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HEXAGRAM 48 – Ching - The Well

Above K'AN THE ABYSMAL, WATER
 Below SUN THE GENTLE, WIND, WOOD

- Wood is below,
- water above.

The wood goes down into the earth to **bring up** water.
 The image **derives** from the pole-and-bucket well of ancient China.

1. The wood **represents**
 - not the **buckets**, which in ancient times were made of clay,
 - but rather the **wooden poles** by which the water is hauled up from the well.
2. The image also **refers** to the world of plants,
 - which **lift** water out of the earth by means of their fibers.
3. The well from which water is drawn conveys the further idea of
 - an **inexhaustible dispensing of nourishment**.

THE JUDGMENT

THE WELL.

- The **town** may be changed,
- But the **well** cannot be changed.

It

- neither decreases
- nor increases.

They come and go and draw from the well.

If

- one gets down almost to the water And
 - the rope does not go all the way, Or
 - the jug breaks,
- it brings misfortune.

In ancient China the capital cities were sometimes moved,

- partly for the sake of more favorable location,
- partly because of a change in dynasties.
- The style of architecture changed in the course of centuries,
- but the shape of the well has remained the same from ancient times to this day.

Thus the well is the **symbol** of that social structure which,

- **evolved by mankind in meeting its most primitive needs,**
- **is independent of all political forms.**

- Political structures change, as do nations,
- but

- **the life of man with its needs remains eternally the same – this cannot be changed.**
- **Life is also inexhaustible.**
 - **It grows neither less nor more;**
 - **it exists for one and for all.**

- The generations come and go, and
- all enjoy life in its inexhaustible abundance.

However, there are

two prerequisites for a satisfactory political or social organization of mankind.

- **We must go down to the very foundations of life.**

For any merely superficial ordering of life that leaves its deepest needs unsatisfied

is as ineffectual as if no attempt at order had ever been made.

- Carelessness - by which the jug is broken - is also disastrous.

If for instance

the military defense of a state is carried to such excess that it provokes wars by which the power of the state is annihilated, this is a breaking of the jug.

This hexagram applies also to the individual.

However men may differ in disposition and in education,

- the foundations of human nature are the same in everyone. And
- every human being can draw in the course of his education from the inexhaustible wellspring of the divine in man's nature.

But here likewise two dangers threaten:

a man

- may fail in his education to penetrate to the real roots of humanity and
- remain fixed in conventions partial education of this sort is as bad as none or he
- may suddenly collapse and neglect his self-development.

THE IMAGE

Water over wood: the image of THE WELL.

Thus the superior man

- encourages the people at their work, And
- exhorts them to help one another.

• The trigram Sun, wood, is below, and

• the trigram K'an, water, is above it.

Wood sucks water upward.

Just as

- wood as an organism imitates the action of the well, which benefits all parts of the plant,
- the superior man organizes human society, so that, as in a plant organism, its parts cooperate for the benefit of the whole.