

HOMAGE TO LOPPON SODNAM TSEMO

Arisen from boundless merit,
Well developed knowledge of primordial wisdom,
Excellent among great beings
Prostrations to Sodnam Tsemo.

You who were born in a noble clan
Closely guarding the joy of all beings
Having reached the essence of exalted liberation
I bow to the feet of the greatly wise lama.

Manjushri also appeared in the form of a human
Unerringly timely action by myriad methods.
You performed refuge and protection for a multitude of beings.
Exalted lama who has compassion for all worldly beings.

Having produced through your three vajras
Propelled by boundless merit of virtuous deeds,
Exalted holy one who has reached the peak of liberation
Chief among learned ones, your undisputed fame is proclaimed to all.

Glorious one highly elevated by auspicious virtuous omens:
Exalted land with earth of whitish gray,
Exalted Khon clan, suppressors of ignorance
I bow to you, born in the clan victorious over opponents.

You recalled past places, abandoned childish acts,
And deities revealed their faces,
Your vast wisdom of definitive and interpretive meanings of oceans of tantra.
I bow to you whose fame was proclaimed to the Ganges River at the age of seventeen.

Once when you taught the Lam Dre, in the sky
In the midst of offerings, you showed three people
Manjushri, Virupa, and Avalokiteshvara,
I bow to you who established the other nineteen in pure perception.

While asleep, resting in clear light meditation.
You cut doubt in the presence of Mahasiddha Virupa
And other deities either day or night.
I bow to you who accomplished the five sciences of knowledge.

Your conduct is free from stains of faults,
Speaker of Truth, you abandoned the extreme of mistaken speech,
Mind free of elaboration, and is empty with the essence of compassion
I bow to you whose fame is renowned in the three bumis.

Sound, logic, paramamita, mantra, etc.,
Well understood by merely gazing upon a word and its meaning
Exertion in benefit for other beings
I bow to you whose eyes are clear to understand.

Without distraction, enter into explication, debate, and composition,
Without breaking the continuum of the yoga of the two processes,
Understanding sentient beings as illusory during off session
I bow to you who satisfied them with four types of giving.

You received all Dharmas from great lamas and all the deities you desired,
Yet you acted to train by relying upon the learned in U and Tsang
I bow to you who even at 27 was are well renowned in Jambudivipa as a great weight-bearing
beam of the doctrine

You circled Potala, Sri Pravat, and Oddyiana and returned in a half day.
And performed the conduct of taming and entering
With an assembly of dakinis and viras.
I bow with great joy to the one who possesses a multitude of emanations.

During initiation, you spoke profound meaning
Indistinguishable from the lord of the mandala,
The sound of music, light, and rays of light you created in every place and in space
I bow to you who opened a multitude of doors of my samadhi.

Exalted lama who is indistinguishable from Vajradhara and Manjugosha,
You noble one, I can see no difference whatsoever,
Therefore I take refuge in you until enlightenment is reached.
Your infinite good qualities have no differences between you and the great Bodhisattvas.

How could describe by one like me even in eons?
Thus I bow to you, such a great being,
You cared well through your compassion even in my youth,
And taught the path of profound magificence.

In this life and the future, you place me in a state of happiness and benefit.
I repeatedly remind your limitless kindness
I am not devoted to you because of a family ties,
With certain trust that you are the real Buddha,

By offering this little eulogy to you

By that virtue, may I be born in the lama's presence
Ah! I lack the fortune to receive Dharma from the presence of lama
I request you from your compassion to bestow upon protectorless me intelligence to understand
the ultimate meaning.

This brief homage, you appear as an upasika with pure conduct,
By the power of who possesses inconceivable MERIT (sonam)
You reach the peak TSEMO which sees all things knowable.
I bow to you with my head, speaker with great intelligence.

Your holy mind enjoys unwavering mahamudra
Your holy speech enjoys is an unceasing rain of sutra, tantra, and pith instructions.
Your holy body possesses smiling, handsome, luminous glow,
I bow to the feet of the lama who is the sole refuge of beings.

By the power of understanding the vast door of Dharma,
You caused to satisfy the three doors of intelligent disciples
Although scholars are unable to scholarly argue with you,
I bow to you who is free of the fault of conceit.

You took birth in the holy place in the year of the male water dog
Performed welfare in this realm for 41 years
And departed to Sukavati on the 11th of Malpo in the male water tiger year.
I offer this little eulogy who is the sole eye of the world.

Written by myself, uupasika Drakpa Gyaltsen at glorious Sakya. By this virtue may all sentient
beings swiftly reach enlightenment. Thus, two homages to master Sonam Tsemo was written by
upasika Drakpa gyaltsen.