



CHINA and the







"The Middle Kingdom":

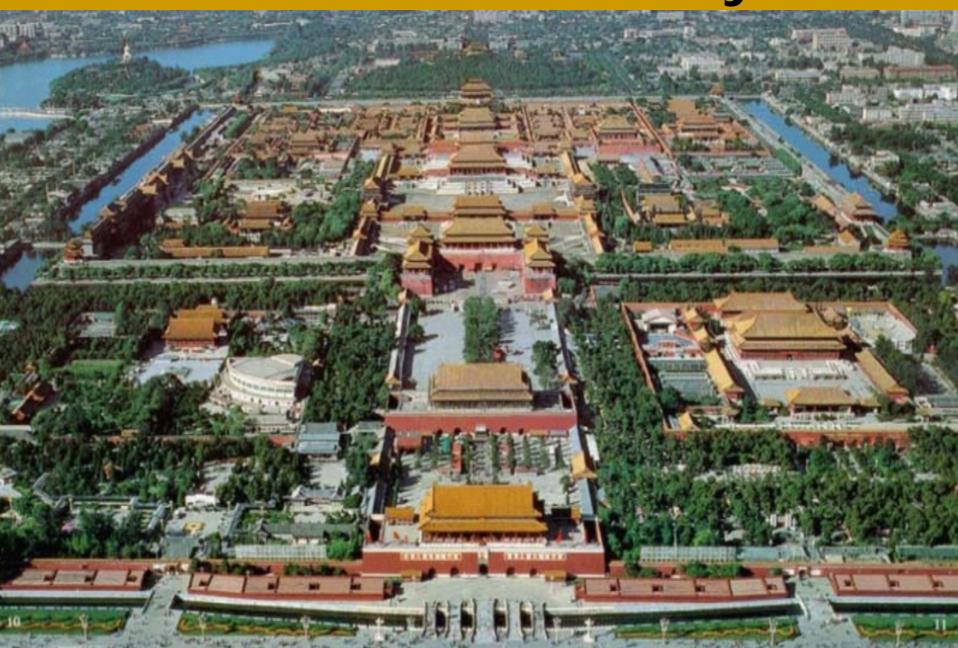
"The centre of the world"?

Innate Sense of Superiority

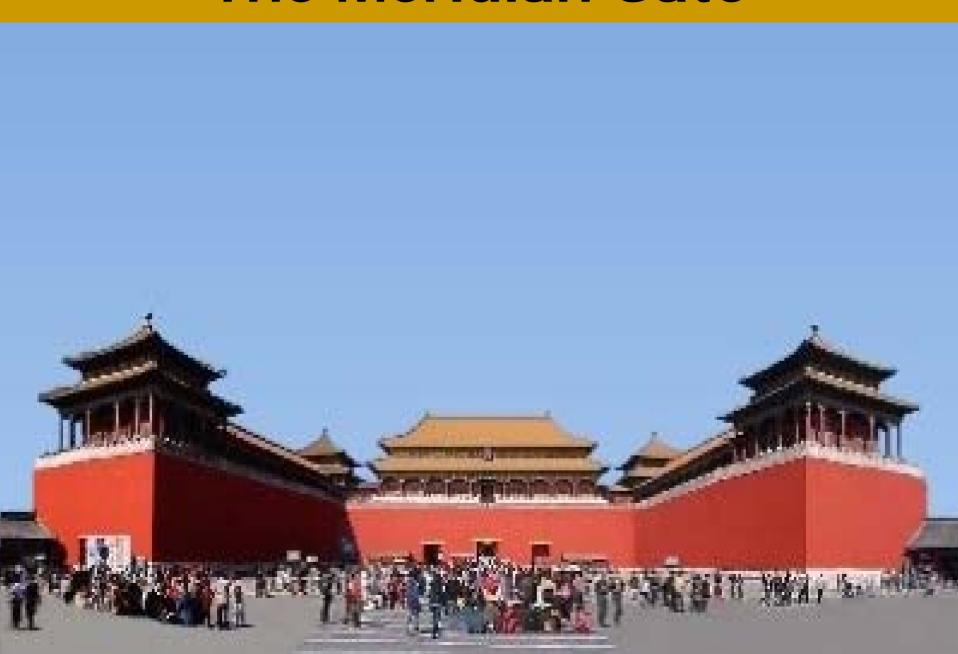
Newly Acquired Economic Power

Threat to the World!?

