

De 德 (virtue; manifestations of the *dao*). (1) Generally speaking, in the Chinese tradition, the term ‘*de*’ means human moral virtue. (2) In Daoism (especially in the *Dao-De-Jing*), the term ‘*de*’ is used in its related broad and narrow senses: in its broad sense, it means manifestations of the (metaphysical) *dao*, or individualized *daos*, in particular things of the universe; in its narrow sense, it means the the manifestation of the (metaphysical) *dao* in human beings regarding morality, the human virtue, which endows human beings with the power that distinguishes human beings from other things. See also ***dao***.

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