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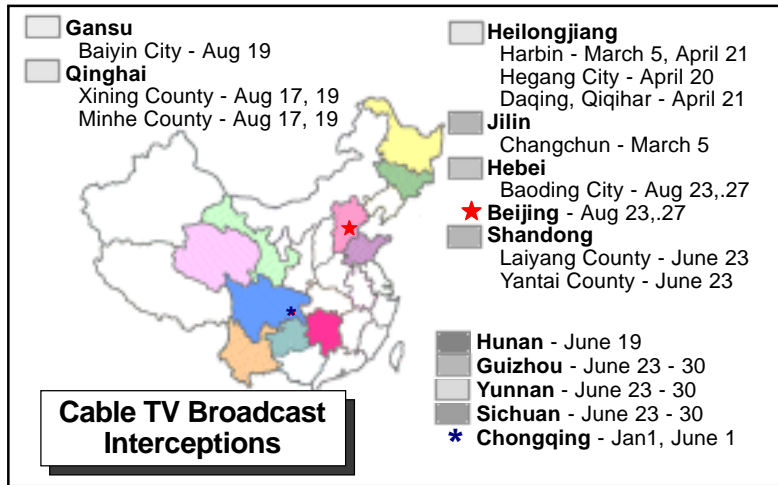


Falun Dafa Videos Repeatedly Break Through China's Information Blockade

On August 23rd and 27th, Falun Gong practitioners in China successfully broadcast Dafa truth-clarifying video programs for 70 minutes during prime time (7 to 9 p.m.) in northern regions of Baoding City, Hebei Province. The video programs that were broadcast included, "Witness and Testimonies" and "Falun Dafa Around the World." Reports indicate that areas of Beijing also received this broadcast.

Truth-clarification programs broadcast between August 17 and 19 on cable TV station in Baiyin City and Lanzhou City in Gansu Province and in Xining City and Minhe County, Qinghai Province raised strong support from citizens. Programming was successfully preempted and programs explaining the facts of Dafa, including "Witness" and "History Will Judge" were broadcast.

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Brown Cloud Over Hong Kong

It is late August, 2002. Two brown clouds are hanging over Hong Kong, enveloping the territory. The atmospheric one, created presumably by severe air pollution, makes visibility difficult, causes labored breathing, smarts the eyes and has virtually brought this City-State to a standstill. The elements will eventually disperse this one.

The other cloud will not be so readily dispersed. It will linger in people's memory around the world as they try to fathom the repercussions from the ill-fated court decision, to have sixteen Falun Gong practitioners from Asia and Europe declared guilty of trumped-up charges. These Falun Gong practitioners had gathered for a peaceable sit-down appeal outside Beijing's Liaison Office in Hong Kong, sitting far back, against the building, to be out of people's way. There was enough room on the sidewalk between the practitioners and the street to park two city buses next to each other. Police officers accused the prac

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Harvard student detects China web blocks

AFP reported on Sept 6 that Harvard University student Ben Edelman had engineered a system that had detected China's blocking of Internet access

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Congress Passes Res 188

On July 24, 2002, the US House of Representatives voted 420 to 0 to pass Concurrent Resolution 188, condemning the persecution against Falun Gong, at home and abroad, addressing the scope and breadth of the persecution in China and the illicit activities carried out by agents of the Chinese regime in the U. S. as they attempt to persecute Falun Gong in America. The resolution also reiterates the peaceful nature of Falun Gong.

Teacher Li Thanks Americans

At the conclusion of Master Li's address to the Washington, D.C. Fa Conference" on July 22, he thanked the American people and also the American government at different levels: "... that Dafa is able to have a foothold in the United States is due to the large amount of support that the American people have given us. Here we thank the American people, thank the US Congresspersons and Representatives at all the various levels of the government, and thank all the various levels of the United States Government."

Million Sails magazine has been in print for one full year now. Thank you, readers and Happy Birthday, Million Sails!

Great Escapes

An elderly woman residing in Xuchang, Hebei Province was arrested by the police for distributing truth clarifying materials. After her arrest, the police decided to detain her in the Shibalihe Forced Labor Camp. On the way there, she calmly and steadfastly sent forth righteous thoughts. Upon arrival, the labor camp refused to accept her and she was released, returning home openly and with dignity.

On the night of April 19, a male Dafa practitioner was detained in Zhengzhou City, Henan Province. The police detained him because they suspected that he planned to set up equipment to televise a Falun Gong truth-clarifying video. The police were extremely scared and ranked this as the most important case in Zhengzhou City. This practitioner protested with a hunger strike, sent forth the strongest righteous thoughts, and asked for help from Teacher. Then he simply walked out from the highly guarded detention center. The police thought that this was inconceivable, because there was only a 20 cm high opening at the gate, which was tightly sealed with a tightly woven protective net.

On the morning of April 20, the police in Zhengzhou City kidnapped a female practitioner. She protested with a hunger strike, and refused to ingest water as well. After eight days without food and water she was so sick the police sent her to hospital, but her admittance was refused. With no other choice, the police allowed her family to take the practitioner home. She recovered quickly and has already left her home to avoid further persecution.

From Shandon Province comes this practitioner's story:

I obtained the Fa in 1996. ... Since July 20, 1999, I have been to Beijing six times. One time I had hardly unfurled the banner and started to shout, "Falun Dafa is good!" when the police surrounded us. We ignored the handcuffs and kicks and continued to shout, "Falun Dafa is good!" ... I calmly made up my mind that I would refuse absolutely to cooperate with the evil: I would not report my first or last name, I would not report my place of birth or my workplace, and I would say nothing, no matter how the evil beat me up. In order to stop the evil forces' persecution of Dafa, I started a hunger strike after I was arrested. After five days, the evil had no other choice but to release me.

Another time the police pried open the anti-theft doors on our home to arrest me. I resisted with such determination that six or seven officers were needed to pick me up and take me away. In jail I went on a hunger strike for one month leaving the policemen no other choice but to pick me up again and send me home. The neighbors all witnessed what happened and said: "Isn't she just practicing Falun Gong? She stayed at home, but the policemen still broke open the door and took her away. What a world it is!"

On another occasion when I went out to post flyers I was stopped by the police. Two men jumped out and started to search me, since I was still carrying Dafa materials. I immediately sent out righteous thoughts so as not to be arrested. My righteous thoughts froze them. After I had run for sixty meters I looked back to see the police officers still standing there motionless.

My experience has shown time and again that if we believe firmly in Dafa and if we believe firmly in Teacher, there will be no obstacles that we cannot overcome. This Spring Festival, after my husband (who is also a Dafa practitioner) was arrested, the police launched a large-scale search for me. Two police vans and over ten officers tried to find and arrest me. Twice the policemen were just meters away from me, but each time I easily escaped. Teacher has protected me despite one tribulation after another.

Indestructible Dafa

In June, many beautiful yellow banners reading "Falun Dafa Is Good" could be seen in the city area and on the county roads in Taitung County in Taiwan. At the entrance of the famous Chiben Pleasure Ground, the eye-catching "Falun Dafa Is Good" display board has attracted much attentions from the tourists. In July 16, 2002, Dafa practitioners in a city in Northeast China hung four large streamers in the busiest downtown area. They also broadcasted Dafa truth-clarifying information through loudspeakers on July 17 and July 18. Painted signs clarifying the true facts of the persecution against Falun Dafa could be seen in many places. The local citizens all talked about these signs and the broadcasts that enabled them to learn more about Falun Dafa.

