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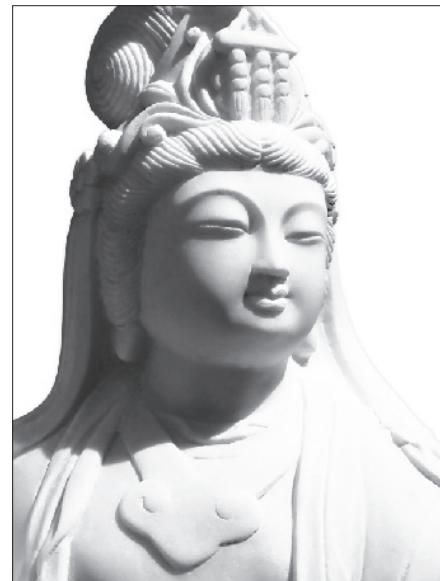
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Yang Zhi Jing Shui Zan  
楊 枝 淨 水 讚

Praise of Holy Water

Yang Zhi Jing Shui Bian Sa San Qian  
楊 枝 淨 水 遍 灑 三 千

With willow twigs, may the holy water be  
sprinkled on the three thousand realms.

Xing Kong Ba De Li Ren Tian  
性 空 八 德 利 人 天

May the nature of emptiness and eight virtues  
benefit heaven and earth.

Fu Shou Guang Zeng Yan  
福 壽 廣 增 延

May good fortune and long life both be enhanced  
and extended. May wrongdoing be extin-  
guished and be gone.

Mie Zui Xiao Qian  
滅 罪 消 慾

Burning flames transform into red lotus blossoms.

Huo Yan Hua Hong Lian  
火 燄 化 紅 蓮

We take refuge in Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva-  
Mahasattva. (repeat three times)

Nan Mo Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa  
南 無 觀 世 音 菩 薩

Mo He Sa  
摩 訶 薩 (三稱)

Nan Mo Da Bei Guan Shi Yin  
南 無 大 悲 觀 世 音  
Pu Sa  
菩 薩 (三稱)

Homage to great compassionate Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva.  
(repeat three times)

Kai Jing Ji  
開 經 倬

Sutra Opening Verse

Wu Shang Shen Shen Wei Miao Fa  
無 上 甚 深 微 妙 法  
Bai Qian Wan Jie Nan Zao Yu  
百 千 萬 劫 難 遭 遇  
Wo Jin Jian Wen De Shou Chi  
我 今 見 聞 得 受 持  
Yuan Jie Ru Lai Zhen Shi Yi  
願 解 如 來 眞 實 義

The unexcelled, most profound, and exquisitely wondrous Dharma,  
Is difficult to encounter throughout hundreds of thousands of millions of kalpas.  
Since we are now able to see, hear, receive and retain it,  
May we comprehend the true meaning of the Tathagata.

Miao Fa Lian Hua Jing  
妙 法 蓮 華 經

Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Pu Men Pin  
觀 世 音 菩 薩 普 門 品

The Lotus Sutra's Universal Gate Chapter  
on Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva

Er Shi Wu Jin Yi Pu Sa Ji  
爾 時 無 盡 意 菩 薩， 即  
Cong Zuo Qi Pian Tan You Jian He  
從 座 起， 偏 祖 右 肩， 合  
Zhang Xiang Fo Er Zuo Shi Yan Shi  
掌 向 佛， 而 作 是 言：「世  
Zun Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Yi He  
尊！ 觀 世 音 菩 薩 以 何  
Yin Yuan Ming Guan Shi Yin Fo Gao  
因 緣 名 觀 世 音？」 佛 告  
Wu Jin Yi Pu Sa Shan Nan Zi  
無 盡 意 菩 薩：「善 男 子！」  
Ruo You Wu Liang Bai Qian Wan Yi  
若 有 無 量 百 千 萬 億

At that time, Aksayamati Bodhisattva rose from his seat, bared his right shoulder, put his palms together facing the Buddha, and said, “World-honored One, for what reason is Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva named ‘Observing the Sounds of the World?’”

The Buddha answered Aksayamati Bodhisattva, “Good men, if there be countless hundreds of millions of billions of living beings [...]

Zhong Sheng Shou Zhu Ku Nao Wen Shi  
 眾 生，受 諸 苦 懨，聞 是  
 Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Yi Xin Cheng  
 觀 世 音 菩 薩，一 心 稱  
 Ming Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Ji Shi  
 名，觀 世 音 菩 薩 即 時  
 Guan Qi Yin Sheng Jie De Jie Tuo  
 觀 其 音 聲，皆 得 解 脫。  
 Ruo You Chi Shi Guan Shi Yin Pu  
 若 有 持 是 觀 世 音 菩  
 Sa Ming Zhe She Ru Da Huo Huo  
 薩 名 者，設 入 大 火，火  
 Bu Neng Shao You Shi Pu Sa Wei  
 不 能 燒，由 是 菩 薩 威  
 Shen Li Gu Ruo Wei Da Shui Suo  
 神 力 故。若 爲 大 水 所  
 Piao Cheng Qi Ming Hao Ji De Qian  
 漂，稱 其 名 號，即 得 淺  
 Chu Ruo You Bai Qian Wan Yi Zhong  
 處。若 有 百 千 萬 億 眾  
 Sheng Wei Qiu Jin Yin Liu Li Che  
 生，爲 求 金、銀、琉璃、 碑

[...] experiencing all manner of suffering who hear of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva and call his name with single-minded effort, then Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva will instantly observe the sound of their cries, and they will all be liberated.

“If anyone who upholds the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva were to fall into a great fire, the fire would be unable to burn that person due to the bodhisattva’s awe-inspiring spiritual powers. If anyone, carried away by a flood, were to call his name, that person would immediately reach a shallow place.

“If there are living beings in the hundreds of millions of billions who go out to sea in search of such treasures as gold, silver, lapis lazuli, mother of pearl,

Qu	Ma	Nao	Shan	Hu	Hu	Po	Zhen
磲、	瑪	瑙、	珊	瑚、	琥	珀、	眞
Zhu	Deng	Bao	Ru	Yu	Da	Hai	Jia
珠	等	寶，	入	於	大	海，	假
Shi	Hei	Feng	Chui	Qi	Chuan	Fang	Piao
使	黑	風	吹	其	船	舫，	漂
Duo	Luo	Cha	Gui	Guo	Qi	Zhong	Ruo
墮	羅	剎	鬼	國，	其	中	若
You	Nai	Zhi	Yi	Ren	Cheng	Guan	Shi
有	乃	至	一	人	稱	觀	世
Yin	Pu	Sa	Ming	Zhe	Shi	Zhu	Ren
音	菩	薩	名	者，	是	諸	人
Deng	Jie	De	Jie	Tuo	Luo	Cha	Zhi
等，	皆	得	解	脫	羅	剎	之
Nan	Yi	Shi	Yin	Yuan	Ming	Guan	Shi
難。	以	是	因	緣，	名	觀	世
Yin	Ruo	Fu	You	Ren	Lin	Dang	Bei
音。	若	復	有	人，	臨	當	被
Hai	Cheng	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Ming
害，	稱	觀	世	音	菩	薩	名
Zhe	Bi	Suo	Zhi	Dao	Zhang	Xun	Duan
者，	彼	所	執	刀	杖，	尋	段

carnelian, coral, amber, and pearls, and if a fierce storm were to blow their ship off course to make landfall in the territory of raksas, and further if among them there is even one person who calls the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, then all of those people will be liberated from the torment of the raksas. This is why the bodhisattva is named "Observing the Sounds of the World."

"Or if someone facing imminent attack calls the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, the knives and clubs held by the attackers will then break into pieces, and that person will attain liberation.

