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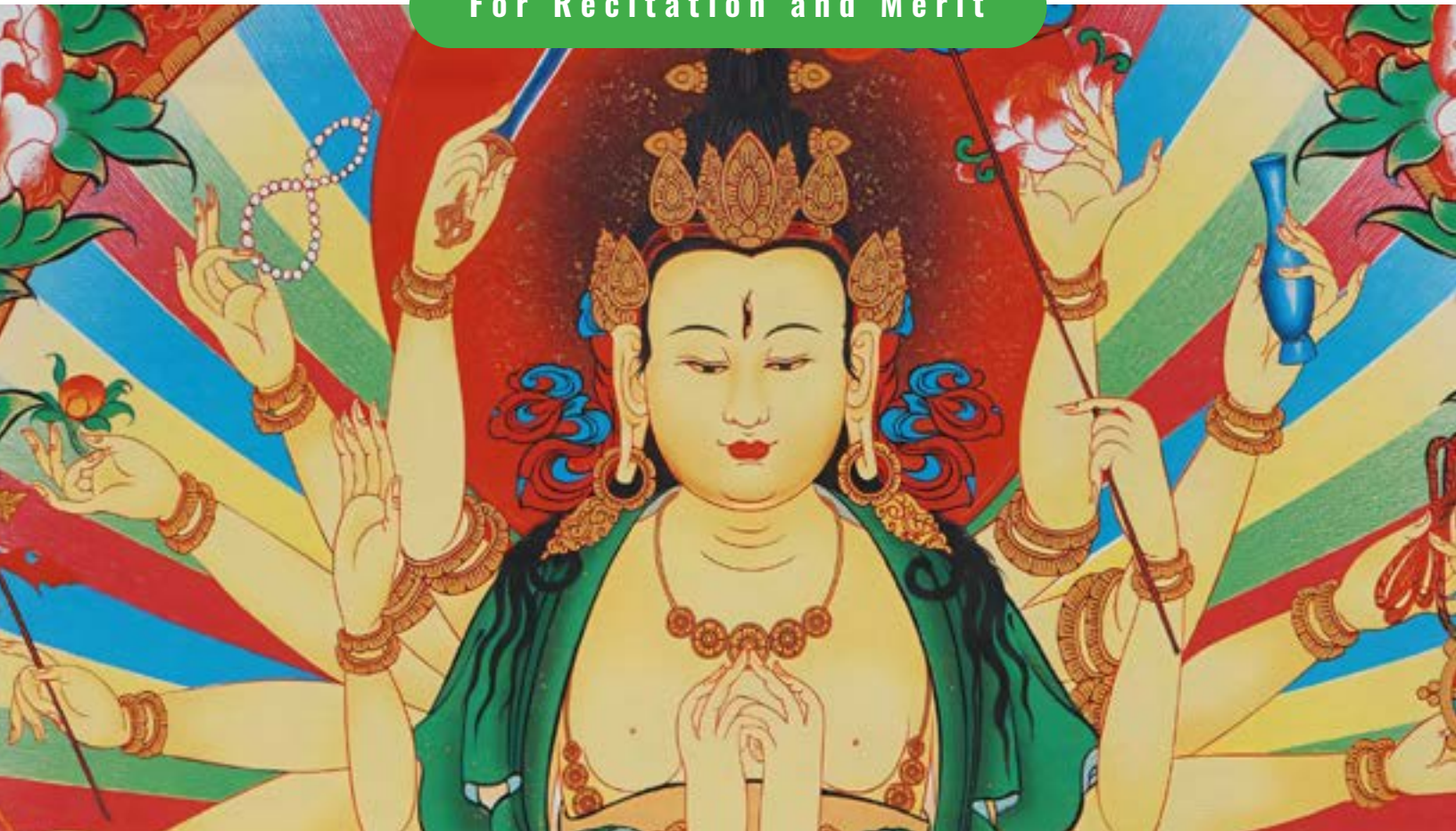
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For Recitation and Merit



The Sūtra of the Great Cundi Dharani, the Heart of the Mother of Seven Million Buddhas, is a teaching from Shakyamuni Buddha that expresses the compassionate essence of the Wisdom Mother Cundi.