On the occasion of the third anniversary of July 20, Dafa practitioners from a city in Liaoning Province hung 14 yellow banners with red and very eye-catching words, "Falun Dafa is good" and "Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance" on the three busiest streets in the downtown area. Passersby all raised their heads to look and some even read them aloud. The banners are still fluttering in the wind as of now, and have become part of the beautiful and bright scenery of this city.

In the past Dafa practitioners in Liaoning never ceased in their efforts of peacefully appealing and resisting, while they have been using different ways to clarify the truth. Some practitioners go to rural areas door to door or go to farm fields to clarify the truth to the country people face to face. Some practitioners go to the downtown area to post Dafa information. Some go to public places to distribute truth-clarifying materials. Some use cable TV network to expose the



Banners declare that Falun Dafa is Good in China and Taiwan

Above: Cities in N. China; Below Left: Liaoning Province ; Below right: Taiwan



deceiving lies spread by the state-run propaganda. Some broadcast the truth about Dafa through radios. Some go to Tiananmen Square to compassionately call on people to be awakened. Dafa truth-clarifying flyers and eye-catching banners can be seen almost everywhere, in big cities, small villages, in coastal areas, and in beautiful scenic places. Over the past three years, in every corner of the country, there are footprints left by Dafa practitioners who have given all they have, even their lives, to awaken people's conscience, to open people's hearts, to help them see clearly the evil nature of the persecution.

See the front page headline article **“Falun Dafa Videos Repeatedly Break Through China’s Information Blockade”** for stories on courageous Dafa disciples capture of the cable TV system in China.

True Friends of Falun Dafa

The officials in Hainan Province are offering rewards for the capture of Falun Dafa practitioners. Many villagers in the province know the truth about Falun Dafa, and they protect practitioners by giving warnings when the police are coming. Even the town director has offered his personal protection to practitioners. Several times the police surrounded the village but failed to arrest practitioners. The town director said: "What you are doing is arresting good people. This will not happen here."... When they are ordered by authorities to arrest Dafa practitioners, they contact the practitioners ahead of time and tell them to hide. After the authorities leave, they tell the practitioners that it is safe to return. The officers have even asked to learn more about Falun Dafa.

In another area, Public Security offered a handicapped person a reward of 2,000 Yuan for reporting the location of Falun Gong materials. The villager responded, "Hey, that is an indecent thing to do. I wouldn't do it even if the reward was 200,000 Yuan."

One day, Mr. Li went out with a practitioner to post the flyers. He noticed that another man always followed them. Mr. Li moved close to him and asked, "What are you doing here?" Surprisingly, that man replied, "I also want a flyer." Mr. Li pointed to the electricity pole and said, "See all of those there? Tear one off and take a look at it!" Since he started doing these things for Dafa, everything is going very smoothly. Sometimes in his daily business matters he makes a good profit by simply saying a single kindly word. Mr. Li understands that it's his karmic reward resulting from doing good things for Dafa.

There is a kind person who understands the true facts of Falun Dafa and knows that practitioners are all good people.... One day, he went to the police station and saw three practitioners that were detained there because they had been discovered distributing truth-clarifying materials. He said to the head of the police station, "Leave them alone. They are Falun Gong practitioners. They did not do any bad things. Why detain them? ... Let's go play Majong! (a popular Chinese gambling game)." So he led the chief officer away to play Majong. The three practitioners were thus released. On another occasion, he went to the police station again and saw an old practitioner that was

being held there. He said, "Why detain this kind of man?" He then told that practitioner, "Go, go, go back home!" He pushed him out of the police station as he talked to him and then came back to take the chief officer to play Majong again.

Sister Wang does not practice Falun Dafa but she does believe in Dafa firmly and actively does many things in support of Dafa. She volunteers to cook and heat water for the practitioners who are responsible for making Dafa materials, calling the practitioners to eat when the meal is ready.

One day, the police were going to kidnap his wife. Mr. Zhang released two dogs he had raised which were half wolf, into the yard. As a result, none of the policemen dared to come in. After a couple of days, several policemen from the police station came again to disturb him and were going to search his house. Mr. Zhang warned them, "It's OK to search my house. However, if you can't find any Dafa books, you two will have to leave your legs for me!" (He then pretended to release the dogs to bite their legs). The policemen thus had to leave hurriedly after they heard this.

Another practitioner's righteousness inspires a police chief's kindness: One morning, I went to a gas station to get some gas for my vehicle. The lady who ran the shop didn't have change and so asked

me to give her the money at noontime. I went there at the noon and paid the fee. She said, "You are really honest." I told her "We Dafa practitioners are all honest." I gave her Falun Gong truth-clarification literature that I found on the way to her shop and asked her to learn the truth about Falun Gong. I also left her my home phone number.

Right after I returned home and had my lunch, the phone rang. A voice said, "I am the manager of the gas station. The truth-clarification literature you left was really great. I would like to learn more. Would you like to come over here?" "Sure," I replied without hesitation.

When I entered the shop, I found that there were three people in the room; one of them was a local security officer. I was quite calm and didn't think of anything except holding the thought of telling the truth to them. The boss said, "This literature was well written. Are these things true - I mean the things written on the sheet?" I told them they are all true. We Falun

Gong practitioners don't tell lies. A young man asked the security officer to send me to the police station. The security officer hesitated. I spoke to him seriously, ...The security officer didn't say a word but walked out of the room. In the meantime, a couple of security personnel with several policemen appeared at the door. They said, "Our chief asked you to come to the station and wanted to learn the situation." At the beginning, I didn't want to go with them. But I reconsidered, and thought this would be a good chance to tell them the truth: they wanted to learn the situation and there is nothing to be afraid of.

I went to the police substation. The chief led me to his office ... After a long talk, the chief said, "All right. Don't say any more. You can go now!" I openly walked out of the police station. I was glad that the chief could hold a kind thought and didn't want to assist the evil persecution.

The Miracle Rain

Four Falun Gong practitioners hung up a "Falun Dafa is Good" banner along the Beijing to Shijiazhuang Highway. Several days later, the police arrested the four, one by one.

The head of the police station told the practitioners: "If you are so powerful, then you can relieve the drought that has been plaguing us for so long." "Then let it rain," said the four practitioners, almost simultaneously.

That evening, the skies opened up and poured down rain. The next day, having relieved the local people of their long-standing drought and having shocked the police with the power of Dafa, the practitioners were released and walked out of the police station openly and with dignity. This recently happened in Hebei Province. The grateful locals call this this story "the miracle rain."