Duan	Huai	Er	De	Jie	Tuo	Ruo	San
段	壞，	而	得	解	脫。	若	三
Qian	Da	Qian	Guo	Tu	Man	Zhong	Ye
千	大	千	國	土，	滿	中	夜
Cha	Luo	Cha	Yu	Lai	Nao	Ren	Wen
叉、	羅	剎，	欲	來	惱	人，	聞
Qi	Cheng	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Ming
其	稱	觀	世	音	菩	薩	名
Zhe	Shi	Zhu	E	Gui	Shang	Bu	Neng
者，	是	諸	惡	鬼	尚	不	能
Yi	E	Yan	Shi	Zhi	Kuang	Fu	Jia
以	惡	眼	視	之，	況	復	加
Hai	She	Fu	You	Ren	Ruo	You	Zui
害？	設	復	有	人，	若	有	罪、
Ruo	Wu	Zui	Chou	Xie	Jia	Suo	Jian
若	無	罪，	杻	械	枷	鎖	檢
Xi	Qi	Shen	Cheng	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu
繫	其	身，	稱	觀	世	音	菩
Sa	Ming	Zhe	Jie	Xi	Duan	Huai	Ji
薩	名	者，	皆	悉	斷	壞，	即
De	Jie	Tuo	Ruo	San	Qian	Da	Qian
得	解	脫。	若	三	千	大	千

“If a great three thousand-fold world system was full of yaksas and raksas seeking to torment people, and they heard someone call the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, these evil demons would not even be able to see that person with their evil eyes, much less do any harm.

“Or if someone, whether guilty or not guilty, who is bound and fettered with manacles, shackles, and cangue calls the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, then all the bonds will be broken, and that person will instantly attain liberation.

[...]

Guo Tu Man Zhong Yuan Zei You Yi  
 國 土， 滿 中 怨 賊， 有 一  
 Shang Zhu Jiang Zhu Shang Ren Ji Chi  
 商 主 將 諸 商 人， 齋 持  
 Zhong Bao Jing Guo Xian Lu Qi Zhong  
 重 寶， 經 過 險 路， 其 中  
 Yi Ren Zuo Shi Chang Yan Zhu Shan  
 一 人 作 是 唱 言：「諸 善  
 Nan Zi Wu De Kong Bu Ru Deng  
 男 子！ 勿 得 恐 怖， 汝 等  
 Ying Dang Yi Xin Cheng Guan Shi Yin  
 應 當 一 心 稱 觀 世 音  
 Pu Sa Ming Hao Shi Pu Sa Neng  
 菩 薩 名 號， 是 菩 薩 能  
 Yi Wu Wei Shi Yu Zhong Sheng Ru  
 以 無 畏 施 於 眾 生； 汝  
 Deng Ruo Cheng Ming Zhe Yu Ci Yuan  
 等 若 稱 名 者， 於 此 怨  
 Zei Dang De Jie Tuozhong Shang Ren  
 賊， 當 得 解 脫！」 眾 商 人  
 Wen Ju Fa Sheng Yan Nan Mo Guan  
 聞， 俱 發 聲 言：「南 無 觀

[...] “If a great three thousand-fold world system were full of malevolent brigands, and a merchant chief were leading many merchants carrying valuable treasures along a perilous road, and among them one man were to speak up and say, “Good men, do not be afraid. You should call the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva with single-minded effort, for this bodhisattva can bestow fearlessness upon living beings. If you call his name, then you will surely be liberated from these malevolent brigands!” [...]

Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Cheng	Qi	Ming	Gu
世	音	菩	薩！」	稱	其	名	故，
Ji	De	Jie	Tuo	Wu	Jin	Yi	Guan
即	得	解	脫。	無	盡	意！	觀
Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Mo	He	Sa	Wei
世	音	菩	薩	摩	訶	薩	威
Shen	Zhi	Li	Wei	Wei	Ru	Shi	Ruo
神	之	力，	巍	巍	如	是。	若
You	Zhong	Sheng	Duo	Yu	Yin	Yu	Chang
有	眾	生	多	於	淫	欲，	常
Nian	Gong	Jing	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa
念	恭	敬	觀	世	音	菩	薩，
Bian	De	Li	Yu	Ruo	Duo	Chen	Hui
便	得	離	欲。	若	多	瞋	恚，
Chang	Nian	Gong	Jing	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu
常	念	恭	敬	觀	世	音	菩
Sa	Bian	De	Li	Chen	Ruo	Duo	Yu
薩，	便	得	離	瞋。	若	多	愚
Chi	Chang	Nian	Gong	Jing	Guan	Shi	Yin
癡，	常	念	恭	敬	觀	世	音
Pu	Sa	Bian	De	Li	Chi	Wu	Jin
菩	薩，	便	得	離	癡。	無	盡

[...] and upon hearing this, if all of the merchants were to call out: “I take refuge in Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva,” then by calling his name, they would instantly attain liberation.

“Aksayamati, lofty indeed are the awe-inspiring spiritual powers of the great Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva.

“If any living beings are much given to greed, let them keep in mind and revere Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, and they will be freed from their greed.

“If any are much given to anger, let them keep in mind and revere Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, and they will be freed from their anger.

“If any are much given to ignorance, let them keep in mind and revere Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, and they will be freed from their ignorance.

[...]

<i>Yi</i>	<i>Guan</i>	<i>Shi</i>	<i>Yin</i>	<i>Pu</i>	<i>Sa</i>	<i>You</i>	<i>Ru</i>
意!	觀	世	音	菩	薩	有	如
<i>Shi</i>	<i>Deng</i>	<i>Da</i>	<i>Wei</i>	<i>Shen</i>	<i>Li</i>	<i>Duo</i>	<i>Suo</i>
是	等	大	威	神	力,	多	所
<i>Rao</i>	<i>Yi</i>	<i>Shi</i>	<i>Gu</i>	<i>Zhong</i>	<i>Sheng</i>	<i>Chang</i>	<i>Ying</i>
饒	益,	是	故	眾	生	常	應
<i>Xin</i>	<i>Nian</i>	<i>Ruo</i>	<i>You</i>	<i>Nü</i>	<i>Ren</i>	<i>She</i>	<i>Yu</i>
心	念。	若	有	女	人,	設	欲
<i>Qiu</i>	<i>Nan</i>	<i>Li</i>	<i>Bai</i>	<i>Gong</i>	<i>Yang</i>	<i>Guan</i>	<i>Shi</i>
求	男,	禮	拜	供	養	觀	世
<i>Yin</i>	<i>Pu</i>	<i>Sa</i>	<i>Bian</i>	<i>Sheng</i>	<i>Fu</i>	<i>De</i>	<i>Zhi</i>
音	菩	薩,	便	生	福	德	智
<i>Hui</i>	<i>Zhi</i>	<i>Nan</i>	<i>She</i>	<i>Yu</i>	<i>Qiu</i>	<i>Nü</i>	<i>Bian</i>
慧	之	男;	設	欲	求	女,	便
<i>Sheng</i>	<i>Duan</i>	<i>Zheng</i>	<i>You</i>	<i>Xiang</i>	<i>Zhi</i>	<i>Nü</i>	<i>Su</i>
生	端	正	有	相	之	女,	宿
<i>Zhi</i>	<i>De</i>	<i>Ben</i>	<i>Zhong</i>	<i>Ren</i>	<i>Ai</i>	<i>Jing</i>	<i>Wu</i>
植	德	本,	眾	人	愛	敬。	無
<i>Jin</i>	<i>Yi</i>	<i>Guan</i>	<i>Shi</i>	<i>Yin</i>	<i>Pu</i>	<i>Sa</i>	<i>You</i>
盡	意!	觀	世	音	菩	薩	有
<i>Ru</i>	<i>Shi</i>	<i>Li</i>	<i>Ruo</i>	<i>You</i>	<i>Zhong</i>	<i>Sheng</i>	<i>Gong</i>
如	是	力。	若	有	眾	生	恭

[...] “Aksayamati, Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva possesses such awe-inspiring spiritual powers, and many have benefited from them. This is why living beings should constantly keep him in mind.

“If any woman wishes for a male child by worshiping and making offerings to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, she will then give birth to a son blessed with merit and wisdom. If she wishes for a female child, she will then give birth to a daughter blessed with well-formed and attractive features, one who has planted the roots of virtue over lifetimes and is cherished and respected by all. Aksayamati, such are the powers of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva!

[...]

