

The Sutra On Upasaka Precepts Bdk English Tripitaka

This new dictionary, now available in paperback as part of the best-selling Oxford Paperback Reference series, covers both historical and contemporary issues in Buddhism, and includes all Buddhist schools and cultures. Over 2,000 broad-ranging entries cover beliefs, doctrines, major teachers and scholars, place names, and artefacts, in a clear and concise style. The text is illustrated with line drawings of religious structures, iconographic forms and gestures, and ritual objects. Appendices include a chronology and a guide to canonical scriptures as well as a pronunciation guide for difficult names and terms.

Extensively revised and updated, this book provides a comprehensive overview of the development of Buddhism in Asia and the West.

The Baekgyo hoetong [백교회통], originally authored by Yi Neunghwa in 1912, is a book of comparative religion written from a Buddhist point of view. As the first book authored by Yi, a prominent Buddhist scholar and one of the top three researchers of Korean folk culture during modern times, the

Baekgyo hoetong is a significant work in the history of academic endeavors on Korean culture and Korean Buddhism. While the title of the book can be translated as “harmonizing the hundred teachings,” the content of the book reveals that the author considers Buddhism an important key in this harmonizing. Initially, Yi compares Buddhism with eleven teachings – traditional, foreign and indigenous – showing that Buddhism has points of similarity with all of them. After proceeding to produce an outline of basic Buddhist doctrine, he concludes by arguing against the common criticisms of Buddhism at the time, often using comparative examples from other religions. Although the Baekgyo hoetong is written in the traditional styles of arraying quotes in the structure of a series of questions and answers, it reflects well the complexity of Korea’s newly-modernizing society that was teeming with intellectual diversity for the first time in centuries. Yi, an avid scholar of Chinese classics, Buddhist scriptures, western science and Korean folk culture, makes the book possible by his broad erudition. Yi uses his newly acquired knowledge to “harmonize the hundred teachings” from a Buddhist point of view, warning readers that dogmatic belief in

one's own truth is in fact what is farthest from the truth.

Revered by Buddhists in the United States and China, Master Sheng-yen shares his wisdom and teachings in this first comprehensive English primer of Chan, the Chinese tradition of Buddhism that inspired Japanese Zen. Often misunderstood as a system of mind games, the Chan path leads to enlightenment through apparent contradiction. While demanding the mental and physical discipline of traditional Buddhist doctrine, it asserts that wisdom (Buddha-nature) is innate and immediate in all living beings, and thus not to be achieved through devotion to the strictures of religious practice. You arrive without departing. Master Sheng-yen provides an unprecedented understanding of Chan, its precepts, and its practice. Beginning with a basic overview of Buddhism and meditation, Hoofprint of the Ox details the progressive mental exercises traditionally followed by all Buddhists. Known as the Three Disciplines, these procedures develop moral purity, meditative concentration, and enlightening insight through the "stilling" of the mind. Master Sheng-yen then expounds Chan Buddhism, recounting its centuries-old

history in China and illuminating its fundamental tenets. He contemplates the nature of Buddhahood, specifies the physical and mental prerequisites for beginning Chan practice, and humbly considers what it means to be an enlightened Chan master. Drawing its title from a famous series of pictures that symbolizes the Chan path as the search of an ox-herd for his wayward ox, Hoofprint of the Ox is an inspirational guide to self-discovery through mental transformation. A profound contribution to Western understanding of Chan and Zen, this book is intended for practicing Buddhists as well as anyone interested in learning about the Buddhist path.

