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Morning Chanting

Paying Respect To The Triple Gem

Yo so bhagavā araham sammā-sambuddho He truly is the Blessed One, The Accomplished One, the Perfectly Enlightened (Buddha). svākkhāto vena bhagavatā dhammo Well-Proclaimed is the Holy Teaching of the Blessed One. supatipanno yassa bhagavato sāvaka-sangho. Perfectly Practiced are the Holy Disciples of the Blessed One. tam ayam bhagavantam sa-dhammam sa-sangham To the Blessed One, to the Dhamma and to the Sangha, imehi sakkārehi yathāraham āropitehi abhipūjayāma. with these properly presented offerings, we pay homage. sādhu no bhante bhagavā sucira-parinibbuto pi, pacchimājanatānukampa-mānasā, ime sakkāre duggata-paņņākārabhūte patiganhātu, May the Blessed One, even through he has long since entered Total Nibbāna, please accept these meager offerings with a heart of sympathy for later generations, amhākam dīgha-rattam hitāya sukhāya. for our long-term welfare & happiness. Araham sammā-sambuddho bhagavā; Blessed is He, the Accomplished One, the Perfectly Enlightened One.

buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi.

To the Buddha, the Blessed One, I pay homage.

(PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo; Well-Proclaimed is the Teaching of the Blessed One. dhammaṃ namassāmi. To the Dhamma I pay Homage. (PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Supațipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho; Perfectly Practiced are the Disciples of the Blessed One. saṅghaṃ namāmi. I bow low to the Saṅgha. (PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Pubbabhāga-Namakāra-Pāțha

Preliminary Passage In Homage (To The Buddha)

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhāganamakāram

karomase.

Now let us chant the homage to the Blessed One.

(ALL:)

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā- sambuddhassa; Homage to the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Self-awakened One. namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā- sambuddhassa; Homage to the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Self-awakened One. namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā- sambuddhassa. Homage to the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Self-awakened One.

Buddhābhithutim Praise For Buddha

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam buddhābhithutim karomase. Now let us give high praise to the Awakened One:

(ALL:)

[Yo so tathāgato] araham sammā-sambuddho, He who has attained the truth, the Worthy One, Perfectly Self-awakened, vijjā-carana-sampanno sugato lokavidū, consummate in knowledge & conduct, one who has gone the good way, knower of the cosmos,

anuttaro purisa-damma-sārathi satthā deva-manussānam buddho bhagavā;

unexcelled trainer of those who can be taught, teacher of human & divine beings; awakened; blessed;

yo imam lokam sa-devakam sa-mārakam sa-brahmakam, sa-ssamana-brāhmanim pajam sadeva-manussam sayam

abhiññā sacchikatvā pavedesi

who made known – having realized it through direct knowledge – this world with its devas, māras, & brahmas, its generations with their contemplatives & priests, their rulers & common people;

yo dhammam desesi ādi-kalyāņam majjhe-kalyāņam pariyosānakalyāņam

who explained the Dhamma fine in the beginning, fine in the middle, fine in the end;

sāttham sa-byañjanam kevala-paripuņņam parisuddham brahma-

cariyam pakāsesi:

who expounded the holy life both in its particulars & in its essence, entirely complete, surpassingly pure:

tam aham bhagavantam abhipūjayāmi,

I worship most highly that Blessed One,

tam aham bhagavantam sirasā namāmi.

To that Blessed One I bow my head down.

Dhammābhithutim Praise For Buddha's Teaching

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam dhammābhithutim karomase.

Now let us give high praise to the Dhamma:

(ALL:)

[Yo so svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo,

The Dhamma well-expounded by the Blessed One,

sandițțhiko akāliko ehipassiko,

to be seen here & now, timeless, inviting all to come & see,

opanayiko paccattam veditabbo viññūhi,

leading inward, to be seen by the wise for themselves:

tam aham dhammam abhipūjayāmi,

I worship most highly that Dhamma,

tam aham dhammam sirasā namāmi.

To that Dhamma I bow my head down.

(PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Sanghābhithutim Praise For The Sangha

(LEADER:) Handa mayam sanghābhithutim karomase. Now let us give high praise to the Sangha: (ALL:) [Yo so supatipanno] bhagavato sāvaka-sangho, The Sangha of the Blessed One's disciples who have practiced well, uju-patipanno bhagavato sāvaka-sangho, the Sangha of the Blessed One's disciples who have practiced straightforwardly, ñāya-patipanno bhagavato sāvaka-sangho, the Sangha of the Blessed One's disciples who have practiced methodically, sāmīci- patipanno bhagavato sāvaka-sangho, the Sangha of the Blessed One's disciples who have practiced masterfully, yad idam cattāri purisa-yugāni attha purisa-puggalā; i.e., the four pairs - the eight types - of Noble Ones: esa bhagavato sāvaka-sangho āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiņeyyo añjalikaranīyo, That is the Sangha of the Blessed One's disciples - worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality, worthy of offerings, worthy of respect, anuttaram puññakkhettam lokassa; the incomparable field of merit for the world: tam aham sangham abhipujayāmi, I worship most highly that Sangha, tam aham sangham sirasā namāmi. To that Sangha I bow my head down (PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Salutation to the Triple Gem & Passage Expressing A Sense Of Urgency

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam ratana-ttaya-ppanāma-gāthāyo c' eva samvega-vatthuparidīpaka-pāţhañ ca bhanāmase.

Now let us recite the stanzas in salutation to the Triple Gem togetherwith the passage on the topics inspiring a sense of chastened dispassion:

Ratanattayappaṇāma-gāthā Salutation To The Triple Gem

(ALL:) Buddho susuddho karuņā-mahaņņavo, Yo 'ccanta-suddhabbara-ñāņa-locano, Lokassa pāpūpakilesa-ghātako:

Vandāmi buddham aham ādarena tam. The Buddha, well-purified, with ocean-like compassion, Possessed of the eye of knowledge completely purified, Destroyer of the evils & corruptions of the world: I revere that Buddha with devotion. Dhammo padīpo viya tassa satthuno, Yo magga-pākāmata-bhedabhinnako, Lokuttaro yo ca tad-attha-dīpano: Vandāmi dhammam aham ādarena tam. The Teacher's Dhamma, like a lamp, divided into Path. Fruition. & the Deathless. both transcendent (itself) & showing the way to that goal: I revere that Dhamma with devotion. Sangho sukhettābhyatikhetta-saññito, Yo dittha-santo sugatānubodhako, Lolappahīno ariyo sumedhaso: Vandāmi sangham aham ādarena tam. The Sangha, called a field better than the best, who have seen peace, awakening after the one gone the good way, who have abandoned carelessness - the noble ones, the wise: I revere that Sangha with devotion. Icc evam ekant'abhipūjaneyyakam, Vatthuttayam vandayatābhisankhatam, Puññam mayā yam mama sabbupaddavā, Mā hontu ve tassa pabhāva-siddhiyā. By the power of the merit I have made in giving reverence to the Triple Gem worthy of only the highest homage, may all my obstructions cease to be.

Samvega-parikittana-pāțha Passage Expressing A Sense Of Urgency

Idha tathāgato loke uppanno araham sammā-sambuddho, Here, One attained to the Truth, Worthy & Perfectly Self-awakened, has appeared in the world, Dhammo ca desito niyyāniko upasamiko parinibbāniko sambodhagāmī sugata-ppavedito. And Dhamma is explained, leading out (of Saṃsāra), calming, tending toward total Nibbāna, going to self-awakening, declared by one who has gone the good way.

Mayan tam dhammam sutvā evam jānāma:

Having heard the Dhamma, we know this:

Jāti pi dukkhā jarā pi dukkhā maraņam pi dukkham, Birth is stressful, aging is stressful, death is stressful,

soka-parideva-dukkha-domanassupāyāsā pi dukkhā,

Sorrow, lamentation, pain, distress, & despair are stressful,

Appiyehi sampayogo dukkho piyehi vippayogo dukkho

yam p' iccham na labhati tam pi dukkham.

Association with things disliked is stressful, separation from things liked is stressful, not getting what one wants is stressful.