Featured Articles



A Story About Emperor Wudi

If one believes old legends, Emperor Wudi was preoccupied with the dominating desire to permanently retain his throne and perhaps eventually pass on the realm to his chosen successor. No matter how well he schemed, thought or planned, he could not come up with a

good idea. One day a thought occurred to him: "could it be possible that I became emperor in this life because I had done good deeds in my previous lives?" This so intrigued him that he searched for someone who could do calculations for him to attest to find this out. Soon he found a wandering monk and asked him: "Please tell me what good deeds I had done in my previous lives and how I had accumulated enough virtue to become emperor in this life." The monk, upon hearing this, closed his eyes, remained deep in thought and, after some pondering, had this to reply: "Your majesty, you were a woodcutter in your previous life. Once, while cutting wood, a heavy rain soaked everything around you. You ran into a temple ruin on a hill, to seek shelter from the rain. Years of severe neglect had exposed the Buddha statues in this temple to wind and weather. Everything was desolate and shabby. When you saw this, you thought to yourself 'how can anyone treat the Buddha this way?' You were desperately poor at that time, but performed a compassionate act. You took the only hat you possessed, made of straw, and placed it on top of the Buddha statue to protect it from the rain. When the Buddha saw this, he thought because this man has such a good heart, as a reward I will make him king among humans in his next life." So spoke the monk and left. Emperor Wudi was happy when he heard this and he thought: "because of a straw hat I became emperor. The solution to my wish to become immortal is at hand. I will give the order to build temples and erect Buddha statues all over the land, thus assuring my remaining emperor for all times." He declared an edict for grandiose building projects to commence all over the land, plundered money from the realm's treasury and from the common people and built scores of temples and erected numerous statues. Three years went by. Emperor Wudi again consulted the wandering monk and asked him, "Now that I have done all these good things, my eternal powers and rule are assured." The monk replied, "No, you will not retain your power and rule; as a matter of fact, your life will also be shortened." The emperor asked, "Why?" The monk spoke, "In your previous lives you had done everything without pursuit or intent. This time you used intent and pursuit. All your officials and the populace are disgruntled. The people are suffering bitter deprivation."

The moral of this story is that any deed committed out of the goodness of one's heart, and when one's mind is not set to expect anything in return, will bring good fortune to the doer. Anything done out of greed or with the expectation of a reward usually turns out the opposite.

Chinese Embassies, extreme weather and the glory of Fa-rectification.

Dafa disciples paths during the period of Fa-rectification must be straight, a road that entails daily Fa study as well as doing the exercises. Another part of the journey is the honorable mandate of sending out of supernatural powers. Practitioners in various parts of the world had different experiences when sending RTs at different embassies and consulates around the globe.

While sending forth righteous thoughts at the local Chinese embassy, a severe thunderstorm drenched one group, but discouraged they stayed at their posts. A local Caucasian women living close to the site treated the practitioners to hot tea during the pouring rain. Then, during the second global sending of RTs, temperatures soared to the point of scorching the practitioners' skin, making the air smell of burned flesh, an incident that etched itself into one practitioner's memory forever. At the embassy, the practitioner's thermometer rose to 120 degrees F, and the mercury still rose, disappearing completely at one point.

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Pondering these extreme weather conditions during both events prompted this practitioner to consider these events as a battle between good and evil. With this realization, the practitioners remained at these posts and continued to send RTs on a daily basis, in spite of the fact that embassy employees contacted the police authorities and the FBI daily. The practitioners felt great empathy with these guardians of the law who were dispatched, wearing their heavy uniforms, having to endure the heat. Embassy employees called on the authorities at all hours, although the law knew that the demonstrators would be peaceable.

Sometimes they would hold a candlelight vigil over the weekend, and even then these law officers were called in to watch them. One police officer enlisted the practitioners' assistance when a homeless, aimlessly wandering Chinese national needed help. The man turned out to be a Dafa disciple who had been tortured, but had escaped from the persecution in Mainland China with serious wounds and burns all over his body, apparently from branding irons. The officer sent this man for immediate treatment to the best hospital in town. Later, the officer took the man to his own home for recuperation, even though they could not verbally communicate. Since that incident, members of the law enforcement community never heeded another complaint call from the embassy against practitioners. The Buddha's Fa is indeed amazing!

The man turned out to be a Dafa disciple who had been tortured, but had escaped

At another time a man made an unreasonable request of our group. We reported this to the police authorities who assured us that we had nothing to worry about, because our actions were legal. The group became quite well known throughout the city. By chance, a Congressman affirmed his support for FG on an airplane; a grocery store owner professed his sympathy toward FG, commenting that he was touched at the practitioners' persistence to send RTs, no matter what the weather, saying, "You must win the battle. The hell with JZ."

The practitioners carried out their mandate at this location for almost a year, but the Chinese embassy no longer conducts business at that location; they moved elsewhere. When this building was finally opened, the interior was rotting. Rebuilding would take three years. It appears that the evil in this dimension has been destroyed. Falun Dafa triumphed in the end.

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DREAMING

In my dream I hear a kind voice explain to me very carefully some errors in a certain understanding. Then I see spinning translucent disks, falling like snow. "What is that?", I ask.

"That is falun", the voice answers.

"Oh! So that's what they look like!" I say.

Then I wake up.

Another dream: I see Teacher before me; like in the pictures, he is wearing the golden yellow kasaya and sitting on a lotus. He is smiling on me. I see on my forehead some marking, I think perhaps it is similar to the red forehead mark Indian women wear.

"What is this?" I ask.

"That is my mark," Teacher says in a kind voice.

Then I am running through the city, running from the soldiers. I stop running in front of an enormous fire, like a large building burning in the night, maybe a temple.

I stand very still and quiet my mind, absolutely clear and solid as diamond. I know I cannot allow any fear, that my mind must be totally clear. When my mind is solid, I step into the fire. The strong winds from the flames blow my long hair. Then I turn, and smiling, hold out my arms to the soldiers, beckoning to them. "Won't you come join me?" I ask.

Then I wake up, and think maybe this has been a test.

Again I am dreaming. I am working at some government facility. I go into the services (not public) section of the building and hang up my hoe. I hear a noise and turn my head to look into a washroom. There are 3 or 4 giant wasps about 4 inches long buzzing around the light fixture over the sink. I think, "Oh no, killer wasps! I have to go tell the authorities", but before I can even turn around, one of them comes at me and lands on the back of my head, just above my neck. I thought, "I am a Falun Dafa practitioner, I must not be afraid. I must not show any fear." I hold my thoughts and body very calm and solid. Then as I feel it move on my hair, I know it is from the evil. I remember Teacher's words (concerning the preparation to sending righteous thoughts), that I should just think it should die, and it would die. So I quickly think "Die!" I feel something like just a tiny pin prick on the back of my neck. Then I wake up.

*These are my dreams
A Western disciple of Falun Dafa*

Reflections on the Name "Zhuan Falun" and the Importance of Reading it Repeatedly from Beginning to End

By a practitioner in Germany

Recently a new student at our exercise site could not understand why we read Zhuan Falun from beginning to end over and over again instead of just selecting some different parts of the book every time as Christians often do with the Bible. Of course, I knew that Teacher emphasized the importance of reading Zhuan Falun without missing any of its content and that we improve our level and realize new things every time we read through it. But later I thought about it again and suddenly realized more deeply why it would not be so good to select different sections to read, even if at the end one would have finished the book without missing anything.

The way we read Zhuan Falun, it is like a never-ending stream. If we finish the book and start to read it again, it actually has no beginning and no end, and every time we go through it we improve ourselves. It is like circling upward in a spiral form. Then I thought about the name "Zhuan Falun," which means, "Turning the Law Wheel," and suddenly realized more clearly why the book is called "Zhuan Falun." When we read the book from beginning to end over and over again it is like a revolving Falun that turns without beginning or end. Like the Falun in our abdomen the book can, in this way, evolve us automatically and help us to make progress in our cultivation. But when we select certain passages, we take them out of context and the effect of this law wheel is no longer as powerful. Finally I remembered that Master said every word in Zhuan Falun is like a Falun. Therefore, it makes sense to think of the whole book as a big Falun as well, which turns endlessly and helps us move upward to higher levels until we reach consummation.

