

Tarot & Kabbalah in the Gnostic Tradition – Notes 00

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Summary of the 22 Arcana as given by Samael Aun Weor:

It is necessary to study the 22 Major Arcana, and learn them by heart in order to understand the esoteric language of the initiates in the Astral plane.

Arcanum	Association(s)	Gnostic Kabbalistic Associations	Astrological Association	Additional Association
1 ⚔	Kether. The Equilibrating Power.	The Magician; MAN	[The Sun] ¹	Primitive hieroglyph is a Man. Sword, Willpower.
2 ⚊	Chokmah. Wisdom.	The Popess; the Priestess; WOMAN, AND OCCULTISM	The Moon	Occult wisdom; primitive hieroglyph is the mouth of man. Imagination.
3 ⚋	Binah. Intelligence.	The Empress; the Celestial Mother; HUMANITY AND CREATION	Venus	Primitive symbol is a hand in the attitude of taking. Material and Spiritual Production.
4 ⚌	Chesed. Mercy.	The Emperor; the Cross of Initiation; POWER AND WHAT IS CREATED	Jupiter	The Divine Being, Atman. Command, Progress, Success, Mercy.
5 ⚍	Geburah. Rigor.	The Pope or Hierophant; AUTHORITY AND MENTAL LIFE	Mars, the Warrior of Aries	Rigor; Karma; the Law; War. The Spiritual Soul, the Buddhic body.
6 ⚎	Tiphereth. Beauty	The Lover; Man between Vice and Virtue; LOVE AND AMOROUS ATTRACTION	Venus of Taurus	The Love of the Holy Spirit. The Human Soul, the Causal Body. Struggle between Love and Desire. Antagonisms.
7 ⚏	Netzah. The eternity of everything.	The Chariot of War; WAR, STRUGGLES	Mercury of Gemini	Expiation/Atonement. Pain, Bitterness. Struggle, Battle. The Mental Body, the Mind.
8 ⚐	Hod. Victory.	Justice; Patience; SUFFERING.	Saturn	The Arcanum of Job; hard tests/ordeals. Rectitude, Justice. The Astral Body.
9 ⚑	Jesod. The Absolute.	The Hermit; DIVINE LOVE, PRUDENCE	The Sun of Leo	Initiation; Solitude, Prudence. The Vital or Etheric Body.
10 ⚒	Malkuth. The entire universe. 1 st Hour of Apollonius	The Wheel of Fortune; Nature; FORTUNE	Mary or Virgo	Retribution. Transcendental Study of Occultism. Laws of Irradiation and Absorption. The Physical Body.
11 ⚓	2 nd Hour of Apollonius	The Tamed Lion; Strength/Force; COURAGE OR PERSUASION	[Mars] ²	Study of Occult Forces. The Force of Love has more Persuasive Power than that of Violence.
12 ⚔	3 rd Hour of Apollonius	The Apostolate; SACRIFICE		The Anathor. Sexual Alchemy. Work with the Kundalini. The Arcanum A.Z.F takes us out of pain.

¹ Given in Ch. 2 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

² Given in Ch. 86 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

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13 מ	4 th Hour of Apollonius	Immortality, Death and Resurrection; TRANSFORMATIONS		The Black Magicians will attempt to draw the disciple away from the Luminous Path.
14 נ	5 th Hour of Apollonius	The Two Urns, “Divine Magnetism & Human Magnetism” TEMPERANCE, CHASTITY	[Pisces?] ³	Marriage. Association. The Superior Waters of Heaven. Stability.
15 ס	6 th Hour of Apollonius	Typhon Baphomet; Passion; the Electric Hurricane; FATALITY	[“The Whale” or Cetus] ⁴	Failure in Love. The Terrible Test of the Guardian of the Threshold.
16 ע	7 th Hour of Apollonius	The Fulminated Tower; Punishment; CATASTROPHY AND DESTRUCTION	[Aries] ⁵	Terrible Fall. Fire comforts the Courageous Beings... The initiate here sees their material fortune threatened and their business fail.
17 פ	8 th Hour of Apollonius	The Star of Hope; HOPE	[Venus] ⁶	The Astral Virtues of the Elementals of the Seeds of everything generated.
18 צ	9 th Hour of Apollonius	The Star of the Magi; the Twilight of the Moon; OCCULT ENEMIES	[Moon and Scorpio] ⁷	Study of the minor mysteries, the 9 arcades/arches through which the student has to climb.
19 ק	10 th Hour of Apollonius	The Creative Fire; the Resplendent Light; the Radiant Sun; Inspiration; TRUTH	[The Sun] ⁸	Successes. The doors of Heaven open and man comes out of his lethargy.
20 ר	11 th Hour of Apollonius	Resurrection; “The Awakening of the Dead”; CHANGES		There is rejoicing in heaven, the Earth awakens and the Sun surges from Adam.
21 ש	12 th Hour of Apollonius	Foolishness; the Crown ⁹ of the Magi; the Olin Rune; TRANSMUTATION OR TOTAL DEMORALIZATION		Failure. The Courts Of Fire become still.
22 ת	A 13 th Hour exists...	Triumph/Victory; the Crown of Life; THE RETURN		The Hour of Liberation.

Internal experiences are interpreted by basing ourselves upon the Law of Philosophical Analogies, upon the Law of the Analogy of Opposites, upon the Law of Correspondences and upon Numerology.

³ Given in Ch. 12 of *Esoteric Treatise of Hermetic Astrology*

⁴ Given in Ch. 48 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

⁵ Given in Ch. 48 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

⁶ Mentions the 8 pointed star of Venus in Ch. 17 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

⁷ Mentions Scorpio and the Moon in Ch. 18 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

⁸ Mentions the ‘Work with the Sun’ in Ch. 19 of *Tarot & Kabbalah*

⁹ Regarding Kether (1), Chokmah (2), and Binah (3), Samael Aun Weor says: “These three Sephira are the Sephirothic Crown...”