Ordinary Mind Zendo Sutra Book



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Buddha Nature is Impermanence

I am my body,

a living breathing body, with all its physical sensations of comfort and discomfort, relaxation and tension, changing each moment with each inhalation and exhalation, dependent each moment on the air I breathe and the environment which sustains my life.

I am my desires, my appetites, my needs for love and attachment, my ambitions and my ideals. In each moment, I may experience satisfaction or lack, fullness or emptiness, learning gradually to distinguish my needs from my wants, the conditions for my flourishing from the fleeting effects of gratification.

I am my emotions,

my love and my anger, my sadness and my joy, my calmness and anxiety, moment after moment reflecting my inescapable dependence on others, and my vulnerability to the vicissitudes of their attention.

I am my thoughts,

which pass through my awareness moment after moment, like clouds through the sky, sometimes peacefully, sometimes not. Whatever their content, I can recognize them as part of the ongoing flow of my consciousness, a necessary part of what feels like me, to be neither banished or suppressed, but acknowledged in their passing.

I am my intention to practice

the values and ideals of the Buddha Way, which are not of my own creation, but are passed down to me through generations of students and teachers, on whom I depend for the forms and discipline and understanding that make practice possible. I am simultaneously the product of that long tradition, its manifestation in the present, and its shaper for the future.

I am a whole person,

whose body, desires, emotions, thoughts, intentions and awareness are all inseparable from my Buddha nature, all continually manifesting their inherent interdependence, impermanence and perfection, just as they are, right here and right now.

Maha Prajna Paramita Heart Sutra

Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, doing deep prajna paramita,

Clearly saw emptiness of all the five conditions,

Thus completely relieving misfortune and pain.

O Shariputra, form is no other than emptiness,

Emptiness no other than form;

Form is exactly emptiness, emptiness exactly form;

Sensation, conception, discrimination, awareness

Are likewise like this.

O Shariputra, all dharmas are forms of emptiness,

Not born, not destroyed,

Not stained, not pure,

Without loss, without gain;

So in emptiness there is no form, no sensation, conception,

discrimination, awareness;

No eye, ear, nose, tongue, body, mind;

No color, sound, smell, taste, touch, phenomena;

No realm of sight, no realm of consciousness;

No ignorance and no end to ignorance;

No old age and death, and no end to old age and death;

No suffering, no cause of suffering;

No extinguishing, no path; no wisdom and no gain.

No gain and thus the Bodhisattva lives prajna paramita

With no hindrance in the mind;

No hindrance, therefore no fear.

Far beyond deluded thoughts, this is nirvana.

All past, present and future buddhas live prajna paramita,

And therefore attain anutara-samyak-sambodhi.

Therefore know prajna paramita is

The great mantra, the vivid mantra,

The best mantra, the unsurpassable mantra;

It completely clears all pain - this is the truth not a lie.

So set forth the prajna paramita mantra,

Set forth this mantra and say:

Gate! Gate! Paragate! Parasamgate!

Bodhi svaha! Prajna heart sutra!

Maka Hannya Haramita Shin Gyo

KAN JI ZAI BO SA GYO JIN HAN NYA HA RA MI TA JI SHO KEN GO ON KAI KU DO IS SAI KU YAKU SHA RI SHI SHIKI FU I KU KU FU I SHIKI SHIKI SOKU ZE KU KU SOKU ZE SHIKI JU SO GYO SHIKI YAKU BU NYO ZE SHA RI SHI ZE SHO HO KU SO FU SHO FU METSU FU KU FU JO FU ZO FU GEN ZE KO KU CHU MU SHIKI MU JU SO GYO SHIKI MU GEN NI BI ZES SHIN NI MU SHIKI SHO KO MI SOKU HO MU GEN KAI NAI SHI MU I SHIKI KAI MU MU MYO YAKU MU MU MYO JIN NAI SHI MU RO SHI YAKU MU RO SHI JIN MU KU SHU METSU DO MU CHI YAKU MU TOKU I MU SHO TOK KO BO DAI SAT TA E HAN NYA HA RA MI TA KO SHIN MU KE GE MU KE GE KO MU U KU FU ON RI IS SAI TEN DO MU SO KU GYO NE HAN SAN ZE SHO BUTSU E HAN NYA HA RA MI TA KO TOKU A NOKU TA RA SAM MYAKU SAM BO DAI KO CHI HAN NYA HA RA MI TA ZE DAI JIN SHU ZE DAI MYO SHU ZE MU JO SHU ZE MU TO TO SHU NO JO IS SAI KU SHIN JITSU FU KO KO SETSU HAN NYA HA RA MI TA SHU SOKU SETSU SHU WATSU GYA TEI GYA TEI HA RA GYA TEI HARA SO GYA TEI BO JI SOWA KA HAN NYA SHIN GYO

