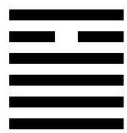


Hexagram 14 – Possessing Direction of Life



Possessing direction of life.

Sacred source.

Sacred influence pervading and nourishing all.

Structure:

- Within dwells the firmness and power of the sacred ☰. On the outside ☷, the dharma prevails.
- The yielding occupies the honored place and possesses the strong lines.

Image: The sun in the sky radiates far and on everything, illuminating all.

The sacred commands life to care for each other and the Earth. The Earth Interbeing obeys the sacred will and furthers life on Earth in the ways of sacredness.¹ All actions conform with the sacred will and the ways of sacredness, occurring when conditions have ripened to act. The sun shining far symbolizes the power of acting upon sacred knowing. Through our sacredness, we have the nature to further life on Earth. The principles of sacredness always guide our choices.

We persist in the sacred path to learn how to interbe with the Earth Interbeing by living the ways of sacredness. Cultivating our sacredness and restraining ourselves from harming others and the Earth accord with the sacred will. By doing so, we harmonize with the cosmos, and the sacred moves through us to do the holy in the world to further life on Earth. We have unity with the sacred by living our sacredness, our greatest treasure.

Line 1: The line has no relationship with external harms. It persistently resists harmful ways and views, freeing itself of fault.

Line 2: The line centers on the sacred and lives the ways of sacredness, which powerfully carry the line to do its holy work to further life on Earth. The line's sacred work endures for the sacred moves through the line into the world.

Line 3: The line humbly serves the sacred by furthering life on Earth and willingly makes difficult sacrifices to do so. The self-centered would only sacrifice for personal gain. All we have comes from the sacred.

Line 4: The line follows its unique path to further life on Earth and does not try to meet the expectations or follow the path of others. The line follows its own path and lets others follow theirs.

Line 5: Sages align with the ways of sacredness and interbe. The dignity of its revealed sacredness moves others to feel transformed and drawn to the sacred path. Line naturally knows how to respond to whatever it experiences to further life on Earth without having to prepare itself to do so.

Line 6: The top line brings to life the ways of sacredness to further life on Earth. The sacred protects and blesses the line's holy work.

¹ **Ways of the sacredness of the Earth Interbeing (work in progress):** devotion, receptivity, dharma of sacredness, harmonizing with all, unity of interbeing, equitable sharing, restraining self from harming Earth Interbeing through discipline, forbearance and transformation, a balance centered on the sacred.