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FULFILLED PROMISE

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Implies:
What matters. And lasts.
The Time. Is right. Now.

Imagine:
Every day follows.
An order.

Endlessly.
Attend it.


The ancient carriage: to roll along; to revolve. Curling vapors rising from the ground and forming clouds above. The continual movement that creates the heavens.

Top: Arrogance. Dragon. There is a darkness.

Next to Top: Flying dragon. Across the sky. Good to see. Someone influential.


Next: Visible dragon. In a field. Worthwhile to meet with. An important person.

Bottom: Hidden dragon. No use.

Standing Still: Right away. From now on.

Comment Top: Too much ambition or rigidity has sucked all the life from energies present. Pride prevents anything from really happening.

Comment Next to Top: Mastery is at hand. Everything is lined up. And possible. Inspiration and respect.

Comment Fourth: It’s now possible to take some chances.

Comment Third: The ability to accomplish the task is now at hand. There will be some sleepless nights until this energy becomes second nature.

Comment Next: Things are developing. Someone accomplished who perhaps has no real power, but can advise.

Comment Bottom: The onset of strength or creative energy. But it is just developing. Do not rely or count on it yet. Though if there seems to be strength evident, then it must not be used openly.

Comment Unchanging: Deeply significant. What is created now is the basis and inspiration of everything to come. Any action at this time seals fate. The beginning can be traced, but what is about to be set into motion will never end.
RAW MATERIAL

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Implies:

Important matters.
Improvement comes.
The mare’s pace. Steady.

Someone important.
Somewhere to go.

Confusion at first.
A leader is found.

Things improve.

In the West. In the South.
Friends to be made.

In the East. In the North.
Friends are lost.

Quiet. Steady. Happy.

Imagine:

Earth’s strength is weakness.
Repay this kindness.
Take into account.
All that encompasses.


Earth; soil; ground. The two parallel lines = the earth that produces & the single upright line = all things. Two hands extending a rope; the idea of extension; of expansion. The unfolding of the material world.

**Top:** Dragons. Fighting in the wild. Their blood. Azure. Terra cotta.

**Next to Top:** Dressed in yellow. From the waist down. The height of well-being.

**Fourth:** Tied purse strings. Not well known. Blameless.

**Third:** Something withheld. A section. Possibilities of a lasting effect. If the starting point is a public matter. Nothing is accomplished. An end in store.


**Bottom:** Tracks. Frost. Solid ice. Coming.

**Standing Still:** Open up.
[ALL LINES CHANGE: An advantage. Unending. Steadfast.]

**Comment Top:** Aggressive attempts. Self-promotion. Things off kilter. A change is about to take place.

**Comment Next to Top:** Modest acts are best. What is presented without fanfare is recognized more clearly and valued more dearly.

**Comment Fourth:** Nothing should be done. Keep low and out of sight. There’s nothing wrong here, though.
Comment Third: Keep at it. Avoid attention. Do not seek recognition. Then development will be natural, following its own pace. The time will come for a public presence.

Comment Next: Be open and simple, direct. Discard all pretension, protection or presumptions.

Comment Bottom: A major change is just about to take place. Some hardship.

Comment Unchanging: More refined receptivity to the environment is needed. Growth and change are checked by subjective opinion. More open an embrace of the world.
HARD START

Implies:

Things work out.
For the best.

No use planning anything.

Best.
To get in touch.

With those who can help.

Imagine:

Clouds gather.
Thunder.

Hard going.

Tie up.
Loose ends.

The confusion that attends first moves. A storm to weather.
That fragility. Congestion at the commencement of any

The underground germination. The two cotyledons part from each other; the curved line represents the struggles of the young plant in order to take root; the plumule rises above the earth and is brought to light. The initial struggle to bring anything forth.


**Next to Top:** A hard time keeping a sense of largesse. Details result in well-being. Major plans bring disaster.

**Fourth:** Riding a horse. A routine circuit. Or resembling one. Seeking a marriage contract. Then everything turns out well. Nothing is without an advantage now.

**Third:** Hunting deer. Without a guide. Wandering in circles. The middle of the woods. A sensible person understands this. Not giving up now leads to embarrassment.


**Bottom:** Thing in general. Undecided. Worthwhile to keep at it. Worthwhile establishing support.

**Standing Still:** Stick to it.

**Comment Top:** A due share of responsibility is necessary; otherwise there is worry about getting nowhere.

**Comment Next to Top:** the right behavior in small matters. Self-righteousness is out of place in major situations.

**Comment Fourth:** Making no headway despite having the means, find friends to help and everyone will benefit.

**Comment Third:** A lack of direction and preparation means losing the way. Going ahead results in regret.

**Comment Next:** The means may be there, but not the progress. Though it seems aloof, this may be a wise move, making no premature judgments.
**Comment Bottom:** Hold to correct behavior. Stabilize things. Control.

**Comment Unchanging:** An unsurmounted obstacle. An unresolved, initial difficulty. Perhaps unrecognized or unheeded. Progress is blocked. Reorganized priorities will overcome it.