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HEXAGRAMA 13 - T'ung Jen - Fellowship with Men

Above CH'IEN THE CREATIVE, HEAVEN
Below LI THE CLINGING, FLAME

The image

- of the upper trigram Ch'ien is **heaven**, and that
- of the lower, Li, is **flame**.

It is the **nature** of fire to flame up to heaven.

This gives the **idea of** fellowship.

It is the **second line** that, by virtue of its **central character**, **unites** the five strong lines around it.

This hexagram forms a **complement** to Shih, THE ARMY (7).

1. In the latter, **danger** is within and **obedience** without – the **character** of a warlike army, which, in order to hold together, needs **one strong man among the many who are weak**.
2. Here, **clarity** is within and **strength** without –

the character of a peaceful union of men, which, in order to hold together, needs one yielding nature among many firm persons.

THE JUDGMENT

FELLOWSHIP WITH MEN in the open.

Success.

It furthers one to cross the great water.

The perseverance of the superior man furthers.

True fellowship among men must be based upon a concern that is universal.

It is

not the private interests of the individual that create lasting fellowship among men, but rather the goals of humanity.

That is why it is said that fellowship with men in the open succeeds.

If unity of this kind prevails,

even difficult and dangerous tasks, such as crossing the great water, can be accomplished.

But in order to bring about this sort of fellowship,

a persevering and enlightened leader is needed –

a man with

- clear, convincing, and inspiring aims and
- the strength to carry them out.

- (The inner trigram means clarity;

- the outer, strength.)

THE IMAGE

Heaven together with fire: The image of FELLOWSHIP WITH MEN.

Thus the superior man

- organizes the clans And
- makes distinctions between things.

Heaven

- has the same direction of movement as fire,
- yet it is different from fire.

Just as

- the luminaries in the sky serve for the systematic division and arrangement of time,

so

- human society and all things that really belong together must be organically arranged.

Fellowship should not be a mere mingling, of individuals or of things – that would be chaos, not fellowship.

If fellowship is to lead to order, there must be organization within diversity.

THE LINES

0 Nine in the fifth place means:

Men bound in fellowship

- first weep and lament,
- But afterward they laugh.

After great struggles they succeed in meeting.

Two people are **outwardly** separated,
but **in their hearts** they are united.

They are **kept apart** by their positions in life.

Many **difficulties and obstructions** arise between them and cause them grief.

But, remaining true to each other, they **allow nothing** to separate them, and although it **costs** them a severe struggle to overcome the obstacles, they will succeed.

When **they come** together their sadness will change to joy.

Confucius says of this:

Life leads the thoughtful man on a path of many windings.

- Now the course is checked,
- now it runs straight again.
- Here winged thoughts may pour freely forth in words,
- There the heavy burden of knowledge must be shut away in silence.

But

- when two people are at **one** in their inmost hearts,
 - They **shatter** even the strength of iron or of bronze.

And

- when two people **understand** each other in their inmost hearts,
 - Their words are **sweet and strong**, like the fragrance of orchids

MOVING HEXAGRAM

HEXAGRAM 30 – Li - THE CLINGING, FIRE

Above LI THE CLINGING, FIRE

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This hexagram is another **double sign**.

The trigram Li **means**

- "to cling to something,"
- "to be conditioned,
- to depend or rest on something," and also
- "brightness".

A dark line **clings to** two light lines,

- one above and
- one below –

the **image** of an empty space between two strong lines, whereby the two strong lines are made **bright**.

The trigram **represents** the middle daughter.

The Creative has **incorporated** the central line of the Receptive, and thus Li develops.

As **an image**, it is fire.

Fire

- has no definite form but
- **clings to** the burning object and thus is bright.

As water pours down from heaven, so fire flames up from the earth.

- While K'an **means** the soul shut within the body,
- Li **stands for** nature in its radiance.

THE JUDGMENT

THE CLINGING.

Perseverance furthers.

It brings success.

Care of the cow brings good fortune.

What is dark **clings**

- to what is light and so
- enhances the brightness of the latter.

A luminous thing giving out light must have within itself something that perseveres; otherwise it will in time burn itself out.

Everything that gives light

is **dependent** on something to which it clings, in order that it may **continue** to shine.

Thus

- sun and moon cling to heaven, and
- grain, grass, and trees cling to the earth.

So too

the twofold clarity of the dedicated man

- **clings to what is right and thereby**
- **can shape the world.**

Human life on earth is conditioned and unfree, and, when man

- **recognizes this limitation and**
- **makes himself dependent upon the harmonious and beneficent forces of the cosmos,**

he achieves success.

The cow is the symbol of extreme docility.

By cultivating in himself an attitude of

- compliance and
- voluntary dependence,

man

- acquires clarity without sharpness and
- finds his place in the world. 1

THE IMAGE

That which is bright rises twice: The image of FIRE.

Thus the great man, by perpetuating this brightness, Illumines the four quarters of the world.

Each of the two trigrams represents the sun in the course of a day.

The two together represent the repeated movement of the sun, the function of light with respect to time.

The great man continues the work of nature in the human world.

Through the clarity of his nature

he causes the light

- to spread farther and farther and
- to penetrate the nature of man ever more deeply.