

# **CASE FOR DHARMA EXCHANGE**

## **Shoyoroku Case 32: Kyozan's State of Mind**

### **Preface to the Assembly**

The ocean is the realm of the dragon, who sinks and emerges with tranquil sport. Heaven is the home of the crane, who flies and calls in perfect freedom. Why does an exhausted fish remain in the shallows? Or a sluggish bird live among the reeds? Is there any measure of gain or loss to be made of this?

### **Main Case:**

Attention! Kyozan asked a monk, "Where were you born?"

The monk replied, "Yu province."

Kyozan said, "Do you think of it?"

The monk replied, "I think of it always."

Kyozan said, "Subjective thought is mind. Objective thought is the environment. Therein, there are such things as mountains, rivers, the great earth, towers and buildings, people and animals. Reflect upon the mind that thinks. Isn't something there?"

The monk said, "As far as that, I don't see anything at all."

Kyozan said, "As a belief, that's all right. As a person, that's not all right."

The monk said, "Osho, do you have any particular instruction?"

Kyozan replied, "To say I have something particular or not misses the point. As for your view, it reaches only one mystery. In taking a seat and wearing robes, observe it for yourself later on."

**Appreciatory Verse:**

Embrace without separation; fly without impediment.

Gate and fence tower high; barrier and chain weigh heavy.

When drinking is abundant, the guests go to sleep.

When bellies are full, the farmer is destitute.

Shooting in the vast sky, the wind flaps the Garuda bird's wings.

Stamping the waves in the blue sea, thunder sends off the sporting dragon.