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THE OBJECTIVE OF THE TAO

*Respect for the universe. Reverence for Gods.
Loyalty to country and execution of
duties.*

*Observance of decorum and etiquette.
Be filial to ones' parents. Attachment to Teacher.*

Trust in friends. Harmony with neighbours.

Eliminate evil and promote goodness.

*Adherence to the Five Tenets of human relationship
and*

the Eight Doctrines of virtue.

*Propagation of the Tenets of religious leaders'
teachings.*

Pursuit of the four ancient rules of conduct.

Cleansing of mind and elimination of worry.

Cultivation of body for spiritual perfection.

Restoration of original nature.

*Development of man's good innate wisdom and
faculties.*

Self-improvement for the improvement of others.

Self-achievement for the achievement of others.

Promotion of world peace and harmony.

Enlightenment of mankind.

Attainment of the unity of mankind and the world.

西元二〇〇二年三月十五日歲次癸未二月十三日（第九屆）印度馬德拉斯

活佛師尊 慈訓

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I K T C D S

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道濟和尚 奉了

申命 來到紅塵 進壇早已參叩

皇申駕 再問聲我這些用心的徒兒們

你們快不快樂呀

IKTCD S

【誠信】訓中訓

微世之塵 顯乎隱

春時雨潤櫻花滿絮 草木皆興

真理細體 至誠無息

西湖地 喜逢春吹添人間歡

萬象道大莫容 觀心海為真諦

賞明花暗柳飛揚 光鮮奪目下自省

世無爭作賢奇 弘毅負任豈逐飄紅塵

懷志繼天立極 英雄有義

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活佛師尊慈悲囑語

▽我長那個樣子嗎？我有那麼肮髒嗎？我以前就是那麼髒啊！在不同的時機就要以不同的形象來融合眾生，影片中的形象是逼不得已。為了能夠接近眾生，唯有瘋瘋顛顛，眾生才喜歡接近你呀！如果你太嚴肅，別人不喜歡接近你。只有瘋顛當中才能夠接近小孩、大人和老人；才能夠渡化更多的人。當初的瘋顛，也是為了這一次白陽期跟眾生結緣。當初的一面之緣，才能夠有今天的相聚。每一個人能成為朋友，成為夫婦，成為父子、母女，成為師徒，也是因為前幾世的因緣，有句話說：「有緣千里來相會，無緣對面不相識。」

▽今天如果不是因為道的存在，你有可能認識他們這些人嗎？如果他們不是為了傳道就不會來這裡，這就叫做緣份。人與人之間的緣份有深有淺，師徒的緣份也是如此，雖然說一日為師終生為父，但是你會不會珍惜師徒之緣？那要看你！雖然今天為師我跟你們膚色不同，不同種族，但是這是因為緣份。追求正確的真理是沒有分種族，沒有分國界的，只要你有心學習，不管你的老師是甚麼人，你都會把握機會，不斷的去提升自己。

▽不知道你們今天聽進了多少的課？那你們今天所學的，在你的人生會不會用到？在哪裡可以用到？（自己，家裏，公司，哪裡都可以用到）今天講師們跟你們講那麼多的道理，是希望你們聽進之後能夠用出來。學了要用才是你的，學了沒用那還不是你的。除了自己用了對自己好之外，還要去利益眾生。

▼（老師慈悲分花給班員）你們看看這些花，開的非常的燦爛！花要開，它才會有價值。人的心要像花一樣開的那麼燦爛，活的才有意義。如果你的人生還有你的心都沒有開，那你的人生就白活了！你的心沒有開，沒有辦法接受眾生、也沒辦法走入眾生的世界。所以送你們「花」是希望你們的心和未來人生，能夠像花一樣開的非常燦爛、非常的成功。這「花」雖然有大有小，但是它的真正意義是一樣的，就是要讓這世界更加美麗，就好像人有年輕的、有年長的，只要你是真的把你的人生，讓這世界更加燦爛，你的價值是同樣的。

