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Verse on the Seventy-Seventh line "NA MWO E LI YE"

of the *Great Compassion Mantra* Composed by the Venerable Master Hsuan Hua:

Transforming to appear as Universal Worthy pervading all worlds.

Seated in full lotus and ready with boundless Dharmas,

His hundred-jeweled, wheeled palm smashes the hells.

Amitabha Buddha is the Venerable Host of the Western Paradise.

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The Sutra in Forty-two Sections Spoken by the Buddha

A Simple Explanation by the Venerable Master Hsuan Hua

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Section 28

Don't Indulge the Wild Mind

The Buddha said, "Be careful not to believe your own mind; your mind is not to be believed. Be careful not to get involved with sex; involvement with sex leads to disaster. After you have attained Arhatship, you can believe your own mind."

In the twenty-eighth section, the Buddha says that the mind is like a horse that is difficult to tame and subdue. Then there is sex. Whether you are male or female, you should stay clear of sex. If you don't stay away from it, disasters will arise. From countless eons in the past until the present, however, we living beings have let our passions and desires run away with us, and thus we keep turning in the six destinies of samsara. We are unable to realize Arhatship because we are continually caught up in ignorance, views of emotional love, and pride. Therefore, we shouldn't believe our own thoughts. We cannot be careless and inattentive. We must be careful not to get involved with sex. We must not believe our own minds.

The Buddha said, "Be careful not to believe your own mind." Don't listen to the thoughts in your mind; don't believe the things you're thinking. You should be extremely careful not to believe your own

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意馬莫縱

佛言。慎勿信汝意。汝意不可信。 慎勿與色會。色會即禍生。得阿 羅漢已。乃可信汝意。

「佛言」:佛説了,「慎勿信汝意」:你不要聽你自己意念的話,你不要信你自己所想的東



西,所以說你要特别謹慎一點, 特别小心一點,不要信你的意念 和你的意思。「汝意不可信」: 你那心意是靠不住的,不可以相 信的。

第二十九章

正觀敵色

佛言。慎勿視女色。亦莫共言語。若與語者。正心思念。我為沙門。處於濁世。當如蓮華。不為泥污。 想其老者如母。長者如姊。少者如妹。稚者如子。生度脱心。息 滅惡念。

 mind. Your mind is not to be believed. Your mind is unreliable, and cannot be trusted.

You must be careful not to get involved with sex; involvement with sex leads to disaster. Be extremely careful not to become attached to beautiful appearances. If you get too deeply involved in beautiful appearances, disasters are bound to occur. After you have attained Arhatship, you can believe your own mind. After you have realized Arhatship and cut off afflictions of views and thought, you can believe in your mind a little more than before. But you still shouldn't believe in it too much.

Section 29

Proper Contemplation Counteracts Sexual Desire

The Buddha said, "Be careful not to look at women, and do not talk with them. If you must speak with them, be properly mindful and think, 'I am a Shramana living in a turbid world. I should be like the lotus flower, which is not stained by the mud.' Think of elderly women as your mothers, of those who are older than you as your elder sisters, of those who are younger as your younger sisters, and of very young girls as your daughters. Bring forth thoughts to rescue them, and put an end to bad thoughts."

The twenty-ninth section explains that men should stay far away from women, and that women should stay far away from men to prevent any mistakes from happening. This is using the method of "bringing forth the good and ending the bad" to combat love and desire. So one is said to be like a lotus flower. This analogy can apply to men as well as to women. The lotus flower grows from the

就會正了。你念頭一正了,這就 是自利了。你要是看見老的女 人,就像母親似的;女人看老的 男人,就像自己的父親似的。如 果男人看見女人和自己差不多 年齡的,或者比自己稍微大一點 的,就作為自己的姊姊這麼樣觀 想。要是比自己年輕的,就好像 自己的妹妹似的。若是小孩子, 就像看自己的小孩子一樣,要發 心來度脱他。你發心來度脱他, 你有一種慈悲心, 這就是利他。 你既然自利,又能利他,這種自 利利他的行為相應了,那麼惡念 自然就沒有了,也就沒有那麼多 妄想了。

