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## Preface

Guan Shi Yin Bodhisattva (Guan Yin Bodhisattva, or otherwise known in Chinese as Guan Zi Zai Bodhisattva and Avalokitesvara in Sanskrit) is a Bodhisattva who embodies immense loving-kindness and compassion. Also with immeasurable wisdom and possessing miraculous powers, she comes to the aid of those in times of hardship and difficulty. Known as "the Buddha of True Dharma Light", she attained Buddhahood countless eons ago, but due to her great vow and her strong affinity with sentient beings, Guan Yin Bodhisattva returned to the world to rescue every sentient being from suffering.

Guan Yin Bodhisattva, Manjushri Bodhisattva (embodying great wisdom), Samantabhadra Bodhisattva (embodying great practice), and Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva (embodying great vows) are widely known as the Four Great Bodhisattvas. Guan Yin Bodhisattva, along with Amitabha Buddha and Mahasthamaprapta Bodhisattva, is also one of the "Three Saints of the Western Pure Land".

Out of deep compassion, Guan Yin Bodhisattva hears the desperate cries of sentient beings and acts to alleviate their suffering. She responds to every prayer and abandons not a single life. Dating back to ancient times, innumerable miraculous stories have circulated about Guan Yin Bodhisattva, explaining the old Chinese saying: "Every family pays respects to Amitabha Buddha; every household prays to Guan Yin Bodhisattva."

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For thousands of years, Guan Yin Bodhisattva has helped people by manifesting in many different forms. According to the *Lotus Sutra*, "If there were living beings who could be liberated by a certain form of being, then Guan Yin Bodhisattva would appear as that form of being to speak the Dharma." In Chinese history, figures said to be the manifestations of Guan Yin Bodhisattva include Liu Sa He (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> century) of the Eastern Jin Dynasty, Chan Master Bao Zhi Gong (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> century) of the Southern Dynasties, Venerable Master Sengqie (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> century) of the Tang Dynasty, and so on. They were never shy to use their spiritual power to perform miracles.

Today, Master Jun Hong Lu, the founder of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, epitomises the compassion and lovingkindness of Guan Yin Bodhisattva. With his Dharma eye and his great spiritual power, Master Lu crystallises the law of cause and effect and the working of karma. By performing a "Totem Reading" based upon someone's year of birth, gender and Chinese zodiac sign, he reveals their past, present and future and identifies the true causes of the daily ups and downs in their lives.

The result is immediate and obvious: for our own benefit and that of others, we need to refrain from evil and practise only good deeds. We must also be mindful of our intentions and actions in every moment, and stop creating negative karma through our everyday behaviour. We can truly transform our destiny and be liberated from suffering by practising Buddhism, cultivating our mind and changing our behaviour, having paid off our karmic debts and refrained from the accrual of new ones.

Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door teaches us to repay our karmic debts by following the "Three Golden Buddhist Practices": reciting Buddhist scriptures, making great vows and performing life liberations. These practices lay a solid foundation for the improvement of both physical and mental wellbeing. They have also proved helpful in curing illnesses, resolving interpersonal conflicts, and increasing one's spiritual strength and wisdom. Due to Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door's effectiveness and efficacy, the practices have been adopted by 10 million people in five years' time.

Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door belongs to the Mahayana Buddhist tradition, and it is transmitted directly by Guan Yin Bodhisattva. For decades, Master Lu has been devoted to spreading the message of compassion and promoting Buddhist teachings via his radio station and the internet.

His advice is based entirely on the teachings and practices of traditional Buddhism. Day in and day out, he has been tirelessly committed to helping people without ever asking for anything in return - a powerful expression of Guan Yin Bodhisattva's compassion towards people irrespective of who they are and where they are from.

Journey to Heaven: A Buddhist's Account of Her Visit to Heaven and the Underworld is one of a series of publications edited by the Secretariat of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. This book is a compilation of a Buddhist's accounts of her trips to divine lands in Heaven, the Underworld, and various levels of Hell. What she saw and heard, especially in the trials that took place in the Hall of the King of Hell, may well relate to real cases in life. These accounts will enlighten the benighted and caution others to be discreet in speech and action as if treading on thin ice. The cautionary tales should serve as a precedent and a deterrent against those leading hedonistic or selfindulgent lives. They are advised instead to strictly observe moral ethics, to comply with the religion's teachings, and to sincerely repent of their wrongdoings. This way, they may absolve themselves of retribution in Hell, whilst working towards their ascent to the heavenly pure land. It is hoped that this book serves as a wake-up call to those engaged in self-indulgence, encouraging them instead to be mindful of the law of karma.

We hope that more and more people can learn about and live out the wonderful Buddhist practice of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door - to embark upon Guan Yin Bodhisattva's vessel of compassion to purify their minds; become free from afflictions and suffering; to pay off karmic debts; to help others awaken spiritually; to spread the Dharma far and wide; and to finally arrive at the Western Pure Land of Ultimate Bliss and the Four Sagely Realms (Sravaka, Pratyekabuddha, Bodhisattvas and Buddhas).

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## Part A

## **Guan Yin Citta Pure Land**

#### A1. Depictions of the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land (1)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

#### **Question:**

I would like to share my experience of the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land. On 21 October 2018, when I was praying to the Buddhas and reciting sutras at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, the landscape painting behind the Buddhist altar suddenly came to life. The whole image seemed to slowly emerge from the painting and drag me inwards. A fluttery feeling came over me.

#### The Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

Looking down from the sky, the Land was covered in mountains. Palaces and pavilions stood proudly all around, the architecture resembling designs that existed during China's Ming dynasty. It had a traditional and antique charm, but there were also some modern-looking buildings interspersed around the site, a bit like a modernday university town. All of the buildings radiated a golden glow that occasionally changed into the colours of the rainbow. It looked like the depictions seen on TV of the Amitabha Buddha's Western Pure Land, but with some notable differences.

There was a huge open square, where the floor and railings were all made of solid white jade. At the centre stood a tall, circular tower, with bell ornaments hanging from the side of the rooftop. A pleasant sound of bells accompanied the blowing of the wind, and an even closer listen revealed murmured recitations of the Buddha's holy name.

Soon after, the voice began to alternatively morph into that of Master Jun Hong Lu, while Bodhisattvas quietly recited sutras and Master Lu's words of wisdom in the background. Every breath felt incredibly pure, and the entire realm seemed to be a serene, peaceful void where it was impossible to be disturbed by any kind of affliction.

It was the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land, where practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door who have attained fruition will be taken to chant Buddha's holy name, recite sutras and listen to the Dharma.

When looking down from the sky, the Pure Land was truly enormous. Bodhisattvas approached a pool not far from the empty space, and inside were dozens of divine lotuses blooming luxuriantly - some already as big as the wheels of a cart. They all belong to Bodhisattvas who diligently cultivate themselves and perform meritorious deeds in the Human Realm. Although they have not yet attained nirvana, their divine lotuses are already in Heaven. Some have bloomed luxuriantly, while others are still budding, all in different colours. On closer inspection, the floral

scents from the divine lotuses were incredibly fragrant; something I could not find any words to describe.

The Bodhisattvas were reciting Buddha's holy name and observing the scenery of the Land around the empty space. Whenever a Bodhisattva loses focus slightly and can no longer focus on reciting, the bells will ring to remind them to lower their heads and recite sutras in a renewed and immersive state of concentration. In one building, a Bodhisattva gave a Dharma talk to Heavenly Children, who put their palms together to pay respect.

Every day in the Pure Land, Mandarava flowers are scattered, filling the air with fragrance. The Bodhisattvas in this aromatic place chant, recite and listen to the Dharma. Here, all the Bodhisattvas possess supranormal powers, such as the ability to create a divine lotus beneath their feet to carry them wherever they desire to venture.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

Are we able to go wherever we desire just like that? Our thoughts behave like the way Bodhisattvas travel: when we think of a place or image, our mind goes there. The Guan Yin Citta Pure Land and the Amitabha Buddha's Western Pure Land are very similar, where Mandarava flowers are scattered across the sky, and those who dwell there are immersed in recitations. When a person ascends to Heaven, they suffer no afflictions. They cultivate their minds and nurture their nature every day, reciting sutras, bowing and paying respect to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, and going wherever they please on their divine lotuses. Just like when you are in a dream, you can go wherever you desire.

#### A2. Depictions of the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land (2)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (263), 4 November 2018

#### **Question:**

Over the past few days, Guan Yin Bodhisattva gave me the privilege to observe the wondrous scenes of the Pure Land.

My writing skills are limited; it is impossible for me to describe and depict the Pure Land in requisite detail. I pray for forgiveness from Guan Yin Bodhisattva, all Buddhas and Bodhisattvas and the Dharma protectors.

#### 23 October 2018 – About the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

Soft clouds and mist drifted over a mountain range, golden-coloured phoenixes flying and dancing in the sky, their long tails glistening in gold.

Bodhisattvas passed by in the sky towards a pagoda that sat atop the mountains. Inside, the higher-ranking Bodhisattvas were teaching lower-ranking Bodhisattvas. The golden roof of the pagoda was sparkling, with the railings made of white jade, so was the pavement in its untainted, glossy white colour. Outside the corridor was a small pool of incomparably pure water, and at the bottom was a bed of silky, glittering, golden sand. Within the empty pool, a school of carp appeared out of nowhere, their colours all different and their bodies gleaming. After swimming around the pool several times, they disappeared into the bed of golden sand.

With a wave of the high-ranking Bodhisattva's hand, an ethereal image of the universe and its galaxies appeared atop a white jade table - it was part of a lesson.

Some Bodhisattvas flew towards a massive practice venue to practise amid the mountain range. Outside the entrance, a plaque was inscribed with the words "Guan Yin Village". At the centre of the village stood a gigantic statue of Guan Yin Bodhisattva of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. The Bodhisattvas knelt and paid their respects to the statue shining in an array of dazzling colour.

Outside the place of practice, more Bodhisattvas recited sutras while sitting, standing or walking. In the Pure Land, Bodhisattvas can assemble and recite sutras together or discuss the Dharma, or choose to meditate and cultivate their concentration alone. This is where the disciples who have attained fruition will go in the future.

The Bodhisattva said she wished that all Buddhists would sincerely and wholeheartedly chant the Buddha's holy name and practise Buddhism in order to enter the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land when they pass away. Many other wondrous things will be made known to the disciples in the future.

#### 24 October 2018 – About the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

The Pure Land was surrounded by mountains covered in white clouds. Golden lights flickered within the mountain ranges, drawing eyes to a grand palace, many of which were scattered throughout the Pure Land. In the middle of one palace were a few huge pools giving life to divine lotuses and surrounded on both sides by long corridors. Monks brought to the Pure Land after their death immersed themselves in the fountain, the pristine water emitting a ray of golden light that bathed and enveloped the sages. As the golden light retreated, divine lotuses emerged from the bottom of the fountain, providing a place for the monks to sit.

Inside the pavilions, Bodhisattvas congregated and dined together, conjuring, consuming and enjoying exquisite dishes and fresh fruits with a single thought.

Bodhisattvas' thoughts and words are pure, and they would never think about consuming meat because it would mean forfeiture of rebirth in the Pure Land. Unlike in the Human Realm, cooking requires no tools as everything readily appears by way of pure thought.

The Guan Yin Villages located throughout the human world have direct access to the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land, with the Guan Yin Village practice centres manifested in the Pure Land.

#### 25 October 2018 – About the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

It is morning, but day and night are not differentiated in the Pure Land and the sky is always bright. When a day passes, the morning bell rings to signal the beginning of another. Bodhisattvas who are in deep meditation may not even hear the bell as they are immersed in their own mental realm. In the Pure Land, Bodhisattvas never feel tired; rather, they cultivate, learn the Dharma and recite sutras at any time of day. The Bodhisattvas' lifespan in the Pure Land is infinite, which is not something human beings can comprehend.

Somewhere in the Pure Land was a huge stone pillar crafted in white jade, a shiny golden dragon wrapped around its girth. Walking closer, the dragon slowly descended the pillar as a Heavenly Child climbed onto its back and flew towards a distant mountain peak. At the summit sat a Guan Yin Village practice space and a large pavilion, and this was where the dragon stopped by wrapping itself around a new pillar. Inside, many other Heavenly Children and dragons were listening to a highranking Bodhisattva who was explaining the sutras.

Not far away were an artificial mountain and a flowing river. The river was separated into two streams flowing into a glistening pool at varying paces. In the depths were many schools of large carp, all shiny and golden and flickering periodically. Soon, the golden lights disappeared and the carp retreated into the bed of golden sand.

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Everything in the Pure Land is created with the power of thought. The mountains, rivers, and golden carp can be transformed as per the thoughts of the Bodhisattvas.

In the pool, a lotus flower-shaped fountain shot into the air jets of pristine water that transformed into a golden mist, which either stayed in the air or danced in circle in an array of vibrant and wondrous colours.

Peacocks roamed on the grassy field, raising their tails to form a shimmering golden fan and singing the sutras that resonated through the air. None of the exotic and magnificent creatures of the Pure Land have a physical body, nor are they formed by sentient beings from the Lower Realms (Evil Paths).

Petals of Mandarava flowers - pink or white - scattered and drifted in the air throughout the Pure Land. Beneath a great tree, Bodhisattvas entered a meditative state, increasing their level of spirituality according to the Dharma sounds resonating in the background.

#### 26 October 2018 – About the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

Roaming the Pure Land were peacocks, golden dragons and phoenixes that sang cheerfully and constantly. There were Buddhas, sages and venerables arriving from the Amitabha Buddha's Western Pure Land. The Buddhas and Bodhisattvas in this Pure Land had been invited to listen to the Dharma somewhere in the Land. Suddenly, they stopped reciting, and those who were meditating awakened.

The Bodhisattvas who possessed complete supranormal powers stood atop their divine lotuses and flew towards an open square, where a crowd gathered and was seated high in the sky.

Petals scattered across the sky and light fragrance filled the air as sages of the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land respectfully greeted the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas coming from the Western Pure Land. All of them were glowing and Dharma sounds resonated continuously - the entire realm was filled with Dharma bliss.

#### 27 October 2018 – About the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land

In the distance, golden light beamed at the entrance of the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land. A lay Buddhist practitioner who had recently passed away in the Human Realm was brought to the Guan Yin Citta Pure Land.

The practitioner was blessed by the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas and escorted to the Merit-Virtue Pool to bath. The Eight-Treasure Merit-Virtue pool, with its vast expanse of water, glistened in golden light. The practitioner stepped into the pool and stood atop the water as it began to churn beneath his feet. As the water began to swirl, it slowly engulfed his ankle, then his legs, and finally

his entire body. All of his spiritual body's defilements, accumulated in the mundane world, were cleansed until it had recovered its original brilliance.

This lay practitioner-turned Bodhisattva had for all his life been a permanent vegetarian, duly reciting sutras and cultivating in calmness. Firm in his desire to be reborn in the Land of the Buddha, his thoughts were always wholesome and he was perpetually diligent in performing meritorious deeds. After passing, he was blessed and protected by the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas. With a single thought, he was reborn into the Pure Land.

Once cleansed, this lay practitioner-turned Bodhisattva beamed with an expression of compassion and joy. Every wrinkle on his face disappeared, and his complexion was smooth and vibrant.

Inside the pavilion, an elderly Bodhisattva lightly touched a white jade stone table, and ethereal images of the Saha World and the state of the sentient beings who lived there appeared. Lower-ranking Bodhisattvas listened attentively to the wondrous teachings of the Dharma. Witnessing the sentient beings' delusion and confusion about what was right and what was wrong caused the Bodhisattvas to feel a deep sense of lament and pity.

Every thought of the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas in the Pure Land is completely pure. They harbour no ill will, nor do they speak evil, as every single thought is incomparably pure. Those who desire to be reborn in the Land of the Buddha must cultivate a state of pure mind and speech. There are no unwholesome forms in the Pure Land.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

Every clean city is the same. Like two clean cities located in two different places, Guan Yin Citta Pure Land and the Amitabha Buddha's Western Pure Land are alike. How could any unwholesome form appear in the Pure Lands? But in the Human Realm, there are many unwholesome forms, left and right.

## Part B

## Scenes of Hell

#### B1. The Hell Associated with Sexual Misconduct (The Hell of Excrement and the Hell of Iron Bed)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (243), 2 August 2018

22 June 2018

#### **Question:**

I recently received a thought message regarding the gruesome scenes in the Hell associated with sexual misconduct.

Seated on a lotus, the Master's Dharma body appeared mid-air in the Guan Yin Citta Centre. In the sky, Guan Yin Bodhisattva, the Buddha, Nanjing Bodhisattva and the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas all appeared. The Master was examining a case regarding a disciple who had breached the Buddhist precepts. A large display suddenly emerged in the air, detailing to me the horrifying scenes in the Hell associated with sexual misconduct.

#### The Hell associated with sexual misconduct

In a pitch-dark cave lay a deep and gigantic pool as large as three or four soccer fields. Many souls, male and female, were submerged, with only their heads visible above the

surface, and they all screamed in agony and terror. These horrifying howls were beyond the imagination of human beings, and it made my hair stand on end as the cries echoed around the cavern. It was terrifying.

On the display, the scenes changed. One soul, in obvious pain and thoroughly soaked in stinking liquid excrement, was sent to the pool's edge. He wailed: "The moment I was thrown into the pool of excrement, my ears, nose and mouth were immediately filled with the liquid. It was so overwhelming that I almost passed out!

"The excrement pool was similar to the septic tanks used in the Human Realm - full of faeces. We (the offenders) felt a piercing pain as soon as our bodies touched the liquid. Small worms and other unknown creatures were biting us. The excrement pool was wide and deep with no boundary. Even if you could swim to the edge, there was no way you could scramble out as the excrement made our bodies far too slippery. The only option was to endure the suffering in the pool."

The scene on the display switched to another Hell. It was a huge cave. This Hell was burning red and the air was extremely hot. A lot of iron beds lay below, with sharp spikes glowing red hot on the surface and fire burning underneath. Male and female offenders, their cries echoing around the Hell, lay naked on these torturous iron beds, undergoing their punishment. The Hell was enormous. People involved in adultery and sexual misconduct will be punished here. As I woke from my sleep, the scene ended.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

That's totally correct. There is indeed an Excrement Hell. It is too late to scream if you end up there.

## **B2.** The Unintermittent Hell (Associated with Defaming Buddhism)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (247), 16 August 2018

#### **Question:**

On 3 August 2018, after praying to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, I received a thought message regarding the Hell associated with defaming Buddhism (the Unintermittent Hell). Guan Yin Bodhisattva told me that I was permitted to share my spiritual experience with the Master, and once verified by the Master, I should share it online to warn people against defaming any practices of Right Faith or Right Dharma (including any other religions).

"A person should not defame any propagators of any Right Dharma, as any of those descending into this Hell will experience excruciating pain and suffering. It is important to bear this in mind!

"Buddhist practitioners must not defame the Triple Gems (the Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha) with unwholesome intentions, nor should they collect money by illegitimate means or for personal use. Even if they do not follow the Buddhist practice, they still must not smear propagators of any Right Dharma."

## The Unintermittent Hell (associated with defaming Buddhism)

A display appeared from thin air and stretched across the front of the Buddhist altar in the Guan Yin Citta Centre, and it began to reveal the scene of the Hell.

A few souls were forced by Dharma protectors to kneel in front of Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas, who appeared solemnly stern, while an army of heavenly and dignifiedlooking soldiers appeared in the sky above the Guan Yin Citta Centre. After the Underworld officials pronounced the verdicts, a dark passage appeared on the ground of the Guan Yin Citta Centre. When it opened, I heard echoes of terrifying screams from within. There are no words to describe how horrifying these screams were, as even the most spine-tingling cry from a horror film pales miserably in comparison. It was truly frightening. Every hair on my body stood up out of pure fear.

The souls were taken into the dark passage, which teleported them to the Unintermittent Hell.

The Dharma Protector told me that, no matter who you are, any person - so long as they have defamed any practice of Right Faith or Right Dharma, or of any religion - will be taken and punished in this terrifying Hell.

After these terrified souls descended into Hell, their thoughts were transmitted onto the display in the Guan Yin Citta Centre. I could feel all of their sensations,

including the Hell's searing heat, what they saw, their fear and pain – it was as though I were there personally. Because it was the Underworld, what I witnessed was not something that could be invented even by the most advanced modern technology in the Human Realm.

An enforcement officer suddenly appeared before the souls.

Enforcement officers differ according to their respective jurisdictions. Those in other Hells look similar to the people in the Human Realm, though some are dressed in clothes from the ancient past, others wear the attire of the modern day. But this particular officer was different. He stood at the height of seven or eight men, his skin red and black, and with a ferocious appearance. No matter who looked at him, they would be terrified. His face was unlike that of a man - he was more like a bull, with a man's body.

Previously, I shared what I experienced on my journey to the Unintermittent Hell, describing it as an extremely hot place surrounded by red-hot slag and molten lava. The enforcement officer grasped the soul firmly, shouted a few words at the sky and waited for the echoed response. The voice listed all the crimes committed by the soul, and for how many years the punishment should last. I heard that the offender would spend 10,000 years in Hell.

As I didn't know how Hell-years were calculated, I asked Guan Yin Bodhisattva: "How many years in the Human Realm equate to 10,000 years in the Hell Realm?" Guan Yin Bodhisattva said nothing, but tears were welling up in her eyes.

The enforcement officer was incredibly powerful and strong, as he blasted a hole into the slag with his fist. As molten lava seeped out, he took a large cup by the handle, dipped it into the lava with one hand, and with the other pried open the soul's mouth. The soul struggled and tried to break free but to no avail, as the officer's strength was immense. The molten hot lava was poured into the offender's mouth.

