PART 1

Morning Chanting

Dedication of offerings

[Yo so] bhagavā araham 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.

Sādhû 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

Amhākaṃ dīgharattaṃ 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 abhivademi

I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

[BOW]

[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo

The Teaching so completely explained by him -

Dhammam namassāmi

I bow to the Dhamma.

[BOW]

[Supațipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

The Blessed One's disciples who have practised well -

Sangham namami

I bow to the Sangha.

[BOW]

Preliminary homage

Handa mayam buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhāga-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

[Handa mayaṃ buddhābhitthutiṃ 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.

Anûttaro 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 adî-kalyanam majjhe-kalyanam pariyosana-kalyanam

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 \widehat{e} ssence 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,

Paccattam vedîtabbo viññūhi

To be experienced individually $b\hat{y}$ 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 saṅghābhitthutim karomase]

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

Yo so supațipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

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

Ujupațipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

Who have practised directly,

Ñāyapaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

Who have practised insightfully,

Samīcipațipanno bhagavato savakasangho

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 samvega-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,

Lokassa pāpūpakilesa-ghātako

Destroyer of worldly self-corruption

Vandāmi buddham aham-ādarena tam

Devotedly indeed, that Buddha I 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 -

Vandāmi dhammam aham-ādarena tam

Devotedly indeed, that Dhamma \widehat{I} 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 I revere.

Iccevam-ekantabhipūja-neyyakam vatthuttayam vandayatābhisankhatam

This salutation should be made to that which is worthy.

Puññaṃ mayā yaṃ 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 perfect peace, and leading to enlightenment – this Way he has made known.

Mayantam dhammam sutva evam janama

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

Association with the disliked is dukkha;

Piyehi vippayogo dukkho

Separation from the liked is dukkha;

Yampicchâm na labhati tampi dukkham

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,

Viññāṇūpādāṇakkhandho 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,

Sâṅkhārā 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 otinnamha-jatiya jaramaranena

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

Sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi

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

Dukkhotinnā dukkhaparetā

Bound by dukkha and obstructed by dukkha.

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,

Tasmîm bhagavati brahma-carîyam carāma

And like the Blessed One, we practise the $\widehat{\text{Holy}}$ 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 gatā

The Blessed One, who long ago attained Parinibb \widehat{a} na, is our refuge.

Dhammañca Sanghañca

So too are the Dhamma and the Sangha.

Tassa bhagavato sāsanam yathāsati yathābalam 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

[Araham] sammāsambuddho bhagavā

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One
Buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi

I render homage to the 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
Saṅgham namāmi

I bow to the Sangha

[Bow]

PART 2

Evening Chanting

Dedication of offerings

[Yo so] bhagavā araham sammāsambuddho Svākkhāto yena bhagavatā dhammo Supațipanno yassa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho Tam-mayam bhagavantam sadhammam sasangham Imehî sakkārehi yathāraham āropitehi abhîpūjayāma Sādhû no bhante bhagavā sucira-parinibbutopi Pacchîmā-janatānukampa-mānasā Ime sakkāre duggata-paṇṇākāra-bhūte paṭiggaṇhātu Amhākam dīgharattam hitāya sukhāya Araham sammāsambuddho bhagavā Buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi [BOW] [Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo Dhammam namassāmi [BOW] [Supațipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho Sangham namami [Bow]

Dedication of offerings

[To the Blessed One,] the Lord, who fully attained perfect enlightenment, To the Teaching, which he expounded so well, And to the Blessed One's disciples who have practised well, To these - the Buddha, the Dhamma, and the Sangha -We render with offerings our rightful homage. It is well for us that the Blessed One, having attained liberation, Still had compassion for later generations. May these simple offerings be accepted For our long-lasting benefit and for the happiness it gives us. The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One -I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One. [BOW] The Teaching, so completely explained by him -I bow to the Dhamma. [BOW] The Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well -I bow to the Sangha. [BOW]

Preliminary homage

[Handa mayam buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhaga-namakaram karomase]

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa

[THREE TIMES]

Recollection of the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhanussatinayam karomase]

Taṃ khô pana bhagavantaṃ evaṃ kalŷāṇo kittisaddo abbhuggato Itipi so bhagavā arahaṃ sammāsambuddho Vijjācaraṇā-sampanno sugato lokavidū Anuttaro purisadamma-sārathi satthā deva-manussānaṃ buddho bhagavā'ti

Preliminary homage

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

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

[THREE TIMES]

Recollection of the Buddha

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Buddha.]