This realization helped me to further recognize the preciousness of Zhuan Falun and the importance of reading it repeatedly as a part of our cultivation in Dafa. I hope that this will have an inspiring effect on others, too, which is why I wrote it down.

If there are any mistakes in my realizations, please benevolently point them out to me.

Clear Wisdom - 8/18/2002

Home town Pride

Here is an interesting anecdote. Someone said that Master is from Gongzhuling City. Several people from Changchun immediately said, "No, he is from our Changchun! He was born in Changchun, grew up in Changchun and lived in Changchun."



"Won't you come and join me?" I ask.

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Smooth Sailing
from Zhengjian.org

Nuwa Mending the Sky

A picture story of Divine creation and salvation for children of all ages.

The legend of "Nuwa mending the sky" occurred in ancient times far far away. The beautiful and merciful Goddess, Nuwa, came to the eastern land. Her arrival filled all the plants and animals in the human world with vitality.

One day, Nuwa came upon a broad field. She was so delighted by the world full of the chirping of birds and the fragrance of flowers that she didn't want to go back. She however had a nagging feeling that something was missing. The feeling stayed with her as she walked all the way to the water. She squatted down to drink. Seeing the beautiful image of herself in the mirror-like water gave her the idea of creating lives. Excitedly, she grasped a handful of mud, and molded a figurine, an imitation of herself. Strangely enough, when she put down the figurine, it immediately came to life! How magical! It even called her "Mama" and jumped up and down. Joyfully she molded another, and then another, and another. She worked so hard that her fingers grew sore. But still, the figurines she molded were too few; how could they fill the broad field? Then an idea came to Nuwa: she dipped a long strand of ivy into the mud. When she lifted it, the mud dripped from the ivy rope and became human beings. Nuwa cherished her creations; she was wild with joy and ran across mountains and rivers, and before long the field was full of people. From then on



The beautiful and merciful Goddess Nuwa



Joyfully she molded another, and then another, and another.

human beings lived in the wonderful world, creating wealth, working with their hands, and leading happy and peaceful lives.

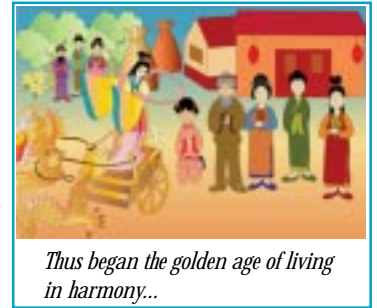
However, the prosperity did not last long. One day a great storm came. The wind rose and clouds scudded across the sky. Thunder roared, as a jagged flash of lightning set the woods on fire. Birds and beasts fled in panic at the deafening sound, but then half the sky fell off. A torrential downpour doused the fire and drenched the woods and fields. The riverbed of heaven was broken. The water in the heavenly river poured straight down. The ground was about to be submerged in a flood. Seeing that the people would drown, Nuwa's heart broke. She raised a giant rock above her head and made a flying jump toward the hole that the heaven river gushed through. But the stream was so strong that Nuwa was flushed down with the rock. She raised the giant rock and jumped again, but the water again flushed the rock and Nuwa away from the hole. Nuwa was not discouraged. She picked up many beautiful stones from the rivers and lakes, and piled them up to form a beautiful shiny five-color mountain. Next she cut reeds from the field and mixed them together with the stones, and then set fire to the reeds. The fire burned continuously for nine days and



She raised a giant rock above her head and made a flying jump toward the hole

nights. The Goddess Nuwa raised the burning melted-rocks and jumped to the sky. She kept mending and filling for seven days and nights and finally, the big hole was fixed.

The sun shone again after the rain, and colorful clouds floated in the sky. Nuwa was burned all over her body. The heroic goddess overcame an especially big disaster. The people were finally saved. All heaven and earth celebrated together. Thus began the golden age of living in harmony, men plowing, women weaving, and all enjoying a good and prosperous life. Bearing their harvests, they thanked Nuwa. A thunder-chariot, drawn by a flying dragon, bore the Goddess up to the clouds and beyond, toward the ninth heaven.



Thus began the golden age of living in harmony..

Dear little friends, the story is over. The legend of Goddess Nuwa mending the sky has continuously spread among the folk until now. Why is it so? Because human beings have good hearts and minds, they always want to tell others good things. God is merciful to us, that we broke layer upon layer of shackles in our hearts, and the compassion in our hearts was also expanding.



A thunder-chariot, drawn by a flying dragon, bore the Goddess up to the clouds and beyond

*by Feifei
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A Hurricane Spares Teacher's Article

A few months ago, my workplace had planned to hold a calligraphy exhibit and the leader of the union asked me to participate. I copied down Teacher's article, "Wealth with Virtue" (from Falun Dafa Essentials for Further Advancement). This "work" of calligraphic art broke through many obstacles and was mounted at the most obvious place inside the window.

The visitors exclaimed one after another, "This one is truly wonderful!"

Then on July 12, 2002, our region was struck by the most intense hurricane in 50 years. The hurricane left a huge mess in its wake, with many big trees blown down. Windows were broken from the impact of flying stones or other hard objects, the asphalt waterproof layer on the roof of each building had been partially destroyed, and steel communication towers dozens of meters tall were blown down, which caused a power outage for several hours. The loss appeared huge and serious.

The glass of the window display had been broken, and most of the display items had been blown away and lost. However, the work, "Wealth with Virtue" had been left unscathed by the brutal storm. Except for being slightly wet from the rain, it remained in perfect condition.

The sun came out again after the storm and my workplace mounted new glass in the window to protect Teacher's article, "Wealth with Virtue."

Clear Wisdom - 7/29/2002

Working on the Production of Dafa Truth-Clarifying Materials

Recently while doing Dafa work, we often had equipment problems, which made it difficult to do the work smoothly. We even had problems with some new equipment, and they occurred one after another. Here I would like to discuss this issue with fellow practitioners.

Equipment is also life, and has intelligence

Master tells us in Zhuan Falun:

"In addition to human beings and animals, plants are also lives. Any matter's life can manifest in other dimensions." "When your Celestial Eye reaches the level of Fa Eyesight, you will find that rocks, walls, or anything can talk to you and greet you."

The equipment used for Dafa work is also a life; moreover, its special mission establishes that it is not ordinary life either. We often hear from our fellow practitioners that some equipment used for Dafa work had been really outstanding. Some pieces of equipment would operate even though overloaded beyond their capacity, and some, although having already gone far beyond their expected life expectancy, still played a very good role in Fa-rectification.

Distinguish the interference and destruction by the evil from those caused by our own xinxing problems

On the one hand, the equipment problems could have been caused by the deliberate interference and destruction by the evil. The old forces had systematically arranged the persecution against Fa-rectification and Dafa disciples, of which the damage and interference to Dafa material production centers is also significant. We must pay attention to this aspect. On the other hand, we should not overlook our own xinxing problems either. For example, when we had conflicts in our work, we would each stick to our own opinions; while doing Dafa work, we failed to keep a pure state of mind and allowed various attachments (the mentality of showing off, attachment to zealotry, jealousy, etc.) to grow. When working, we ignored Fa-study, failed to keep strong righteous thoughts, and our minds were not stable. We treated Dafa work as everyday people's work etc. All these factors could have brought a negative effect on the equipment around us. Do you remember the experiment on water? If a beautiful melody or loving words were applied to the water, the water crystals would become beautiful and transparent. In contrast, if the water were cursed with vicious language, the water crystals became chaotic, and even manifested as frightening, evil faces. Therefore, whenever we have xinxing problems, the equipment around us will be affected. How could the equipment function properly in an unrighteous environment? In such circumstances, we should look inside ourselves, discover the root problem and resolve it. Then the equipment problem will be readily solved as well.

