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My Qabalah

Geburah

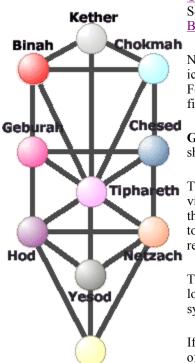


Number 5

Title Strength
Image Warrior
Greek God Ares
Planet Mars
Colour Orange
Relationships Right Arm

Sword Chain

Courage and Destruction



Malkuth

Geburah is the passion of the courage and strength of Ares. It takes its energy from Chesed as a warrior takes commands from his King, although **Geburah** is in the Pillar of Severity under Binah and as such is a Female energy and has a negative polarity just like Binah.

Now this might seem strange as the warrior Ares and the symbol for Mars is used as the icon for Male sexuality. But in the Qabalah **Geburah** is more like Athena the great Female warrior denying her sexual ability to give birth and instead takeing arms and fighting for her belifes.

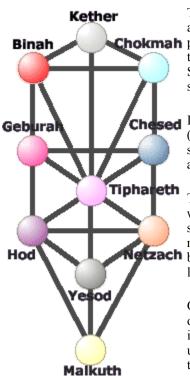
Geburah's passion is that of conquest, seduction and sensual experience, and in that way she is just like Ares.

The paths from **Geburah** are to the left and back to <u>Chesed</u> via The Hermit, down to <u>Hod</u> via Death and diagonally down to <u>Tiphareth</u> via the Hanged Man. This last direction is the way the energy flows in the Tree of Life. From <u>Chesed</u> through **Geburah** and down to <u>Tiphareth</u>. It will continue on to <u>Netzach</u> (Aphrodite or Venus) and then the relationship of Venus and Mars we have in the western world is revealled.

The passion of **Geburah** is balanced through <u>Tiphareth</u> (The Sun) by the level headed love of <u>Netzach</u> (Venus). Now here it gets weird again <u>Netzach</u> is a Male energy and is symbolized by a bearded maiden!

If you examine <u>Netzach</u> in detail you will understand the Qabalahist meaning of the love of Venus opposed to the passion of Mars and why they need to have the sexuality's they have been given.

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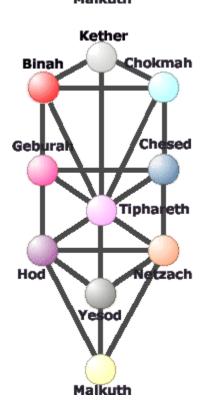


There are some interesting Love triangles from both **Geburah** and <u>Netzach</u>. They explain all the attempts and pitfalls of being in love. They also show how the energies and the paths play a part in the way we interact when we are in love. It takes a while to grasp these relationships, but it's worth the effort. Again as always it's what happens from each Sephiroth to the next that causes and exchange of energy and this exchange has been symbolized by a Tarot card so it can be more easily understood.

Look for yourself at the triangle of **Geburah** (Mars), <u>Netzach</u> (venus) and <u>Hod</u> (Mercury). The connecting paths from <u>Hod</u> alone are Death if you seek passion by selfishly using spells and magick to **Geburah** or The Star if you seek by study of magick and spiritualism to find the selfless love of <u>Netzach</u>.

The path from <u>Hod</u> to <u>Netzach</u> is the accepted way of the Adept and is a much preferred way to find love. The path of Death doesn't mean you will die, it just suggests a loss of self if you seek passion by magick and a complete change in your life if you try it. This may not be a bad thing depending on your circumstances and all the time the triangle is balanced by <u>Tiphareth</u> (Sun) the great healer. So which every way you choose you will learn a lot and have the ability to find a great healing. Beautiful isn't it.

Of course I have just scratched the surface with love triangles, but you can work your own out from **Geburah** and <u>Netzach</u> by looking up the relative Tarot Cards and imagining the energy exchange each time between the Sephiroths. It does help if you understand the Sephiroth, but a basic knowledge of the planets will guide you, good luck trying it can be very rewarding.



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Move to the next Sephiroth

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