Sankhittena pañc-upādāna-kkhandhā dukkhā,

In short, the five clinging-aggregates are stressful,

seyyathīdam:

Namely:

Rūpūpādāna-kkhandho,

Form as a clinging-aggregate,

vedanūpādāna-kkhandho,

feeling as a clinging-aggregate,

saññūpādāna-kkhandho,

perception as a clinging-aggregate,

sankhārūpādāna-kkhandho,

mental processes as a clinging-aggregate,

viññāņūpādāna-kkhandho.

consciousness as a clinging-aggregate.

Yesam pariññāya, dharamāno so bhagavā,

evam bahulam sāvake vineti;

evam bhāgā ca pan' assa bhagavato

sāvakesu anusāsanī, bahulam pavattati:

So that they might fully understand this, the Blessed One, while still alive,

often instructed his listeners in this way; many times did he emphasize this part of his admonition:

"Rūpaṃ aniccaṃ, "Form is inconstant, vedanā aniccā, feeling is inconstant, saññā aniccā, perception is inconstant,

sankhārā aniccā. mental processes are inconstant, viññānam aniccam, consciousness is inconstant, rūpam anattā. form is not-self, vedanā anattā. feeling is not-self, saññā anattā, perception is not-self, sankhārā anattā. mental processes are not-self, viññānam anattā, consciousness is not-self; sabbe sankhārā aniccā. all processes are inconstant, sabbe dhammā anattā ti." all phenomena are not-self." Tā1 mayam, otiņņāmha jātiyā jarā-maraņena, sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi, dukkh'otinnā dukkha-paretā, All of us, beset by birth, aging, & death, by sorrows, lamentations, pains, distresses, & despairs, beset by stress, overcome with stress, (consider), "App eva nām' imassa kevalassa dukkha-kkhandhassa antakiriyā paññāyethāti!"

"O, that the end of this entire mass of suffering & stress might be known!"

(ONLY NUNS & NOVICES:)

Cira-parinibbutam pi tam bhagavantam uddissa arahantam sammā-sambuddham, saddhā agārasmā anagāriyam pabbajitā. Though the total Liberation of the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Selfawakened One, was long ago, we have gone forth in faith from home to homelessness in

dedication to him.

Tasmim bhagavati brahmacariyam carāma We practice that Blessed One's holy life

bhikkhūninam sikkhā-sājīva-samāpannā. 2

(fully endowed with the Bhikkhunis' training & livelihood).

Tam no brahmacariyam imassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa antakiriyāya samvattatū ti.

May this holy life of ours bring about the end of this entire mass of suffering & stress.

(OTHERS:)

Cira-parinibbutam pi tam bhagavantam saranam gatā,

dhammañ ca bhikkhuni-sanghañ ca,

Though the total Liberation of the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Self-awakened One, was long ago, we have gone for refuge in him, in the Dhamma, & in the Bhikkhuni Saṅgha,

Tassa bhagavato sāsanam yathā-sati yathā-balam

manasikaroma, anupațipajjāma,

We attend to the instruction of the Blessed One, as far as our mindfulness & strength will allow, and we practice accordingly.

sā sā no patipatti, imassa kevalassa dukkha-kkhandhassa antakiriyāya samvattatū ti.

May this practice of ours bring about the end of this entire mass of suffering & stress.

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Tan-khanika-paccavekkhana-vidhī *Reflection at the Moment (of Using the Requisites)*

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam tankhanika-paccavekkhana-pāṭham bhanāmase: Now let us recite the passage for reflection at the moment (of using the requisites):

(ALL:)

Pațisańkhā yoniso cīvaraṃ pațisevāmi, Considering it thoughtfully, I use the robe, yāvad eva sītassa pațighātāya, simply to counteract the cold, uṇhassa pațighātāya, to counteract the heat,

aṃsa-makasa-vātātapa-siriṃsapa-samphassānaṃ paṭighātāya, yāvad eva hiri-kopina-paṭicchādan'- atthaṃ. to counteract the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, sun, & reptiles; Simply for the purpose of covering the parts of the body that cause shame.

Pațisankhā yoniso piņ

apātam patisevāmi,

Considering it thoughtfully, I use alms food,

neva davāya na madāya na maņ

anāya na vibhūsanāya,

not playfully, nor for intoxication, nor for putting on bulk, nor for beautification,

yāvad eva imassa kāyassa thitiyā yāpanāya vihimsuparatiyā brahmacariyānuggahāya, but simply for the survival & continuance of this body, for ending its afflictions, for the support of the holy life, iti purānañ ca vedanam patihankhāmi, navañ ca vedanam na uppādessāmi; (thinking,) thus will I destroy old feelings (of hunger) and not create new feelings (from overeating). yātrā ca me bhavissati anavajjatā ca phāsuvihāro cā ti. I will maintain myself, be blameless, & live in comfort. Patisankhā voniso senāsanam patisevāmi, Considering it thoughtfully, I use the lodging, yāvad eva sītassa patighātāya, simply to counteract the cold, unhassa patighātāya, to counteract the heat,

amsa-makasa-vātātapa-sirimsapa-samphassānam paṭighātāya, to counteract the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, sun, & reptiles; yāvad eva utu-parissaya-vinodanam paṭisallānārām'- attham. simply for protection from the inclemencies of weather and for the enjoyment of seclusion. Paṭisaṅkhā yoniso gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāram paṭisevāmi, Considering them thoughtfully, I use medicinal requisites for curing the sick, yāvad eva uppannānam veyyābādhikānam vedanānam paṭighātāya, simply to counteract any pains of illness that have arisen, abyāpajjha-paramatāyā ti.

and for maximum freedom from disease.

Dhātu-patikūla-paccavekkhaņa-vidhī

Reflection On The Elements And Loathsomeness

(LEADER:)

Handha mayam dhātu-paţikūla-paccavekkhana-pātham bhanāmase

Now let us recite the passage for reflection on the elements and loathsomeness (of using the requisites):

(ALL:)

Yathā-paccayam pavattamānam dhātu-mattam ev' etam yad idam cīvaram, tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo dhātumattako nissatto nijjīvo suñño; sabbāni pana imāni cīvarāni ajigucchanīyāni imam pūti-kāyam patvā ativiya jigucchanīyāni jāyanti.

Dependent upon and existing through its causes merely by the combination of various elements are both this robe and the person who uses it; only elements, not a being, not possessing a permanent life principle, being void of self or soul. All these robes are not yet loathsome but having touched this putrid body, become exceedingly loathsome.

Yathā-paccayam pavattamānam dhātu-mattam ev' etam

yad idaṃ piṇ apāto, tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo dhātumattako nissatto nijjīvo suñño; sabbo pan' āyaṃ piṇ

apāto ajigucchanīyo imam pūti-kāyam patvā ativiya jigucchanīyo jāyati.

Dependent upon and existing through its causes merely by the combination of various elements are both this alms food and the person who uses it; only elements, not a being, not possessing a permanent life principle, being void of self or soul. All this alms food is not yet loathsome but having touched this putrid body, becomes exceedingly loathsome.

Yathā-paccayam pavattamānam dhātu-mattam ev' etam yad idam senāsanam, tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo dhātumattako nissatto nijjīvo suñño; sabbāni pana imāni senāsanāni ajigucchanīyāni imam pūtikāyam patvā ativiya jigucchanīyāni jāyanti.

Dependent upon and existing through its causes merely by the combination of various elements are both this lodging and the person who uses it; only elements, not a being, not possessing a permanent life principle, being void of self or soul. All this lodgings are not yet loathsome but having touched this putrid body, become exceedingly loathsome.

Yathā-paccayam pavattamānam dhātu-mattam ev' etam yad idam gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāro, tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo dhātumattako nissatto nijjīvo suñño; sabbo panāyam gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāro ajigucchanīyo imam pūti-kāyam patvā ativiya jigucchanīyo jāyati.

Dependent upon and existing through its causes merely by the combination of various elements are both this medicinal requisites for curing the sick and the person who uses it; only elements, not a being, not possessing a permanent life principle, being void of self or soul. All these medicinal requisites forcuring the sick are not yet loathsome but having touched this putrid body, become exceedingly loathsome.