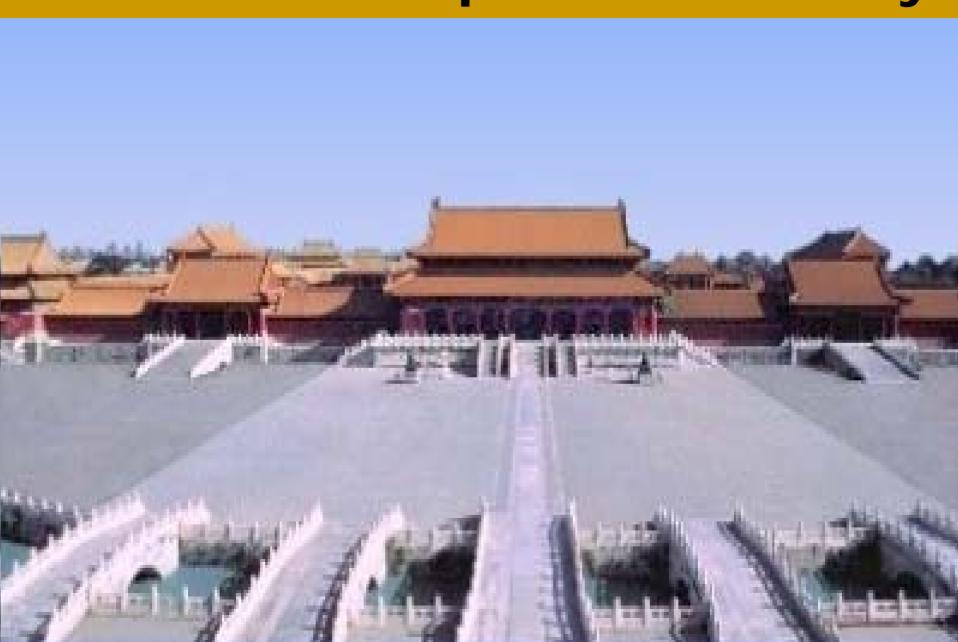
The Forbidden City



The Meridian Gate

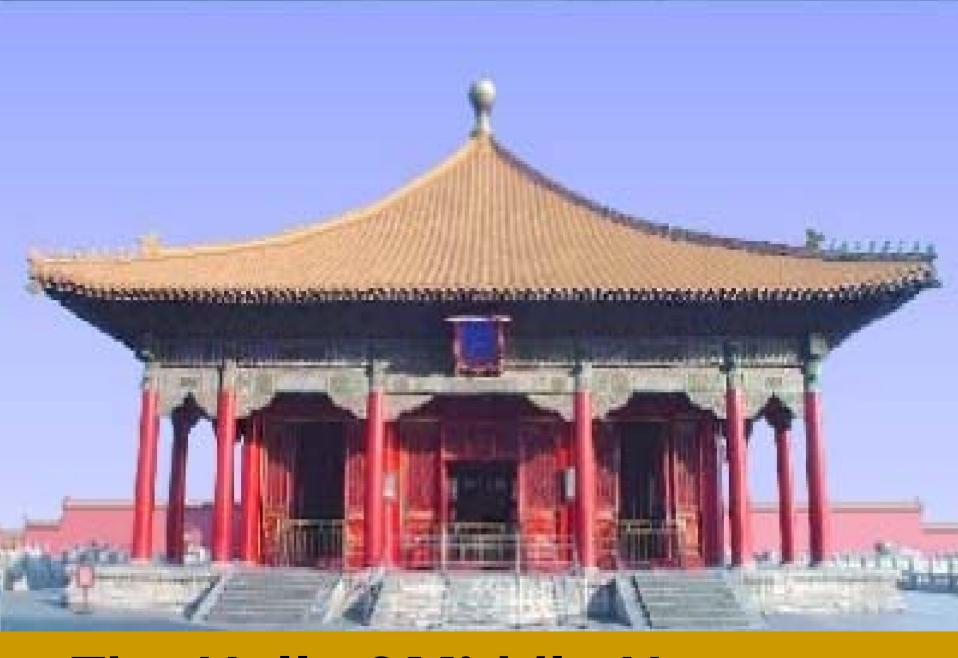


The Gate of Supreme Harmony