Jing	Li	Bai	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa
敬	禮	拜	觀	世	音	菩	薩,
Fu	Bu	Tang	Juan	Shi	Gu	Zhong	Sheng
福	不	唐	捐。	是	故	眾	生
Jie	Ying	Shou	Chi	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu
皆	應	受	持	觀	世	音	菩
Sa	Ming	Hao	Wu	Jin	Yi	Ruo	You
薩	名	號。	無	盡	意!	若	有
Ren	Shou	Chi	Liu	Shi	Er	Yi	Heng
人	受	持	六	十	二	億	恒
He	Sha	Pu	Sa	Ming	Zi	Fu	Jin
河	沙	菩	薩	名	字,	復	盡
Xing	Gong	Yang	Yin	Shi	Yi	Fu	Wo
形	供	養	飲	食、	衣	服、	臥
Ju	Yi	Yao	Yu	Ru	Yi	Yun	He
具、	醫	藥,	於	汝	意	云	何?
Shi	Shan	Nan	Zi	Shan	Nü	Ren	Gong
是	善	男	子、	善	女	人	功
De	Duo	Fou	Wu	Jin	Yi	Yan	Shen
德	多	不?」	無	盡	意	言:	「甚
Duo	Shi	Zun	Fo	Yan	Ruo	Fu	You
多,	世	尊!」	佛	言:	「若	復	有

[...] “If any living being reveres and worships Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, their auspicious merit will not have been in vain.

“Therefore, let all living beings accept and uphold the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva. Aksayamati, suppose someone were to accept and uphold the names of as many bodhisattvas as there are grains of sand along sixty-two hundred million Ganges Rivers, and spend a lifetime in making offerings of food, drink, clothing, lodging, and medicines to them. What do you think? Would the merit for such a good man or good woman be great or not?”

Aksayamati replied, “Great indeed, World-honored One.”

[...]

Ren	Shou	Chi	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa
人	受	持	觀	世	音	菩	薩
Ming	Hao	Nai	Zhi	Yi	Shi	Li	Bai
名	號	乃	至	一	時	禮	拜
Gong	Yang	Shi	Er	Ren	Fu	Zheng	Deng
供	養	是	二	人	福	正	等
Wu	Yi	Yu	Bai	Qian	Wan	Yi	Jie
無	異	於	百	千	萬	億	劫
Bu	Ke	Qiong	Jin	Wu	Jin	Yi	Shou
不	可	窮	盡。	無	盡	意！	受
Chi	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Ming	Hao
持	觀	世	音	菩	薩	名	號
De	Ru	Shi	Wu	Liang	Wu	Bian	Fu
得	如	是	無	量	無	邊	福
De	Zhi	Li	Wu	Jin	Yi	Pu	Sa
德	之	利。」	無	盡	意	菩	薩
Bai	Fo	Yan	Shi	Zun	Guan	Shi	Yin
白	佛	言：	「世	尊！	觀	世	音
Pu	Sa	Yun	He	You	Ci	Suo	Po
菩	薩	云	何	遊	此	娑	婆
Shi	Jie	Yun	He	Er	Wei	Zhong	Sheng
世	界？	云	何	而	爲	眾	生

[...] The Buddha said, “Suppose there is another person who accepts and upholds the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, and worships and makes offerings to him for a single moment; the merit gained by these two people will be exactly the same without any difference. Such merit cannot be exhausted even in hundreds of millions of billions of kalpas. Aksayamati, such are the immeasurable and limitless benefits of the auspicious merit one obtains from accepting and upholding the name of Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva.”

Aksayamati Bodhisattva said to the Buddha, “World-honored One, how does Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva wanders through this Saha World? How does he teach the Dharma for the sake of living beings? How does he apply the power of skillful means?”

Shuo Fa Fang Bian Zhi Li Qi Shi  
 說法？方便之力，其事  
 Yun He Fo Gao Wu Jin Yi Pu  
 云何？」佛告無盡意菩  
 Sa Shan Nan Zi Ruo You Guo Tu  
 薩：「善男子！若有所國土  
 Zhong Sheng Ying Yi Fo Shen De Du  
 羣生，應以佛身得度  
 Zhe Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Ji Xian  
 者，觀世音菩薩即現  
 Fo Shen Er Wei Shuo Fa Ying Yi  
 佛身而爲說法。應以  
 Pi Zhi Fo Shen De Du Zhe Ji  
 辟支佛身得度者，即  
 Xian Pi Zhi Fo Shen Er Wei Shuo  
 現辟支佛身而爲說  
 Fa Ying Yi Sheng Wen Shen De Du  
 法。應以聲聞身得度  
 Zhe Ji Xian Sheng Wen Shen Er Wei  
 者，即現聲聞身而爲  
 Shuo Fa Ying Yi Fan Wang Shen De  
 說法。應以梵王身得

The Buddha told Aksayamati Bodhisattva, “Good men, if there are living beings in this land who should be liberated by someone in the form of a Buddha, then Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva will manifest in the form of a Buddha and teach the Dharma to them.”

“For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a pratyekabuddha, then Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva will manifest in the form of a pratyekabuddha and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a sravaka, then he will manifest in the form of a sravaka and teach the Dharma to them.

[...]

Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Fan	Wang	Shen	Er
度	者，	即	現	梵	王	身	而
Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Di	Shi	Shen
爲	說	法。	應	以	帝	釋	身
De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Di	Shi	Shen
得	度	者，	即	現	帝	釋	身
Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Zi	Zai
而	爲	說	法。	應	以	自	在
Tian	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Zi
天	身	得	度	者，	即	現	自
Zai	Tian	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying
在	天	身	而	爲	說	法。	應
Yi	Da	Zi	Zai	Tian	Shen	De	Du
以	大	自	在	天	身	得	度
Zhe	Ji	Xian	Da	Zi	Zai	Tian	Shen
者，	即	現	大	自	在	天	身
Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Tian	Da
而	爲	說	法。	應	以	天	大
Jiang	Jun	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian
將	軍	身	得	度	者，	即	現
Tian	Da	Jiang	Jun	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo
天	大	將	軍	身	而	爲	說

[...] “For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of King Brahma, then he will manifest in the form of King Brahma and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of Lord Sakra, then he will manifest in the form of Lord Sakra and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of Isvara, then he will manifest in the form of Isvara and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of the Mahesvara, then he will manifest in the form of the Mahesvara and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a great heavenly general, then he will manifest in the form of a great heavenly general and teach the Dharma to them. [...]

Fa	Ying	Yi	Pi	Sha	Men	Shen	De
法。	應	以	毗	沙	門	身	得
Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Pi	Sha	Men	Shen
度	者，	即	現	毗	沙	門	身
Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Xiao	Wang
而	爲	說	法。	應	以	小	王
Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Xiao	Wang
身	得	度	者，	即	現	小	王
Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Zhang
身	而	爲	說	法。	應	以	長
Zhe	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Zhang
者	身	得	度	者，	即	現	長
Zhe	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi
者	身	而	爲	說	法。	應	以
Ju	Shi	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian
居	士	身	得	度	者，	即	現
Ju	Shi	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying
居	士	身	而	爲	說	法。	應
Yi	Zai	Guan	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji
以	宰	官	身	得	度	者，	即
Xian	Zai	Guan	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa
現	宰	官	身	而	爲	說	法。

[...] For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of Vaisravana, then he will manifest in the form of Vaisravana and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a lesser king, then he will manifest in the form of a lesser king and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of an elder, then he will manifest in the form of an elder and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a layperson, then he will manifest in the form of a layperson and teach the Dharma to them. For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a minister, then he will manifest in the form of a minister and teach the Dharma to them. [...]