「佛言,慎勿視女色」:這是 男人對女人,才這麼樣說;女人 對男人,就可以說是慎勿視男 色,可以相反過來說。「亦莫共 言語」:也不可以和他(她)在 一起來講話,不要說是開玩笑 了,連講話都不可以的。「若與 語者」:或者有什麼事情應該說 話時,那怎麼辦呢?若與語者, 就是有事情在一起,應該講話的 時候,又怎麼樣呢?「正心思 念」:就是不要有邪心,要有正 心。「我為沙門」:男人就說我 爲沙門,我爲比丘;女人就說我 是比丘尼。「處於濁世」:不論 男的、女的都是處在這五濁惡世 上,「當如蓮華」:這五濁惡世 是一個不乾淨的地方,但我們應 該像蓮華一樣。男的,也可用蓮 華來比喻;女的,也可以用蓮華

mud, but is not defiled or soiled by it. Think this way and your mind will be proper. This is the way to help yourself out. Men should regard elderly women as their own mothers, and women should regard elderly men as their own fathers. Men should see women who are the same age as they are, or slightly older, as their own elder sisters; and they should see women who are younger than they are as their younger sisters. They should view all children as they would their own and resolve to take them all across. By resolving to cross them over, you are being compassionate, and you are benefiting others. Since you can benefit yourself and also benefit others, the mutually beneficial behavior will bring a response, and your evil thoughts will naturally disappear. You will also have fewer discursive thoughts.

The Buddha said, "Be careful not to look at women, and do not talk with **them."** The Buddha is teaching men how to act towards women. For women in relation to men, he would say, "Be careful not to look at men, and do not talk with them." You can't get together with members of the opposite sex and chat. Not to mention joking around with them, you shouldn't even speak with them. If you must speak with them, be properly mindful and think, "1 am a Shramana living in a turbid world. I should be like the lotus flower, which is not stained by the mud." Now, if there is a situation where it is necessary to speak with a member of the opposite sex, what do you do? You shouldn't have improper thoughts; you should be proper and mindful. A man should think, "I am a Shramana, a Bhikshu..." and a woman should think, "I am a Bhikshuni..." Regardless of whether we are men or women, we are all living in the Evil World of the Five Turbidities. Although this turbid, evil world is an unclean place, we should be like lotus flowers. Men can be compared to lotus flowers, and

來比喻。「不為泥污」:蓮華生 在泥裏頭,可是不為泥所染污, 它是出汙泥而不染的。

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so can women. The lotus grows in the mud and yet is not defiled by the mud. It is born from the mud, but the mud does not stain it

"Think of elderly women as your mothers." Women who are older than I am are my mothers; men who are older than I am are my fathers." Think of older people in this way. Think of those who are older than you as your elder sisters. "Women who are slightly older than I am are like my elder sisters; men who are slightly older than I am are like my elder brothers." Think of those who are younger as your younger sisters. "Those who are younger than I am are like my little sisters." That's how men should see women. And how should women see men? They should think, "Those who are younger than I am are just like my little brothers."

And think of very young girls as your daughters. You should consider children who are ten years old or younger as your own sons and daughters. Bring forth thoughts to rescue them. So no matter whether it is your father or your mother, your older brother or sister, or your younger brother or sister, you should resolve to rescue them all, so they can leave suffering and attain bliss. And you should put an end to bad thoughts. Then you will be able to stop having evil and deviant thoughts, particularly thoughts of sexual desire.

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Wondrous Awakening Assembly Hall, the main hall, will be approximately 60,000 square feet. The Venerable Hua Memorial Library will be home to precious Buddhist scriptures. Other facilities include, dormitories, classrooms, offices, dining hall and kitchen.

This challenging project will require our greatest effort. If you have skills in planning, architectural design, engineering, construction, project management, accounting, law or other related fields, and wish to be part of this special endeavor, please let us know. Support of all kinds is welcomed. For more information, please contact the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas or DRBA branch Way Places. Phone number: (707) 391-5939. Email address: project@drba.org.