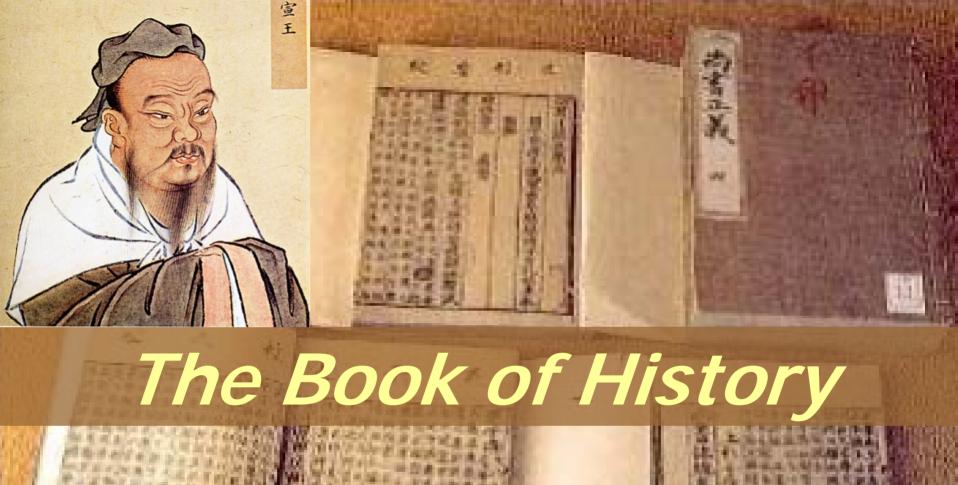
The Hall of Supreme Harmony



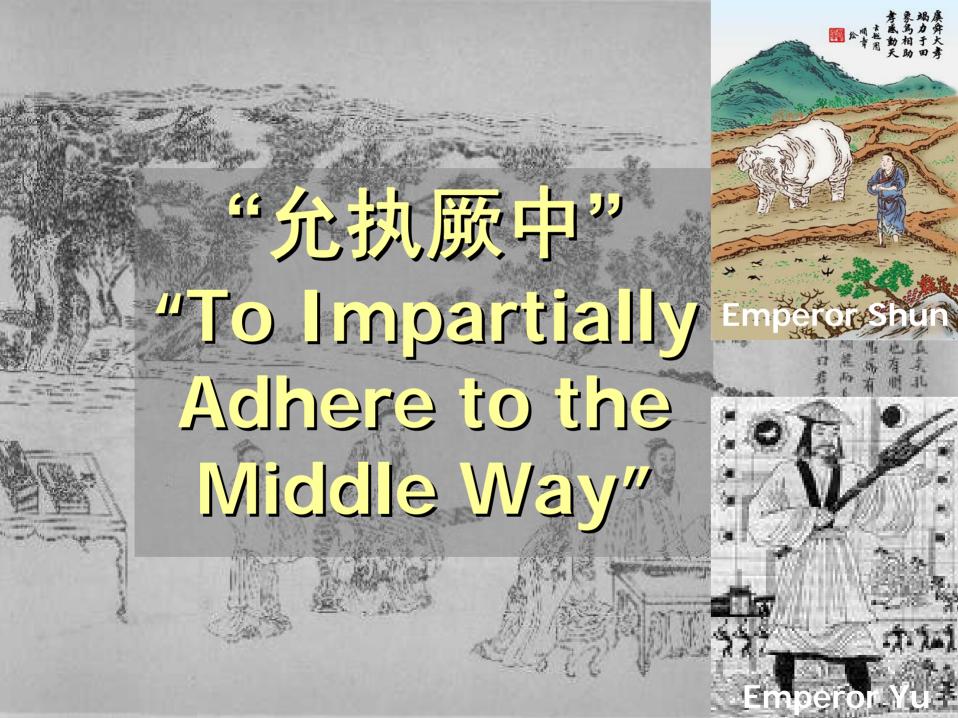
The Hall of Middle Harmony





















