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# ≣鼎50

#### 鼎元吉亨

初六鼎顚趾利出否得妾以其子无咎 九二鼎有實我仇有疾不我能即吉 九三鼎耳革其行塞雉膏不食方雨虧悔終吉 九四鼎折足覆公餗其形渥凶 六五鼎黃耳金鉉利貞 上九鼎玉鉉大吉无不利

# 56. DING, "THE CAULDRON"¹ ≣

The Cauldron: Prime auspiciousness; receipt.

#### Initial Six:

The cauldron's upturned<sup>2</sup> legs<sup>3</sup>;
beneficial [to expel] the bad<sup>4</sup>;
getting a consort together with her son;
there is no trouble.

#### Nine in the Second:

The cauldron has substance: My enemy<sup>5</sup> has an illness; it is not able to approach<sup>6</sup> me; auspicious.

#### Nine in the Third:

The cauldron's ears are bridled<sup>7</sup>:
his motion is blocked;
the pheasant fat is not edible;
the countryside rain [diminishes;
regret, in the end auspicious].

# [Nine in the Fourth:

The cauldron's broken leg]:
Overturns<sup>8</sup> the duke's stew<sup>9</sup>;
his punishment<sup>10</sup> is execution-in-chamber<sup>11</sup>;
[inauspicious].

### Six in the Fifth:

The cauldron's yellow [ears and metal bar; beneficial to determine].

# [Elevated Nine:

The cauldron's jade bar;
greatly auspicious];
there is nothing not beneficial.