

35.

Chin

Progress.

Upper Trigram: Li; Clinging Brightness, Fire.
Lower Trigram: K'un; Passive Principle, Earth.

Governing Rulers: Six in the fifth place.

The Image:

The sun rising above the earth: the image of Chin.
The superior man, according to this, gives himself to make more brilliant his bright virtue.

Miscellaneous Signs:

(36, 47, 48)

Above in Chin, the sun shines clear and bright,
but in Ming I 'tis hidden from the sight.

The Judgement:

In Chin we see a prince securing the tranquillity of the people, presented on that account with numerous horses by the king, and three times in a day received at interviews.

Commentary:

In Chin we have the bright sun appearing above the earth; the symbol of docile submission cleaving to that of the great brightness; and the weak line advanced and moving above: all these things give us the idea of 'a prince securing the tranquillity of the people, presented on that account with numerous horses by the king, and three times in a day received at interviews'.

The Lines:

Six in the bottom place:

Showing one wishing to advance, and kept back. Let him be firm and correct and there will be good fortune. If trust not be reposed in him, let him maintain a large and generous mind, and there will be no error.

Six in the second place:

Showing its subject with the appearance of advancing , and yet of being sorrowful. If he be firm and correct, there will be good fortune. He will receive this great blessing from his ruling mother.

Six in the third place:

Showing its subject trusted by all around him. All occasion for repentance will disappear.

Nine in the fourth place:

Showing one with the appearance of advancing , but like a marmot. However firm and correct he may be, the position is one of peril.

Six in the fifth place:

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All occasion for repentance disappears from its subject. Let him not concern himself about whether he will fail or succeed. To advance will be fortunate, and in every way advantageous.

Top-most nine:

Showing one advancing his horns, but only to punish the rebels in his own city. The position is perilous, but there will be good fortune. Yet, however firm and correct he may be, there will be occasion for regret.

Commentaries:

Six in the bottom place:

'He appears wishing to advance, but is at the same time being kept back': all alone he pursues the correct course.

'Let him maintain a large and generous mind, and there will be no error': he has not yet received an official charge.

Six in the second place:

'He will receive this great blessing': for he is in the central place and the correct position for him.

Six in the third place:

'All trust him': their common aim is to move upward and act.

Nine in the fourth place:

'He advances like a marmot. However firm and correct he may be, his position is one of peril': his place is not the one appropriate for him.

Six in the fifth place:

'Let him not concern himself about whether he will fail or succeed': his movement in advance will afford ground for congratulation.

Top-most nine:

'He is advancing his horns, but only to punish the rebels in his own city': his course of procedure is not yet brilliant.