Look inside ourselves and find out our own xinxing problems

If the equipment has frequent problems and cannot function normally, we should look inside ourselves for causes. We should realize the seriousness of the problem from our painful lessons. If we allow ourselves to linger in a state for too long when we cannot study the Fa with a calm heart, when we allow conflicts to remain unresolved, and are unable to enlighten to Master's hints, and at the same time we are still doing Dafa work on the surface, there is already a latent crisis. Under such circumstances, we really should not be afraid to say, "Stop." Master told us in the article, "A Heavy Blow" that whenever practitioners have xinxing problems, "I suggest that everyone set his mind to reading ten times the book I wrote, Essentials for Further Advancement, which you call scripture." "I think it is better for people

like that to voluntarily become common students and actually practice cultivation for a period of time peacefully—this is good for both Dafa and them." It is indeed like this. If we cause damage to Dafa because of our own xinxing problems, and we are unwilling to calm down to study the Fa and to examine ourselves, we may then cause even more damage to the Fa. Those sentient beings who are waiting to be saved would lose the chance of being saved. The goal of saying, "Stop" is to rectify our mentalities and behavior in the Fa so that we can do better and work more efficiently in Dafa work and in saving sentient beings.

Firmly keep righteous thoughts, eliminate the destruction and interference from the evil

If the equipment problem is caused by the old forces' deliberate sabotage, we should act according to Master's instructions, using our supernormal capabilities to completely eliminate the evil in other dimensions that is damaging and interfering with the equipment for Dafa work. So long as we keep righteous thoughts firmly, the evil will be eliminated. We can also create a righteous environment, where we proactively eliminate the evil and provide measures against possible trouble so that the evil in other dimensions will not be able to make it through to cause damage. At the same time, we are able to constantly destroy all the evil beings that are participating in damaging the Fa.



As Dafa disciples in the Fa-rectification period, we should clearly understand our responsibilities. The equipment problem is only one aspect in which we should be more enlightened, which in turn will enable us to become more mature and elevated both perceptually and rationally and to steadily take every step well.

Clear Wisdom - 7/12/2002

Opening the Hearts of Prisoners Spreading Dafa at Changhua Prison in Taiwan

Prison is a place that many people are not willing to think a lot about or go to. Holding in mind the righteous thoughts of clarifying the truth and offering salvation to sentient beings, we think that we should spread Dafa everywhere, no matter how remote and isolated it is, and we should not leave out any being that can be saved. From May 6 to June 5, holding compassion in their hearts, practitioners from the Changhua area in Taiwan went to the Changhua Prison, a place that people have almost forgotten. Day after day, practitioners and the prisoners watched together Teacher's Fa-lecture videos, read Zhuan Falun and practiced the 5-sets of Falun Gong exercises together.

During experience sharing, the Chief Warden said: "We often invite Christian or Buddhist groups to come to upgrade the prisoners' morality, but we have never seen so many people coming here, and so many of you come every time. This touches me so deeply. I believe that you must have some great strength supporting you. Therefore, in addition to encouraging the prisoners to learn Falun Gong, I will also follow you to practice." In this way, the Chief Warden also became a Dafa practitioner.

Mr. Chin, a section chief said: "After seeing you spreading Dafa in the Taichong Detention Center, I had the wish to spread Dafa in Changhua Prison. At present, not only the prisoners are learning Falun Gong, more and more staff members are also joining in. We even have specific schedules for Fa-study and practicing the exercises. The entire prison now has a new look."

The Miracles of Dafa: Two Stories of Wondrous Recovery

A practitioner said: "When the prisoners first read Zhuan Falun with us, most of them did not even know what Falun Dafa was about. But on the third and fourth day, some of them already read through the entire book." After constantly reading the book and practicing the exercises, some prisoners asked where the practice sites are located in Taichong and Penghu, because they wanted to introduce Dafa to their relatives. They also expressed their wish to continue to practice Falun Gong after they complete their terms.



Prisoners watching Teacher's Fa lectures at Changhua Prison

Seeing those isolated prisoners obtaining the opportunity to learn Dafa, I felt so grateful for Teacher's benevolent compassion that he would not let any potential practitioners be left out. We hope that the prisoners will truly practice cultivation to return to their original true selves. For those who have not practiced cultivation, we also hope that they will become good people after leaving prison.

Because of the beneficial effects of the Fa-spreading activity in the prison, the Chief Warden invited us to hold a similar activity again at the end of June, so that more prisoners will have the opportunity to obtain the Fa.

Recalling the first day when we came to the front door of the prison, my heart unavoidably felt a little fear. But, after passing through the iron gates one after another to walk towards the prisoners, it seemed that we broke layer upon layer of shackles in our hearts, and the compassion in our hearts was also expanding.

Dafa will eventually open the hearts of all the prisoners.
*By Taiwanese Falun Dafa practitioners
Clear Wisdom - 6/18/2002*

Tell me about Falun Dafa!

Three Florida practitioners visited Florida's "Splendid China," an Orlando, Florida theme park featuring miniature replicas of famous Chinese buildings, to demonstrate the exercises and clarify the truth to visitors and employees.... All the practitioners remarked that the exercises there were unusually powerful—perhaps since this replica of Tiananmen is owned (through subsidiaries) by the Chinese government, it has some other-dimensional link to the real Tiananmen, or perhaps it was just a manifestation of those practitioners' strong wish to bring the Fa to Tiananmen in China...

On the drive home two of the practitioners were discussing the day's activities and the greatness of Dafa and Master. Just then a man in a truck passed their car on the left. He rolled down his window, leaned across and yelled, "Tell me about Falun Dafa." At one of the practitioner's suggestion, they pulled into a parking lot to talk. The driver of the truck said he had never heard of Falun Dafa, but was intrigued by the stickers on the car (the car is tastefully decorated with "Falun Dafa" and "Zhen-Shan-Ren (Truth-Compassion-Forbearance)" stickers on the trunk and both sides).

The encounter was brief, but meaningful. The practitioners could feel an amazing righteous field around them, and knew that it was that field that drew that gentleman to them....
Clear Wisdom - 8/2/2002

From Taiwan

Meixian lived a miserable, pain filled life for over a decade, but now she happily talks about how she gained a new life after cultivating Falun Dafa. The following is Meixian's story:

In March of 1988, when Meixian was 52 years old, she was in pain all over her body. The results of a medical examination showed that there was a 5 cm large tumor in the right hemisphere of her brain that affected her sight and hearing. The tumor had already damaged her visual and audio nerves as well as some other nerves. Various complications arose after the tumor was removed. Meixian's body and organs had degenerated to the point that her tongue and teeth could not touch each other, which caused food to drop out of her mouth when she ate. Her eyelids could not close, she could not see or hear clearly, she had difficulty speaking, and she was losing the use of her withered limbs.

