



The Sixteen Precepts of the Zen Peacemaker Order

Three Refuges

Buddha, the awakened nature of all beings.

Dharma, the ocean of wisdom and compassion.

Sangha, the interdependence of all beings

Three Tenets of a Zen Peacemaker and the Three Pure Precepts

Not-knowing, thereby giving up fixed ideas about myself and the universe. This is ceasing from evil.

Bearing witness to the joy and suffering of the world. This is doing good.

Loving myself and others. This is doing good for others.

Ten Grave Precepts

1. Recognizing that I am not separate from all that is. This is the precept of Non-Killing.
2. Being satisfied with what I have. This is the precept of Non-Stealing.
3. Encountering all creations with respect and dignity. This is the precept of Chaste Conduct.
4. Listening and speaking from the heart. This is the precept of Non-Lying.
5. Cultivating a mind that sees clearly. This is the precept of Not Being Ignorant.
6. Unconditionally accepting what each moment has to offer. This is the precept of Not Talking About Others Errors And Faults.
7. Speaking what I perceive to be the truth without guilt or blame. This is the precept of Not Elevating Oneself And Blaming Others.
8. Using all of the ingredients of my life. This is the precept of Not Being Stingy.
9. Transforming suffering into wisdom. This is the precept of Not Being Angry.
10. Honoring my life as an instrument of peacemaking. This is the precept of Not Thinking Ill of the Three Treasures.