

Traditions of the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas

凍死不攀緣
dòng sǐ bú pān yuán

餓死不化緣
è sǐ bú huà yuán

窮死不求緣
qióng sǐ bú qiú yuán

隨緣不變不隨緣
suí yuán bú biàn bú suí yuán

抱定我們三大宗旨
bào dìng wǒ men sān dà zōng zhǐ

捨命為佛事
shě mìng wèi fó shì

造命為本事
zào mìng wèi běn shì

正命為僧事
zhèng mìng wèi sēng shì

即事明理明理即事
jí shì míng lǐ míng lǐ jí shì

推行祖師一脈心傳
tuī xíng zǔ shī yī mò xīn chuán

問自己是不是不爭
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú zhēng

問自己是不是不貪
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú tān

問自己是不是不求
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú qiú

問自己是不是不私自
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú zì sī

問自己是不是不自利
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú zì lì

問自己是不是不打妄語
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú dǎ wàng yǔ

問自己是不是吃一餐
wèn zì yǐ shì bú shì bú chī yī cān

是不是衣不離體
shì bú shì yī bú lí tǐ

這是萬佛聖城的家風
zhè shì wàn fó shèng chéng de jiā fēng

任何人都不能改！
rèn hé rén dōu bú néng gǎi !

Freezing to death, we do not scheme.

Starving to death, we do not beg.

Dying of poverty, we ask for nothing.

We accord with conditions, but do not change.

We do not change, yet accord with conditions.

We adhere firmly to our three great principles.

We renounce our lives to do the
Buddha's work.

We mold our destinies as our basic duty.

We rectify our lives to fulfill the
Sanghan's role.

Encountering specific matters,
we understand the principles.

Understanding the principles,
we apply them to specific matters.

We carry on the single pulse
of the patriarch's mind-transmission.

I ask myself: Do I fight?

I ask myself: Am I greedy?

I ask myself: Do I seek?

I ask myself: Am I selfish?

I ask myself: Do I pursue personal advantage?

I ask myself: Do I lie?

I ask myself: Do I eat only one meal a day?

I ask myself: Do I always wear my
precept sash?

These form the traditions of the

Sagely City of Ten Thousand Buddhas,
and no one can change them!