She could only walk slowly, as she had difficulty controlling herself. Her body was very bent when she walked and she would often bump into people or objects. She had to rest for a long time after even small movements. Half of her face twisted to the left and caused her facial expression to be very stiff. She could only speak slowly, word by word, and her lachrymal glands [glands that make tears in the eyes] were out of control, causing tears to run down her cheeks. She always had to carry a towel to wipe her tears. She would also often lose consciousness without any warning. Various parts of her body had degenerated so badly that she had to depend on other people to do everything in her daily life. In order to improve her physical health, she tried many kinds of treatments, such as physical therapy, traditional Chinese medicine, even folk medicine doctors, etc. She said, "I lived a miserable life at that time."

She often asked herself, "Is there any method that could help me not rely on other people any more? Do I have to be this way for the rest of my life?" One day, she saw a TV news report on Falun Gong which mentioned that this practice was very good. At that time she had a wish to learn it, but didn't know where to find it.

Three years ago, she saw Falun Gong in a park. The next day, she made a great effort to walk to the practice site in the park, where other practitioners taught her the "Falun Standing Stance Exercise." But Meixian had difficulty raising her hands to her chest. Her hands felt so painful that she had to put them down. After she went back home, she thought, "It is too difficult to practice the exercises! I won't go tomorrow!" However, when she woke up on the second morning, she still slowly walked to the practice site in the park to learn the practice. Each day, she felt very tired after she finished and wanted to give up, but some power pushed her to go to practice again the next morning.

Three months later, Meixian suddenly realized that she didn't even need to take the pain medication that she had lived on for many years. This was a big encouragement for her, so she continued practicing the exercises. Gradually, she could raise her hands to her eyes and then slowly above her head. She was also able to extend her practice time from a few seconds to minutes to finishing half an hour's exercises. Her feet also changed. At first she could not bend them into the single lotus position in the sitting meditation but with practice she made continuous progress. Over the next three years she found that she was able to do many things in her life that she had not been able to do before. Her ability to walk improved as well as her confidence in herself.

Falun Gong emphasizes that practitioners must upgrade their state

of mind, so they read the book and study the Fa together after finishing the exercises. After practicing the exercises for some time, Meixian also started to read Zhuan Falun. At first, she could only read one or two words. She worried about wasting other practitioners' time, so she thought, "I won't read the book. It will be good enough if I just practice the exercises!" However, her fellow practitioners encouraged her to participate in group study in the evening. One practitioner explained to Meixian the relationship between reading the book, studying the Fa, and cultivation. Meixian really wanted to cultivate, so she decided to start reading the book again.

Meixian started by slowly reading one word after another. Then she would read one sentence and rest for a while before reading the next sentence. In this way, Meixian improved her ability to read the book. Now, 65-year-old Meixian not only has clear eyesight, but can also speak smoothly. She can also read the book and study the Fa together with other practitioners at the same speed. She can speak fluently and also discuss questions with other practitioners.

Meixian's story is not an unusual one among Dafa practitioners. However, her personal experiences make her tell everyone from the bottom of her heart, "I thank all fellow practitioners for helping me and I thank Master Li for his compassionate salvation!"

*By Dafa disciples in Taiwan
Clear Wisdom - 7/28/2002*

From China

I am an engineer. In 1998, when my whole body suffered from illness, I had the good fortune of attaining the Fa. After I read Zhuan Falun once, I felt that there were objects moving and rotating in my body everywhere. I knew that Teacher was adjusting my body! At that time, we were able to see people practicing Falun Gong everywhere around the town and I started cultivating too. After just half a month, all the illnesses in my body had disappeared, and I was full of energy.

In the beginning of winter in 2000, my sister told me on the phone that our mother was sick and losing her mental functions. In a 24 hour period, she would be asleep for 20 hours. I took my 71-year-old mother to my home, and we spent a few hundred Yuan sending her to the hospital to be examined. In the end, the expert diagnosed: "High blood pressure, brain arteriosclerosis, and her brain isn't getting enough blood."

There was no medicine that could cure my mentally-disabled mother. I played a tape of Teacher's "Lectures in Dalian" for her to listen to. After four lectures, my mother's bloated face began to regain its normal size, and she was a lot better.

From then on, my mother started practicing with me. In the beginning, my mother could not finish the first four sets of exercises. Then she could do the exercises after 20 days. My mother's Celestial eye was opened at first. While she was holding the law wheel in the second set, she saw a hand slowly rotating above the top of her head, which turned into a big lump. The lump was slowly being hauled away, and the top of her head was hauled into a hole. On the following day when she was practicing, a hand slowly took off the top of her head layer by layer, and also took off an iron loop. Finally, hair showed up on the top of her head. My mother said: "All my illnesses are gone." On the third day, she saw a hand gently put a flower bud on the top of her head. And the hand also put many things into the bud. The bud bloomed larger and larger to cover her face.

Every time my mother practices, she can see beautiful scenery. Once, she saw a dragon, and a phoenix at my waist, fluttering back and forth. They slowly flew to the top of my head and overlapped to become column-shaped. After practicing, my mother would sometimes jokingly say: "Such beautiful flowers, the flower umbrellas, are always over there near you and never come to my side." One day, my

mother happily said: "The beautiful scenery enlarged and came to my side. The whole house is filled with beautiful red, yellow, and purple flowers. How beautiful they are!" Every time my mother finishes practicing, her whole body would be drenched in sweat. She is very diligent, and she keeps studying Fa, and practicing everyday. I called my sister saying: "Mom's body is totally cured." Two months later, my sister came to visit. She was completely reassured. When she went home, she told her son: "Falun Gong is truly divine. It saved your grandmother's life. Your grandmother is full of energy now."

Ever since practicing cultivation, my mom and I have not used one bit of money from the state on medicine. Cultivation made our bodies strong and sturdy. Our family is harmonious, and my family members often praise me and say that I do better in various aspects. Many supernormal capabilities mentioned in Zhuan Falun have appeared in my body. I now more firmly believe that every word and sentence of Teacher Li is true. Zhuan Falun is thoroughly a cultivation book. Falun Gong is a cultivation of mind and body, and we cultivate the universal characteristic of Truthfulness, Compassion, Tolerance. Cultivating Dafa makes bodies strong, and lets people return to their [original] true selves. Cultivating Dafa brings people to their true purpose for being humans. I hope that kind-hearted people do not lose this precious chance.

Clear Wisdom - 6/23/2002



Around the time of July 20 of this year (July 20 marked the three year anniversary of Jiang's persecution of Falun Gong), Jiang and his political gang once again spent a huge amount of money to hire extra night patrol workers to arrest Falun Gong practitioners who distributed truth-clarifying materials to the public.

One night, I made up my mind to distribute truth-clarifying materials to the residents living in the countryside. It was after midnight and the environment was very still with only the occasional barks of dogs. As soon as I finished sending forth righteous thoughts, I went on my way. It was very quiet on the street, and I did not see anyone, not even routine night patrol workers.

The countryside was new to me and I did not know my way around. But I didn't worry because my mind was only filled with righteous thoughts to save the people in that area. I said to Teacher, "As your disciple, I am going to distribute truth-clarification materials in the countryside. I am not familiar with the area. Will Teacher please guide me?"

