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The Taste of Freedom Oct 09 2021 The Buddha described his teaching as having but one taste - the taste of freedom. This book offers an explanation of what he meant, and presents a radical account of the goal and practice of Buddhism.

Hoofprint of the Ox Sep 08 2021 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.

Wind in the Pines Apr 03 2021 "Wind in the Pines is a collection of writings that seek to illuminate the nature and aesthetics of chanoyu as a Buddhist path. Beginning with works on the art of linked verse (renga) that directly influenced the development of the way of tea, this book includes documents that are associated with the central figures in the formation of chanoyu in the spirit of wabi--the venerable poverty of the hermit's thatched hut--and that have been treasured by practitioners down to the present"--

Cynicism and Magic May 24 2020 A groundbreaking, accessible presentation of Tibetan Buddhism from Chögyam Trungpa, renowned twentieth-century master and teacher. Based on a series of talks given by Chögyam Trungpa during the first session of what was to become Naropa University, *Cynicism and Magic* introduces key Tibetan Buddhist concepts, including karma, the structure of ego, the paramitas, and the bodhisattva. Employing a unique and intimate teaching style, Trungpa Rinpoche presents these concepts in a larger framework of questions we all have: What is authentic spirituality? Can I find enlightenment and freedom? How should I approach life, death, suffering, and boredom? How can I develop some discipline, patience, and sanity? Through these accessible teachings, this book will show you how to approach a living dharma with intelligence, and with a sense of openness and wonder.

Buddhist Suttas for Recitation Mar 22 2020 A lavishly produced book featuring carefully chosen selections from the Buddha's teachings for use in recitation and reflection. *Buddhist Suttas for Recitation* provides everything you need to begin and maintain a practice of contemplative recitation and reflection. These practices will deepen your connection to the Buddha, strengthen your faith in the Path, and nurture your intellectual understanding of the Dhamma. This unique volume includes carefully chosen discourses of the Buddha from the Pali Canon—presented in inspiring and accessible English with accompanying Pali—that convey the essence of the Dhamma. The introductory material explains the relationship between meditation and devotional practice, offers instructions on setting up a home altar, and gives

advice on how to use these texts to enhance your spiritual development.

The Essential Nectar Jun 17 2022 Exploring crucial points on the path to enlightenment, “Stages of the Path” literature continues to hold its place as one of the great treasures of Buddhist thought. In this volume, Geshe Rabten presents a structured explanation of the popular and practical text, *The Essential Nectar of Holy Doctrine*, by the 18th century scholar Yeshe Tsöndru?. Geshe Rabten’s teachings reveal how we may see life’s great value and, by taking up the profound practice described herein, make the most of its abundant opportunity. In a voice both sweet and potent, *The Essential Nectar* reveals the essence of the path to enlightenment.

Path of Compassion Dec 31 2020 *Path of Compassion* is a collection of key stories from Thich Nhat Hanh’s classic *Old Path White Clouds*, a book celebrating its 20th publishing anniversary this year. It tells the fascinating life story of Prince Siddhartha, who left his family and renounced his carefully guarded life, and after many years of spiritual seeking became the Buddha, the Enlightened One. Far more than the description of an unusual life story, it serves as an enjoyable, compelling, and informative introduction to Buddhism by conveying its most important teachings in a compact and accessible format. Thich Nhat Hanh’s ability to show the Buddha as a person who deals with the same life issues as we do is unique and unsurpassed. Written in language accessible to readers of all ages and levels of experience Thich Nhat Hanh combines the description of the major life stages of the Buddha with his most important teachings. Reaching far beyond the biography genre *Path of Compassion* is a highly readable and informative introduction to Buddhism.

Eight Mindful Steps to Happiness Apr 15 2022 In the same engaging style that has endeared him to readers of *Mindfulness In Plain English*, Bhante Gunaratana delves deeply into each step of the Buddha’s most profound teaching on bringing an end to suffering: the noble eightfold path. With generous and specific advice, *Eight Mindful Steps to Happiness* offers skillful ways to handle anger, to find right livelihood, and to cultivate loving-friendliness in relationships with parents, children, and partners, as well as tools to overcome all the mental hindrances that prevent happiness. Whether you are an experienced meditator or someone who’s only just beginning, this gentle and down-to-earth guide will help you bring the heart of the Buddha’s teachings into every aspect of your life. A Foreword Magazine Book of the Year Awards finalist (Spirituality/Inspirational).