A good word of the Blessed One's reputation has spread as follows:

He, the Blessed One, is indeed the Pure One,

the Perfectly Enlightened One;

He is impeccable in conduct and understanding,

the Accomplished One, the Knower of the Worlds;

He trains perfectly those who wish to be trained;

he is Teacher of gods and humans; he is Awake and Holy.

Supreme praise of the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhābhigītim karomase]

Buddh'vārahanta-varatādiguṇābhiyutto
Suddhābhiñāṇa-karuṇāhi samāgatatto
Bodhesi yo sujanataṃ kamalaṃ va sūro
Vandāmahaṃ tamaraṇaṃ sirasā jinendaṃ
Buddho yo sabbapāṇīnaṃ saraṇaṃ khemamuttamaṃ
Paṭhamānussatiṭṭhānaṃ vandāmi taṃ sirenahaṃ
Buddhassāhasmi dāso/dāsī va buddho me sāmikissaro
Buddho dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me
Buddhassāhaṃ niyyādemi sarīrañjīvitañcidaṃ
Vandantohaṃ/Vandantīhaṃ carissāmi buddhasseva sūbodhitaṃ
Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ
Etena saccavajjena vaḍḍheyyaṃ satthu-sāsane
Buddhaṃ me vandamānena/vandamānāya
yaṃ puññaṃ pasūtaṃ idha
Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesuṃ tassa tejasā

[Bowing]

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā
Buddhe kukammam pakatam mayā yam
Buddho paṭigganhātu accayantam
Kālantare saṃvaritum va buddhe

Supreme praise of the Buddha

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

The Buddha, the truly worthy one,

endowed with such excellent qualities,

Whose being is composed of purity,

transcendental wisdom, and compassion,

Who has enlightened the wise like the sun awakening the lotus –

I bow my head to that peaceful chief of conquerors.

The Buddha, who is the safe, secure refuge of all beings -

As the first object of recollection, I venerate him with bowed head.

I am indeed the Buddha's servant, the Buddha is my Lord and Guide.

The Buddha is sorrow's destroyer, who bestows blessings on me.

To the Buddha I dedicate this body and life,

And in devotion I will walk the Buddha's Path of Awakening.

For me there is no other refuge, the Buddha is my excellent refuge.

By the utterance of this Truth, may I grow in the Master's Way.

By my devotion to the Buddha, and the blessing of this practice -

By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

[Bowing]

By body, speech, or mind,

For whatever wrong action I have committed towards the Buddha,

May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,

That in future there may be restraint regarding the Buddha.

Recollection of the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammānussatinayam karomase]
Svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo
Sandiṭṭhiko akāliko ehipassiko
Opanayiko paccattam veditabbo viññūhī'ti

Supreme praise of the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammābhigītim karomase]

Svākkhātatādiguņa-yoga-vasena seyyo
Yo maggapāka-pariyatti-vimokkha-bhedo
Dhammo kuloka-patanā tada-dhāri-dhārī
Vandāmaham tamaharam varadhammametam
Dhammo yo sabbapānīnam saraņam khemamuttamam
Dutiyānussatiṭṭhānam vandāmi tam sirenaham
Dhammassāhasmi dāso/dāsī va dhammo me sāmikissaro
Dhammo dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me
Dhammassāham niyyādemi sarīranjīvitancidam
Vandantoham/Vandantīham carissāmi dhammasseva sudhammatam
Natthi me saraṇam annam dhammo me saraṇam varam
Etena saccavajjena vaḍḍheyyam satthu-sāsane
Dhammam me vandamānena/vandamānāya
yam punnam pasutam idha
Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesum tassa tejasā

Recollection of the Dhamma

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Dhamma.]

The Dhamma is well expounded by the Blessed One,
Apparent here and now, timeless, encouraging investigation,
Leading inwards, to be experienced individually by the wise.