At the top of its burning lungs, the offender let out a terrifying scream. The suffering from punishment in other Hells paled in comparison. Their thoughts were transmitted to the display: "It's too painful, Guan Yin Bodhisattva! I wish that I could die! The lava is like liquid flames burning through every organ, and my skin is blackened with the smoke from my pores. Blood and pus are seeping from my eyes and ears. It's unbearable! Every moment feels like 10,000 years - I don't want to stay in this Hell for a second longer. I shouldn't have defamed the Bodhisattvas and Dharma Protectors of the Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. I shouldn't have spoken so irresponsibly and committed such severe verbal misconduct. I shouldn't have said that Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door was an evil cult. I was wrong!"

Every offender in this Hell appeared charred, their faces indistinguishable to the point of facelessness. Whenever the lava in the soul's body cooled, the enforcement officer

would pour in another cup of fresh molten liquid. In this Hell, the punishment is inflicted every single second until the sentence is over. The display then disappeared; that was the thought message I received at my most clearheaded.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

All those who defame the Buddha-Dharma will be punished - it's just a matter of time. Have you heard me criticise any religions since I propagated the Dharma? This Hell for defaming Buddhism is retribution for irresponsible speech. Even when dreaming about this Hell, wouldn't you be scared? You will realise the consequence of defamation through the punishment. When a person's karmic retribution manifests, even the Bodhisattvas are unable to save them. Hell's huge enforcement officers belong to the Underworld, tasked with executing the punishment. Their faces are like a horse, and their horns like a bull.

#### **B3**.

The Hell Associated with Abusive Speech, Sexual Misconduct and Killing; The Hell Associated with Amassing Wealth Illicitly and Defaming Buddhism; The Great Hell Associated with Sexual Misconduct (The Hell of Pillars and the Hell of Iron Bed)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (253), 6 September 2018

#### **Question:**

On the morning of 17 August 2018, I received a thought message from Guan Yin Bodhisattva and Dharmaprotecting Bodhisattvas. Due to the bad habits of people in the Human Realm these days and their failure to understand the Buddhist teachings and the law of cause and effect, there are many offenders and slanderers. As a result, Bodhisattvas frequently convey scenes from various Hells to me in the hope that I can tell the disciples and practitioners of Guan Yin Citta: "You must have firm faith in your Master, and refrain from reading those defamatory articles or remarks. All disciples should stay united, care for one another and promote Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. Don't let those unfounded statements waver your faith and your aspiration to practise Buddhism and attain the Way.

"In this Age of Dharma Decline, there are many people who are still indulging themselves in all kinds of worldly

pleasures such as eating, drinking and having fun. As disciples, you should be diligent in your spiritual cultivation, listen to your Master's radio programs and read *Buddhism in Plain Terms*. The latter is especially important, as it will help you to get enlightened and overcome many troubles and demonic obstacles. Your Master has truly been through a lot, so you should take your Master's advice. For those who earnestly study and practise Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, whether they are lay practitioners or disciples, Bodhisattvas regard them as Buddhist disciples."

## The scenes of Hell 1 (Those who defame Buddhism and use abusive speech will fall into this Hell):

This Hell was full of souls. The sky above the cave was pitch dark, but things appeared entirely different below. A redhot river flowed through this Hell, but what was flowing in the river was not water but boiling hot molten lava. Sobs and crying could be heard all around - similar to the scene in the terrible Unintermittent Hell. There is no way for the evil souls to escape, unless they jump into the molten river and try to swim out. However, there are officers guarding the Hell's exterior.

First, let's take a look at the punishment for these souls. A female, whose body was black in colour, had just been transferred from the Unintermittent Hell to receive punishment here.

The Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas told me that, under the influence of others, she had doubts about Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. She had started to bad-mouth and slander the practice, discouraging others from following it and claiming that Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door was not true Buddhist teaching. As her deed was pardonable, the time she spent in the Unintermittent Hell was brief. However, for her abusive speech, she was still required to undergo punishment in this Hell.

Atop a table to the side were various instruments of torture - saws, hammers, pointed hammers, spears, and others I couldn't even name. The enforcement officer looked up to the sky and asked a few questions, like what sort of offence she had committed, how long the punishment should be, and whether the punishment would be light or severe. This enforcement officer looked different from those in the Unintermittent Hell, with an oversized head. He was African in appearance except with a bigger build, and fierce-looking - like two or three people combined together.

The enforcement officer picked up a hammer and dozens of nails at random, grabbed the female soul and placed her on a countertop. A rope appeared out of nowhere, strapping the soul down. The officer hammered a nail onto the soul's mouth, and then repeated the process - one nail after another until the last. She cried out in pain, tears indistinguishable from blood. It was such an unbearable sight.

Suddenly, the thoughts of the soul transmitted into my mind: "It's so painful! Guan Yin Bodhisattva, I know I was wrong! Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas, please forgive me and let me out of Hell! How long do I still have to be tortured? I was influenced by others. Boohoo! Boohoo!" the soul cried.

The scene brought out a stream of tears from the Bodhisattva.

# The scenes of Hell 2 (Those who commit deeds of sexual misconduct, killing, or abusive speech will descend into this Hell):

This Hell is like the Hell of Burning Flame. The sky burns red, but it's not as hot as expected.

There were countless souls - some lay on the ground, howling and waiting for the punishment of the souls on the pillars to finish before it was their turn.

The Bodhisattvas said that not many people of the Human Realm believed and abided by the Buddhist precepts these days, and they created a lot of negative karma. This kept the enforcement officers of the Hell Realm very busy as they had to punish many offenders every day.

Let's begin by talking about this Hell. There are many pillars planted in the ground - I would estimate about 400-500 of them. Below the Hell's ground is hot molten lava. This explains why the soil on the surface feels hot as you tread on it. The surface of the pillars contains many holes, with a large and sharp spike in each one. With a rope, the enforcement officers roughly tied each soul to a pillar. Beside each pillar was a handwheel. When the officer turned it, the pillar spun, and the spikes within protruded out of the holes, penetrating the flesh of the soul until their entire body was impaled. The soul shrieked in immense pain but was unable to escape. Innards and blood oozed slowly from the wounds. It became unbearable to watch, reminding me of the bloody scenes of a butcher's market.

The officer let the soul cry. When the punishment time was up, the soul was freed but thrown to the ground like a chicken or a duck. It was then another soul's turn to receive their punishment. A soul receives this punishment once a day until they have served their time, after which they will be released and sent for rebirth.

People who have committed countless deeds of killing and sexual misconduct will descend into this Hell. Here, the deeds of killing include the killing of animals as well as abortion, as that is considered murder, especially when the embryo has formed into a foetus and been in the womb for two or three months. People who commit harsh speech and defamation will also descend into this Hell.

# On 19 August 2018, I received a few thought messages about Hell.

Guan Yin Bodhisattva appeared above the altar, together with Guan Di Bodhisattva and Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva.

Heavenly generals and soldiers stood guard in the sky above the Guan Yin Citta Centre, which was glittering with golden light.

As the scenes in Hell were too horrifying and gruesome, I had pleaded with Guan Yin Bodhisattva and said that I did not wish to see them again. Knowing I was reluctant to travel to the Underworld, Guan Yin Bodhisattva said to me compassionately: "I know you are frightened, but too many people in the Human Realm are doing evil. I wish you could share your experience to alert practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, cautioning them to heed your Master's advice and strictly observe the precepts so that they will not descend into the three deplorable Lower Realms of Existence.

"I'll let Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva lead you on this trip to Hell, so you need not be afraid."

Soon after, Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva opened the passage to Hell and, in a flash, we were there. First, he led me to the Hell where beings who amass wealth dishonestly and defame Buddhism are punished.

"Too many bogus monastics and lay practitioners exist in the Human Realm, as well as people who blatantly disregard the law of karma and amass wealth illicitly in the name of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and Buddhism, and also those ruthless Buddhists who accumulate wealth in the name of Buddhism and commit karma of speech. It is hoped that they repent to your Master as soon as possible, or else these gruesome scenes of Hell will await them in the future."

### The Hell associated with "shedding the Buddha's blood" by illicitly amassing wealth and defaming Buddhism

This Hell, the size of seven or eight soccer fields, was located in a vast and dark cave. There were about 1,000 large and hot cauldron scattered sporadically throughout. Many offenders were crying, and I could hear the sound "Doo Doo Doo".

Only after a while did I understand what was happening.

In the cauldron closest to me, something was moving. An enforcement officer the size of two or three people and with green hair, tusks and holding a blunt knife in his hand, violently pressed an offender against a stone table. The officer lifted the knife in one hand and hacked off the hands and feet of the offender, throwing them into a boiling pot nearby. Although conscious throughout, the offender's eyes bulged due to the immense pain.

In the Unintermittent Hell, the offenders I saw would fall unconscious with pain, but then be woken by the even more immense pain of the lava inside their bodies. Then they'd lose consciousness again, until the molten lava inside their bodies cools. The enforcement officers would then pour in another round of molten lava. The offenders

will not be let out of the Unintermittent Hell until the sentence is fully served.

In this Hell, however, every offender is conscious - they are simply in so much pain that they cannot speak. Hell is truly terrifying.

The enforcement officer went off and returned with a sharp implement to cut open the offender's stomach and chest and extracted the heart. The officer then pulled out the intestines like a rope, placing them on an iron plate to cook with fire before feeding the meal to a hungry Hellhound nearby. The black and ferocious-looking Hellhound gobbled up the offender's heart, lungs and intestines in no time.

By this stage, the offender was in so much pain that he bit off his own tongue. Fully conscious and with his eyes bulging and his hands and feet missing, it was truly dreadful.

Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva said: "Those who are cruel and heartless, those who betray and disrespect their teachers and the teachings, and those who destroy Buddhism, will descend into this Hell."

Soon after, Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva opened up another passage and led me to the great Hell associated with sexual misconduct.

### The Hell of Pillars (embracing copper pillars): Those who commit sexual misconduct and sexual indulgence will be punished here.

In this Hell, the air was hot and stuffy. Numerous black copper pillars were planted in the ground - there must be more than 7,000 of them. A foul stench of burnt flesh permeated through the air, and constant screaming could be heard from afar.

A male offender was led by two enforcement officers in the direction of the pillars. It was so strange - in this Hell, the offenders showed no sign of resistance. They seemed to be in some sort of dream-like state, so I was curious.

The Bodhisattva clicked, revealing to me the soul's *Alayavijnana* or eighth consciousness, and I realised this soul was perceiving the two incredibly ugly and fierce-looking enforcement officers as beautiful, naked women. It was a delusion stemming from the soul's lustful consciousness. Furthermore, to him, the copper pillars looked like beds. The sight left me dumbfounded.

The male soul gladly followed the enforcement officers, ready to embrace the copper pillar. I could see now that the black copper pillar was actually a copper pillar that was heated so extremely that it turned black. When the soul did embrace the pillar, he cried out in extreme agony as his skin instantly burned to a crisp and became stuck to the pillar. His red blood mixed with his roasted flesh, and I heard crackling sounds that reminded me of barbeques in the Human Realm. But this was a living and breathing

person's soul that was being barbequed. The sight was completely horrendous!

The Bodhisattva then took me to observe another Hell.

### The Great Hell of Iron Bed: People who commit sexual misconduct and sexual indulgence, who lead a promiscuous life, or perform abortions will be punished here.

In this Hell were thousands upon thousands of iron beds more than 5,000 at least. They were of different designs, like modern-looking beds, traditional-looking beds, and some inspired by European and American designs. Every man and woman was completely naked and laid out on the bed to receive their punishment. The souls were of various races, and attached to each bed was an ID.

An enforcement officer led me to an iron bed with a male soul lying upon it. The officer said: "This soul had promiscuous relationships with over ten women in the Human Realm. He was therefore transferred to this Hell after completing his punishment in the Hell of Excrement. After serving his sentence here, he will be reborn as an animal."

I was led to another iron bed, where a female soul bore the agonising pain. Her hair was a mess but from her facial features I could see that she was beautiful, unlike the male offender who was black all over from the Hell of Excrement and covered in bite wounds from the worms. Whenever the mind of a soul created a lustful thought, it triggered the flame lying beneath the iron bed to burn red hot, so that the sharp spikes on the surface of the bed became red-hot as well. The soul was then left on the bed to suffer. When the lustful thought disappeared, the flame burned out.

When their punishment time is over, the souls will be released from Hell and wait to be reborn. This female offender will be reborn as a human in an impoverished country, because her deeds of sexual misconduct were relatively light - an extramarital affair with only one man.

People with intense sexual desire, living a promiscuous life and casually having affairs in the Human Realm will all be reborn as animals.

At this point, the Bodhisattva asked the enforcement officer to lead me to an elevator. The officer pressed the number "1", and the lift ascended. When the lift door opened, I was pushed out by the officer. My consciousness then gradually returned from its deep slumber.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

Lust and sexual misconduct are animal-like behaviours carried out by humans. Those who commit deeds of sexual misconduct will ultimately be reborn as animals. Descriptions of this type were recorded very early in the

history of mankind. Many books and religions have talked about it. Different religions have their own spiritual psychics who observed what happened and returned to describe it. Why is it the same? Because Hell is the same.

Why must we properly cultivate our mind? Why are there people who crave self-indulgence, and commit deeds of animal-like sexual misconduct? All of it is true. When you're having a nightmare and can't wake up from it, doesn't the experience seem real? When you're in the Hell Realm as an offender, the experience of being punished will feel the same. When somebody slashes you with a blade in your dream, can't you feel the sensation? Indeed, the pain makes you scream and you wake up.

People who commit any sexual misconduct, even having just one extramarital affair, will suffer such a punishment. How many affairs have you had so far? People in the past were honest and faithful to their spouse throughout their lives. How many have you had so far? There is negative karma already.

Why should you properly cultivate your mind? When you have made a great and sincere vow, all the negative karma sowed in the past will gradually be eliminated. That's why I am so worried about you. Do you want to descend and become an offender? It's so filthy. Which animal wears clothes? Do you wear clothes when you're behaving like an animal? People who have committed sexual misconduct with more than three people must properly repent for the wrongdoings of the past or, alternatively, prepare to descend! That even includes people who have made defamatory remarks.

When we're learning Buddhism, we must observe the precepts strictly and adhere to the disciplinary rules, then constantly cultivate our mind, recite the sutras and remain diligent. When you do all of these, you can truly eliminate all the negative karma that you created in the past. Otherwise, in which lifetime do you think you will be able to eliminate all of it?

### **B4.** The Hell of Eye Shock and the Hell Associated with Negative Verbal Karma

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (259), 29 September 2018

### **Question:**

On 12 September 2018, when I was at the Guan Yin Citta Centre paying respect to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, I saw that the statues of the Bodhisattvas suddenly radiating brilliant golden light that enveloped the entire altar. Soon after, the Bodhisattva conveyed a thought message to me: "Attention disciple. In a moment, the Dharma Protectors will take you on a trip down to Hell."

After paying my respect and returning home to relax, I felt that my whole body had become light. My soul was being lifted away by the Dharma Protectors, and before long I arrived at the entrance of the Underworld.

### The Hell of Eye Shock: Men and women who use their eyes to commit sexual misconduct will be punished here.

At the entrance of this Hell were two guards, who opened the gates and let me in. I was walking on a vacant high ground, while a huge flat land lay below. The environment was dark and chilly, and there were many offenders, both men and women. Some appeared to be in a trance, while others were obviously in pain. In the Hell's sky, I could see many instruments of torture. Upon closer inspection, the devices appeared to be various books, tablet computers, smartphones, computers (including modern and olderstyle ones from 1998) and television sets. They floated ominously around the offenders' heads.

These instruments were used to punish the souls for their lustful thoughts.

In the Human Realm, people regard pornography as a kind of entertainment, but fail to realise that when these negative karmic seeds are sowed into their mind, they eventually mature into negative karmic fruit. If the person fails to perform wholesome deeds while living, they will be transferred to this Hell. Only by reciting sutras, paying respect to the Buddha, performing many wholesome and meritorious deeds and repenting and reforming themselves will they be able to halt the maturation of this negative karma.

A notebook floated above the head of a middle-aged male offender. Initially, his face showed signs of intoxication, but when the notebook opened, laser beams shot outwards, penetrating the offender's eyes. He shrieked and howled with pain and his whole body froze up. The laser torture lasted for 7-8 minutes, rendering the offender unconscious once it was finally switched off. His whole body was burnt,

smoking and left on the ground, and the notebook quietly floated away.

The Dharma Protector explained: "Sins are born of the mind! Whatever tool is used to commit sexual misconduct when alive, such as computers, notebooks or porn magazines, they will be recreated in your consciousness to punish you upon death. These souls have been watching unwholesome things consistently; hence they have been accumulating unwholesome deeds all the while. However, because their deeds of sexual misconduct were quite minimal, they were transferred to this particular Hell."

The Dharma Protector led me to the elevator to the Human Realm. As I entered, the door closed, and when it opened, I woke up in the Human Realm.

On 17 September 2018, when I was at the Guan Yin Citta Centre paying respect to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, I saw the Buddhist altar become enveloped by a gentle wave of cloud and mist. In the air, a display appeared that expanded to the size of the whole altar.

Suddenly, I received a thought message from the Dharma Protector: "Attention disciple. You must share your observations of the Hell Realm with the living. I will first take you to see the Hell associated with negative verbal karma."

After a short while, my consciousness entered a half-awake, dreamlike state.

The Hell associated with negative verbal karma: People who commit deeds of harsh speech, divisive speech, defamation of good advisors or sowing dissension among people will be punished here.

A female soul was forced to kneel on the ground, her hands tied behind her back and her face expressing an unwillingness to submit.

An enforcement officer used tools to pry open her mouth and pulled her tongue out so violently that it almost tore. Crying from the pain, she was unable to struggle free as she was locked in position by the enforcement officer. He took a stake and pinned the tip of her tongue to the ground. Made to kneel while her tongue was pinned down, the offender was unable to speak or even move. Many offenders received their punishment in this way.

Another offender, tied up on a platform, shouted and cried out in terror. An enforcement officer took a torture instrument that had been heated red hot, and just like before, violently pulled out this offender's tongue but this time sliced it off. The man wept and cried in agony.

The enforcement officer said: "When this man was alive, he was fond of making dirty jokes and telling untruths about Buddhists. These are heavy negative verbal karma. He was sent to Hell after his death. Now that his tongue is detached, let's see how he manages to commit negative verbal karma again." Each day, the offender's tongue regenerates and regrows to its original form, only for the enforcement officer to repeat the same punishment for the duration of the offender's imprisonment.

Soon, I woke up.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

This person really is incredible - everything she said is real. It's really scary. That's why prestigious and virtuous monastics or lay practitioners don't speak casually. When you go to a temple, meeting with a senior monk or a nun, if you speak and explain a lot of things to them, they will only reply with the holy name, "Amitabha". They will not speak much about worldly matters.

Karma is created when the mouth opens. The suffering is unfathomable. Don't regret it once it's too late! Be awakened soon. There's nothing else to say. Do not watch pornography. We are humans - we mustn't watch animalistic things, it's disgusting. After one's spirituality has reached a higher level, they will gradually and naturally become uninterested in such things. Animals don't wear clothes, so why don't you look at them instead? If we humans were lowered to the level of, say, sheep, then it's only natural for a sheep to look at other sheep. As a human, will you be interested in watching sheep? Everybody must understand these principles. Don't mess around.

### **B5.** The Hell of Flaming Eye

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (260), 4 October 2018

### **Question:**

It was 26 September 2018. That day, while paying respect to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas and reciting sutras, I saw the statues of Guan Di Bodhisattva, Guan Ping Bodhisattva and Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva radiate brilliant golden light as the entire Buddhist altar was enveloped by mist. Soon after, I entered a deep slumber.

While in this state of haziness, I was taken to the Underworld and saw an enforcement officer who was wearing clothes similar to those in West Asia. He has a pot belly and unusually large eyes. He looked powerful and stern, and a small steel ring dangled from his clothes. I looked around and saw no offenders, but construction work was taking place nearby. All around, the environment was dark and dull.

In front of me, a huge oval object stood upright, with a small hole in the middle. The enforcement officer declared: "This is the Underworld's newly constructed Hell. In the Human Realm, talk of a Hell known as the 'Hell of the Ghost Eye' has been circulating. In future, this will be the site to punish the people who take advantage of online

communities and social media to circulate large quantities of pornographic videos and articles - especially the porn website owners. As the internet is a platform that spreads and circulates information easily and rapidly, the creation of negative karma occurs just as readily. These internet communities and groups cause countless people to descend into the Lower Realms (Evil Paths). It is considered severe negative karma."

After he finished explaining, the enforcement officer took out a steel ring and threw it towards the hole in the middle of the massive oval object. I realised that the ring was the key for activating the Flaming Eye. Indeed, a horizontal seam appeared along the middle of the oval object, slowly revealing a massive Flaming Eye. Its black pupil fired an intensely bright and burning light straight at my forehead, making me close my eyes in fear, but my head only felt slightly hot. I opened my eyes gradually, asking the enforcement officer with curiosity: "Everything's fine right? I only feel a bit hot."

The officer replied: "That's because you do not have negative karma. All you did was watch some unwholesome videos before practising Buddhism. Fortunately, you are repenting and reforming yourself while also reciting sutras and performing meritorious deeds. Otherwise, you would have already been checked in at the other Hells."

Upon hearing that, I broke out in a cold sweat.

Soon, the Flaming Eye began changing its colour to blue, and shot out an uncountable number of silver needles towards me. I closed my eyes in fear once again, but not quickly enough to avoid my eyes being penetrated by a few of the needles. I cried out in excruciating pain, but after a second or two, the silver needles disappeared.

