



King of Wands

Traditional meaning: *“The Kings ... stand for men ... they stand for authority within their own suits. ... This King is the master of wit and charm. He is warm and generous with a good sense of humour and a strong liking for fun. He could persuade anyone into anything, could even ‘sell ice to Eskimos’, because he is so amusing and optimistic. The King of Wands is full of new ideas and has an abundance of vision and foresight. His ‘hunches’ always seem to pay off and he will happily make instant decisions, even on major matters. However, he dislikes detail and gets easily irritated if his enthusiasm or optimism is curbed by the practicalities or realities of life. He has total trust in his world of ideas and intuition, riding on the crest of the waves of success, and forgetting any venture which fails.”*

[*The complete Book of Tarot*, Juliet Sharman-Burke, 1985 Pan Books, London]

Relationships: In regard to relationships, **Kings** represent the inherent authority we have over our physical, emotional and mental reality with our ability to allow or disallow communication with our Higher Mind. This King is an aspect of our self that can relate directly to our Higher Mind ... but may also be sabotaging this channel of communication from our Consciousness.

In this case, the **King of Wands** suggests the time is right for us to take action based on the personal development we have been pursuing to-date, we now have enough information and wisdom to effectively use our intuition for this next step regarding this relationship being discussed.

As action moves us to our next reference point, we will be able to use intuition again and back it up with further information gathered from observing our progress. The King of Wands is about doing the action required, observing the outcomes and adjusting accordingly. As though, nothing ventured results in nothing gained. So go adventuring we must now!

Is it time to give this relationship a chance, or another chance ... or is it more important on a very personal level now to get up and leave? The answer to that depends on how far progressed the relationship is. It is not a card of forewarning, but a card of action. It is time to do that action that has been mulling over in our mind, whether it be a further commitment or a final completion.

With compassion and consideration for others we can, with the authority vested in our Self, move forward into this type of role as we really actually want it, without causing harm to our self or others. All that is required is a clear understanding of what we really actually want and that is gained through personal development, through questioning our self with how/what questions and the recording of our answers as personal expectations and/or personal values for us to adhere to. Thus become a man/woman of our word; trustworthy and congruent in our dealings with others AND our Self.

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[Image: Rider-Waite deck of Tarot]