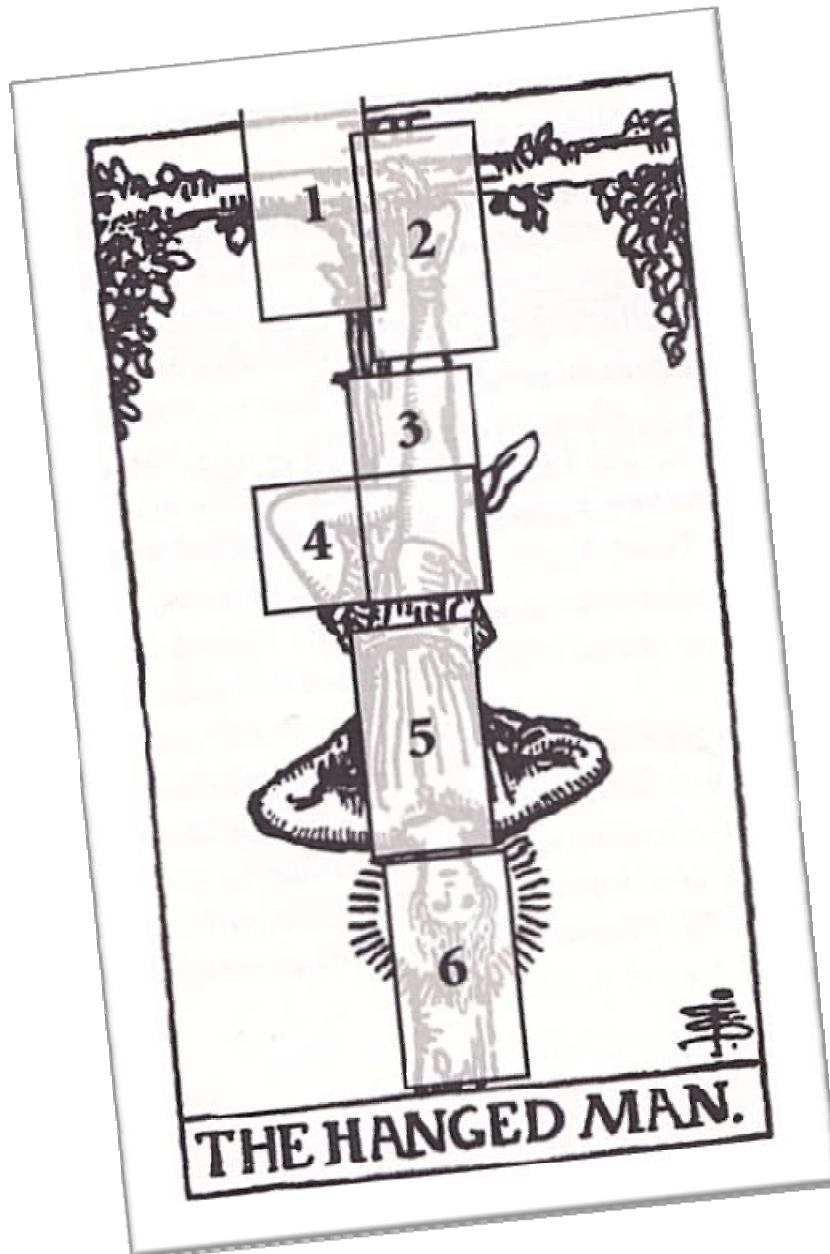


The Hanged Man Spread

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Each card is read twice: first as a problem and then as an inner response to Spirit.

Respond to the card in each position from two perspectives—an outer or upright perspective and an inner or reversed perspective.

1. The Tree from which he hangs
What am I depending on in the Outer World (upright)?
What am I depending on in the Inner World (reversed)?

2. The Rope that ties him

Outer: What is suspending, baffling, or hanging me up? What is the adversity?

Inner: What is the opportunity here for gathering wisdom and understanding?

3. 3 and 4 tend to issue counterdirections, as demonstrated in the quotation from Marie-Louise von Franz: "You wish to move with the right leg and the left refuses, and vice versa."

Position 3: The Conscious/Right Leg

Outer: What have I consciously assumed? What are my beliefs about this?

Inner: What doorway am I stepping through into the realm of the sacred?

4. **Position 4:** The Unconscious/Left Leg

Outer: What are my unconscious beliefs that are in conflict with my conscious will?

Inner: How is this conflict an inner growth process?

5. The Hidden Hands

Outer: What am I sacrificing, giving up, or letting go of? Where do I feel powerless?

Inner: What is the inner work that needs to be done?

6. The Illuminated Head

Outer: How am I forced into patience and humility?

Inner: What is the new, opposing idea that illuminates the darkness and accomplishes the Great Work?