A Commentary by Dzogchen Master Khenpo Sodargye

An Introduction to Buddhism

The Three Pure Land Sutras

A Commentary on the Bhikshuni Pratimoksha

The Oxford Handbook of Buddhist Ethics

A Dharmic Response to the Ills of Sentient Beings

The principal objective of this book is to understand ascetic practices in Islam and Buddhism by examining the religious motives and beliefs that lead to them. It also attempts to demonstrate how important realizing the diversity in the purposes of

ascetic practices is, especially in regards to understanding belief systems and in making reliable and objective comparative studies in the field of religious studies. Religious beliefs in different traditions display a considerable complexity in their social, historical, and canonical backgrounds. This is what makes one religion different from another. This complexity presents a particular problem in comparative studies because of the lack of a mutual conceptual base which would enable us to make reliable comparative studies between theistic and non-theistic religions. However, we have tried to solve this problem by examining each belief system in terms of its own concepts and in its respective tradition. I believe that studying an idea or religion in terms of its own framework of references is an indispensable method. There may be some similarities in methodology but at the same time some differences in relation to their different points of view regarding value systems. The practices that constitute Islamic asceticism and the meanings of these actions in Islam differ radically from those of Buddhism. Islam does not consider certain natural human feelings such as sensual desires, jealousy, anger and so on to be unconditionally negative, since according to Islam all these feelings and emotions serve a purpose. Being good or bad depends on how those feelings and desires are employed. Therefore, while Islam allows Muslims to

satisfy these feelings within divine limits, Buddhism does not allow for their complete satisfaction. In both ascetic traditions the cultivation of free will is one of the most important elements of self-discipline. A characteristic difference between Islam and Buddhism is that while Buddhism places great stress upon the mind, Islam does not. Being moderate in actions and ascetic practices is a very important principle in both traditions. In this respect, Buddhism is similar to Islam in terms of eating practices. The most important ascetic practice and one of the most important principles of self-restraint in Islamic life, and also a main pillar of Islam, is fasting. However, it must be borne in mind that complete fasting as in Islam seems to be an excessive form of self-restraint in the eyes of Buddhists. In Buddhism, there are a few practical differences between lay people and monks; in Islam, however, everybody must fast in the same way whether he is a prophet or saint or an ordinary Muslim. In addition to this, unlike Buddhism, Islam approves of neither monasticism, nor a caste system. One of the most similar practices in both traditions is not consuming intoxicants. Islam and Buddhism have very similar attitudes to intoxicants and all kinds of alcoholic drinks. In addition to this Islam differs from Buddhism in its point of view on celibacy. Celibacy is practically forbidden in Islam if somebody has no reasonable excuse for it. In particular, according to the early Buddhist texts,

celibacy is the highest conduct of life. There is a marked difference here with Islam. However, both Buddhism and Islam make a similar point of protecting their followers from fornication by recommending or commanding them to shut the doors of sense organs and to avoid sexual misconduct. There may be some similarities between religious traditions whether they are theistic or non-theistic. These similarities cannot be a means of objectively evaluating their religious understandings or religious purposes. The best and most reliable way to understand ascetic practices is to study these practices separately, according to the historical and geographical facts of each religion, paying particular attention to their essential teachings and beliefs.

The act of committing one's life to Buddhism and its three central tenets, the Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha is known as many traditions as 'going for refuge'. Tracing his own path of discovery, Sangharakshita shows the importance of commitment to these three spiritual ideals and how this commitment provides a basis of unity among all Buddhists. In so doing he also tells the story of the founding of the Triratna Buddhist Community, an international Buddhist movement. Featuring a new additional foreword by Maitreyi, *The History of My Going for Refuge* makes essential reading for anyone interested in the history and development of

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Buddhism in the West.