Devatā-pattidāna-gāthā Offering Merit To The Devas (LEADER:)

Handa mayam pattidāna-gāthāyo bhanāmase: Let us recite the verse for dedicating merit:

(ALL:)

Ya devatā santi vihāra-vāsinī thūpe ghare bodhi-ghare tahim tahim tā dhamma-dānena bhavantu pūjitā sotthim karontedha vihāra-maņ

ale.

May the devas dwelling in the temple, here and there in the stupa, the buildings, the Bodhi tree enclosure, be honored with the gift of Dhamma. May they bring about well-being here in the monastery.

therā ca majjhā navakā ca bhikkhavo sārāmikā dānapatī upāsakā gāmā ca desa nigamā ca issarā sappāņa-bhūtā sukhitā bhavantu te. Elder, intermediate, and new monks, temple attendants, donors, lay followers; towns, cities, and principalities: may all sentient beings be happy. Jalābu-jā ye pi ca an a-sambhavā samseda-jātā atha v' opapātikā niyyānikam dhamma-varam paticca te sabbe pi dhukkhassa karontu sankhayam. Whether born from a womb, from an egg, from slime, or spontaneously arising: may they all, in dependence on the foremost Dhamma for leading out, make an end to suffering and stress. thātu ciram satam dhammo dhamma-ddharā ca puggalā May the Dhamma stand firm for long, along with those individuals who maintain it. sangho hotu samaggo va atthāya ca hitāya ca May the Sangha live in harmony, for our welfare and benefit. amhe rakkhatu saddhammo sabbe pi dhamma-cārino May the true Dhamma protect us, together with all who practice the Dhamma. vuddhim sampāpuneyyāma dhamme ariya-ppavedite.

May we flourish in the Dhamma taught by the Noble Ones. Pasannā hontu sabbe pi pāņino buddha-sāsane May all beings have faith in the Buddha's teaching. sammā dhāraṃ pavecchanto kāle devo pavassatu May rain fall in season, in moderate streams. vuḍḍhi-bhāvāya sattānaṃ samiddhaṃ netu medhaniṃ May it lead the prosperous earth to the flourishing of living beings. mātā pitā ca atrajaṃ niccaṃ rakkhanti puttakaṃ Just as mother and father always protect their own children, evaṃ dhammena rājāno pajaṃ rakkhantu sabbadā. In the same way may the government always protect its citizens with righteousness.

Usually the Morning Chanting continues with the Pubbabhāga-Namakāra-Pāṭha The Preliminary Passagge In Homage (To The Buddha), and the Saraṇa-Gamana-Pāṭha Going to the Three Refuges (p. 50). Next follows a chant, which has been announced before the Morning Chanting started and then "Sukho buddhānam uppādo ..." (p. 44). Thereafter might follow a Dhammatalk and a short meditation period (10 min. walking, 10 min. sitting). Then the Morning Chanting continues as follows.

Offering Merit

Idaṃ dāna-kammaṃ nibbāna-paccayo hotu, no niccaṃ; May this action (kamma) of giving be for us continuously a condition for Nibbāna. idaṃ sīla-kammaṃ nibbāna-paccayo hotu, no niccaṃ; May this action (kamma) of virtue be for us continuously a condition for Nibbāna. idaṃ bhāvanā-kammaṃ nibbāna-paccayo hotu, no niccaṃ. May this action (kamma) of meditation be for us continuously a condition for Nibbāna. Yaṃ kiñci kusalaṃ kattabbaṃ kammaṃ sabbehi katehi kataṃ puññaṃ no anumodantu, suṇantu bhonto ye devā asamiṃ ṭhāne adhigatā dīghāyukā sadā hontu sabbasattānaṃ sukhī attānaṃ pariharantu; Whatever wholesome action (kamma) will be done (by us), may they (the following beings) rejoice in the merit produced by all (these) deeds; listen, Lords! May the devas who stay at this place always have a long life, and live happily for themselves and (the benefit) of all beings.

> mātā-pitā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu; May (my) mother & father be happy and liberated from all suffering. sabbe ñātikā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu; May all (my) relatives be happy and liberated from all suffering. sabbe añātikā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu;

May all (who are) not (my) relatives be happy and liberated from all suffering. sabbe pisā sabbe yakkhā sabbe petā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu;

May all goblins, all demons and all ghosts be happy and liberated from all suffering. sabbe nakkhattā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu;

May all (beings of the) stars be happy and liberated from all suffering.

sabbe devā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu;

May all devas be happy and liberated from all suffering.

sabbe ācariyūpajjhāyā sukhitā hontu dukkhā pamuñcantu; sabba-sampattīnam samijjhantu vo.

May all teachers & preceptors be happy and liberated from all suffering. May all (their) good fortune prosper.

(PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Asking For Forgiveness From The Triple Gems And All Devas (SIT ON YOUR HEELS AND SAY TOGETHER:)

Vandāmi buddham sabbam me dosam khamatha me bhante; I revere the Buddha. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir. vandāmi dhammam sabbam me dosam khamatha me bhante; I revere the Dhamma. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir.

vandāmi saṅghaṃ sabbaṃ me dosaṃ khamatha me bhante. I revere the Saṅgha. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir.

Vandāmi gurūpajjhāyācariye sabbam me dosam khamatha me bhante;

I revere (my spiritual) teachers, preceptor & teacher. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir. vandāmi kamma-ṭṭhānaṃ sabbaṃ me dosaṃ khamatha me bhante; I revere the meditation-object. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir.

vandāmi ārāme baddha-sīmāyam sabbam me dosam khamatha me bhante;

I revere the consecration ground in the monastery. Forgive me all my faults, Venerable Sir. vandāmi cetiyam sabbam sabba-tthānesu patitthitā sarīradhātu mahābhodhim buddha-rūpam sakkatam

sadā nāgaloke deva-loke brahma-loke jambu-dīpe laṅkā-dīpe sarīradhātuyo kesā-dhātuyo arahanta-dhātuyo cetiyam gandhakuţim catur-āsiti-sahassa-dhamma-kkhandhe sabbesam pāda-cetiyam aham vandāmi sabbaso.

I revere every stupa [chedi], established in every place, (every) relic of the (Buddha's) body, (every) great Bodhi tree, (every) Buddha image, alwayshonored in the Nāga world, Deva world & Brahma world, in India & Sri Lanka; bodily relics, hair relics & relics of Arahats, the stupa [chedi], the perfumed room (occupied by the Buddha statue), the 84 000 chapters onDhamma and every footprint-shrine, I revere them always.

(PROSTRATE 3 TIMES)

Asking For Forgiveness From The Abbot (SIT ON YOUR HEELS AND SAY TOGETHER:)

Vandāmi bhante; sabbaṃ aparādhaṃ khamatha me bhante; mayā kataṃ puññaṃ sāminiā anumoditabbaṃ; sāminiā kataṃ puññaṃ mayhaṃ dātabbaṃ; sādhu sādhu anumodāmi. I revere you, Venerable Sir. May you forgive me all my guilt, Venerable Sir. May the master rejoice in the merit I have done. May the master transmit the merit to me, he has done. Well! Well! I rejoice in it.

(ABBOT:)

Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti āyu vaṇṇo sukhaṃ balaṃ. Four qualities (may) increase: long life, beauty, happiness, strength. (RESPOND:) Sādhu!, sādhu!, sādhu! Well (said)! Well (said)! Well (said)! (PROSTRATE 3 TIMES)

Uddisanādhițțhāna-gāthā Offering Merit (LEADER:)

Handa mayam uddisanādhitthāna-gāthāyo bhanāmase Let us now recite the verse of dedication & determination.