▼你們要跟隨甚麼人？（活佛老師）跟隨我不容易啊！我世界各國都要去，要救渡很多人，很辛苦啊！你們怕不怕吃苦？（不怕）世人都喜歡享受，都喜歡過的舒服，生活，過的富有舒適，但是只有自己生活過的舒適沒有用，也要讓你的朋友同伴過的舒適。越舒適的生活就越難修道，因為放不下名利。名利重不重要？是不是在人世間越有名利地位的人，越能夠站的住腳？

▼為師問問徒兒們，你們的人生在追求甚麼？（追求和平）你們那麼希望追求和平，那你們為「和平」付出了些甚麼？「和平」不是心裡想一想，嘴巴說一說而已，在你去愛別人之前，要先懂得愛自己，懂得放下你的身段，放下你的執著。一個高高在上的人，沒有辦法走進眾生群裡。所以在你們追求和平當中，先愛你自己，接著付出小愛來愛你周遭的人，然後付出大愛來愛你的同胞。

▼當你想做一件事的時候，必須要有恆心。「恆心」就是要恆久不變的心，這顆心不是短暫的。做每一件事都要有恆心才會成功，不論是在工作或是讀書，如果沒有恆心把它做完，就會半途而廢。學習任何一件事，還是任何一門學問，都必須要有恆心和耐力，而且要深入去研究才會成功。

▼人生要有目標，而且目標要準，不可以分心。人生的目標和方向一分心，你就會不小心走錯路了。機會還是要自己把握。所以現在這個蘋果好像你未來的人生，你已經掌握到它了，將來你要怎麼樣去走，要怎樣利用這蘋果就看你自己了。要以平靜的心，去面對你未來的修道路，因為心平靜、平和才能夠產生更多的智慧與思慮，所以修道的心要保持平和的心，不平和的心充滿紛爭憤怒仇恨的心，他沒有辦法讓智慧開展，沒有辦法讓他的修道路程更平坦。

▼天時會不斷的在改變，今天時運轉到白陽期，當初為師在世的時候，是用種種幻術來點化眾生。今天這個時局不能在用以前的方法，因為白陽期，太多的山妖鬼怪變化無數來誘惑眾生，所以老中降下旨意，白陽期是要用點化來渡化眾生，如果這個時候還用以前的法術的話，會迷惑眾生，眾生會不知道何為真、何為假。顯化也不能太久，「顯」了就要「化」，因為不能讓眾生著形著相，要認理而修。認理而修就是要用智慧去分辨，而不是跟著形相去走。世界上有多少的眾生不能分辨真理，所以他們會走出不對不正確的路。所以你們這次來上兩天的課，讓你們瞭解最基本的理，何謂「理」？在天為天理、在地為地理、在人就是人的性理良知良能。如果天沒有天理，日月起落會混亂，

如果地沒有地理，不可能長出農作物，人如果沒有了良知良能會怎樣？（世界會亂，會失去和平）所以你們要好好的善用和發揮你們的良知良能，發揮這個佛性、本性。

▽人頭頂天腳立地，就要做一個頂天立地的君子。你們不要去做背天而行的事，不然將來就會投胎成動物，因為你背天而馳。既然是個頂天立地的人，做出來的事就要仰不愧於天，俯不忤於地，要抬頭挺胸來做人。這要從自己做起，將來才能夠以身作則去渡化別人。那你們都是頂天立地的人嗎？（是）要作我的徒弟，第一個條件，就是要做個頂天立地的人。如果你不是個頂天立地的人，你沒有辦法去渡化眾生，因為你沒有辦法，把自己樹立成一個模範去影響別人。

▽今天你們拜我為師，不是要你放棄你原先所拜的佛。每一位菩薩活佛能夠讓世人來膜拜，就有他一定的德誼，就有他為世人所貢獻的，給世人所肯定的行誼存在。不管你去膜拜哪一位菩薩，去效法哪一位菩薩，那都是好事。今天你來拜我為師，只是要讓你知道人的本性，人的良知良能，人在人生路上，應該走怎樣的一條路才叫做有價值，才叫做是正確的。