The Path of The Buddha Jul 26 2020 Buddha Shakyamuni tells us that a practitioner should think in terms of eons, not just days and hours. From a Buddhist viewpoint, life has no beginning. What we do have is the desire to overcome suffering. But desire alone is not enough to achieve the goal. What we need is the correct method to help us achieve this aim.— His Holiness the Dalai Lama So compelling is the story of Prince Siddhartha Gautama that it loses none of its sheen with a retelling. Impelled by a desire to deal with the sorrows of human existence, he renounces the world when barely twenty-nine and finds Buddhism. Giving Buddha’s spiritual journey a contemporary dimension, this anthology contains essays by spiritual leaders like His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Lama Zopa Rinpoche and Lama Thubten Yeshe on the impact of Buddhist philosophy on them. Equally poignant are the accounts of others who, dissatisfied with the present world, embark on a search for salvation. Urged by a seemingly simple notion, Donna Brown starts her quest to find a really ‘good’ person; a journey which takes her from the heart of Canada to Nepal’s remote Kopan monastery. An inexplicable restlessness takes Robina Courtin from dabbling in drugs, political activism and martial arts to finding truth as a Buddhist nun. Though born into a Sikh family, Dharmakirti grows up in Sikkim amidst Buddhist monasteries, maroon-robed monks and monastic rituals, and eventually chooses the philosophy of Tibetan Buddhism over science. For Kabir Saxena, Buddhism offers a practical path in this broken, imperfect world. Varied and meaningful, *The Path of the Buddha* provides a rare glimpse into Buddhism.

Refuge Recovery Feb 01 2021 Bestselling author and renowned Buddhist teacher Noah Levine adapts the Buddha’s Four Noble Truths and Eight Fold Path into a proven and systematic approach to recovery from alcohol and drug addiction—an indispensable alternative to the 12-step program. While many desperately need the help of the 12-step recovery program, the traditional AA model’s focus on an external higher power can alienate people who don’t connect with its religious tenets. *Refuge Recovery* is a systematic method based on Buddhist principles, which integrates scientific, non-theistic, and psychological insight. Viewing addiction as cravings in the mind and body, Levine shows how a path of meditative awareness

can alleviate those desires and ease suffering. Refuge Recovery includes daily meditation practices, written investigations that explore the causes and conditions of our addictions, and advice and inspiration for finding or creating a community to help you heal and awaken. Practical yet compassionate, Levine's successful Refuge Recovery system is designed for anyone interested in a non-theistic approach to recovery and requires no previous experience or knowledge of Buddhism or meditation.

Approaching the Buddhist Path Mar 26 2023 The first volume in a multi-volume collection presenting the Dalai Lama's comprehensive explanation of the Buddhist path. His Holiness the Dalai Lama has been publicly teaching Buddhism for decades. This series collects his presentations of every step of the path to enlightenment, compiled and coauthored by one of his chief Western disciples, the American nun Thubten Chodron. The Buddha wanted his students to investigate, to see for themselves whether what he said were true. As a student of the Buddha, the Dalai Lama promotes the same spirit of investigation, and as the rich tradition of the Buddha makes its way into new lands and cultures, His Holiness has recognized that new approaches are needed to allow seekers in the West to experience the relevance of the liberating message in their own lives. Such an approach cannot assume listeners are free from doubt and already have faith in Buddhism's basic tenets. The Library of Wisdom and Compassion series, therefore, starts from the universal human wish for happiness and presents the dynamic nature of the mind. This first volume also provides a wealth of reflections on Buddhist history and fundamentals, contemporary issues, and the Dalai Lama's own personal experiences. It stands alone as an introduction to Buddhism, but it also provides a foundation for the systematic illumination of the path in the volumes to come. The Library of Wisdom and Compassion collects the Dalai Lama's decades of presentations of every step of the path to enlightenment. It has been compiled and coauthored by one of his chief Western disciples, the American nun Thubten Chodron.

