

Wei Qian Li's 韋千里 Teaching - **Fortune**


With Master Joseph Yu's Annotations



Wei Qian Li 韋千里 is one of the few masters who specialized in Ba Zi. I am going to share some of his teachings with annotations. The three most influential Ba Zi (Four Pillars of Destiny) masters of the early 20th century were:

- Xu Le Wu 徐樂吾(1886-1949).
- Yuan Shu Shan 袁樹珊(1881-1952).
- Wei Qian Li 韋千里 (1911-1988).

韋千里 與 袁樹珊 齊名，南袁北韋。The two masters Wei and Yuan, better known as Southern Yuan and Northern Wei, are the two major contributors to BaZi studies and research in the 20th Century.



After studying their works, I agree with the majority opinion that Wei Qian Li is more systematic and has deeper knowledge. I would like to share this wonderful teaching with you. Since Wealth is one of the aspects that people care most about, I will start with Wealth.


Joseph Yu



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

0. 吉者，善也，利也，雖非富貴，一生小險惡風波，得穩永之妙，論命斷吉，全以標本平均，用神安頓爲主。

By fortune, we mean smoothness, advantages. Although it may not indicate being wealthy and noble, it means that throughout the entire life, there is not much encounter with dangerous storms. Life will enjoy the wonder of stability. To assess a life with respect to fortune, it is all based on equilibrium and the spirit of focus being properly addressed.



This was written after the author wrote in details about the 10 gods. It is not that he focused on Power and Wealth only. It is because people would love to know more about Fame and Fortune and he wrote two sections about these. In the new section it is about general well-being. The 10 gods are the means to read a chart, not the end.



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

01. 身旺用財，有傷食之生財，或有官殺之衛財。

Body is vibrant that uses Wealth. There is Output to generate Wealth, or Power (Zheng Guan or Pian Guan) to protect Wealth.

When there is overwhelming Resource, Wealth is to be used to reduce the bad effect of the Resource. Either there is Output to generate Wealth, or there is Power to protect the Wealth from being robbed by Parallels. Then life is peaceful and smooth.



Money is made to be spent to create a continuous flow, otherwise it is suffocating the flow of q_i .



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

02. 身旺用官，有財之生官，或有印之衛官。

*Body is vibrant that uses Proper Power.
There is Wealth to generate Power, or
Resource to protect Power.*

When there is overwhelming Parallels, Proper Power is to be used to keep Parallels under control. Either there is Wealth to generate Power, or there is Resource to protect the Power from being attacked by Output. Then life is peaceful and smooth.



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

03. 身旺用殺，殺重有傷食之制，殺輕有財之生。

Body is vibrant that uses Qi Sha. When Qi Sha is heavy, there is Output to control the Sha. When Qi Sha is light, there is Wealth to generate the Sha.

When Body is vibrant due to abundant Parallels, Qi Sha is used to keep them under control. If Sha is abundant, there must be Output to control the Sha. If Sha is not strong, then there must be Wealth to give it strength to accomplish the assignment.



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

04. 身旺用傷食，有財之流通。

Body is vibrant that uses Output. There is Wealth to guarantee smooth flow.

When Body is vibrant and Output is used, there is Wealth to make sure the Output qi flows to Wealth instead of going against Power. When the flow is smooth, life is smooth too.





Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

05. 身旺用印，有官殺之助印。

Body is vibrant that uses Resource. There is Power to assist Resource.

When Body is vibrant but there is too much Output, then Resource is used to keep the balance. If there is also Power to strengthen the Resource, then life will be comfortable with creativity but without conflict with authority.





Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

06. 身弱用比劫，官星重，有印之生身洩官。財星重，有官之洩財生印。

Body is weak that uses Parallels. Power is heavy but there is Resource to feed the body and drain Power. Or Wealth is heavy but there is Power to drain Wealth and feed Resource.

When Body is weak and there is Parallels to use, two situations arise. There can be a lot of Power that is unfavourable to Parallels. Then Resource is good to nourish the Body and weaken the Power. There can be a lot of Wealth to keep Parallels busy. It is good to have Power to weaken the Wealth and to generate Resource.



Notes on Fortune 吉祥篇

07. 身弱用印，有官星生印，或比劫衛印。

Body is weak that uses Resource. There is Power Star to generate Resource, or Parallels to offer protection to Resource.

When Body is weak because of being over drained by Output, then Resource can be used to strengthen Body and control Output at the same time. In this case, there must be Power to generate Resource or Parallel to protect the Resource from attack by Wealth.


Whenever these conditions are satisfied, the person will enjoy a fortunate life.



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Joseph Yu B.Sc. 余若愚 was born during the second world war in a small village in South China. He spent his childhood as a country boy and did not receive any formal education until he came to Hong Kong at the age of eleven. A lot of people suggest to him that he should create a story of learning Astrology and Feng Shui in early childhood from a monk as do many a famous Feng Shui Master. He prefers to tell the truth.



Yu studied Mathematics and Physics in the University of Hong Kong in the early 1960's. He abhorred all kinds of superstition and vowed to destroy such absurd beliefs of ignorant people. He then frequented libraries, trying to find fault with Astrology and Feng Shui from ancient books. The deeper he went into the subject, the more excited he became about the rich legacy of ancient Chinese culture.

Whether or not to become a professional astrologer and geomancer or continue in the fields of mathematics and physics, became a constant dilemma. Astrology and Feng Shui have been viewed as superstition by their skeptics. Astrologers and Feng Shui masters have been linked with fraud for centuries.

Someone wrote in his book, "If more knowledgeable men provide true Astrology and Feng Shui services, the ignorant and fake 'professionals' will vanish." Sharing the same view, Yu decided to provide useful services and correspondence courses at an affordable price.



While Joseph Yu was a mathematics teacher after his graduation, he was lucky to have as his neighbor one old Feng Shui master. This old master was very kind to disclose a lot of secrets of the five arts to him even though he was not one of the old master's apprentices.

In one Chinese New Year party at the old master's home, the master said to his disciples, "This young man, though not officially under my care, has learned more than most of you because he has a logical mind and dares to argue with me on various issues."

The old master passed away a few months later. Joseph Yu did not feel comfortable in the company of the disciples of this good master. He is grateful, but circumstances make it impossible to express his gratitude towards the master who passed on to him a lot of invaluable knowledge.