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5		H	H	T		3	3	2		8
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2		H	H	T		3	3	2		8
1		H	H	T		3	3	2		8

### HEXAGRAM 23 – Po - Splitting Apart

Above KEN KEEPING STILL, MOUNTAIN

Below K'UN THE RECEPTIVE, EARTH

The dark lines are about to

- mount upward and
  - overthrow the last firm, light line
- by exerting a disintegrating influence on it.

The inferior, dark forces overcome what is superior and strong,

- not by direct means,
  - but by undermining it gradually and imperceptibly,
- so that it finally collapses.

The lines of the hexagram

- present the image of a house, the top line being tile roof, and because the roof is being shattered
- the house collapses.

The hexagram belongs to the ninth month (October-November).

The yin power

- pushes up ever more powerfully and
- is about to supplant the yang power altogether.

## THE JUDGMENT

### SPLITTING APART.

It does not further one  
To go anywhere.

This pictures a time when inferior people

- are pushing forward and
- are about to crowd out the few remaining strong and superior men.

Under these circumstances, which are due to the time,  
it is not favorable for the superior man to undertake anything.

The right behavior in such adverse times is to be deduced from

- the images and
- their attributes.
  
- The lower trigram stands for the earth,
  - whose attributes are docility and devotion.
- The upper trigram stands for the mountain,
  - whose attribute is stillness.

This suggests that one

- should submit to the bad time and
- remain quiet.

For it is a question not of man's doing but of time conditions,  
which, according to the laws of heaven,  
show an alternation of

- increase and decrease,
- fullness and emptiness.

It is impossible to counteract these conditions of the time.

Hence

it is not cowardice but wisdom to

- submit and
- avoid action.

## THE IMAGE

The mountain rests on the earth: The image of SPLITTING APART.

Thus

those above can ensure their position  
Only by giving generously to those below.

The mountain rests on the earth.

- When it is steep and narrow, lacking a broad base, it must topple over.
- Its position is strong only when it rises out of the earth
  - broad and great,
  - not proud and steep.

So likewise those who rule rest on the broad foundation of the people.

They too should be

- generous and
- benevolent,  
like the earth that carries all.
- Then they will make their position
  - as secure
  - as a mountain is in its tranquility.