Buddhism for Beginners Aug 27 2020 Are you thinking about becoming a Buddhist? The modern practice of Buddhism stems from a long history, and this the guide that teaches you where it began, how it works and if it's for you. Buddhist teachings can and will change your life for the better. Each different sect brings with it a set of valuable lessons. To understand the practice, it's important that you learn about the man who started Buddhism, and his path to enlightenment. Then you can start your own. In *Buddhism for Beginners*, I walk you through the key premise of Buddhism, a journey from suffering (dukkha) to the cessation of that suffering (nirvana). Inside, you'll hear about the critical beliefs and concepts that make Buddhism such a powerfully enlightening path to take. In this detailed guide you'll learn: -About the life of the Buddha and his wise teachings-Of the four noble truths and how to find them-To seek the eightfold path, of wisdom, moral and mental discipline-About the Dharma Seals, and the 3 Bodies of Buddha-How to discover the five powers-About key Buddhist concepts and terms that will further your studies-About pilgrimage sites, festivals and what they meanIf you're ready to open your heart and mind to a new philosophy, a religion, a practice that will energize and heal your life - then I encourage you to invest in this guide. Beginners that start along the Buddhist path often find it more rewarding than they had ever imagined. If Buddhism calls to you, it's time that you answered. Learn about Buddhism and its practice in this guide. Get it now and be a Buddhist! Our Book Covers the following Topics: - Buddhism for Beginners - Buddhism - buddhism without beliefs - buddhism plain and simple - tibetan buddhism - vipassana meditation - Vipassana -

12 Steps on Buddha's Path Jun 05 2021 *12 Steps on Buddha's Path* is an inspiring firsthand account of what happens when life seems hopeless, and the miracle of finding out that it's anything but. The author describes her own journey of recovery from alcoholism - an astonishing passage through strange and frightening territory - and marks out the path that allowed her to emerge from that darkness as a wise and compassionate person living a life that is joyous and free. This book is a powerful and enriching synthesis of the 12-Step recovery programs and the Noble Eightfold Path of Buddhism. It is sure to appeal to anyone touched by addiction, including those looking for new ways to understand and work with the tried-and-true 12-Step system. Tens of millions of Americans suffer from Alcoholism and other forms of dependence, and *12 Steps on Buddha's Path* offers hope and help for any one of them. Though writing anonymously out of deep respect for 12-Step policies, the author is in fact a well-known professional author, deeply involved in the recovery and meditation communities

The Noble Eightfold Path Mar 02 2021 The Buddha's teachings center around two basic principles. One

is the Four Noble Truths, in which the Buddha diagnoses the problem of suffering and indicates the treatment necessary to remedy this problem. The other is the Noble Eightfold Path, the practical discipline he prescribes to uproot and eliminate the deep underlying causes of suffering. The present book offers, in simple and clear language, a concise yet thorough explanation of the Eightfold Path. Basing himself solidly upon the Buddha's own words, the author examines each factor of the path to determine exactly what it implies in the way of practical training. Finally, in the concluding chapter, he shows how all eight factors of the path function in unison to bring about the realization of the Buddhist goal: enlightenment and liberation.

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Heart of the Shin Buddhist Path Nov 10 2021 In his *Heart of the Shin Buddhist Path*, Takamaro Shigaraki examines Shin Buddhism anew as a practical path of spiritual growth and self-transformation, challenging assessments of the tradition as a passive religion of mere faith. Shigaraki presents the core themes of the Shin Buddhist path in fresh, engaging, down-to-earth language, considering each frankly from both secular and religious perspectives. Shigaraki discloses a nondual Pure Land that finds philosophical kinship with Zen but has been little discussed in the West. With its unassuming language and insights drawn from a life of practice, *Heart of the Shin Buddhist Path* dispels the fog of misconception that has shrouded Western appreciation of Shin traditions to reveal the limitless light of Amida Buddha that reaches all.

The Heart of the Buddha May 16 2022 The basic teachings of Buddhism as they relate to everyday life—presented by the esteemed Tibetan meditation master In *The Heart of the Buddha*, Chögyam Trungpa examines the basic teachings of Buddhism and places them within the context of daily life. Divided into three parts, the book begins with a discussion about the open, inquisitive, and good-humored qualities of the “heart of the Buddha”—an “enlightened gene” that everyone possesses. Next, Chögyam Trungpa moves to the stages of the Buddhist path, presenting the three vehicles—Hinayana, Mahayana, and Vajrayana—that carry the Buddhist practitioner toward enlightenment. Finally, he describes the direct application of Buddhist teachings to topics as varied as relationships, drinking, children, and money. *The Heart of the Buddha* reflects Trungpa’s great appreciation for Western culture and deep understanding of the Tibetan Buddhist tradition, which enabled him to teach Westerners in an effective, contemporary way.

