

Seven Chakras Karma and Tarot Cards for Overall Wellbeing

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Atma Namaste. I feel delighted to present this paper amongst the August gathering of healers and doctors. We all work on the same platform, either healing on physical, mental, emotional or spiritual level. Down the memory lane, as a child I remember going to doctorkaka in Sangli and procrastinating my problems, like my throat is swollen, won't be able to breathe, etc. He used to listen to me calmly and then say, "Relax, it has happened to me previously". And you are relieved. What did he do? He worked on our psychological level first and then on our physical level.

As Joyce Myer quoted,

I HURT, I HEAL, I HELP

What is the difference between religion and spirituality?

Religion is following the Messenger i.e. Mahavir, Ram, Jesus etc. whereas Spirituality is following the Message i.e. Peace, Love, Harmony, etc. All different roads lead to one destination and that is to attain eternal bliss.

Born in a Jain faith, since childhood I am influenced by the doctrine of Anikantvad. It is defined as establishing your stand point with due respect to other persons point of view. Nothing is right or wrong. Only perception matters. You have to see reality with all the dimensions, without judging it.

What is Karma?

My personal journey in life had highest of highs to the lowest of lows and again smooth flow. This thing has influenced me to study the driving force. In simple words, we put it as our action. On a spiritual level, it is termed as Karma. In my trauma, my friends from all the different beliefs i.e. Christian, Hindu, Islam, Zoroastrian stood by me and I realised the difference between religion and spirituality and started doing comparative study of all different philosophy in context to Karma. The search was for – CHAITANYA – a living force which is influenced by your actions i.e. Karma. A book 'CHAITAINYA' is a comprehensive study of my research work. It is divided into five sections.

Section I: Understanding Karma

- 1.1 Introduction to Karma
- 1.2. Theory of Karma in Jain Philosophy
- 1.3. Double Accounts of Karma

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There are mainly two school of thoughts that most of us can classify ourselves into – the first is '*Purusharthwadi*' – that is, the person who believes only in efforts. This person believes and hardwork – for him work is worship. Nothing else matters. In common parlance, this person is known as a '*karmavadi*'. The second school of thought is '*Prtharabdhwadi*' – that is, the person who believes only in luck, going with the belief that everything will happen at its own time. This is a laid back person waiting for things to happen. In common parlance, this person is known as a '*bhagyavadi*'.

Both schools of thought are based on their own unique sense of convictions. Both could be right in their approach. Even so, as

humans, we must work towards our goals practically. There are no miracles. Then again, there are instances where it is seen that even though you put in a 100% of your efforts, you are getting no returns at all. This is where ‘*karma*’ comes in.

In life, one needs to cater to both - *prarabdha* and *purusharth* as both principles are complimentary to each other. *Purusharth* is your karma.

In this section, I did study of Karma and Jain, Islam, Zoroastrian, Christian, Western, Buddhist philosophy. All different thoughts of school were destined towards the same thing. It gave me the thought to create something that can save our future pains by doing Nirjara of the Karmas.

Section II is influenced by Seven Chakras and how different Pathies i.e. Aroma Therapy, Tattva, Crystal, Mantra, positive affirmations affect human beings. Color therapy and numerology is also considered.

Section III is about history of Tarot Cards

The first documented tarot pack was recorded between 1430 and 1450 in Milan, Ferrara and Bologna when additional trump cards with allegorical illustrations were added to the common four-suit pack. These new decks were called *carte da trionfi*, triumph cards, and the additional cards known simply as *trionfi*, which became "trumps" in English.

It is a very powerful divination tool.

Section IV

It is my absolute privilege and pride to have pioneered the concept of Jain Tarot Cards – here’s introducing for the first time ever, Chaitanya - The Jain Tarot Deck.

The purpose of creating Chaitanya is to have interfaith and peace. If we all respect each other, no jealousy, no ego, no fight, no controversy, we can make the world a better place. I have started a small flame of Chaitanya to enlighten us and lead to eternal bliss.

The Chaitanya Deck has 24 Major Arcana and 49 Minor Arcana (7 Minor Arcanas containing 7 cards each).

Jain Tirthankars: In Jainism, a Tirthankara is a human being who helps achieve liberation and enlightenment as an *Arihant* (meaning destroyer of enemies). According to Jain scriptures, that which helps one to cross the great ocean of worldly life is a *tirtha* “ford” and a person who fills that role is a Tirthankara “ford-maker”. Tirthankaras achieve liberation and enlightenment by destroying their constraining (karmas) and becoming role models and leaders for those seeking spiritual guidance. They also seek *kevala gyan*, a state of permanent, perpetual, absolute knowledge of the soul; it is the precursor to final liberation from the cycle of birth and death.