The spiritual training of a Buddhist comprises the Three Learning: precepts, meditation, and wisdom. Observance of precepts is the foundation of one's spiritual journey to Buddhahood. Classified into three clusters—restraining precepts, precepts for doing good dharmas, and precepts for benefiting sentient beings—Bodhisattva precepts are called the three clusters of pure precepts. This book, *Rulus* third, presents seven sutras in English, all translated from texts in the Chinese Buddhist Canon. Five of these seven English translations have never before been published in book form. Sutra 1 and 2 cover the ten good karmas; Sutra 3 teaches repentance of sins; Sutra 4 expounds the Mahayana Vinaya; Sutra 57 each contain time-honored Bodhisattva precepts. Sutra 6 is the well-known Brahma Net Sutra; Sutra 7, Sutra of the Upasaka Precepts, also covers the six paramitas in detail. Buddhist terms are explained in the glossary. The translators' introduction presents sets of Buddhist precepts and describes the arrival of the Hinayana Vinaya in China. It explains the development of the Vinaya School, a Mahayana school originated in China, and summarizes its tenets. It compares voice-hearer precepts with Bodhisattva precepts, and discusses five texts of the latter. It also touches on selecting those Bodhisattva precepts that suit our modern times. Such precepts will be fewer in number but complete in spirit.

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Buddhist or non-Buddhist, those who seek to benefit themselves and others need to learn and observe such Bodhisattva precepts.

Many forms of Buddhism, divergent in philosophy and style, emerged as Buddhism filtered out of India into other parts of Asia. Nonetheless, all of them embodied an ethical core that is remarkably consistent. Articulated by the historical Buddha in his first sermon, this moral core is founded on the concept of karma—that intentions and actions have future consequences for an individual—and is summarized as Right Speech, Right Action, and Right Livelihood, three of the elements of the Eightfold Path. Although they were later elaborated and interpreted in a multitude of ways, none of these core principles were ever abandoned. The Oxford Handbook of Buddhist Ethics provides a comprehensive overview of the field of Buddhist ethics in the twenty-first century. The Handbook discusses the foundations of Buddhist ethics focusing on karma and the precepts looking at abstinence from harming others, stealing, and intoxication. It considers ethics in the different Buddhist traditions and the similarities they share, and compares Buddhist ethics to Western ethics and the psychology of moral judgments. The volume also investigates Buddhism and society analysing economics, environmental ethics, and Just War ethics. The final section focuses on contemporary

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issues surrounding Buddhist ethics, including gender, sexuality, animal rights, and euthanasia. This groundbreaking collection offers an indispensable reference work for students and scholars of Buddhist ethics and comparative moral philosophy.

Principles of the Chan Buddhist Path as Taught by a Modern Chinese Master

Behind the Fa ç ade of Tibetan Tantra

Korean Buddhism's Guide to Meditation (with Commentary by the Son Monk Kihwa)

A COMPARATIVE STUDY ON ASCETICISM IN BUDDHISM AND ISLAM

The Way to Buddhahood

This book comprehensively discusses the topics in Buddhism that are crucial for promoting lay people's welfare—from mundane bliss in this life, i.e., wealth and good interpersonal relationships, to prosperity in the future, i.e., a good rebirth and less time spent in Samsara. This book presents some moral guidelines and a spiritual training path designed for householders and lay Buddhists, helping them secure the welfare. The guidelines and the training path presented in the book are based on the Pali Nikāyas and the Chinese Āgamas in Early Buddhism and an influential Chinese Mahayana scripture—the Upāsakaśīla Sūtra

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Engaged Buddhism is founded on the belief that genuine
spiritual practice requires an active involvement in society.
Engaged Buddhism in the West illuminates the evolution of this
new chapter in the Buddhist tradition - including its history,

leadership, and teachings - and addresses issues such as violence and peace, race and gender, homelessness, prisons, and the environment. Eighteen new studies explore the activism of renowned leaders and organizations, such as Thich Nhat Hanh, Bernard Glassman, Joanna Macy, the Buddhist Peace Fellowship, and the Free Tibet Movement, and the emergence of a new Buddhism in North America, Europe, South Africa, and Australia.

