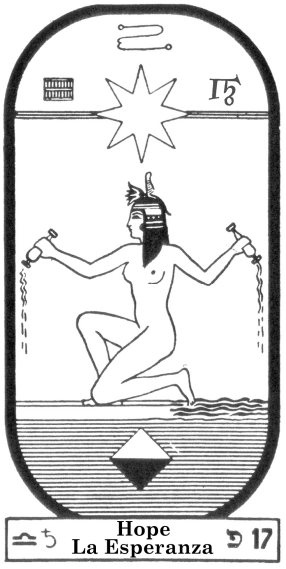
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Arcanum 17 – Pei פ



English: *The Star, Hope.*

Spanish: *La Estrella*: meaning "star; self-illuminating gaseous celestial body, celebrity". *La Esperanza*: meaning "hope, expectation, anticipation; confidence"

French: *L'Étoile, Les Étoiles*: meaning "The Star, the Stars"

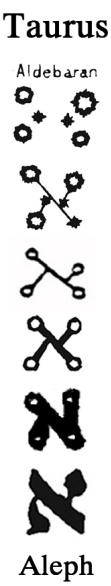
Meaning: THE STAR OF HOPE: Hope and wait. The Star of Eight Points, Venus, the Morning Star. The Venustic Initiation.

Transcendental Axiom: "SOME MEN BEG FOR SIGNS IN ORDER TO BELIEVE, AND OTHERS BEG FOR WISDOM SO AS TO ACT, BUT THE HOPEFUL HEART HAS EVERYTHING IN ITS HOPES."

Explanation of the Card: In the Waters of Life are two triangles; THE POSITIVE AND THE NEGATIVE. In the middle section is a woman who is watering the earth with the two elixirs (Masculine and Feminine). Upon her head is a lotus flower indicating her developed Chakras. In the upper part shines the eight-rayed star of Venus symbolizing that after the Initiations of Fire come those of Light.

Related Explanation: The 17th letter of the Hebrew alphabet, Peh פ, represents the complete life or the ancient understanding of nature. Its synthesis is the brilliant star or the intelligent understanding of nature. Nowadays, most people no longer comprehend the universal harmonies of nature, nor do they understand the necessary interconnectedness of all the effects with all the causes.

The allegorical image of Peh פ is a magnificent and gracious emblem which is analogous to many hermetic symbols. It is a naked woman (who represents simultaneously Truth, Nature and Wisdom) without a veil, she turns two urns or vases (one of gold and one of silver) towards the earth, and pours out the sap of universal life (fire and water). Above her head shines a star of eight points (that of Venus) symbol of peace and love.



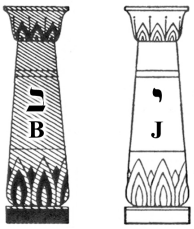
True Astrology is one of the branches of the Holy Kabalah. The first constellations marked out by the shepherds of Chaldea were also the first characters of kabalistic writing. It is said that Astrology was profaned with the degeneration of the Greeks and the Romans:

- § the doctrine of the seven heavens and the three mobiles (emanating primitively from the 10 Sephiroth);
- § the character of the planets governed by angels (whose names have been changed into the divinities of paganism) and the influence of the spheres on one another;
- § the fatality attached to numbers;
- § the scale of proportion between the celestial hierarchies corresponding to the human hierarchies; etc.

All of this has been materialized and rendered superstitious by fanatical people and those who draw horoscopes.

Practice

THE ART OF WORKING WITH THE STARS



The disciple will sit comfortably in a chair and then concentrate on their Inner Being, saying:

> "You who art my true Self, my true BEING. Leave my body. Enter through the doors of the Heart Temple of the (planet)." Then the words, JACHIN, BOAZ are pronounced.

Next, the Magician asks the Sidereal Genie with whom one is working, for the desired service: love, journeys, business, etc. The magician will clamor several times asking for: CHORUS, CHORUS, CHORUS! And the Angels will work, but according to the Law. The planetary LOGOS will send Choruses of Angels to work with the magician, in order to dominate and overcome. This is how one works with the Ray of the Stars. This is how our disciples can solve their particular problems.

GABRIEL is the Angel of the MOON which governs: Journeys/travel; manual & practical arts; novelists; liquid-related businesses; matters related with maternity & reproduction of species; agriculture; subconscious automatism; illnesses of the stomach & brain; imagination, etc.

RAPHAEL is the Angel of MERCURY which governs: Journalism; intellect, intellectualism, reasoning and rationalization; science; medical science, healing; businesses; quarrels; judicial disputes, civil matters; legal profession; journeys and all matters related with the mind.

URIEL is the Angel of VENUS which governs: Loves, marriages, women, conjugal and relationship problems; perfumes; creative imagination; art/artistic (music, poetry, scenic art, plastic arts, dramatic arts), and all that is related with the home & children, etc.

MICHAEL is the Angel of the SUN which governs: Health, life, fertility; mystical matters; social position; senior & governmental officials, chiefs of companies, high dignitaries, kings & lords of command, etc.

SAMAEL is the Angel of MARS which governs: Willpower, command; strength/force and forces, events which imply struggles; quarrels, leaders; armies, wars, military matters; police matters; currency related works; big businesses, matters related with judges and with courts, etc.

ZACHARIEL is the Angel of JUPITER which governs: Wealth, poverty, favorable or unfavorable economical matters; matters related with the law, people's rights; matters related with judges and with courts; high civil, military and ecclesiastic persons, high religious dignitaries; currency related works; big businesses, etc.

ORIFIEL is the Angel of SATURN which governs: The environment in which we live, real estate (lands, houses, properties), matters related to mines; practical life; karma in action; the Sword of Justice which reaches us from heaven; jail; death; funeral matters, Angels of death, etc.

The magician should learn to handle the sparkle of the stars, because the Angels of the stars are the absolute governors of the World. (For more information see the *Zodical Course* by Samael Aun Weor)