Ying	Yi	Po	Luo	Men	Shen	De	Du
應	以	婆	羅	門	身	得	度
Zhe	Ji	Xian	Po	Luo	Men	Shen	Er
者，	即	現	婆	羅	門	身	而
Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Bi	Qiu	Bi
爲	說	法。	應	以	比	丘、	比
Qiu	Ni	You	Po	Se	You	Po	Yi
丘	尼、	優	婆	塞、	優	婆	夷
Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Bi	Qiu
身	得	度	者，	即	現	比	丘、
Bi	Qiu	Ni	You	Po	Se	You	Po
比	丘	尼、	優	婆	塞、	優	婆
Yi	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi
夷	身	而	爲	說	法。	應	以
Zhang	Zhe	Ju	Shi	Zai	Guan	Po	Luo
長	者、	居	士、	宰	官、	婆	羅
Men	Fu	Nü	Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji
門	婦	女	身	得	度	者，	即
Xian	Fu	Nü	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa
現	婦	女	身	而	爲	說	法。
Ying	Yi	Tong	Nan	Tong	Nü	Shen	De
應	以	童	男	童	女	身	得

[...] For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a brahman, then he will manifest in the form of a brahman and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a bhiksu, a bhiksuni, an upasaka, or an upasika, then he will manifest in the form of a bhiksu, a bhiksuni, an upasaka, or an upasika and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a woman from the family of an elder, a layperson, a minister, or a brahman, then he will manifest in the form of a woman and teach the Dharma to them.

[...]

Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Tong	Nan	Tong	Nü
度	者，	即	現	童	男	童	女
Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Tian
身	而	爲	說	法。	應	以	天、
Long	Ye	Cha	Qian	Ta	Po	A	Xiu
龍、	夜	叉、	乾	闡	婆、	阿	修
Luo	Jia	Lou	Luo	Jin	Na	Luo	Mo
羅、	迦	樓	羅、	緊	那	羅、	摩
Hou	Luo	Qie	Ren	Fei	Ren	Deng	Shen
睺	羅	伽、	人、	非	人	等	身
De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Jie	Xian	Zhi	Er
得	度	者，	即	皆	現	之	而
Wei	Shuo	Fa	Ying	Yi	Zhi	Jin	Gang
爲	說	法。	應	以	執	金	剛
Shen	De	Du	Zhe	Ji	Xian	Zhi	Jin
神	得	度	者，	即	現	執	金
Gang	Shen	Er	Wei	Shuo	Fa	Wu	Jin
剛	神	而	爲	說	法。	無	盡
Yi	Shi	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Cheng
意！	是	觀	世	音	菩	薩，	成
Jiu	Ru	Shi	Gong	De	Yi	Zhong	Zhong
就	如	是	功	德。	以	種	種

[...] “For those who should be liberated by someone in the form of a young boy or young girl, then he will manifest in the form of a young boy or young girl and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by someone in such forms as a deva, a naga, a yaksa, a gandharva, an asura, a garuda, a kimnara, a mahoraga, a human or a nonhuman being, then he will manifest in all these forms and teach the Dharma to them.

“For those who should be liberated by a vajrapani deity, then he will manifest as a vajrapani deity and teach the Dharma to them.

“Aksayamati, such is the merit that Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva has accomplished, and the various forms in which he wanders the various lands bringing liberation to living beings.

Xing You Zhu Guo Tu Du Tuozhong  
 形，遊諸國土，度脫眾  
 Sheng Shi Gu Ru Deng Ying Dang Yi  
 生。是故汝等應當一  
 Xin Gong Yang Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa  
 心供養觀世音菩薩。  
 Shi Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Mo He  
 是觀世音菩薩摩訶  
 Sa Yu Bu Wei Ji Nan Zhi Zhong  
 薩，於怖畏急難之中，  
 Neng Shi Wu Wei Shi Gu Ci Suo  
 能施無畏，是故此娑  
 Po Shi Jie Jie Hao Zhi Wei Shi  
 婆世界，皆號之爲施  
 Wu Wei Zhe Wu Jin Yi Pu Sa  
 無畏者。」無盡意菩薩  
 Bai Fo Yan Shi Zun Wo Jin Dang  
 白佛言：「世尊！我今當  
 Gong Yang Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Ji  
 供養觀世音菩薩。」即  
 Jie Jing Zhong Bao Zhu Ying Luo Jia  
 解頸眾寶珠瓔珞，價

"This is why all of you should single-mindedly make offerings to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, for it is the great Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva who can bestow fearlessness in the midst of terror and in dire circumstances. This is why everyone in this Saha World calls him the bestower of fearlessness."

Aksayamati Bodhisattva said to the Buddha, "World-honored One, now I must make an offering to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva." [...]

Zhi Bai Qian Liang Jin Er Yi Yu  
 值 百 千 兩 金， 而 以 與  
 Zhi Zuo Shi Yan Ren Zhe Shou Ci  
 之。 作 是 言：「仁 者！」 受 此  
 Fa Shi Zhen Bao Ying Luo Shi Guan  
 法 施， 珍 寶 瓔 珞。」 時 觀  
 Shi Yin Pu Sa Bu Ken Shou Zhi  
 世 音 菩 薩 不 肯 受 之。  
 Wu Jin Yi Fu Bai Guan Shi Yin  
 無 盡 意 復 白 觀 世 音  
 Pu Sa Yan Ren Zhe Min Wo Deng  
 菩 薩 言：「仁 者！」 懿 我 等  
 Gu Shou Ci Ying Luo Er Shi Fo  
 故， 受 此 瓔 珞。」 爾 時 佛  
 Gao Guan Shi Yin Pu Sa Dang Min  
 告 觀 世 音 菩 薩：「當 懿  
 Ci Wu Jin Yi Pu Sa Ji Si  
 此 無 盡 意 菩 薩， 及 四  
 Zhong Tian Long Ye Cha Qian Ta Po  
 羣、 天、 龍、 夜 叉、 乾 闔 婆、  
 A Xiu Luo Jia Lou Luo Jin Na  
 阿 修 羅、 迦 樓 羅、 繫 那

[...] Then he took from his neck a necklace of numerous precious gems worth thousands of ounces in gold, and gave it to him saying, “Kind one, accept this necklace of precious gems as a Dharma gift.”

At the time, Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva was unwilling to accept it. Aksayamati spoke once more to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, “Kind one, accept this necklace as a kindness to us.”

Then the Buddha said to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, “Accept this jeweled necklace out of compassion for Aksayamati Bodhisattva, as well as the four groups of Buddhist disciples, the devas, nagas, yaksas, gandharvas, asuras, garudas, kimnaras, mahoragas, human and nonhuman beings.” [...]

Luo	Mo	Hou	Luo	Qie	Ren	Fei	Ren
羅、	摩	睺	羅	伽、	人、	非	人
Deng	Gu	Shou	Shi	Ying	Luo	Ji	Shi
等	故，	受	是	瓔	珞。」	即	時
Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa	Min	Zhu	Si
觀	世	音	菩	薩，	愍	諸	四
Zhong	Ji	Yu	Tian	Long	Ren	Fei	Ren
眾，	及	於	天、	龍、	人、	非	人
Deng	Shou	Qi	Ying	Luo	Fen	Zuo	Er
等，	受	其	瓔	珞，	分	作	二
Fen	Yi	Fen	Feng	Shi	Jia	Mou	Ni
分：	一	分	奉	釋	迦	牟	尼
Fo	Yi	Fen	Feng	Duo	Bao	Fo	Ta
佛，	一	分	奉	多	寶	佛	塔。
Wu	Jin	Yi	Guan	Shi	Yin	Pu	Sa
「無	盡	意！	觀	世	音	菩	薩，
You	Ru	Shi	Zi	Zai	Shen	Li	You
有	如	是	自	在	神	力，	遊
Yu	Suo	Po	Shi	Jie	Er	Shi	Wu
於	娑	婆	世	界。」	爾	時	無
Jin	Yi	Pu	Sa	Yi	Ji	Wen	Yue
盡	意	菩	薩	以	偈	問	曰：

[...] Thereupon, Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva accepted the jeweled necklace out of compassion for the four groups of Buddhist disciples, the devas and nagas, and the human and nonhuman beings, and dividing it into two parts, presented one part to Sakyamuni Buddha and presented the other part to the stupa of Prabhutaratna Buddha.

“Aksayamati, it is with such freely exercised spiritual powers that Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva wanders through the Saha World.”

