

The Full & New Moon Bodhisattva Ceremony*

REPENTANCE

Everyone: All my ancient twisted karma
From beginningless greed, hate and delusion
Born through body, speech and mind
I now fully avow. (3 times)

HOMAGES

(Each line is chanted twice: first by Kokyo, then by Everyone)

Homage to_ the seven Buddhas before Bu_ _ ddha
Homage to_ Shakyamuni Bu_ _ ddha
Homage to_ Maitreya Bu_ _ ddha
Homage to_ Samantabhadra Bodhisa_ _ ttva
Homage to_ Avalokiteshvara Bodhisa_ _ ttva
Homage to_ the succession of A_ _ ncestors

FOUR BODHISATTVA VOWS

Everyone: Beings are numberless, I vow to save them
Delusions are inexhaustible, I vow to end them
Dharma gates are boundless, I vow to enter them
Buddha's Way is unsurpassable, I vow to become it.

REFUGES

Kokyo: I take refuge in Buddha _ _
Everyone: Before all being
Immersing body and mind deeply in the Way
Awakening true mind.

Kokyo: I take refuge in Dharma _ _
Everyone: Before all being
Entering deeply the merciful ocean
Of Buddha's Way

Kokyo: I take refuge in Sangha _ _
Everyone: Before all being
Bringing harmony to everyone,
Free from hindrance.

PURE PRECEPTS

Everyone: I VOW TO REFRAIN FROM ALL EVIL

Doshi: It is the abode of the law of all Buddhas. It is the source of the law of all Buddhas.

Everyone: I VOW TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO LIVE IN ENLIGHTENMENT

Doshi: It is the teaching of anuttara samyaksambodhi and the path of one who practices and that which is practiced.

Everyone: I VOW TO LIVE AND BE LIVED FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL BEINGS

Doshi: It is transcending profane and holy and taking self and others across.

GRAVE PRECEPTS

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO KILL

Doshi: By not killing life the Buddha tree seed grows. Transmit the life of Buddha and do not kill.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO TAKE WHAT IS NOT GIVEN

Doshi: The self and objects are such as they are. Two yet one. The gate of liberation stands open.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO MISUSE SEXUALITY

Doshi: Let the three wheels of self, object and action be pure. With nothing to desire one goes along together with the Buddhas.

Everyone: I VOW TO REFRAIN FROM FALSE SPEECH

Doshi: The Dharma Wheel turns from the beginning. There is neither surplus nor lack. The sweet dew saturates all and harvests the truth.

Everyone: I VOW TO REFRAIN FROM INTOXICATION

Doshi: Originally pure, don't defile. This is the great awareness.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO SLANDER

Doshi: In the BuddhaDharma, go together, appreciate together, realize together and actualize together. Don't permit fault-finding. Don't permit haphazard talk; do not corrupt the Way.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO PRAISE SELF AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHERS

Doshi: Buddhas and Ancestors realize the vast sky and the great earth. When they manifest the noble body there is neither inside nor outside in emptiness. When they manifest dharma body there is not even a bit of earth on the ground.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO BE AVARICIOUS
Doshi: One phrase, one verse – that is the ten thousand things and one hundred
grasses: one Dharma, one-realization – is all Buddhas and Ancestors.
Therefore, from the beginning there has been no stinginess at all.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO HARBOR ILL-WILL
Doshi: Not negative, not positive, neither real nor unreal, there is an ocean of
illuminated clouds and an ocean of bright clouds.

Everyone: I VOW NOT TO ABUSE THE THREE TREASURES
Doshi: To expand the Dharma with this body is foremost. The virtue returns to the
ocean of reality. It is unfathomable: we just accept it with respect and
gratitude.

OFFERING

Doshi: On this Full Moon Night
we offer the merit of the Bodhisattva Way
through each world system
to the unborn nature of all being

DEDICATION

Everyone: ALL BUDDHAS, TEN DIRECTIONS, THREE WORLDS
ALL VENERABLE ONES, BODHISATTVAS, MAHASATTVAS
WISDOM BEYOND WISDOM, MAHA PRAJNA PARAMITA

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