

May the desires of the Bodhisattvas for the welfare of the world meet with success. May they be happy to the highest degree in the inconceivable bliss of Buddhahood.

As long as space abides and as long as the world abides, so long may I abide, destroying the sufferings of the world.

May the world find happiness through all the pure deeds of the Bodhisattvas.

Śāntideva

The Bodhicaryavatara. Translated by K. Crosby and A. Skilton. Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 1995.

Nirvana means no birth and no death. It's beyond birth and death and beyond nirvana. When the mind stops moving, it enters nirvana. Nirvana is an empty mind. Where delusions don't exist, buddhas reach nirvana. Where afflictions don't exist, bodhisattvas enter the place of enlightenment.

Bodhidharma

Bodhidharma. Zen Teaching of Bodhidharma. Translated by R. Pine. New York: Weatherhill, 1987.

Having made such a vow, [you] must, in accordance with [your] capacity and without faltering, practice every kind of good at all times and at all places and not be slothful in [your] mind. Except when [you sit] in concentration in the practice of cessation [you] should at all times reflect upon what should be done and what should not be done.

Awakening of Faith

Yoshito S. Hakeda, ed. The Awakening of Faith: Attributed to Asvagosha. New York and London: Columbia University Press, 1967.

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All beings without number I vow to liberate.
Endless blind passions I vow to uproot.
Dharma gates without measure I vow to penetrate.
The great way of Buddha I vow to attain.

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Calming then is the wholesome provision with which one kindly nurtures the mind and consciousness. Insight then is the marvelous technique which stimulates the development of spiritual understanding. Calming is the supreme cause for the manifestation of dhyāna absorption. Insight is the origin of wisdom. If a person perfects the two dharmas of meditative absorption and wisdom, then this amounts to the complete fulfillment of the dharma of benefiting both oneself and others.

Zhiyi

Zhiyi. *Essentials for Practicing Calming-and-Insight and Dhyana Meditation*. Translated by B. Dharmamitra. Seattle, WA: Kalavinka Press, 2008.