Finding Buddhist Paths in 21st Century Sep 20 2022 Are you deluded by worldly distractions? Are you distracted from practicing a Buddhist path? Don't give up hope. There are many simple, genuine, and effective methods and paths for us. The book offers many such possibilities.

Starting on the Buddhist Path Jan 20 2020 An engaging and practical guide to transforming your life through Buddhist practice The Buddha said that you can't develop wise perspective and freedom through ideas alone - you need to test the truth in your own experience. This book is aimed at people who have an interest in Buddhism and are looking for a way to improve their lives and relationships. Without jargon, and illustrated with cartoons, diagrams and photographs, it leads readers through potentially life-changing meditations, perspectives, reflections, and practices for everyday life.

The Buddhist Path to Awakening Aug 19 2022 A study of a classic list of Buddhist teachings which includes such familiar items as the four establishments of mindfulness and the noble eightfold path.

The Buddhist Path Jan 24 2023 An accessible and practical introduction to Tibetan Buddhism as practiced in the Nyingma or 'ancient' tradition, *The Buddhist Path* presents for us the proper way of cultivating intellect and heart so that our true nature can manifest. The authors provide clear explanations and methods that reveal how the mind functions and what its essence, our primordial nature, is. They impart detailed instructions on how to meditate, using methods ranging from generating calm abiding to the tantric techniques of visualization, mantra, and formless meditation.

The Storms Can't Hurt the Sky Dec 11 2021 Buddhism has been applied to everything from parenting to golf, but until now no one has offered Buddhist principles as a healing path through divorce. In *Storms Can't Hurt the Sky*, Gabriel Cohen bravely delves into his personal experience-along with insights from Buddhist masters, parables, humor, social science studies, and interviews with other divorcees-to provide a practical and very helpful guide to surviving the pain of any break-up. Focusing on the emotions most common in the dissolution of a relationship-anger, resentment, loss, and grief -- *Storms Can't Hurt the Sky* shows how thinking about these feelings in surprisingly different ways can lead to a radically better

experience. This compulsively readable book offers sound advice and much-needed empathy for anyone dealing with a break-up.

The Heart of the Buddha's Path Dec 19 2019 In clear and simple terms, the Dalai Lama describes how to bring wisdom and compassion into daily life.

Silicon Valley Monk Jan 12 2022 For over 2,000 years, the area of India that is today western Bihar and eastern Uttar Pradesh has served as the destination for devout Buddhist pilgrims from all over Asia. In 2010, James Kempf and his wife Renate undertook a pilgrimage to the Buddhist sacred sites together with 28 other Western pilgrims. Led by the renowned British meditation teacher Stephen Batchelor, the group visited the area where the Buddha walked and taught, an area untouched by the Indian high tech revolution yet rich in cultural treasures. In this frank memoir, Kempf tells the story of that pilgrimage, interwoven with the story of his 40 years of meditation training and his career as a software engineer in Silicon Valley. Follow Kempf as he ordains as a Zen priest and negotiates his way through the maze of the Silicon Valley reality distortion field, trying to find wisdom and compassion in the midst of greed, hatred, and confusion, and experiences the benefits and dangers of a hard core meditation practice. The path of pilgrimage and the path of practice unite in a realization that the Buddha's teaching wasn't about mysticism and meditation experiences, but rather about a rational, realistic blueprint for reducing suffering.

The Beginner's Guide to Walking the Buddha's Eightfold Path Sep 27 2020 "Writing a 'nuts and bolts' guide that is genuinely wise, charmingly conversational, and a pleasure to read requires a particular talent, and Jean Smith has proved once again that she has it."—Sylvia Boorstein, author of *Don't Just Do Something, Sit There* The third of Jean Smith's *Beginner's Guides* focuses on the Buddha's Eightfold Path—the concepts central to practicing the Buddha's teachings in daily life. The eight steps on the path are: right understanding, thought, speech, action, livelihood, effort, mindfulness, and concentration. Smith explains exactly what the Buddha had in mind, using translations of his own words and then elucidating them for us. Throughout the book are wonderful quotes from a broad range of Buddhist teachers, giving a taste of the very best each of them has to offer. *The Beginner's Guide to Walking the Buddha's Eightfold Path* is a prescription for happiness, not just for overcoming suffering, which is how many people think of Buddhism. Here is a book for Buddhists of every tradition.

