

Book Review: Good Luck By Chan Chi Chung

Have you ever been in a situation that you find things not going your way? Have you ever been so depressed that you are ready to give up? I think everybody must have this kind of experience before.

As for me, it was last year in May. My tests were coming up and I was not yet ready for them. I could not understand lots of questions in the syllabus. My parents prepared everything for my tests, work books, homework, essays and lots more. I was just thinking, how I could finish so much homework and how they would be able to mark them all.

Time after time, people have been studying and studying. The fact is why teachers give out tests for children that do not even want the tests themselves?

Finally the tests came. One by one, I did the questions. Several of them I have never learned before and some I did. I was still wondering why children should face tests. The way back home seemed to be longer than ever. When I was home, my mother asked me, "How's your test? What score you think you'll get?" I did not answer. In fact, I dared not answer. If I said, "I think its OK." my parents might think I will get good mark for the test. If I said, "No I don't think so." they might think that I will fail. How could I tell before the result actually announce?

Day after day, I did many more tests. I was thinking of what marks I would get. Finally the results came to my class. When I looked at my test scores, I was shocked to see that I got one subject failed. My negative thought came to me, it invaded my other thoughts. On my way back home, I was very quiet. Thinking how dare should I to tell my parents that I failed. Sat in the school bus very annoyed, everything seemed to be disagreeable with me.

When I was home, I told my mother that I failed. I was ready for my mother's punishment - beating me hard may be. When I was doing my homework, the test results were still lingering in my mind. I thought luck

was not on my side. But actually it was luck that I relied too much on. I believed that luck will come whenever I pray to God.

After that I worked hard for all other tests in class. Finally one day, I got a credit in my computer test. I wanted to fly straight back home to tell my mother. Sitting in the school bus, everything seemed so beautiful. The sky was bluer than usual and the other kids seemed more agreeable. I told my mother the good news right after I stepped in the door. She told me to keep it up and she will buy me something good.

Guess what that "something good" was? My mother bought me a book called "Good Luck". I found the book very interesting. The situation in the book just applied to me but in another version. I fully agree with it. I learned that luck come by chance only lasts for a while, but Good Luck that come together with hard work and creating new conditions will last forever if I care to keep it up.

In the book, Nott and Sid both set out to find the magic clover. Both Nott and Sid asked the gods in the forest for help. Only that Nott did not try to find the reasons why magic clover never grew in the enchanted forest. Whereas, Sid, the other knight not only asked the same questions to the gods that they met, but also created the new conditions suitable for the magic clover to grow and kept on looking for the missing outs. So at last, Sid had the magic clover to give to Merlin, the wisest wizard.

Now that I understand what I did wrong in the test before and I know Good Luck will come to my way if I create the necessary conditions, to me is working hard.

The most important thing with "Good Luck" is:

*Good Luck never comes by chance.
It comes by creating new conditions and keeps on improving,
so get everything ready for the arrival of "Good Luck".
Try your best and God will do the rest.*

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