fool. It is the start of a new journey. If your goal is to find love and a relationship that works, then the Fool is asking you to step forward with trust. This is not easy when we feel we have been betrayed or hurt; especially not if we doubt our own judgement.

In your feelings, you have the **Emperor**. The father figure, the boss; the Emperor is always in charge. It is his way or the highway. Could indicate your father, 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?

Did your ex have more of a say in the relationship than you did? If so, you own inner Emperor is now stepping up. This is about deciding what you want, how you feel. The Emperor is very practical and does what has to be done to achieve his ends. Just be careful not to be too stubborn and rigid.

The next placement refers to external factors or the environment around the query. You have the **Death**. A card which usual frightens people, but it very rarely indicates an actual death. This is the card of change; the death of an old situation and the birth of a new one. Transformation is indicated and while we may mourn the loss of the old as our fundamental natures cause us to fear change, it is time to embrace the new that is coming.

Yes, I know people fear the Death card, but it is a welcome card when one desires change. The placement of this card suggests there are greater changes happening in your life right now, and not just relationship ones. I got the sense of something related to money/work. These types of changes are inevitable, and while change is never easy, not even when we want it, it is always better to go with the flow and make the most of new opportunities rather than resisting.

For your hopes and fears you have the **8 of Pentacles**. This card is sometimes known as the 'Apprentice card'. This could be a period of hard work where you may be learning something new. Take pride in your work and give it your best, even if you are not happy to be doing it. Keeping your mind focused on what it is that you are working towards will help.

I'm wondering if you're shifting your attention to work rather than love at this time. It could also be that you find this period boring; all work and no play, as it were. The emphasis at this time is the need for balance. The anchor of balance in your past was the relationship, but not you need to find a new kind of balance. This is where your time, attention and energy are divided equally between the different aspects of your life.

I selected three cards for your outcome; Page of Swords, Empress and the Star:
The Page of Swords shows that it is more than likely that you need to take a step back.
You have probably been pushing and trying very hard; having you been making the best

use of your energy? Heed this card and show some tact and caution. May indicate a Gemini, Libra or Aquarius child.

The Empress generally signifies femininity and motherhood. This card may indicate coming abundance and domestic bliss. Could signify a pregnancy or just a new project that needs to gestate and be nurtured as it grows to fruition. A mother figure to you or family could also be indicated.

The Star is a beautiful card indicating hope, healing, renewal and a new path. You may receive help from an unexpected source. The Star is the Star of Hope and is here to guide and inspire you; to show you that as difficult as things have been, you have now come out of the other end and things will get better.

Summary:

The emotional aspects of what you are going through really speak of the grief that you are experiencing. This is a time of bereavement and loss and unfortunately there is no easy way to short cut or bypass those emotions. Sometimes understanding the reasons why someone was in our life can help us to move on, but that does not seem to be the case in this reading. I don't think understanding why he was in your life will help anyway, because it is not the main issue.

Do you know what I found strange in your reading? Your ex does not make an appearance. This is not to say that you don't miss him or have very strong feelings about what happened with him, but rather than the cause of this current situation is more the ending of the relationship and the emotions around that than with this particular man. I get the sense that things have probably not been right for a while in that relationship, and that you may have allowed the relationship to continue longer than it would have otherwise.

You are a true romantic, by that I mean you put a high value on love and romance. This also means that you are capable of a level of love and trust that so many of us are not. There are good things about this and also not so great ones. For example, one of the problems shown in your reading was a tendency to define your life by your relationship. This is not an accusation, as we all do this to some extent. But you're in a situation now where the biggest problem is that your life is out of balance because that relationship no longer exists. So you're left with a number of options; try to get the old relationship back, move on to a new relationship to fill the void of the old one or bring some overall balance to your life. Spending time with friends and family is an obvious one, but there is also some change occurring in other areas of your life; especially keep an eye out at work or in relation to finances.

One thing I'm adamant about in the readings that I do is not to take choices away from people. I won't tell you whether it's a good idea to get back with an ex or not but there are choices for you right now. The good news is that things will become clearer in the coming weeks, but the truth can be painful. After that there will hope and even adventure coming your way. The lesson in all this may be how you react to the relationship ending right now, rather than what the relationship meant to you. Think about this, when you were together, you were together for love and companionship. He obviously provided you with some

positive emotions; that was the purpose. But the lesson may be in what you do next. You have a choice in how you react to the relationship ending. Don't hide or run from the bad feelings. They're painful, I know and I'm so sorry about that, but distracting yourself from them won't help you. What is it precisely that is causing you the pain? Look at this carefully. Do you miss him? Of course when we love someone and they are no longer in our lives it hurts, but is that the issue here? Is it the way that it ended? Then look at who ended it, and the choice of ending. Maybe it was that problems in the relationship were not discussed earlier, in which case you know in the future to speak more openly about any problems. These are just some of the things to examine, but you see what I mean, right? For whatever reason, it is the ending that the reading is focusing on, not the actual relationship.

There are things you can choose in the short term that will help you avoid immediate pain, but all that means is you either transfer the pain to a later date, or continue to make the same mistakes in relationships because you don't take the time to look at something that will cause you pain.

You are absolutely not unloveable. You do have an immense amount of love to give and you're looking at it the wrong way; it is not you that is unloveable, but rather that not everyone you choose to be with is worthy of your love. This does not mean the guys you pick are bad or that your choice is wrong, but rather they may not be suitable for what you want from a partner. You have good instincts, but I don't know if you always listen to them.

Motherhood came up at the end of the reading. I don't know if this is because there is an actual chance of a pregnancy or rather because you have a desire to settle down and have a family. The first person you need to be really open and clear with about what you want is yourself. Then that conversation has to be extended to whomever you choose to be with.

I feel like I should apologise; it would have been wonderful to have been able to give you a straightforward message telling you your ex came into your life for reason A and B is the lesson you need to learn and you can move on to relationship C next. But that's not how it works. What I hope this reading has shown you is that there are choices and options available to you right now?

So what else did I pick up? Well, I do see a man around you right now. If I was advising a friend I'd say it is too soon for a relationship, but as a conveyer of messages from a tarot reading, what I would say is that he is much, much more grounded than the guy you were with before. He may work in finance, or be someone you know through work. It may not be a 'love connection' as it were, as romance didn't come up, but I got a sense of emotional growth connected to him. He may be a stabilising influence in your life at this time.

I also saw written documents or contracts and I don't know if you write as part of your job (or studies) or are involved in the drawing up of contracts, but these came up in a positive light.

This is definitely a time of transition and change for you and I encourage you to embrace that change wholeheartedly; don't be afraid to make choices and decisions just because you don't feel able to move forward. Trust me, you can do it, things just seem uncertain. Listen

to that voice inside of you, and I don't mean the one that whispers all the bad things, but the other one that encourages you to dream and hope. There are new beginnings coming your way, and the first one looks connected to work or a new project, but is closely followed by a new emotional path which may just take you to a new love.

Good luck!

Peace and light,

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