The rationale for Humanistic Buddhism derives directly from the Buddha, "because the Buddha was born, cultivated the path, became enlightened, and strived to enlighten others in this world." It is with this understanding that Venerable Master Hsing Yun proceeds to elaborate on the many ways in which the Buddha's teachings can guide us through challenges in life. In doing so, he affirms the basic spirit of Humanistic Buddhism that centers on the conviction that the Dharma is of crucial pertinence to humanity. Humanistic Buddhism is a book that not only embodies this spirit, but also discusses how it can be infused in life. As a "blueprint" of sorts for conduct and ethics, it is a handy manual for guiding us, as well as a lucid exposition of some of the main tenets in Buddhism. Through illuminating examples and references to Buddhist teachings, Venerable Master Hsing Yun provides insights into many facets of the human condition. He shows how emotions, ethics, family, society, government, and the environment are all areas for contemplation and cultivation. In short, what Humanistic Buddhism reminds us of is that Buddhism is part of life, not separate from it.

The Diamond Cutter Sutra

Entering the Dharma-Door of Buddha-Mindfulness

Alone in a World of Wounds

Teachings, History and Practices

Buddhism and Peace

Love in the Religions of the World

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Using a step-by-step approach and a number of practical techniques, this book teaches the Dharma-door of signless Buddha-mindfulness, an incredible method that allows a Buddhist practitioner to swiftly achieve one-pointed mental concentration they never thought they could. Proficiency in signless Buddha-mindfulness brings tremendous benefits to one's Dharma cultivation. Aided by the power of in-motion meditative concentration gained from this method, the practitioners with proper conditions may be able to see the Buddha-nature, and those who are equipped with the merits from accomplishing the Three Pure Blessed Deeds can take rebirth at their will in any Buddha's pure land at the end of the current life.

The Dharma-door of signless Buddha-mindfulness is a highly convenient and efficacious method that can help even a person with the most hectic schedule improve mental concentration. By following the step-by-step cultivation sequence detailed in this book, a practitioner will not only achieve a one-pointed mind but will also be able to hold a bare thought of Buddha in mind regardless of whether he or she is in stillness or in physical motion. For Pure Land practitioners, this level of proficiency in meditative absorption reduces their reliance on signs during practice and propels them closer to the goal of gaining rebirth in Buddha's pure land at the end of this current lifetime. For Chan practitioners, the ability to maintain one-pointed absorption even during physical motion enables them to contemplate huatou or gong'an, so

that eventually they can attain sudden awakening to the True Mind, the ultimate reality to which Buddhist practitioners seek enlightenment. This book was originally published in Chinese over 20 years ago. Since then it has produced great results for all levels of Buddhist learners in Chinese communities. It is hoped that this translation can bring the wonderful benefits of signless Buddha-mindfulness to an even wider audience.

Buddha-mindfulness, buddh?nusm?ti in Sanskrit and nianfo (??) in Chinese, is one of the most widely practiced Buddhist Dharma-doors for the cultivation of meditative concentration and the securing rebirth in Buddha's pure land. This book provides simple guidelines on how a practitioner can progress from the phenomena-based methods, such as oral and mental recitation of Buddha's name, to signless mindfulness of Buddha, and finally, to principle-based Buddha-mindfulness, that is, Buddha-mindfulness in Ultimate Reality. The author emphasizes that the practice of Buddha-mindfulness has to be adjusted and fine-tuned as the practitioner's power of mental concentration deepens, so that he or she can eventually rely on this power of concentration to directly realize the Ultimate Reality, to "awaken" to the True Mind.

The study of comparative religion is no longer a matter merely for those interested in religion – it is a matter of concern for everybody. For irrespective of whether one believes in God, religion is a major characteristic of identity. And in the post 9/11 world, every educated person is aware of how important it is to understand what

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others believe. This collection of essays by international scholars emerged from an intense and powerful dialogue at the University of Hong Kong about love in the major religions of the world. Eschewing the comforting, but ultimately erroneous and dangerous idea that all religions believe more or less the same thing, each essay examines the role and nature of love in a major religion of the world. It is an invaluable guide for students, teachers and the general reader wanting to cut through the morass of doctrinal differences and emphases in the world's religions. It also makes an important contribution to the urgent issue of dialogue amongst faiths and cultures.

