

General Dedication (ALL):

All Buddhas throughout space and time
All Bodhisattva-Mahasattvas
Maha Prajna Paramita.

The Four Bodhisattva Vows

(ends last zazen of day, and other Dharma activities)

Numberless beings, I vow to serve them.
Inexhaustible delusions, I vow to end them.
Boundless Dharmas, I vow to practice them.
Unsurpassable Buddha Way, I vow to embody it.

Gatha on Shaving the Head

ALL: (repeat 3x)

In the drifting wandering world,
it is very difficult to cut off our attachments.

Now we are going to cast them away and enter real activity.
This is the way to show our gratitude.

Now as we are being shaved, we vow with all sentient beings
that we will be detached from delusions and dwell in tranquility.

INSTRUCTIONS ON THE PRECEPTS (KYOJUKAIMON)

By Eihei Dogen Zenji

(repeat 1-3x)

The Great Precepts of the Buddha are maintained carefully by the Buddhas. Buddhas give them to Buddhas; teachers transmit them to teachers. Receiving the precepts goes beyond the three times; realization continues unceasingly from ancient times to the present. Our Great Master Shakyamuni Buddha transmitted the precepts to Mahakasyapa, and Mahakasyapa transmitted them to Ananda. Thus they have been transmitted generation after generation down to the 82nd generation. Before hearing Dogen Zenji's instructions on the Bodhisattva Precepts, let us recite the Gatha of Atonement:

All karma every committed by me since of old,
Due to my beginningless greed, hatred, lust, envy and delusion.
Born of my action, speech, and thought,
Now I atone for it all. (3x)

The Three Treasures have three merits and virtues called the One Body Three Treasures, the Realized Three Treasures, and the Maintained Three Treasures. The anuttara samyak sambodhi is called the

Buddha Treasure. Being pure and genuine apart from dust is the Dharma Treasure. The virtues and merits of harmony are the Sangha Treasure. These are the One Body Three Treasures.

To realize and actualize the Bodhi is called the Buddha Treasure of the Realized Three Treasures. The realization of the Buddha is the Dharma Treasure. To penetrate into the Buddha-Dharma is the Sangha Treasure. These are the Realized Three Treasures.

Guiding the heavens and guiding the people; sometimes appearing in the vast emptiness and sometimes appearing in the dust is the Buddha Treasure of the Maintained Three Treasures. Sometimes revolving in the leaves and sometimes revolving in the oceanic storage; guiding inanimate things and guiding animate beings is the Dharma Treasure. Freed from all suffering and liberated from the house of the three worlds is the Sangha Treasure.

When one takes refuge in the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha, the great precepts of all Buddhas are obtained. Make Enlightenment and Compassion your teachers, and do not follow misleading ways.

The Three Pure Precepts

First, Ceasing from Evil

This is the abiding place of laws and rules of all Buddhas; this is the very source of laws and rules of all Buddhas.

Second, Doing Good

This is the Dharma of samyak sambodhi; this is the Way of all beings.

Third, Doing Good for Others

This is to transcend the profane, and to be beyond the holy; this is to liberate oneself and others.

These are called the Three Pure Precepts.

The Ten Grave Precepts

First, Non-Killing

Life is non-killing. The seed of the Buddha grows continuously. Maintain the wisdom-life of the Buddha and do not kill life.

Second, Non-Stealing

The mind and the externals are just as thus. The gate of liberation has opened.

Third, Not Being Greedy

The three wheels – body, mouth, and consciousness (or body, speech, and mind) – are pure and clean. Nothing is desired for; go the same way with the Buddhas.

Fourth, Not Telling Lies

The Dharma wheel unceasingly turns, and there is neither excess nor lack. Sweet dews permeate; gain the essence and gain the truth.

Fifth, Not Being Ignorant

It has never been; don't be defiled. It is indeed the great clarity.

Sixth, Not Talking About Others' Errors and Faults

In the midst of the Buddha-dharma, we are the same Way, the same Dharma, the same realization, the same practice. Do not talk about others' errors and faults. Do not destroy the Way.

Seventh, Not Elevating Oneself by Blaming Others

Buddhas and teachers realized absolute emptiness and realized the great earth. When the great body is manifested, there is neither outside nor inside in emptiness. When the Dharma-body is manifested, there is not even a single square inch of soil on the earth.

Eighth, Not Being Stingy

One phrase, one verse, ten thousand forms, one hundred grasses; one Dharma, one realization, all Buddhas, all teachers. Since the beginning, there has never been being stingy.

Ninth, Not Being Angry

It is not regress, it is not advance; it is not real, it is not unreal. There is illumined cloud ocean; there is ornamented cloud ocean.

Tenth, Not Speaking Ill of the Three Treasures

Expounding the Dharma with the body is a harbor and a fish pool. The virtues return to the ocean of reality. You should not comment on them. Just hold them and serve them.

These are called the Ten Grave Precepts.

Maka Hannya Haramita Shingyo ◉

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 kei ge
mu kei 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 san myaku san 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 do 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