Scared out of my wits, I asked the officer: "I haven't shared or circulated any unwholesome videos, why am I punished?"

He replied: "Because you created karma with your eyes. Here in the Underworld, we are fair in meting out punishments. If you think you are so good, don't create any karma at all and you'll have nothing to fear even in Hell. Who else can you blame but yourself? It's only because you're reciting sutras, repenting and ceasing your unwholesome activities that your negative karma isn't severe. That's why it only hurt for a couple of seconds."

After learning Buddhism, I told the Bodhisattva that I would no longer watch that kind of unwholesome videos or fictions, and I've also been reciting the *Eighty-Eight Buddhas Great Repentance* to repent of my wrongdoings.

"A single Flaming Eye can punish a lot of souls," the enforcement officer continued. "The light automatically stops only after the unwholesome activities perpetrated by the souls have ceased in the Human Realm, with porn websites no longer on the internet and their groups disbanded or vanished."

Hearing this, I was horrified. Just one or two seconds is already unbearable, but those souls will undergo the burning pain and penetration of the silver needles for so long. That is truly terrifying.

The officer retrieved the steel ring, and the Flaming Eye closed and shut itself down. He pointed towards a nearby elevator, saying: "You may return to the Human Realm now."

I hurried towards the elevator, pressing the number "1" like always. The door closed, and when it opened again, I was awake.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

You can confirm to her that it is all real. As I've said many times before, you shouldn't watch anything obscene on the internet - it's very troublesome. Many young people who watch these things will, upon their death, be sent to these kinds of Hell. Every single Hell was constructed according to the unwholesome deeds that those in the Human Realm have committed. For whatever sin one commits, there will be a special kind of Hell related to that misdeed.

### B6. The Hell of Great Burning Flame

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

On 29 September 2018, as I was performing the recitation after paying respect to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, I received a thought message from Guan Yin Bodhisattva. "Child, don't be afraid. Your soul has been repeatedly led to Hell because of the heinously evil deeds committed by people in the Human Realm. In future, more layers of Hell will be built. It is also because of Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva's mercy and compassion for those evil-doers and the disciples of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. He truly hopes that they will not fall into Hell. My heart aches when I see disciples amassing wealth in the name of Buddhism on social media platforms such as WeChat, Facebook, WhatsApp, QQ, Weibo and so on. I have instructed a Dharma Protector to lead you to the Hell where beings who have amassed wealth illicitly and committed the karma of killing are punished. On your return to the Human Realm, remember to write an account of your trip to caution people against creating evil karma! You have no time to lose, because time now passes more quickly than ever before."

Guan Di Bodhisattva said: "I'll instruct Dharma Protectors to punish those who are recalcitrant and fail to repent sincerely. Beware! Beware!"

### The Hell of Great Burning Flame: Those who amass wealth illicitly and commit heinous karma of killing, especially those who profit from killing lives, will be punished here.

I came to a city wall, where even before proceeding further, I could feel the stifling heat in the air. The old and dark city gate was shut tight, with the sky above in ember red. Cries of distress, from both male and female, could be heard from the inside. I would guess that the city could accommodate more than 10,000 beings from all over the world, but that day, no one stood guard at the gate. I waited for quite some time before an enforcement officer came rushing to me, saying: "I didn't receive any instruction that someone from the Human Realm would be visiting the Underworld! Where are you from?"

I replied: "I'm a disciple of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, and I've been instructed by Guan Yin Bodhisattva to write an account of the scenes in Hell."

The enforcement officer looked up to the sky and asked a few questions. He remained silent for a few seconds before nodding and letting me in.

The city gate opened. I stood on the platform, where stairs on both sides led down to the city. From above, I saw a vast expanse of land devoid of all other buildings. Many cauldrons, scattered so far and wide that I couldn't begin to count them, billowed smoke. A number of enforcement officers were holding whips. I walked cautiously down the stairs and saw a female soul kneeling down naked, with scabs covering many wounds on her body.

Ignoring her resistance completely, an enforcement officer whipped the female soul. Just then, I received a thought message: "This female offender was engaged in profiteering in the name of Buddhism in places of worship. Moreover, she did not abide by the Buddhist precepts and was involved in sexual misconduct. Hence, she was sent to Hell upon death."

After whipping her, the enforcement officer pulled her up brutally, shoving her over to a platform where she was ordered to lie down. With a huge axe in his hands, another enforcement officer lifted it above his head and chopped off the offender's limbs - bones and all - which were then tossed to the ground. I saw more bodies with severed limbs, as well as pieces of human flesh everywhere. The female soul remained conscious. What a hell of an ordeal she was enduring.

The sky is gloomy without the sun in the Underworld. On the following day, the bodies of the offenders suddenly become whole once again only to go through the same ordeal again. These souls are all about to undergo the very same punishment for yet another day, and then another day again until their sentence is fully served.

People who have earned money by committing the karma of killing will also undergo these punishments.

Every two hours, the whole place is set ablaze. The enforcement officers all retreat while the souls inside are burned to death. As their crimes are created by their minds, it is the greed inside of them that has delivered these flames of negative karma. Having illicitly amassed wealth, it is their greed for ill-gotten gains that invite this punishment by fire. It's so pitiful! Just so pitiful!

To the disciples of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, here is a piece of advice: what the Master has said is absolutely true. We must not make use of fellow Buddhists to make money as the punishment in Hell is too unbearable.

After witnessing every pitiful scene in this Hell, the enforcement officer nodded, signalling that I could return to the Human Realm. I made a quick detour past the countless mutilated bodies and headed for the city gate. No sooner had I walked out did I hear an enforcement officer shouting out: "Set the city on fire!" Promptly, the entire city was engulfed by a sea of raging flames.

As always, I found my way to the elevator and, soon, I was awake again.

### B7. The Hell of Icy Coldness (The Hell of Snowy Mountains and the Hell of Icicles); The Hell of Iron Mountains

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (262), 31 October 2018

### **Question:**

On 30 September 2018, after paying respect to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, the statue of Guan Yin Bodhisattva radiated brilliant light. Not long after, the Bodhisattva sent a thought to me: "I will take you to observe the scenes of Hell so that the sentient beings of the Human Realm will understand the law of karma and refrain from performing filthy acts. Sexual desires breed evil. Nowadays, men and women are sinking so low in pursuit of lustful satisfaction, but in the future, they will descend into the Lower Realms. It will be too late for regrets then."

### The Hell of Icy Coldness (The Hell of Snowy Mountains): Men and women who commit deeds of sexual misconduct, those who have affairs and those who are promiscuous will be punished here.

Snow danced in the sky as the air dipped below freezing, while an icy-cold wind bellowed and howled. In this Hell, there were two or three massive snow-covered mountains,

and a thick pile of snow had accumulated on the ground. In the distance, an enforcement officer, holding a whip, followed a group of offenders. The men and women, all naked, had their hands and feet cuffed with iron chains. At the front of the group, another enforcement officer dragged them forward, forcefully.

When a tired offender was unwilling to walk any further, the enforcement officer at the back used his whip to lash them. In this Hell, it was so cold that every offender's lips were cracked and split, the offenders trembled profusely. The knee-deep snow made it almost impossible for them to trudge forward in the blistering cold. The snowy mountain was nothing short of gigantic, and after a very long journey, the offenders finally reached a guarded bridge.

When their punishment is over, the offenders will be let out of this Hell from this very point. But if their punishment term is not over, the offenders will be taken away by the enforcement officer and forced to continue walking until it is over.

At the front of the bridge, the guard spoke to me telepathically: "The female offender at the front had several affairs. That male offender was promiscuous before he married, having sexual relationships with a handful of people. Another female offender, right there, took advantage of her charms and acted promiscuously with many boyfriends, showing not a single concern for her body. When they died, they were all sent to this Hell. The more severe cases of sexual misconduct were transferred to the other great Hells - the Hell of Excrement, the Hell of Copper Pillars, and the Hell of Iron Bed. Too many modern-day men and women no longer have any sense of shame. They think promiscuity is trendy, and a value to strive for in the modern age. I can't even imagine how many more souls will be sent here in the future. The people in the Human Realm are simply too reckless."

### The Hell of Icy Coldness (The Hell of Icicles): Women who commit deeds of sexual misconduct, those who have affairs, and those who are promiscuous will be punished here.

The air here was also extremely cold and piercing. Inside a large cavern, icicles - each 3-5 centimetres long and scattered throughout - formed upwards from the ground. I saw multiple female offenders kneeling on the ground, their faces twisted in pain and their hands tied behind their backs. An enforcement officer told me: "This is the Hell of Icicles. It's used primarily to punish those who acted promiscuously in the Human Realm."

He then turned to a female offender and ordered her to stand. Seeing her made me jump in fright.

The lower part of her body was covered completely in blood, while her knees were littered with open wounds. I was shocked when I realised that it was an icicle upon which she had been kneeling. The piercing of her entire lower body was her punishment. Her knees had been

sliced open by other jagged icicles too - no wonder she was in such excruciating pain.

Every female offender here had acted promiscuously, such as regular one-night stands or promiscuous, alcoholfuelled outings to nightclubs. After death, they were transferred here to be punished for the full term of their sentence.

The Hell of Iron Mountains: Women who commit deeds of sexual misconduct and perform abortions, and men who act promiscuously or instigate women to perform abortions will be punished here.

The environment in this Hell was very dark, and overshadowed by many enormous iron mountains. I heard the distant cries of infants, and when I moved closer, what I found made me jump.

The sky was filled with a countless number of floating baby spirits, all full of resentment. You can tell that the practice of abortion is common in the Human Realm.

The mountains were covered in many iron trees, while on the ground awaited a cover of countless and miniscule iron spikes. Razor-sharp spikes also grew out of the iron trees. I saw an enforcement officer pursue a group of offenders who were being continually lashed with a whip as they were forced up the iron mountain. The offenders were all wailing as the bottoms of their blood-coloured feet were constantly and repeatedly pierced by the sharp spikes. Some offenders, overcome with the pain and no longer able to stand, tried to hold onto trees for support, but their hands were also bloodied and pierced by the sharp spikes that grew out of them. Every offender was forced up the mountain, one excruciating step at a time, only to be forced to traipse back down again. It was unbearable to watch.

The enforcement officers show no leniency. If the offenders stop moving, they are immediately lashed. So they go up and come down the iron mountain over and over again until they have served the full term of their sentence. Only then may they leave this Hell.

Why is the punishment for abortion so severe - and especially for those who intended to abort their child? It's because the spirit of the baby has no other choice other than to occupy their mother's body after they are aborted. This leads to massive suffering for their parents, like gynaecological diseases, depression and shortened lifespan. When their mother dies, they each will go their separate ways, according to their karmic conditions. Some parents are reborn in the Human Realm, the Animal Realm or the Hell Realm, while the baby spirits have no one to help them ascend spiritually to a better realm. Therefore, they are transferred to the Hell of Iron Mountains, where they are left to roam and cry until the courts of the Underworld have finally arranged their rebirth. That's why the punishment for those who commit sexual misconduct and abortions is so severe.

If these offenders recited the Buddha's holy name and sincerely repented while they were still alive, even though the negative karma that has been created cannot be completely eliminated, they would still be reborn as humans after serving their time in Hell.

The majority of the offenders here, however, will be reborn in the Animal Realm after serving their time.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

They are all real. Nowadays, when I see people - both men and women - behaving like animals, I feel deep sadness. It is important to inform them about this! In the past, there was a movie called *Mistress Xiang Lin*, which is about a woman who married three times but ultimately suffered a great tragedy and died. She had to go to the Underworld and donate a doorsill to eliminate her sin of marrying three times. Sexual misconduct really is like playing with fire. It's the worst of all unwholesome deeds. When you're being chased in your dream, don't you feel scared? When you're being tortured in your dream, doesn't it hurt? After you die, it will be just like the dream, and very painful. If you're still not willing to reform your ways after learning Buddhism, you're really asking for it.

### B8. The Hell of Great Cauldron of Boiling Oil

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (263), 4 November 2018

### **Question:**

7 October 2018 was like any ordinary day. After paying respect to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas and reciting sutras in the Guan Yin Citta Centre, a whirl of mist appeared, encircling the room. Soon after, my consciousness entered a deep slumber, and through the haziness, I arrived at the top of another Hell.

The Hell of Great Cauldron of Boiling Oil: For those who commit acts of extreme evil and atrocities, they will be punished in other Hells before being sent to this Hell and thrown into the cauldron. Their souls will then be dispersed without a trace.

There were approximately seven or eight rows of enormous cauldrons filled with boiling oil. In each row were dozens of evenly distributed black cauldrons, each one being able to accommodate several souls. A label hanging at the side of each cauldron contained the names of various countries, indicating the origin of the souls.

Anybody committing acts of extreme evil and atrocity when they are alive will be transferred here after serving their time in other Hells. Their souls will be thrown into these boiling cauldrons and fried until completely dispersed. The cauldrons are gigantic, and so are the enforcement officers, who are bigger and more powerful than the ones in the Unintermittent Hell.

One of them said to me: "I am the enforcement officer of this Hell. In the past, there were not so many cauldrons, and they were a lot smaller. With the development and progress of human society, the rate at which people create negative karma has also increased significantly.

"In the past, people didn't dare commit such evil deeds. But today, for the sake of pursuing more wealth, fame and power, they do whatever it takes, even if that means stealing, making unethical profits, hurting others and so on. As such, the number of cauldrons steadily increases. When we receive notice of all the offences committed by a soul, they will be dropped into the frying oil and be completely dispersed. To be clear, the soul disappears completely, ceasing to exist.

"Nowadays, many people appear good only on the surface. They may be rich, powerful and reputable, but behind the scenes they have committed a bevy of evil deeds. Most had cultivated to a very high level in their previous lives, but upon return to the Human Realm they became deluded and defiled and began to commit atrocious acts. Right now, the Underworld is compiling a list of every offence committed in the Human Realm. When these people's worldly blessings are completely depleted and their lives come to an end, enforcement officers will be dispatched to drag their souls to the court of the Underworld for trial. They will then be sent to different Hells for punishment before being sent here and thrown into the cauldron. In the Human Realm, even if you're rich, famous and powerful, so what? You can't take any of it with you when you die only karma follows you. It is so pitiful and sad."

An enforcement officer was escorting a male offender. The officer read from a scroll: "Offender [Name] of [Name of the country]. As a person in a position of leadership, you engaged in acts of corruption and abuse of law. You hired a person to murder those who threatened your political ambition and framed those who were upright and just. You committed a countless number of deeds of sexual misconduct and even abused your power to threaten and coerce women. Although in the Human Realm nobody knew about your wicked deeds, Heaven and the Underworld cannot tolerate them. After your death, you served your time in other Hells before being sent here and thrown into the oil cauldron."

Having read this, the officer threw the offender into the cauldron and he sank to the bottom amid terrible sounds of deep-frying. His body and bones vanished instantly, leaving only a black slag-like residue floating inside the cauldron. A trail of black smoke emerged from the bottom of the cauldron, sticking to the residue. The enforcement officer used a sieve to remove the black residue from the

oil and poured it into the drains at the front of the cauldron.

Another offender was subject to the same process. From a scroll, the enforcement officer read out: "Offender [Name] of [Name of the country]. Your influence in your country cannot be underestimated. Despite your high social status, you colluded with other unscrupulous business people, oppressed ordinary people, embezzled a huge amount of national funds, and were involved in numerous deaths. Although in the Human Realm nobody knew what you were doing, after death you will be transferred to other great Hells to receive punishment before being sent here and thrown into the oil cauldron."

In another case: "Offender [Name] of [Name of the country]. You helped both gangsters and people in the public sector conduct money laundering; you colluded with government officials and businessmen; you engaged in the country's arms deals; you provided prostitutes to upper echelons for profits; and you committed sexual misconduct. After death, you will be transferred to other great Hells to receive punishment before being sent here and thrown into the oil cauldron."

And another: "Offender [Name] of [Name of the country]. You were an influential gangster involved in smuggling and drug trafficking. You killed people; you caused numerous women to become depraved in the sex industry; and you colluded with high-ranking government officials, assisting them in perpetrating crime. Like the others, after death, you will be transferred to other great Hells to receive punishment before being sent here and thrown into the oil cauldron."

After witnessing all this, my consciousness began to return, and I was back in the Human Realm.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

It is all real. When the black residue created by the souls' deep-frying in the cauldron is poured into the drains, it is carried to the Human Realm's cesspit and gradually reborn into various small insects and bugs. In the process, their spirits are lost and cease to exist. I've said it before, and this is why you should never, ever commit such unwholesome deeds. You cannot deceive the Bodhisattvas, gods or spirits. Those who commit evil will surely undergo retribution. It's utterly pitiful.

## **B9.** The Hell of Burning Flame (Associated with Illicitly Amassing Wealth)

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (264), 10 November 2018

28 August 2018

While in a daze on the morning of 28 August 2018, I heard a voice saying: "I'm Ji Gong the Living Buddha. In accordance with Guan Yin Bodhisattva's instructions, I'm here to take you to the Underworld. Don't be afraid."

Still dazed, I followed Ji Gong Bodhisattva to a place in the Underworld, where a large city appeared ahead of us.

Two very tall guards - as tall as the city gate - used their weapons to block us, insisting: "Who are you? This is a prohibited area in the Hell Realm. No trespassing."

Ji Gong Bodhisattva emitted rays of golden light, declaring: "I'm Ji Gong the Living Buddha. By order of Guan Yin Bodhisattva, I'm here to take this Buddhist disciple of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door to tour this Hell, so that on her return to the human world, she can warn people about the karmic retribution of amassing wealth in the name of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, and the consequences of reciting *Little Houses* insincerely." Soon, the guards opened the gates and allowed us to pass through. I followed Ji Gong Bodhisattva down a narrow path.

The Underworld is similar to the world we live in, except that it always seems to be night-time here. There's no light.

Ji Gong Bodhisattva was constantly emitting a golden aura. When we stopped on a higher ground, he pointed in the distance towards a very modern-looking building. It's approximately 30-40 storeys high, and more modern buildings were being constructed nearby. It's a new site that is planned to accommodate those who take advantage of Guan Yin Citta to amass wealth, as well as those who carelessly recite *Little Houses*. After they die, they will be sent to Hell to live here.

As I surveyed the scene, it's distinctly different from all the other places I have observed in the Hell Realm. I have been to the Unintermittent Hell, the Hell associated with sexual misconduct, the Hell associated with defaming Buddhism and the Hell associated with karma of speech. And every time, I have felt sick for a few hours after returning to the Human Realm. But this Hell doesn't seem to be scary - so why is it considered a prohibited area in the Hell Realm? I also don't see any offenders being punished in this area.

Ji Gong Bodhisattva smiled. Waving the fan in his hand, a wave of golden light shined forth before a display appeared.

"Take a look at the offenders currently residing in that tall building," said Ji Gong Bodhisattva.

I obliged and found that there were many small rooms with many offenders imprisoned within them. Shocked, I asked Ji Gong Bodhisattva: "Why are there so many Buddhist monks here?"

The majority of them are indeed monks, while only a few are ordinary people like me.

Ji Gong Bodhisattva replied: "Those who carelessly recite *Little Houses* are cheating the heavenly beings and spirits. *Little Houses* are passed down from Heaven and the Underworld, manifesting the power of Guan Yin Bodhisattva's great vows. It is a Dharma item of Buddhism, yet ordinary people only see it as a piece of yellow paper and fail to recite it properly. Some monks and lay people casually recite the sutras and mantras only a few times before dotting up the entire *Little House*. They also take advantage of the free Dharma items and make money from them online, such as selling Bodhisattva pendants, *Little Houses*, protective amulets, prayer beads and portraits of Bodhisattvas. This Hell is where they end up for their karmic retribution."

Suddenly, a voice resonated from the sky, declaring: "It's time - light the fire!"

Flames shot up out of nowhere, engulfing the tall building entirely. I heard and saw the offenders, all locked up inside the rooms, screaming in pain and horror. They were being burned alive and it was terrifying. Unable to bear the scene, I said to Ji Gong Bodhisattva: "I don't want to watch anymore." The Bodhisattva closed his fan, and the display disappeared.

Even from afar, we could hear the screams quite clearly, and tears welled up in my eyes.

Here, the building goes up in flames every couple of hours. The offenders' length of imprisonment varies according to the severity of their offences in the Human Realm, so while some are here for a year, for others it can be 20 or 30 years. Every single day, they must bear the horror of being burnt alive until their sentence is completely served.

The Bodhisattva could see that I was upset, so he told an enforcement officer to take me back. I followed the officer to the elevator connecting this place to the human world. The Underworld is very modern. I pressed the number "1" and the elevator ascended. When the doors opened, I was awake.

#### **Question:**

On 22 October 2018, after paying respect to the Buddha and Bodhisattvas at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, I sat down to recite sutras. Soon, my consciousness began to enter a deep slumber and Ji Gong Bodhisattva took my soul to another place in the Hell Realm.

The Hell of Burning Flame is specifically for those who recite *Little Houses* insincerely, and amass wealth in the name of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. After their death, they will be sent here for punishment.

*Little Houses* are passed down from Heaven and the Underworld, manifesting the power of Guan Yin Bodhisattva's great vows. It is a Dharma item of Buddhism, yet ordinary people see only a piece of yellow paper and fail to recite it properly. Some monks or lay people recite the sutras casually and only a few times before dotting up the entire *Little House*. They also take advantage of free Dharma items and make money from them online, such as selling Bodhisattva pendants, *Little Houses*, protective amulets, prayer beads and portraits of Bodhisattvas. Some even commit verbal misdeeds, but all of them will end up in this Hell to undergo their karmic retribution.

