

***Actions of a Sage***

The sage leans on a pillar  
That will not be shaken,  
And travels on roads  
That are never blocked.

The sage is endowed with a source  
That is never exhausted,  
And learns from a teacher  
That never dies.

The sage is successful  
In whatever is undertaken,  
And arrives to any place  
Wherever it may be.

Whatever the sage does,  
It is done without confusion  
Always embracing its destiny,  
Finding its meaning before its ends.

Calamity, fortune, profit and harm  
Cannot trouble the sage's mind;  
For the sage is blessed by the Tao  
And lives to enjoy its Presence.



***Commentary:***

The sage walks rooted to the earth on a path that is never blocked while practicing the Tao. The sage experiences the Tao, a teacher that never dies, being the inexhaustable source of all life. The sage practicing the Tao is successful in any endeavor and arrives at any destination without stress. The sage sees the results of any endeavor before they are done and does it effortlessly knowing all phases of completion. The sage is not troubled by calamity choosing fortune, profit or harm foreseeing them before they occur and choses to live in the joy of the Tao and its presence.