▽今天他們（新加坡前賢）很用心，準備了小葫蘆，你們既然是小濟公就拿小葫蘆，我是大濟公就拿大葫蘆！要做濟公，身上一定要有一個葫蘆。不要小看這有形相的葫蘆這麼小，其實每個徒兒身上都有一個大葫蘆，這個大葫蘆可以裝很多的眾生。你們不是小濟公？（是）那就來拿這小葫蘆，拿了就要去裝更多的眾生。雖然這個葫蘆不是很貴重，但是這些是辦事人員老遠從新加坡帶來，這是他們的用心，這是他們對你們的

關心，他們對你們修道路上的鼓勵。

▼（班員們感謝老師慈悲送徒兒們訓文）謝不謝為師不重要，為師來見你們，來送你們禮物，送你們訓文，不是為了得到你們一句謝謝，是希望你們在未來的人生能夠走的更好，未來的路更明確，修道的路更肯定，肯定自己，肯定上天，肯定為師。

▼該講的話為師也講的七七八八了，該送的東西也都送了，希望你們修道路上能夠過的更好。不管是班員也好，辦事人員也好，要肯定自己的修道路。不管是同樣膚色的也好，不同膚色的也好，大家都需要互相幫助。有人的地方就會有是非，有人的地方就會有爭執，但是大家要放下自我，跟大家配合。團結力量才會大，希望你們大家都能夠互相幫助，可不可以啊？不要我走了你們就忘記了！雖然我離開這個肉體，但是我還是在你們旁邊看著你們，不要以為我看不到啊！祝你們修道路上平平安安，修道要有始有終，不要半途而廢，難得成為師徒，要珍惜這段緣。自己的路要自己走，咱們後會有期！

Translation of poem – Harmony And Unity

(Mercifulness of Enlightened Master JiGong)

Harmony will not lead to confrontation; Unity will not lead to division

In all interaction with others, Harmony should be highly valued

In all undertakings, Unity should be emphasized

Not confronting against fame nor gains, not differentiating between each other

By exercising Harmony and Unity in our daily lives, satisfactory outcome and friendly terms can be achieved

When the body is in Harmony, serenity will be attained

When everyone speaks in one voice, be of one mind will be attained

When the mind is in peace, calmness will be attained

When high spirit is reciprocated, tacit understanding will be attained

When the true self is in tranquility, pureness will be attained

When the conduct is in accordance with heaven's will, success will be achieved

When there is harmonious relationship between families, happiness will prevail

When there is amicable relationship between countries, peace terms will be sealed

Harmony and Unity can be one's good teacher and helpful friend

Always be caution and vigilant, keeping Harmony and Unity close at heart

Always feeling grateful at heart

Always feeling thankful at heart

Disputes shall then be resolved, unrest shall then be dissolved

Must always remember

When joyfulness, anger, sadness and happiness is not exhibited, a person is in a neutral state

Once exhibited but well within the limits, a person is in a harmonious state

Thus,

Do not forget the Principles of Harmony and Unity

Put them (Harmony and Unity) in practice and Universal Harmony in the world will be created

I am Monk – Tao Ji

Received the Decree from

Heavenly Mother to descend into the samsara world

Already paid respect to the

Heavenly Mother, Asking all my diligent disciples, are all of you happy

I K T C D S

Translation of Oracle – Sincerity ; Faith

(Mercifulness of Enlightening Master Ji Gong)

