Holding on to your money: 4 of Coins

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In this beautiful watercolor by Stepahnie Pui Mun Law, from her Shadowscapes deck, we see the dragon wrapped around the gold coins. He warns the other curious onlookers to stay away with the clear message "This is mine!". The card for me today goes beyond guarding the money, the assets. It can describe being selfish, yes – but more importantly is the element of control. He wants to control what happens. The timing of this card hits home personally because I found myself accused of this recently (and rightly so). It seems I want to control others more than I care to admit. I want them to respond or react the way I think they should, rather than letting them do what as they would. In the end – I'd rather have a call, a hug, a reaction that's genuine than one that I believe should be delivered. I must remind myself of this often so people can be who they are. I may have to pull this card more often to remind myself of this important life lesson!