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5		H	H	T		3	3	2		8
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### HEXAGRAM 34 - Ta Chuang - The Power of the Great

Above CHEN            THE AROUSING, THUNDER  
 Below CH' IEN        THE CREATIVE, HEAVEN

The great lines, that is, the light, strong lines, are **powerful**.

Four light lines

- have entered the hexagram from below and
- are about to ascend higher.
- The upper trigram is Chen, the Arousing;
- the lower is Ch'ien, the Creative.
- Ch'ien is strong,
- Chen produces movement.

The union of movement and strength **gives** the meaning of THE POWER OF THE GREAT.

The hexagram is **linked with** the second month (March April).

### THE JUDGMENT

THE POWER OF THE GREAT.  
 Perseverance furthers.

The hexagram points to a time when inner worth

- mounts with great force and
- comes to power.

But its strength has already passed beyond the median line, hence there is danger that one

- may rely entirely on one's own power and
- forget to ask what is right.

There is danger too that, being intent on movement, we may not wait for the right time.

Therefore the added statement that perseverance furthers.

For that is truly great power

- which does not degenerate into mere force
- but remains inwardly united with the fundamental principles of right and of justice.

When we understand this point –

namely, that greatness and justice must be indissoluble united – we understand the true meaning of all that happens in heaven and on earth.

## THE IMAGE

Thunder in heaven above: The image of THE POWER OF THE GREAT.

Thus the superior man

does not tread upon paths

That do not accord with established order.

Thunder - electrical energy - mounts upward in the spring.

The direction of this movement is in harmony with that of the movement of heaven.

It is therefore a movement in accord with heaven, producing great power.

However,

true greatness depends on being in harmony with what is right.

Therefore in times of great power

the superior man avoids doing anything

that is not in harmony with the established order.

## THE LINES

Nine in the third place means:

The inferior man works through power.

The superior man does not act thus.

To continue, is dangerous.

A goat

- butts against a hedge And
- gets its horns entangled.

- Making a boast of power leads to entanglements, just as

- a goat entangles its horns when it butts against a hedge.

Whereas

- an inferior man revels in power when he comes into possession of it,
- the superior man never makes this mistake.

He

- is conscious at all times of the danger of pushing ahead regardless of circumstances, and therefore
- renounces in good time the empty display of force.

0 Nine in the fourth place means:

Perseverance brings good fortune.

Remorse disappears.

The hedge opens; there is no entanglement.

Power depends upon the axle of a big cart.

If a man goes on quietly and perseveringly working at the removal of resistances, success comes in the end.

- The obstructions give way and
- all occasion for remorse arising from excessive use of power disappears.

Such a man's power does not show externally, yet it can move heavy loads, like a big cart whose real strength lies in its axle.

- The less that power is applied outwardly,
- the greater its effect.

## **MOVING HEXAGRAM**

### **HEXAGRAM 19 – Lin - Approach**

Above K'UN THE RECEPTIVE, EARTH

Below TUI THE JOYOUS, LAKE

The Chinese word Lin has a range of meanings that is not exhausted by any single word of another language.

The ancient explanations in the Book of Changes give as its

1. first meaning, "becoming great."
  - What becomes great are the two strong lines growing into the hexagram from below;
  - the light-giving power expands with them.
2. The meaning is then further extended to include the concept of approach, especially the approach of
  - what is strong and highly placed
  - in relation to what is lower.

3. Finally the meaning includes

- the attitude of condescension of a man in high position toward the people,
- and in general the setting to work on affairs.

This hexagram is linked with the twelfth month (January-February), when, after the winter solstice, the light power begins to ascend again.

## THE JUDGMENT

APPROACH has supreme success.

Perseverance furthers.

When the eighth month comes,

There will be misfortune.

The hexagram as a whole points to a time of joyous, hopeful progress.

Spring is approaching.

Joy and forbearance bring high and low nearer together.

Success is certain.

But we must work with determination and perseverance

to make full use of the propitiousness of the time.

And one thing more: spring does not last forever.

In the eighth month the aspects are reversed.

Then only two strong, light lines are left; these

- do not advance but
- are in retreat (see next hexagram).

We must take heed of this change in good time.

If

- we meet evil before it becomes reality –  
before it has even begun to stir –
- we can master it.

## THE IMAGE

The earth above the lake: The image of APPROACH.

Thus the superior man

- is inexhaustible In his will to teach, And
- without limits In his tolerance and protection of the people.

The earth borders upon the lake from above 1.

This symbolizes the approach and condescension of the man of higher position to those beneath him.

The two parts of the image indicate what his attitude toward these people will be.

- Just as the lake is inexhaustible in depth,
  - so the sage is inexhaustible in his readiness to teach mankind,
- and
- just as the earth is boundlessly wide, sustaining and caring for all creatures on it,

- so the sage sustains and cares for all people and excludes no part of humanity.