(ALL:)

Iminā puñña-kammena upajjhāyā guņuttarā By this act of merit, may my highly virtuous preceptors, ācāriyūpakārā ca mātā-pitā ca ñātakā teachers, benefactors, mother, father, & relatives, suriyo candimā rājā guņavantā narā pi ca the gods of the sun & moon, virtuous people, brahma-mārā ca indā ca lokapālā ca devatā Brahmas, Māras, & Indras, devas who are protectors of the cosmos, yamo mittā manussā ca majjhattā verikā pi ca Yamas, human beings friendly, neutral, & hostile: sabbe sattā sukhī hontu puññāni pakatāni me may all beings be happy. May the meritorious deeds done by me sukham ca tividham dentu khippam pāpetha vo matam give threefold happiness. May you all quickly attain your wish.

iminā puñña-kammena iminā uddisena ca Through this act of merit, through this dedication, khippāham sulabhe c' eva tanh'-upādāna-chedanam may I be quickly & easily cutting through craving & clinging. ye santāne hinā dhammā yāva nibbānato mamam As long as I am on the way to Liberation, may any low qualities in my nassantu sabbadā yeva yattha jāto bhave bhave uju-cittam sati-paññā sallekho viriyamhinā character be entirely destroyed, wherever I am born in one state after another. May I have an upright mind, mindfulness, discernment, strictness, persistence. mārā labhantu n' okāsam kātuñ ca viriyesu me Through my effort, may Māra have no chance to do anything to me. buddhādi-pavaro nātho dhammo nātho varuttamo nātho pacceka-buddho ca sangho nāthottaro mamam tesottamānubhāvena mār' okasam labhantu mā. The Buddha is my foremost mainstay, the Dhamma my excellent, high mainstay; private Buddhas are my mainstay, the Sangha my superior mainstay. Through their power, may Māra get no opportunity.

Dasa-Dhamma-Sutta *Ten (Recommended) Conducts* (LEADER:)

Handa mayam dasa-dhamma-suttam bhanāmase. Now let us recite the discourse on the ten (recommended) conducts.

(ALL:) Vevaṇṇiyamhi ajjhūpagato. I have left the social order. Parapaṭibaddhā me jīvikā ti. My life needs the support of others. Añño me ākappo karaṇīyo ti. I must change the way I behave. Kacci nu kho me attā sīlato na upavadatī ti? Can I fault myself with regard to the precepts? Kacci nu kho mam anuvicca viññū sabrahmacārī sīlato na upavadantī ti?

Can my knowledgeable fellows in the holy life, on close examination, fault me with regard to the precepts?

Sabbehi me piyehi manāpehi nānā-bhāvo vinā-bhāvo ti.

I will grow different, separate from all that is dear & appealing to me.

Kammassako 'mhi kamma-dāyādo kamma-yoni

kamma-bandhu kamma-pațisaraņo. Yam kammam

karissāmi kalyāņam vā pāpakam vā tassa dāyādo bhavissāmī ti.

I am the owner of my actions, heir to my actions, born of my actions, related through my actions, and live dependent on my actions. Whatever I do, for good or for evil, to that will I fall heir.

Katham-bhūtassa me rattin-divā vītipatantī ti? What am I becoming as the days & the nights fly past? Kacci nu kho'haṃ suññāgāre abhiramāmī ti? Is there an empty dwelling in which I delight? Atthi nu kho me uttari-manussa-dhammā, alamariya-ñāṇa-dassana-viseso adhigato, so 'haṃ pacchime kāle sabrahma-cārīhi puṭtho, na maṅku bhavissāmī ti?

Have I attained a superior human state, a truly noble knowledge & vision, such that when my fellows in the holy life ask me near the hour of my death, I will not feel ashamed?
Ime kho dasa dhammā pabbajitena abhiņham paccavekkhitabbā.
These are the ten things on which those gone forth should frequently reflect.

Invitation To The Devas

(NUN:) Sarajjam sasenam sabandhum narindam parittānubhāvo sadā rakkhatūti The King – together with his kingdom, his army, and his relatives – may always be protected by the power of the blessing. Pharitvāna mettam sa-metta bhadhantā Kind, venerable sirs: having spread thoughts of good will, avikkhitta-citta parittam bhanantu. listen to the chant with undistracted mind. Sagge kāme ca rūpe Those in the heavens of sensuality & form, giri-sikharatate c'antalikkhe vimāne On peaks & mountain precipices, in palaces floating in the sky, dīpe ratthe ca gāme In islands, countries, & towns, taruvana-gahane geha-vatthumhi khette In groves of trees & thickets, around home sites & fields. bhummā cāyantu devā And the earth-devas, spirits, heavenly minstrels, & nāgas jala-thala-visame yakkha-gandhabba-nāgā In water, on land, in badlands, & nearby: titthantā santike yam May they come & listen with approval muni-vara-vacanam sādhavo me sunantu.

As I recite the word of the excellent sage. Dhamma-ssavana-kālo ayam bhadantā; This is the time to listen to the Dhamma, Venerable Sirs. dhamma-ssavana-kālo ayam bhadantā; This is the time to listen to the Dhamma, Venerable Sirs. dhamma-ssavana-kālo ayam bhadantā. This is the time to listen to the Dhamma, Venerable Sirs.

Mangala-sutta The Discourse on Good Fortune

[Evam me sutam.] Ekam samayam Bhagavā Sāvatthiyam viharati Jetavane Anāthapin

ikassa ārāme.

I have heard that at one time the Blessed One was staying in Savatthi at Jeta's Grove, Anathapindika's monastery.

Atha kho aññatarā devatā abhikkantāya rattiyā abhikkantavaņņā kevalakappam Jetavanam obhāsetvā yena Bhagavā ten' upasankami.

Then a certain devata, in the far extreme of the night, her extreme radiance lighting up the entirety of Jeta's Grove, approached the Blessed One.

Upasańkamitvā Bhagavantam abhivādetvā ekam antam atthāsi.

Ekam antam thitā kho sā devatā Bhagavantam gāthāya ajjhabhāsi:

On approaching, having bowed down to the Blessed One, she stood to one side. As she was standing there, she addressed a verse to the Blessed One:

"Bahū devā manussā ca mangalāni acintayum

Ākankhamānā sotthānam brūhi mangalam uttamam."

Many devas & humans beings give thought to good fortune,

Desiring well-being. Tell, then, the highest good fortune."

* "Asevanā ca bālānam paņ

itānañ ca sevanā

Pūjā ca pūjanīyānam etam mangalam uttamam. Not consorting with fools, consorting with the wise; paying homage to those who deserve homage: This is the highest good fortune.

Pațirūpa-desa-vāso ca pubbe ca kata-puññatā

Atta-sammā-paņidhi ca etam maṅgalam uttamam. Living in a civilized country, having made merit in the past, Directing oneself rightly: This is the highest good fortune. Bāhu-saccañca sippañca vinayo ca susikkhito Subhāsitā ca yā vācā etam maṅgalam uttamam.

Broad knowledge, skill, discipline well-mastered, Words well-spoken: This is the highest good fortune. Mātā-pitu-upatthānam putta-dārassa sangaho Anākulā ca kammantā etam mangalam uttamam. Support for one's parents, assistance to one's wife & children, Jobs that are not left unfinished: This is the highest good fortune. Dānañ ca dhamma-cariyā ca ñātakānañ ca saṅgaho Anavajjāni kammāni etam mangalam uttamam. Generosity, living by the Dhamma, assistance to one's relatives, Deeds that are blameless: This is the highest good fortune. Āratī viratī pāpā majja-pānā ca saññamo Appamādo ca dhammesu etam mangalam uttamam. Avoiding, abstaining from evil; refraining from intoxicants, Being heedful regarding qualities of the mind: This is the highest good fortune. Gāravo ca nivāto ca santutthī ca katañnutā [26] Kālena dhammassavanam etam mangalam uttamam. Respect, humility, contentment, gratitude, hearing the Dhamma on timely occasions: This is the highest good fortune. Khantī ca sovacassatā samanānañ ca dassanam Kālena dhamma-sākacchā etam mangalam uttamam. Patience, composure, seeing contemplatives, discussing the Dhamma on timely occasions: This is the highest good fortune. Tapo ca brahma-cariyañ ca ariya-saccāna-dassanam Nibbāna-sacchi-kiriyā ca etam mangalam uttamam. Austerity, celibacy, seeing the Noble Truths, Realizing Liberation: This is the highest good fortune. Phutthassa loka-dhammehi cittam yassa na kampati Asokam virajam khemam etam mangalam uttamam. A mind that, when touched by the ways of the world, is unshaken, Sorrowless, dustless, secure: This is the highest good fortune. Etādisāni katvāna sabbattham aparājitā Sabbattha sotthim gacchanti tan tesam mangalam uttaman ti." Everywhere undefeated when doing these things, people go everywhere in well-being: This is their highest good fortune." Mangala-suttam nitthitam. The Mangala-sutta ends here