I arrived at a high ground and saw many modern-looking buildings sitting alongside some new buildings that were still being constructed by the Underworld officers below. They were built to accommodate offenders who took advantage of Guan Yin Citta to amass wealth, as well as those who carelessly recited *Little Houses*. After they die, they will be sent to live in this Hell.

I looked around. It's different from all the other places I have observed in the Hell Realm. I've been to the Unintermittent Hell, the Hell associated with sexual misconduct, the Hell associated with defaming Buddhism

and the Hell associated with karma of speech. The scenes there are all terrifying, but this Hell doesn't seem scary at all.

I went inside one of the buildings. It was very dark, but I could still make out row after row of prison cells that housed dozens of offenders. There were no doors. Instead, an array of metal bars stood on the outside of each cell. I went into one and found an offender on the floor, howling in pain. His body was charred black; his face beyond recognition. Here, every offender is set ablaze every couple of hours. The length of their imprisonment depends on the severity of their offences committed in the Human Realm. Some are imprisoned for a year; others for 20 or 30 years. Every day, they must bear the punishment of being burned alive until their sentence is fully served.

One offender communicated with me telepathically: "I died in a car crash. When I was alive, I constantly badmouthed Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, but my knowledge of the Buddha-Dharma was shallow. I didn't know that Guan Yin Citta was passed down by Guan Yin Bodhisattva. I committed many unwholesome deeds, but I was ignorant of the Buddhist precepts. Please show some mercy - have mercy on me! Please, plead with Guan Yin Bodhisattva and the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattva and help relay my words to the human world after my death so that my sentence can be reduced and I can be set free and not be reborn as an animal."

Another offender, from another cell, also communicated with me: "I'm a Buddhist monk from [country X], and my cultivation was insufficient. I didn't know that those items were Buddhist Dharma items passed down from Heaven. When I died, I was sent to this Hell. As I had recited Buddhist scriptures and done meritorious deeds when I was alive, my sentence is relatively short. I may be reborn into a family with an affinity for Buddhism. But every day, I must endure the pain of being burned, and it's unbearable. I repent every day. You're a disciple of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door; could you please plead for me? I know I was wrong and I regret what I have done. I pray for the Buddhas' and Bodhisattvas' mercy, hoping that they would grant me succour."

Seeing and hearing all of this, my eyes welled up and I choked on my sobbing. I bowed, bid farewell to the offender, and went to the elevator to return to the human world.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

I've said many times that you must not commit deeds of verbal misconduct. Those who do will descend into Hell. In the past, many people sold *Little Houses*. Some Buddhist monks dotted them up entirely even though they had only recited the *Great Compassion Mantra* once. They will discover the consequences only after they pass away. The Hell Realm is a place of woe and agony. You must learn to be aware of the consequences of your actions, as everything you do now will affect your future. Like the people who smoke - do they know they will get lung cancer in the future? Or those who drink - do they know they will develop liver cancer? It's how things work. When you scold people, prepare yourself to be scolded by others one day. You must be careful, and you must not live recklessly. Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door is getting better; the number of practitioners is increasing.

## B10. The Hell of Icy Coldness, the Hell of Blood Pool and the Hell Associated with Defaming Buddhism

22 June 2018

In recent days, I have received some mental images.

The Master's Dharma body, seated on a lotus flower, appeared out of thin air in the Guan Yin Citta Centre. Many other Bodhisattvas also appeared. A spirit of the deceased was standing beside Guan Di Bodhisattva.

#### The Hell of Icy Coldness:

A large display appeared, showing scenes from this Hell. It's not like the one that was burning hot; this Hell had a narrow path flanked by two snowy mountains. But it was just one scene in the Hell of Icy Coldness. The place was eerily enormous, and the air was freezing. When the frigid wind blew, your skin would go numb, hurting with the cold, like the chilling pain of putting your hand on a block of ice.

The narrow path was filled with people. Men and women were naked, not even wearing shoes, and shivering profusely. It was nothing short of freezing cold. The people were made to constantly walk around this Hell in the freezing snow, with the snowy mountains towering behind them. At the peak, enforcement officers kept hurling down snowballs which rolled down the mountain and produced the sound of a crashing avalanche. Far below, the offenders were in a constant state of panic and fear as they ran around frantically, colliding with each other as their screams echoed throughout this Hell.

Men and women who do not honour their marriage and commit infidelity will be punished here.

# The Hell of Blood Pool and the Hell associated with defaming Buddhism.

The display depicted a Hell featuring a single, gigantic pool of red blood. The blood was mixed, smelling metallic, rotten and pungent. Men and women, soaking inside the red blood pool, were wailing constantly.

Also inside the pool were some strange creatures. I had no idea whether they were ferocious beasts, or perhaps snakes gliding throughout the pool, but as they moved around, the men and women could not help but scream in constant anguish. Severed arms and legs floated on the pool's surface. When an offender got close to the shore, they were driven away by the patrolling enforcement officers. Every offender was obviously deeply distressed.

Suddenly, another Hell scene came onto the screen. There were many torture tools, all burning red hot, lying beside large burning flames. The enforcement officers were using

them to chop and slice the offenders. Crying and wailing resonated through air reeking of blood. It was horrifying.

Men and women who indulge in serious deeds of sexual misconduct, women who perform abortions, and those who defame Buddhism, disrespect the Buddha and are ungrateful to people who have helped and taught them, will be punished here.

## Part C

## Trials in the Underworld

## C1. My Visit to the Underworld: The King of Hell Explains the Laws of the Underworld and the Law of Karma

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

#### **Question:**

It was 24 October 2018, and I had visited the Hell Realm quite often lately. Today, I was invited to meet a highranking officer of the Underworld – the King of Hell. In a haze, I arrived at a very modern-looking building. I entered, immediately spotting the King at his desk. I was caught completely off guard by the interior design, as all of the furnishings and equipment were modern. It looked similar to the offices we are familiar with in the modern Human Realm.

The King of Hell appeared stern and solemn. I put my palms together and paid my respect. The King said: "I am responsible for the life and death of the mortals in [country X - the country where I live]. Regardless of their faith and religion, they will be sent here to be tried by law and sentenced after their deaths. Those who should descend to Hell will go to Hell; those who should be reborn into the Human Realm will be reborn as humans. For those who follow different Dharma Doors (Buddhist practices), if their benevolent rewards have reached fruition, they won't need to come here upon their death. They will be taken into the care of the Bodhisattvas and Dharma Protectors of their Dharma Door and go straight to the Heavenly Realm or to the Buddha's Pure Land.

"If a person is neither good nor evil when alive, and they do not wish to be reborn into the Human Realm, they may choose to live in the Underworld. There are residential properties here, and the environment looks exactly like the environment in the human world - the only difference is the space and dimension. The Underworld is very complex, and not something you humans can comprehend. Here, let me give you a communication device. Give it to the Dharma Protectors of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door so that in future, the Underworld can be informed when you are to tour the Hells and I can arrange for my officers to escort you.

"Some Dharma Doors have been passed down for many generations. Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door is considered a new Dharma Door in Buddhism. Both in Heaven and the Underworld, Guan Yin Bodhisattva is very well known. Beings of the Underworld also know of this Bodhisattva."

In my country, there are many different religions and faiths; this high-ranking officer looks like he is from West Asia.

The King continued: "In reality, regardless of your spiritual practice or faith, everything acts in accordance with the law of karma, namely: 'virtue has its reward, evil its retribution'. To have a kind and benevolent heart is the

Right Dharma. That is the aim of every religion or faith. The laws of the Underworld are also designed in a way that follows the law of karma, with punishments meted out accordingly.

"You mortals in the human world are foolish! You're ignorant of both karma and the laws of the Underworld. You must understand that if you speak irresponsibly about Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, the officers of the Underworld will record it. If your verbal misconduct is minor, then it's considered a minor unwholesome deed. If your verbal misconduct is severe, we will record it as a serious unwholesome deed. You reap what you sow, and it will be too late for pleading after you die. I hand down sentences according only to the consequences that you alone have created. The Underworld is concerned only with consequences - not the cause. If someone has accumulated merits and virtues when alive, then I would use their merit-virtues to reduce the length of their punishment before determining where they will go to according to their karmic conditions. Regardless of which Dharma Door a person follows, each practice has a unique method of accumulating merits and virtues, and each has its own Dharma Protectors in charge. From this perspective, the Book of Life and Death is not completely under the control of the Underworld. Rather, it is determined by your own evil deeds or benevolence.

"You mortals of the human world are truly foolish. If you're ignorant about something, it's better not to talk. Some, after a few year's spiritual practice, think they know it all. But how could you possibly comprehend the worlds beyond? How could you possibly know about all the religious practices that exist across time and space? Some practitioners act promiscuously, or they kill, or they lie. Can they be considered practitioners? The practitioners I mentioned here comprise followers of all religious practices, naturally including Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door.

"Guan Yin Bodhisattva is truly compassionate and merciful. She's been keeping Heaven from delivering their judgement to punish you sentient beings. She explains that the sentient beings deserve pity as their unwholesome deeds are committed out of ignorance. She constantly asks the Dharma Protectors to have mercy on you all. Are your minds so truly blind as to be unable to differentiate benevolence and evil? Wholesome between and unwholesome consequences are created by oneself. If you're ignorant about karma and thus create negative karma, suffering misfortunes, don't you think it's shameless to blame your fate on Heaven or the Underworld? The Bodhisattvas are merciful, but that doesn't mean they tolerate your continued committing of unwholesome deeds.

"Your Master knows about the matters of Heaven and the Underworld. He is strict with you disciples because he understands the consequences. When karmic retribution occurs, you're the ones who suffer, don't you understand?"

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The officer was speaking in Arabic, but I could understand his words. When I spoke to him in Chinese, he also understood.

The King added: "The clerks here are always very busy, as they are constantly keeping track of and recording all the wholesome and unwholesome deeds that each person is committing in the human world. People of different faiths argue and bicker about their differences and about what's right and wrong - in my eyes, it is all a deed of verbal misconduct. Such foolishness!"

I asked curiously: "If a foreigner dies in this country, how would the Underworld deal with it?"

Glaring at me briefly, the King answered: "I suppose there's no harm in telling you. When a foreigner dies in this country, uniformed patrolling officers take them here and check their nationality. There are many portals in the Underworld, and they will be sent to the Underworld of their home country. If the foreigner has lived in this country and created unwholesome deeds here, then I would write a formal letter about the degree of the committed misdeeds. After that, I would have officers escort and repatriate them to their home country's Underworld.

"Several great Hells would accommodate all offenders, regardless of their nationality. Every country's Underworld has portals connected directly to those great Hells. If they're a permanent resident here, then I will be in charge, and will treat them as one of our national citizens.

"Alright, you may return. Practise diligently. The Dharmaprotecting Bodhisattvas of your religious practice are great - they are constantly and secretly protecting and blessing you practitioners. You must not commit unwholesome deeds. Return and sincerely express gratitude to Guan Yin Bodhisattva, who has been showing constant mercy in order to save you sentient beings. You just don't know about it. There are still those who bad-mouth the Dharma Door. Where is their conscience?!"

Soon, my consciousness returned.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

She has revealed many things about the Underworld, and that's why you mustn't act recklessly. Practising Buddhism is no laughing matter. Why do so many young people die? On the surface, you think there must be some reason, such as having a disease like cancer. But in reality, it's because there are karmic obstacles. Many people in the past were too vocal - they had a way with words, but they used them to criticise others with irony. All of these instances are considered deeds of verbal misconduct. If they're not careful, negative karma will be created, and when the karmic retribution manifests, they may die young.

## C2. My Visit to the Underworld: Soul-Weighing Scale

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

#### **Question:**

On 28 October 2018, an Underworld officer appeared in my dream, declaring that a high-ranking Underworld official (the King of Hell) had ordered me to go to him. He reminded me to bring my communication device. The device is the key to touring the Underworld, and it's kept by Guan Ping Bodhisattva of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. He told me that I must have it whenever I journey to the Underworld, as the landscape is complex and navigation difficult.

Soon, I arrived at the King of Hell's office in the Underworld. That day, there had been a major reshuffle of Underworld personnel. As Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door is a newly established practice here, and because many things have to be dealt with as many people practise Guan Yin Citta in my country, multiple Underworld officials were transferred here to deal with the tasks associated with Guan Yin Citta. The King of Hell seated at the desk appeared even more solemn and stern than the one I saw last time. The King of Hell beckoned me to sit, and said: "Today, the Underworld is very busy. For a few reasons, I've been transferred here from another court. From now on, I will be responsible for dealing with matters related to Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door in this country. Today, I have a few words that I wish you would share with the people of the human world.

"From ancient times to the present, it has been passed down that the good will be rewarded, and the evil punished. A person's karma is created all by themselves. The same applies to all others, regardless of their religious practice or faith. All beings are equal before the law of karma. When people die and are escorted here, they have no idea how karma works because they don't practise Buddhism, nor do they have any religious faith. They even try to argue with our Underworld officials using the ideas and principles of the Human Realm.

"Kid, now that you have this opportunity to visit the Underworld, I wish you would tell the followers of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door that as long as they practise it diligently, and behave according to your Master's teachings, and refrain from committing unwholesome deeds, the Bodhisattvas of your religious practice (Guan Yin Bodhisattva) will take them to Buddha's Pure Land when they pass away. If they are just average practitioners, and refrain from committing unwholesome deeds, they could be reborn into a very good family. But if they don't perform any benevolent deeds, and continue instead to commit unwholesome deeds, let me tell you, kid -

regardless of the religious practice they follow, or whichever faith they belong to, they will all be sent to Hell for punishment according to their offences."

An enforcement officer, in police uniform, escorted a soul to the court.

The King of Hell ordered the officer to bring over an instrument that resembled a weighing scale. The soul was ordered to step on it, and a number appeared on the screen. The King of Hell glanced at it and declared: "He shall be reborn in the Human Realm."

The soul was taken away.

The King told me: "This instrument is used to measure the weight of the soul. Naturally, those who commit unwholesome deeds will be covered in a patch of dark energy, while those who have done small acts of wholesome and unwholesome deeds will be covered in a light grey energy. Those who are very heavy in dark energy will be taken to the Hell Realm. If the scale shows they have exceeded 100% - the maximum - they will be taken to a series of different Hells to be punished. Once their sentence is complete, they will be thrown into the cauldron of boiling oil for their soul to be fried and scattered.

"Many a time, when those who have recently passed away realise that they will be sent to Hells or reborn as animals, they become recalcitrant. They continue to debate and argue with me at the court. We have a special mirror here. I ask them to stand in front of it and have their consciousness (the *Alaya* consciousness) checked. The mirror reflects all of the wholesome and unwholesome deeds they have done, and they are dumbstruck.

"There are other evil souls who continue to argue and bicker, believing they're still in the Human Realm where they can act like a lord. When I encounter these people, I order the enforcement officers to beat them. Enforcement officers and the officers who escort the souls are different. The enforcement officers are much bigger and more intimidating, and the souls are normally beaten brutally and violently before being escorted to the Hell Realm. It's miserable.

"When your Master performs Totem Reading and says he can see white or black energy, he is simply revealing the facts about the spirit world. How can that be described as nonsense? The Underworld is fair in its meting out of punishment. Do you people in the human world know how big the Underworld is? The complexity of the landscape is something unfathomable. Even if you're a spiritual practitioner, including practitioners of all religious practices, monastic or layperson, your level of cultivation means you simply don't know enough. The Underworld is already beyond your knowledge. Only those who possess great supranormal powers and have attained Buddhahood know about the matters of Heaven and the Underworld. Do you think all practitioners have attained Buddhahood? It is with the grace and kindness of the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas that they are able to practise Buddhism. In the language of the human world, those who are arrogant

are destroying their future, and their cultivation will be in vain.

"Currently, we are arresting those who slander and defame the Right Dharma. For those who have benefitted from the Buddha's grace and kindness and yet speak ill of Buddhism, they will undergo the consequences they deserve unless - when they are still alive - they sincerely reform and repent to the Buddhas, Guan Yin Citta's great Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas and Guan Yin Bodhisattva."

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

If you fail to heed my advice, it will be too late once you pass away. You must never commit unwholesome deeds, and you must take my advice and do not speak irresponsibly. I have never permitted any of you to criticise other religious practices, which is serious verbal misconduct - mind your own business.

## C3. My Visit to the Underworld: How *Little Houses* Purify Souls' Negative Karma and Help Them Ascend to a Higher Realm

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

On the night of 29 October 2018, I was in a daze before slowly entering a deep slumber. Guan Ping Bodhisattva instructed me to bring along the communication device that was given to me and deliver some documents to the high-ranking official of the Underworld—the King of Hell. I took the scroll and my soul was whisked off to the office of the Underworld by a ray of golden light.

The King of Hell was sitting at his desk. Having paid my respect and told him the purpose of my visit, I handed over the scroll. He opened it up and told me to stand aside. After he finished reading, the King told me that Heaven had given him an order to convey a few matters regarding the Underworld to the human world.

"As different religious practices exist between Heaven, managed by Bodhisattvas and gods, and Earth, managed by the Underworld, there are corresponding places of practice and worship that appear in the Human Realm. The purpose is to spiritually awaken sentient beings. However, the details cannot be fathomed without an in-

depth and advanced level of cultivation. I can tell you now that, for practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, you must not violate the precepts, break your vows, cheat the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, show disrespect to your Master or commit serious deeds of verbal misconduct. If you do, the great Dharma Protector of your Dharma Door—Guan Di Bodhisattva – will order the other Dharma Protectors under his banner to punish you severely, especially the disciples.

"As for those who have initiated great repentance to Buddhas and Bodhisattvas while still alive, their cases will be reviewed at the discretion of the related authorities, and be judged by the severity of their unwholesome deeds. For those who have a lot of negative karma, a formal letter will be written and delivered from Heaven to the Underworld to enforce the law.

"To prevent Buddhists from committing all kinds of offences due to ignorance of the corresponding punishment in Hell, the Bodhisattvas of your Dharma Door have led your soul to the Hell Realm several times so that you can share what you witness with the people of the human world.

"Next, let me tell you how *Little Houses* (the energy of the Buddhist scriptures) cleanse souls of their negative karma and help them ascend to higher realms. The *Little House* is formed from the energy of a combination of four different Buddhist scriptures. When mortals commit evil deeds, the negative karma forms into dark energy that enshrouds their spiritual bodies (the dark energy and karmic obstacles that the Master mentions in his Totem readings). According to the degree of negative karma created by the person, the energy of their spiritual body typically has the following colours: light grey, dark grey, or black. Black is only found on people who have committed very grave offences, and the majority of them will fall into the Hell Realm."

During my last visit to the Underworld, the King of Hell explained the weighing of souls.

The King then told me to watch a display. It depicted a spirit that was receiving a *Little House* offered by their living relatives. With the blessings of the Bodhisattva, the *Little House* constantly glistened. And as the energy of the four Buddhist scriptures from the *Little House* turned into golden light that entered the spirit's body, the dark grey coloured energy surrounding the spirit became a shade lighter.

"This spirit did not commit many evil deeds when he was alive - that's why he doesn't need too many *Little Houses*. Some beings perform no wholesome deeds for all of their life, and they all descend to the Hungry Ghost Realm after death. If their living relatives practise Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and offer *Little Houses* to help them ascend to a higher realm, they can then exchange the *Little Houses* for the Underworld currency and improve their living conditions. Those who do not wish to be reborn in the Human Realm, or if their time simply hasn't come yet, they

can continue to live in the Underworld. The Underworld and the Human Realm look exactly the same – it's just that one is for the dead, and the other is for the living.

"By the way, I have a few words for you practitioners. If you're reciting Buddhist scriptures but still eating meat, the energy of your recitation will emit only weak golden light. For practitioners who eat meat and continue to commit deeds of killing, I can tell you now - their recitation has absolutely no energy.

"Some practitioners have a low level of spirituality and cannot abstain from eating meat. In these cases, they must recite a large number of *Amitabha Pure Land Rebirth Mantra* to help the animal spirits occupying their body ascend to a higher realm.

"For those who have committed deeds of killing, they need to cease those activities and become permanent vegetarians. And even if they have helped animal spirits occupying their bodies to ascend to a higher realm, the negative karma already created will still form dark energy and envelop their spiritual bodies. Atoning for the deeds of killing requires an abundance of meritorious deeds and a lot of hard work in Buddhist practice."

The King of Hell pressed the communication device. I took the device and returned to the human world, under the protection of a ray of golden light.

## C4. A Murder Case Involving Two Brothers in an Inheritance Dispute; The Offender Repents

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (265), 17 November 2018

#### **Question:**

On 30 October 2018, I received an order from Guan Ping Bodhisattva. The King of Hell wanted me to visit the Underworld and bring a Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door scroll along with me. The scroll would be handed over to the Underworld. While resting at home, my soul was whisked off to the Underworld by a ray of golden light.

The King of Hell read through the scroll, stamped it with an official seal, and handed it back to me. He told me to give it to Guan Yin Citta's Dharma Protectors. The King of Hell soon told me: "Today we received a recently-deceased person. He's a relative of a disciple of Guan Yin Citta. Since his family member is practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and has performed significant meritorious deeds, Guan Yin Bodhisattva granted him succour when he died, allowing him to meet with you and share his experience in detail. It will serve as a warning to the practitioners of Guan Yin Citta to not be greedy for wealth and fame. These attributes are nothing but vanity and become empty in the blink of an eye. The right thing to do is to teach your

descendants to accumulate virtues, perform acts of kindness, and practise Buddhism. If you leave your children an inheritance, it will only bring trouble as the offspring will engage in ceaseless and self-interested strife. The conflict will never stop for these family members, and they complain bitterly to me when they die. Even as the King of Hell, I can't do much about it as there is never an end to revenge-taking. People in the human world only see the suffering that stems from the consequences, but have you ever thought that the source of the suffering is the karmic causes sown in a previous lifetime? When the right time and conditions arrive, you must undergo your own retribution."