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Dharma Master Dao An

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當時就有一些比丘不守規矩,其中有一位比丘,就去喝酒, 喝醉了回來,他就發酒瘋,就是 醉了回來就罵人。法遇法師知道 了,他就打犯酒戒的這位和尚一 (Continued from issue #163)

Dharma Master Dao An had a disciple called Shr Fa Yu ("Dharma Encounter"). Before Shr Fa Yu left the home-life, he would drink wine and eat meat and indulge in all sorts of bad behaviors. He could probably be likened to the average young American of today. If there were anything bad out there, he would be experiencing it firsthand. Later, inadvertently, he heard Dharma Master Dao An lecturing the Sutras. When he heard the Master, he said: "Oh! This is more wonderful than anything else." Thereupon, he left the home-life and followed Dharma Master Dao An in cultivation. He was very intelligent, and soon he began to lecture the Sutras and speak the Dharma. Later on, many came to follow and study under him.

Among them, there were some unruly monks. One of them went out to have a drink and eventually got quite drunk. Upon the monk's return, he began scolding people. After Dharma Master Fa Yu heard about it, he beat the monk who had broken the precept against drinking wine.

頓,但是打完了,他沒有趕他 走,沒有攆他走。有人就傳到道 安法師那邊去,道安給他寄了 一個竹筒子,這個筒子裡邊放 了一個荆子,寄給這位法遇法 師。法遇法師打開這個一看,知 道道安法師是要罰他,於是乎 就鳴鐘打鼓的集眾,把大家都 招集到一起,他就告訴維那說: 「我現在真是有罪啊,和尚離 我這這麼遠〔當時有幾百里路 遠),唉!我做的事情不對,令 和尚來憂心,我真是有罪過。」 於是,就跪到佛前,叫維那拿起 香板,就打他三香板。法遇法師 就痛哭流涕的説:「我真是一個 不肖的徒弟,令師父這麼遠都 來分神。」就生大慚愧。又過了 一個時期,他帶著很多比丘在 這兒修行,他也結跏趺坐向大 家告假,說:「我的事情已經完 了,我要走了。」那麼坐在那兒, 就走了。你們聽了很多,坐在這 **兒地方就走的**,有那一位將來 也試一試看。

Nevertheless, he did not send him away or get rid of him. Later, someone reported the incident to Dharma Master Dao An. As a result. Dao An sent a bamboo tube to Dharma Master Fa Yu. Inside the tube was a thorn. When Dharma Master Fa Yu opened the tube and saw it, he understood that Dharma Master Dao An wanted to reprimand him. Subsequently, he hit the bell and beat the drum to draw the assembly together. After everyone had arrived, he said to the Wei No (leader of the assembly): "I have truly committed an offense. I have committed a wrongdoing and have caused the High Master to worry from a long distance several hundred miles away. I'm truly at fault." Then he knelt before the Buddha image and asked the Wei No to hit him three times with the incense board. After that, Dharma Master Fa Yu cried with extreme grief and said: "I'm such an unfilial disciple. I have disquieted Shr Fu (Teacher) who lives so far from here." With that, he brought forth great shame and remorse. After a period of time, he brought many monks to cultivate at that place. Sitting in full lotus, he bade everyone farewell, saying, "My work is done, I will leave now," and he sat and passed away. All of you have heard of a great many who have sat and "departed." Which of you will try it out in the future?

Tomorrow is the first day of the first lunar month in China. A doctor had planned to take refuge here. He probably thought about it for a year and a half or two years before he made up his mind. Last time, he had a special state. What special state was that? It was a crying state. What was he crying about? Perhaps he cried that he had not taken refuge earlier. That's why he asked again if he could still take refuge or not. Originally, I planned to tell them that I would not give my consent. Then I thought about how hard he had cried, and now I have agreed.

在明天,他來皈依,這是一個消 息。

在中國佛教襄頭,道安法師 的功德是很大的,雖然他的相貌 醜陋,可是等到他弘法的時候, 他的緣特别的廣大。不信佛的, 信佛了;不願修行的比丘,見到 他也高興修行,相貌雖然是醜 陋,但是對人人卻很有人緣的。

所以他講經說法的法座非 常莊嚴,設備非常美麗,裏邊有 幢幡寶蓋,又有金佛像,又有刺 繡的佛像,又有書的佛像,書得 很美麗很莊嚴,所以到那兒聽經 的人都肅然起敬,都生一種恭敬 心。那麼其中就有一個佛像,是 外國送給他的,這個佛像大約雕 刻的手工不很好,所以一般人對 這個佛像不恭敬,就說這個佛像 造得不好。他就說了:「這佛像 本來也不錯,造得過得去,唯獨 頭上無見頂的肉髻相造得不太 好。」就叫徒弟生上爐,把肉髻 再往好的做一做。這個徒弟就好 好的做這個肉髻像,就用這個磨 石來磨,一磨這像就放光了,晚 間不用燈,它就照得很光很光 的。

一般人到那裏仔細一看,肉 髻裏邊有一個佛的舍利子在放 光,所以當時的人就說:「哦! 難怪安公法師叫磨這個肉髻頂, 一定是法師他知道這肉髻裏邊 有一個舍利子。」所以一般人對 Therefore, tomorrow he will come to take refuge. This is a news announcement.