Karaņīya-metta-sutta The Discourse on Lovingkindness

Karaņīyam attha-kusalena yan tam santam padam abhisamecca,

Sakko ujū ca suhujū ca suvaco c' assa mudu anatimānī, This is to be done by one skilled in aims Who wants to break through to the state of peace: Be capable, upright, & straightforward, Easy to instruct, gentle, & not conceited, Santussako ca subharo ca appakicco ca sallahuka-vutti, Santindriyo ca nipako ca appagabbho kulesu ananugiddho. Content & easy to support, with few duties, living lightly, With peaceful faculties, masterful, modest, & no greed for supporters. Na ca khuddam samācare kiñci yena viññū pare upavadeyyum. Sukhino vā khemino hontu sabbe sattā bhavantu sukhitattā. Do not do the slightest thing that the wise would later censure. (Think:) Happy & secure, may all beings be happy at heart. Ye keci pāna-bhūtatthi tasā vā thāvarā vā anavasesā. Dīghā vā ye mahantā vā majjhimā rassakā anuka-thūlā, Whatever beings there may be, weak or strong, without exception, Long, large, middling, short, subtle, blatant, Ditthā vā ye ca aditthā ye ca dūre vasanti avidūre, Bhūtā vā sambhavesī vā sabbe sattā bhavantu sukhitattā. Seen or unseen, near or far. Born or seeking birth: May all beings be happy at heart.

Na paro param nikubbetha

nātimaññetha katthaci nam kiñci, Byārosanā patīgha-saññā nāññam aññassa dukkham iccheyya. Let no one deceive another or despise anyone anywhere, Or through anger or resistance wish for another to suffer. Mātā yathā niyam puttam āyusā eka-puttam anurakkhe, Evam pi sabba-bhūtesu mānasam bhāvaye aparimānam. As a mother would risk her life to protect her child, her only child, Even so should one cultivate a limitless heart with regard to all beings. Mettañ ca sabba-lokasmim mānasam bhāvaye aparimāņam, Uddham adho ca tiriyañ ca asambādham averam asapattam. With good will for the entire cosmos, cultivate a limitless heart: Above, below, & all around, unobstructed, without enmity or hate. Titthañ caram nisinno vā sayāno vā yāva tassa vigata-middho, Etam satim adhittheyya brahmam etam vihāram idham āhu. Whether standing, walking, sitting, or lying down, as long as one is alert, One should be resolved on this mindfulness. This is called a sublime abiding here & now. Ditthiñ ca anupagamma sīlavā dassanena sampanno, Kāmesu vineyya gedham na hi jātu gabbha-seyyam punar etī ti. Not taken with views, but virtuous & consummate in vision, Having subdued desire for sensual pleasures, One never again will lie in the womb. Karanīya-metta-suttam nitthitam. The Karanīya-metta-sutta ends here.

Khandha-paritta-gāthā The Group Protection

Virūpakkhehi me mettam mettam Erāpathehi me chabyāputtehi me mettam mettam kanhā-gotamakehi ca I have good will for the Virupakkhas, the Erapathas, the Chabya descendants,& the Black Gotamakas. Apādakehi me mettam mettam di-pādakehi me Catuppadehi me mettam mettam bahuppadehi me I have good will for footless beings, two-footed, four-footed, & many-footed beings. Mā mam apādako himsi mā mam himsi di-pādako Mā mam catuppado himsi mā mam himsi bahuppado May footless beings, two-footed beings, four-footed beings, & many-footed beings do me no harm. Sabbe sattā sabbe pānā sabbe bhūtā ca kevalā Sabbe bhadrāni passantu mā kiñci pāpam āgamā May all creatures, all breathing things, all beings - each & every one meet with good fortune. May none of them come to any evil. Appamāno Buddho appamāno dhammo appamāno sangho The Buddha, Dhamma, & Sangha are limitless. Pamāna-vantāni sirim-sapāni, Ahi vicchikā sata-padī unnānābhī sarabū mūsikā, There is a limit to creeping things snakes, scorpions, centipedes, spiders, lizards, & rats. Katā me rakkhā, Katā me parittā, Patikkamantu bhūtāni. I have made this protection, I have made this spell. May the beings depart. So 'ham namo Bhagavato, Namo sattannam Sammā-sambuddhānam. I pay homage to the Blessed One, homage to the seven Perfectly Self-awakened Ones

Bojjhanga-paritta The Factor-of-Awakening Protection

Bojjhango sati-sankhāto dhammānam vicayo tathā Viriyam-pīti-passaddhi-bojjhangā ca tathāpare Samādh'upekkha-bojjhangā satt' ete sabba-dassinā Muninā sammadakkhātā bhāvitā bahulīkatā Samvattanti abhiñnāya nibbānāya ca bodhiyā

Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te hotu sabbadā. The factors for Awakening include mindfulness, investigation of qualities, persistence, rapture, & serenity factors for Awakening, plus Concentration & equanimity factors for Awakening. These seven, which the All-seeing Sage has perfectly taught, when developed & matured bring about heightened knowledge, Liberation, & Awakening. By the saying of this truth, may you always be well. Ekasmim samaye nātho Moggallānañ ca Kassapam Gilāne dukkhite disvā bojjhange satta desayi Te ca tam abhinanditvā rogā muccimsu tamkhane At one time, our Protector seeing that Moggallana & Kassapa were sick & in pain, taught them the seven factors for Awakening. They, delighting in that, were instantly freed from their illness. Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te hotu sabbadā. By the saying of this truth, may you always be well. Ekadā dhamma-rājā pi gelaññenābhipīlito Cunda-ttherena taññ eva bhanāpetvāna sādaram Sammoditvā ca ābādhā tamhā vutthāsi thānaso Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te hotu sabbadā. Once, when the Dhamma King was afflicted with fever, He had the Elder Cunda recite that very teaching with devotion. And as he approved, he rose up from that disease. By the saying of this truth, may you always be well. Pahīnā te ca ābādhā tinnannam pi mahesinam Maggāhata-kilesā va pattānuppatti-dhammatam Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te hotu sabbadā. Those diseases were abandoned by the three great seers, Just as defilements are demolished by the Path In accordance with step-by-step attainment. By the saying of this truth, may you always be well.

"Sakkatvā buddha-ratanam" "Having revered the jewel of the Buddha"

Sakkatvā buddha-ratanam Osatham uttamam varam Hitam deva-manussānam Buddha-tejena sotthinā Nassant'upaddavā sabbe Dukkhā vūpasamentu te.

Having revered the jewel of the Buddha, The highest, most excellent medicine, The welfare of human & heavenly beings: Through the Buddha's might & safety May all obstacles vanish, May your sufferings grow totally calm. Sakkatvā dhamma-ratanam Osatham uttamam varam Parilāhūpasamanam Dhamma-tejena sotthinā Nassant'upaddavā sabbe Bhayā vūpasamentu te. Having revered the jewel of the Dhamma, The highest, most excellent medicine, The stiller of feverish passion: Through the Dhamma's might & safety May all obstacles vanish, May your fears grow totally calm. Sakkatvā sangha-ratanam Osatham uttamam varam Ahuneyyam pāhuneyyam Sangha-tejena sotthinā Nassant' upaddavā sabbe Rogā vūpasamentu te. Having revered the jewel of the Sangha, The highest, most excellent medicine, Worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality: Through the Sangha's might & safety

May all obstacles vanish, May your diseases grow totally calm.

N' atthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ Buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena Hotu te jaya-maṅgalaṃ. I have no other refuge, The Buddha is my foremost refuge. Through the speaking of this truth, May you have a victory blessing. N' atthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ Dhammo me saraṇaṃ varaṃ

Etena sacca-vajjena Hotu te jaya-mangalam. I have no other refuge, The Dhamma is my foremost refuge. Through the speaking of this truth, May you have a victory blessing. N' atthi me saranam aññam Sangho me saranam varam Etena sacca-vajjena Hotu te jaya-mangalam. I have no other refuge, The Sangha is my foremost refuge. Through the speaking of this truth, May you have a victory blessing. Yam kiñci ratanam loke Vijjati vividham puthu Ratanam buddha-samam natthi Tasmā sotthi bhavantu te. Whatever kind of jewel in the world there is found by a human being, A jewel comparable to the Buddha does not exist; therefore may you be blessed. Yam kiñci ratanam loke Vijjati vividham puthu Ratanam dhamma-samam natthi Tasmā sotthi bhavantu te. Whatever kind of jewel in the world there is found by a human being, A jewel comparable to the Dhamma does not exist; therefore may you be blessed. Yam kiñci ratanam loke Vijjati vividham puthu Ratanam sangha-samam natthi Tasmā sotthi bhavantu te. Whatever kind of jewel in the world there is found by a human being, A jewel comparable to the Sangha does not exist; therefore may you be blessed.

Jaya-paritta The Victory Protection

Mahā-kāruņiko nātho hitāya sabba-pāņinam

Pūretvā pāramī sabbā patto sambodhim uttamam Etena sacca-vajjena hotu te jaya-mangalam Our protector (the Buddha), with great compassion, for the welfare of all beings, Having fulfilled all the perfections, attained the highest self-awakening. Through the speaking of this truth, may you have a victory blessing. Jayanto bodhiyā mūle sakyānam nandi-vaddhano Victorious at the foot of the Bodhi tree, was he who increased the Sakyans' delight. Evam tvam vijavo hohi javassu java-mangale; May you have the same sort of victory, may you win victory blessings. Aparājita-pallanke sīse pathavi-pokkhare Abhiseke sabba-buddhānam aggappatto pamodati. In the undefeated cross-legged sitting posture with (his) head (like) the lotus above the ground, and consecrated by all the Buddhas, he rejoiced in the utmost attainment. Sunakkhattam sumangalam supabhātam suhutthitam Sukhano sumuhutto ca suyittham brahmacārisu Padakkhinam kāya-kammam vācākammam padakkhinam Padakkhinam mano-kammam panidhī te padakkhinā Padakkhināni katvāna labhant' atthe padakkhine. A lucky star it is, a lucky blessing, a lucky dawn, a lucky sacrifice, a lucky instant, a lucky moment, a lucky offering: (i.e.) a rightful bodily act, a rightful verbal act, a rightful mental act, your rightful intentions with regard to those who lead the chaste life. Doing these rightful things, your rightful aims are achieved. So atthaladdho sukhito virulho buddhasāsane arogo sukhito hohi saha sabbehi ñātibhi; sā atthaladdhā sukhitā virulhā buddhasāsane arogā sukhitā hohi saha sabbehi ñātibhi te atthaladdhā sukhitā virulhā buddhasāsane arogā sukhitā hotha saha sabbehi ñātibhi. May he gain benefits and happiness and grow in Buddha's religion, without disease and happy may he be together with all his relatives. May she gain benefits and happiness and grow in Buddha's religion, without disease and happy may she be together with all her relatives. May they gain benefits and happiness and grow in Buddha's religion,

without disease and happy may they be together with all their relatives.

Sumangala-gāthā Verses Of Excellent Blessing

Bhavatu sabba-mangalam rakkhantu sabba-devatā
Sabba-buddhānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te.
May there be every blessing. May all heavenly beings protect you.
Through the power of all the Buddhas, may you always be well.
Bhavatu sabba-mangalam rakkhantu sabba-devatā
Sabba-dhammānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te.
May there be every blessing. May all heavenly beings protect you.
Through the power of all the Dhammas, may you always be well.
Bhavatu sabba-mangalam rakkhantu sabba-devatā
Sabba-sanghānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te.
May there be every blessing. May all heavenly beings protect you.
Through the power of all the Dhammas, may you always be well.
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Sabba-sanghānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te.
May there be every blessing. May all heavenly beings protect you.
Through the power of all the Sanghas, may you always be well.

Pabbatopama-gāthā The Mountain

Yathā pi selā vipulā nabham āhacca pabbatā Samantā anupariyeyyum nippothentā catuddisā Like gigantic boulders, mountains reaching to the sky Moving in from all sides, crushing the four directions, Evam jarā ca maccu ca adhivattanti pānino Khattiye brāhmane vesse sudde can āla-pukkuse

In the same way, aging & death roll over living beings: Noble warriors, priests, merchants, workers, outcastes, & scavengers.

Na kiñci parivajjeti sabbam-evābhimaddati Na tattha hatthīnam bhūmi na rathānam na pattiyā Na cāpi manta-yuddhena sakkā jetum dhanena vā

They spare nothing, they trample everything. Here elephants can hold no ground nor can chariots or infantry. Nor can a battle of spells or wealth win out.

Tasmā hi paņ

ito poso sampassam attham-attano Buddhe dhamme ca sanghe ca dhīro saddham So a wise person, seeing his own good, Secures firm conviction In the Buddha, Dhamma, & Sangha.

Ariya-dhana-gāthā Noble Wealth

Yassa saddhā tathāgate acalā supatiţţhitā, Sīlañ ca yassa kalyāṇaṃ ariya-kantaṃ pasaṃsitaṃ One whose conviction in the Tathāgata Is unshakable, well-established, whose virtue is admirable, praised, cherished by the Noble Ones, Saṅghe pasādo yassatthi ujubhūtañ ca dassanaṃ Adaļiddoti taṃ āhu amoghan tassa jīvitaṃ Who has faith in the Saṅgha, straightforwardness, vision: "He is not poor," they say. His life has not been in vain. Tasmā saddhañ ca sīlañ ca pasādaṃ dhammadassanaṃ Anuyuñjetha medhāvī saraṃ buddhāna-sāsanan ti So conviction & virtue, faith, & dhamma-vision should be cultivated by the wise, remembering the Buddhas' teachings.

Tilakkhanādi-gāthā Compounded Things

Sabbe saṅkhārā aniccā ti yadā paññāya passati, Atha nibbindati dukkhe: esa maggo visuddhiyā. All processes are inconstant: When one sees this with discernment, One grows disenchanted with stress – This is the path to purity. Sabbe saṅkhārā dukkhā ti yadā paññāya passati, Atha nibbindati dukkhe: esa maggo visuddhiyā. All processes are stressful: When one sees this with discernment, One grows disenchanted with stress – This is the path to purity.

Sabbe dhammā anattā ti yadā paññāya passati, Atha nibbindati dukkhe: esa maggo visuddhiyā. All phenomena are not-self: When one sees this with discernment, One grows disenchanted with stress – This is the path to purity. Appakā te manussesu ye janā pāra-gāmino Athāyam itarā pajā tīram evānudhāvati. Few are the human beings who go to the Further Shore, These others simply scurry around on this shore. Ye ca kho sammadakkhāte dhamme dhammānu-vattino But those who practice the Dhamma in line with the well-taught Dhamma, Te janā pāramessanti maccu-dheyyam suduttaram. They will cross over Death's realm, so hard to transcend. Kaṇhaṃ dhammaṃ vippahāya sukkaṃ bhāvetha paṇ ito

Okā anokam-āgamma viveke yattha dūramam.

Abandoning dark practices, the wise person should develop the bright, Having gone from home to no-home in seclusion, so hard to relish.

Tatrābhiratim iccheyya hitvā kāme akiñcano.

Pariyodapeyya attānam citta-klesehi paņ

ito.

There he should wish for delight, having discarded sensuality, he who has nothing. He should cleanse himself, the wise one, of mental defilement.

Yesam sambodhiyangesu sammā cittam subhāvitam

Ādāna-paținissagge anupādāya ye ratā,

Khīņ'āsavā jutimanto te loke parinibbutā ti.