A deceased person's soul was escorted to the court. Appearing to be middle-aged, he said: "When I was alive, my brother and I ran a business together. I didn't expect him to be so greedy; he wanted a bigger share of the company and family fortune. I was illiterate, so I allowed him to take care of the sales. He took advantage of my illiteracy and forged some documents. We fell out over the splitting of profits. I must admit that I was also at fault, as my family embezzled some company funds behind his back. I suggested that we should all take a step back and split the company shares and go our separate ways, but he kept pressing me and threatened to take legal action. The legal process was complicated and I knew nothing about it, so I was in a disadvantaged situation. Helplessly, I begged him to have mercy on my wife, children and grandchildren, so that I may be able to sustain my family.

"Instead, he mocked me and said I deserved absolutely nothing. I became furious, and foolishly took the advice of a bad friend who said that since he was unkind. I should also be merciless and kill him. I dwelled on the issue for such a long time that I became depressed and ill. In a moment of foolishness, I prepared a weapon and drove to my brother's house. Since he wasn't willing to let me live, I felt that we might as well die together. But when I tried to kill him, I killed my nephew instead and my brother escaped. I was arrested and sent to the police station. Before I died, I felt guilty. I cried silently and repented. But the mistake had been made, and it was too late to regret. Upon his death, my nephew was escorted to the Underworld and he complained to the King of Hell. He then went back to the Human Realm to take my life as revenge for his wrongful death.

"After I died, I was sent to the Hell Realm to experience the pain of the punishment for the offence of killing - to have my hands and feet cut off. I wailed and howled with grief, but I was willing to bear the punishment. Luckily, I have a relative who practises Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. She sympathised with my situation and cried and prayed to the Bodhisattva to grant me succour. The Bodhisattva showed mercy, allowing me to share my case with the human world.

"Don't leave any inheritance for your children," the middle-aged soul declared. "It will only serve to induce family feud, or even the act of killing among family members. After I died, I had to undergo punishment in Hell. Wealth and glory become empty in the blink of an eye; you can't take any of it with you except your own karma. I beg for the Bodhisattvas' mercy and to let this meritorious deed reduce my sentence in Hell."

The King of Hell sighed: "Guan Yin Bodhisattva is so compassionate. When he died, the Bodhisattva advised him that the punishment was all because of his karma, created by the karmic conflict in his previous life. In fact, we have checked his brother's record and he is very greedy and dishonest in business. In years to come, he will undergo retribution. The good will be rewarded, and the evil punished. Once, this offender attended Master Jun Hong Lu's Dharma Talk, but he failed to cherish his affinity with Buddhism. If only he had practised Guan Yin Citta like his relative, he wouldn't have been so foolish in committing this misdeed."

The King of Hell sighed again. With the session now over, the King signalled me to leave. I took the scroll and left the Underworld.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

In the Human Realm, a person may have short-term gains, but suffering awaits them once they descend to Hell. Buddhists should never create negative karma. Don't fight with others! If you fight, you may win - but you will suffer later. Good is rewarded and evil punished; it's just a matter of time. In an aviation accident in Indonesia, all 189 passengers died. The husband of a fellow Buddhist was supposed to be aboard the plane, but - somehow something prevented him from boarding the flight. Reciting Buddhist scriptures is always good. When you're being chased and tortured in your dreams, aren't you afraid? It's the same feeling when you die. Although you can't move your body, you suffer constantly. That's why you should never do evil.

### C5. Watching the Trial of a Deceased Disciple Who Broke His Vows and Spoke Maliciously

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (266), 20 November 2018

#### **Question:**

On 1 November 2018, after paying respect to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, the image of Guan Ping Bodhisattva emitted a golden glow. The solemn-looking Guan Di Bodhisattva told me to deliver a scroll to the Underworld. It was a case involving a disciple of Guan Yin Citta who was being punished in the Hell Realm.

While resting after returning home, my soul was brought to the Underworld to meet the King of Hell. A male offender was kneeling on the ground, with scars all over his body. After paying my respect, I handed the scroll to the King and stood to the side. The King opened it, began to look solemn, and declared: "Currently, Heaven views with considerable concern those Guan Yin Citta practitioners - especially disciples - who break their vows of practising vegetarianism, commit sexual misconduct or defame Buddhism. Should they fail to repent, Guan Di Bodhisattva, the chief Dharma-protecting Bodhisattva of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, will order his subordinate Dharma Protectors to mete out harsh punishments. The Underworld will then act in accordance with the instructions of Heaven to arrest practitioners who have violated Buddhist precepts."

Pointing at the kneeling offender, the King of Hell said: "When this offender was alive, he was a disciple of your Master, Jun Hong Lu. He vowed before Guan Yin Bodhisattva to be a vegetarian for life and practise celibacy together with his wife. However, barely a few years after practising Buddhism, he no longer took the precepts seriously. He broke his vows and resumed eating meat. He even went to the extent of forcing his wife, who had pledged celibacy, to have intimate relations with him. Soon after, he stopped practising Buddhism altogether and even uttered malicious slander about Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. All of these are severe offences. He was suddenly taken ill, and at the time of dying showed not a single shred of remorse for his misdeeds. When he was brought here, he even blamed his wife for bringing him into Buddhism and causing him to break many Buddhist precepts. He even said Heaven and the Underworld treated him unfairly.

"Do you know how merciful Guan Yin Bodhisattva is towards you ignorant people who are plagued by negative karma? Your Master is merciful as he tries to help you become spiritually awakened, yet you go on criticising Buddhism! Before you practised Buddhism, you were lustful and even committed the karma of killing while eating meat, drinking and verbally abusing others. You were supposed to suffer from the retribution of your evil

karma, and your body was enshrouded completely in dark energy. Indeed, you had accumulated insufficient positive karma. Had your wife not brought you into Buddhism and encouraged you to recite Buddhist scriptures, practise vegetarianism and perform life liberation, you would have perished long ago.

"Guan Yin Bodhisattva showed you mercy and sent a formal letter to the Underworld pleading for leniency on your behalf. After you have served the term of your punishment in the Hell Realm, you will still be reborn into a poor family in the Human Realm. This is all due to the meritorious deeds you carried out in your lifetime, including reciting Buddhist scriptures and sharing Buddhism with others. Otherwise, those who betray their teachers and are devoid of gratitude are sent to the Animal Realm after their punishment in Hell is over, with no chance of hearing the Buddha-Dharma."

On his knees, the offender wailed incessantly, desperately pleading with the King of Hell: "I was wrong. I have been constantly repenting while in Hell. The punishments were excruciatingly painful. I was first transferred to the Tongue-Ripping Hell, then to the Hell of Excrement and the Hell of Burning Flame. The punishments were unbearable. Guan Yin Bodhisattva and the Dharma Protectors, please have mercy on me. The King of Hell, please show leniency towards me. In light of the meritorious deeds that I had done when alive, I hope that this experience of mine can be shared online to caution all Guan Yin Citta disciples and fellow Buddhists against repeating the same mistakes that I made. I beg for the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas' mercy and please let me out of Hell sooner! It's too painful! I am begging Guan Yin Bodhisattva for your mercy! Please have compassion on me!"

Sighing, the King of Hell allowed me to return to the Human Realm. A wave of golden light enveloped my entire body, and I was sent back.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

When she first mentioned the offender, I already knew who he was. Don't play the fool - practising Buddhism is no joking matter. You must respect the Master.

### C6. Watching the Trial of an Offender Who Defamed Buddhism, Broke Buddhist Precepts and Hindered Other People from Propagating Buddhism

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (266), 20 November 2018

On 2 November 2018, after finishing my prayers at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, Guan Yin Bodhisattva communicated with me telepathically: "I have ordered a Dharma Protector to take you to the Underworld tonight. There are matters regarding Guan Yin Citta to be dealt with."

While sleeping that night, I felt that I was lighter than usual in the dream, and that my soul was escorted by a Dharma Protector to the Hall of the King of Hell in the Underworld. After handing over a scroll to the King, I stood to the side. Two offenders were kneeling on the ground, whose bodies were so charred that I couldn't tell their gender.

On that day, the King of Hell looked very solemn and stern. He glared and pointed at the offender on the left and said: "When alive, this offender was ordained as a monk. His cultivation was not up to the mark, as he was of poor character and knew nothing about Heaven and the Underworld. As the King of Hell, I have heard trials of humans in the Underworld for nearly a thousand years, yet I wouldn't dare to claim that I have a complete grasp of the universe or matters concerning Heaven and the Underworld. You were only a monk practising for a mere few years, how much do you know about Heaven and the Underworld?"

During my last visit to the Underworld, the King of Hell in charge of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door's matters in [Country X] was transferred from another Hell, and he has been responsible for enforcing law for many years.

The King continued: "As a Buddhist cultivator, it is illbefitting of you to act so arrogantly. Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door is a Buddhist practice initiated by the Buddha of True Dharma Light - Guan Yin Bodhisattva. The Bodhisattva has assigned her disciple to the human world to save sentient beings who have affinities with her Dharma Door. Her disciple, Jun Hong Lu, has been preserving and sustaining the Bodhisattva's vow to spread her message of compassion. Even if you deluded mortals are blinded by ignorance, you shouldn't have undermined the Dharma Door and destroyed the wisdom-life of millions of fellow Buddhists. Guan Yin Bodhisattva shows you mercy, but you should be responsible for your own karma in Heaven and the Underworld. Though you have cultivated for years and carried out an in-depth study of Buddhist scriptures, the profoundness of Buddha-Dharma and its practices are not what you human beings can fathom.

"Forget it, I don't wish to say anything more. Being a Buddhist monk, why didn't you observe the Buddhist precepts? Using Buddhism as a front, what have you done behind people's backs? You donned the robe of a Buddhist monk, but what you did brought disgrace to Buddhism. You unlawfully embezzled money donated by Buddhists. The precepts you violated not only fall within the Five Great Misdeeds (patricide, matricide, killing an Arhat, shedding the Buddha's blood, and causing a schism in the the community), but also monastic Four Great Prohibitions (deeds of killing, stealing, sexual misconduct and lying). Upon your death, you were sent to the Hell of Burning Flame to experience the agony of being burnt every day. Those flames were created by the desires of your mind. In light of your merits and virtues accumulated by reciting sutras and performing chanting rituals for the deceased, you will be reborn in the Human Realm after your punishment is over."

Next, the King of Hell pointed at the offender on the right, and reprimanded him. "When you were alive, you had a colleague who practised Guan Yin Citta. Your ignorance of Buddhist precepts was self-explanatory, but you also committed many deeds of verbal misconduct, and you hindered Guan Yin Citta practitioners from propagating Buddhism. Don't you realise that you are guilty of all kinds of evil? You didn't perform good deeds when you were alive. On top of that, you indulged in whoring, gambling and drinking. After you were killed in a car accident, you were sent to the Hell of Burning Flame. Because you were kind-hearted and were willing to help others, and because you committed the crimes out of ignorance, you will be permitted to be reborn in the Human Realm after serving your time. The scroll in my hand demonstrates that Guan Yin Bodhisattva has mercy. That's why this Heavenly Child was assigned to deliver it to me, as it instructs me to show leniency towards both of you, and to allow this Heavenly Child to watch the trial so that she may share it with humans to caution them against creating evil karma. You are permitted to use this accrued merit to reduce your negative karma and be released from Hell sooner."

Soon after, the King of Hell allowed me to return. I was enveloped in golden light which brought me back to the human world.

When I awoke, I was choked with emotions about the scenes I had witnessed. The Underworld is very strict with those who defame the Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha, unlike the more lenient way they deal with other offenders who are allowed to plead for leniency.

As a result of this incident, I can't help but call forth a heartfelt feeling of appreciation and reverence for Guan Yin Bodhisattva's compassion, which truly knows no bounds. I'm ashamed of myself for not cultivating well enough as I still fret over trivial matters of this human world.

# C7. Watching the Trial of an Offender Who Used Supranormal Power to Interfere with Others' Karma

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (266), 20 November 2018

### **Question:**

On 3 November 2018, after reciting sutras at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, I heard Guan Yin Bodhisattva's voice instructing me to witness a trial in the Underworld on that night. She said: "Today's trial involves an offender who deviated in his cultivation when alive. He used his supranormal power to help other people check on their karma and change their destiny (these are the psychic mediums that the Master mentioned before) and in so doing interfered with their karma. The offender is being chased by enforcement officers in the Underworld. Your trip could be risky. Therefore, before taking you to the Underworld, your soul will be protected by a shield of golden light. When the offender was alive, he had used witchcraft to engage in spiritual practice for some time, so his supranormal power is quite something."

That night, as I fell asleep, I felt slightly lighter than before as I was whisked off to the King of Hell's office in the Underworld by rays of golden light. That night, the guards at the Hall of the King of Hell were highly vigilant. Some tall and fierce-looking guards had been assigned from other halls to guard the entrance of the court. The King of Hell glared at the offender who was pinned to the ground. This offender was much bigger than the others. As he practised witchcraft when alive, he stood at about one and a half times the height of a normal person, and his soul was black in colour. He was pinned to the ground by two enforcement officers who stood four or five times taller than a typical person's soul.

The King of Hell told me that when he dispatched enforcement officers to arrest this offender, he used supranormal powers to fight, making it more difficult to have him captured.

The King of Hell scolded the offender: "When alive, you were ignorant of karma and your intentions were deviant. You revealed and interfered with others' karma. You used unorthodox methods and witchcraft to exorcise spirits, and you accepted your followers' monetary offerings. Do you know that these actions are taboos in the Underworld? Some people have heavy negative karma. Although they still have years to live, their health and careers are on the decline. This is the result of their deeds - their karmic retribution. Moreover, there were people who had committed way too many crimes, so the souls of their innocent victims sought revenge. You recklessly used deviant supranormal powers to change their destiny, and you pried into the records of the Underworld. That is totally forbidden in Heaven and the Underworld! When I ordered the enforcement officers to hunt you down, you

retaliated with supranormal powers. Some people had committed heinous crimes, yet you helped them using your supranormal powers to interfere with their karma. There is no ground of appeal for your offences. You are hereby sentenced to be punished in the Unintermittent Hell."

As he was being taken away, the offender was full of rage. His ferocious expression frightened me, but fortunately I was being protected by the shield of golden light.

The King of Hell said to me: "The practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door must realise that everybody reaps what they have sown. Some, despite practising Buddhism, perform fortune-telling, interfering with people's karma and changing their destiny in exchange for money. The Underworld considers them to be extremely repulsive. The reason you are here is to convey to other practitioners of Guan Yin Citta that if they fail to reform their ways and properly abide by the teachings of your Master, Jun Hong Lu, they will bear the same consequences as that offender.

"Do not fool around with me! Heaven has its laws, and so does the Underworld. Your Master is delegated by Guan Yin Bodhisattva to use his Totem reading power to teach people about the working of karma. That way, the people of the human world know that good will be rewarded, and evil punished. This is all part of promoting Buddhism and saving people's wisdom-life. "Kid, you must cultivate properly and read your Master's book *Buddhism in Plain Terms*. The book lays out the principles of karma in Heaven and the Underworld. Alright, return to the human world now."

Enveloped in a ray of golden light, I returned.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

This person has visited the Hell Realm many times. I have checked, and everything she said is true. You must be diligent in your practice, as this lets you know how karma works. When you are cultivating your mind and practising Buddhism, aren't your prayers fulfilled quickly? If you don't practise diligently, won't your karmic retribution come quickly? If it's something efficacious, it works both ways.

# C8. Watching the Trials of Offenders Who Illicitly Collected Money and Defamed Buddhism Out of Ignorance

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (267), 23 November 2018

### **Question:**

On 5 November 2018, I was invited by an Underworld official to watch the trials of two offenders. The King of Hell hoped that I would share this with the human world, insisting: "One must commit neither unwholesome deeds nor verbal misdeeds. Even if you defame the Buddha out of ignorance, the Underworld will punish you severely. Buddhist practitioners must not treat the precepts of Buddhism lightly and think that collecting money illicitly is a trivial matter. They will regret it when they die! The living examples of the people who have their Totems read by your Master and his book *Buddhism in Plain Terms* clearly illustrate how karma works in Heaven and the Underworld. All you disciples in the Human Realm should reflect upon them carefully."

Two offenders, brought to the Hall from Hell, knelt before the King of Hell. The King pointed at the offender furthest away and asked him to make a confession. The offender said: "I was originally a disciple of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, but I didn't practise Buddhism thoroughly. I did it only superficially. I'm not from [country X]; I'm originally from [Province Y] of [Country Z]. When I died, I was sent to a great Hell for punishment."

On my previous journey to the Underworld, the King of Hell told me that the great Hell is where all offenders are punished together, regardless of their country of origin.

The offender continued: "I cried and screamed day and night, begging Guan Yin Bodhisattva to save me. As the Heavenly Child from [Country X] now writes down the scenes of the Hell Realm and shares her accounts with the human world, warning them against illicit collection of money and defamation of Buddhism, Guan Yin Bodhisattva issued a decree, instructing the Underworld to bring me here to confess my offence."

As the offender practised Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, he is under the jurisdiction of Guan Yin Citta's Dharmaprotecting Bodhisattvas. The Underworld is responsible for handing out the punishment.

The offender went on: "I hope that the Buddhas, Bodhisattvas and Guan Di Bodhisattva have mercy on me and eliminate my negative karma with this meritorious deed. I wish to remind the disciples of Guan Yin Citta about the karmic retribution of collecting money by illegitimate means. Never perform unwholesome deeds regardless of how insignificant they are! Small offences all add up to negative karma.

"When I was alive, I promoted the products from my shop to fellow Buddhist practitioners and followers of Guan Yin Citta on WeChat, and also privately. I would distribute my business cards and contact details during their gatherings. I would frequently socialise with and get to know them, with the main aim of making money from them. I didn't think that it was inappropriate at the time, even though fellow practitioners forwarded some of Master Lu's discourses to remind me that what I was doing is making illicit gains in the name of the Buddha, and shedding the Buddha's blood. But I didn't see it that way - I thought they were just making a big fuss over a small issue. I made such a small amount of money from it - how could the consequences be so serious? I was also doing business with non-practitioners, was it really a big deal? Wouldn't Bodhisattvas bless me with good health and a good career? With my partial understanding of Buddhism, I didn't take Master Lu's advice seriously. The Bodhisattvas had blessed me and helped me to recover from cancer, and yet I let Guan Yin Bodhisattva down. I didn't practise Buddhism and recite sutras diligently, nor did I proactively save and help others to become spiritually awakened. I was not a dutiful Buddhist. I even kept bad-mouthing fellow practitioners and ignored their advice.

"I was so wrong, and I only realised it after I died! I did not realise that little causes can have such significant effects, or that the Underworld kept a record of every unwholesome deed. Within a few years, I encountered misfortune after misfortune, with my business going steadily downhill. The King of Hell told me that it was a preliminary warning from the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas. But I was too foolish to see that! So I continued to create negative karma. Then my cancer recurred and started to spread to other parts of my body. Soon it became terminal. I prayed to Guan Yin Bodhisattva to help me recover, but I failed to repent sincerely. I thought Guan Yin Bodhisattva was so compassionate and merciful that she would surely forgive me. I was so foolish! The King of Hell told me that it was because I did not repent sincerely that even the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas would not protect me."

The offender, wailing all the while, continued: "After I died, I was sentenced by the Underworld to be punished in the Hell of Burning Flame. It was so painful there; my entire body was burned in searing fire. Nobody came to help when I cried out! Heavenly Child, please save me. Please help me to pray for Guan Yin Bodhisattva's mercy. Please, plead with Guan Di Bodhisattva and all Buddhas and Bodhisattvas for me. I was wrong; I repent with all my heart. Don't follow my example and think that nothing will happen if you commit offences. You will only know how painful it is when you end up in Hell."

I stood to the side as I watched, and couldn't utter a word.

As the King of Hell sighed, he told the offender: "Your karmic retribution is ripe - it's useless to plead. Even the Bodhisattvas are unable to interfere with karma. Guan Yin Bodhisattva now shows mercy towards you. In view of the meritorious deed you accumulated when propagating the

Dharma and spiritually awakening people, even though you had a hidden agenda, you are nonetheless selected to share your experience with the Heavenly Child so that it could be written down in the Human Realm. Practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door can take a lesson from your account by refraining from shedding Bodhisattva's blood with illicit gains or raising funds from others in the name of the Buddha. This deed's merit and virtue will be used to mitigate some of your negative karma, which is a manifestation of the greatest possible compassion."

As the offender was not from [Country X], the King of Hell ordered the enforcement officer to escort the offender to the Underworld of his home country and let his case be dealt there. Later, the King issued an official letter to the Underworld of [Country Y], hoping that they would show him leniency and use this merit and virtue to reduce his sentence.

Soon after, the King of Hell ordered the enforcement officer to bring the other offender forward. Pointing at him, the King said: "When you were alive, you were ignorant that Buddhism and Taoism share the same root. Simply based vour subjective understanding, on vou misinterpreted the Buddhist teachings and had a distorted view of Buddhist practice centres, and committed verbal misdeeds by spreading untrue information about Guan Yin Citta. As you were on the executive committee of a Taoist temple, you performed many benevolent deeds and accumulated virtuous acts. You cared for your parents; you were diligent in your work, and you enjoyed helping others.