All along the way into the countryside, I kept sending forth righteous thoughts to eliminate any interference from the old evil forces. My bicycle was very old, but it worked smoothly and did not give me any difficulty. It was a moonless night as well and I could hardly see the road in front of me. Just as I was about to run into some rocks lying in the road, a car suddenly showed up from behind. Its headlights lit up the road enough so that I could see the rocks and avoid them. Had this not happened, I would have had an accident for sure. Things like this occurred quite a few times along the way. My heart was deeply moved to know that Teacher was protecting me. Tears ran down my face thinking of this.

One time I came to a big uphill climb in the road. This stretch of road is so steep that even young people usually have to walk their

bikes up it. I was very surprised then to see that even though I am an old man over the age of 60, I was able to peddle up the hill with very little effort!

At the top of the hill was a big town and the outlying district beyond the town was my final destination. I did not know the way up the hill but after a few tries I found the right path. The slope was too steep to peddle the bike so I got off and pushed it, which took me about twenty minutes. Whenever I came to a house, I would leave a set of truth clarifying materials in a noticeable place for the people inside. The roads got more and more rugged as I went further. After a while, I started to breathe heavily and my legs began getting tired as well. In my heart, I asked Teacher to give me more strength. No sooner had I done so and I regained my energy, not being tired at all.

The sky brightened as the morning approached. When I came to a "Military Restricted Zone," the road was blocked off and I was prevented from continuing on. I became a bit disappointed about this, but after a second thought I felt this type of thinking was not correct. From the very start I had asked Teacher to guide me, so it must have been Teacher who brought me here. Now that I was here I should help save the soldiers as well. I should not have had that feeling of disappointment. So, after leaving a set of truth clarifying materials in a prominent place for the soldiers to pick up, I happily turned back the way I came.

As dawn arrived it became easier to see. To save time, I ventured off the road and took a short cut directly down the hill. I carried my bike in front of me and I slid down the hill on my feet. Every time I almost lost control some rocks would appear under my feet to give me traction and allow me to regain my balance. When I finally reached the bottom of the hill there was another village, and I distributed more truth clarifying materials to the homes there. Then, as I made my way down the long narrow road, another village appeared. I greeted a good morning to the early rising villagers by distributing truth-clarifying materials to them as well.

By the time I came to the last house at the end of the village, I had just one last set of truth-clarifying materials left. I felt both relieved and delighted to see that I had just enough materials to last the duration of the trip. Looking back, what a wonderful arrangement Teacher had set up for me!

Clear Wisdom - 8/16/2002

Faxing the Truth

A practitioner called a fax recipient ahead of time so that they would turn on the fax machine. The other side asked, "What are you trying to send us?" The practitioner answered, "Falun Gong truth-clarifying materials." They said, "You are mistaken! Do you know where this is? This is the Dongcheng Police Division." The practitioner said, "That's right. I am faxing this to you so that you'll see that Falun Gong is great, it's beneficial to you, and I hope that you will stop persecuting Falun Gong." The officer then replied, "OK."



One practitioner sent faxes to the Chongqing Police Station. The other side said, "I've received the information twice. I want to practice, but I can't find anyone practicing in Chongqing." The practitioner said, "Don't worry, you'll be able to find it in due time. Just remember that Falun Gong is good." The other side said, "Yes, I

know. I thank you in advance."

When a practitioner called the Shanghai Police Station to ask them to turn on the fax machine, the officer said, "What is it?" The practitioner said, "It's Falun Gong truth-clarifying materials." The practitioner heard the person on the other side whisper to someone, "Falun Gong!" Then the recipient said, "OK, I am turning it on."

Clear Wisdom - 8/14/2002

My Understanding of "Do but Pursue Not"

Before I obtained the Fa, when I worked with other people on a project, we would first talk to each other to reach a common understanding on how to cooperate. We wouldn't start the project until we had a good plan and felt comfortable beginning. After I began to practice Falun Dafa, I had a feeling from talking to some veteran practitioners that some practitioners didn't seem to think making well conceived plans or arrangements before starting Falun Dafa projects was necessary. They thought that we could just go ahead and do it with no need to think about the potential outcomes. They called this way of acting "do but pursue not." (Hongyin, "In the Dao") I was persuaded by this way of thinking and considered the experiences that we have accumulated from our everyday people's jobs to be just everyday people's notions or attachments.

Two days ago, I attended a teleconference in my local area. The voice of the practitioner who hosted the conference was very slow and weak. I was shocked. How can we work with the media well with such a speaking style? How can we hold a professional news release in such a speaking style? How can it be possible to convince people in such a speaking style? I shared my concerns. The feedback that I got was, first, that kind of speaking style was a test for my tolerance. And secondly, we should "do but pursue not." However, I wasn't convinced. Does trying to work with everyday people in a way that everyday people think professional really contradict following the Fa principle of "do but pursue not?"

After this experience, I gave more thought to "do but pursue not." I came to realize that my previous understanding was superficial. It was just an understanding of the words. We took "do" as "just do it" and "but pursue not" as "no need to think about the potential outcomes and no need to learn from previous lessons." Now I have a deeper understanding of "do but pursue not." I think this principle actually has very profound and multiple meanings.

"Do" includes all the things we need to know in order to act. We should know the background of an event, why something needs to be done, what our goal should be, what our attitude should be, how we should do it, what are the procedures, when to do it, where to do it, who is going to do it, etc. When we truly try our best to finish all the things that we should "do" with a righteous mind, we shouldn't pursue any results for our efforts. This is because we will achieve the best possible results. So I think that when we work on Falun Dafa projects, we shouldn't abandon all the methods or ways recognized by everyday people since we are still living in the everyday people's society. The Fa is harmonious. Just because we are lucky to become Falun Dafa practitioners doesn't mean we should ignore the issue of quality or standards that everyday people care about. Rather, we should pay more attention to these issues in order to improve the quality and the standards for doing things in this everyday people's society. By doing this, we can prove to everybody that we are not only good people, but also better people among the good people. Each one of us will be able to fully utilize his talents in the Fa-rectification process.

The above is my personal understandings. Please correct me if I said anything inappropriate.

*By Practitioner Meilian
Clear Wisdom - 7/22/2002*

Talking About the Issue of "Self"

In teaching the Fa, Master wanted us to, "attain the righteous Enlightenment of selflessness and altruism" (Non-Omission in Buddha-Nature). In Purge Demon-Nature, Teacher said, "How could you achieve Consummation when you are not even able to let go of your own attachments?" "A magnificent cultivator, on the other hand, is able to let go of his Self and even all of his ordinary human thoughts amidst crucial trials." (Position) What is one's self? How does one let go of the idea of self? I was puzzled by this for a long time.

At first I thought that letting go of life and death to validate Dafa is letting go of one's self. Then I thought that eliminating selfishness at its root is letting go of one's self. However, in the process of cleaning up my thoughts, I discovered that this self is a considerably microscopic being, which hides very deeply and is very sly.

I recall in July of 2000 when I was still illegally detained in a forced labor camp, I continued to practice the exercises, but I was often overcome by fear. I therefore failed to persist to the end. I felt strange at the time. Hadn't I let go of life and death to validate Dafa? Why did I still have the attachment of fear? One night, when I was sitting on the bed doing the meditation exercise, after I quieted down, I saw my body becoming quite enormous. Yet there were two little black men, both the same size, near the heart area of this huge body. They were sitting there in meditation with their legs crossed. I knew at the time that one of them was selfishness, but I did not know what the other one was. However, I knew that these were the things that I couldn't let go of, and these were the sources of my attachment of fear.