Then Aksayamati Bodhisattva asked his question in verse:

Shi Zun Miao Xiang Ju  
 世 尊 妙 相 具，  
 Wo Jin Chong Wen Bi  
 我 今 重 問 彼：  
 Fo Zi He Yin Yuan  
 佛 子 何 因 緣，  
 Ming Wei Guan Shi Yin  
 名 爲 觀 世 音？  
 Ju Zu Miao Xiang Zun  
 具 足 妙 相 尊，  
 Ji Da Wu Jin Yi  
 喻 答 無 盡 意：  
 Ru Ting Guan Yin Xing  
 汝 聽 觀 音 行，  
 Shan Ying Zhu Fang Suo  
 善 應 諸 方 所，  
 Hong Shi Shen Ru Hai  
 弘 誓 深 如 海，  
 Li Jie Bu Si Yi  
 歷 劫 不 思 議，  
 Shi Duo Qian Yi Fo  
 侍 多 千 億 佛，

“World-honored One with all the wonderful signs,

Let me now ask about him once more:

For what reason is this son of the Buddha

Named ‘Observing the Sounds of the World’?”

World-honored One with all the wonderful signs

Answered Aksayamati in verse:

“You listen now to the practice of Avalokitesvara,

Who well responds to every region.

His great vow is as deep as the sea,

Inconceivable even after many kalpas.

Having served Buddhas in the hundreds of billions,

Fa	Da	Qing	Jing	Yuan
發	大	清	淨	願。
Wo	Wei	Ru	Lüe	Shuo
我	爲	汝	略	說，
Wen	Ming	Ji	Jian	Shen
聞	名	及	見	身，
Xin	Nian	Bu	Kong	Guo
心	念	不	空	過，
Neng	Mie	Zhu	You	Ku
能	滅	諸	有	苦。
Jia	Shi	Xing	Hai	Yi
假	使	興	害	意，
Tui	Luo	Da	Huo	Keng
推	落	大	火	坑，
Nian	Bi	Guan	Yin	Li
念	彼	觀	音	力，
Huo	Keng	Bian	Cheng	Chi
火	坑	變	成	池。
Huo	Piao	Liu	Ju	Hai
或	漂	流	巨	海，
Long	Yu	Zhu	Gui	Nan
龍	魚	諸	鬼	難，

He has made a great and pure vow.

Let me briefly tell you:

Hearing his name and seeing his form,

Keeping him unremittingly in mind,

Can eliminate all manner of suffering.

Suppose someone with harmful intent,

Casts you into a great pit of fire;

Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,

And the pit of fire will change into a pond.

Or you are cast adrift upon an immense ocean,

Menaced by dragons, fish, and demons;

Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念 彼 觀 音 力，  
Bo Lang Bu Neng Mo  
波 浪 不 能 没。  
Huo Zai Xu Mi Feng  
或 在 須 眇 峰，  
Wei Ren Suo Tui Duo  
爲 人 所 推 墮，  
Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念 彼 觀 音 力，  
Ru Ri Xu Kong Zhu  
如 日 虛 空 住。  
Huo Bei E Ren Zhu  
或 被 惡 人 逐，  
Duo Luo Jin Gang Shan  
墮 落 金 剛 山，  
Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念 彼 觀 音 力，  
Bu Neng Sun Yi Mao  
不 能 損 一 毛。  
Huo Zhi Yuan Zei Rao  
或 值 怨 賊 繞，

Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,

And the waves will not drown you.

Or someone pushes you down,

From the top of Mount Sumeru;

Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,

And you will hang in the sky like the sun.

Or you are pursued by evil doers,

Who push you down from Mount Vajra;

Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,

And not one of your hairs will be harmed.

Or if surrounded by malevolent brigands,

Ge Zhi Dao Jia Hai  
各執刀加害，  
Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念彼觀音力，  
Xian Ji Qi Ci Xin  
咸即起慈心。  
Huo Zao Wang Nan Ku  
或遭王難苦，  
Lin Xing Yu Shou Zhong  
臨刑欲壽終，  
Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念彼觀音力，  
Dao Xun Duan Duan Huai  
刀尋段段壞。  
Huo Qiu Jin Jia Suo  
或囚禁枷鎖，  
Shou Zu Bei Chou Xie  
手足被杻械，  
Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
念彼觀音力，  
Shi Ran De Jie Tuo  
釋然得解脫。

Each one brandishing a knife to attack you;  
Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
And they will all experience a mind of loving-kindness.  
Or if persecuted by the royal court,  
Facing death by execution;  
Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
And the executioner's blade will break into pieces.  
Or if imprisoned with cangue and chains,  
Hands and feet manacled and shackled;  
Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
And the bonds will loosen and you will be liberated.

Zhou Zu Zhu Du Yao  
 咒 詛 諸 毒 藥，  
 Suo Yu Hai Shen Zhe  
 所 欲 害 身 者，  
 Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
 念 彼 觀 音 力，  
 Huan Zhuo Yu Ben Ren  
 還 著 於 本 人。  
 Huo Yu E Luo Cha  
 或 遇 惡 羅 剎，  
 Du Long Zhu Gui Deng  
 毒 龍 諸 鬼 等，  
 Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
 念 彼 觀 音 力，  
 Shi Xi Bu Gan Hai  
 時 悉 不 敢 害。  
 Ruo E Shou Wei Rao  
 若 惡 獸 圍 繞，  
 Li Ya Zhao Ke Bu  
 利 牙 爪 可 怖，  
 Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
 念 彼 觀 音 力，

If there is someone who would do you harm,  
 Using spells and various poisons;  
 Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
 And any harm will rebound on the originator.  
 Or if you encounter evil raksas,  
 Venomous dragons, various ghosts, and the like;  
 Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
 And then none of them will dare harm you.  
 If you are surrounded by evil beasts  
 With their sharp teeth and claws so horrifying;  
 Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,

Ji	Zou	Wu	Bian	Fang	
疾	走	無	邊	方。	And they will flee in all directions.
Yuan	She	Ji	Fu	Xie	When lizards, snakes, vipers, and scorpions
蠣	蛇	及	蝮	蠍，	
Qi	Du	Yan	Huo	Ran	Scorch you with their poisonous vapors;
氣	毒	煙	火	然，	
Nian	Bi	Guan	Yin	Li	Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,
念	彼	觀	音	力，	
Xun	Sheng	Zi	Hui	Qu	And they will retreat at the sound of your voice.
尋	聲	自	迴	去。	
Yun	Lei	Gu	Che	Dian	When thunderclouds rumble with lighting strikes,
雲	雷	鼓	掣	電，	
Jiang	Bao	Shu	Da	Yu	As hailstones and torrential rains come down;
降	雹	澍	大	雨，	
Nian	Bi	Guan	Yin	Li	Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,
念	彼	觀	音	力，	
Ying	Shi	De	Xiao	San	And the storm will disperse that very moment.
應	時	得	消	散。	
Zhong	Sheng	Bei	Kun	E	Living beings suffer in agony,
眾	生	被	困	厄，	
Wu	Liang	Ku	Bi	Shen	Oppressed by immeasurable pain;
無	量	苦	逼	身，	

Guan	Yin	Miao	Zhi	Li	The power of Avalokitesvara's wondrous wisdom
觀	音	妙	智	力,	
Neng	Jiu	Shi	Jian	Ku	Can bring liberation from the world's sufferings.
能	救	世	間	苦。	
Ju	Zu	Shen	Tong	Li	Perfect in supernatural powers,
具	足	神	通	力,	
Guang	Xiu	Zhi	Fang	Bian	Widely practicing the skillful means of wisdom,
廣	修	智	方	便,	
Shi	Fang	Zhu	Guo	Tu	In all the lands of the ten directions,
十	方	諸	國	土,	
Wu	Cha	Bu	Xian	Shen	There is no place where he fails to manifest.
無	剎	不	現	身。	
Zhong	Zhong	Zhu	E	Qu	The lower realms in all their forms,
種	種	諸	惡	趣,	
Di	Yu	Gui	Chu	Sheng	That of hell-beings, hungry ghosts, and animals,
地	獄	鬼	畜	生,	
Sheng	Lao	Bing	Si	Ku	The sufferings of birth, old age, sickness, and death,
生	老	病	死	苦,	
Yi	Jian	Xi	Ling	Mie	He steadily brings them all to an end.
以	漸	悉	令	滅。	
Zhen	Guan	Qing	Jing	Guan	Contemplation of truth, contemplation of purity,
眞	觀	清	淨	觀,	