Even I admire your exemplary behaviour! But why must you bad-mouth your relative who was practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, and why must you criticise Buddhism? The relationship between you and your relative was somewhat distant, and she had no intention of getting you to practise Guan Yin Citta. She only acted in accordance with her karmic conditions and followed Master Jun Hong Lu to practise Buddhism and observe the Buddhist precepts. She engaged in self-cultivation at home, sharing Buddhism with others and helping them to become spiritually awakened. Your enlightened Taoist Master in Heaven knew that you, as an ordinary person, didn't understand the truth and essence of the Buddha-Dharma or the real conditions of sentient beings in the Dharma Realm. Nor did you understand the law of karma and the law of the Underworld. He gave you several warnings in your dreams about the karmic retribution of the verbal misdeeds you committed before you died. Unfortunately, as an ordinary human being, you were unable to recall a single thing he said in your dreams after you woke up. Did you know how helpless he felt?

"The teachings of every religious tradition or practice are founded on benevolence. But all of you mortals are really...," the King of Hell sighed before continuing.

"Although I sympathise with you because you committed these offences out of ignorance, you must understand that one reaps what they have sown.

"Now, in my hand I have a scroll written by your enlightened Master in Heaven, pleading for you. It documents all your benevolent and meritorious deeds. These merits and virtues will be used to pardon you from the punishment in Hell - you are freed. Later, you will be taken to be reborn in accordance with your own karma. I sympathise with your wife, who is now a widow and must take care of your children alone. I will write an official letter asking the Heavenly officers who visit the Underworld each month to tell your enlightened Master to show compassion for your family in the Human Realm, and have someone provide aid to them. Anyway, you may leave now. There is no need to thank me; rather, you should thank your enlightened Taoist Master. It is also due to the positive karma you created for yourself."

As the King of Hell finished speaking, the enforcement officers took the offender away while I was whisked off to the human world amid rays of golden light.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

It's pitiful. You only realise it when you're down there. It's authentic. A lot of people are pretentious in their cultivation, and that's pitiful. They make all this effort to pretend that they're diligent in practice, but it's meaningless because it's all witnessed by Heaven and the Underworld. We must cultivate sincerely. Taoists who talk badly about Buddhism will be dragged down to the Underworld. Let me remind you again that while you may cultivate in your own way, you mustn't criticise and talk badly about others. In our *Code of Conduct for Disciples,* there is a rule that one should refrain from criticising other religions or practices. You should only focus on your own cultivation. That person had practised Taoism very well, yet he was still dragged down there and treated as an offender. He would've ascended to the Heavenly Realm but now he has been reborn as a human. We must not speak irresponsibly.

# C9. My Visit to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva; Watching the Trial of a Disciple Who Committed Sexual Misconduct

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (267), 23 November 2018

## **Question:**

On 7 November 2018, I dreamed that my soul and consciousness had been whisked off to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva by rays of golden light. I passed an enormous gate of Heaven that was radiating brilliant golden light, before arriving at a resplendent and magnificent palace. The clouds above were iridescent and flicked between the various colours of the rainbow. It was stunning.

Outside the palace, giant Dharma Protectors were guarding the entrance. They stood three or four storeys high and wore shiny golden armour. I paid my respect to the Dharma Protectors by pressing my palms together and bowing, as I didn't know the etiquette of Heaven. One Dharma Protector told me to wait a moment while the message was being conveyed. Soon, the Dharma Protector signalled that I could enter the Hall to meet with Guan Di Bodhisattva.

Inside, Heaven looks exactly as what the Master has described, with heavenly beings floating around gracefully.

Guan Di Bodhisattva, Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva and Guan Ping Bodhisattva were waiting for me. They were huge - I felt like a grain of rice when standing before them. Except for the brilliant golden light of their armour, the three Dharma Protectors look exactly like the statues we worship at the Guan Yin Citta Centre. I stood before Guan Di Bodhisattva, awaiting his instructions.

Sighing somewhat, Guan Di Bodhisattva said: "When you disciples in the Human Realm share the teachings you receive from the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, it's best that you first send them to the Secretariat of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door for verification. As you are still ordinary people, you disciples do not possess your Master's wisdom-eye. For some of you, other spiritual beings and demons may even occupy your body. You must understand that, sometimes, the messages did not come from the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas. Therefore, if you share them recklessly and misguide other sentient beings, that will result in karmic obstacles.

"It is also best that you send the messages and depictions of the mental scenes of Hell and Heaven to the Secretariat for verification, because some people concoct the Hell scenes they supposedly imagined. You must know that if you continue your spiritual practice like this, you will eventually deviate. And if the Buddha is not within you, it will be the demon that is interfering.

"For how many years have you disciples been practising? You have yet to completely eliminate your selfishness and

distracting thoughts, nor can you maintain correct intentions at all times. So how could the Buddha and Bodhisattvas be consistently within you to share their words of wisdom?"

I take these words to heart, as I understand that Guan Di Bodhisattva is reminding me to be careful with the thought messages I receive.

Guan Di Bodhisattva then instructed the Dharmaprotecting Bodhisattva to escort my soul to the Underworld. That day, the King of Hell was to try a case regarding a disciple who was still alive but had violated the precepts and committed deeds of sexual misconduct. The King instructed me to go down and watch the trial.

Arriving at the court as usual, I stood to the side to listen. A female soul knelt before the desk of the King of Hell, who looked stern.

The King sighed: "Why are you disciples of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door not regularly mindful of your thoughts and intentions? When you generate a lustful thought, that is already considered an offence, and yet, you also put it into action by having an affair! How can you be worthy of the expectations of your Master, Jun Hong Lu?"

The King told me: "This female soul hasn't died - her lifespan is not yet over. She broke the Buddhist precepts and had an affair with a married man. The Dharma Protectors of Guan Yin Citta wrote a decree and sent it to the Underworld, summoning her soul down here for trial." The King continued: "I sentence you to the Hell of Excrement. When dawn breaks in the Human Realm, your soul will return to your body. If you don't repent and reform, and you continue to commit wrongdoings, we will record every single thing you've done - day and night. If you return here when you die, it will be too late for regrets and tears. The man you are having an affair with is not a good person, and the Underworld will have his record. Although there is some karmic affinity between the two of you in a previous life, you mustn't allow your feelings and desires to go unchecked. You know what you did was wrong, yet you continued to do it. When the time comes, who goes to Hell? When you return to your body, because of the incredibly foul pool of excrement, you'll have pungent breath when you wake in the morning. You'll be deeply depressed and dispirited. That's the feeling of coming out of Hell. If you return and continue to commit wrongdoings, what you reap shall be what you have sown."

The King of Hell then ordered the enforcement officer to take the female soul to the Hell of Excrement.

The King declared: "If a Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door practitioner in the Human Realm dares to commit deeds of sexual misconduct, that is a case of having broken precepts knowingly. The Dharma Protectors of Guan Yin Citta are extremely strict towards this precept, and the punishment is harsh. Whoever has committed wrongdoings or broken their vows in regards to sexual misconduct must recite the *Eighty-Eight Buddhas Great* 

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*Repentance* 108 times, as well as write a letter of repentance to share among others in the Human Realm for other sentient beings to learn the lesson. Don't take your pride seriously, for it is worthless. Rather, if you see me upon your death, it really is too late for regrets."

As the King of Hell signalled for me to return to the human world, my soul was surrounded by rays of golden light and I was sent back.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

That's truly shocking. When you have nightmares and you are chased, hit or dropped from the sky, these are all indications that you have been dragged into Hell. She went to the Hell of Excrement, so when she wakes up, her morning breath is pungent, her body odour stinks, and she feels terribly dispirited. Many people are like that - after they wake up, they feel unnaturally scared. In reality, they've been dragged down.

Kids, take my advice and refrain from committing deeds of sexual misconduct. Once you realise that you are being sent to Hell, it will be too late. Even I won't be able to save you. That's why I have been telling you that you must be upright. Don't take it lightly! You're learning Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, and as your Master, I will definitely bless you. That's why I'm shouldering so much karma. But don't fool around. You can't afford to bear the consequences.

# C10. Meeting with Victorious-Fighting Buddha at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva; Watching the Trial of a Soul Who Committed Several Serious Offences

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (267), 23 November 2018

## **Question:**

On 8 November 2018, after falling asleep, I felt lighter than usual as I was enveloped in a ray of golden light that took me to Heaven. I flew past a Heavenly gate and reached the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. Having received permission to enter, I saw a gigantic and incredibly solemn-looking Buddha as I walked in. Guan Di Bodhisattva introduced this Buddha to me; he explained that this Buddha was one of the Buddhas mentioned in the Eighty-Eight Buddhas Great Repentance. His name was Namo Victorious-Fighting Buddha. I was surprised, because he didn't look like the Monkey King we saw in the dramas; rather, he had the dignified, solemn all and compassionate characteristics of a Buddha.

Victorious-Fighting Buddha spoke to me: "I have heard about a Heavenly Child under Guan Yin Bodhisattva's guidance who has been assigned to journey into the Underworld and document all the scenes to share with the

Human Realm. That's why I made the trip to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva to meet with you. Heavenly Child, you must take note - the path of cultivation is akin to treading on thin ice. There is no need to pay attention to the voices of slander, as the inner demons stem from the mind. Your Master has overcome countless hardships to bring such wonderful Buddhist teachings and practice in the Human Realm to you disciples. You must cherish them.

"I have observed many disciples of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and found the majority of them to be sincere. They act in Right Faith, with Right Intention. But you must take note - supranormal powers are just a by-product as you make progress along the path of cultivation. One must not pursue them, or they will attract demons. If, one day, a demon's intention manifests and you disciples are unable to control yourselves, you will deviate towards the demonic path.

"You must follow only your Master's teachings, and trust his words. That's what you must do. The Buddha-Dharma is profound and wondrous, but you disciples' foundations are still not solid. So you must strive to comprehend the truth found in the Master's *Buddhism in Plain Terms*. All the essence of the Buddha-Dharma can be found within. When you're doing a group study of *Buddhism in Plain Terms* with fellow practitioners, the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas are constantly blessing you from Heaven, so that your wisdom can develop and your ability to understand and comprehend the teachings improves. Today, the King of Hell wants you to watch a trial at his court. Don't be late for what you are supposed to do. Leave now and come back soon."

A ray of golden light whisked me off to the Underworld. An offender was kneeling before the King of Hell. On that day, the King was enraged, as the offender was unwilling to submit and argued back at the King when he was dragged into the court for trial. The offender didn't stop until the enforcement officers slapped his mouth with a truncheon.

The furious King of Hell said: "Mortals like you think you're so intelligent. But your knowledge and understanding of the Buddha-Dharma, the Buddhist scriptures, and the matters of Heaven and the Underworld are only partial. You fail to study and practise Buddhism, you fail to perform the Five Wholesome Deeds, and you fail to observe the Ten Precepts. All you're concerned with are fame, sex and power. You used your own subjective views and partial understanding to interpret Buddhism and created articles and videos to defame Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door as a cult, destroying the wisdom-life of existing and potential practitioners."

The King of Hell turned on a display, and it depicted the ways in which the offender used online social media platforms like Facebook to speak irresponsibly about Guan Yin Citta. The number of likes and shares were very high.

"As you behaved out of ignorance and foolishness, the Buddha shows you mercy. You won't be sent to the Unintermittent Hell. However, all the other offences you committed when you were alive will be tried - one by one.

Under the laws of the Underworld, you are hereby sentenced to the Hell of Excrement, as you led a promiscuous life and visited nightclubs, despite being a married man. You will also go to the Hell of Burning Flame, as you used Taoist venues to illicitly amass wealth in the name of charity, embezzled money offered by devotees, ran illegal businesses and were involved in bribery and smuggling. And you will go to the Hell of Tongue Ripping, as you scolded and verbally attacked those you disliked, used vulgar words to abuse and insult your business competitors on the internet, and had a terrible temper. This decision is not subject to appeal."

With the trial over, the enforcement officer dragged the offender to the Hell Realm for punishment.

Meanwhile, the King of Hell signalled for me to return to the Human Realm. I was enveloped by rays of golden light and, when I woke up, it was after 5am.

### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

When you practise Buddhism, it's not for others to see and praise. The Bodhisattvas in Heaven already know what you have done, and the ghosts of the Underworld know it too. Even if you try to keep me in the dark, it's no use. You must practise diligently, as you reap what you have cultivated. Your stomach only gets full if you eat. When you're hungry, and your mother says, "Child, let me eat for you," would you be full? When you cultivate the mind, and if you cultivate well, you are the one who benefits. Heaven is always watching, so you must never commit unwholesome deeds. Rather, you must practise Buddhism properly, cultivate your mind, and uphold and protect Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. It is such a great practice, as it teaches us to love our country, love the community and be a lawabiding citizen.

## C11. My Visit to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva; Watching the Trial of an Offender Who Descended into the Unintermittent Hell Due to Defaming the Dharma and Breaking Great Vows

10 November 2018

As I fell asleep after finishing my evening recitation on 9 November 2018, I felt my soul becoming light. Soon, I was flying towards Heaven, and on the way I saw many Heavenly gates. Each and every one of them leads to a different Heavenly Realm, all with complex paths. In the past, if not led by the Bodhisattva's golden light when journeying around the Heavenly Realms, I most certainly couldn't find my way to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. Every Heavenly gate is guarded by Dharma Protectors of that associated realm and religious practice, and they all look different. As I felt myself distracted by the various Heavenly gates, the golden light disappeared.

I landed at the foot of an unknown Heavenly gate, which was guarded by two Heavenly Children. I became disoriented because the golden light disappeared, I didn't know where to go. "How do I get to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva?" I asked one of the Heavenly Children.

The child smiled: "I can tell you, but first you must answer one question."

Pausing for a moment, I nodded.

"What is the darkest thing in the Human Realm?" the child asked.

I replied: "A person's mind is always the darkest."

Laughing, the child responded: "Isn't the black obsidian in Hell the darkest? Why would it be the human mind?"

I replied again: "The obsidian in Hell is indeed very dark, but it is because of the darkness within one's mind that they can see such rocks upon their descent into Hell."

Still laughing, the child guided me through the gates.

Inside, it looked like the Taoist palaces and temples you would find in the Human Realm. The structures were enormous, and radiated a golden glow. As I entered the palace courtyard, I saw a Bodhisattva who looked composed. "Which way leads to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva? I got lost," I asked the Bodhisattva.

"There is a path here that leads straight to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. Heavenly Child, if you can answer a question, I'll take you there," the Bodhisattva replied.

Again, I thought briefly before nodding.

The Bodhisattva asked: "Which is more important, one's spirit or one's physical body?"

I replied: "Both are equally important."

The Bodhisattva smiled and said: "You're a Buddhist practitioner, how could you value your physical body so much and be so afraid of death?"

I replied: "My Master said that we must utilise this impermanent world to cultivate our inherent true nature. So one's physical body is certainly important in the Human Realm."

Smiling again, the Bodhisattva told me: "Follow me. I will take you to the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva."

I heaved a sigh of relief, because if I got it wrong, I feared getting lost in Heaven. That would be bad! Even in the Human Realm, my sense of direction was still extremely poor.

I soon arrived at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. After receiving permission to enter, I flew inside and saw Guan Di Bodhisattva sitting on the main seat. Paying my respect to each of the Bodhisattvas present, I stood quietly to the side and awaited further instructions.

Samantabhadra Bodhisattva declared: "Buddhist practitioners should focus on acting upon their vows. Since

ancient times, all Buddhas and Bodhisattvas have relied upon their practice along the path of Buddhism to attain Buddhahood."

Manjushri Bodhisattva added: "Buddhists shouldn't focus on benefitting themselves or care only about their families. That is not the way of Mahayana Buddhism. Since attaining Buddhahood countless *kalpas* ago, Guan Yin Bodhisattva has been constantly manifesting the form of a Bodhisattva to spiritually awaken countless sentient beings and help them become liberated. Now that her Dharma Door has been bestowed upon the Human Realm, it is being subject to slander and defamation from all around. Nevertheless, Guan Yin Bodhisattva harbours no resentment nor regret, and still views all sentient beings as her own children. Disciples of the Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door should help your Master, Jun Hong Lu, to fulfil his grand vow, and together ascend to the Four Sagely Realms."

The Buddha said: "The profoundness of Buddhism is as deep as the oceans. The differences between Dharma Doors and religious practices are like the Heavenly gates you saw - all established according to different vows and circumstances. They were all created with the purpose of helping sentient beings to be free from affliction. All Buddhist practices have the same lineage - no one should use their limited views and understanding of the Human Realm to defame other people's practices. That is considered to be one of the Five Great Misdeeds (patricide, matricide, killing an Arhat, shedding the Buddha's blood, and causing schism in the monastic community). It is also

one of the Four Great Prohibitions (deeds of killing, stealing, sexual misconduct and lying). It is because of Guan Yin Bodhisattva's compassion and mercy towards those who are ignorant and create karma that you can visit Hell and make your observations known to the public. Tonight, the Underworld has permitted you to watch a trial of an offender who is currently undergoing his punishment in the Unintermittent Hell. You may take your leave now and come back soon."

The Bodhisattvas sent my soul back to the Human Realm.

On the night of 10 November 2018 - I was taken to the Underworld in my dream by the Dharma Protectors. Kneeling in the Hall of the King of Hell was a deceased disciple who was completely charred.

The King of Hell told me that this offender was a disciple of Master Jun Hong Lu. Before he died, he stopped practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and committed many deeds of verbal misconduct regarding the Buddhist practice. He also broke his great vow, which was recorded as a severe form of false speech in the Underworld because it amounted to lying to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas. When his health problems first arose, he begged for Guan Yin Bodhisattva's help, but it was too late as he had failed to sincerely repent of his wrongdoings. After he died, he was sent to the Unintermittent Hell for punishment. Then, his soul was brought to the Hall. The deceased disciple sent me a thought message: "After I underwent the King of Hell's trial, the Underworld officers took me to the Unintermittent Hell. I kept on walking for a very long time before reaching a large, dark cavern. When I went inside and walked to the bottom of the cavern, the ground was boiling hot and my feet couldn't stand the heat. But I was forced by the enforcement officers to keep moving forward. The officers all wore boots - only we offenders were barefoot. I was still wearing the same clothes as when I passed away.

"The enormous cavern was filled with giant black boulders that emitted smoke and embers, spurting sparks suddenly before extinguishing. Inside, there were also many other offenders like me. Everyone looked like they were dying they were all completely charred and writhing in pain on the ground. I was very afraid. The enforcement officers handed me over to the chief enforcement officer who was in charge of this Hell. Like many of the enforcement officers, he was a giant and his face was dark. They exchanged a few words before the chief officer dragged me to the side of a molten lava stream. I struggled, but I was nowhere near as strong as him.

"The molten lava stream was bright red. I cried and struggled frantically, but the enforcement officer pinned me on the ground and pried my mouth open. He took a ladle, scooped up a large spoonful of lava, and poured it straight into my mouth. It was so painful."

The offender couldn't stop crying.

He added: "The molten lava instantly burned my mouth, which cracked and bled. When it touched my mouth, the pain was so intense that I fell to the ground, my body twitching and convulsing violently. As the lava gradually smouldered its way down my throat into my chest, stomach and intestines, the pain stretched out across my entire body. There was not a single spot that was left untouched by the shockingly burning pain. My whole body began to smoke, and I could see blood oozing out of the cracks in my skin as my clothes burned off.

"Guan Yin Bodhisattva, I was wrong, and I repent sincerely. Please forgive us for our ignorance and irresponsible speech. I beg that you Buddhist practitioners allow any disciple who has committed wrongdoings to return to the Dharma Door to repent and make amends for their wrongdoings. I don't want them to have to descend to Hell like me."

Constantly weeping, the offender continued: "I beg that you Buddhists can be compassionate and merciful towards these serious offenders. Please forgive them! Think about the karmic consequences waiting for them in Hell. They will have to experience so much unbearable pain and suffering. I can't stop wishing that this would be just a nightmare, so there would be a chance I can wake up. But I know that's not true. Please do not descend to Hell. When you're here, it's too late for regrets!"

Sighing, the King of Hell replied: "Guan Yin Bodhisattva is merciful and compassionate. Now that this deceased

disciple has warned others by sharing his experience, he is spared from his punishment in Hell."

An enforcement officer pulled the offender back on his feet. Walking slowly amid terrible burns and constant pain, he left, following the officer. Although he committed such a serious offence, I couldn't bear to watch.

As the King of Hell signalled for me to return to the human world, I was enveloped in rays of golden light.

# C12. Meeting with Buddhas and Bodhisattvas at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva; Watching the Trial of an Offender Punished in the Hell Associated with Sexual Misconduct

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (268), 27 November 2018

### **Question:**

On the night of 14 November 2018, I was enveloped in a ray of golden light and lifted to Heaven in my dream. As I passed by many Heavenly gates, I saw the Victorious-Fighting Buddha in mid-air, radiating a golden glow. Victorious-Fighting Buddha was wearing a suit of golden armour and appeared slightly different from the last time I saw him in the Heavenly Realm. Nevertheless, he still looked solemn and dignified. Victorious-Fighting Buddha was worried that I would be lost without a guide, so he had come to lead me in the direction of the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. I found myself distracted by the beautiful sights and scenery of the Heavenly Realm - there were rainbow clouds surrounding buildings and palaces of various grand designs, and inside them were Bodhisattvas, Dharma Protectors and Goddesses from the Heavenly Realm. Just then, Victorious-Fighting Buddha sent me a thought message to remind me that if I were to fall due to my distraction, he wouldn't care. So I immediately refocused all my attention on following Victorious-Fighting Buddha.

We arrived at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva, which was bustling with activity that day. Many Dharma Protectors and Goddesses were in attendance. The Goddesses in Heaven looked very beautiful and wore multi-coloured light gauze dresses.