In Chinese Buddhism, Dharma Master Dao An's merit and virtue was very great. Although his features were ugly, when he propagated the Dharma, his affinities were great and vast. Those who did not previously believe in the Buddha came to believe in the Buddha and those monks who were unwilling to cultivate before started to happily cultivate upon seeing the Master. His countenance may have been ugly, but he had affinities with many people.

Because of that, the Master's dharma seat was very adorned and exquisite. It was decorated with banners, jeweled canopies, golden Buddha images, embroidered Buddha images, and painted pictures of the Buddha images. It was most beautiful and adorned. Therefore, when people went to listen to Sutra lectures, they would bring forth most respectful minds. However, there was one Buddha image there that was a gift from a foreigner. Perhaps the craftsmanship of that image was not very good; it was not respected by the majority of visitors. They said that particular Buddha image was not done well. The Master said: "The craftsmanship of this Buddha image basically is not bad. It is just the flesh mound at the crown of his head that was not done so well." So he asked one of his disciples to heat up the furnace and redo the flesh mound at the crown of the Buddha's head to make it look better. The disciple followed the instructions and used a whetstone to polish it. As soon as the crown was polished, the image emitted light that was so bright that one need not use a lamp at night. The light shining from it was very, very bright.

People then looked into this in further detail. Inside the flesh crown of the Buddha image was a sharira emitting light. Therefore people at the time all said, "Oh! No wonder that Elder Dharma Master An asked that the flesh mound of the crown to be polished. He must have

他更相信了。道安法師當時收 了很多徒弟,他的徒弟有很多 開悟,很多都有道德,所以後 來的人,也都對道安法師很崇 拜。

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known already that there was a sharira inside." Then people came to believe in him even more. Dharma Master Dao An had taken in a lot of disciples: Many gained enlightenment, and many had virtue of the Way. Because of this, those people who came later all admired and adored Dharma Master Dao An.

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(六) 諸根不具者,使完具之 願〔七〕除眾生一切疾病,使 身心安樂證得無上菩提之願 [八]轉女成男之願[九] 使諸有情解脱天魔外道纏縛, 邪思惡見之稠林,引攝正見之 願〔十〕解脱眾生爲惡王劫 賊等橫難之願 [十一] 饑渴 之眾生使得上妙飲食之願 [十二] 貧乏無衣者使得妙 衣具之願。其悲願廣大不可思 議!滿足眾生入世出世之諸 般要求,皆得圓滿,「幽冥眾 生,悉蒙開曉,隨意所趣,作 諸事業。」故其法門注重度生, 滅罪增福, 隨願所求, 利益現 世眾生。

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The sixth vow is to perfect the faculties of living beings who are imperfect. The seventh vow is to eradicate all illnesses and make living beings peaceful and happy in body and mind, and eventually realize unsurpassed Bodhi. The eight vow is to grant women their wish to turn from women into men. The ninth vow is to liberate living beings from the nets of demons and the bonds of external sects and to lead those with evil views to have proper views. The tenth vow is to liberate living beings from the grief resulting from legal issues and disasters. The eleventh vow is to alleviate living beings' sufferings from starvation and thirst. The twelfth vow is to provide wonderful garments to the unfortunate.

These compassionate vows are so inconceivably great and expansive. They fulfill every living being's entreaties, whether transcendental or otherwise. ..." Sentient beings from the dark realms are instructed, and receive awakening. According to their intentions, various matters will be accomplished..." We can see how this dharma door emphasizes on crossing over living beings: by wiping away offenses, increasing blessings, and benefiting living beings according to their wish.

