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## I. Opening Enthusiasm



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Enlightened Fitness RIGHT: Enthusiasm's Sixth fold



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#### Easy Meditation *RIGHT: view of Letting-go's First fold II. Heart (of Wisdom) Sutra*



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Easy Meditation *introduction* 

Thé enlightening being who notices the cries of the world,

while moving in the deep peace of Perfect understánding,

shéd light on the five aggregates and found them equally empty.

After this realization, she overcame **á**ll pain.

Easy Meditation five aggregates – first

#### "Lísten, Sha-ri-pu-tra, form is emptiness emptiness ís form,

# fórm does NOT differ from emptiness, emptiness does NOT differ fróm form.

# Thé same is true with feeling, appraisal, impulse and awáreness.

Easy Meditation *three dualities* 

"Lísten, Sha-ri-pu-tra, all phenomena are marked with emptíness;

théy are neither produced nor destroyed, neither corrupted nor purified, neither increasing nor decréasing. Easy Meditation *five aggregates – second* 

Thérefore, in emptiness there is no form, no feeling, no appraisal, no impulse, no awáreness;

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Easy Meditation *What observe?* 

#### nó sensation, no flavor, no scent, no sound, no sight, no phenoména;

How observe?

nó body, no tongue, no nose, no ears, no eyes, nó mind;

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Easy Meditation Observing...

nó feeling, no tasting, no smelling, no hearing, no seeing, no notícing;

interdependence

nó interdependent originsand no extinction of them(from confusion to old age ánd death);

Easy Meditation *the four noble truths* 

n**ó** stress, no exacerbation, no liberation, no path; no understanding, no att**á**inment. Easy Meditation the fruit of training "Bécause there is NO attainment, the Bo-dhi-sat-tvas, suppórted

bý the Perfection of Understanding, find NO obstacles for théir minds.

#### Háving NO obstacles, they overcóme fear,

l**í**berating themselves forever from illusion and realizing perfect Nirv**á**na.

# Áll Buddhas of the past, present, and future, thanks to this Perfect Understanding,

arrive at full, right, and universal Enlighténment. Easy Meditation *mantra* 

## "Thérefore, one should know that <u>Perfect Understanding</u> is a great mantra, is the unequalled mántra,

## thé destroyer of all suffering, the incorruptiblé truth.

Á mantra of Praj-na-pa-ra-mi-ta should therefore be próclaimed.

Thís is the mantra: "Ga-te Ga-te Pa-ra-ga-te Pa-ra-sam-ga-te Bod-hi Svwá-ha!

Góne, gone, completely gone, completely and perfectly gone, to enlightenment, may it bé so!

#### Easy Meditation RIGHT: mindfulness, and meditation's seventh and eighth folds III. Practice



Notice form... relaxing That action... relaxing That action... relaxing

Easy Meditation Notice mind... relaxing That actor... relaxing That actee... relaxing and .... how NOT two? this and that... how NOT two?

Notice me...relaxing This actee... relaxing This actor... relaxing

<u>Observant</u> inhalation:

**Releasing** exhalation:

Notice this... (<u>This</u>...) (ease!) relaxing!

1<sup>st</sup> set of 256 rounds

count the sixteen BREATHS upon the left: little, ring, middle, and index finger's: lower, middle, & higher creases, & their tips. count sixteen SETs upon the right little, ring, middle, and index finger's lower, middle, & higher crease sets & tip

**Observant** inhalation:

**Releasing** exhalation:

<u>Feel</u>... (Feeling <u>this</u>...) ease! (relaxing!)

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**Observant** inhalation:

**Releasing** exhalation:

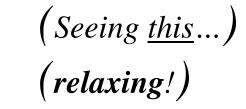
Notice this...(This...)relaxing!(ease!)

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**Observant** inhalation:

**Releasing** exhalation:

<u>See</u>... ease!



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Observant inhalation:This...(Notice this...)Releasing exhalation:ease!(relaxing!)

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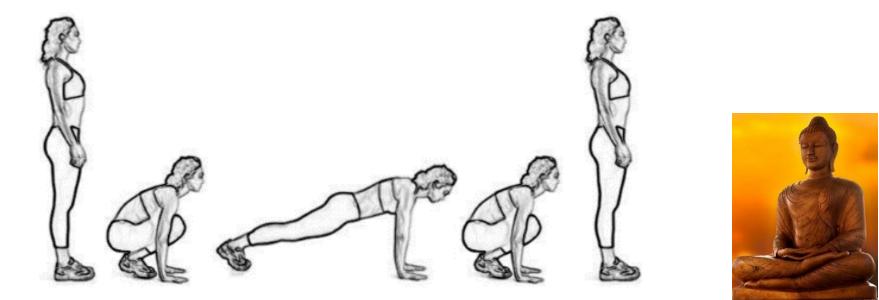
#### IV. Sharing the Good Vibrations



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Enlightened Fitness RIGHT: Enthusiasm's Sixth fold



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Right Communication, Conduct, and Commerce's Third, Fourth, & Fifth Folds – Ethics thus side-stepping the hindrance of aloofness

## Máy ALL beings practice of KIND: communication, conduct, and commerce flow spontaneous and uncóntrived.



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 Right Intention's Second Fold – The Four Immeasurables – thus side-stepping aloofness

 Máy everyone be free from stress.

 thus no need to hate

 May everyone be háppy.

 thus no need to crave

 Máy NO one be separated

 from their happíness.

