

18 公西赤

(小孔子四十二岁)

字子华，鲁国人。以孝敬父母著称。熟习礼仪，善于交际，孔子曾派他出使齐国，并号召弟子向公西赤学习接待宾客之礼。孔子去世后，公西赤全权操持了葬礼。唐玄宗开元二十七年封为「邵伯」，宋真宗大中祥符二年加封「钜野侯」。



18. GONGXI CHI

(42 YEARS YOUNGER THAN CONFUCIUS)

Gongxi Chi, styled Zihua, was a native of the State of Lu. He was noted for his filiality, knowledge of ceremonies and facility of communication. Confucius once sent him to the State of Qi as an envoy, and asked his other disciples to learn the protocol for receiving guests from him. Gongxi Chi was put in charge of the master's funeral. In the 27th year of the Kaiyuan reign period of Emperor Xuanzong of the Tang Dynasty, he received the title of Count Shao; and in the second year of the Dazhong Xiangfu reign period of Emperor Zhenzong of the Song Dynasty, Duke Juye.