

Prayer to Banish the Delusion of Humanity Consciousness

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I am a child of God. Being a child of God does not mean being only a product of God's creation. It means that I am a self-extension of God's life as well as an heir to all of His attributes. I have within me God's omniscience. Thus, in time of need, essential wisdom will well forth within me. No matter how difficult a problem may be, I am able to resolve it in a decisive manner, like cutting the Gordian knot. Also, as an heir to all the attributes of God, I have within me God's infinite love. Hence, I will put into practice infinite love and infinite compassion to all humanity and all living beings. Everyone who comes in contact with me will receive the waves of my infinite compassionate love, and in an instant, they will also become infinitely loving persons.

As an heir to all the attributes of God, as the extension of God's life, and as His highest self-manifestation, I possess a perfect and healthy life. Therefore, I will never become sick or senile. If illness or senility appear phenomenally in me, it is not because I have become sick or senile. It merely means that thoughts that are in the consciousness of humanity have been received by the antennae of my brain and are being manifested in my body as the receiver.

If I want to erase the image of illness or senility appearing in my body, all I need to do is change the wavelength of my thoughts. In other words, I will completely switch from the humanity consciousness I was in tune with that "man becomes sick and old" and instead tune in to my True Image as the extension of God.

To expel delusion and to purify my mind is to atone. To say that there exist illness, senility, unhappiness, and calamity is not depicting the True Image of man but delusions of humanity consciousness. Therefore, in order to purify myself of them, I must repent. How do I repent?

The *Kan Fugen Bosatsu Gyoho Sutra* (lit. "Sutra to Visualize the Way of the Bodhisattva Fugen"*) has this to say: "When you desire to repent, sit erect and arouse thoughts of the True Image. The sins of the multitude are like frost. Sunlight will eradicate them." For this reason, sitting erect, I will practice Shinsokan meditation daily, without fail. I will worship and strive for all the attributes of the universal God. I will visualize that God's infinite wisdom, love, life, abundance, joy, and harmony are constantly flowing into me and filling me. At that moment, all my thoughts that had been resonating with the humanity consciousness of aging, illness, and death will vanish. The delusive thoughts of humanity consciousness will be completely banished from my mind. Only the perfect and harmonious True Image will be in tune with my mind. Here and now, in me, the new heavenly Pure Land will be manifested.

Thank you very much.

— *Zoku Shinri No Ginsbo*,
"Recitations of the Truth - Sequel," pp. 208-211

* Right-hand attendant of Shakamuni Buddha.