

zhong- constancy, loyalty

"zhong does not imply blind obedience ...it meant 'doing one's best for' Conscientiousness."

Dawson, Raymond. (trans.) (1993) Confucius: The Analects. New York: Oxford University Press, xxi-xxvii.

Wisdom from *The Analects*:

12:16

The Master said:"The gentleman brings to completion the fine qualities in others and does not bring to completion the bad qualities in others. The small man does the opposite of this.

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The Master said: "Every day I examine my character in three respects: am I disloyal in my designs for others, am I untrustworthy in my dealings with friends, have I failed to practice what has been passed on to me?"

Read "A Friend Advises Me to Stop Drinking" Chinese Poem

Read "The Tiger's Whisker" Korean Folktale

How does the friend in the poem prove his loyalty?
How does Yun Ok, the wife in the story, demonstrate her constancy to her husband?
What bad qualities had to be addressed in these two selections?