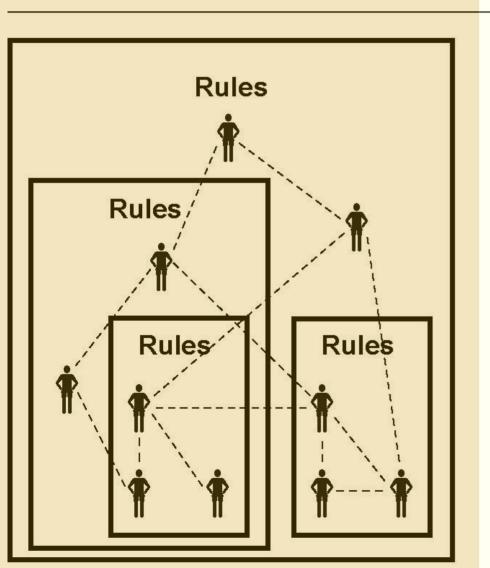


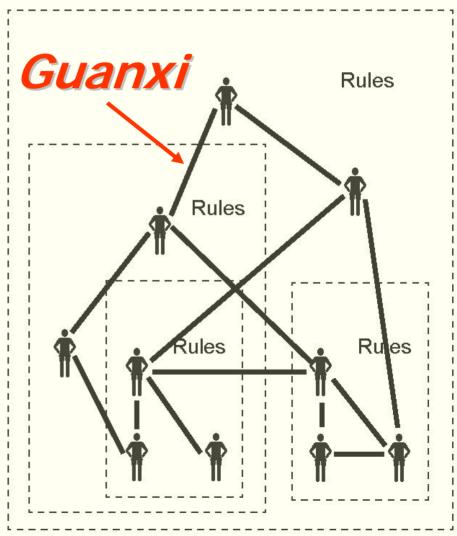
A Philosophy that Seeks to **Avoid Extremes** and Hold a Balanced, Moderate Position.



