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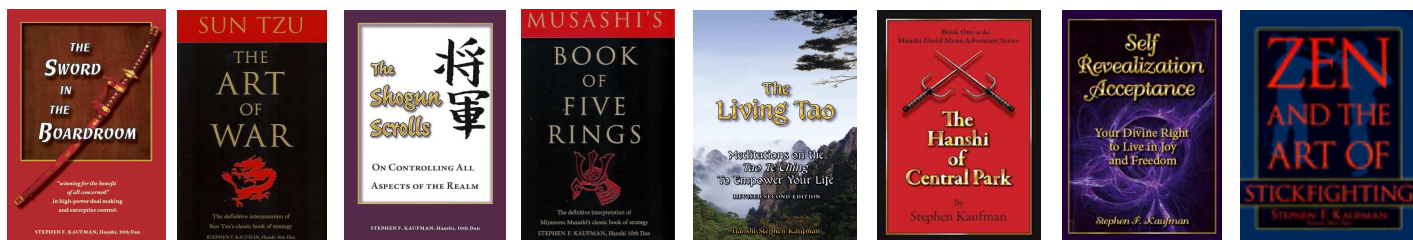
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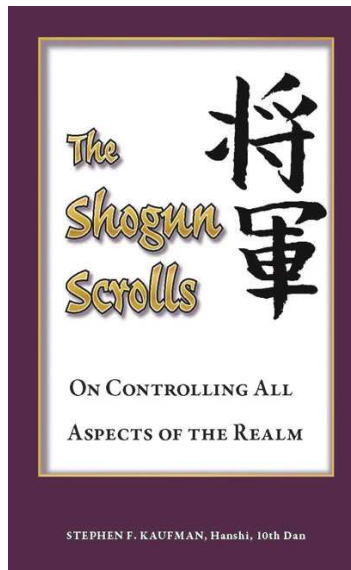
How to use a Self-Revelization Acceptance is explained on the last page of this newsletter.

My Horizons Expand

I look inward and I am pleased with myself and the accomplishments that I have attained. I refuse to permit anger or negativity to overtake my calmness and my sobriety as I perceive the future I know I will experience and enjoy with meaning and substance. My life is filled with joy and pleasure as I live my life by my Divine Right to Live in Joy and Freedom. Enormous energy fills my days and I am free from worry and stress about anything and anyone that take into consideration relationships and finances. My rent gets paid, my bills get paid, I have money in my pocket, food on my table, sincere friends and magnificent, robust, radiant health. Any conditions to the contrary of my belief are corrected by my attitude of more wholesome living and my acceptance of the new horizons I expect for myself. What others may say of me means nothing and I allow myself to define my own life without the limiting influence of others, I deny authority to any form of negative sentiment and manipulative grace. If those who come into my life enhance me then I join with them to ascend to higher consciousness. If they are negative in any way shape or form I deny them any authority and eliminate them from consciousness. All of my endeavors are fulfilled in perfect harmony with my dreams and desires. There is no stopping me and I do not permit myself to stop me either. I see my new horizons unfolding before me and for this I am grateful knowing that they are the result of the desires I have for the life I want to live and that all that has gone before me is now made unwarranted as I proceed to my new destiny. I reinvent myself to work in alliance with my desires knowing that the authority of this *Self-Revelization Acceptance* is immediately accepting and made operable by the profound *Spirit of the Thing Itself* that I desire to know in totality.

Information is not knowledge but you can make it that if you're smart.

This week's excerpt from:
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On Controlling All Aspects of the Realm
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Chapter 1
How Power Comes to Be

Power comes to a man in various ways. Undoubtedly, it is granted to a man by his own personal choice. It is based on his desire to rule or to be ruled. The extent to which that desire is expressed will be made manifest in his life. It does not matter if it is the desire to control an entire country or a desire to control a small faction with a private interest. It depends on a man's thoughts and the manner in which he accepts the truth of his own greatness.

Power is a private matter, recently structured as new or passed from generation to generation, being subject to the fates and a man's desire. The civil domain is maintained by means of subjecting the population by force, irrespective of appearance, and only works when there is respect for the leader. It does not matter if this respect is in the form of love or fear. Leaders maintain power by a consensus of opinion and the timely showing of strength: their own.

As shogun, you control the entire country and should anyone interfere with your authority they should be eliminated, including their entire bloodline. This is always reasonable if anyone interferes with the shogun's control.

There is little difference in civil or private control; it is always based on desire and the personal ability of the leader. To maintain control in either public or private matters you must understand the rules which you yourself establish for control. You must be quick of mind to change these rules when it befits the needs of the moment. It is also important to understand the temperament of the people

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you presently command and those you wish to command. Then, with correct action, changes can be made and you can progress to your liking. Under no circumstances can you ever remain passive and static. If you are indecisive you will jeopardize your authority. There are times, however, that your strength can be reinforced through leniency, but without indulgence when dealing with dissenters.

It is also a requirement that you come to terms with and appear to be friendly with all of the people in your domain. Your feelings must be sincere when they are expressed, although your thoughts may be grounded in deception. There can be no room for mediocrity in the shogun's thinking. This will permit insolence and subterfuge to develop which must be guarded against wholeheartedly with regards to both friends and enemies. It will also permit flatterers to interfere with your decisions.

Flatterers must be especially guarded against but they can be used to your advantage by deceiving their affections. It is better to use them if you feel they have any value at all. It doesn't matter who they know or the power they think they wield. If they are useless, get rid of them.

Remember, if you will, when Nobunaga Oka was governing Miei Province. He constantly found himself surrounded by well-wishers who only sought to maintain their own positions when Emperor Antoku gave him special consideration during the Taira reign. The people in his domain continually sent him gifts of all types entreating him to intercede on their behalf with the emperor until Oka became enamored of himself. It was then that he found himself unable to deal harshly when it was required. He soon lost control of the government, fell out of favor with the emperor, and was deposed by his own generals. They saw he was not being sincere with anyone, including themselves, unless he was approached with a gift. Nobunaga's acceptance of flattery led him to arrogance and he thought he could demand anything of anyone in his court. Eventually, no one would heed his orders. In dishonor, he was requested to commit suicide.

If you are in power then everyone must know you are in command or simply, you are not. If you maintain control in this manner, all the people will think they are deriving advantage and enjoying your personal guarantee. If you do not act in such a manner, you may be considered weak-minded and it will cause your downfall. Everyone, myself included, should be used as a tool for the realization of your greatness.

There are many things to know and many things to learn. It is a never-ending process.

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How to use a Self-Revealization Acceptance.

A Self-Revealization Acceptance is constructed for the simple purpose of bringing a specific result into a practitioner's life. Any of the ideas presented in my weekly example can be structured for your own desires. When the ideas of relationships, creativity, love, and finances are addressed you should use your own definitions to enhance the positive acceptance of an ever-growing good in your life. REMEMBER, Self-Revealization Acceptances are NOT affirmations. They are based on your positive acceptance of the good you want to experience in your life and therefore only YOUR words and YOUR authority activate the Spirit of the Thing Itself. Self-Revealization Acceptance is a philosophical approach to reality facilitation. Your reality and not the reality of someone else. Self-Revealization Acceptance absolutely is for an individual and personal manifestation REGARDLESS of what anyone outside of you thinks in relation to what you are accepting for. Fill the blanks with your own ideas and feel free to forward any questions or comments.

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