Supreme praise of the Dhamma

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

It is excellent because it is 'well expounded,'
And it can be divided into Path and Fruit, Learning and Liberation.
The Dhamma holds those who uphold it from falling into delusion.
I revere the excellent Teaching, that which removes darkness –
The Dhamma, which is the supreme, secure refuge of all beings –
As the Second Object of Recollection, I venerate it with bowed head.
I am indeed the Dhamma's servant, the Dhamma is my Lord and Guide.
The Dhamma is sorrow's destroyer, and it bestows blessings on me.
To the Dhamma I dedicate this body and life,
And in devotion I will walk this excellent way of Truth.
For me there is no other refuge, the Dhamma is my excellent refuge.
By the utterance of this Truth, may I grow in the Master's Way.
By my devotion to the Dhamma, and the blessing of this practice –
By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

[BOWING]

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Dhamme kukammam pakatam mayā yam Dhammo paṭiggaṇhātu accayantam Kālantare saṃvaritum va dhamme

Recollection of the Sangha

[Handa mayam saṅghānussatinayam karomase]

Supaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ujupaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ñāyapaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Sāmīcipaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Yadidaṃ cattāri purisayugāni aṭṭha purisapuggalā
Esa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Āhuṇeyyo pāhuṇeyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjali-karaṇīyo
Anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassā'ti

Supreme praise of the Sangha

[Handa mayaṃ saṅghābhigītiṃ karomase]

Saddhammajo supaṭipatti-guṇādiyutto
Yoṭṭhabbidho ariyapuggala-saṅghaseṭṭho
Sīlādidhamma-pavarāsaya-kāya-citto
Vandāmahaṃ tam-ariyāna-gaṇaṃ susuddhaṃ
Saṅgho yo sabbapāṇīnaṃ saraṇaṃ khemamuttamaṃ
Tatiyānussatiṭṭhānaṃ vandāmi taṃ sîrenahaṃ

[BOWING]

By body, speech, or mind,

For whatever wrong action I have committed towards the Dhamma,

May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,

That in future there may be restraint regarding the Dhamma.

Recollection of the Sangha

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Sangha.]

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

Who have practised insightfully,

Those who practise with integrity -

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

These are the Blessed One's disciples.

Such ones are worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality, worthy of offerings, worthy of respect;

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

Supreme praise of the Sangha

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

Born of the Dhâmma, that Sangha which has practised well,
The field of the Sangha formed of eight kinds of noble beings,
Guided in body and mind by excellent morality and virtue.
I revere that assembly of noble beings perfected in purity.
The Sangha, which is the supreme, secure refuge of all beings –
As the Third Object of Recollection, I venerate it with bowed head.

Saṅghassāhasmi dāso/dāsī va saṅgho me sāmikissaro
Saṅgho dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me
Saṅghassāhaṃ niyyādemi sarīrañjīvitañcidaṃ
Vandantohaṃ/Vandantīhaṃ carissāmi saṅghassopaṭipannataṃ
Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ
Etena saccavajjena vaḍḍheyyaṃ satthu-sāsane
Saṅghaṃ me vandamānena/vandamānāya
yaṃ puññaṃ pasutaṃ idha
Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesuṃ tassa tejasā

[BOWING]

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Saṅghe kukammaṃ pakataṃ mayā yaṃ Saṅgho paṭiggaṇhātu accayantaṃ Kālantare saṃvarituṃ va saṅghe

[AT THIS TIME MEDITATION IS PRACTISED IN SILENCE, SOMETIMES FOLLOWED BY A DHAMMA TALK, AND ENDING WITH THE FOLLOWING:]

Closing homage

[Arahaṃ] sammāsambuddho bhagavā

Buddhaṃ bhagavantaṃ abhivādemi
[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo
Dhammaṃ namassāmi
[Bow]

[Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Sāṅghaṃ namāmi
[Bow]

I am indeed the Sangha's servant, the Sangha is my Lord and Guide. The Sangha is sorrow's destroyer and it bestows blessings on me. To the Sangha I dedicate this body and life,
And in devotion I will walk the well-practised way of the Sangha.
For me there is no other refuge, the Sangha is my excellent refuge.
By the utterance of this truth, may I grow in the Master's Way.
By my devotion to the Sangha, and the blessing of this practice –
By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

[Bowing]

By body, speech, or mind,

For whatever wrong action I have committed towards the Sangha,

May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,

That in future there may be restraint regarding the Sangha.

[AT THIS TIME MEDITATION IS PRACTISED IN SILENCE, SOMETIMES FOLLOWED BY A DHAMMA TALK, AND ENDING WITH THE FOLLOWING:]

Closing homage

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[The Lord,] the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One –
I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

[Bow]

[The Teaching,] so completely explained by him –
I bow to the Dhamma.

[Bow]

[The Blessed One's disciples,] who have practised well –
I bow to the Sangha.

[Bow]
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