Social Structure Contrast

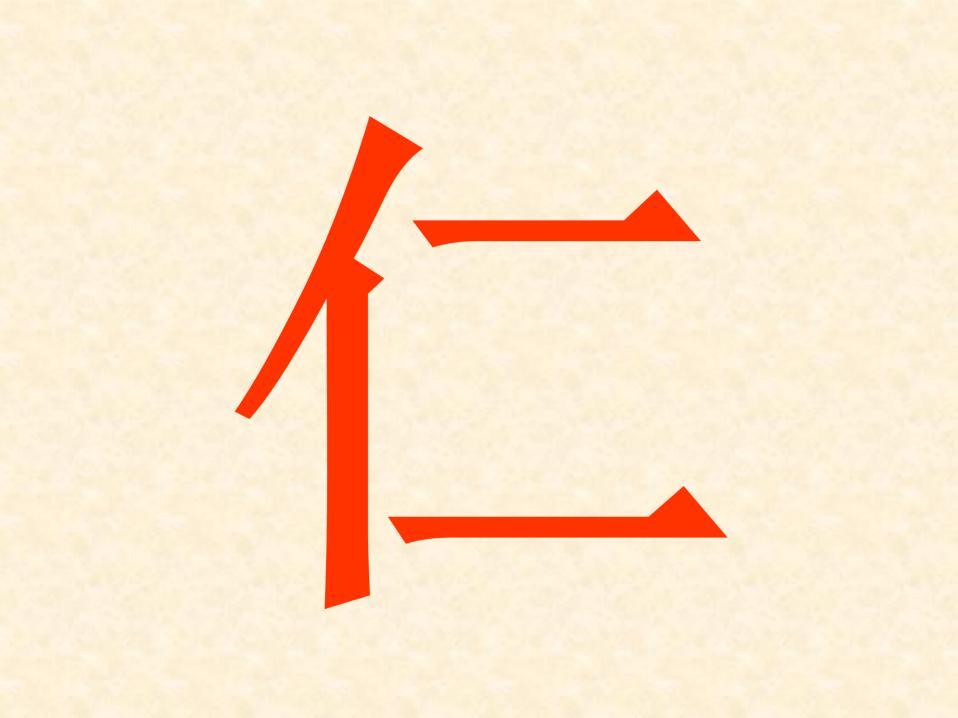
West



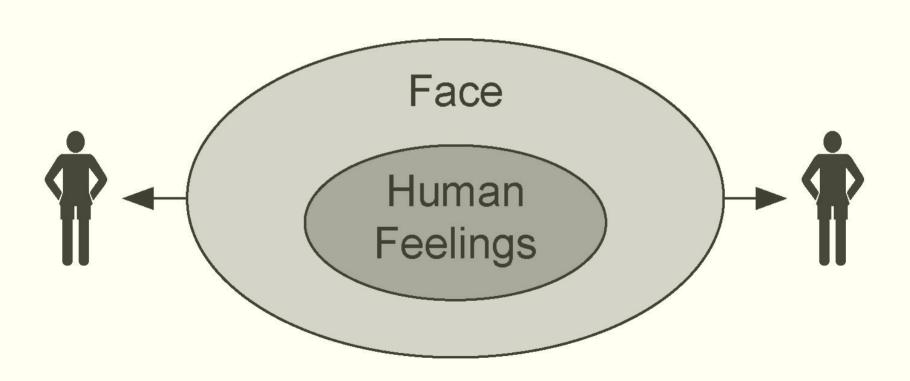


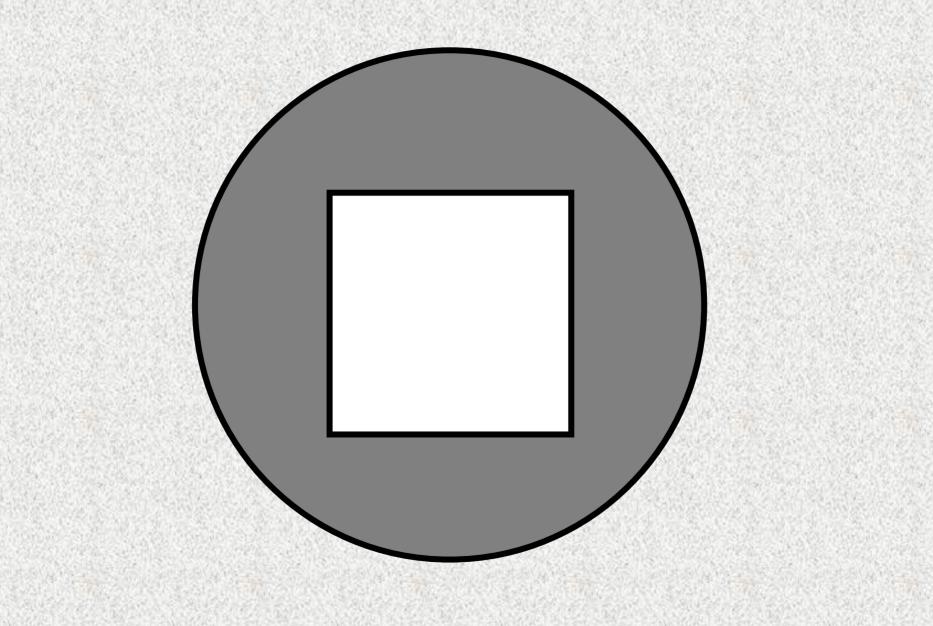






Chinese Concept of *Guanxi*





无欲则刚; 有容乃大。

Without expectations, you will be strong; with tolerance, you will be big.

"Before marriage know your partner's weaknesses; in marriage use your partner's strengths."

- Chinese proverb

"Virtue is the root; wealth is the consequence."

- Confucius, 500 BC

"Without self-interest, your interests succeed."

- Lao Tzu, 500 BC

"We may compare the superior man to an archer. When the archer fails to hit the target, he blames himself for being unskilled."

- Confucius, 500 BC