Since wisdom is symbolically called the Mother of Enlightenment, She is known as the Mother of Seven Million Buddhas. In the Sutra, Shakyamuni explains that previous Buddhas relied on Cundi and her Dharani mantra.

Cundi (Chundi), also known as Cunda (Chunda) is none other than Wisdom and Compassion embodied. In a Drikung meditation manual, she is described this way:

Cunda quickly ripens all spiritual powers.

She motivates Buddhas and Bodhisattvas to help living beings, induces beings to embark on the Buddhist Path, and inspires renouncers and solitary achievers to follow the Bodhisattva Way.

Shakyamuni proclaimed that her mantras shake the Buddha-worlds, defeat all demons, and bestow many miraculous powers.

Through the recitation of her mantra, all diseases are purified, and Buddhahood is quickly attained.

Even a tenth-level Bodhisattva does not surpass her in brilliance.

All worldly and spiritual perfections are attained through her mantra.



Cundi Bodhisattva Mantra

Her mantra is short and easy to remember and pronounce. It is simply:

om cale cule cunde svāhā

Cundi Bodhisattva's Dharani

*namah saptanam samyak-sambuddha kotinam
tadyatha om cale cule cunde svaha*

Mother Chundi Dharani Mantra Sutra Benefits and Full Recitation Video

It is meritorious and purifying to recite the entire short sutra out loud. It can be encouraging and helpful to recite with others. Recite along with Buddha Weekly in our video:

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Cundi Bodhisattva Dharani Sutra

Here begins the Sutra:

At one time the Buddha was dwelling in the Anathapindika Garden of Jetavana Park in the city kingdom of Sravasti. The World-Honored One meditated, observing sentient beings of the future.

Feeling sympathy with them, He expounded the Dharma of the Cundi Dharani, the heart of the mother of seven million Buddhas. The Buddha then pronounced the Mantra:

***namah saptanam samyak-sambuddha kotinam
tadyatha Om Chale Chule Cundi Svaha***

He said, “If, among monks, nuns, or lay followers, there are those who uphold this Dharani and recite it 800,000 times in total, their sins such as the five rebellious acts, accumulated over innumerable kalpas, will all be expunged.

They will be reborn at places where they will meet Buddhas and Bodhisattvas. They will be able to observe the pure Bodhisattva precepts completely.

They will be reborn either in the human world or in heaven, having ended forever the evil life-journeys.

They will always be protected by gods.

If there are good laymen and laywomen who keep reciting this Dharani, their homes will not be ravaged by catastrophes or diseases. Their work will be smooth and harmonious, and others will believe and accept what they say.



If one has recited this Dharani Mantra 100,000 times in total, one will see in one's dreams Buddhas, Bodhisattvas, voice-hearers, or Pratyekabuddhas.

For graver sins, one should recite the Mantra 200,000 times in total. Then one will also see in one's dreams Buddhas and Bodhisattvas as well as oneself vomit black things.

If one is unable to get such good dreams because of having committed any of the five rebellious acts, one should further recite the Mantra 700,000 times in total. Then one should have these good dreams.

Next, I will now explain the formal practice procedure for using this great Dharani. In front of a Buddha's image or a pagoda, according to your ability, decorate it with offerings of flowers, incense, banners, canopies, food, drink, lamps, and candles.