Guang Da Zhi Hui Guan  
 廣 大 智 慧 觀，  
 Bei Guan Ji Ci Guan  
 悲 觀 及 慈 觀，  
 Chang Yuan Chang Zhan Yang  
 常 願 常 瞻 仰。  
 Wu Gou Qing Jing Guang  
 無 垢 清 淨 光，  
 Hui Ri Po Zhu An  
 慧 日 破 諸 閣，  
 Neng Fu Zai Feng Huo  
 能 伏 災 風 火，  
 Pu Ming Zhao Shi Jian  
 普 明 照 世 間。  
 Bei Ti Jie Lei Zhen  
 悲 體 戒 雷 震，  
 Ci Yi Miao Da Yun  
 慈 意 妙 大 雲，  
 Shu Gan Lu Fa Yu  
 漱 甘 露 法 雨，  
 Mie Chu Fan Nao Yan  
 滅 除 煩 憶 餗。

Contemplation of the vast and greater wisdom,  
 Contemplation of compassion and contemplation  
 of kindness;  
 Ever longed for, ever looked up to.  
 His undefiled light of purity  
 Is the wisdom-sun dispelling all darkness,  
 What can quell winds and fires that bring disaster  
 And illuminate the world universally.  
 Precepts of his compassionate body are like rolling  
 thunder;  
 The profundity of his kind mind is like a great cloud;  
 He showers us with Dharma rain like nectar,  
 That extinguishes the flames of affliction.

Zheng Song Jing Guan Chu  
 謹訟經官處，  
 Bu Wei Jun Zhen Zhong  
 怖畏軍陣中，  
 Nian Bi Guan Yin Li  
 念彼觀音力，  
 Zhong Yuan Xi Tui San  
 眾怨悉退散。  
 Miao Yin Guan Shi Yin  
 妙音觀世音，  
 Fan Yin Hai Chao Yin  
 梵音海潮音，  
 Sheng Bi Shi Jian Yin  
 勝彼世間音，  
 Shi Gu Xu Chang Nian  
 是故須常念。  
 Nian Nian Wu Sheng Yi  
 念念勿生疑，  
 Guan Shi Yin Jing Sheng  
 觀世音淨聖，  
 Yu Ku Nao Si E  
 於苦惱死厄，  
 。

When lawsuits bring you to court,  
 Or when fear strikes you in battle,  
 Keep in mind Avalokitesvara's powers,  
 And the enemy forces will all retreat.  
 Contemplating the world's voices with a wondrous  
 voice,  
 A Brahma voice, an ocean-tide voice,  
 What surpasses those voices of the world;  
 Therefore constantly keep them in mind.  
 Never doubt from moment to moment,  
 The pure and noble Avalokitesvara;  
 For those in pain and agony, or facing death,

Neng Wei Zuo Yi Hu  
 能 爲 作 依 怖。  
 Ju Yi Qie Gong De  
 具 一 切 功 德，  
 Ci Yan Shi Zhong Sheng  
 慈 眼 視 羣 生，  
 Fu Ju Hai Wu Liang  
 福 聚 海 無 量，  
 Shi Gu Ying Ding Li  
 是 故 應 頂 禮。  
 Er Shi Chi Di Pu Sa Ji Cong  
 爾 時 持 地 菩 薩 即 從  
 Zuo Qi Qian Bai Fo Yan Shi Zun  
 座 起， 前 白 佛 言：「世 尊！」  
 Ruo You Zhong Sheng Wen Shi Guan Shi  
 若 有 羣 生 聞 是 觀 世  
 Yin Pu Sa Pin Zi Zai Zhi Ye  
 音 菩 薩 品， 自 在 之 業，  
 Pu Men Shi Xian Shen Tong Li Zhe  
 普 門 示 現 神 通 力 者，  
 Dang Zhi Shi Ren Gong De Bu Shao  
 當 知 是 人， 功 德 不 少。」

He can be their aid and support!

In possession of all merit and virtue,

He views living beings with the eyes of loving-kindness;

His ocean of accumulated merit is infinite,

So worship him with prostrations.

At this time Dharamidhara Bodhisattva rose from his seat, came forward, and said to the Buddha, "World-honored One, if there are living beings who hear this chapter on Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva about his freedom of action, his revelation of the universal gate, and his supernatural powers, it should be known that their merits are not few."

[...]

Fo	Shuo	Shi	Pu	Men	Pin	Shi	Zhong
佛	說	是	普	門	品	時，	眾
Zhong	Ba	Wan	Si	Qian	Zhong	Sheng	Jie
中	八	萬	四	千	眾	生	皆
Fa	Wu	Deng	Deng	A	Nou	Duo	Luo
發	無	等	等	阿	耨	多	羅
San	Miao	San	Pu	Ti	Xin		
三	藐	三	菩	提	心。		

[...] When the Buddha preached this chapter on the Universal Gate, the eighty-four thousand living beings assembled there all generated the aspiration to attain anuttara-samyak-sambodhi.

Bo 般 Re 若 Bo 波 Luo 羅 Mi 蜜 Duo 多 Xin 心 Jing 經

Heart Sutra

Guan 觀	Zi 自	Zai 在	Pu 菩	Sa 薩，	Xing 行	Shen 深	Bo 般
Re 若	Bo 波	Luo 羅	Mi 蜜	Duo 多	Shi 時，	Zhao 照	Jian 見
Wu 五	Yun 蘊	Jie 皆	Kong 空，	Du 度	Yi 一	Qie 切	Ku 苦
E 厄。	She 舍	Li 利	Zi 子，	Se 色	Bu 不	Yi 異	Kong 空，
Kong 空	Bu 不	Yi 異	Se 色，	Se 色	Ji 即	Shi 是	Kong 空，
Kong 空	Ji 即	Shi 是	Se 色，	Shou 受	Xiang 想	Xing 行	Shi 識，
Yi 亦	Fu 復	Ru 如	Shi 是。	She 舍	Li 利	Zi 子，	Shi 是

Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, while contemplating deeply the prajnaparamita, realized the five aggregates are empty and was liberated from all suffering and hardship.

Sariputra, form is not different from emptiness, emptiness is not different from form. Form is emptiness. Emptiness is form. The same is true of feeling, perception, mental formations, and consciousness.

[...]

Zhu	Fa	Kong	Xiang	Bu	Sheng	Bu	Mie
諸	法	空	相,	不	生	不	滅,
Bu	Gou	Bu	Jing	Bu	Zeng	Bu	Jian
不	垢	不	淨,	不	增	不	減。
Shi	Gu	Kong	Zhong	Wu	Se	Wu	Shou
是	故	空	中	無	色,	無	受
Xiang	Xing	Shi	Wu	Yan	Er	Bi	She
想	行	識。	無	眼	耳	鼻	舌
Shen	Yi	Wu	Se	Sheng	Xiang	Wei	Chu
身	意,	無	色	聲	香	味	觸
Fa	Wu	Yan	Jie	Nai	Zhi	Wu	Yi
法。	無	眼	界,	乃	至	無	意
Shi	Jie	Wu	Wu	Ming	Yi	Wu	Wu
識	界。	無	無	明,	亦	無	無
Ming	Jin	Nai	Zhi	Wu	Lao	Si	Yi
明	盡,	乃	至	無	老	死,	亦
Wu	Lao	Si	Jin	Wu	Ku	Ji	Mie
無	老	死	盡。	無	苦	集	滅
Dao	Wu	Zhi	Yi	Wu	De	Yi	Wu
道,	無	智	亦	無	得。	以	無
Suo	De	Gu	Pu	Ti	Sa	Duo	Yi
所	得	故,	菩	提	薩	埵,	依

[...] Sariputra, all phenomena are empty. They do not arise or cease, are not defiled or pure, do not increase or decrease. Thus, in emptiness, there are no forms, feelings, perceptions, mental formations, or consciousness.