In front of the entrance was an enormous lotus pond, with wisps of clouds floating faintly in the water that showed images of the Human Realm. The Dharma Protectors in Heaven monitor and safeguard the disciples who cultivate in the Human Realm. Once they discover that a disciple has committed an unwholesome deed, they report it immediately to Guan Di Bodhisattva.

The Buddha, Ji Gong Bodhisattva, Guan Yin Bodhisattva, Nanjing Bodhisattva and Master Lu's Dharma body were all there, and I paid my respect to every Buddha and Bodhisattva.

Ji Gong Bodhisattva asked me: "The last time you visited Heaven, you said that the human mind was the darkest. Then what is the lightest in the Human Realm?"

I replied: "The human mind is the lightest."

Ji Gong Bodhisattva laughed: "Why did you say so?"

I replied: "It's because the human mind can create wholesomeness."

Ji Gong Bodhisattva asked me again: "So how is it that the human mind is both the darkest and the lightest? Isn't that contradictory?"

I replied again: "It's because the human mind has been deluded and defiled in the Human Realm, and that's why it creates unwholesomeness and turns dark. If one cleanses the defilements and discovers their true nature, one will find that their innate nature is wholesome. So there's no contradiction."

Every Buddha and Bodhisattva laughed. I had no idea if my answer was right or wrong, so I foolishly laughed along with them.

Guan Yin Bodhisattva told me: "All the glory, splendour, wealth and status in the Human Realm become empty in the blink of an eye. Humans are greedy for fame and wealth. They don't cultivate wholesome deeds; rather, they commit various types of unwholesome deeds that lead them to the Lower Realms (Evil Paths) where they suffer enormously. Even if you have a human body, you would still suffer hardships, and your life would be full of obstacles. Hell isn't scary; it's the human mind that creates karma that is scary. Everything is created by the mind - it can create both wholesomeness and unwholesomeness. Today, an offender has been transferred to the Underworld from the Hell associated with sexual misconduct. Take this order and watch the trial. Upon your return to the Human Realm, immediately write down what you have observed and send it to your Master so that other people can understand that fame, wealth and sex are poisons that must not be pursued excessively. You must warn the people in the Human Realm. You may go now."

A ray of golden light whisked me off to the King of Hell in the Underworld. A male offender wept and wailed as he knelt on the ground. As I took a second look, I saw that his entire body was covered in what appeared to be bug bites.

The offender uttered: "When alive, I was a businessman, and there was a period in which the business was quite successful. I was married. After my wife gave birth to our child, I began to dislike her. I gave her the cold shoulder, complaining that she was not as attractive as before. As my business was doing well, I would go out with my business partners and drinking buddies to nightclubs and other places of entertainment to pick up girls. My wife couldn't financially support herself, so she had no other choice than to obey my every whim. After I died, the King of Hell summoned a display depicting every unsightly activity I took part in. I could see how heartbroken my wife was and how she cried and complained to her family and friends. I regret what I have done. My wife married me when I was very poor and helped me to educate and take care of our child. We'd been through the toughest times together. I didn't treat her well - I know that I was wrong. I hope that you can tell all the men in the Human Realm that the women in the nightclubs are not sincere - they are there

solely for the money. After we die, we will be held responsible for every bad act we've committed. I feel sorry for my wife, whose broken heart is all my fault.

"Do not commit deeds of sexual misconduct - it will bring you no benefit. Rather, it only leads you to Hell. We men are foolish. We think these kinds of things are to be proud of. I was obsessed with the beauty and bodies of women and committed many acts of sexual misconduct. I knew nothing about the Buddha-Dharma when I was alive. Nor did I know that when I die, these kinds of unwholesome deeds would only lead one to the Hell associated with sexual misconduct. After I died, the King of Hell ordered the enforcement officers to first take me to the Hell of Eye Shock. I followed the enforcement officers down a dark and narrow path and arrived at a very large and spacious place. The enforcement officers handed me to the officers in charge there, who dragged and pushed me into a large enclosed area. There were many guards on the outside, making sure that we offenders did not escape. I was shivering all over because I didn't know what kind of punishment awaited me.

"It was dark and gloomy all around, with many offenders scattered about. There were constant flashes of light, followed by painful cries. I walked a short distance and halted, not daring to move further. Suddenly, a ray of light was shining from above my head, and when I looked up, I saw clips showing all the different women I had intimate relationships with, and all the pornographic videos I had watched previously were played inside my mind. Within a minute, two intense electric currents shot straight into my eyes, coursing through my body, paralysing it amid horrid buzzing sounds. My skin, burnt and beginning to smoke, was so painful. If you've never been electrocuted, you won't comprehend the pain. When I was alive, I thought I was such a tough guy. I wouldn't have imagined that the punishments from Hell would be so excruciatingly painful. I couldn't stop crying and screaming. I don't even know whether the electric current coursed through my body for 10 or 30 minutes, but it certainly felt like a year. It was too painful, to be honest," said the offender, who wept.

After crying for a while, he continued: "I don't even remember how long I was inside this Hell - it could have been a few days, or it could have been a week. Each time I fainted due to the electric shock. I would wake up and endure the same punishment over and over again. The shocks only stopped when an enforcement officer called my name. I was dragged from that Hell onto another narrow and crooked path. After walking for a while, I was handed over to another pair of enforcement officers and told to follow them. From a distance, I could smell something foul - like faeces. With all my heart I didn't want to take another step, but the tall and strong enforcement officers dragged me forcefully into a large cavern. Inside was a pool of excrement - it looked exactly like the huge septic tanks in the Human Realm. There were many people immersed in it; men, women, and you couldn't make out their faces because they were covered entirely in faeces. They were wailing constantly, and I was shivering profusely with fear. Suddenly, the enforcement officers

hurled me into the pool of excrement. I tried so hard to endure the foul, pungent stench, which almost made me pass out right there in the pool of excrement.

"When I was alive, I knew how to swim. When I tried to swim in the pool of excrement, enforcement officers watched the whole time. In fact, it's literally impossible to swim onto the shore as our bodies were so completely covered in faeces that we were unable to get a grip. After swimming for a while, I began to feel extremely itchy. When I looked closely, I was terrified - there were many small bugs inside the pool latching on to our bodies, biting us. The pain shook me right to my core - it was so itchy and incredibly painful. When I was alive, I thought that I was capable of enduring many hardships. I never imagined that the tiny bugs in Hell could make a tough guy like me cry and wail inside a pool of excrement. Nobody cared about us offenders as we were just left there, floating in excrement. It was too late for regrets."

The King of Hell said to the offender: "When you were alive, you didn't contain your desires. Excessive indulgence leads to the deterioration of one's health, and you were behaving promiscuously. Did you know that, originally, you were due to receive extremely great worldly blessings? In your previous life, you donated money regularly to the unfortunate, which would have endowed you with sufficient wealth, while your business would have flourished and future generations would pick up the mantle. It's a pity you failed to cherish your blessings. Instead, you became intoxicated with your desires and squandered your blessings, failing even to set an example for your children by performing wholesome and meritorious deeds. You were also fond of eating freshly killed creatures."

The offender watched a display showing him eating seafood and killing rabbits to serve to his family, friends and guests.

The King continued: "You must know that their spirits were filled with resentment, and after they died they occupied your body. When you were negotiating business deals, these animal spirits frequently interfered with your thoughts, leading you to make bad decisions and causing you to suffer losses. Can you really blame them? You took away their lives, so it's perfectly normal for them to take revenge. Sentient beings in the Animal Realm are all offenders like you who committed many unwholesome deeds and were sentenced to be reborn as beings in the Six Realms of Existence. You aren't knowledgeable about the state of sentient beings, so I won't say more.

"You also liked to go to nightclubs and other places with terribly strong *Yin* energy, but you must understand that the women working at those places have truly dreadful energy fields. You see only their surface beauty, failing to realise that after they die, they will become extremely uglylooking spirits."

As these women have committed numerous offences, they will descend to Hell and be punished after death. During my previous trips, I have seen countless once-beautiful

women become disfigured and defiled-looking as a result of torture.

The King added: "To me, beauty in the Human Realm is nothing but an empty shell. All of these women came from poor and impoverished backgrounds and had to sell their body to make money. They already lacked worldly blessings, yet you continued to mix with them to satisfy your lust, causing your mind to become devoid of right intention. You only cared about indulging yourself, and your mind became dull. That's why your business and finances entered a spiral of problems. The Underworld not only deducted the wealth you derived from the worldly blessings accrued from your previous life according to the degree of your sexual misconduct, but you will also be sent to Hell for punishment. Only after your negative karma has been cleared can you be reborn."

The King of Hell told me that the majority of those released from Hell would be reborn in the Animal Realm.

The King said: "In your previous life, you engaged in spiritual practice and you had some karmic affinity with Guan Yin Bodhisattva. It is because of this affinity with Buddhism that you were selected to give your testimony to this Heavenly Child so that she may write it down and alert people in the Human Realm to the realities of Hell. With this meritorious deed, you still have a chance to be reborn as a human, but first you must go back and serve the rest of your sentence. You don't need to beg me; you have to bear full responsibility for the offences you have committed."

The enforcement officers took the offender away.

The King of Hell sighed and said: "This offender was invited by someone from his hometown to attend one of Master Jun Hong Lu's Dharma Talks in [Country X]. It's a pity he didn't cultivate. If he'd understood the law of karma, he wouldn't have ended up in this situation. People who are too endowed with wealth and worldly blessings generally pay no heed to the Buddha-Dharma and do not know how to cultivate by observing the Five Precepts and performing the Ten Wholesome Deeds. In his previous life, he was a Buddhist whose cultivation failed to reach fruition. As a result, he was reborn in the Human Realm with riches. But he became deluded, creating negative karma in this lifetime. Now he's been sent to Hell. Since ancient times, fame and fortune have been like a bubble, but the cycle of rebirth keeps turning in accordance with the karma you create, whether it be wholesome or unwholesome."

I was enveloped in a ray of golden light and sent back to the Human Realm. When I awoke, I was overwhelmed with feelings. All the glory, splendour, wealth and status in the Human Realm can make a person deluded. Observing the scenes of those offenders crying in front of the King of Hell after they were sent to Hell upon their death had stirred me deeply.

# Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

People who are lecherous and commit acts of sexual misconduct all descend to Hell. Don't your dreams seem real? In the future, when you go down, it will be exactly like a dream. In the past, you committed many deeds of sexual misconduct, didn't you? If you continue, you will not rest in peace. You must reform yourself completely.

# C13. The Buddha Cautions All Parents to Set a Good Example; Three Offenders on Trial

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (272), 11 December 2018

18 November 2018

# **Question:**

On 18 November 2018, after offering the evening incense at the Guan Yin Citta Centre, I received a thought message from the Bodhisattvas that the Underworld had asked me to go there that night. When I returned home and fell asleep, I found myself enveloped in a ray of golden light as I was taken to the Heavenly Realm. Arriving at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva, I saw Victorious-Fighting Buddha, Guan Yin Bodhisattva, the Buddha, Nanjing Bodhisattva, Guan Di Bodhisattva, Guan Ping Bodhisattva and Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva having a meeting.

After paying my respect to every one of them, Victorious-Fighting Buddha asked me: "When there are differences of opinions among fellow Buddhists and disciples, how should one deal with it?"

I replied: "The Master once said that preserving harmony should be the highest priority, and that one must not allow

their selfishness and distracting thoughts to take hold. Selfishness leads to distracting thoughts."

Victorious-Fighting Buddha asked again: "How should a person cope with their distracting thoughts?"

I answered: "We should replace 'thought' with 'no thought'. Master Lu said that the state of no thought is virtuous. If one has no thoughts, they create no karma. Because we're still in the process of cultivating, our thoughts that arise are not in a state of perfect enlightenment. When we encounter the inner demon, unwholesome thoughts appear, and even a slight mistake in our thoughts will create negative karma. If you find yourself in a conflict, you must immediately recite sutras. That's what I learned from reading Master Lu's *Words of Wisdom* and the story book about Meng Bao."

Upon hearing my answer, Nanjing Bodhisattva smiled, although I didn't know if I had answered correctly. I could only stand to the side and await further instructions.

The Buddha said telepathically: "Parents in the Human Realm overly pamper their children. They overindulge them, and their grandchildren too, with material goods that lead to bad habits and ignorant behaviours. They soon follow their parents in committing unwholesome deeds, and eventually descend into the Lower Realms. It's a pitiful sight. If people continue like this, the negative energy will intensify. What awaits them is the suffering of rebirth within the Lower Realms. After you have watched this trial in the Underworld, write it down and quickly send your observations to your Master so that it can serve as a warning to the people in the Human Realm. Parents should set a good example by being noble and virtuous, by accumulating benevolent blessings and virtues, and by studying and practising Buddhism. That is the right way to sow blessings for future generations."

I was whisked off to the Underworld in a ray of golden light. When I arrived, I saw three offenders all kneeling. The King of Hell gave one of the female offenders a stern look and declared: "You completely lack any sense of morality, and you indulge yourself in sexual pleasures. You were married, yet you lacked self-restraint. You enjoyed going to nightclubs, becoming intoxicated and having casual sex with different men vou met - some of them were even married. You thought it made you trendy and cool, but you were ignorant of the fact that Heaven and the Underworld do not tolerate such shameless and lustful acts. There's a saying from the past that 'Lust is the worst of all unwholesome deeds'. Those who are promiscuous are bound to receive karmic retribution, and you were promiscuous for a very long time. Yet you still dare to argue with me?"

The female offender was completely unwilling to accept it. She cried, exclaiming: "Ever since I married my husband at a young age, I endured hardships as I raised the family and took care of our child. When my husband was young, he had an affair. I couldn't stand it, and I vented my feelings to my closest friends. My original intention was

just to get it off my chest, and then I wasn't going to take it lying down! I thought about how much suffering I had endured, and the guys I met outside my marriage were really sweet-talkers. I was already faced with the hardship of a dysfunctional marriage. Everyone is like this nowadays - even my friends also had affairs. I didn't even know about the law of karma. Who knew about these things?!"

Sternly, the King of Hell replied: "Even so, you shouldn't have stooped so low! Forget it – there's no point saying anything more to you. You are sentenced to punishment in the Hell of Iron Bed."

The King of Hell turned and pointed at the male offender beside her, and said: "Your family is very wealthy, and your parents cared for you deeply. They satisfied every one of your materialistic desires, giving you whatever you wanted. But they did not educate you properly! You became rude and obstinate. Even now, you're still acting the same way right in front of me. It's because you acted impudently in my court that I ordered the enforcement officers to give you a beating. Your parents were ignorant, but did you think that the offences you had committed would escape my eyes?"

Immediately after the King of Hell said this, a display appeared and started to show the offences committed by the offender before his death. When he was alive, the offender ran a business along with a relative. When it failed, he lied to his parents and blamed it all on his relative. The move sowed great discord between them and enormous financial difficulties for the relative. While working with his relative, he would often go clubbing and have casual sex with girls he met there. He also liked watching pornography on the internet. Even when he met girls who were Buddhists, he coaxed them into having intimate relations with him regardless of their willingness, taking away their innocence. The offender's parents were also dishonest in business, and their son followed suit, cheating their relative out of their company's shareholding. He tampered with legal documents and seized assets that weren't his.

The King of Hell glared at the offender and said: "I sentence you to the Hell of Iron Bed, the Tongue-Ripping Hell and the Hell of Eye Shock. When your sentence is over, you will be reborn as a woman into an impoverished family."

The King sighed: "Did you know that it was due to your cultivation in your previous lives that you were blessed to be reborn as a rich family's son? But you committed a series of grave offences, that's why your life was cut short and now you're going to Hell."

Ignoring the offender's resistance, the enforcement officer dragged him out.

The King of Hell turned to another male offender and declared: "You were ignorant of the Buddha-Dharma and

the law of karma, that's why you committed the karma of killing. You are now sent to Hell for punishment. During the 49 days after your death, one of your family members, who is practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, performed meritorious deeds and life liberations for you. I will use these merits and virtues to reduce your punishment in Hell."

Turning to me, the King of Hell said: "If a deceased person's relatives practise Buddhism and perform meritorious deeds such as life liberations for them during the initial 49-day period after their death, it will help the deceased to eliminate their negative karma quickly. But once the 49 days is over, the negative karma is set and only the energy of Buddhist scriptures can help them ascend to a higher realm. Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door uses a collection of Buddhist scriptures – *Little Houses* – while other Dharma Doors have their own ways of helping spirits ascend to a higher realm. However, you must remember not to compare nor make casual comments about other Dharma Doors. Every Dharma Door has its sutras and mantras that help the deceased to ascend, and they are all equally effective.

"The reason why *Little Houses* can help spirits ascend to a higher realm and so quickly eliminate negative karma is because of the immense power of vows and compassion possessed by Guan Yin Bodhisattva. If anyone in the Human Realm is reckless enough to recite and offer the *Little Houses* in a dishonest manner– like those who fill in all the dots of the *Little House* without reciting the sutras in full – then the Underworld will report the names of the culprits who signed and recited them, to the Heavenly court. This happens after the counterfeit *Little Houses* have accumulated up to a certain amount, or when we receive complaints from the spirits about not receiving sufficient scriptures. We have the device to track it. The Heavenly court will then write an official letter to authorise our action. I hope you will convey this to the people in the Human Realm, reminding them to properly recite the sutras. Never use Dharma items to trick people and line their pockets. Don't fool around with the Underworld! Buddhist rituals and matters relating to helping spirits ascend to a higher realm should never be treated lightly. Otherwise, when you come down and kneel before me, I can only act according to the law."

As he finished, I was enveloped in a ray of golden light and returned to the Human Realm.

## Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

That's very good. You must remember how much you can learn from these observations. If you have offered *Little Houses* of very poor quality, the spirits will not be able to receive them and they can complain to the King of Hell. This scenario had been depicted in some dramas in the past. When these spirits appealed to the King of Hell, the King would hear the trial, as happened in the Cantonese opera *Wang Kui Betrays Guiying*. When Guiying died, she became a spirit who wanted revenge. The King of Hell

approved her request to go to the Human Realm and drag Wang Kui away. These kinds of things are not uncommon. If you trick the spirits and the number of *Little Houses* you offer is insufficient, you commit an offence – so you must be careful.

A similar case, also shared by the same person, was published on our website. A few days later, someone called into my radio program to confirm what was stated in the article posted. There was indeed a fellow Buddhist practitioner who passed away exactly as described in the article. The scenes resembled exactly what happened to him when he was alive. That practitioner is in Hell now, kneeling before the King of Hell. Practising Buddhism is no joking matter, nor is it easy. Don't fool around – you must be true to your cultivation.

# C14. My Visit to the Tongue-Carving Hell; Watching the Trial of a Disciple Who Committed Verbal Misdeeds

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (270), 4 December 2018

On 20 November 2018, I received Guan Ping Bodhisattva's instructions to visit the Tongue-Carving Hell and watch a trial at the Hall of the King of Hell.

My consciousness entered a deep slumber, and as I felt myself becoming light I found myself before a black and ancient-looking gate. One of the guards told me to follow him, and we entered this Hell.

The Tongue-Carving Hell: Those who commit abusive speech, fabricated rumours and sowed discord, and those who have slandered and defamed practitioners (of any religion) will be punished here.

I walked down some stairs near the gate that led to the bottom of this Hell. The place was huge, and when I looked up, I saw that it was surrounded by walls about six storeys high, built from massive bricks. There were many offenders here, both male and female, and all of them were kneeling, wailing and crying. It was evident that many

people had committed deeds of verbal misconduct in the Human Realm.

I paid my respect to the enforcement officers in charge of this Hell. Two female offenders' mouths were being forcibly pried open so that the enforcement officers could violently grab and hold their tongues. Using a sharp knife, the officers carved line after line into the offenders' tongues. Fresh blood flowed down their chins immediately. The offenders watched on with horror-filled eyes and tried desperately to step backward, but they were roughly pulled back in line by the officers. The officers showed no concern about the bleeding; they simply continued to carve lines into the offenders' tongues. Once the tongues of the two female offenders had been carved with a dozen lines, they were escorted to see the King of Hell. The enforcement officers signalled for me to follow them into his Hall.

The landscape inside the Hell Realm is very complex. If I hadn't been guided by an enforcement officer, I would have been hopelessly lost. After walking down a narrow and winding path in the Underworld for some time, we arrived at the Hall of the King of Hell.

The King of Hell ordered the offenders to kneel. I stood beside the King, watching the trial, as the King began to scold them: "Both of you were practitioners of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, and you understood that you must not commit deeds of verbal misconduct. Why did you think you could use sophistry and prejudiced views to criticise the Dharma Door before your relatives? I have checked your records - some months ago, you quit practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. But when you encountered difficulties, you returned to this Buddhist practice for help, beseeching Guan Yin Bodhisattva's succour. Despite having returned to the practice, you still don't reform your ways. You should know that there are Dharma Protectors everywhere, and they will record every word and action said and done by Buddhists in the Human Realm.

"You have been blessed and protected by the Buddha, so you should be making more effort to observe the Buddhist precepts and understand the rules. Why do you arrogantly hold on to ignorance and bad habits? Regardless of your reasons and excuses, even if it is other practitioners at fault, you should never have spoken irresponsibly about Guan Yin Citta. If your fellow practitioner is truly in the wrong, the Dharma Protectors would naturally give them a lesson according to the law. Do you think that Heaven and the Underworld will tolerate them? But now, your negative karma has been created, and I have no choice but to punish you according to the law.

"I'll give an order for your souls to return to your bodies in the human world. But do not create any more negative karma - look out for yourselves. After the both of you return to the human world, your tongue will ache and hurt for several days. Serious offenders develop cold sores around their mouths."

