PART 1

Morning Chanting

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

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[Yo so] bhagavā arahaṃ sammāsambuddho

To the Blessed One, the Lord, who fully attained perfect enlightenment,

Svākkhāto yena bhagavatā dhammo

To the Teaching which he expounded so well,

Supațipanno yassa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

And to the Blessed One's disciples who have practised well,

Tam-mayam bhagavantam sadhammam sasangham

To these - the Buddha, the Dhamma, and the Sangha -

Imehî sakkārehi yathāraham āropitehi abhîpūjayāma

We render with offerings our rightful homage.

Sādhu no bhante bhagavā sucira-parinibbutopi

It is well for us that the Blessed One, having attained liberation,

Pacchimā-janatānukampa-mānasā

Still had compassion for later generations.

Ime sakkāre duggata-paṇṇākāra-bhūte paṭiggaṇhātu

May these simple offerings be accepted

Amhākam dīgharattam hitāya sukhāya

For our long-lasting benefit and for the happiness it gives us.

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Araham sammāsambuddho bhagavā

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One –

Buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi

I render homage to the $\widehat{\text{Buddha}}$, the Blessed One.

[Bow]

[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo

The Teaching so completely explained by him -

Dhammam namassāmi

I bow to the Dhamma.

[BOW]

[Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

The Blessed One's disciples who have practised well -

Sangham namāmi

I bow to the Sangha.

[BOW]

Preliminary homage

[Handa mayam buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhaga-namakāram karomase]

[Now let us pay preliminary homage to the Buddha.]

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa

[THREE TIMES]

Homage to the Blessed, Noble, and Perfectly Enlightened One.

[THREE TIMES]

RECOLLECTION OF THE BUDDHA

Recollection of the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhābhitthutim karomase]

[Now let us chant in praise of the Buddha.]

Yo so tathagato araham sammasambuddho

The Tathāgata is the Pure One, the Perfectly Enlightened One.

Vijjācaraṇa-sampanno

He is impeccable in conduct and understanding,

Sugato The Accomplished One,

Lokavidū The Knower of the Worlds.

Anuttaro purisadamma-sārathi

He trains perfectly those who wish to be trained.

Satthā deva-manussānam

He is Teacher of gods and humans.

Buddho bhagavā

He is awake and holy.

Yo imam lokam sadevakam samārakam sabrahmakam

In this world with its gods, demons, and kind spirits,

Sassamaṇa-brāhmaṇiṃ pajaṃ sadeva-manussaṃ sayaṃ abhiññā sacchikatvā pavedesi

Its seekers and sages, celestial and human beings, he has by deep insight revealed the Truth.

Yo dhammam desesi ādi-kalyāṇam majjhe-kalyāṇam pariyosāṇa-kalyāṇam

He has pointed out the Dhamma: beautiful in the beginning, beautiful in the middle, beautiful in the end.

Sāttham sabyañjaṇam kevala-paripuṇṇam parisuddham brahma-cariyam pakāsesi

He has explained the Spiritual Life of complete purity in its essence and conventions.

Tam-aham bhagavantam abhipūjayāmi tam-aham bhagavantam sirasa namāmi

I chant my praise to the Blessed One, I bow my head to the Blessed One.

[Bow]

Homage to the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammābhitthutim karomase]

[Now let us chant in praise of the Dhamma.]

Yo so svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo

The Dhamma is well expounded by the Blessed One,

Sandiṭṭhiko Apparent here and now,

Akāliko Timeless,

Ehipassiko Encouraging investigation,

Opanayiko Leading inwards,

HOMAGE TO THE SANGHA

Paccattam veditabbo viññūhi

To be experienced individually by the wise.

Tam-aham dhammam abhipujayami tam-aham dhammam sirasa namami

I chant my praise to this Teaching, I bow my head to this Truth.

[BOW]

Homage to the Sangha

[Handa mayam sanghābhitthutim karomase]

[Now let us chant in praise of the Sangha.]

Yo so supaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

They are the Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well,

Ujupatipanno bhagavato sāvakasangho

Who have practised directly,

Ñāyapaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

Who have practised insightfully,

Samīcipaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

Those who practise with integrity -

Yadidam cattāri purisayugāni aṭṭha purisapuggalā

That is the four pairs, the eight kinds of noble beings -

Esa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

These are the Blessed One's disciples.

Āhuṇeyyo Such ones are worthy of gifts,

Pāhuṇeyyo Worthy of hospitality,

Dakkhineyyo Worthy of offerings,

Añjali-karaṇīyo Worthy of respect;

Anûttaram puññakkhettam lokassa

They give occasion for incomparable goodness to arise in the world.

Tam-aham sangham abhipujayami tam-aham sangham sirasa namami

I chant my praise to this Sangha, I bow my head to this Sangha.

[BOW]

Salutation to the Triple Gem

[Handa mayam ratanattaya-paṇāma-gāthayo ceva saṃvega-parikittana-pāṭhañca bhaṇāmase]

[Now let us chant our salutation to the Triple Gem and a passage to arouse urgency.]

Buddho susuddho karuṇāmahaṇṇavo

The Buddha, absolutely pure, with ocean-like compassion,

Yoccanta-suddhabbara-ñāṇa-locano

Possessing the clear sight of wisdom,

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Lokassa pāpūpakilesa-ghātako

Destroyer of worldly self-corrūption

Vandāmi buddham aham-ādarena tam Devotedly indeed, that Buddha Î revere.

