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Ancient Experience and Medieval Perspective: The Two Attributes of the Samguksagi

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Abstract: *Samguksagi* is the oldest written history of ancient Korea. Therefore, it is safe to say that *Samguksagi* is the official route to the ancient Korea. On top of the historical experience of ancient Koreans, historical episteme of medieval Koreans also takes up a significant amount of the book. In other words, historical experience of ancient Koreans was selectively reconstructed by medieval Koreans on their own perspective. This lecture suggests distinguishing those two attributes in *Samguksagi*, historical experience and historical episteme.

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