

From the Time Away, Part 1 - Episode 2

“The Moon, The Magician, and The Devil”

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[INTRO MUSIC FADE IN]

[SCENE TRANSITION]

[CARDS SHUFFLING]

ELIA  
Are you going to put your phone down so we can do this, or...?

MICAH  
You're still shuffling. I'm waiting on you, am I not?

ELIA  
I'm- I'm almost done so put it away. What... What are you even doing on there, anyway? Everyone you know is here.

MICAH  
Not true. Aimee's not.

ELIA  
I... wasn't being literal.

MICAH  
[laughs]  
Okay. Fine.

ELIA  
What are you looking at, though? Seriously.

MICAH  
I... Sorry. I'm distracted. I- I was looking... I was looking at Instagram. I- I got a... I got another--

ELIA  
Nope.

MICAH  
El.

ELIA  
Uh-uh. What did we agree on?

MICAH  
[sighs]  
Yeah. Yeah.

ELIA  
Just... don't open it now. Wait until later.

MICAH  
Fine.

**[SOUND OF CARDS SHUFFLING]**

MICAH  
Oh, man. You know what? I... I didn't even notice. You're using Devon's deck.

ELIA  
Sure am. Maiden voyage.

MICAH  
I can't believe he kept this a secret for so long. They're so pretty.

ELIA  
I know, right? But you know how he is. He doesn't like to show anyone any of his art until he feels like it's really done.

MICAH  
And none of its ever "done."

ELIA  
Yeah. Exactly. I think he only 'fessed up to this because he knew I'd lose my mind if he made a tarot deck and didn't at least let me be the first one to try it out.

MICAH

Yeah. I mean, that's what he said. We were having coffee the other day, and it came up. And he said that he was kind of like experimenting more than anything and inspired by all the symbols and the tarot and--

ELIA

Micah.

MICAH

No, I'm serious. And you know, he said that you know, he couldn't get it out of his head, so he wanted to do something with the creative energy, you know? The obsessive energy. And then he said once he got through all the designs, he realized that... uh, you know... if he never told you, you'd somehow know and smoke him out. And that you would never let it- Let him live it down, so...

[laughs]

ELIA

Oh, he really gets me.

MICAH

[laughs]

Yeah, El. We all do. It's- it's like the... that time I didn't tell you that my mom gave me that aluminum pot that she loves so much, and gave it to me to take home--

ELIA

--I want that pot. I don't know why you won't just give it to me. You barely even cook.

MICAH

But what if I want pegao? It makes the best pegao.

ELIA

Okay, but you have to use the pot to get the pegao--

MICAH

--And someday I will.

ELIA  
Right.

MICAH  
Yeah. Okay.

ELIA  
All right. Pick your three.

MICAH  
[sighs]  
All right. Um... This one. And--

ELIA  
Hey.

MICAH  
What?

ELIA  
You're not supposed to...

MICAH  
I want to do it differently this time. I want to- I want to flip them.

ELIA  
Oh. Okay. All right. Yeah. Usually I have to twist your arm, but maybe I'm wearing you down a little bit?

MICAH  
Yeah. Maybe.

ELIA  
All right. Go ahead then. Two more.

MICAH  
All right. Uh... This one. And... uh... and at one. Should I flip them over all at once? Or one at a time?

ELIA

Uh, well. Do you have a question in mind, or something?

MICAH

Y- Yeah. I do.

ELIA

[long breath]

All right. Well, I think I already know what it is, so... Yeah. Go ahead. Um... Do them all at once because it will help me interpret them better, once I see them all together. Because sometimes the meanings of the cards shift when they're paired with other cards.

MICAH

Okay. Here we go.

**[CARDS FLIP OVER]**

ELIA

[long breath]

MICAH

The Moon. Didn't I get that card before?

ELIA

[sighs]

Yeah. You did. Um... way back. This... uh... This is a lot.

MICAH

How bad could it be? Mulder's on The Magician card.

ELIA

Yeah. Yeah, great. You know. He's lovely, but... Like I just said, certain cards paired together mean different things. And, again, it's not necessarily "bad", but this... is heavy.

MICAH

Okay. So what does it mean, then?

ELIA

[deep breath]

Well, The Moon is in the question position. Or rather, the "You" position. So... We're doing a spread where the three spots are "You", the card on the left. "Your Path", the card in the middle. And "The Outcome" on your right.

MICAH

Okay.

ELIA

So... The Moon is symbolizing you. It's... the card of intuition, mystery, dreams, the subconscious and unconscious and...

MICAH

Great.

ELIA

Honestly? It's... Generally, a dark card, in a sense because it often points towards warnings of situations or people working against you. And sometimes that person can be... you working against yourself. But... given everything, it makes a lot of sense. You know, you're recovering lost memories, and we're being--

MICAH

El?

ELIA

[breath]

Right. Um. But what makes this more concerning for me is actually that the two cards after it are The Magician and The Devil. So, um... with The Moon card in this placement, The Magician, even... Even though Devon's deck has Mulder as the iconography... That, followed by The Devil, really hones in on the possibility that it isn't just forces outside of your control that are working against you, but rather someone, or something specific. Or... it relates to something specific about you.

MICAH

Ah. Great. Yeah. Probably should have seen that coming.

ELIA

You know what? I'm... going to have you pull another card, so it isn't like... It isn't like we don't know what situation we're in, right? I mean, we're--

MICAH

Yeah. Right. Yeah.

ELIA

Yeah. So... We've been talking in circles about this. Like who could be behind all of it.

MICAH

You're going to ask the cards to tell us who kidnapped me, or who's stalking us now?

ELIA

No. I'm not claiming it'll tell me that, but... I like to use the cards to help me reframe my thinking. You know, I look at situations from different views, and sometimes it helps to come up with new answers to old questions. Or to bring more clarity to an answer I think I might already have.

MICAH

Okay. Go for it, then.

ELIA

Well, just choose one more card and really, really think on it before you do.

MICAH

You know, El, you might make me a believer one of these days.

ELIA

Finally. But... seriously, though. Just take a moment.

[pause]

MICAH

[sighs]



Okay.

[pause]

MICAH

This one.

ELIA

King of Wands.

MICAH

Well? What does it mean?

ELIA

Uh... that card is a symbol of... someone strong, charismatic, creative. Someone with a lot of presence and power. Someone that people could envy.

[pause]

MICAH

Someone like my dad?

[pause]

ELIA

Micah, it's- It's not random. And... it's not over. They went after your dad first. And now it's your turn.

**[SCENE TRANSITION]**

**[OUTRO MUSIC]**

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