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# 兩晉時期的符瑞、災異思想

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## 摘 要

符瑞、災異是天人相應思想中的兩個組成要件。符瑞的作用在證明政權的合理性 ,災異的作用在約束君或臣的濫權。兩晉時期符瑞、災異思想頗爲盛行,當時對於符 瑞的運用,有下列四種方式:一、用以合理化晉代政權的建立。二、用以合理化對政 權的篡奪。三、用以合理化承繼帝位,四、用以合理化政權的永恒性。對於災異的處 置與運用,則有下列三種方式:一、君主因災異下詔責己或責臣。二、臣因災異被策 免或上疏引咎遜位。三、臣藉災異上疏諫君或責臣。

符瑞、災異思想在兩晉之所以仍具影響力,其原因有二,一是由於兩晉帝位的承 繼常有不合於傳統的繼位方式,需要符瑞證明其合理性,二是當時道教、卜筮、占候 等宗教、衞數思想的盛行。

關鍵詞:晉、符瑞、災異

## 前言

天人相應思想是兩漢思想的主流,然而隨著漢代的結束及玄學的興起,天人相應思想在魏晉時期似乎也被部分人認爲是走入破產的結局<sup>(1)</sup>。就現存文獻資料來看,破產之說並不合乎事實,相反的是在魏晉時期仍具有極大的影響力。拙著〈三國時期的天命思想〉一文中已說明天人相應思想在三國時期仍具影響力<sup>(2)</sup>,故本文僅以兩晉爲討論斷限。至於討論的範圍則以天人相應思想中兩個重要組成要件符瑞、災異爲限。

本文之論述大抵循者下列順序,首先說明符瑞、災異的意義與作用,其次以文獻資料爲主證明 符瑞、災異思想在兩晉時期的運用,最後則探討符瑞、災異思想在兩晉仍然盛行的原因。

#### 符瑞、災異的意義與作用

符瑞又稱符應、符命、瑞應、藏祥……<sup>(3)</sup>,符瑞思想起源甚早,然而將符瑞思想用於天人相應 思想中的爲鄒衍。《史記·孟荀列傳》說:「(鄒衍)稱引天地剖判以來五德轉移,治各有宜,而符應

## **ABSTRACT**

Fu-rui (符瑞) and Zai-yi (災異) Thought during the two Jin (晉) Dynasties

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#### ABSTRACT

Fu-rui and Zai-yi are the two institutions of Tian-jen-xiang -ying (天人相應) related thoughts. The function of Fu-rui is to justify the political power, while the function of Zai-yi is to retrain the monarch and his subjects' excessive power. During the two Jin Dynasties, Fu-rui and Zai-yi was very popular. At that time, for the application of Fu-rui, there were four forms: (1)To the establish reasonable Jin Dynasty's power. (2)To reasonably wrest the political power. (3)To rationalize the heritance of purple. (4)To rationalize the immutability of political power. As for the treatment and application of Zai-yi, there were three ways: (1)The monarch blamed himself or his under subjects (officers) because of Zai-yi. (2)The official was relieved from his post or blamed himself and retired earlier because of Zai-yi. (3)The official wrote a letter to persuade the monarch or blamed himself.

Why the Fu-rui and Zai-yi thoughts were so popular in the two Jin Dynasties, there were two reasons: (1) The heritance of purple in the two Jin Dynasties did not conformity with the traditional heritance way, and it was necessary to justify it with Fu-rui. (2) Taoism and divination were very popular at that time.

Key words: Jin(晉), Fu-rui(符瑞), Zai-yi.(災異)