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5		T	T	T		2	2	2		6
4		H	H	H		3	3	3		9
3		T	T	T		2	2	2		6
2		T	T	T		2	2	2		6
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HEXAGRAM 35 – Chin - Progress

Above LI THE CLINGING, FIRE
 Below K'UN THE RECEPTIVE, EARTH

The hexagram **represents** the sun rising over the earth. It is therefore the **symbol** of rapid, easy progress, which at the same time **means**

- ever widening **expansion** and
- **clarity**.

THE JUDGMENT

PROGRESS.

The powerful prince
 Is honored with horses in large numbers.
 In a single day he is granted audience three times.

As an example of progress, this **pictures** a time when

a powerful feudal lord

- rallies the other lords around the sovereign and
- pledges fealty and peace.

The sovereign

- rewards him richly and
- invites him to a closer intimacy.

A twofold idea is set forth here.

1. The actual effect of the progress emanates from a man

- who is in a dependent position and
- whom the others
 - regard as their equal and
 - are therefore willing to follow.

This leader has enough clarity of vision

- not to abuse his great influence
- but to use it rather for the benefit of his ruler.

2. His ruler in turn

- is free of all jealousy,
- showers presents on the great man, and
- invites him continually to his court.

- An enlightened ruler and
- an obedient servant –

this is the condition on which great progress depends.

THE IMAGE

The sun rises over the earth: The image Of PROGRESS.

Thus the superior man himself

Brightens his bright virtue.

The light of the sun as it rises over the earth is by nature clear.

The higher the sun rises,

the more it emerges from the dark mists,

spreading the pristine purity of its rays over an ever widening area.

The real nature of man

- is likewise originally good,
- but it
 - becomes clouded by contact with earthly things and therefore
 - needs purification before it can shine forth in its native clarity. 1

THE LINES

Six in the second place means:

Progressing, but in sorrow.

Perseverance brings good fortune.

Then one obtains great happiness from one's ancestries.

Progress is halted;
an individual is kept from getting in touch with
the man in authority with whom he has a connection.
When this happens,
he must remain persevering, although he is grieved;
then with a maternal gentleness
the man in question will bestow great happiness upon him.
This happiness

- comes to him - and
- is well deserved –
because in this case
mutual attraction
- does not rest on selfish or partisan motives
- but on firm and correct principles.

Six in the third place means:

All are in accord.
Remorse disappears.

A man strives onward, in association with others whose backing encourages him.
This dispels any cause for regret over the fact that
he does not have enough independence to triumph unaided over every hostile turn
of fate.

Nine in the fourth place means:

Progress like a hamster.
Perseverance brings danger.

In times of progress

it is easy for strong men in the wrong places to amass great possessions.

But such conduct

- shuns the light. And
since

times of progress are also always

times in which dubious procedures are inevitably brought to light,

- perseverance in such action always leads to danger.

0 Six in the fifth place means:

Remorse disappears.
Take not gain and loss to heart.
Undertakings bring good fortune.
Everything serves to further.

The situation described here is that of one who,

- finding himself in an influential position in a time of progress,
- remains gentle and reserved.

He might reproach himself for lack of energy in

- **making** the most of the propitiousness of the time and
- **obtaining** all possible advantage.

However, this regret **passes** away.

He **must not** take either loss or gain to heart; they are minor considerations.

What matters much more is the fact that in this way he has **assured himself of** opportunities for successful and beneficent influence.

MOVING HEXAGRAM

HEXAGRAM 57 – Sun - The Gentle (The Penetrating, Wind)

Above SUN THE GENTLE, WIND, WOOD
Below SUN THE GENTLE, WIND, WOOD

Sun is one of the **eight doubled** trigrams.
It

- is the eldest daughter
and
- **symbolizes** wind or wood;

it has for its **attribute** gentleness, which nonetheless penetrates

- like the wind

or

- like growing wood
with its roots.

The dark principle, in itself rigid and immovable, is dissolved by the penetrating light principle, to which it subordinates itself in gentleness.

1. In nature,

it is the wind that

- disperses the gathered clouds,
leaving the sky clear and serene.

2. In human life

it is penetrating clarity of judgment that

- thwarts all dark hidden motives.

3. In the life of the community

it is the powerful influence of a great personality that

- uncovers and breaks up those intrigues
which shun the light of day.

THE JUDGMENT

THE GENTLE.

Success through what is small.

- It furthers one to have somewhere to go.
- It furthers one to see the great man.

Penetration produces

- gradual
- and
- inconspicuous
- effects.

It should be effected

- not by an act of violation
- but by influence that never lapses.

Results of this kind are less striking to the eye than

- those won by surprise attack,
- but
- they

- are more enduring
- and
- more complete.

If

- one would produce such effects
- one must have a dearly defined goal,

for only when

- the penetrating influence works always in the same direction
- can the object be attained.

Small strength can achieve its purpose only by

- subordinating itself to an eminent man
- who is capable of creating order.

THE IMAGE

Winds following one upon the other: The image of THE GENTLY PENETRATING.

Thus

the superior man

- Spreads his commands abroad

And

- carries out his undertakings.

The penetrating quality of the wind depends upon its ceaselessness.

- This is what makes it so powerful;
- time is its instrument.

In the same way

- the ruler's thought should penetrate the soul of the people.

- This too requires a lasting influence brought about by
 - enlightenmentand
 - command.

Only when

- the command has been assimilated by the people
- is action in accordance with it possible.

Action without preparation of the ground only

- frightens
- and
- repels.