With his twelve great vows, Medicine Master Buddha crosses over living beings in thousands and ten thousands of millions. He alleviates their sorrows and difficulties, their worries and afflictions, their sicknesses and pain. He bestows cures based on affinities, having the best dharma medicine. If we can cultivate in accordance to the dharma door of Medicine Master Buddha, setting great vows, doing great practices, accumulating blessings and virtue, maintaining purity and brilliance in body and mind, in accord with the vows of Medicine Master Buddha, then there will be peace and harmony in the world; society will be safe and happy If this occurs, then it is possible for our Saha world to be transformed into a pure and adorned Vaidurya Pure Land.

東方淨土之敎主一藥師琉璃光如來

Medicine Master Vaidurya Light Tathagatha – The Teaching Host of the Eastern Pure Land

藥師琉璃大醫王, 十二大願妙難量。 燄網莊嚴超日月, 晝夜六時降吉祥。

十一月四日逢藥師佛誕, 金輪寺居士佛友們誦經禮懺, 來讚歎藥師佛的功德,學習其 悲心大願,以祈消災免難,增 長福壽。

夫釋迦世尊悲憫眾生業 重難以救拔。乃因機利導,以 無量教門,攝化眾生。故示演 阿彌陀經之後,即復繼以藥師 琉璃光如來本願經,使世人知 Medicine Master Vaidurya, the Great Medicine King
Twelve great vows wondrous beyond measure
Adorned with blazing nets brighter
than the sun and the moon
Bestowing auspiciousness in the six periods of
the day and night.

November fourth was the birthday of Medicine Master Buddha. In celebration of this occasion, the great assembly at Gold Wheel Monastery recited the sutra and bowed repentance in praise of the merit and virtue of Medicine Master Buddha. At the same time, they also learned how the great vows of Medicine Master Buddha were born from great compassion. They beseeched the Tathagatha to eradicate disasters and to increase blessings and longevity.

Medicine Master Vaidurya Light Tathagatha is, in fact, Medicine Master Buddha. He is called Medicine Master due to his ability to alleviate the sufferings of the multitude through Dharma cures. It is stated in the Medicine Master Sutra: "Passing from here to the east, beyond Buddhalands numerous as the sand grains in ten Ganges rivers, is a world called Pure Vaidurya. The Buddha there is named Medicine Master Vaidurya Light Tathagatha. "Vaidurya (lapis lazuli) is a precious gem that is bright and clear. It symbolizes the Buddha's pure and radiant merit and virtue. Hence, the Teaching Host of Vaidurya Land in the East has a body as clear and transparent as vaidurya, free of blemishes and defilements, and its light is vastly radiant. He prescribed medicines expediently; replete with accomplishments, he is honored as the king of medicine kings. Therefore, he is called Medicine Master Vaidurya Light Tathagatha. To his right and left are two great knights -- Universally Radiant Sun Bodhisattva and Universally Radiant Moon Bodhisattva, who assist him in teaching and transforming living beings.

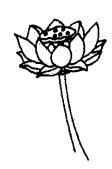
Shakyamuni Buddha took great pity on all living beings who are weighed down by heavy karma and are difficult to save. He utilized countless teaching methods to gather in and transform them as causes and opportunities arise. After concluding the Amitabha Sutra, he continued with the Medicine

 Master Sutra to introduce people to the Vaidurya Pure Land in the East. Furthermore, he placed the matter of quelling disasters and lengthening life in the hands of Medicine Master Buddha of the Eastern Pure Land, and the matter of bringing the deceased to rebirth in the hands of Amitabha Buddha of the Western Pure Land. Among the four directions (East, West North and South), East comes first. It equates with spring – the first among the four seasons, when myriad living things burst with exuberance. Hence, the dharma door of lengthening life and quelling disasters is given to the Medicine Master of the Eastern Pure Land. The West equates with autumn, characterized by falling leaves and desolate scenes. Hence, the dharma door of crossing over the deceased to rebirth is assigned to Amitabha Buddha of the Western Pure Land.