No eye, ear, nose, tongue, body, or mind; no form, sound, smell, taste, touch or dharmas; no eye consciousness so on unto mind consciousness; no ignorance and extinction of ignorance; even unto no aging and death and no extinction of aging and death; no suffering, cause of suffering, cessation, or path; no wisdom and no attainment.

[...]

Bo	Re	Bo	Luo	Mi	Duo	Gu	Xin
般	若	波	羅	蜜	多	故,	心
Wu	Gua	Ai	Wu	Gua	Ai	Gu	Wu
無	罣	礙,	無	罣	礙	故,	無
You	Kong	Bu	Yuan	Li	Dian	Dao	Meng
有	恐	怖,	遠	離	顛	倒	夢
Xiang	Jiu	Jing	Nie	Pan	San	Shi	Zhu
想,	究	竟	涅	槃。	三	世	諸
Fo	Yi	Bo	Re	Bo	Luo	Mi	Duo
佛,	依	般	若	波	羅	蜜	多
Gu	De	A	Nou	Duo	Luo	San	Miao
故,	得	阿	耨	多	羅	三	藐
San	Pu	Ti	Gu	Zhi	Bo	Re	Bo
三	菩	提。	故	知	般	若	波
Luo	Mi	Duo	Shi	Da	Shen	Zhou	Shi
羅	蜜	多,	是	大	神	咒,	是
Da	Ming	Zhou	Shi	Wu	Shang	Zhou	Shi
大	明	咒,	是	無	上	咒,	是
Wu	Deng	Deng	Zhou	Neng	Chu	Yi	Qie
無	等	等	咒,	能	除	一	切
Ku	Zhen	Shi	Bu	Xu	Gu	Shuo	Bo
苦,	真	實	不	虛。	故	說	般

[...] As there is no attainment, bodhisattvas who rely on the prajnaparamita have neither worry nor obstruction. Without worry and obstruction, there is no fear. Away from confusion and delusion, they will ultimately reach nirvana. All the Buddhas of the past, present, and future rely on the prajnaparamita to attain anuttara-samyak-sambodhi.

Thus, know that the prajnaparamita is the great profound mantra, is the illuminating mantra, is the most supreme of all mantras, is the unequalled mantra, able to eliminate all suffering, is true and not false.

[...]

Re	Bo	Luo	Mi	Duo	Zhou	Ji	Shuo
若	波	羅	蜜	多	咒，	即	說
Zhou	Yue						
咒	曰：						
Jie	Di	Jie	Di	Bo	Luo	Jie	Di
揭	諦	揭	諦	波	羅	揭	諦
Bo	Luo	Seng	Jie	Di	Pu	Ti	Sa
波	羅	僧	揭	諦	菩	提	薩
Po	He						
婆	訶						

[...] Thus, proclaim the “Prajnaparamita Mantra,”  
proclaim the mantra that says:

Gate gate paragate parasamgate bodhi svaha.

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Qian	Shou	Qian	Yan	Wu	Ai		Shu	Da	Na	Da	Xie	Nan	Mo	Xi	
千	手	千	眼	無	礙		數	怛	那	怛	寫。	南	無	悉	
Da	Bei	Xin	Tuo	Luo	Ni		Ji	Li	Duo	Yi	Meng	A	Li	Ye	
大	悲	心	陀	羅	尼		吉	喫	埵	伊	蒙	阿	剗	耶。	
							Po	Lu	Ji	Di	Shi	Fo	La	Leng	
							婆	盧	吉	帝,	室	佛	囉	楞	
							Tuo	Po	Nan	Mo	Na	La	Jin	Chi	
							馱	婆。	南	無	那	囉	謹	墀。	
							Xi	Li	Mo	He	Po	Duo	Sha	Mie	
							醯	利	摩	訶,	皤	哆	沙	咩。	
Nan	Mo	He	La	Da	Na	Duo	La		Sa	Po	A	Ta	Dou	Shu	
南	無	喝	囉	怛	那	哆	囉		薩	婆	阿	他、	豆	輸	朋。
Ye	Ye	Nan	Mo	A	Li	Ye	Po		Shi	Yun	Sa	Po	Sa	Duo	Na
夜	耶。	南	無	阿	剗	耶。	婆		逝	孕。	薩	婆	薩	哆、	那
Lu	Jie	Di	Shuo	Bo	La	Ye	Pu		Po	Sa	Duo	Na	Mo	Qie	Mo
盧	羯	帝。	熾	鉢	囉	耶。	菩		婆	薩	哆、	那	摩	婆	伽。
Ti	Sa	Duo	Po	Ye	Mo	He	Sa		Fa	Te	Dou	Da	Zhi	Ta	An
提	薩	埵	婆	耶。	摩	訶	薩		罰	特	豆。	怛	姪	他。	A
Duo	Po	Ye	Mo	He	Jia	Lu	Ni		Po	Lu	Xi	Lu	Jia	Di	Jia
埵	婆	耶。	摩	訶	迦	盧	尼		婆	盧	醯。	盧	迦	帝。	迦
Jia	Ye	An	Sa	Po	La	Fa	Yi		Di	Yi	Xi	Li	Mo	He	Pu
迦	耶。	唵。	薩	皤	囉	罰	曳。		帝。	夷	醯	剗。	摩	訶	菩

Sa	Duo	Sa	Po	Sa	Po	Mo	La			La	Hu	Lu	Hu	Lu	Xi	Li	Suo
薩	埵。	薩	婆	薩	婆。	摩	囉			囉。	呼	嚧	呼	嚧	醯	利。	娑
Mo	La	Mo	Xi	Mo	Xi	Li	Tuo			囉	Suo	La	Xi	Li	Xi	Su	
摩	囉。	摩	醯	摩	醯。	唎	馱			娑	囉。	悉	唎	悉	唎。	蘇	
Yun	Ju	Lu	Ju	Lu	Jie	Meng	Du			Lu	Su	Lu	Pu	Ti	Ye	Pu	Ti
孕。	俱	盧	俱	盧	羯	蒙。	度			嚧	蘇	嚧。	菩	提	夜	菩	提
Lu	Du	Lu	Fa	She	Ye	Di	Mo			Ye	Pu	Tuo	Ye	Pu	Tuo	Ye	Mi
盧	度	盧	罰	闍	耶	帝。	摩			夜。	菩	馱	夜	菩	馱	夜。	彌
He	Fa	She	Ye	Di	Tuo	La	Tuo			Di	Li	Ye	Na	La	Jin	Chi	Di
訶	罰	闍	耶	帝。	陀	囉	陀			帝	唎	夜。	那	囉	謹	墀。	地
La	Di	Li	Ni	Shi	Fo	La	Ye			Li	Se	Ni	Na	Po	Ye	Mo	Na
囉。	地	唎	尼。	室	佛	囉	耶。			利	瑟	尼	那。	婆	夜	摩	那。
Zhe	La	Zhe	La	Mo	Mo	Fa	Mo			Suo	Po	He	Xi	Tuo	Ye	Suo	Po
遮	囉	遮	囉。	摩	麼	罰	摩			娑	婆	訶。	悉	陀	夜。	娑	婆
La	Mu	Di	Li	Yi	Xi	Yi	Xi			He	Mo	He	Xi	Tuo	Ye	Suo	Po
囉。	穆	帝	隸。	伊	醯	伊	醯。			訶。	摩	訶	悉	陀	夜。	娑	婆
Shi	Na	Shi	Na	A	La	San	Fo			He	Xi	Tuo	Yu	Yi	Shi	Po	La
室	那	室	那。	阿	囉	嗲	佛			訶。	悉	陀	喻	藝。	室	皤	囉。
La	She	Li	Fa	Sha	Fa	San	Fo			Ye	Suo	Po	He	Na	La	Jin	Chi
囉	舍	利。	罰	沙	罰	嗲。	佛			耶。	娑	婆	訶。	那	囉	謹	墀。
La	She	Ye	Hu	Lu	Hu	Lu	Mo			Suo	Po	He	Mo	La	Na	La	Suo
囉	舍	耶。	呼	嚧	呼	嚧	摩			娑	婆	訶。	摩	囉	那	囉。	娑