Dhammo padīpo viya tassa satthuno

The Teaching of the Lord, like a lamp,

Yo maggapākāmata-bheda-bhinnako

Illuminating the Path and its Fruit: the Deathless,

Lokuttaro yo ca tadattha-dīpano

That which is beyond the conditioned world -

Vandāmī dhammam aham-ādarena tam Devotedly indeed, that Dhamma Î revere.

Saṅgho sukhettābhyati-khetta-saññito

The Sangha, the most fertile ground for cultivation,

Yo diṭṭhasanto sugatānubodhako

Those who have realised peace, awakened after the Accomplished One,

Lolappahīno ariyo sumedhaso

Noble and wise, all longing abandoned -

Vandāmi saṅghaṃ aham-ādarena taṃ Devotedly indeed, that Sangha Î revere.

Iccevam-ekantabhipūja-neyyakam vatthuttayam vandayatābhisankhatam

This salutation should be made to that which is worthy.

Puññam mayā yam mama sabbupaddavā mā hontu ve tassa pabhāvasiddhiyā

Through the power of such good action, may all obstacles disappear.

Idha tathagato loke uppanno araham sammasambuddho

One who knows things as they are has come into this world; and he is an Arahant, a perfectly Awakened being.

Dhammo ca desito niyyāniko upasamiko parinibbāniko sambodhagāmī sugatappavedito

Purifying the way leading out of delusion, calming and directing to $\widehat{perfect}$ peace, and leading to enlightenment – this Way he has made known.

Mayantam dhammam sutvā evam jānāma

Having heard the Teaching, we know this:

Jātipi dukkhā Birth is dukkha,

Jarāpi dukkhā Ageing is dukkha,

Maraṇampi dukkhaṃ And death is dukkha;

Soka-parideva-dukkha-domanassupāyāsāpi dukkhā

Sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair are dukkha;

Appiyehi sampayogo dukkho

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Association with the disliked is dukkha;

Piyehi vîppayogo dukkho

Separation from the liked is dukkha;

Yampicchâṃ na labhati tampi dukkhaṃ

Not attaining one's wishes is dukkha.

Sankhittena pañcupādānakkhandhā dukkhā

In brief, the five focuses of identity are dukkha.

Seyyathīdaṃ

These are as follows:

Rūpūpādānakkhandho attachment to form,

Vedanūpādānakkhandho attachment to feeling,

Saññūpādānakkhandho attachment to perception,

Sankhārūpādānakkhandho attachment to mental formations,

Viññāṇūpādānakkhandho attachment to sense-consciousness.

Yesam pariññāya

For the complete understanding of this,

Dharamāno so bhagavā evam bahulam savake vineti

The Blessed One in his lifetime frequently instructed his disciples in just this way.

Evam bhāgā ca panassa bhagavato sāvakesu anusāsanī bahulā pavattati

In addition, he further instructed:

Rūpam aniccam Form is impermanent,

Vedanā aniccā Feeling is impermanent,

Sañña anicca Perception is impermanent,

Sankhārā aniccā Mental formations are impermanent,

Viññāṇaṃ aniccaṃ Sense-consciousness is impermanent;

Rūpam anattā Form is not-self,

Vedanā anattā Feeling is not-self,

Sañña anatta Perception is not-self,

Sankhārā anattā Mental formations are not-self,

Viññāṇaṃ anattā Sense-consciousness is not-self;

Sabbe sankhārā aniccā

All conditions are transient,

Sabbe dhammā anattā'ti

There is no self in the created or the uncreated.

Te mayam otinnāmha-jātiyā jarāmaranena

All of us are bound by birth, ageing, and death,

Sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi

By sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair,

Dukkhotiṇṇā dukkhaparetā

Bound by dukkha and obstructed by dukkha.

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Appevanāmimassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa antakiriyā paññāyethā'ti

Let us all aspire to complete freedom from suffering.

[THE FOLLOWING IS CHANTED ONLY BY THE MONKS AND NUNS.]

Cîraparinibbutampî tam bhagavantam uddissa arahantam sammāsambuddham

Remembering the Blessed One, the Noble Lord, and Perfectly Enlightened One, who long ago attained Parinibbāna,

Saddhā agārasmā anagāriyam pabbajitā

We have gone forth with faith from home to homelessness,

Tasmim bhagavati brahma-cariyam carāma

And like the Blessed One, we practise the Holy Life,

Bhikkhūnam/Sīladharīnam sikkhāsājīva-samāpannā

Being fully equipped with the bhikkhus'/nuns' system of training.

Taṃ no brahma-cariyaṃ imassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa antakiriyāya saṃvattatu

May this Holy Life lead us to the end of this whole mass of suffering.

[AN ALTERNATIVE VERSION OF THE PRECEDING SECTION, WHICH CAN BE CHANTED BY LAYPEOPLE AS WELL.]

Cîraparinibbutampî tam bhagavantam saranam gata

The Blessed One, who long ago attained Parinibbana, is our refuge.

Dhammañca Sanghañca

So too are the Dhamma and the Sangha.

Tassa bhagavato sāsanaṃ yathāsati yathābalaṃ manasikaroma anupaṭipājjāma

Attentively we follow the pathway of that Blessed One, with all of our mindfulness and strength.

Sā sā no paṭipatti

May then the cultivation of this practice

Imassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa antakiriyaya samvattatu Lead us to the end of every kind of suffering.

Closing homage

[Araham̩] sammāsambuddho bhagavā

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One -

Buddham bhagavantam abhivademi

I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

[Bow]

[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo

The Teaching, so completely explained by him -

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Dhammam namassāmi

I bow to the Dhamma.

[BOW]

[Supatipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

The Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well -

Saṅghaṃ namāmi

I bow to the Sangha

[BOW]