



ASK DEANNA! Real People, Real Advice

Ask Deanna! Is an advice column known for its fearless approach to reality-based subjects!

Dear Deanna!

I'm saved, in prison and have a question. Some of the inmates are telling me that because I'm not in a church that my faith doesn't count and I'm wasting my time. I was raised in the church, but, as you can see from my location, I strayed away from the Bible. Is it true I can still be saved and Godly in prison?

Anonymous Inmate
Raleigh, NC Central Prison

Dear Anonymous:

As long as you accept the Lord as your Savior and believe He sent his Son to die for your sins, your soul is saved. You can be saved in a cardboard box, a closet or the middle of a desert. There are other elements such as faith, works, obedience and tithing that go along with this commitment to make you whole. Since you're saved and sanctified in prison with free time, you should get busy and convert the naysayers.

Dear Deanna!

My spouse and I separated because of discipline issues with his children. I spanked his daughter because she was jumping on the bed so much that the bed broke. I got tired of talking and pleading. I have my own children and would never hurt anyone's child. My husband, his conniving ex-wife and the child are trying to say that I traumatized her, but I disagree. I feel it's all a game of manipulation, and I'm not giving in to the nonsense.

Tina
Toledo, OH

Dear Tina

You and your husband need to work out your issues and then deal with this problem together. There's some resentment between you and the ex-wife, and now it's worse. Unless there are police reports and a doctor's exam confirming abuse, you don't have much to worry about. This game will end soon and your husband will see what's going on. However, before the kids return, you need to discuss discipline, rules and behavior.

Dear Deanna!

I want to be free from a relationship that is holding me down. I married my husband because I thought he would stay motivated and we would do great things together. I've watched him go from a dynamic executive to a couch potato. All of the dreams and goals we had have gone down the drain, and I still want the fantasy we dreamed of. Should I leave him, and is there anything I can do to get my old husband back?

Unhappy Wife.
Baltimore, MD

Dear Unhappy:

You married your husband for material comfort instead of eternal companionship. Have a discussion to see how you can support and motivate him. He can't be the man you want, but he can be the man you need. People, places and things change and you have, too, but your husband loves you enough to deal with it. You need to leave fantasyland and determine what's making you unhappy, address it, and keep it moving.

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Your Horoscope Says... Nov. 10-16

ARIES

Avoid confrontation with a loved one. Even though they might attack you, they are going through a difficult time and need your support right now. Tell your partner how you feel about the relationship and together find ways on how to improve their situation.

Soul Affirmation: I let my spirit light my path this week.

Lucky Numbers: 19, 21, 31

TAURUS

You and your partner can finally see eye-to-eye this week. Don't let your comments disturb the accord. Hold your tongue. Silence works well. This week fun is found in something you refused to do before.

Soul Affirmation: I care deeply about the feelings of others.

Lucky Numbers: 8, 40, 50

GEMINI

The ideas that you come up with this week are likely to be among the most original you've had in a long time. Make sure you have enough time to make them real. Your habit of biting off more than you can chew could get you overloaded. Be selective.

Soul Affirmation: I change the way I look at business this week.

Lucky Numbers: 14, 30, 54

CANCER

Concentrate on the road and the trees whizzing by. Know that love is everywhere not just in the car with you or at the location to which you are bound. Especially this week, know that no part of life is a destination. All is a journey and so the beauty of life depends totally on your enjoyment of the scenery along the way.

Soul Affirmation: A slowing of pace is just what I need this week.

Lucky Numbers: 7, 18, 29

LEO

This week is a high-energy week. Don't hold back. Be aggressive. Be active! Others are very receptive to your ideas. Take heart this week, romantic matters can be resolved and an unexpected blessing is in the resolution.

Soul Affirmation: I look for goodness everywhere and find it.

Lucky Numbers: 28, 36, 47

VIRGO

Don't let your sense of nobility prevent you from asking for help from friends. You'll be in need of someone to talk with this week. If need is too strong a word for your independent nature, then think of it as a gift to yourself. Let someone give you comfort.

Soul Affirmation: I open myself up to the wealth of the universe.

Lucky Numbers: 17, 49, 50

LIBRA

Revelations can be made through an emotional cleansing. Behold the truths your true feelings provide. Emotional honesty will allow others to truly interpret how you feel.

Soul Affirmation: I am guided by the joy within.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 24, 45

SCORPIO

The goal that keeps flashing in your mind is a good one. Go for it. If you're feeling the need for a mini-adventure, this week's a great week to try something new. Good fortune is following you. Rushing around will prevent it from overtaking you.

Soul Affirmation: When I am clear about who I am, the world becomes clearer.

Lucky Numbers: 8, 19, 25

SAGITTARIUS

Make plans for the young ones this week. Spend some quality time doing it. Get yourself out of the way and focus on others. This focus will end up bringing rewards to the self. Keep your eyes open in a romantic situation.

Soul Affirmation: Hope is future's way of shining on me this week.

Lucky Numbers: 16, 18, 19

CAPRICORN

Invite the unexpected. You're ready for a change at the office. Rely on your own good judgment about your ideas. Self-confidence is a must this week. Savor memory of a past love.

Soul Affirmation: I am what I consistently do.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 28, 34

AQUARIUS

Many of the usual things might upset you this week. Take them in stride. Getting ahead is not the only worthwhile goal in life. Find joy in being what and where you are this week.

Soul Affirmation: Smooth communications is the key to my success this week.

Lucky Numbers: 17, 29, 40

PISCES

Change is good. Give it your blessing and you will be blessed by it this week. Be resilient in your response and resourceful in your approach to new ideas and situations. The telephone is your friend this week. Let it work for you concerning family.

Soul Affirmation: I make the first step and the universe will come to my aid.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 31, 38

Oprah, hero of 'Hotel Rwanda' get awards

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Talk show host Oprah Winfrey and Paul Rusesabagina, whose heroism in the face of genocide inspired the movie "Hotel Rwanda," were honored Thursday as recipients of the National Civil Rights Museum's 2005 Freedom Awards.

Winfrey received the National Freedom Award for working to improve the lives of poor children in Africa and helping create a U.S. database of convicted child abusers.

Previous recipients include Coretta Scott King, and former Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

Speaking to thousands of school children and others gathered at a local church, Winfrey praised Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, and other civil rights leaders for paving the way for her success.

"Your crown has been paid for," she said.

"Put it on your head and



OPRAH WINFREY

wear it."

Winfrey, who runs a media company that includes her television show, also urged students to "be the star of your own life" no matter how poor they are or what they do.

Winfrey said she accepted the award and an invitation to come to Memphis because of the chance to meet

Rusesabagina, whom she called one of her heroes.

Rusesabagina received the International Freedom Award, which has previously been given to former South African President Nelson Mandela and rock star Bono.

He is credited with saving the lives of over 1,200 people during the mid-'90s (See Awards, Page 7)

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