

# Wei Qian Li's 韋千里 Teaching - **Longevity**


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 Longevity 長壽篇

01. 五行平均。四柱無冲無尅。

*The five elements are evenly distributed.  
Among the four pillars, there is no clash  
or same polarity control.*

The qi flow is smooth if all five elements are present and healthy. There is no clash between wood and metal, between fire and water, and there is no same polarity control between wood and earth, between earth and water, or between fire and metal.





These are sufficient conditions, not necessary conditions. Each chart is different because a clash or control can be remedied by a situation. Therefore, we will not try to say which is worse.



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02. 所合者皆閒神，沖出者皆忌神，  
留存者皆相神。

*Those combined are Obscure Gods. What are removed by clashes are Annoying Gods. What remain are Helpful Gods.*

Obscure Gods are Gods that do not affect the chart significantly. Annoying Gods are those that harm the Useful God. Helpful Gods are those that help the Useful God.





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03. 日主旺而得氣，但不趨於太過。

*The Day Master is vibrant and receives qi, but not going to extremes.*

Day Master is strong with branches at stages of Chang Sheng 長生, Mu Yu 沐浴, Guan Dai 官帶, Lin Guan 臨官 or Di Wang 帝旺. It is preferable to be born in a month with Chang Sheng or Lin Guan but not Di Wang. It is good to be able to get qi from other branches as well as long as there are not too many Lin Guan or Di Wang otherwise it will be considered going to extremes.





These listed have more meanings than strength of DM.





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## 04. 身旺官弱而逢財。

*The Day Master is vibrant while Power is weak accompanied by Wealth.*

Day Master is strong and vibrant. Power is weak meaning it is at a stage with little or no qi. It may appear on one of the stems. If there is Wealth accompanying Power, it will offer the weak Power protection as well as strengthening it. Wealth also controls Resource that makes the Day Master strong. In such case, the Day Master is not suffering from controlling Power and is not suffocated by Resource.



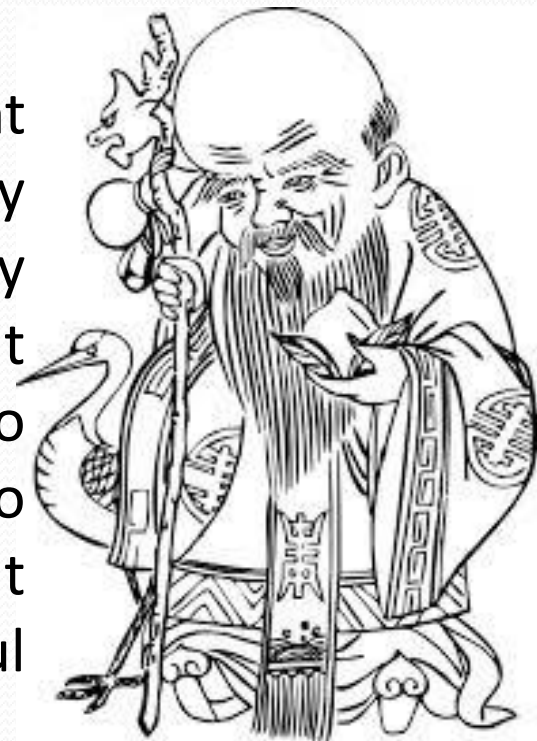


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## 05. 身旺財輕而遇食。

*The Day Master is vibrant. Wealth is light but it meets Output.*

Day Master is strong and vibrant. Wealth is light means Wealth on a stem is not supported by any branch. However, there is Output (preferably Gracious Output) right next to Wealth to transmit the qi from the Day Master to Output and then to Wealth smoothly. The Wealth then is able to control any excessive Resource so that the Output is free to do its job properly. Life will be peaceful and long life can be expected.





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## 06. 身旺而食傷吐秀。

*The Day Master is vibrant but there is ample Output to release what is beautiful and elegant.*

Day Master is strong and vibrant. There is a lot of Output to take away excessive qi from the Day Master and Parallels. The Output is able to display the beautiful and elegant qi from the Day Master. The smoothness of qi flow will contribute to a long and enjoyable life that attracts admiration through beautiful performance.





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## 07. 身弱而印綬當權。

*The Day Master is weak but Resource is in command.*

Day Master is weak but Resource is vibrant. When Resource is vibrant, Wealth is untimely and can do nothing harmful. Output will be well controlled by Resource. Power will strengthen Resource and leave the Day Master alone. The person lives a life under protection and being nourished. Therefore he can enjoy a leisurely long life.





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## 08. 月令無沖無破。

*The Month in Command does not suffer from a clash or a break.*

Month in Command emphasizes on the importance of the month branch. If it is clashed by the year branch or the day branch, life will be turbulent. When it is further clashed again in a 10 year luck period or during a year, life may be in danger. Break refers to any disturbance like Harm or Penalty. The effect is less than a clash but still causes disturbance.



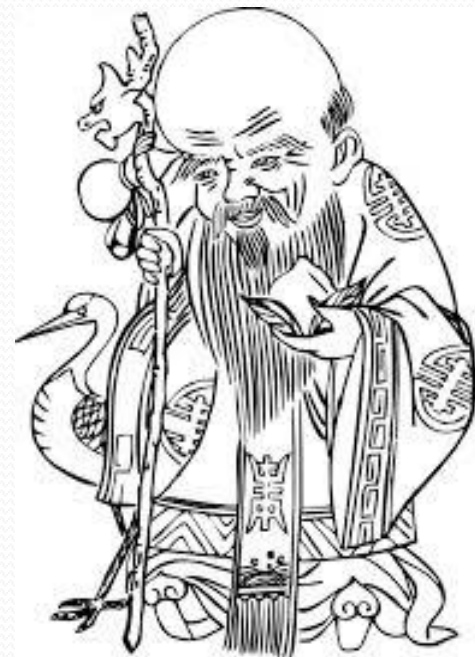


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## 09. 行運皆與用神喜神不悖。

*The Useful God and Happy God (that which generates Useful God) are always in smooth flow of qi during luck periods (10 year or 1 year periods).*

Smooth flow of qi is most important in life. If this is maintained all the time, then the person can be expected to live long with good health free from anxiety and worries.






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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.