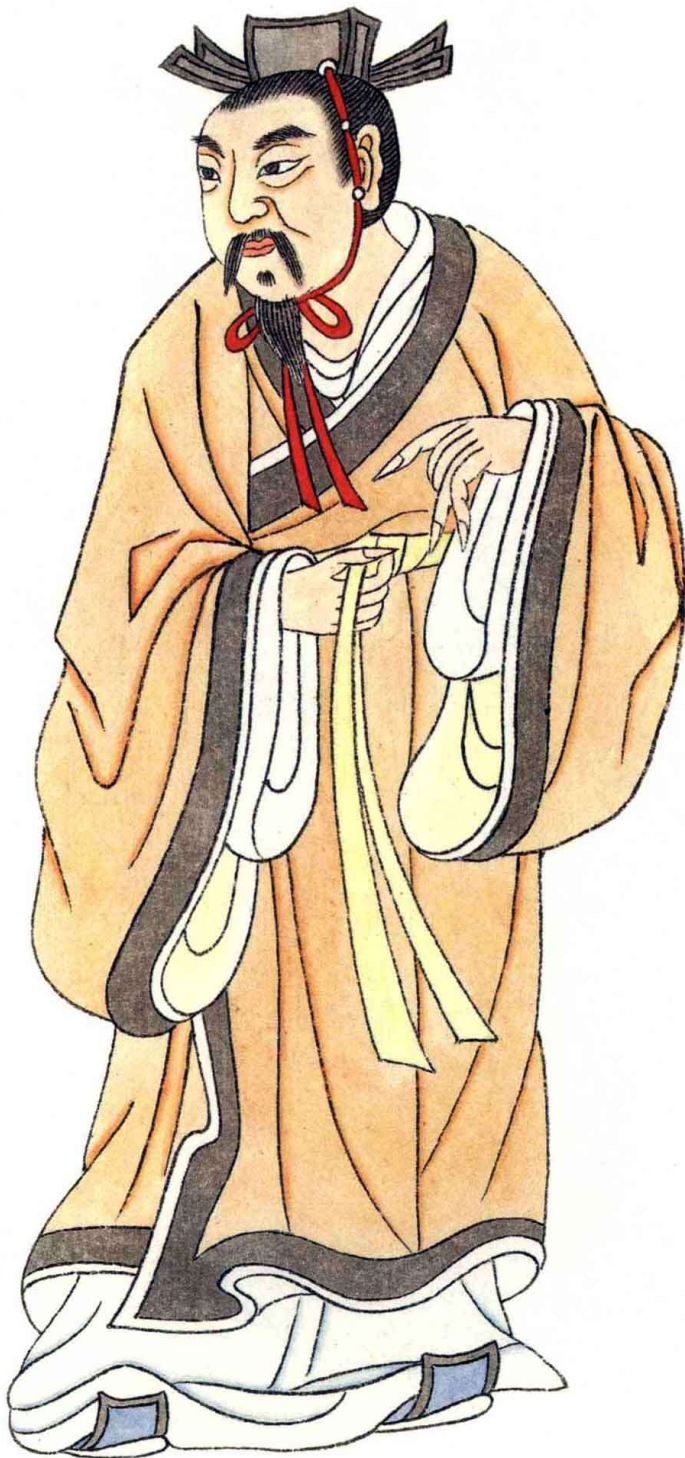


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25 商瞿 (小孔子二十九岁)



25. SHANG QU

(29 YEARS YOUNGER THAN CONFUCIUS)

Shang Qu, styled Zimu, was a native of the State of Lu. He studied very hard, and devoted himself to the study of the *Book of Changes*. Accordingly, Confucius taught him the quintessence of the *Book of Changes* so that he could pass on this ancient classic to the next generation. Legend has it that this classic was passed to Tian He, eight generations later in the Western Han Dynasty. In the 27th year of the Kaiyuan reign period of Emperor Xuanzong of the Tang Dynasty, Shang Qu was given the title of Count Meng; in the second year of the Dazhong Xiangfu reign period of Emperor Zhenzong of the Song Dynasty, Duke Xuchang; and in the ninth year of the Jiajing reign period of Emperor Shizong of the Ming Dynasty, Ancient Sage Shang Zi.