Identity of Relative and Absolute

The mind of the Great Sage of India was intimately conveyed from west to east.

Among human beings are wise ones and fools.

But in the way there is no northern or southern ancestor.

The subtle source is clear and bright;

The tributary streams flow through the darkness.

To be attached to things is illusion;

To encounter the absolute is not yet enlightenment.

Each and all, the subjective and objective spheres are related,

And at the same time independent.

Related, yet working differently, though each keeps its own place.

Form makes the character and appearance different;

Sounds distinguish comfort and discomfort.

The dark makes all words one;

The brightness distinguishes good and bad phrases.

The four elements return to their nature as a child to its mother.

Fire is hot, wind moves, water is wet, earth hard.

Eyes see, ears hear, nose smells, tongue tastes the salt and sour

Each is independent of the other;

Cause and effect must return to the great reality.

The words high and low are used relatively.

Within light there is darkness,

But do not try to understand that darkness;

Within darkness there is light,

But do not look for that light.

Light and darkness are a pair,

Like the foot before and the foot behind, in walking.

Each thing has its own intrinsic value and is

Related to everything else in function and position.

Ordinary life fits the absolute as a box and its lid.

The absolute works together with the relative

Like two arrows meeting in mid-air.

Reading words you should grasp the great reality.

Do not judge by any standards.

If you do not see the way, you do not see it

even as you walk on it.

When you walk the way, it is not near, it is not far.

If you are deluded, you are mountains and rivers away from it.

I respectfully say to those who wish to be awakened:

Do not waste your time by night or day.

Sandokai

CHI KU DO DAI SEN NO SHIN TO ZAI MITSU NI AI FU SU NIN KON NI RI DON ARI DO NI NAM BO KU NO SO NASHI REI GEN MYO NI KO KET TARI SHI HA AN NI RU CHU SU JI WO SHU SU RU MO MOTO KO RE MA YOI RI NI KA NO MO MATA SA TO RI NI ARA ZU MON MON IS SAI NO KYO EGO TO FU EGO TO E SHI TE SA RA NI AI WATA RU SHI KARA ZA RE BA KU RAI NI YO TE JU SU SHIKI MOTO SHITSU ZO WO KO TO NI SHI SHO MOTO RAK KU WO KO TO NI SU AN WA JO CHU NO KOTO NI KA NAI MEI WA SEI DAKU NO KU WO WA KA TSU SHI DAI NO SHO ONO ZU KARA FU KU SU KO NO SONO HA HA WO URU GA GO TO SHI HI WA NES SHI KA ZE WA DO YO MI ZU WA URU OI CHI WA KEN GO MA NA KO WA IRO MIMI WA ON IO HANA WA KA SHI TA WA KAN SO SHI KA MO ICHI ICHI NO HO NI OI TE NE NI YO TE HA BUM PU SU HO MATSU SU BE KARA KU SHU NI KISU BESHI SOM PI SONO GO WO MO CHI U MEI CHU NI ATA TE AN ARI AN SO WO MO TE O KOTO NA KA RE AN CHU NI ATA TE MEI ARI MEI SO WO MO TE MI RU KO TO NA KA RE MEI AN ONO ONO AI TAI SHI TE HI SU RU NI ZEN GO NO AYU MI NO GO TO SHI BAM MO TSU ONO ZU KARA KO ARI MA SA NI YO TO SHO TO WO I U BESHI JI SON SU RE BA KAN GAI GAS SHI RI O ZU RE BA SEMPO SA SO KO TO WO UKE TE WA SU BE KARA KU SHU WO ESU BESHI MI ZU KARA KI KU WO RI SU RU KO TO NA KA RE SO KU MO KU DO WO ESE ZUM BA ASHI WO HA KO BU MO IZU KUN ZO MI CHI WO SHI RAN AYU MI WO SU SU MU RE BA GON NON NI ARA ZU MA YO TE SEN GA NO KO WO HE DA TSU TSU SHIN DE SAN GEN NO HI TO NI MO SU KO IN MU NA SHI KU WA TA RU KO TO NA KA RE

