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***“Madness among great ones is to be expected.
Just make sure you’re mad and not nuts.”***

(from The Hanshi's Apothegms - #137)



This Weeks Self-Revealization Acceptance

I Am Astonished

I am constantly thrilled with the magnificence of my accomplishments and give eternal and profound thanks to the ***Spirit of the Thing Itself*** for this wonderfulness that I experience. Never do I permit frustration to maintain a presence in my life knowing that when I have my moments of doubt and confusion I also have the authority by means of my ***Self-Revealization Acceptance*** to simply release the meaningless of the condition replacing it immediately and without delay with a perfect harmony of my spirit and the universe. Because I can do this with ease and grace I never have to concern myself that the condition will overcome my desire for peace and prosperity on all levels of my life including:

- 1 (Negative sentiment)
- 2 (Manipulative grace)
- 3 (Acceptance of my great bounty)
- 4 (Clarity of thinking)
- 5 (Clarity of purpose)

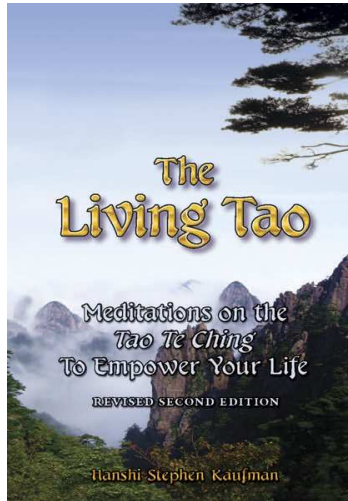
I live my live by my ***Divine Right to Live in Joy and Freedom*** ever constantly reinforcing my reality through my conscious understanding of myself. I revel in the mission I have set before me to enjoy all there is to life in all of the forms that I desire to do so. Nothing and no-thing interferes with my reality and I move forward this day and everyday to accept in perfect accord all the good there is to accept in my life. I have it made!

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To have and to hold means you do not have possession
To maintain control you must let things go
If your house is filled with treasures your sleep is always uneasy
You do not know when the stranger will approach

Take all you can and fill your coffers with gold
And throwing it back to the crowd be sure to increase your lot
When you have attained to fortune and fame retire from the world
Enjoy your new ease
This is the way of the wise

It does not make intelligent sense to continue hoarding more and more after you have enough. People will see you as gluttonous and will attempt to relieve you of the burden of your wealth. This is accomplished by many means including putting you in harm's way that would appear to have nothing to do with them taking what you have gained. When you accomplish much you should understand that it is time for you to go to the mountain and express your life with pleasure and ease and never in the face of the enemy — who may not even know they were your enemy until they became aware of your possessions. Never permit anyone to know your level of knowing. They will blame you for their failure.

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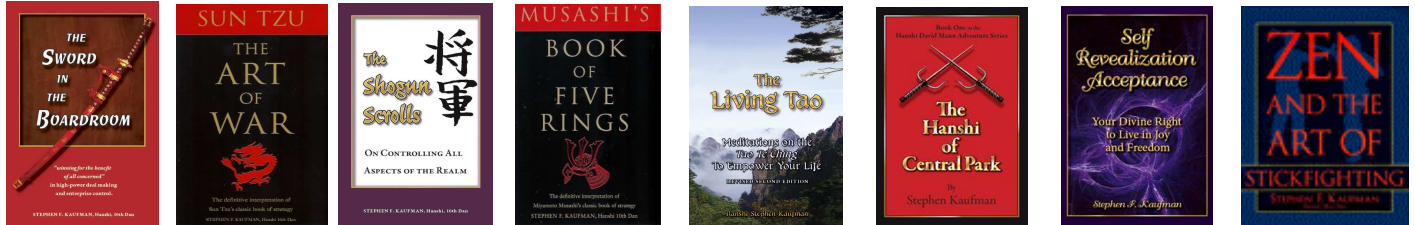
There was no confusion in life
The Way of righteousness was known
Soon came differences and values
Man lost the Way completely

Not in harmony with nature
Attitudes were learned to compete with new ideas
Right and wrong began to exist
Nothing was correct

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When man first began to determine differences in all things he became opinionated and then began the “Great Descent”. When things were left to their own natures there was never a problem with getting along. When wisdom and folly were determined, when love and hate were determined, when intelligence and stupidity were determined, man lost the Way. The only manner in which to regain the state of ultimate bliss is to let the Nature of the Universe hold sway by man not interfering with the causation of the thing itself. Until that happens man will be unable to trust in his fellows because of the ulterior motive that everyone shares regardless of their apparent position in life.

Conflict exists because man thinks he is more righteous than another. This leads to conflict. This leads to war. This leads to death. This leads to ignorance. This leads to pain. This leads...



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