



Willingness

PRESENT CHALLENGE

Finding value from spending quality time with others even when no change or response is apparent.

You have drawn this card to offer insight into ways to create spiritual community with others. You will benefit from rethinking your expectations for the interactions you have with others, accepting that you can truly be responsible only for your own intentions and actions.

You may feel as if you've stood on the sidelines, wanting to help others or encourage the healing of humanity and/or the planet but unable to find the means to help. Or you may question the effectiveness of the ways in which you have tried to help. You may feel burned out and despairing, or you may feel hopeful yet unsure of the best way to proceed. This card is suggesting that your spiritual work will blossom and that you will be helping in ever greater ways to create global community.

ANGELIC MESSAGE

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You come into this world fully prepared to participate in community, and so how is it that you often find this participation so difficult? Community, although natural on the spiritual level, is a learned



behavior on the personality and ego levels. This suggests that to participate with others in meaningful and enduring relationships, you can benefit from tapping your more natural and basic spiritual essence.

The living elements of the natural world don't struggle to live together, although there is struggle in the nature of their existence. Likewise, you can accept a fresh relationship with all other living things through willingness to observe and live your purpose and allowing others to do the same without judgement or condemnation. You and others are drawn together for a purpose, and part of your involvement with others is also to define a group purpose.

Non-verbal communication is the language of the universe. It is shared by all manner of living things. All life is subject to the influences of ever-expanding circles of energy, beginning with the individual aspects of life and expanding past the physical Earth and on into the physical universe and then the nonphysical worlds. Perception is the language of community, and even though a flower has no external language, no audible voice, it accomplishes its growth with its own kind through a mutually-understood language of perception. Your willingness to accept nature in all of her paradox and inscrutability opens your inner channels to perception and shows you the spiritual essence and nature of other living things, even when you are unable to explain your impressions rationally.

You likewise reach into the hearts of other people most directly not through directives or spoken words but through time you and they spend together with the intention of learning from each other even when no words are spoken. You live with all other living things in community in order to become a witness to the passing of life and to the awakening of the spirit within yourself and others. Perception is learned from a willing heart, which openly accepts the holiness that is present and is desirous of being expressed in all people and living things.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY

The guidance coming to you through the blue-violet flower image on this card imparts to you the necessity for quiet inner

reflection on the nature of your own life and expectations for community. Also implicit in this guidance is that you are destined to help create meaningful interactions, and so you are in need of expanding and improving the perceptual skills you possess, which allow you to read others' intentions and their unspoken words.

Perception is different from intuition because it arises from the spirit rather than the intellect. Intuition expands thinking, feeling, and reasoning but stays within the confinement of what you've already learned. Perception moves outside the knowledge you've gained from past rational experiences and draws on the wisdom of the superconscious of the God-awareness experiences.

APPLICATION

Look around you and ask yourself what perceptions you can glean from the person, plant, rock, cloud, tree, or flower you may see. Imagine that in response to a question or inquiry you might make of a flower, you fashion a blank circle in your mind's eye. Now allow that empty circle to become filled with the "conversation" from the other living thing that you've invited to participate with you. Through this exercise you are trying to acknowledge that all living things sense life in some way and that all living things are aspects of the Divine and have a required role to play on Earth. Your perception can help you understand the way in which they are each important.