Whose minds are well-developed in the factors for Awakening, Who delight in non-clinging, relinquishing grasping,

Glorious, free of effluent: they are unbound in the world.

Buddha-udāna-gāthā The Buddha Inspired Verses

Yadā have pātubhavanti dhammā, Ātāpino įhāyato brāhmanassa, Athassa kankhā vapayanti sabbā, Yato pajānāti sahetu-dhammam. As phenomena grow clear To the Brahman, ardent, absorbed, His doubts all vanish When he discerns what has a cause. Yadā have pātubhavanti dhammā, Ātāpino įhāvato brāhmanassa, Athassa kankhā vapayanti sabbā, Yato khayam paccayānam avedi. As phenomena grow clear To the Brahman, ardent, absorbed, His doubts all vanish When he penetrates the end of conditions. Yadā have pātubhavanti dhammā, Ātāpino įhāyato brāhmanassa, As phenomena grow clear To the Brahman, ardent, absorbed,

Vidhūpayam titthati māra-senam, Sūrova obhāsayam-antalikkhanti. He stands, routing the troops of Mara, Like the sun that illumines the sky.

Bhaddekaratta-gāthā An Auspicious Day

Atītam nānvāgameyya na ppatikankhe anāgatam Yad'atītam pahīnantam appattan ca anāgatam He would not range after the past, nor wonder about the future. What is past has been left behind, the future is as yet unreached. Paccuppannañ ca yo dhammam tatha tatha vipas sati Asamhiram asankuppam tam viddhā manubrūhaye Whatever phenomenon is present, he clearly sees right there, right there. Unvanguished, unshaken, that is how he develops the mind. Ajj' eva kiccam ātappam ko jaññā maranam suve Na hi no sangarantena mahāsenena maccunā Doing his duty ardently, today, for - who knows? - tomorrow death may come. There is no bargaining with Death & his mighty horde. Evam vihārim ātāpim aho-rattam atanditam Tam ve bhaddeka-ratto ti santo ācikkhate munī ti. Whoever lives thus ardently, relentlessly both day & night, has truly had an auspicious day: So says the Peaceful Sage.

Dukkha-ppattādi-gāthā or Devatā-uyyojana-gāthā

Dukkha-ppattā ca niddukkhā bhaya-ppattā ca nibbhayā soka-ppattā ca nissokā hontu sabbe pi pāņino. Ettāvatā ca amhehi sambhataṃ puñña-sampadaṃ sabbe devānumodantu sabba-sampatti-siddhiya dānaṃ dadantu saddhāya

sīlam rakkhantu sabbadā, bhāvanābhiratā hontu gacchantu devatā-gatā. Having got suffering, may they not suffer, having got fear, may they not suffer, having got grief, may they not grieve, (thus) all beings may they be. To the extent that by us puñña has been attained and collected, may all devas rejoice in (and share) it for the attainment of all fortune. By faith should gifts be given, virtue should always be protected, delightful should meditation be, (thus) go to the state of a devatā. Sabbe buddhā bala-ppattā paccekānañ ca yam balam, arahantānañ ca tejena rakkham bandhāmi sabbaso. By all Buddhas attained to power and the power of the Solitary Ones and by the might of the Arahants I bind (this thread) in every way for protection.

Pamsukūlatāya (Compounded Things)

Aniccā vata saṅkhārā uppāda-vaya-dhammino Uppajjitvā nirujjhanti tesam vūpasamo sukho.

Inconstant are compounded things. Their nature: to arise & pass away. They disband as they are arising. Their total stilling is bliss.

Paṃsukūla-gāthā Verses (for Recitation while taking) Paṃsukūla (Robes)

Aciram vata yam kāyo paṭhavim adhisessati Not long, alas – and it will lie this body here, upon the earth! chuḍḍo apeta-viññāṇo niratṭhaṃ va kaliṅgaraṃ. Rejected, void of consciousness and useless as a rotten log.

Anumodanā-vidhī ("Yathā vārivahā pūrā ...") Means Of Blessing (LEADER:)

Yathā vārivahā pūrā paripūrenti sāgaram

Evam eva ito dinnam petānam upakappati Icchitam patthitam tumham khippam eva samijjhatu Sabbe pūrentu sankappā cando pannaraso yathā mani jotiraso yathā.

Just as rivers full of water fill the ocean full, Even so does that here given benefit the dead (the hungry shades). May whatever you wish or want quickly come to be. May all your aspirations come to fulfillment, as the moon on the fifteenth (full moon) day or as a radiant, bright gem.

(ALL:)

Sabbītiyo vivajjantu sabba-rogo vinassatu Mā te bhavatv antarāyo sukhī dīghāyuko bhava Abhivādana-sīlissa niccam vuḍḍhāpacāyino Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti āyu vaṇṇo sukhaṃ balaṃ. May all distresses be averted, may every disease be destroyed, May there be no dangers for you, may you be happy & live long. For one of respectful nature who constantly honors the worthy, Four qualities increase: long life, beauty, happiness, strength.

(These stanzas are chanted as part of almost every anumodanā. On special occasions the two lines beginning "Sabbītiyo..." are repeated three times before going on to the lines beginning "Abhivādana-sīlissa ...".)

Culla-mangala-cakka-vāla The Lesser Sphere Of Blessings

Sabba-buddhānubhāvena sabba-dhammānubhāvena sabbasaṅghānubhāvena

buddha-ratanam dhamma-ratanam sangha-ratanam Through the power of all the Buddhas, the power of all the Dhamma, the

power of all the Saṅgha, the power of the Triple Gem - the gem of the Buddha, the gem of the Dhamma, the gem of the Saṅgha

tiņņam ratanānam ānubhāvena

caturāsītisahassa-dhamma-kkhandhānubhāvena

pițaka-tyānubhāvena

jina-sāvakānubhāvena:

- the power of the 84,000 Dhamma aggregates, the power of the Tripitaka, the power of the Victor's disciples:

Sabbe te rogā sabbe te bhayā sabbe te antarāyā sabbe te upaddavā sabbe te dunnimittā sabbe te avamaṅgalā vinassantu. May all your diseases, all your fears, all your obstacles, all your dangers,

all your bad visions, all your bad omens be destroyed. *Ayu-vaddhako dhana-vaddhako siri-vaddhako yasavaddhako balavaddhako vanna-vaddhako sukha-vaddhako hotu sabbadā. May there always be an increase of long life, wealth, glory, status, strength, beauty, & happiness. Dukkha-roga-bhayā verā sokā sattu c'upaddavā Anekā antarāyā pi vinassantu ca tejasā May suffering, disease, danger, animosity, sorrow, adversity, misfortune - obstacles without number - vanish through their radiant energy. Jaya-siddhi dhanam lābham sotthi bhāgyam sukham balam Siri āyu ca vaņņo ca bhogam vuddhī ca yasavā Sata-vassā ca āyū ca jīva-siddhī bhavantu te. Triumph, success, wealth, & gain, safety, luck, happiness, strength, glory, long life, & beauty, fortune, increase, & status, A lifespan of 100 years, and success in your livelihood: May they be yours.

Bhojana-dānānumodana-gāthā Verses (of the Discourse) on Rejoicing in the Gift of Food

Āyudo balado dhīro vaņņado paţibhāņado
Sukhassa dātā medhāvī sukham so adhigacchati
Āyum datvā balam vaņņam sukhañ ca paţibhānado
Dīghāyu yasavā hoti yattha yatthūpapajjatī ti.
The enlightened person, having given life, strength, beauty, quick-wittedness
The intelligent person, a giver of happiness, attains happiness himself.
Having given life, strength, beauty, happiness, & quick-wittedness,
He has long life & status wherever he arises.