The Lineage

Bibashi Butsu Daiosho Shiki Butsu Daiosho Bishafu Butsu Daiosho Kuruson Butsu Daiosho Kunagommuni Butsu Daiosho Kasho Butsu Daiosho Shakyamuni Butsu Daiosho Makakasho Daiosho Ananda Daiosho Shonawashu Daiosho Ubakikuta Daiosho Daitaka Daiosho Mishaka Daiosho Bashumitsu Daiosho Butsudanandai Daiosho Fudamitta Daiosho Barishiba Daiosho Funayasha Daiosho Anabotei Daiosho Kabimora Daiosho Nagyaharajuna Daiosho Kanadaiba Daiosho Ragarata Daiosho Sogyanandai Daiosho Kayashata Daiosho Kumorata Daiosho Shayata Daiosho Bashubanzu Daiosho Manura Daiosho

Kakurokuna Daiosho Shishibodai Daiosho Bashashita Daiosho Funyomitta Daiosho Hannyatara Daiosho Bodaidaruma Daiosho Taiso Eka Daiosho Kanchi Sosan Daiosho Daii Doshin Daiosho Daiman Konin Daiosho Daikan Eno Daiosho Seigen Gyoshi Daiosho Sekito Kisen Daiosho Yakusan Igen Daiosho Ungan Donjo Daiosho Tozan Ryokai Daiosho Ungo Doyo Daiosho Doan Dohi Daiosho Doan Kanshi Daiosho Ryozan Enkan Daiosho Taiyo Kyogen Daiosho Toshi Gisei Daiosho Fuyo Dokai Daiosho Tanka Shijun Daiosho Choro Seiryo Daiosho Tendo Sokaku Daiosho Setcho Chikan Daiosho Tendo Nyojo Daiosho Eihei Dogen Daiosho

Koun Ejo Daiosho Tettsu Gikai Daiosho Keizan Jokin Daiosho Gasan Joseki Daiosho Taigen Soshin Daiosho Baizan Monpon Daiosho Nyocho Tengin Daiosho Kisan Shosan Daiosho Morin Shihan Daiosho Taishi Sotai Daiosho Kencho Hantetsu Daiosho Daiju Soko Daiosho Kinpo Jusen Daiosho Tetsuei Seiton Daiosho Shukoku Choton Daiosho Ketsuzan Tetsuei Daiosho Hoshi Soon Daiosho Goho Kainon Daiosho Tenkei Denson Daiosho Zozan Monko Daiosho Niken Sekiryo Daiosho Reitan Roryu Daiosho Kakujo Tosai Daiosho Kakuan Ryogu Daiosho Ryoka Daibai Daiosho Ungan Guhaku Daiosho Baian Hakujun Daiosho Hakuyu Taizan Daiosho loko Beck Daiosho

Enmei Jukku Kannon Gyo

KAN ZE ON NA MU
BUTSU YO
BUTSU U IN YO
BUTSU U EN BUP
PO SO EN JO
RAKU GA JO CHO NEN
KAN ZE ON BO NEN
KAN ZE ON NEN NEN
JU SHIN KI NEN NEN
FU RI SHIN

Great Vows for All

Sentient beings are numberless; I vow to save them. Delusion are inexhaustible; I vow to put an end them. The dharma is boundless; I vow to master it. The Buddha way is unsurpassable; I vow to embody it.

SHUJO MU HEN SEI GAN DO BONNO MU JIN SEI GAN DAN HO MON MU RYO SEI GAN GAKU BUTSU DO MU JO SEI GAN JO

Dedication

All Buddhas Throughout Space and Time, All Honored Ones, Bodhisattvas, Mahasattvas, Wisdom Beyond Wisdom, Maha Prajna Paramita.