1. Every wood has its roots and water has its source; likewise every sentient being comes from one origin. Follow the orderly manifestation of Tao that constantly surrounds us and human beings wishes for peace and harmony will materialize naturally.
2. One who knows the point to start cultivating will be away from danger and eventually achieve the state of absolute goodness; practice Tao joyfully and peace and harmony will come along.
3. When the flowers blossom and when it is time to harvest the flowers, do so before they wither with only the stock left. By then, it will be too late to regret.
4. A healthy person will have a face glowing with health, any happenings that come by will be treated as though one is welcoming the breeze of spring.
5. It is of much blessings that one is able to have this physical body; coupled with the rare opportunity of being born in this period of Great Salvation in the White Era vessel to save more sentient beings.
6. Charming and beautiful is the West Lake (in Hangzhou, China); understand the Absolute truth and one will not feel hesitated.
7. Fascinations and slacken behaviors are closely related; promote the true principle to the finest and the most obscured. Sincerity results in understanding while understanding of the true principle will be glorious.
8. The spring orchids and autumn chrysanthemum flourish widely but they scatter. Comparatively, grasses has no stem but is stronger in times of extreme weather
9. Determined in practicing Tao and one will succeed one day. Just like the Sakura flowers outshine all other flowers during the harshest winter. Be awoken when the log hits the morning bell and echoes through the sky.

10. The manifestation of Tao can be seen closely when there is a strong bondage among people while living a simplistic life; embellish oneself with the three:

Three cardinal guides: 1) Supervisor shall be the subordinates guide
2) Father shall be the son's guide
3) Husband shall be the wife's guide

Five constant virtues: 1) Benevolence
2) Righteousness
3) Etiquette
4) Wisdom
5) Trust

11. Talented and virtues person will cultivate truly even when alone, regardless of whether one's actions can be seen or how trivial it can be. When it is time to benefit many others, the talented and virtues person will shower those who are in need.
12. Emulate to take over one's father enterprise (that is taking over the mission of past saints & sages); such consistency in sage's work will elevate one's virtues even higher.
13. Revise one's sincerity and return to one's true self in order to be a role model for others to follow; by then one would become the main pillars of Heaven in saviour work.
14. The peach blossom land is a happy and harmonious place (It is written that the peach blossom land is just like staying in heaven on earth). Maintain a pure land in one's heart that is as bright as a moon (It is the same moon for thousands of years).
15. The sunset clouds will try to out glow one another and beautify the sky with auspicious colour; how nice would it be if every household in this world is able to be as bright and promising (emitting good radiance).
16. It is time to stop leading a drifting life else it will not land one to anywhere, a person who do not ask for more than given is strong at will; withhold an indomitable spirit and courage to uphold righteousness.

17. A colourful and brightly lit lamp high in the sky (like the sun) is able to shine throughout the world. One's heavenly nature has a true principle that is non-changing.
18. A butterfly emerging out of a cocoon should make one realize that one should not get enmeshed in a web of one's own spinning. One should be awakened from the lost path and propagate the truth by following the footsteps and spirit of past Saints and Sages.
19. One may be busy at work but must be vigilant enough and encourage oneself to be a remarkable person. Even though one may be asked to take up a task elsewhere, an undaunted and lofty aspirations will make one stand out among many others.
20. In order to bring honour to one's family, emulating the examples of past Saints are required; one should have high aspirations like a Saint even though being born in this world.
21. Realizing one's true self is the prime objective while displaying sincerity and faithfulness is first and foremost. Sincerity and faith are comparable to that of the steering control and the wheels of a car, only then will a car be able to travel thousands of miles.
22. A charming person must still conduct oneself sedately; present one's true self vividly. A person full of vitality and drive will feel delightful and harmony.
23. Always take time to look into and appreciate one's inner self; by doing so, one would always act according to one's true self whether publicly or alone.
24. A noble person should observe the phenomena of the surroundings and realize that it is this Tao that creates all existence. Restraint oneself (in outward behavior and inner thoughts) to comply to acceptable social moral behaviors in order to exhibit the bearing of one's virtues. .
25. After treading the path that winds through high peaks (after much effort and determination), one is now able to be enlightened and understand oneself truly. Eradicate one's unjust desires and thoughts to achieve

- perfect knowledge spiritually, thereby exhibiting sincerity in cultivation.
26. Be circumspect and farsighted in order to govern all of one's thoughts. Help others to achieve this state of mind and follow the Tao arteries and veins (follow Tao closely).

