

MONDAY EVENING CHANTS

BEFORE LECTURE:

An unsurpassed penetrating and perfect dharma
Is rarely met with even in a hundred thousand million kalpas.
Having it to see and listen to,
To remember and accept,
I vow to taste the truth of the Tathagata's words.

AFTER LECTURE:

Beings are numberless, I vow to save them.
Delusions are inexhaustible, I vow to end them.
Dharma gates are boundless, I vow to enter them.
Buddha's Way is unsurpassable, I vow to become it.

THE THREE REFUGES *(In Pali)*

Buddham sarinam gachami
Dhammam sarinam gachami
Sangham sarinam gachami

Dutiampi Buddham sarinam gachami
Dutiampi Dhammam sarinam gachami
Dutiampi Sangham sarinam gachami

Tatiampi Buddham sarinam gachami
Tatiampi Dhammam sarinam gachami
Tatiampi Sangham sarinam gachami

(English translation:

I take refuge in Buddha.
I take refuge in Dharma.
I take refuge in Sangha.
(Dutiampi—second time)
(Tatiampi—third time)