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HEXAGRAM 36 - Ming I - Darkening of the Light

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

Here the sun

- has sunk under the earth and
- is therefore darkened.

The name of the hexagram means literally "wounding of the bright"; hence the individual lines contain frequent references to wounding.

The situation is the exact opposite of that in the foregoing hexagram.

In the latter

- a wise man at the head of affairs
 - has able helpers, and in company with them
 - makes progress;

here

- a man of dark nature
 - is in a position of authority and
 - brings harm to the wise and able man.

THE JUDGMENT

DARKENING OF THE LIGHT.

In adversity

It furthers one to be persevering.

One

- must not unresistingly let himself be swept along by unfavorable circumstances,
- nor permit his steadfastness to be shaken.

He can avoid this by

- maintaining his inner light, while
- remaining outwardly yielding and tractable.

With this attitude

he can overcome even the greatest adversities.

In some situations indeed a man

- must hide his light, in order to
- make his will prevail in spite of difficulties in his immediate environment.

Perseverance

- must dwell in inmost consciousness and
- should not be discernible from without.

Only thus is

a man able to maintain his will in the face of difficulties.

THE IMAGE

The light has sunk into the earth: The image of DARKENING OF THE LIGHT.

Thus does

- the superior man live with the great mass:
- He
 - veils his light,
 - yet still shines.

In a time of darkness it is essential to be

- cautious and
- reserved.

One should not needlessly awaken overwhelming enmity by inconsiderate behavior.

In such times

- one ought not to fall in with the practices of others;
- neither should one drag them censoriously into the light.

In social intercourse

- one should not try to be all-knowing.
- One should let many things pass, without being duped.

THE LINES

Nine in the third place means:

Darkening of the light during the hunt in the south.

Their great leader is captured.

One must not expect perseverance too soon.

It seems as if chance were at work.

- While the strong, loyal man
 - is striving eagerly and in good faith to create order,
- he
 - meets the ringleader of the disorder, as if by accident, and
 - seizes him.

Thus victory is achieved.

But in abolishing abuses one must not be too hasty.

This would turn out badly

because the abuses have been in existence so long.

Six in the fourth place means:

He penetrates the left side of the belly.

One

- gets at the very heart of the darkening of the light, And
- leaves gate and courtyard.

We

find ourselves close to the commander of darkness and so discover his most secret thoughts.

In this way

- we realize that there is no longer any hope of improvement, and thus
- we are enabled to leave the scene of disaster before the storm breaks.

Six at the top means:

Not light but darkness.

- First he climbed up to heaven,
- Then he plunged into the depths of the earth.

Here the climax of the darkening is reached.

- The dark power at first held so high a place that
- it could wound all who were on the side of good and of the light.

But in the end

- it perishes of its own darkness,
- for evil
 - must itself fall at the very moment when
- it
 - has wholly overcome the good, and thus
 - consumed the energy to which it owed its duration.

MOVING HEXAGRAM

HEXAGRAM 21 - Shih Ho - Biting Through

Above LI THE CLINGING, FIRE
Below CHEN THE AROUSING, THUNDER

This hexagram **represents** an open mouth (cf. hexagram 27) with an obstruction (in the fourth place) between the teeth. As a **result** the lips cannot meet.

To bring them together one must **bite energetically through** the obstacle. Since the hexagram is **made up** of the trigrams for thunder and for lightning, it **indicates** how obstacles are forcibly removed in nature.

- Energetic biting through **overcomes** the obstacle that prevents joining of the lips;
- the storm with its thunder and lightning **overcomes** the disturbing tension in nature.
- Recourse to law and penalties **overcomes** the disturbances of harmonious social life caused by
 - criminals and
 - slanderers.

The **theme** of this hexagram is a **criminal lawsuit**, in contradistinction to that of Sung, CONFLICT (6), which **refers** to **civil suits**.

THE JUDGMENT

BITING THROUGH has **success**.
It is favorable to let justice be administered.

When an obstacle to union arises,
energetic biting through brings success.

This is true in all situations.

Whenever unity cannot be established,
the obstruction is due to a talebearer and traitor who is interfering and blocking the way.

To prevent permanent injury,
vigorous measures must be taken at once.

Deliberate obstruction of this sort does not vanish of its own accord.
Judgment and punishment are required to deter or obviate it.

However,
it is important to proceed in the right way.

The hexagram **combines**

- Li, **clarity**, and
- Chen, **excitement**.

- Li is yielding,
- Chen is hard.

Unqualified hardness and excitement
 would be too violent in meting out punishment;
 unqualified clarity and gentleness
 would be too weak.

The two together create the just measure.

It is of moment that

- the man who makes the decisions (represented by the fifth line) is gentle by nature,
- while
- he commands respect by his conduct in his position.

THE IMAGE

Thunder and lightning: The image Of BITING THROUGH.

Thus

the kings of former times

made firm the laws

Through clearly defined penalties.

Penalties are the individual applications of the law.

The laws specify the penalties.

- Clarity prevails when mild and severe penalties are clearly differentiated,
- according to the nature of the crimes.
 - This is symbolized by the clarity of lightning.
- The law is strengthened by a just application of penalties.
 - This is symbolized by the terror of thunder.

This clarity and severity have the effect of instilling respect;

it is not that the penalties are ends in themselves.

- The obstructions in the social life of man increase when there is
 - lack of clarity in the penal codes and
 - slackness in executing them.
- The only way to strengthen the law is
 - to make it clear and
 - to make penalties certain and swift.