Bodhisattva Precepts

Religious and Secular Perspectives

Choosing Simplicity

An Anatomy of Thought

Theory and Practice

A Dictionary of Buddhism

"Books presents seven sutras in English, all of which are posted on my website at [http:](http://www.sutrasmantras.info)

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This book is the most comprehensive book on Buddhism and peace to date. It is composed of the thirty-one articles presented at the Seventh International

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Seminar on Buddhism and Leadership for Peace in 1995. Thirty-one eminent scholars and activists among the more than forty participants examined Buddhism and peace from the varying perspectives of their expertise. Many of these writers have since received international acclaim as leaders in the struggle for peace and justice.

This chapter of the Brahma Net Sutra contains the Ten Major and Forty-eight minor Bodhisattva Precepts. Commentary is by the late Dharma Master Hui Seng. Complete Enlightenment is the first authoritative translation and commentary on The Sutra of Complete Enlightenment, a central text that shaped the development of East Asian Buddhism and Ch'an (Chinese Zen). The text is set in the form of a transcription of discussions between the Buddha and the twelve enlightened beings (bodhisattvas), who question him on all aspects of spiritual practice. This new translation preserves all the liveliness and nuance of the text in the original Chinese. The sutra's ancient wisdom is brought to life by the commentaries of Master Sheng Yen,

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one of the most revered living Buddhist masters in the Ch'an lineage. This is truly a manual for the spiritual journey toward complete enlightenment, providing the key to the deep, poetic, and practical meanings of the scripture.

Instructions from a Modern Chinese Master

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Signless Buddha-Mindfulness

The Sutra of Perfect Enlightenment

The Principle and Entrance Expedients of Bodhisattva Mahasthmaprpta's

Dharma-Door for Perfect Mastery Through Buddha-Mindfulness

Hoofprint of the Ox

Khenpo Sodargye translates and provides commentary on the Diamond Cutter Sutra, the oldest printed book in China, shedding light on the Buddha's teachings on how to destroy attachment without being led astray; the author is a household name in China and his books and CDs sell in the millions in China. In the profound teachings of the Diamond Cutter Sutra, the Buddha offers a view of the world that deconstructs our normal categories of experience to show us that what we think are real entities in the world are

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actually our conceptualizations. The Buddha teaches us to cut our attachment to all phenomena and to the “I,” which are empty of inherent existence, and in so doing, cut the root cause of our suffering. Yet without wise guidance we may think that because all phenomena are empty there is no need to be attached to virtue, and thus we fall into the worst trap of all—an attachment to emptiness. How do we destroy our attachment without being led astray? With this question in mind, Dzogchen Master Khenpo Sodargye provides sparkling commentary on the Diamond Cutter Sutra so that we understand its actual meaning, thus preparing us to understand the view of the Great Perfection and Mahamudra. Before recognizing the nature of the mind, we learn we must hold on to things that are virtuous and right. Like a boat, these can help us cross a river; until we reach the other shore, it makes no sense to give them up.

This abridged version of *Behind the Façade of Tibetan Tantra* explores the doctrines of the Secret Mantra Vehicle, also known as Tibetan Buddhism. In reality, Tibetan Tantra is wholly unrelated to Buddhism, given that its cultivation of Highest Yoga is nothing but the lustful practice of

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sexual union. Such a faith based on copulation contradicts the Buddha's discourses, violates morality and ethics, disturbs social order, and has wrecked the peace and harmony of countless families. In contrast, the Jonang School that emerged in Tibet propagated the doctrine of "other-emptiness," which allows followers to realize the Tathāgatagarbha and to directly comprehend how it generates all phenomena. As the Jonang School is the sole Tibetan lineage that teaches the Buddha Dharma, it stands as the only true Tibetan Buddhist tradition. This in-depth exposé illustrates the authentic Buddha Dharma and reveals the fallacies concealed behind the Buddhist veneer of Tibetan Tantra, hoping to guide the public onto the correct path to Buddhahood.

A concise guide to the key practice systems of the East Asian Meditational schools Ch'an, Son, and Zen.