Speech of Enlightening Master Ji Gong

- ✚ Do I look like him (referring to Master Ji Gong in the video show)? Do I look so dirty? Yes, I indeed looked very dirty in the past. The type of physical appearance that I present to others is dependent on the timing, the situations and the audience.
- ✚ The unkempt appearance and crazy behaviours of Living Buddha Ji Gong in the video show was inevitable as the intention was to mingle with the folks. Its only when one behaves like a lunatic, then the sentient beings will like to be closer to you. If you appear very serious, no one will like to be close to you. It is through these crazy behaviours that one can be closer to children and adults, and thereby propagating Tao to them.
- ✚ The craziness at that time (during the Song Dynasty) was intended to form ties of affinity with all the sentient beings for this period of great salvation. Having met once as ordained by fate had also led us to today's gathering. The relationships between friends, husband and wife, father and son, mother and daughter, or master and disciple are predestined in your past lives.
- ✚ There is this saying, "if there is a bond (affinity) between 2 persons, the two will meet across a thousand mile; without a bond (affinity), they will not meet though face to face".
- ✚ If not for the presence of Tao, would you be able to know these people (volunteers from other countries)? (No) If it is not for the purpose of propagating Tao, perhaps they may not even come to Chennai. This is called fate (affinity).

- ✚ The affinity between people varies, i.e. some relationships have deeper affinity than others. Similarly, the affinity between master and disciple relationships also vary. No doubt there is this saying that a master for a day is a father for a lifetime, the appreciation of this master-disciple affinity is however dependent on yourself.
- ✚ Although the master you have acknowledged is of different race and ethnic group, it is affinity that bring us together.
- ✚ Pursuing the truth is independent of race and nationality. As long as you are sincere, you will cherish all learning opportunities and continually upgrade yourselves, regardless of the master's identity.
- ✚ So far, how much have you absorbed from the lessons given by the speakers? (A lot) Would you be able to put the learning points into practice in your daily life? (Yes) Which part of your life? (Everywhere, within the family etc.) Today, the speakers have shared so much essence of Tao with you. The purpose is to encourage you to put it into practice in your daily life.
- ✚ It is only when you put the things that you have learnt into practice, the things can then be considered as yours. Apart from benefiting yourself, you must also perform tasks that benefit others.
- ✚ The true purpose of flowers prevails when they flourish. To live meaningfully, the human mindsets must also flourish magnificently like flowers. Life would be meaningless if you do not open up your heart. You would not be able to accept sentient beings nor walk into the world of sentient beings. Hence I hope that you could live a splendid and successful life after I give you these flowers.
- ✚ Although these flowers vary in sizes, the true meaning of these flowers is the same, i.e. to beautify and enhance this world. Similarly, although there are different age groups amongst mankind. As long as you contribute to turn this world into a better and brilliant place, your values are the same.
- ✚ Who do you wish to follow (Master Ji Gong). It is not easy to follow me. I have to travel to places all over the world to carry out the Great Salvation. It will be a tough job. Are you afraid of hardships? (No)

