

of the Rigveda;²⁹ for being of miraculous parentage, Vasiṣṭha would need adoption into a Gotra, that of the princes whom he served, and to whom Agastya seems to have introduced him.

There are numerous other references to Vasiṣṭha as a Ṛṣi in Vedic literature,³⁰ in the Sūtras,³¹ and in the Epic, where he and Viśvāmitra fight out their rivalry.³²

²⁹ vii. 83, 8.

³⁰ Rv. i. 112, 9; vii. 88, 4; 96, 3; x. 95, 17; 181, 1; Kāthaka Samhitā, xvi. 19; xx. 9; xxxii. 2 (*Indische Studien*, 3, 478); Maitrāyaṇī Samhitā, i. 4, 12; ii. 7, 9; iv. 2, 9; Taittirīya Samhitā, v. 2, 10, 5; Av. iv. 29, 4; Aitareya Brāhmaṇa, vi. 18, 3; Kauṣītaki Brāhmaṇa, xxvi. 14; xxix. 2, 3; xxx. 3; Jaiminiya Upaniṣad Brāhmaṇa, iii. 3, 13; 15, 2; 18, 6; Aitareya Āraṇyaka,

ii. 2, 2; Brhadāranyaka Upaniṣad, ii. 2, 4, etc.

³¹ See Weber, *Indische Studien*, 10, 89-92; *Episches im vedischen Ritual*, 35.

³² Muir, *Sanskrit Texts*, 1², 375-414.

Cf. Ludwig, Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 131 *et seq.*; Weber, *Episches im vedischen Ritual*, 31-34; *Indian Literature*, 31, 37, 53, 79, 123, 162; Oldenberg, *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft*, 42, 204-207.

Vasu in the Rigveda¹ and later² denotes 'wealth,' 'property.'

¹ iv. 17, 11. 13; 20, 8; vi. 55, 3; viii. 13, 22, etc.

² Av. vii. 115, 2; ix. 4, 3; x. 8, 20; xiv. 2, 8, etc.

Vasukra and his wife are the reputed composers of certain hymns of the Rigveda.¹ The ascription goes back to the Rigveda Āraṇyakas.²

¹ x. 27-29.

² Aitareya Āraṇyaka, i. 2, 2; Sāṅkhāyana Āraṇyaka, i. 3.

Vasu-rocis is a name occurring only once in the Rigveda¹ in a form which may be interpreted as either plural or singular. In the former alternative it denotes a family of singers;² in the latter a patron.³

¹ viii. 34, 16.

² Ludwig, Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 162.

³ Griffith, *Hymns of the Rigveda*, 2, 175, n.

Vastu as a designation of time is the 'early morning' in the Rigveda.¹

¹ i. 79, 6; 104, 1; 179, 1, etc. So Vājasaneyi Samhitā, xxviii. 12. Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 361.