

字子循，春秋末年蔡国人。唐玄宗开元二十七年追封为「曹伯」，宋真宗大中祥符二年加封为「上蔡侯」，明世宗嘉靖九年改称「先贤曹子」。

37 曹卣 (小孔子五十岁)



37. CAO XU

(50 YEARS YOUNGER THAN CONFUCIUS)

Cao Xu, styled Zixun, was a native of the State of Lu. In the 27th year of the Kaiyuan reign period of Emperor Xuanzong of the Tang Dynasty he received the title of Count Cao; in the second year of the Dazhong Xiangfu reign period of Emperor Zhenzong of the Song Dynasty, Duke Shangcai; and in the ninth year of the Jiajing reign period of Emperor Shizong of the Ming Dynasty, Ancient Sage Cao Zi.