Numerology - The Journey of the Number 1

All numbers contain the number 1 it is the initial spark, representing will. It is the generator, the unstoppable fire that bursts out of the potential, the independent, self achiever, and pioneer. Each appearance of this number is a rebirth into a new setting; it is the flash of a new idea, the jet of fire moving things forward.

The shape of the number 1 suggests someone not afraid to stand alone, without the support of anyone. Someone very upright, direct and focussed, like an arrow always moving forward. The world is us and it is within us.

Number 1 as a personal number vibration can represent a person who dislikes restraint of any kind. They are here to build their own unique personality, which they can do only by exercising their great will. Number 1's are natural leaders who others may look to you for guidance and strength. You need to be first and best at whatever you do. You can be a loner who makes your own decisions and stands by them, regardless of what others may think. You like to take the first step in realising possibilities and you have great impetus to build. Number 1's can be very naive, but doesn't like being told what to do. Number 1's can show incredible courage and focus of intent. They may create possibilities, but may leave the actualisation to others. Number 1's have to beware of an overpowering ego which can make them arrogant, selfish and uncaring. Also your stubbornness in pursuing your own path in the face of contrary evidence can lead to failure and loneliness. On the positive side you are original with inventive ideas and not afraid to take others into new territory. You can solve problems creatively. Number 1 is the true original ...



The Number 1 in tarot is represented by the Magician bright wilful, full of potential and enthusiasm. The magician holds a wand to represent man with all the potential and illusions of power within mankind. He realises that he holds all the possibilities within him. The magician represents the conscious mind, which by concentration and single minded attention to a specific idea or goal can make that idea or goal a reality. His posture indicates he is a channel through which life force flows, the identical ends of his wand represents 'as above so below' this can mean tirelessly reworking matter to make it in the image of heaven. The horizontal figure 8 above his head represents strength and infinity. The magician has at his disposal all the elements and their human counterparts, the cup indicating water and imagination, the sword indicating air and the intellect, the pentacle representing the earth and the body, the wand fire and will. The garden represents the sub conscious mind cultivated by attention from the conscious mind.

The Magician can be focussed on survival until he eventually asks "there has to be more than this". Number 1 wants to initiate change and may be working with situations he cannot do anything about. He may soon come to realise that he has to make a change in himself and so spark the understanding of the process in others. "Be the change you wish to see" (Gandhi).

The word ONE in numerology

6 Soul Urge or motivation 6 ONE

5 5 Personality 10/1

Overall self expression (10 + 6) = 16/7

The 6 Soul Urge or motivation can mean continually striving for perfection, as indicated by the magician's wand (above) representing 'as above so below' this can mean tirelessly reworking matter to try and make it in the image of heaven. The 6 can be brought to their knees trying to make everything perfect on the outside and at this point the 6 can potentially open up to spirit and see the beauty without the perfection and focus on the beauty within.

The number 6 also represents taking total responsibility and the fact 6 energy is at the fount of the word 'one' adds to the emphasis on the 6 energy and adds to the great sense of responsibility. The 6 here may truly want to be of service to others and there may also be a great deal of emotion that may not always be displayed.

The essence of the personality (10/1) represents a leader with all the qualities of the numbers from to 9 within them. The 1 represents the beginning of the journey, the 9 represents the end of the journey (with lots of experiences in between) and zero represents the great potential. 10/1 was regarded as a perfect number, representing the divine within man, but man needing courage and will to recognise this. The journey from 1 to 9 can mean facing life again and again and continually moving on to the next level of letting go and cleansing.

The Overall Self Expression of 16/7 (or 'what the world sees') can represent great transience and change, having to continually knock down and rebuild - almost being forced down a spiritual path, encouraged to build the inner temple and great inner resource, as that cannot be touched or taken. The great potential is behind the 6 encouraging this 6 to see the beauty without the perfection and focus on the beauty within - expressing compassion for others and connecting with others in a whole new way, as you now understand their suffering.

The above numbers can represent the one's journey towards becoming the two, which is about being the diplomat, the facilitator, the 'all seeing eye', working in subtle ways to bring about change and being very sensitive to the feelings of others.

I will be talking about this next part of number one's journey next time ...

Please note also that this journey is also explained in the free Numerology Guide on the home page

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