The impressive growth of Buddhist Studies in recent years is the result of several factors. Important collections of manuscripts have been found, and monuments unearthed, in nearly all parts of Asia where Buddhism existed; political and social events bringing East and West together have increased interest in both

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scholarly research and Buddhist religious practices. The spread of Buddhism outside its birthplace, Madhyadesa, first in India and soon throughout Asia, prompted its followers constantly to invent new discursive strategies and to adjust the rules to local customs and administrations. The essays presented here illustrate how why Buddhist literature adapted to a new and specific context, particularly in North-west India. They also discuss hermeneutical and exegetical practices of Indian Buddhism, the complex interrelation between the Brahmanical and the Buddhist milieu, as well as the role of the social and political context in determining the rules of the monastic code (vinaya).

Harmonizing the Hundred Teachings

Medicine Buddha Sutra

Precepts and Upāsaka Status

Complete Enlightenment

Indian Views of the Buddhist Laity

Baekgyo hoetong

A systematic introduction to Buddhist ethics aimed at anyone interested in Buddhism.

The Summary of the Great Vehicle is perhaps the most representative text of the Yogacara school of Mahayana Buddhism. It presents the classic argument for the basic Yogacara themes on conscious interiority,

attempting to reinterpret within this context the general Mahayana teachings of emptiness and dependent co-arising. It then proceeds to explain the etiology of imaginative illusion, sketch its reversal by offering an explanation of the nature of conversion, champion the recovered insight into dependent co-arising in terms of the converted other-dependent pattern of consciousness, and thus allow for a valid, if limited, role for language-formed, conventional discourse, both commonsense and theoretical.

This book comprehensively discusses the topics in Buddhism that are crucial for promoting lay peoples welfare from mundane bliss in this life, i.e., wealth and good interpersonal relationships, to prosperity in the future, i.e., a good rebirth and less time spent in Samsara. This book presents some moral guidelines and a spiritual training path designed for householders and lay Buddhists, helping them secure the welfare.

The guidelines and the training path presented in the book are based on the Pali Nikayas and the Chinese Agamas in Early Buddhism and an influential Chinese Mahayana scripture the Upasaka-sila Sutra.

Drawing on a dazzlingly wide array of disciplines--physiology, neurology, psychology, anthropology, linguistics, and philosophy--Ian Glynn explains virtually every aspect of the workings of the brain, unlocking the mysteries of the mind. Here are the mechanics of nerve messages; the functioning of sensory receptors; the processes by which the brain

sees, tastes, and smells; the seats of language, memory, and emotions. Glynn writes with exceptional clarity and offers telling examples: to help explain vision, for instance, he discusses optical illusions as well as cases of patients who suffer disordered seeing through healthy eyes (such as the loss of the ability to recognize familiar faces). The breadth of Glynn's erudition is astonishing, as he ranges from parallel processing in computers to the specialization of different regions of the brain (illustrated with fascinating instances of the bizarre effects of localized brain damage). He explains the different types of memory (episodic and semantic, as well as short-term and implicit memory), traces the path through the brain of information leading to emotional responses, and engages in a discussion of language that takes in Noam Chomsky and Hawaiian pidgin. Moreover, for every subject Glynn addresses, he offers a thorough-going scientific history. For example, before discussing the evolution of the brain, he provides an account of the theory of evolution itself, from the writing and success of *The Origin of Species* to recent work on the fossil record, DNA, and RNA. No other single volume has captured the full expanse of our knowledge of consciousness and the brain. A work of unequalled authority and eloquence, *An Anatomy of Thought* promises to be a new landmark of scientific writing.

Engaged Buddhism in the West

An Introduction to Buddhist Ethics

History of My Going for Refuge
The Buddha's Light Philosophy
A Blueprint for Life

Summary of the Great Vehicle, The

Choosing Simplicity discusses the precepts and lifestyle of fully ordained nuns within the Buddhist tradition. The ordination vows act as guidelines to promote harmony both within the individual and within the community by regulating and thereby simplifying one's relationships to other sangha members and laypeople, as well as to the needs of daily life.