Po	He	Xi	La	Seng	A	Mu	Qia
婆	訶。	悉	囉	僧	阿	穆	怯
Ye	Suo	Po	He	Suo	Po	Mo	He
耶。	娑	婆	訶。	娑	婆	摩	訶、
A	Xi	Tuo	Ye	Suo	Po	He	Zhe
阿	悉	陀	夜。	娑	婆	訶。	者
Ji	La	A	Xi	Tuo	Ye	Suo	Po
吉	囉	阿	悉	陀	夜。	娑	婆
He	Po	Tuo	Mo	Jie	Xi	Tuo	Ye
訶。	波	陀	摩	羯	悉	陀	夜。
Suo	Po	He	Na	La	Jin	Chi	Po
娑	婆	訶。	那	囉	謹	墀	皤
Qie	La	Ye	Suo	Po	He	Mo	Po
伽	囉	耶。	娑	婆	訶。	摩	婆
Li	Sheng	Jie	La	Ye	Suo	Po	He
利	勝	羯	囉	夜。	娑	婆	訶。
Nan	Mo	He	La	Da	Na	Duo	La
南	無	喝	囉	怛	那	哆	囉
Ye	Ye	Nan	Mo	A	Li	Ye	Po
夜	耶。	南	無	阿	唎	耶。	婆
Lu	Ji	Di	Shuo	Po	La	Ye	Suo
噓	吉	帝。	爍	皤	囉	夜。	娑

Po	He	An	Xi	Dian	Du	Man	Duo
婆	訶。	唵。	悉	殿	都。	漫	哆
La	Ba	Tuo	Ye	Suo	Po	He	
囉。	跋	陀	耶。	娑	婆	訶。	

San Gui Yi  
三 皈 依

Triple Refuge

Zi Gui Yi Fo Dang Yuan Zhong Sheng  
自 皈 依 佛，當 願 眾 生，  
Ti Jie Da Dao Fa Wu Shang Xin  
體 解 大 道，發 無 上 心。

I take refuge in the Buddha, wishing that all sentient beings understand the Dharma and make the supreme vow.

Zi Gui Yi Fa Dang Yuan Zhong Sheng  
自 皈 依 法，當 願 眾 生，  
Shen Ru Jing Zang Zhi Hui Ru Hai  
深 入 經 藏，智 慧 如 海。

I take refuge in the Dharma, wishing that all sentient beings study the sutras diligently and obtain an ocean of wisdom.

Zi Gui Yi Seng Dang Yuan Zhong Sheng  
自 皈 依 僧，當 願 眾 生，  
Tong Li Da Zhong Yi Qie Wu Ai  
統 理 大 羣，一 切 無 碍。

I take refuge in the Sangha, wishing that all sentient beings lead the masses in harmony without obstruction.

Hui Xiang Ji  
回 向 儻

Dedication of Merit

Ci Bei Xi She Bian Fa Jie  
慈 悲 喜 捈 遍 法 界,

Xi Fu Jie Yuan Li Ren Tian  
惜 福 結 緣 利 人 天;

Chan Jing Jie Hen Ping Deng Ren  
禪 淨 戒 行 平 等 忍,

Can Kui Gan En Da Yuan Xin  
慚 愧 感 恩 大 願 心。

May kindness, compassion, joy , and equanimity  
pervade the dharma realms;

May all people and heavenly beings benefit from  
our blessings and friendship;

May our ethical practice of Chan, Pure Land, and  
Precepts help us to realize equality and patience;

May we undertake the great vows with humility  
and gratitude.

## Glossary

**anuttara-samyak-sambodhi.** A Sanskrit term meaning “complete, unexcelled enlightenment”; an attribute of all Buddhas.

**Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva.** The bodhisattva of compassion whose name means “Observing the Sounds of the World.” He is known as one of the great bodhisattvas of Mahayana Buddhism and is very popular throughout China.

**bodhisattva.** While the term can describe a practitioner anywhere on the path to Buddhahood, it usually refers to a class of beings who stand on the very edge of full enlightenment but remain in the world to help other beings become enlightened.

**Buddha.** A Sanskrit word meaning “Awakened One.” Though there are many Buddhas, the term typically refers to Sakyamuni Buddha, the historical Buddha and founder of Buddhism. Buddhahood is the attainment and expression that characterizes a Buddha and the ultimate goal of all sentient beings.

**Dharma.** A Sanskrit word meaning “truth”; referring to the Buddha’s teachings, as well as the truth of the universe.

When capitalized, it denotes both the ultimate truth and the teachings of the Buddha. When the term appears in lowercase, it refers to anything that can be thought of, experienced, or named; this usage is close in meaning to the concept of “phenomena.”

**emptiness.** The concept that everything in the world arises due to dependent origination and has no permanent self or substance. All phenomena are said to be empty of an inherently independent self.

**enlightenment.** The state of awakening to the ultimate truth. This is freedom from all afflictions and suffering.

**five aggregates.** The five aggregates make up a human being. They are: form, feeling, perception, mental formations, and consciousness.

**merit.** Blessings that occur because of wholesome deeds.

**nirvana.** A state of perfect tranquility that is the ultimate goal of Buddhist practice. The original meaning of this word is “extinguished,” “calmed,” “quieted,” “tamed,” or “dead.” In Buddhism, it refers to the absolute extinction of individual existence or the extinction of all afflictions and desires; it is the state of liberation beyond the cycle of birth and death.

**paramita.** A Sanskrit word meaning “crossed over” or “perfection.” This denotes passage to the other shore of the tranquility of nirvana. This is spiritual success.

**prajna.** A Sanskrit word meaning “wisdom.” This typically refers to a transcendent variety of wisdom that comes from seeing the true nature of reality. Prajna wisdom is considered the highest form of wisdom, the wisdom of insight into the true nature of all phenomena.

**Saha World.** Saha literally means “endurance.” It indicates the present world where we reside, which is full of suffering to be endured. The beings in this world endure suffering and afflictions due to their greed, anger, hatred, and ignorance. Also referred to as “samsara,” or the cycle of birth and death. When sentient beings die, they are reborn into one of the six realms of existence: heaven, human, asura, animal, hungry ghost, and hell. The cycle continues as a result of one’s karmic actions. Outside of the Saha World exist four additional realms: that of the sravaka, pratekyabuddha, bodhisattva, and Buddha. Taken together with the six realms previously mentioned, they are called the ten realms.

**Sakyamuni Buddha.** Siddhartha Gautama of the Saka clan, the historical Buddha and founder of the religion known today as Buddhism. The name “Sakyamuni”

means “Sage of the Sakyans.” He was born the prince of Kapilavastu, son of King Suddhodana. At the age of twenty-nine, he left the royal palace and his family in search of the meaning of existence. At the age of thirty-five, he attained enlightenment under the bodhi tree. He then spent the next forty-five years expounding his teachings, which include the Four Noble Truths, the Noble Eightfold Path, the law of cause and effect, and dependent origination. At the age of eighty, he entered the state of parinirvana.

**Sariputra.** One of the ten great disciples of the Buddha. He is known as foremost in wisdom.

**sutra.** A Sanskrit word used to describe a variety of religious and non-religious writings, but most commonly used in a Buddhist context to refer to the recorded discourses of the Buddha.

**Tathagata.** One of the ten epithets of a Buddha, literally translated as “Thus Come One,” meaning the one who has attained full realization of suchness, which means true essence or actuality. Tathagata is the one dwelling in the absolute, beyond all transitory phenomena, so that he can freely come and go anywhere.

**three thousandfold world system.** According to Buddhist cosmology, there are an infinite number of worlds. Each

world has at its center a Mount Sumeru surrounded by seven oceans with seven rings of golden mountains separating each ocean. Surrounding these are four continents and eight subcontinents. Humans reside on the southern continent of Jambudvipa. When one thousand of these worlds are grouped together it is called a “small world system,” one thousand small world systems equal a “medium world system,” and one thousand medium world systems equal a “large world system.” A “three thousandfold world system” is a combination of these three types of world systems.

**World-honored One.** One of the ten epithets of the Buddha.

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