- ✚ Mankind likes to indulge in pleasures, lead a comfortable and luxurious life. However, it is meaningless that only yourself live a comfortable life. You should also help your friends and partners live a good life.
- ✚ A luxurious life will inhibit one's cultivation. This is because of one's strong attachment to fame and wealth and the reluctance to let go of them. Are fame and wealth important? (No) Is it true that one who has fame and wealth would be able to establish a foothold better? (No, fame and wealth are not important) If fame and wealth are not important, then why are you still pursuing them? What are you looking for in life? (We look forward to peace). Since you are pursuing peace, what have you contributed to maintain peace? Are you really sincere in maintaining peace? What must you do to achieve your intended peace? (Contribute unconditional love to achieve peace).
- ✚ Love yourself before you love others. If you do not even know the ways to love yourself, how would you know the ways to love others? In addition, you must also put down your social status and discard your stubbornness. A person who stands high above the masses will not be able to mingle amongst them. Therefore, in the midst of pursuing peace, first love yourself, next expand your love to the people surrounding you, and then further expand your love to your fellow countryman.
- ✚ Whenever you wish to carry out a task, for instance, to love yourself, to offer and spread your great love to others, you must have perseverance. Perseverance means a heart that is everlasting and unchanged, one that can withstand the test of time. This perseverance is a determining factor of success in any tasks you take up. Whether in school, at your workplace, or acquiring skills and knowledge, with no perseverance, nothing can be accomplished!
- ✚ There must be a precise aim in life. What is your aim now? Does it keep changing? If you do not focus and work towards your aim, you will lose your way in life. (Master blessed the participants by throwing the apples ie offerings to every participants and told them to be focused while catching) There is a chance that you may lose whatever you have achieved, therefore you must cherish all opportunities that come by. The apple that you are holding on symbolises your future. Now that you have grabbed hold of it, it is entirely up to you to proceed on from here.

- ✚ The weather climate is changing constantly. The time has reached the White Yang Period (the Third and Last Period). When I was still alive (more than 800 years ago), I used conjuring (magical) methods to enlighten the sentient beings. However, in this time, I can no longer use the same method to enlighten the sentient beings. This is because in this White Yang Period, there are too many devils and demons which are also using mystical tactics to trick and mislead the sentient beings.
- ✚ Hence, the Heavenly Mother has ordered that only holy manifestations (Buddhas, Saints and Sages appearing in person) are allowed during this White Yang Period to enable you to understand the truth. If the Saints and Sages use the same conjuring methods during this period, there will be confusion amongst the sentient beings. You will fail to differentiate the real from the unreal. 道德 禮品
- ✚ The duration of holy manifestations also cannot be too long. Once the time is up, Buddhas, Saints and Sages would have to disappear in person. This is to prevent the sentient beings for being captivated by these manifestations and fail to realise and cultivate the Truth.
- ✚ In seeking and cultivating the Truth, use your wisdom and not rely on physical appearance to differentiate the rights from the wrongs. There are many people in this world who fail to differentiate between the absolute Truth and the falsehood. As a result, they have stepped into the wrong path.
- ✚ Attending this sermon assembly enable you to understand the basic principles of the Truth. The Truth in the cosmic is known as astrology, while the Truth on earth is known as geography. The Truth in human is known as the True Self. If there is no Truth in the cosmic, there will be disorder in the day and night. If there is no Truth on earth, there will not be any vegetations (crops). If mankind has no conscience (True Self), what would you be? (Beasts, animals). Therefore, you have to exhibit your conscience (True Self) fully.
- ✚ Human beings are upright people, with the vertex of your heads facing the heaven and your feet resting on earth (indomitable spirit). Do not do anything that is against the Heaven's will. If not, your next life will be like animals, with its back facing the heaven.