Along the Path Nov 29 2020 This unique guidebook covering India and Nepal's sacred sites offers a rich anthology of deeply inspiring stories relating to each of the pilgrimage sites connected to the Buddha's life and teaching.

Introduction to Buddhism Jun 24 2020 Beginning with an introduction to the life of Buddha, Geshe Kelsang then explains the central principles behind the Buddhist way of life and what it means to be a Buddhist. He introduces the reader to subjects such as karma, reincarnation, and cyclic existence, all the while showing how we can apply these teachings to our everyday life. Meditation is explained simply, while more complex subjects such as the path to liberation and emptiness are also presented in an accessible way.

Joyful Path of Good Fortune Feb 13 2022 *Joyful Path of Good Fortune* presents the complete Buddhist path to enlightenment in a form that is easy to understand and put into practice. Enriched with stories and illuminating analogies, it presents the essential meaning of all Buddha's teachings in the order in which they are to be practised, giving step-by-step guidance on all the meditations leading to full enlightenment.

Mapping the Buddhist Path to Liberation Nov 22 2022 Due to the diversity in Buddhism, its essence remains a puzzle. This book investigates the Buddhist path to liberation from a practical and critical perspective by searching for patterns found in the Pāli Nikāyas and the Chinese Āgamas. The early discourses depict the Buddhist path as a network of routes leading to the same goal: liberation from suffering. This book summarizes various teachings in three aspects, provides a template theory for systematically presenting the formulas of the sequential training of the path, and analyses the differences and similarities among diverse descriptions of the path in the early Buddhist texts. By offering a comprehensive map of the Buddhist path, this book will appeal to scholars and students of Buddhist studies as well as those practitioners with a serious interest in the Buddhist path.

A Guide to the Buddhist Path Mar 14 2022 In this highly readable handbook on the fundamental teachings of Buddhism, Sangharakshita guides the reader through this sometimes complex religion.

Mindfulness and Money Jul 18 2022 Drawing from the Buddhist Wheel of Life and featuring a wealth of meditations, reflections, and exercises, an enlightening resource reveals how the teachings of Buddha can be used to gain personal financial freedom and peace by providing five precepts for living on the Path of Abundance. Reprint.

A New Buddhist Path Apr 27 2023 David R. Loy addresses head-on the most pressing issues of Buddhist philosophy in our time. What is the meaning of enlightenment--is it an escape from the world, or is it a form of psychological healing? How can one reconcile modern scientific theory with ancient religious teachings? What is our role in the universe? Loy shows us that neither Buddhism nor secular society by itself is sufficient to answer these questions. Instead, he investigates the unexpected intersections of the two.

Noble Eightfold Path Aug 07 2021 This book offers a clear, concise account of the Eightfold Path prescribed to uproot and eliminate the deep underlying cause of suffering—ignorance. Each step of the path is believed to cultivate wisdom through mental training, and includes an enlightened and peaceful middle path that avoids extremes. The theoretical as well as practical angles of each of the paths—right view, right intention, right speech, right action, right livelihood, right effort, right mindfulness, and right concentration—are illustrated through examples from contemporary life. The work's final chapter addresses the Buddhist path and its culmination in enlightenment.

