

EIGHT VERSES OF MIND TRAINING

- 1. Determined to obtain the greatest possible benefit from all sentient beings, who are more precious than a wish-fulfilling jewel, I shall hold them most dear at all times.
- 2. When in the company of others, I shall always consider myself the lowest of all, and from the depths of my heart hold others dear and supreme.
- 3. Vigilant, the moment a delusion appears in my mind, endangering myself and others, I shall confront and avert it without delay.
- 4. Whenever I see beings who are wicked in nature and overwhelmed by violent negative actions and suffering, I shall hold such rare ones dear, as if I had found a precious treasure.
- 5. When, out of envy, others mistreat me with abuse, insults, or the like, I shall accept defeat and offer the victory to others.
- 6. When someone whom I have benefited and in whom I have great hopes gives me terrible harm, I shall regard that person as my holy Guru.
- 7. In short, both directly and indirectly, do I offer every happiness and benefit to all my mothers. I shall secretly take upon myself all their harmful actions and suffering.
- 8. Undefiled by the stains of the superstitions of the eight worldly concerns, may I, by perceiving all phenomena as illusory, be released from the bondage of attachment.