- ✚ Being an upright person, the things that you do must also be upright and not against your conscience or the Heaven's will. Set a good example for others to follow. So are all of you upright people? (Yes). The first criterion of becoming my disciple is to be an upright person. If not, you will not be able to save other sentient beings as you do not have the moral courage to influence others.
- ✚ Though you are my disciple, I do not request you to forgo your religion. Every Buddha, Bodhisattva, Saint and Sages that you worship has their own sacrifices and compassion (for sentient beings) that have been affirmed in the masses. Regardless of which form you choose to worship, as long as you practice and follow the footsteps, it will be good enough. As your Master (Guru), I hope you understand your true origin nature, your consciousness, and your true self. In this life, you must know which is the right path to take that gives the most values.
- ✚ Being thoughtful, the volunteers have prepared some ornaments of bottle gourds for you. Since you are my little Ji Gong, you shall carry a small bottle gourd. I am your big Ji Gong, thus, I carry a bigger bottle gourd. ("Ji" – salvation to sentient beings, "Gong"-selfless). What does this bottle gourd signify? Do not underestimate the size of this little bottle gourd. Actually, all my disciples have a big bottle gourd within them that can ferry thousands of sentient beings across the sea of sufferings. Are you all my little Ji Gong? (Yes) Come and collect this bottle gourd from me and fill it up with your selfless kindness to save all sentient beings!
- ✚ Volunteers have thoughtfully prepared these for you, how should you show your appreciation? (The participants gave an applause). That is too easy as a return of kindness. (Take proper care of bottle gourd!) Take care of this bottle gourd with care and do not stray from this path of cultivation. Although these ornaments are inexpensive, they are symbols of love from the foreign volunteers. This is their care and encouragement for you on this road of Tao cultivation.
- ✚ Dispense with the ceremony to thank me. The objective of my descend is to personally wish you a better future and a clearer direction in this path of Tao cultivation. Affirm yourself, the Heaven and Me – Ji Gong the Living Buddha.

✚ I have said what I wish to share and I have also given you the gift of the bottle gourd. I wish that you will continually improve along the path of Tao cultivation. Affirm the path of Tao cultivation be it you are a participant or volunteer. Everyone should help one another regardless of race. In an interactive environment, you will encounter gossips and conflicts. The solution to avoid such misunderstandings is to be humble and live harmoniously with others. Unity is strength. I hope that you can cooperate with the rest, is it possible? (Yes!) Do not forget my advice even after my retreat from the body of Three Powers (cultivated individuals allowing Buddhas, Saints and Sages to appear in person). I will stay by your side to monitor your progress in Tao cultivation.

✚ Before I leave, I wish all of you a peaceful cultivation ahead. As a start, practice Tao to the end and do not give up the cultivation halfway. The affinity between a Master and a Disciple does not come easy, so cherish our affinity. Progress along the path of Tao cultivation. Farewell!

Sermon Highlights

15 Mar 2003 marked the 9th sermon assembly conducted in Chennai, India. The volunteers from Singapore, Taiwan, Malaysia, as well as the locals gathered again to sprinkle the holy stardust of Tao onto this blessed city of India.

As the participants gradually streamed into the main hall of Dee Cee Manor, the sermon spirit was lifted by the participants' blissful joy. Anyone would agree that this sermon assembly has added another wonderful chapter to the lineage of Tao in Chennai.

It was indeed a warmth consolation and encouragement to the speakers as participants listened attentively to the lessons. Their expressed sincerity and appreciation have touched all the speakers. One would tell from their expressions that this 9th sermon assembly has made a significant difference in their lives.

In the midst of the lesson on 10 Great Vows, our dearest Master Ji Gong manifested in person to grace the class. It was indeed a great reunion for our dearest Master Ji Gong and disciples. Everyone was excited to greet our Master who has always been showering his love and concern for all of us.

Our benevolent Master Ji Gong gave all the participants and volunteers fresh flowers, signifying that our minds should flourish magnificently like flowers. He also distributed a small but meaningful ornament of bottle gourd, reminding us that there is a bigger gourd in each and every one of us (i.e. the true self). In light of the bigger gourd, everyone should accommodate others selflessly.

More importantly, our merciful Master Ji Gong also gave us 2 priceless heavenly gifts - (1) an oracle depicting Sincerity and Faith ; and (2) an article on harmony and co-operation. These literary works of heaven highlighted the requisite qualities in Tao cultivation which one should constantly uphold.

The blessings from our dearest Master Ji Gong in person ended at about 5 minutes to 9 pm. Master's blessings injected a dose of confidence in all of us, facilitating our pursuit of the ultimate mission, i.e. the Great Salvation.

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