Modern Buddhism: The Path of Compassion and Wisdom - Volume 2 Tantra Feb 19 2020 Introduction and Encouragement This eBook Modern Buddhism – The Path of Compassion and Wisdom, in three volumes, is being distributed freely at the request of the author Geshe Kelsang Gyatso. The author says: “Through reading and practicing the instructions given in this book, people can solve their daily problems and maintain a happy mind all the time.” So that these benefits can pervade the whole world, Geshe Kelsang wishes to give this eBook freely to everyone. We would like to request you to please respect this precious Dharma book, which functions to free living beings from suffering permanently. If you continually read and practice the advice in this book, eventually your problems caused by anger, attachment and ignorance will cease. Volume 2 Tantra explains how to practise Buddha’s profound Tantric teachings – the quick path to enlightenment. Covering topics such as The Preciousness of Tantra, The Tantra of Generation Stage and Completion Stage, and How to Meditate on the Central Channel, Indestructible Drop and Indestructible Wind and Mind, this volume shows how, through sincere practice, we can fulfil our compassionate wish and attain full enlightenment in this life. Please enjoy this special gift from Geshe Kelsang Gyatso, who dedicates: “May everyone who reads this book experience deep peace of mind, and accomplish the real meaning of human life.” With best wishes, Manuel Rivero-De Martine Tharpa Publications, UK Tharpa Director info@emodernbuddhism.com

The Buddhist Path to Enlightenment Apr 22 2020 A diverse collection of essays and talks which shows how a grounding in Buddhist theory can teach compassion.

Modern Buddhism May 04 2021 Based on teachings from the Kadampa Buddhist Tradition, Modern Buddhism is a special presentation that communicates the essence of the entire path to liberation and enlightenment in a way that is easy to understand and put into practice. The emphasis throughout is on the practical application of methods for improving our human nature and qualities, and not on a merely intellectual understanding. By developing and maintaining compassion and wisdom in our daily lives, we can gain profound realizations that transform our lives, improve our relationships with others and enable us to look behind appearances to see the way things actually exist. In this way we can solve all our daily problems and accomplish the real meaning of our human life. With compassion and wisdom, like the two wings of a bird, we can quickly reach the enlightened world of a Buddha. This handbook of daily practice is perfectly suited for inspiring beginners who are seeking solutions within Buddhism to their problems of everyday life, as well as for encouraging long term practitioners to complete their practice of the Buddhist path to full enlightenment.

Introduction to Buddhism Jul 06 2021 Beginning with an introduction to the life of Buddha, Geshe Kelsang then explains the central principles behind the Buddhist way of life and what it means to be a Buddhist. He introduces the reader to subjects such as karma, reincarnation, and cyclic existence, all the while showing how we can apply these teachings to our everyday life. Meditation is explained simply, while more complex subjects such as the path to liberation and emptiness are also presented in an

accessible way.

The Dhammapada Oct 21 2022 The most beloved Buddhist classic of all time, the Dhammapada is an anthology of over 400 verses on the ethics, meditation, and wisdom of Buddhism. This translation by a long-term student of the work transmits the spirit and content as well as the style of the original. Includes the original Pali text. With introduction by Bhikkhu Bodhi.

Come and See for Yourself Oct 29 2020 Ayya Khema explores 12 short extracts from the vast collection of Buddhist teachings, encouraging us to take an honest look at ourselves. If we can take this step, we may find we suffer from anger, fear and greed, but we may also discover the seeds of contentment and inner peace. Ayya Khema exhorts us to use awareness, reflection and meditation - the simple tools for change prescribed by the Buddha 2500 years ago. Training our mind in this way, we can release ourselves from the grip of negative emotions and enjoy the benefits of greater joy and confidence.

The Foundation of Buddhist Practice Dec 23 2022 The second volume in the Dalai Lama's definitive and comprehensive series on the stages of the Buddhist path, The Library of Wisdom and Compassion. Volume 1, Approaching the Buddhist Path, contained introductory material that set the context for Buddhist practice. This second volume, The Foundation of Buddhist Practice, contains the important teachings that will help us establish a flourishing Dharma practice. The Foundation of Buddhist Practice begins with the four seals shared by all Buddhist philosophies, and moves on to an explanation of the reliable cognition that allows us to evaluate the veracity of the Buddha's teachings. The book provides many other essential Buddhist teachings, including: the relationship of a spiritual mentor and student, clarifying misunderstandings about this topic and showing how to properly rely on a spiritual mentor in a healthy, appropriate, and beneficial manner; how to structure a meditation session; dying and rebirth, unpacking the often difficult-to-understand topic of multiple lives and explaining how to prepare for death and aid someone who is dying; a fruitful explanation of karma and its results; and much more. His Holiness's illumination of key Buddhist ideas will support Western and contemporary Asian students in engaging with this rich tradition.

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