



FAQ

Question: Is the Sangha of the Lion Kings' Throne just for Buddhists?

Answer: Absolutely not! The Sangha of the Lion Kings' Throne is open to all. We are not a new religious sect—we are an educational foundation. We are all inclusive. Our motto is: [Well Met! There is nothing to Join—you already belong.](#)

While our focus is on upholding the truth that the Lotus Sutra is supreme among all the Buddhist teachings because it provides a way for all people to realize the true nature of their own lives, it is our hope that you will be able to actualize this reality in your own life and take it with you, thereby returning your own religious beliefs to their original truths. Stay where you are—please come back and visit us often!

Our ultimate goal is to secure the peaceful and harmonious unity of all living beings and our shared environment through awakening to this truth. We intend to create true unity among people of all religious backgrounds, including the six major world religions and the orally transmitted mythologies of the indigenous peoples of the world—including Buddhism, which also has its roots in orally transmitted mythology.

These seven major religions are identified as:

Christianity: 2.1 billion

Islam: 1.5 billion

Secular/Nonreligious/Agnostic/Atheist: 1.1 billion

Hinduism: 900 million

Chinese traditional religion: 394 million

Buddhism: 376 million
Primal-indigenous: 300 million

Perhaps the most important of these seven is identified as Primal-indigenous. It is here that we, at Sangha of the Lion Kings' Throne, believe we will find the ends of the threads to pull on that will bind us all together in perfect peace and harmony, and at the same time cure the ills of all our environments.

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Question: Why chant Namu Myoho Renge Myoji Soku Kyo?

Answer: Because we all have the Buddha Wisdom hidden within our lives.

Question: What is the Buddha Wisdom?

Answer: It is the original mind undefiled by our karma. It is marked by the qualities of True Self, Eternity, Purity, and Happiness.

Question: Why is that important?

Answer: The world today is rife with what Buddhism calls The Three Poisons of Anger, Greed, and Foolishness. We can all see these clearly in our environment—think war, “I’ve got mine, you don’t matter,” and global warming. By Chanting NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo, we are able to go back to our original life condition, where we realize that all human beings are equal, that we are in this together, and this is known as True Self—and Starting at the Truth.

Question: But how does chanting NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo work?

Answer: From the very first time you chant NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo, you have awakened a seeking spirit. Whether you believe this is true or not does not matter. It is like when a baby drinks its mothers milk—the baby is nourished even though the baby has no understanding of the process.

The Buddha Wisdom hidden within our lives is like a bird trapped in a cage. When we chant NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo, it is like the bird singing and trying to get out. When the bird in the cage sings, all the birds free in the sky gather around and join in the song, encouraging the bird in the cage to break free—this is called responding with Acceptance and Joy.

Question: How does one know if chanting NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo works?

Answer: All you must do is try—there is no other way.

Question: I have heard of NamuMyohoRengeKyo before. How is NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo different?

Answer: MyohoRengeKyo is the title of the Lotus Sutra. Nichiren, a Buddhist Monk who lived in 13th century Japan, established the Doctrine of The Three Great Secret Laws. Nichiren prescribed chanting NamuMyohoRengeKyo with a seeking mind as the correct practice of the Lotus Sutra—there are no additional requirements—this is known as the first of the Three Great Secret Laws. Next, Nichiren inscribed the Object for Observing One’s Own Mind, and taught us that to see one’s own mind is to see the Buddha Nature inherent in each one of us—this is the second of the Three Great Secret Laws.

As to the third of the Three Great Secret Laws? Nichiren wrote of the [Law of the Mystic Precept](#), but did not reveal it directly—the Law of the Mystic Precept was left for revelation in the future and is none other than the MyojiSoku hidden in the depths of the 16th Chapter of the Lotus Sutra.

When we combine MyohoRenge—which is the everchanging reality of life’s manifestations, with Myojisoku—which is the wisdom of all Buddhas and the unchanging eternal truth, and chant NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo, it becomes the unification of the Three Great Secret Laws and the direct path to manifesting Buddhahood in the lives and environments of human beings—and what is meant by Starting at the Truth and Manifesting Buddhahood as a common mortal.

Question: What is this Object for Observing One’s Own Mind, and how do you use it?

Answer: Nichiren inscribed the true and unchanging reality of the Buddha nature depicted in the Lotus Sutra in the form of the One Great Reason Mandala. Mandala means cluster of blessings. The One Great Reason all Buddhas appear in this world to open the wisdom of all Buddhas, to show the wisdom of all Buddhas, to awaken the aspiration to attain the wisdom of all Buddhas, and to allow all people to enter the Wisdom of all Buddhas—this is what the Object for Observing One’s Mind is for. Perhaps the Object of Observing One’s Own Mind can be easier understood as the embodiment of the Objective of Practice.

How and why it is used is by concentrating one’s eyes and mind on the One Great Reason Mandala while chanting NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo with a seeking spirit, and you will naturally conform to the Sutras intent, which is to open, show, awaken, enter into, and manifest Buddhahood as a common mortal. These five aspects are the five characters of Myo, Ji, So, Ku, and Kyo—respectively. These five characters are also the five virtues of True Self, Eternity, Purity, Happiness, and the Mystic Precept

(kyo)—the action body, or behavior, that naturally arises from the life activities of persons so awakened, the common mortals of Myojisoku.

Question: Why is this important, and why at this time?

Answer: By transforming our own lives, we also transform society and our environment. We have a mere ten to twenty years to overcome the poisons of Anger, Greed, and Foolishness if we are to save our planet Earth and the human beings that inhabit this world. If we do not, **global warming** will reach a tipping point and humans will be gone the way of the dinosaurs, never to be seen on this planet again.

Question: If I decide to try chanting NamuMyohoRengeMyojiSokuKyo, what about this One Great Reason Mandala?

Answer: I will share it with you: link: [One Great Reason Mandala](#)

Question: How will I know if it works?

Answer: After chanting just a few minutes with a seeking mind you will notice that your feelings of well-being have improved. This is the poison of anger transforming to compassion and hope for the future; your visual perception of the Mandala may begin to change—witnessing this will begin to lessen the greed in your heart; and, you will begin to experience basking in the warm glow of the Wisdom of all Buddhas which brings an end to the foolishness that arises from the karmic rewards of our past actions, and tears of joy may start to flow from your life.

Question: How do you know that this is all true?

Answer: Because this is my own experience, and the experience of others. I, chikushonin, because I share in the Wisdom of all Buddhas of the Ten Directions and Three Worlds, am able to manifest in my actions the wisdom appropriate to the circumstances of the present moment, without regard of self or other, this or that.

But, no need to take my word for it. When your time is right, try it for yourself.

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