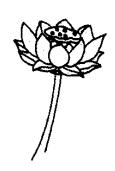
People who practice the Pure Land Dharma Door all look forward to returning to the Western Land of Ultimate Bliss as their final destination. They do not know that there is Medicine Master Buddha's Vaidurya Pure Land in the East, with inconceivable merit and virtue in adornment. It is comparable to the Western Land of Ultimate Bliss. Living beings can go to rebirth in either Buddhaland depending on the power of their vows in addition to their causes and conditions. Therefore, both the matter of lengthening life and the matter of crossing over the deceased are respectively taken care of. Sharing their great power of vows, they reach the same goal, the final shore of enlightenment. For this reason, Medicine Master Buddha is highly revered in China. Many temples and monasteries place him as one of the Three Jeweled Buddhas. The Three Jeweled Buddhas are Shakyamuni Buddha in the middle, Amitabha Buddha to his right, and Medicine Master Buddha to his left. These three Buddhas have become the most honored in China.

Medicine Master Buddha – the teaching host of the Vaidurya Pure Land, is internally adorned with the virtue of wisdom and externally shines with magnificent brightness, thus accomplishing Buddhahood. When he was in the causal ground, he brought forth his Bodhi resolve and made twelve great vows. The first vow is to is to dwell upon the equality shared by Buddhas and living beings. The second vow is to illuminate all living beings with majestic merit and virtue. The third vow is to provide living beings with everything they need and fulfilling all their wishes. The fourth vow is to lead living beings to abide in the Great Vehicle. The fifth vow is to enable living beings who cultivate pure conduct to perfectly uphold the three clusters of precepts without exception.

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文親外出時 On Father Being Away



孔依夷 By Yee-Yi Kung

近來,聽說有位老居士,給他九十高齡的父親祝壽,心裡很是歡喜。因為並不是人人都有這樣的福報,或者,有這樣的福報,可是他也不一定會珍惜。從這件事情,不禁聯想到許許多多。

知道孩子們再不趕緊服藥, 就真的來不及了。為此父親想, 如果我一直留在他們的身邊,那 麼我的孩子們只會不斷的依賴 我,而不會自動服藥。於是慈祥 的父親,離開了家,到遙遠的國 土去,並派人回家報訊,說已經 I rejoiced at the news that recently an old lay person just celebrated his ninety-year-old father's birthday, since it is a rare blessing and not everyone would cherish such a blessing should he possess it. Many things associated with this event, therefore, have occurred to me.

It is documented in the Dharma Flower Sutra that the World Honored One exhausted His incredibly great compassion and great wisdom to teach and transform all sentient beings to enable them to leave birth and death rapidly. Yet, the majority of living beings remain unchanged, not receiving the benefit of His teaching.

An analogy has been drawn as follows: there was a kind father who loved his children dearly in spite of all their ignorance and naughtiness. On the other hand, his children did not pay attention to his advice and continued to play and make merry after they had taken poison. The father was profoundly wise and knew how to detoxify the poison. He gave his children an antidote made to taste delicious in a fragrant soup, but the naughty children ignored him, walking away as they laughed merrily.

The father knew that it would be too late if his children did not take the antidote on time. Therefore, understanding that his children would always tend to rely on him and not take the antidote on their own, the kind father left home for a faraway country. He sent home the news of his death

客死他鄉了。這時,孩子們哭成一團,六神無主,一些還沒有完全迷失心性的,就想起快服了親留下來的湯藥,於是保住了親命。這時,父親聞說孩子們有些已經醫藥了,就非常高興地又,就非常的擔心,所以設下了這個方便法。

這就如同弟子們的法身父 親——上人,深深知道我們的頑 劣,倘若一直陪伴在身邊,我們 一定也無知無覺,不自己站立起 來,所以要有涅槃的境界,來解 除我們的依賴心,這樣的慈悲, 豈是我們所能報答的?然而,若 是我們迷上加迷,且生出多疑, 則如同喪失心性的孩子一般,連 煮好的藥,都不願意喝了。成實 論云:「多疑者,一切世間出世 間事,皆不能成。疑法,不能學 得;疑師,不能敬順之;疑自, 則非學時;生此三疑,是障道之 根本也。起決定心而學者,不可 有此三事。」

父親外出時,正是我們面對 自己的開始,所有一切的努力, 若不能老實承當,那麼,父親回 來時,誰願意面對不可挽救的深 悔呢? in a faraway place. Having heard this news, the children cried in utter shock. A few of them who had not lost their minds, remembered to take their father's antidote and recovered. The father went home happily to explain the expedient means he had adopted.