Máy everyone have balance: FREE from the <u>tyranny</u> of hating, craving, & clínging.

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# V. Appendix

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Easy Meditation Shantideva's

# **Dedication Prayers**

from the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Bodhicharyavatara





Máy all beings everywhere plagued by sufferings of body ánd mind, *réceive* an ocean of happiness and joy by virtue of my mérits.



## Máy NO living creature suffer, commit evil, or ever fáll ill. Máy NO one be afraid or belittled, with a mind weighed down by *sórrow*.

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## Máy the blind see forms and the deaf héar sounds. Máy those whose bodies are worn with toil, *receive* rest and be réstored.



### Máy the naked *receive* clothing the hungry receíve food máy the thirsty *receive* water and delicioús drinks.

Máy the poor *receive* wealth, those weak with sorrow *recéive* joy;

## máy the hopeless *receive*:

- (1) hope,
- (2) constant happiness,
- (3) and prosperíty.

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# Máy there be timely rains and bountiful hárvests; máy all the medicines be effective and wholesome prayers béar fruit.

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Máy all who are sick and ill quickly be freed from their aílments. Whátever diseases there are in the world, may they never occur ágain.



Máy the frightened cease to be afraid and those bound bé freed; máy the powerless *receive* power and the people *long* to benefit each óther.



Fór as long as space remains, for as long as sentient beings rémain, úntil then may I too *auspiciously* remain to *effectively* dispel the miseries of thé world. ☺

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# A. Invigorating Buddha Bowing



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# Na-mo Bud-dha-ya Na-mo Dhar-ma-ya Na-mo Sang-ha-ya!

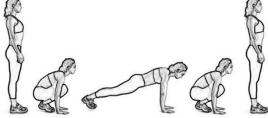
I pay homage to the Buddha's example

I pay homage to the Buddha's teachings

I pay homage to the Buddha's students

3 repetitions

Easy Meditation Karmic Calisthenics



Easy Meditation *RIGHT: intention* Máy everyone be free from misery. May everyone be háppy. Máy NO one be separated from their happíness.

Máy everyone have balance: FREE from the tyranny of greed, hate, and confúsion.

Easy Meditation B. Two Paths

In the Tao Te Ching we read of two paths in any endeavor, Lao Tzu warned against the former and encouraged the latter:

the path of yang or the path of yin, the path of patriarchy or the path of matriarchy, the path of rigidity or the path of flexibility, the path of elitism, or the path of egalitarianism,

the path of control or the path of permissiveness, the path that craves certitude or the path that embraces ambiguity, the path with authority as the source of truth or the path with truth as the source of authority,

the direct path or the circuitous path, the active path or the passive path, the path of competition or the path of cooperation, the path or cruelty or the path of compassion...

the path of pride or the path of love, the path of ego or the path of NO-self (aka NOT-self), the path of scatteredness or the path of centeredness, the path of contrivance or the path of spontaneity, the path of effort or the path of ease.

### Easy Meditation C. Four Levels of Practice

Browsers –	come to class but do NO homework
	and see NO transformation.
Students –	come to class AND do their homework every morning AND every evening; they evolve.

- Yogis students who perform one-day retreats every quarter, month or week, practicing four times that day (i.e.: 6am, 10am, 2pm & 6pm).
- Monastics students who live as if on permanent retreat, practicing four times every day (i.e.: 6am, 10am, 2pm & 6pm).

<u>*Twenty minutes of formal silent meditation</u>* for First Level Students – those who are seeking a "life lubricant"</u>

Forty minutes of formal silent meditation

for Second Level Students – those who desire a "profound evolution" such as healing PTSD, overcoming a tragic past, or transcending a disempowering and oft repeated pattern

Sixty minutes of formal silent meditation for Third Level Students – those who yearn to rapidly master sagehood's simplicity, patience, and compassion to the point of practicing them: spontaneously, habitually, easily and effectively.

### Easy Meditation D. The Path of Mastery

UnconsciousIncompetenceConsciousIncompetenceConsciousCompetenceUnconsciousCompetence

When have we mastered the sages' path?



When we practice their techniques: spontaneously, habitually, easily and effectively; and their practice has so defined us that we no longer chase a goal...

but are so content to practice the path that we no longer even feel the need to ask whether or not we have mastered it.



### Easy Meditation E. The Means of Mastery

Ten thousand hours of regular, lucid, strategic practice is often the minimum required to accomplish mastery needed to teach others. Any student who enthusiastically practices their homework every morning AND every evening for sixteen consecutive weeks could be considered an <u>apprentice</u>.

A <u>Journeyman</u> is an apprentice who has accumulated 5,000 hours of study and 5,000 hours meditation; ideally for eight hours daily over the course of three and a half years...

and has demonstrated intellectual comprehension and emotional *evolution*.

A <u>Master</u> is a journeyman who has accumulated an additional 5,000 hours of study and an additional 5,000 hours of meditation; ideally for eight hours daily...

over the course of an additional three and a half years <u>and</u> has demonstrated intellectual and emotional **mastery**. The 10,000 hours is a minimum, for some folks require 20,000 hours, 30,000 hours or more to demonstrate intellectual and emotional mastery.

Although this path of mastery can be long, it is neither mysterious nor occult.

Their nudity reminds us of mindfulness' vulnerability, their bodies comprised of light remind us of non-graspability,

their beauty reminds us of love's energy, the stability with which he sits reminds us of centeredness, and

the abandon with which she sports reminds us of spontaneity.