Observing these precepts and practicing the Buddhadharma brings incredible benefit to oneself and others. Since the nuns' precepts include those for monks and have additional rules for nuns, this book is useful for anyone interested in monastic life.

*As a record of women's struggle not only to achieve a life of self-discipline, but also to create harmonious independent religious communities of women, *Choosing Simplicity* is a pioneering work.*

When Buddhism came to the West in the 1960s, many were eager to adapt it straightaway to the prevailing social and intellectual currents of its new home. One of those adaptations was the creation of a "socially engaged" Buddhism that could stand alongside similar developments in Christian and Jewish thought. It seemed like a good idea at the time. Beginning with what the tradition calls the path of "the holy life," a life free of every attachment to self

and the delusions to which it gives rise, Geiman draws attention to the unique contribution the Dharma makes to one's understanding of the world, one's place within it, and the nature of wise and compassionate action in the face of human hardship. Along the way, he shows the limits of using the teaching of the Buddha and the Dharma Ancestors as support for social and political agendas of any kind. What emerges is a description of a noble life free of pretense and guile, which fearlessly and unshakably bears witness to the truth of our conditioned nature in the midst of human hardship—a life best described as standing alone in a world of wounds.

The larger sutra on Amitāyus (Taishō volume 12, number 360) -- The sutra on contemplation of Amitāyus (Taishō volume 12, number 365) -- The smaller sutra on Amitāyus (Taishō volume 12, number 366).

This book is a study of the formation and the practice of Buddhist canons and an attempt to present as fully as possible the panorama of Chinese Buddhist faith. The book uses textual and archaeological sources, including Dunhuang texts, and adopts multiple perspectives such as textual evidence, historical circumstances, social life, as well as the intellectual background at the time.

*Foundations, Values and Issues
Buddhist Ethics for Laypeople*

***Sutra on Upasaka Precepts, The
Ethics and Weapons of Mass Destruction
Buddhist Studies
Humanistic Buddhism***

The Sutra on Upasaka Precepts sets forth the moral code to be observed by lay followers of Buddhism. It comprehensively elucidates the content, practice, and essence of the moral code to be observed by lay bodhisattvas and emphasizes the importance of the bodhisattva practice of lay Buddhists. The aspiration of the laity for enlightenment is said to be superior to the fruition of the practice of both sravakas and pratyekabuddhas. At the end of each chapter, the sutra concludes that lay bodhisattvas encounter more difficulties in following the precepts than ordained bodhisattvas. As such, their observance of the precepts is highly praised in the sutra. Captures an entire Buddhist tradition--both the classic Chinese experience and views of the Tibetan monks--through the enlightened words of the greatest living master of the Buddhist scholar-monk tradition. Original. IP.

The Buddha's Light Philosophy examines the management and accomplishments of the Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Order and the Buddha's Light International Association (BLIA). These organizations, founded to further the goals of Humanistic Buddhism, have flourished around the world and touched many lives. The Buddha's Light Philosophy traces their

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purpose, mission, concepts, and guidelines to provide the reader with an understanding of Humanistic Buddhist practice in the modern world.

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Bodhisattva Mahāsthāmaprāpta's Dharma-Door of
Perfect Mastery Through Buddha-Mindfulness
The Origin and Machinery of the Mind*

***A Summary of the Dull Bird versus the
Bright Tortoise aims to highlight the fact
that the essence of realization of both
Huatou Chan and Mozhao Chan
propagated by Chan Masters Dahui and
Tiantong, respectively, shares the same
goal of realizing the eighth
consciousness, tathāgatagarbha, as the
essence of attainment. They became
lifelong best friends as their same
realization is the eighth consciousness.
This excerpt serves to clarify some false
records regarding Chan Master Dahui
Zonggao.***

From Early Buddhism to Mahayana

Buddhism