It is just as the Venerable Master, the father of our dharma bodies, deeply understood our stubbornness and inferiority. He knew that we would not stand on our own feet, being as foolish and ignorant as the naughty children in the story, if he was there for us always. Therefore, the state of entering nirvana was necessary in order to help us stand on our own.

How can we ever replay such kindness? If we obstinately stick to our foolishness and on top of it, suspicion arises, we are the same as those children who lost their minds and did not take the antidote. It is stated in the treatise on Completing Reality, "Those who are suspicious can accomplish neither the worldly dharma nor the transcendental one. Suspecting dharma, one can not learn it. Distrusting the teacher, one is not respectful and obedient. If one has doubts about oneself, that is not the proper time to learn. These three types of suspicion are the fundamentals of obstruction in the Way. Those who have resolved to learn should stay away from these doubts."

When our father is away, it is the beginning of facing ourselves. If we fail to take all his efforts earnestly, when our father returns, who will be inclined to face the deep regret?



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主旨: 通告法界佛教總會興建「國際哲學倫理研究院」的申請案,已於二〇〇二年十二月三日經 加州曼都仙諾郡郡委員通過;敬邀各界踴躍參與,鼎力支持。

緣起: 法界佛教總會創辦人 宣公上人畢生致力於教育、宗教聯合的交流、翻譯經典與增進社會福祉等工作,以傳承佛教固有精神與促進世界和平。他的宏願之一就是籌辦世界性之正法大道場。經過多年努力與詳盡計劃,此方案終於獲得美國當地政府核准興建。

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City of Ten Thousand Buddhas Campus Expansion Plan International Institute of Philosophy and Ethics December 20, 2002

On December 3, 2002, Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approved Dharma Realm Buddhist Association's plan to build the International Institute of Philosophy and Ethics. Venerable Master Hsuan Hua, founder of Dharma Realm Buddhist Association, emphasized education, interfaith exchange, translation and social service in his work to preserve the spiritual heritage of Buddhism and promote world peace. One of his vows was to develop an international center of Proper Dharma. After years of rigorous and extensive planning, the project finally received local government approval.

The mission of the project is

- To promote exchange of religious traditions, philosophies, ethics and cultures, advancing world peace.
- To continue a long-standing tradition of monastic and lay education based on Buddhist principles that seeks to promote universal concepts of humaneness, respect for life and the betterment of society.
- To host multi-faceted educational and social activities to benefit all sentient beings.

The campus expansion will be on the eastern portion of the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas. The project will occupy approximately 14 acres, totaling 332,000 square feet of interior space.

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2003年2月法會時間表 Schedule of Events – February of 2003

∃Sun	—Mon	二Tue	<u>≡</u> Wed	四Thu	五Fri	六 Sat
◎ 禮拜大悲懺 Great Compassion Repentance 1:00 pm 禮拜慈悲三昧水懺 2/1, 2/2 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (農曆新年初一、初二) Compassionate Samadhi Water Repentance						1 初一 慈悲三昧水懺 Compassion Samadhi Water Repentance 8:00 am—4:00 pm
2 慈悲三昧水懺 Compassion Samadhi Water Repentance 8:00 am—4:00 pm	3⊚	4⊚	5⊚ 彌陀同願會念佛共修 Buddha Recitation Group: Cherishing The Same Vows As Amitabha Buddha's 7:00-9:00 pm	6⊚	7⊚	8@
夕 大悲懺 Great Compassion Repentance 8:00 am - 10:00 am	10⊚ 初 十 宣公上人涅槃 每月紀念日 Monthly Memorial Day	11⊚	12⊚ 彌陀同願會念佛共修 Buddha Recitation Group: Cherishing The Same Vows As Amitabha Buddha's 7:00-9:00 pm	<i>13</i> ⊚	<i>14</i> ⊚	15⊚ +£
16 楞嚴法會 Dharma Assembly of Shurangama Mantra 8:00 am - 9:00 am 優婆塞戒經 Lecture on: Upasaka Precepts Sutra 9:00 am - 10:15 am	17⊚	18⊚	19⊚ 彌陀同願會念佛共修 Buddha Recitation Group: Cherishing The Same Vows As Amitabha Buddha's 7:00-9:00 pm	20©	21©	22⊚
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