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HEXAGRAM 33 – Tun - Retreat

Above CHIEN THE CREATIVE, HEAVEN
Below KEN KEEPING STILL, MOUNTAIN

The power of the dark is ascending.

The light retreats to security, so that the dark cannot encroach upon it.

This retreat is a matter

- not of man's will
- but of natural law.

Therefore in this case withdrawal is proper;

it is the correct way to behave in order not to exhaust one's forces. 1

In the calendar this hexagram is linked with the sixth month (July-August), in which the forces of winter are already showing their influence.

THE JUDGMENT

RETREAT. Success.

In what is small, perseverance furthers.

Conditions are such that the hostile forces **avored** by the time are **advancing**.

In this case

- retreat is the **right** course, and
- it is through retreat that **success** is achieved.

But success **consists** in being able to carry out the retreat correctly.

Retreat **is not** to be confused with flight.

- Flight means **saving oneself under any circumstances whereas**
- retreat is a sign of strength.

We must be careful **not to miss** the right moment while we are **in full possession** of power and position.

Then we shall **be able**

- to **interpret** the signs of the time
 - before it is too late and
- to **prepare** for provisional retreat
 - instead of being drawn into a desperate life-and-death struggle.

Thus

- we **do not** simply abandon the field to the opponent;
- we **make** it difficult for him to advance by showing **perseverance** in single acts of resistance.

In this way

we **prepare**, while retreating, for the counter - movement.

Understanding the laws of a constructive retreat of this sort is not easy.

The **meaning** that lies hidden in such a time is important.

THE IMAGE

Mountain under heaven: the image of RETREAT.

Thus the superior man

keeps the inferior man at a distance,

Not angrily but with reserve.

The mountain **rises up** under heaven, but owing to its nature it finally **comes to** a stop.

Heaven on the other hand

- **retreats upward** before it into the distance and
- **remains** out of reach.

This **symbolizes** the behavior of the superior man toward a climbing inferior; he **retreats** into his own thoughts as the inferior man comes forward.

He **does not** hate him,

for hatred **is** a form of subjective involvement by which we are **bound** to the hated object.

The superior man shows **strength** (heaven) in that he brings the inferior man to a **standstill** (mountain)

by his dignified **reserve**.

THE LINES

0 Six at the beginning means:

At the tail in retreat.

This is dangerous.

One must not wish to undertake anything.

Since the hexagram is the **picture** of something that is retreating,

- the lowest line represents the **tail** and
- the top line the **head**.

In a retreat it is advantageous to be at the front.

Here

one is at the **back**,

in **immediate contact** with the pursuing enemy.

This is **dangerous**, and under such circumstances

it is **not advisable** to undertake anything.

Keeping still is the easiest way of escaping from the threatening danger.

Six in the second place means:

He holds him fast with yellow oxhide.

No one can tear him loose.

Yellow is the color of the **middle**.

It **indicates**

- that which is **correct** and
- **in line** with duty.

Oxhide is strong and not to be torn.

While

- the superior men **retreat** and the inferior **press** after them,
- the inferior man represented here **holds on** so firmly and tightly to the superior men that the latter **cannot** shake him off.

And because

- he is **in quest** of what is right and so strong in purpose,
- he reaches his goal. 2

Thus

the line confirms what is said in the Judgment:

"In what is small" - here equivalent to "in the inferior man" - "perseverance furthers."

Nine at the top means:

Cheerful retreat.

Everything serves to further.

The situation is unequivocal.

Inner detachment **has become** an established fact, and we **are** at liberty to depart.

When one **sees** the way ahead thus clearly, free of all doubt,

- a cheerful mood **sets in**, and
- one **chooses** what is right without further thought.

Such a dear path ahead always leads to the good.

MOVING HEXAGRAM

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HEXAGRAM 43 – Kuai - Break-through (Resoluteness)

Above Tui THE JOYOUS, LAKE
Below CH'IEN THE CREATIVE, HEAVEN

This hexagram **signifies**
on the one hand

- a break-through after a long accumulation of tension, as a swollen river breaks through its dikes, or in the manner of a cloudburst.

On the other hand, applied to human conditions,

- **it refers to** the time when inferior people gradually begin to **disappear**.

Their influence is on the **wane**;

as a result of resolute action,

- a change in conditions occurs,
- a break-through.

The hexagram is linked with the third month [April-May].

THE JUDGMENT

BREAK-THROUGH.

- One must resolutely make the matter known At the court of the king.
- It must be announced truthfully.

Danger.

It is necessary to notify one's own city.

- It does not further to resort to arms.
- It furthers one to undertake something.

- **Even if only one inferior man is occupying a ruling position in a city,**
 - **he is able to oppress superior men.**
- **Even a single passion still lurking in the heart**

- has power to obscure reason.
- Passion and reason cannot exist side by side - therefore
 - fight without quarter is necessary if the good is to prevail.

In a resolute struggle of the good against evil, there are, however, definite rules that must not be disregarded, if it is to succeed.

1. First, resolution must be based on a union of
 - strength and
 - friendliness.
2. Second, a compromise with evil is not possible;
 - evil must under all circumstances be openly discredited.
 - Nor must our own passions and shortcomings be glossed over.
3. Third, the struggle must not be carried on directly by force.
 - If evil is branded, it thinks of weapons, and
 - if
 - we do it the favor of fighting against it blow for blow,
 - we lose in the end
 - because thus
 - we ourselves get entangled in hatred and passion.

Therefore

4. it is important
 - to begin at home,
 - to be on guard in our own persons against the faults we have branded.

In this way,

- finding no opponent,
- the sharp edges of the weapons of evil become dulled.

For the same reasons

5. we should not combat our own faults directly.
 - As long as we wrestle with them,
 - they continue victorious.

Finally,

6. the best way to fight evil is to make energetic progress in the good.

THE IMAGE

The lake has risen up to heaven: The image of BREAK-THROUGH.

Thus the superior man

- Dispenses riches downward And
 - refrains from resting on his virtue.
- When the water of a lake has risen up to heaven,
 - there is reason to fear a cloudburst.
 - Taking this as a warning,
 - the superior man forestalls a violent collapse.

- If a man were to pile up riches for himself alone, without considering others,
- he would certainly experience a collapse.

For all gathering is followed by dispersion.

Therefore

the superior man begins to distribute while he is accumulating.

In the same way,

in developing his character

he takes care

- not to become hardened in obstinacy
 - but to remain receptive to impressions
- by help of strict and continuous self-examination.