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Pray for the multitudes of this suffering world — may they, too, find accomplishment. If you, my disciples, can live up to what is expected of you, your teacher can worry less and turn this love and concern toward others, hastening the arrival of their wholesome conditions.

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At all times, cherish all conditions — yet cling to none of them. Then no condition will become an obstacle on the path of cultivating Dao.

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Respect the immortals and Buddhas, yet do not cling to their forms.

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Release the self. Reduce needless disturbances. Do not let the emotional bonds you have known be destroyed in an instant.

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Maintain the wakefulness of this thought-impulse, yet do not obsessively cling to it — only then can future lives be free of delusion.

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Forever maintain sincere faith in cultivating Dao, regardless of whether circumstances within and without are favorable or adverse.

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Learn the Matriarch's concealment.

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The precepts of the Three Purities must be observed. Keep public and private clearly distinct. Do not take advantage of any sentient being.

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Do not merely discuss others' rights and wrongs. Look instead for their good qualities. Discover the beauty and simplicity of human nature — this alone is prajñā wisdom.

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In perfecting talent, attend to genuine virtue. A gifted soul, a hero, achieves amid applause; just as surely, a person of outstanding character can be lost amid indifference.

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