Khemākhema-saraņa-gamana-paridīpikā-gāthā

Secure & Unsecure Refuge

Bahuṃ ve saraṇaṃ yanti pabbatāni vanāni ca, Ārāma-rukkha-cetyāni manussā bhaya-tajjitā. Many are those who go for refuge to mountains, forests, Parks, trees, & shrines: People threatened with danger. N' etam kho saranam khemam

n' etam saranam uttamam, N' etam saranam āgamma, sabba-dukkhā pamuccati. That is not the secure refuge, that is not the highest refuge, that is not the refuge, having gone to which, one gains release from all suffering. Yo ca buddhañ ca dhammañ ca sanghañ ca saranam gato, Cāttāri ariya-saccāni samma-ppaññāya passati: But a person who, having gone to the Buddha, Dhamma, & Sangha for refuge, sees the four Noble Truths with right discernment: Dukkham dukkha-samuppādam dukkhassa ca atikkamam Ariyañ c' atthangikam maggam dukkhūpasama-gāminam. Stress, the cause of stress, the transcending of stress, And the Noble Eightfold Path, the way to the stilling of stress. Etam kho saranam khemam etam saranam uttamam, Etam saranam āgamma, sabba-dukkhā pamuccatī ti. That is the secure refuge, that is the highest refuge, That is the refuge, having gone to which, one gains release from all suffering. "Sukho" ... *"Happy" ...*

Sukho buddhānam uppādo, sukhā saddhamma-desanā; Sukhā saṅghassa sāmaggī, samaggānaṃ tapo sukho. Happy is the birth of Buddhas. Happy is the teaching of the sublime Dhamma. Happy is the unity of the Saṅgha. Happy is the radiance of the united ones. Khattiyo settho jane tasmim ye gotta-patisārino; vijjā-caraņa-sampanno so settho deva-mānuse. The Khattiya's best among those who value clan; He with knowledge and conduct is best of gods and men. Divā tapati ādicco rattim ābhāti candimā; Sannaddho khattiyo tapati jhāyī tapati brāhmaņo. Atha sabbam ahorattam buddho tapati tejasā. The sun is radiant by day; the moon shines by night. Armoured radiates the warrior king. Meditating the Brahmana radiates. But all day and night the Buddha radiates in glory.

Ārogaya-paramā lābhā santuṭṭhī paramaṃ dhanaṃ Vissāsā paramā ñātī , nibbānaṃ paramaṃ sukhaṃ. Health is the highest gain. Contentment is the greatest wealth. The trusty are the best kinsmen. Nibbāna is the highest bliss.

Pāramī The (Ten) Perfections (Of The Buddha)

(LEADER:)

Handa mayam dasa-pāramī-kāram karomase. Let us now chant the ten perfections (of the Buddha).

(ALL:)

Dāna-pāramī-sampanno dāna-upapāramī-sampanno dānaparamatthapāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņā-muditā-upekkhā-pāramīsampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of giving, endowed with the higher perfection of giving, endowed with the ultimate perfection of giving, endowed with the perfection of loving

kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Sīla-pāramī-sampanno sīla-upapāramī-sampanno sīlaparamatthapāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņā-muditā-upekkhā-pāramīsampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of virtue, endowed with the higher perfection of virtue, endowed with the ultimate perfection of virtue, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Nekkhamma-pāramī-sampanno nekkhamma-upapāramīsampanno nekkhamma-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņā-muditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of renunciation, endowed with the higher perfection of renunciation, endowed with the ultimate perfection of renunciation, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Paññā-pāramī-sampanno paññā-upapāramī-sampanno paññā-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņāmuditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of wisdom, endowed with the higher perfection of wisdom, endowed with the ultimate perfection of wisdom, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Viriya-pāramī-sampanno viriya-upapāramī-sampanno viriya-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņāmuditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of energy, endowed with the higher perfection of, endowed with the ultimate perfection of energy, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Khanti-pāramī-sampanno khanti-upapāramī-sampanno khanti-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņā-

muditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā. Endowed with the perfection of patience, endowed with the higher perfection of patience, endowed with the ultimate perfection of patience, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Sacca-pāramī-sampanno sacca-upapāramī-sampanno sacca-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņāmuditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā. Endowed with the perfection of truthfulness, endowed with the higher perfection of truthfulness, endowed with the ultimate perfection of truthfulness, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Adhițțhāna-pāramī-sampanno adhițțhāna-upapāramīsampanno adhițțhāna-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettāmaitrī-karuņā-muditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā. Endowed with the perfection of resolution, endowed with the higher perfection of resolution, endowed with the ultimate perfection of resolution, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Mettā-pāramī-sampanno mettā-upapāramī-sampanno mettā-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņāmuditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the perfection of loving kindness, endowed with the higher perfection of loving kindness, endowed with the ultimate perfection of loving kindness, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno upekkhā-upapāramī-

sampanno upekkhā-paramattha-pāramī-sampanno mettā-

maitrī-karuņā-muditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā. Endowed with the perfection of equanimity, endowed with the higher perfection of equanimity, endowed with the ultimate perfection of equanimity, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Dasa-pāramī-sampanno dasa-upapāramī-sampanno dasaparamatthapāramī-sampanno mettā-maitrī-karuņā-

muditā-upekkhā-pāramī-sampanno iti pi so bhagavā.

Endowed with the ten perfections, endowed with the ten higher perfections, endowed with the ten ultimate perfections, endowed with the perfection of loving kindness & friendliness, sympathetic joy, compassion and equanimity, so indeed is the Blessed One.

Short chanting and asking for forgiveness when paying respects to a monastery or shrine

Araham sammā-sambuddho bhagavā; Blessed is He, the Accomplished One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi. To the Buddha, the Blessed One, I pay homage. (PROSTRATE 1 TIME) Svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo; Well-Proclaimed is the Teaching of the Blessed One. dhammaṃ namassāmi. To the Dhamma I pay Homage. (PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Supațipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho; Perfectly Practiced are the Disciples of the Blessed One. saṅghaṃ namāmi. I bow low to the Saṅgha. (PROSTRATE 1 TIME)

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Whether by body, speech or mind buddhe kukammam pakatam mayā yam Whatever wrong actions I have performed against the Buddha buddho patigghanhātu accayantam May the Buddha forgive me for all wrong doing kālantare samvaritum va buddhe That I may develop restraint regarding the Buddha (PROSTRATE) Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Whether by body, speech or mind dhamme kukammam pakatam mayā yam Whatever wrong actions I have performed against the Dhamma dhammo patigghanhātu accayantam May the Dhamma forgive me for all wrong doing kālantare samvaritum va dhamme That I may develop restraint regarding the Dhamma (PROSTRATE)

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Whether by body, speech or mind saṅghe kukammaṃ pakataṃ mayā yaṃ Whatever wrong actions I have performed against the Saṅgha saṅgho paṭigghaṅhātu accayantaṃ May the Saṅgha forgive me for all wrong doing kālantare saṃvarituṃ va sanghe That I may develop restraint regarding the Saṅgha

(PROSTRATE)

Offering flowers and inscense to the Triplegem

Iminā sakkārena buddham abhipūjāyam With these offerings, I pay respect to the Buddha.
Iminā sakkārena dhammam abhipūjayāmi With these offerings, I pay respect to the Dhamma.
Iminā sakkārena sangham abhipūjayāmi With these offerings, I pay respect to the Sangha.

Pubbabhāga-Namakāra-Pāţha

Preliminary Passage In Homage (To The Buddha) (ALL:)

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa. Homage to the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Selfawakened One. (3 TIMES)

Sarana-Gamana-Pāțha Going To The Three Refuges

Buddham saranam gacchāmi To the Buddha I go for refuge Dhammam saranam gacchāmi To the Dhamma I go for refuge Sangham saranam gacchāmi To the Saïgha I go for refuge Dutiyam pi buddham saranam gacchāmi For the second time to the Buddha I go for refuge. Dutiyam pi dhammam saranam gacchāmi For the second time to the Dhamma I go for refuge. Dutiyam pi sangham saranam gacchāmi For the second time to the Sangha I go for refuge. Tatiyam pi buddham saranam gacchāmi For the third time to the Buddha I go for refuge. Tatiyam pi dhammam saranam gacchāmi For the third time to the Dhamma I go for refuge.

Tatiyam pi sangham saranam gacchāmi

For the third time to the Sangha I go for refuge.

*the chant can optionally be started here