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"Tarot: The Star, The Moon, and The Fool"

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MICAH

So. This is our first Tarot reading.

ELIA

Mm-hmm. (affirmative)

MICAH

I guess we are gonna do this thing.

ELIA

Yes.

MICAH

So let's see how this goes.

ELIA

All right.

MICAH

Okay. So what do I need to do?

ELIA

All right, so... We're gonna do a three-card spread because it's the simplest. So here are the cards...

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

And I just want you to shuffle them and concentrate on your question.

[cards shuffling]

MICAH

My question?

ELIA

Yeah. So... just think of what you want to ask the cards. You know, since we're trying to explore your dreams, maybe just think of a question that pertains to what you dreamt last night... Or if you just want to be more general, you know, like where you're at in life...

MICAH

Okay.

[cards shuffling]

All right. Last thing. There you go.

ELIA

Okay.

MICAH

We're good.

ELIA

I'm going to fan them out. And then I want you to pick three, but don't touch them. Just point to the ones you want.

MICAH

Okay. Um. This one. That one. And that, right there.

ELIA

Okay. Nice.

MICAH

Okay. I feel good. You said nice.

[MICAH and ELIA laugh.]

MICAH

Yeah, a little less nervous. It means it's a good thing.

Exactly, so...

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

So... your first card is the Star. So what this card means is healing, inspiration, calm. Um... you've been putting in time and work on yourself and now it's time to show that off a little bit, you know? Get a little weird.

MICAH

I'm pretty sure it's too late for that.

ELIA

Well, true. But...

MICAH

Yeah. Definitely showing my hand a little bit, here.

ELIA

Well...

MICAH

No pun intended, cards. Okay?

ELIA

[chuckles] Ba-dum-sss.

MICAH

Ah, yeah.

ELIA

It can also mean that others are drawn to your independent spirit. You know, people can see that you're unique so... why not just run with that and see what happens?

MICAH

Isn't everyone unique?

Yeah, well. I mean, technically. I guess.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

But you... uh... how do I put this? You know how you do your loner thing sometimes?

MICAH

No one ever lets me forget it. Never once.

ELIA

Okay. But bear with me.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

I know. I joke. But um...

MICAH

So yes. Yes. Yes, I know--

ELIA

So you do your loner thing, and it can be hard for us to understand why, but... when it really matters, and the important stuff happens, you always show up. And we know that you'll always be there.

MICAH

Yeah, but that's just like what you do. It's called "being a person."

ELIA

Uh....

MICAH

It's not really that special.

No. Not really. I mean. That's what you do. But... not everyone is like that. Not... not everyone would drop what they're doing at a moment's notice and come pick up their drunk best friend in front of the Alley Cat at 2AM because their girlfriend...

MICAH

Ex-girlfriend. Ex... Ex- Ex... Ex? Girlfriend?

ELIA

Yeah. Thank you for reminding me. Um, after their ex-girlfriend just broke up with them for the third time.

MICAH

Yeah, I think that's why I was counting the exes, right? Yeah. Yeah, she really sucked.

ELIA

Sure did. But uh...

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

Who showed up, half-asleep with their sweatpants on and a chocolate Frosty and a bag of French fries and just stayed up all night and let me cry about it.

MICAH

Yeah.

ELIA

Yeah. You. You know, so... Maybe it's time you let other people see that side of Micah.

[pause]

MICAH

What's the next card?

Oh. Okay, I guess we're done here?

MICAH

[chuckles] Okay.

ELIA

Okay, your second card is... The Moon. So this represents your true, secret self. Um... it's kind of like your Moon sign?

MICAH

Mmm. I'm not even sure I know that. Maybe I do.

ELIA

We'll talk about that later.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

Uh... it's the part of you that lies behind the mask that we all wear for the rest of the world. And it's just the stuff that we don't really tell anyone and kind of keep to ourselves.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

Um... Sometimes it's even the things we dream about. Like, some people think dreams are a way of your subconscious telling you what's really going on in your life--

MICAH

Oh.

ELIA

And how to deal with it. What?

MICAH

Please don't mess with me. Are you ...?

I'm not. I promise you. That's--

MICAH

You didn't like pick this card...

ELIA

I didn't pick it. You picked it.

MICAH

Right.

ELIA

And that's what it means.

MICAH

Okay. Okay. Right.

ELIA

So... when the Moon appears in a spread, it does connect to that secret self, like I said. But... It can also be a bit of a warning. So it means you should be mindful in how you interpret your thoughts, your dreams, your feelings. But sometimes it can be difficult what's good for you and what's not.

MICAH

So, like... Stranger Danger? But with my emotions?

[MICAH and ELIA laugh]

ELIA

Uh...

MICAH

Is that what you're saying?

ELIA

Not... quite. Um... It's just... you know you have to both trust your intuition, but also be careful when acting on it?

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

So this card can also have sort of a good versus evil type meaning...

MICAH

Uh... maybe this is... yeah. I don't... Maybe this is not a good idea. I don't want get down with all that, please. Like...

ELIA

Listen. I was going to say...

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

That I'm not interpreting it that way for you.

MICAH

Good. Okay.

ELIA

But anyway... Okay. You have one card left.

MICAH

Okay. Go ahead.

ELIA

The third card is The Fool.

MICAH

Wait.

ELIA

What?

MICAH

Okay. I would like to just briefly recap what you just said.

ELIA

Okay.

MICAH

So first I'm supposed to like... [sings] Open my heart... and...

ELIA

Ugh. Gosh.

MICAH

Madonna-style? Like... that... I'm supposed to do that. But um... then I'm also like in danger because of my Feels. And now I'm a Fool?

ELIA

No. You're... are you...? Have you even been listening to me?

MICAH

Sort of. [laughs]

ELIA

Okay. You're not a... I mean, you're a fool, but you're not a fool because of the card.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

Um... But if you would just hush up, I could tell you what it does mean.

MICAH

Uh... probably... Hushing. Yes.

ELIA

The Fool means you're starting a new journey or adventure. Um... but the Fool often isn't paying attention to what's in front of them. They kind of just blindly walk out into the world and that's not always the smartest thing to do.

MICAH

Duh.

So.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

So really all together, I guess your cards are just telling you, "It's time for you to show the world who you are. Seek out and experience a new adventure. But also, in the process, listen to yourself. And don't let your guard down. Because, you know, the world is a scary place."

MICAH

Neat. [chuckles] Okay.

ELIA

I mean, you know what I mean, though, right? I'm not...

MICAH

Sort... I mean, do I? Sort of? Cool. Yes.

ELIA

Oh.

MICAH

Um... Sure. Yes.

ELIA

That wasn't really an answer, but okay...

MICAH

I know... Yes. Yes, I do. I know what you mean.

ELIA

Okay. So it was fun? It wasn't too bad?

MICAH

The cards have spoken to me--

ELIA

So we can do it... So we can do it again sometime?

MICAH

We'll do it again. Yes.

ELIA

Yay. See? It wasn't so bad.

MICAH

It was not so bad. Okay. That's our first Tarot. Stay tuned.

ELIA

Bye.

[OUTRO MUSIC BEGINS]

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