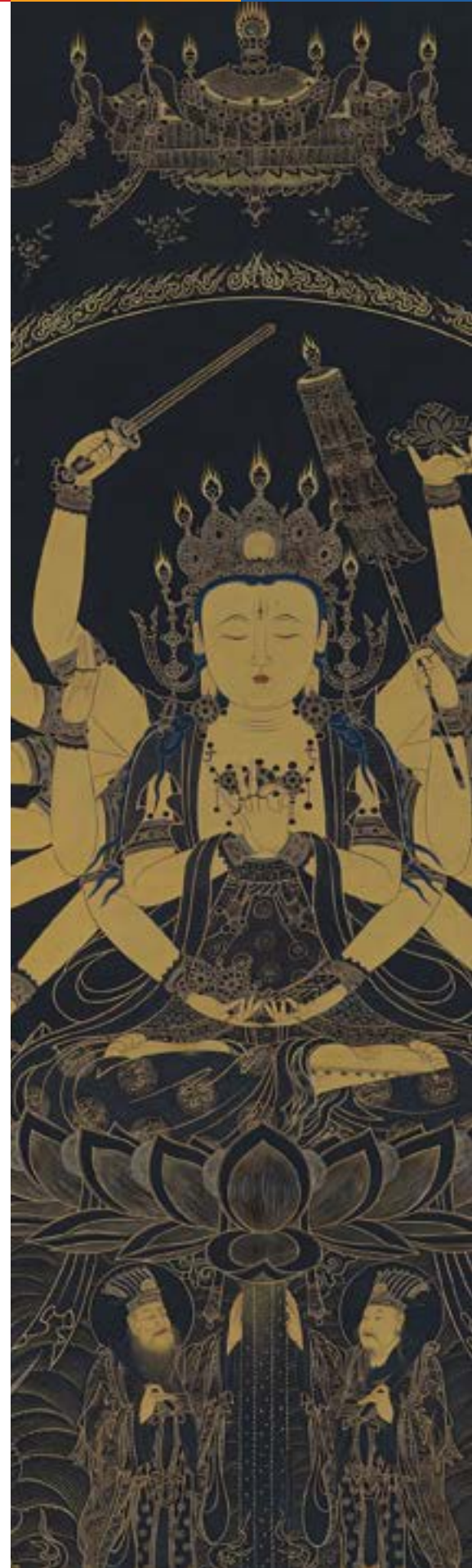
To mark the boundary, recite the Mantra to perfumed water in a vessel and sprinkle it in all four directions, also up and down.

Recite the Mantra as you travel. Then you should be free from fear of bandits and ferocious animals.

Keep reciting this Mantra to help you win any disputes or lawsuits. In crossing a river or an ocean, continuous recitation of the Mantra will keep you safe.

For a person who is in shackles or in prison, if he keeps reciting the Mantra, he will be freed.

Recite the Mantra 600,000 times and you will then see Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva, Tara Bodhisattva, or Vajrapani Bodhisattva. Any one of them can fulfill your wishes, give you divine medicine, or bestow realizations.



Another dharma is to circumambulate a picture of the bodhi tree as you recite the Mantra ten million times in total. You should then have a vision of a Bodhisattva teaching you the Dharma, and you may choose to follow him if you want to.

Moreover, this Great Cundi Dharani, the great illumination mantra, has been pronounced by all Buddhas of the past, will be pronounced by all Buddhas of the future, and is pronounced by all Buddhas of the present.

I too now pronounce it for the benefit of all sentient beings, helping them to attain the unsurpassed bodhi.

There are sentient beings with a meager stock of merits, without roots of goodness, without the right capacity, and without the enlightenment factors.

If they are so fortunate as to hear the Dharma of this Cundi Dharani, they will quickly attain realizations. If a person always remembers to recite this Mantra diligently, he will develop immeasurable roots of goodness.

As the Buddha was expounding this Dharma of the Great Cundi Dharani, innumerable sentient beings erased their emotional defilements and gained the virtue of the Great Cundi Dharani, the great illuminating mantra.

They were able to see Buddhas, Bodhisattvas, and other holy beings in the ten directions. The listeners made obeisance to the Buddha and departed.

Here ends the recitation of the abbreviated Great Cundi Dharani Sutra without appendices and extra commentary.

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