Recently when I sent forth righteous thoughts, in the process of cleaning up my thoughts, I dug deep into the notions and thoughts that had interfered with my attaining tranquility, layer by layer. I discovered that these were produced by selfishness. As I went deeper to clean it up, I found that behind selfishness was the concept of "self," and it generated selfishness. Selfishness produced countless attachments. Just like a tree, the concept of "self" is the root. Selfishness is the trunk. Attachments are the branches and leaves. If we only got rid of attachments at the surface without getting rid of the root of this tree, the result would be the same as trimming the leaves and branches of a tree without removing the root. The leaves and branches will inevitably grow back.

This past half year, amidst painful mental conflicts, I experienced a difficult process of looking inward. First, I discovered ordinary attachments, then I discovered selfishness, then I discovered the deviated old forces in my inner self, and finally I discovered this "self." When I found it and eliminated it, first it lost a part of its being and appeared to be incomplete. I felt its presence inside my body, and it had a body with a form that was supported by a solid framework. I realized that eliminating this "self" is a solemn, difficult cultivation process. Therefore, I am writing this down to share with everyone.

This is just my personal understanding, and I hope fellow practitioners will compassionately point out anything inappropriate.

*By a practitioner in Mainland China
Clear Wisdom - 6/20/2002*

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Brown Cloud Over Hong Kong

tioners of disturbing the public order and obstructing traffic, of attack against the officers. Video footage as well as still photography clearly shows the unobtrusive position of the practitioners and also show the *police* attacking defenseless practitioners, not the other way around. If a picture is worth a thousand words, then perhaps these practitioners of Truth Compassion and Tolerance will receive justice after all.

Master Li's New Articles:

The Net is Tightening

How much longer can the ferocious evil run wild?

A chill is in the autumn wind already.

**The rotten ghouls¹ are terrified within,
Despairing in their final days.**

*Li Hongzhi
September 14, 2002*

Be Clearheaded

**Dafa disciples, away with your tears,
The demon Satan has completely collapsed.**

**Clarify the facts, send righteous thoughts,
Expose the lies, clean out the rotten ghouls.**

*Li Hongzhi
September 1, 2002*

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Harvard student detects China web blocks

to search engines Google and AltaVista, in addition to hundreds more websites that had been cut off. With the software he developed, anyone can find out if a particular website is blocked in China.

Anyone can access Edelman's software and check to see if a web site is blocked at :

<http://cyber.law.harvard.edu/filtering/china/test>

'In China, the contents of the block list to date remains more or less secret,' Edelman said. 'With this project, we hope to list a substantial portion of sites blocked, allowing interested Internet users to discuss and analyze China's filtering policies.'

Ben Edelman, a first year law student at Harvard, developed the software with Harvard law professor Jonathan Zittrain

Edelman's software has found Google and Altavista, Falun Gong websites, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, major news media websites, the US federal court system, the Hong Kong Voice of Democracy, www.freechina.net, www.tibet.com, www.marxism.com and others to be inaccessible in Beijing.

In a separate news item, Boxun, a Chinese language Boxun reports that a number of prestigious American universities' websites have been blocked, causing inconvenience for students applying for overseas study from Mainland China. Blocked websites include MIT, Stanford University and CIT (California Institute of Technology).

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The Knowing Heart

With Teacher at the helm, the Fa saves all beings,

One sail is hoisted, one hundred million sails follow.

With attachments left behind, the lightened boats sail swiftly,

With a preoccupied human heart, crossing the ocean proves arduous.

The wind and clouds suddenly change, and the heavens seem to crumble,

The mountains shake, the seas churn, and the ferocious waves billow.

Follow Teacher closely, steadfastly cultivating Dafa,

With attachments too strong, bearings are lost.

Some flee for their lives, deserting capsized boats and torn sails,

As the mud and sand are completely sifted, gold shines forth.

Grand talk counts for naught when it comes to life and death,
Actions reveal what is true.

When the day of Consummation arrives,

The great disclosure of the truth will leave the world in amazement.

Li Hongzhi

October 12, 1999



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Falun Dafa Videos

Truth-clarification programs were broadcast on a cable TV station in Haishiwan, Lanzhou City, Gansu Province while practitioners were under siege. Police surrounded nearly a dozen Dafa practitioners who locked themselves in a building at a Charcoal Factory in Haishiwan, to avoid arrest. Though practitioners' righteous thoughts prevented them from breaking in, the police would not leave. While the police were thus occupied, other practitioners successfully preempted local programming and broadcast Truth-clarifying programs at around eight o'clock on August 18, in Lanzhou. The program was aired for about half an hour.

On July 9, 2002 Beijing time, a cable TV channel broadcasted the Falun Dafa truth-clarifying videos, "Self-Immolation in Tiananmen Square: A Staged Tragedy?" "Witnesses," and "Falun Dafa Spreads All

The Opinion Column

In a Few Words: About the Cultivation Of Speech

Recently, among practitioners, I often heard terms such as: Dafa programs, Dafa songs, Dafa banners, Dafa uniforms and Dafa newspapers, etc. I find that these simplified terms make sense to practitioners, and they are easy to use. However, are those terms in compliance with the Fa?

Remember that Teacher explicitly taught the Fa in this respect; also remember we only call the two formulas to send forth righteous thoughts "Dafa formulas." Because they are indeed Dafa's formulas, just like the music of the five sets of exercises, Pudu, and Jishi are Dafa's music. Other things such as radio, TV programs made by practitioners, music and dance created by practitioners, banners and T-shirt with "Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance" or "Falun Dafa" written on them, etc, even journals and truth-clarification materials compiled by Dafa practitioners – these things are not part of Dafa itself. They are practitioners' music, truth-clarification programs, practitioners' dance, and things with "Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance" written on them.

Through the Clearwisdom website, I'd like to suggest that practitioners be strict with themselves in terms of speech, writing articles and thinking about questions, and pay attention to the solemn nature of the Fa in the wording they use.

This is only my personal understanding. In order to be responsible to future beings, to the Fa, and to ourselves, I ask that Fa-rectification disciples, in terms of cultivation of speech, give some attention to what I mentioned above.

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over the World" in two districts of a Southern Chinese City. The truth-clarifying videos broke through the Jiang regime's information blockade and played continuously for more than an hour.

From June 23 to 30, the Xinnuo Satellite that covers all of China has been receiving Falun Gong program signals in succession. To date, 9 channels of China Central TV (CCTV) and 10 provincial TV Stations have broadcast Falun Gong videos. On June 23, in an area centered around Laiyang County, Shandong Province, residents suddenly saw a banner reading "Falun Dafa Hao (Falun Dafa is Good)" displayed on CCTV Channel 3 screen, which lasted about 15 minutes. At the same time, in Yantai area in Shandong Province, CCTV Channel 1 and Channel 5 also had "Falun Dafa is Good" appearing on their screens. According to an unverified news source, at about 8:00 a.m. on June 25, Hunan Province Cable TV was also intercepted and a Falun Gong program was broadcast for about 2 minutes.

The broadcasting of Falun Gong truth-clarification programs is a big opening up of the information blockade and an exposure of the national terrorism conducted by Jiang.

Earlier in the year, Falun Gong also tapped into cable television broadcasts in the northeastern cities of Harbin in April and Changchun in March. Police have arrested more than 20 Falun Gong [practitioners] for the March 5 incident in Changchun. They could face prison terms of up to 15 years, according to Chinese officials.