Tirthankars are also called *Arihants* or destroyer of enemies - here the enemy denotes the enemies of the soul. These are enemies within and are defined as the passion of anger, ego, greed, and deceit (krodh, maan, maya, lobh), etc. A soul can only reach the state of *arihanta* by overcoming all its inner enemies. When one is able to destroy all the four *ghati* karmas, or is totally detached from all worldly aspects, and they become an *Arihant* and attain the perfect

knowledge, vision, power, and bliss.

The Major Arcana in the Chaitanya Deck consists of 24 cards - each card symbolises a Lanchan of the 24 Tirthankaras. You may wonder why I decided to opt for pictures of the Lanchans and not photos of Tirthankaras or Yaksha and Yakshinis. The reason is quite interesting – firstly, my obvious reason is to avoid *ashatana*, and secondly, this idea was birthed in my mind with the Asoka Pillar - the national emblem of India. This pillar holds a staunch relationship with Jainism. It has four lions seated back-to-back, looking out in the four directions. We all are familiar that the Lion is the Lanchan of Lord Mahavira. At the bottom of the pillar, we can see a dharma chakra which has 24 spokes which tells us about the 24 Tirthankaras. This wheel is extensively found on Jain pantheons and sculptures. Next to it, is a bull, which is but the symbol of Lord Rishabha. The symbol following that at the bottom, is an elephant - the symbol of Lord Ajitnath. Besides that, stands a horse which is symbol of Lord Sambhavnath...

Tirthankars	Symbol
Risabhdeva	Bull
Sambha	Elephant
Sambhav Nath	Horse
Abhinandana	Ape
Sumati	Partridge
Padmaprabha	Lotus
Suparsva	Swastika
Candraprabha	Moon
Suvidhi	Crocodile
Sitala	Srivatsa
Sreyansa	Rhinoceros
Vasapujya	Buffalo
Vi maJa	Boar
Ananta	Hawk
Dhanna	Thunderbolt
Shanti	Deer
Kunthu	Goat
Ara	Nandyavarta
Malli	Water jar
Munisuvrata	Tortoise
Nami	Blue lotus
Nemi	Conch shell
Parsva	Con
Mahavira	Lion

Section V

Self Help.

Self-Education & Remedies for FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions)

Remedies for Help & Betterment in Finance:

Aroma Oil: Patchouli Oil

Rudraksha : Wear 18 Mukhi Rudrashak

Crystal: Ruby

Meditate on: 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd Tirthankaras with Red Color Japmala
Mantra: Lam
Affirmation – My body mind and spirit are grounded and purified

Remedies for Solving Relationship Problems:

Aroma Oil: Jasmine
Rudraksha : Wear 13 Mukhi Rudrashak
Crystal: Coral
Meditate on: 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd Tirthankaras with Orange Color Japmala
Mantra: Vam
Affirmation – I love all the dimensions of myself

Remedies for Holistic Wellness and Health:

Aroma Oil: Blackberry Sage Oil
Rudraksha : Wear 9 Mukhi Rudrashak
Crystal: Topaz
Meditate on: 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th Tirthankaras with Yellow Color Japmala
Mantra: Ram
Affirmation – My will and Devine will are one

Remedies for Eliminating Stress from your Life:

Aroma Oil: Chamomile
Rudraksha : Wear 2 Mukhi Rudrashak
Crystal: Emerald
Meditate on: 4th, 11th and 18th Tirthankaras with Green Color Japmala
Mantra: Yam
Affirmation – I walk my path with love, ease and grace

Remedies for Achieving Inner Peace:

Aroma Oil: Lavender
Rudraksha : Wear 6 Mukhi Rudrashak
Crystal: Turquoise
Meditate on: 5th, 12th and 19th Tirthankaras with Blue Color Japmala
Mantra: Hum
Affirmation – I am aligned with my highest truth and communicate

Remedies for Spiritual Enhancement:

Aroma Oil: Passion Flower
Rudraksha : Wear 14 Mukhi Rudrashak
Crystal: Lapiz Lazuli
Meditate on: 6th, 13th and 20th Tirthankaras with Indigo Color Japmala
Mantra: Om
Affirmation – My mind is open to new vision

Remedies for Achieving Ultimate Happiness:

Aroma Oil: Ylang Ylang
Rudraksha : Wear
Crystal: 1 Mukhi Rudrashak
Meditate on: 7th, 14th and 21th Tirthankaras with Violet Color Japmala
Mantra: Arham
Affirmation- I am light

Remedies for Greater Academic Success:

Aroma Oil: rosemary essential oil
Rudraksha :wear 4 mukhi rudraksha
Crystal: yellow sapphire
Meditate on: 13,16,24 tirthankara with green color Japmala
Mantra: bram
Affirmation - I expand my awareness through my higher self

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