When Buddhist practitioners commit offences, the Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas trigger their negative

karma directly so that it becomes present-life karmic retribution.

The King of Hell told me that, regardless of whether a person is dead or alive, their souls will be dragged to the Underworld for punishment if they commit offences. The soul of the culprit will be deemed an "offender".

# C15. Watching the Trial of Powerful People Who Secretly Suppressed Religious People

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (270), 4 December 2018

# **Question:**

On 21 November 2018, I was whisked off by a ray of golden light to the Underworld.

I saw several male offenders being escorted by enforcement officers to the Hall of the King of Hell. When the King saw them, he did not meet them in his usual manner. Rather, he looked enraged.

The King told me: "These offenders are not from [Country X]. They held tremendous wealth and power when alive. They were influential in their home country, but the deeds they committed were intolerable by both Heaven and the Underworld.

"Secretly, they suppressed eminent and virtuous Buddhist monastics, lay practitioners and other religious people. On the surface, they made it seem as though they did it all for the greater good of their nation. But in reality, they were simply abusing their power for their own ends. They confidently thought that nobody knew what they were

doing, but all the while, without their knowledge, all of that negative karma was accumulating. As some of their crimes were related to [Country X], the decree from Heaven authorised [Country X's] own Underworld to hear the case and determine the sentences."

The Underworld is governed by various district jurisdictions. Unless official documents or scrolls have been received from Heaven, Underworld officials cannot deal with offenders from other countries. That's why the King of Hell told me that we people in the Human Realm have no way of completely knowing the workings of the Underworld, let alone Heaven. He told me that people shouldn't speak casually about things that they don't know.

The King of Hell scolded the male offenders. "Both of you are citizens of [Country Y] (specifics not disclosed due to the confidentiality of the Underworld's information), enjoying great wealth and status thanks to the immense blessings cultivated in your previous lives. On the surface, you seemed to be faithful Buddhists, but you really used religion as a cynical guise. You thought what you did would remain hidden to everyone, and so you committed many heinous crimes in the shadows. Heaven and the Underworld cannot tolerate that. At first, you had a mission to serve and benefit the people of the Human Realm, but instead you became lost and inextricably intoxicated by riches and fame.

"I have received a decree from the Heavenly court to send your primordial souls to the Hell of Cauldron of Boiling Oil, and to remove your original divine blessings. Not only will your primordial souls in Heaven no longer exist, you will also no longer be connected to the divine energy in the Human Realm. Your fortunes will therefore take a turn for the worst and gather a great deal of dark energy. The spirits of all the people you ruined or hurt will look for you in the human world and collect their karmic debts, one by one. You will encounter one misfortune after another, nightmares, and feel anxious suffer ceaseless and is all karmic retribution for depressed. This the unwholesome deeds you have committed. I am merely delivering judgement according to the law.

"If you fail to properly repent upon your return to the human world, and you continue with your unwholesome deeds, I will write and deliver a formal letter to the Underworld of your home country so that when you die, your souls will be taken to the Unintermittent Hell, the Hell of Excrement, the Hell of Burning Flame, the Hell of Tongue Ripping, and the Hell of Iron Mountains. All of these Hells are great Hells, and they are where all souls are punished together irrespective of their country of origin."

Having finished speaking, the King of Hell instructed the enforcement officers to send these offenders for punishment. Looking at the display, I saw their primordial souls bubbling and gradually disintegrating in the oil cauldrons. The King of Hell then allowed me to observe the offenders in the Human Realm. Initially, their foreheads were bright and clean; a protective layer of glowing spiritual energy surrounded their heads. But once their

primordial souls were hurled into the frying oil and began to disintegrate, that glowing spiritual energy dispersed. What happened next made me realise why an unlucky person's forehead is normally dark; I saw the dark energy of their accumulated offences beginning to gather until it enshrouded their heads.

The King of Hell told me: "Ordinary people are foolish and ignorant. They practise Buddhism, yet they dare to violate the law! Do they really think nobody knows about their deeds? There's an ancient saying that it's only a matter of time before the good are rewarded and the evil punished. Regardless of your level of cultivation in your previous lives, Buddhist practitioners must still adhere properly to the Buddhist precepts. Do you think karmic retribution is only served to ordinary people? In my eyes, all sentient beings are treated equally. I act only in accordance with the laws when delivering judgements."

Soon after the King of Hell finished speaking, I was sent back to the human world.

## Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

When a person has good fortune, their forehead is bright and it looks full. Government officials and wealthy people have these kinds of foreheads, which indicate the possession of good energy. When one's forehead appears dull, it means they are unfortunate - such as people who are ill. Bright foreheads are not caused by oily skin. Rather, the skin appears to be glowing.

# C16. The King of Hell Explains the Significance of Being a Vegetarian, Performing Life Liberations and Making and Fulfilling Vows

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (272), 11 December 2018

20 November 2018

## **Question:**

On 20 November 2018, I was whisked off by a ray of golden light to the Underworld to meet with the King of Hell. When I arrived, I saw the King of Hell reading a glowing scroll. I paid my respect to him and stood to the side, awaiting instructions. When he finished reading, the King said to me: "This is a decree from the Heavenly court. It instructs me to reveal certain things about the Underworld to the public. Due to the Underworld's strict regulations, without such a decree, the affairs of the Underworld are never to be made public to those in the Human Realm."

"First, I will talk about those Buddhists who have vowed to be permanent vegetarians for all of their lives. If they break their vow and eat meat again, it's considered a serious act of false speech by Heaven and the Underworld. In the Underworld, it is recorded as a serious offence, because

they made a vow before the Buddha and failed to fulfil it. Dharma Protectors regard this as a serious matter.

"In fact, if an evil person can vow to be a vegetarian and perform life liberation before dying (note: the Underworld will record this as a greatly benevolent deed), Heaven and the Underworld will regard that person as benevolent and help to eliminate a lot of the negative karma - but not all of it. The person will still be under review to see if they fulfil their vow once their lifespan is extended, and to check if they have truly cultivated kindness and refrained from doing evil. Many Dharma Protectors of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door will also check if you Buddhist practitioners truly fulfil your vows.

"Based on the vows a person has made and the good deeds they have promised before the Buddha, the Underworld will progressively cross out from their records the unwholesome deeds committed in the past. But most importantly, it depends on whether they have truly repented, and sincerely want to be a kind-hearted person. That's why a person must be cautious when making vows before the Buddha. It's no joking matter. We have already received a decree from Heaven declaring that anybody who breaks their vow will be punished while the good will be rewarded – it's only a matter of time.

"Every religious practice teaches people to do good and refrain from evil, which means eliminating evil thoughts and evil mentality through acts of kindness. Performing life liberations and adopting a vegetarian diet are recorded as benevolent deeds in the Underworld, while killing is a serious offence.

"When you return to the human world, write down everything I've said on my behalf and hand it to your Master. Do good and perform acts of kindness, kid!"

My deepest gratitude to the Master.

## Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

No wonder so many of our fellow Buddhists practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door have fallen critically ill after breaking their vows of being a vegetarian! I also found it strange. When I asked these patients whether they had broken their vows, they said yes. Later, their cancer recurred, and they soon passed away.

# C17.

# Advice from Buddhas and Bodhisattvas at the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva; Watching the Trial of an Offender Who Committed Verbal Misdeeds and Sexual Misconduct

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (269), 30 November 2018

# **Question:**

On 24 November 2018, I dreamed that a ray of golden light whisked me off to Heaven. As I passed by layers of white clouds, I soon met with Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva. I was then escorted by Dharma-protecting Bodhisattvas towards the Hall of Guan Di Bodhisattva. When I arrived, I paid respect to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas and stood to the side. That day, the Master's Dharma body was also present. In turn, the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas gave Dharma talks.

The Buddha declared: "All evil stems from the mind. A single evil thought can give rise to countless kinds of evil. Dark clouds within the mind obstruct the inherent Buddha nature, causing sentient beings to become lost in the cycle of rebirth and the sea of suffering. They are unable to see the light as they descend onto evil paths."

Guan Yin Bodhisattva said: "I wish all Buddhists could preserve and sustain wholeheartedly the compassionate vows of the Buddha, constantly showing compassion and reaching out to sentient beings to help keep them free of suffering. Spread Buddhism far and wide and help more people to become spiritually awakened! The Buddha has sympathy for the plight of sentient beings, and cannot bear to see them end up on a descent to evil paths due to ignorance and delusion. It is for this reason that you are permitted to watch the trials in the Underworld. All disciples should bear their Master's teachings in mind at all times, as those who abide by the Buddhist precepts are true Buddhists."

Samantabhadra Bodhisattva continued: "Buddhists of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door should resolve to be compassionate, practising the giving of Dharma to benefit sentient beings and spreading Buddhism far and wide to help predestined people become spiritually awakened. Then, the Buddha and Dharma Protectors will constantly bless them, keeping them safe and well."

Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva declared: "Dharma Protectors are joyful in safeguarding those who are diligent in observing the Buddhist precepts at Guan Yin Citta Centre. I dislike those who are boastful, rude and arrogant. I hope that all Buddhists cultivate themselves sincerely and respect their Master. Don't be a hypocrite!"

Guan Di Bodhisattva said: "If those who speak maliciously or defame the Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha, and contravene the Buddhist precepts, are able to repent sincerely and reform, the Buddha will reduce their punishment based on the severity of their offences. For

those who are ungrateful, disloyal and show disrespect for their Master, I advise them to repent to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas sooner rather than later. Their punishment in Hell can then be spared, and they can still be reborn as humans in their next life. Remember: never take the Buddhist precepts lightly."

Nanjing Bodhisattva, who was the next to speak, declared: "Those Buddhists who sincerely repent of their slander and deeds of verbal misconduct must recite the *Eighty-Eight Buddhas Great Repentance* in two batches, each of which contains 108 times."

Then, Master Lu's Dharma body told me: "When you serve as a volunteer alongside fellow practitioners at the local practice centre, do not show off or brag about yourself. Using the language of the Human Realm, you are nothing but a messenger or a typist who helps to deliver messages to the Underworld and share its facts. That is all. So you'd better get your act together and spend more time deepening your understanding of *Buddhism in Plain Terms*. Buck up, and make me proud!"

It is true, and I feel ashamed. I am still far from being a good practitioner.

The Master continued: "Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva will escort you to the Underworld. You should go now and come back soon, and write up your observations properly before sending them to the Secretariat of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door." Zhou Tsang Bodhisattva took me to the Hall of the King of Hell in the Underworld. A female offender was kneeling on the ground, her body charred black as though she had been badly burned. As she wailed and cried, the King of Hell glared at her and said sternly: "Do you want to explain yourself or should I?"

The female offender responded: "I died in a car crash. The car exploded, and I was burned to death inside while fully conscious. I didn't come from [Country X] – I'm an overseas disciple of Master Lu from [Country Y]."

It was explained to me that I must not disclose their country of origin due to the confidentiality of the Underworld information.

The female offender continued: "After encountering Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, I did nothing more than reciting Buddhist scriptures. I followed the Buddhist practice only superficially, not abiding by the Buddhist precepts. I had very heavy negative karma, as my family had committed deeds of killing."

The offender confessed that her ancestors raised pigs and sold fish for a living. She also lied to her fellow practitioners. After she died, the King of Hell showed this on the display.

She continued: "After my husband passed away, I didn't follow what the Master taught on his radio program. I didn't realise that my family's hardship was due to the

force of my negative karma. I didn't understand how my ancestor's deeds of killing would pass down through three generations, and how it would affect the descendants, and how I couldn't avoid the impending calamities.

"After I died, the King of Hell showed me on the display all of the karmic causes and consequences from my previous life. Everything that happens in this world is rooted in its karma in previous lifetimes, but I was ignorant when I was alive. I became sceptical about the religious practice; I started thinking that Guan Yin Bodhisattva wasn't answering my prayer. I grew doubtful about Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door and the Master, so I quit practising it. Not just that; I went around committing verbal misdeeds, talking people out of practising Guan Yin Citta. I went even further by trying to influence those in the law enforcement department in the city where I lived. I fabricated evidence and covered up my true situation, making law enforcement officers believe what I said so they would take action. Now, I want to repent to the law enforcement department and to the King of Hell. I hope that the Bodhisattvas will show mercy and forgive me and the law enforcement department. I misled them.

"Some fellow Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door's practitioners originally knew about my situation and had very kindly supported me. But when I kept slandering Guan Yin Citta, everybody cut off their communication with me. And after my husband died, one of his best friends saw the pitiful state and the poor financial situation I was in, so he regularly visited and helped me.

"As a widow who had lost the support of her husband, it was hard to sustain a family and raise my daughter. He saw the state that I was in, and after seeing each other for a long time I felt some affection for him even though he was already married and had his own family. It was a moment of foolishness - I wasn't aware that men were lustful, but I also forgot the Master's teachings as my feelings overwhelmed me and I committed deeds of sexual misconduct. I became his mistress - I was so foolish. I had already vowed to be a permanent vegetarian, to practise Buddhism and recite scriptures for the rest of my life, and also to properly help my husband to ascend to a higher spiritual realm. But after I stopped practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, I broke all of my vows. I cared only about indulging myself in the sea of desires and enjoying the company of this man.

"To please him, I pretended that I was being treated unfairly. He was very influential in the city where I lived, and he knew the people in the law enforcement department. Then, while hiding the truth, I bad-mouthed Guan Yin Citta to him. He took everything I said to heart and even told his buddy in the law enforcement department. His friend then believed what he said, filing the statement for record and taking action, with me serving as the witness. I'm sorry, fellow practitioners, it was me who harmed you, and in turn I have harmed the Master! I'm sorry, Guan Yin Bodhisattva!

"I did too many evil things, so the day of my retribution had come. I gave all my love to this man, and even had abortions - twice - for him. At first, I thought he would divorce his wife, so I wanted to have a child with him. But - and I'm so sorry to my unborn children, please forgive your mother! - he didn't want them. After the abortions, our relationship changed. He became increasingly irritated with me, and his tone became disdainful. I hated it and wondered why fate would treat me this way. One day, he invited me out to discuss our relationship. While he was driving, I was crying in the passenger seat, and he became impatient. That made me mad and I started shouting at him. Before I knew it, I was grabbing at the steering wheel in a total rage. The car lost control and smashed into the guardrail before bursting into flames and exploding. Both of us were burned to death inside. After I died, the King of Hell told me that my deceased husband and aborted children were very angry with me, so they possessed my body and desired to claim my life. That's why we started to argue."

Crying ceaselessly, the offender continued: "The King of Hell sentenced me to punishment in the Unintermittent Hell. I wailed and cried day and night, but it was too late. Fortunately, I saw the Heavenly Child visit the Underworld. Guan Yin Bodhisattva was merciful and transferred me to [Country X]'s Underworld so that I could share my story to the public."

As the King of Hell heard the offender's confession, he stamped a seal on an official document. He ordered the

enforcement officers to escort the offender back to the Hell Realm to continue her punishment. I saw her cry and howl – it was so loud. Kneeling, she begged the King of Hell to not let the enforcement officer take her away. Nonetheless, she was dragged out with force.

Sighing, the King of Hell said: "Guan Yin Bodhisattva is so greatly merciful and compassionate that she sends an official letter. When this account of the trial has been shared with the human world, the merit and virtue accumulated from the deed will be used to reduce her sentence in the Unintermittent Hell. However, she must still be punished to bear the suffering of the Hell of Excrement for the deed of sexual misconduct, and the other Hells. While the Bodhisattva shows mercy to the sentient beings who commit negative karma due to ignorance, the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas do not interfere with karma. One must be responsible for their own unwholesome deeds."

As the King of Hell finished speaking, I returned to the human world.

## Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

I seem to recall a person who was burned to death in a car crash. It has been verified. Do not treat your wisdom-life as a joking matter by spreading rumours and speaking irresponsibly. You must practise Buddhism diligently, kids.

# C18. Watching the Process of Rebirth at the Hall of the King of Hell, and the Trials of a Corrupt High-Ranking Official and a Precept-Breaking Disciple

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (271), 8 December 2018

28 November 2018

### **Question:**

On 26 November 2018, after praying to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas, Guan Ping Bodhisattva conveyed a thought message to me. I was to deliver a scroll to the Underworld for further action that night. When I closed my eyes in the evening, my soul was whisked off by a Bodhisattva to the Hall of the King of Hell. I handed over the scroll and, as usual when I visited the King of Hell, I stood to the side to watch the trial.

Two male offenders were kneeling before the King of Hell. Their bodies were covered in charred scars that suggested they had been burnt. They were trembling all over as they awaited their trial.

After reading the scroll, the King of Hell stamped it with an official seal and declared: "Today, I will show you what happens when a rebirth takes place and a soul enters the womb of its mother-to-be."

As the King pointed at the display, the image of a soul appeared. This soul's rebirth as a human being had been approved by the Underworld, and so he had been escorted by an enforcement officer to the location of his rebirth. I saw the soul become gradually diffused into the fertilised egg of the mother. In ten months, the foetus will be fully developed and ready to be born.

"Whether intentional or not, an abortion is considered and recorded as an act of killing in the Underworld," the King of Hell said.

"There are also animal spirits which, having served their sentence in the Animal Realm, can be reborn in the Human Realm. Generally, it takes many rebirths in the Animal Realm before a rebirth into the Human Realm occurs. It also depends on the karmic conditions of each animal spirit. Some will remain in the Animal Realm for a long time, while others spend a relatively short amount of time there."

The length of time spent in the Animal Realm is determined by the severity of the negative karma created when they were humans.

The King continued: "Typically, large animals such as cows, dogs, lions, tigers and monkeys have a higher chance of being reborn as humans after their death. That's why people who kill these types of animals often create serious

karma. When an animal spirit which has been allowed to be reborn in the Human Realm enters the body of a mother, it is then restless and anxious inside the womb, causing a great deal of discomfort and pain. As for the mother, she is predestined to receive this spirit as her child because of insufficient blessings and positive karma. If the mother recites Buddhist scriptures to the baby inside her womb, it helps to calm the baby thanks to the power of blessing from the Buddha. The mother benefits too, suffering less."

The King of Hell pointed at the display showing a scene of a female practitioner who was seven months pregnant. After paying respect to Guan Yin Bodhisattva, she was reciting the *Great Compassion Mantra* and the *Heart Sutra* for her baby in her womb. The Buddhist scriptures recited by the mother morphed into rays of golden light which entered her womb and diffused into the baby's soul. Originally grey-coloured, the baby slowly turned a lighter shade. The energy from the sutras of the Buddha and Bodhisattvas can most certainly purify souls.

After the King of Hell explained the process, his face became grim as he pointed at the male offender to his right. Reprimanding him furiously, he exclaimed: "When you were alive, you were a high-ranking law enforcement officer, yet you committed many offences, causing your descent into Hell. When alive, you expressed not the slightest sense of righteousness. For the sake of pursuing status and riches, you resorted to bribery, dishonestly amassing wealth and helping criminals to cover up their own crimes. You abused your power in order to live a promiscuous life. You often went to nightclubs; you were married yet you kept a mistress. You even convinced your mistress to seek an abortion. Yet you had the audacity to call yourself a Buddhist! What you did was a disgrace to Buddhism!"

Suddenly, the display began to depict scenes of the offender's unwholesome deeds. It showed him secretly signing illegal documents. It showed him taking other high-ranking government officials to nightclubs for entertainment. Then, when intoxicated, he would have casual sex with women in hotels. The display showed him betraying his wife with his mistress, forcing her to agree to an abortion, and eventually he was being killed in a car accident. He hurt both his wife and his mistress. The offender was then sent to the Hell of Burning Flame to be punished due to embezzlement through signing of illegal documents, corruption, as well as slandering of virtuous personalities for his own interests.

The King of Hell declared: "Your punishment in the Hell of Burning Flame is over - now you are sentenced to the Hell of Copper Beds for your acts of promiscuity, the Hell of Excrement for your sexual misconduct and keeping a mistress, and the Hell of Iron Mountains for instigating your mistress's abortion. But in your previous life, you were a kind-hearted and virtuous person. That's why you were blessed with fortune and power in this lifetime. It's a pity you were intoxicated with fame and wealth. Not only did you fail to show a shred of compassion, you broke the

law and committed crimes. Enforcement officer, take him immediately to the Hell of Excrement."

The offender resisted and struggled, but he was nowhere near as strong as the enforcement officer. Overpowered, he was dragged out of the Hall of the King of Hell.

The King then pointed at the other male offender to his left and said: "You - confess yourself."

The offender responded: "I'm not an offender from [Country X]. It was only when the enforcement officers brought me here that I realised that this was [Country X]'s Underworld. When alive, I practised Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door with my wife, but I didn't properly adhere to the Buddhist precepts. Behind my wife's back, I was promiscuous, using prostitutes behind my wife's back. I also collected money from other Buddhist practitioners. To everyone else, I appeared very keen to promote Buddhism and share it with others. But when I collected money from other Buddhists to perform life liberations for them, I would pocket some of it.

"I knew that this constituted 'shedding the Buddha's blood' by soliciting ill-gotten gains in the name of Buddhism. But as I only took a little money, I thought that it was alright, not to mention that I had been giving away Buddhist books and promoting Buddhism. I thought I was accumulating a lot of merits. Also, my family was facing financial hardship, so I thought the Bodhisattvas and Dharma Protectors wouldn't blame me. That's why I never gave it much thought. I amassed wealth in this way for two years without my wife knowing. I died suddenly, and afterwards, the King of Hell told me that everything I had done had been clearly recorded, such as the amount of money that I collected from fellow Buddhists every time we performed life liberation. I was taken to the Hell of Burning Flame, where my internal organs - my lungs, my intestines, my liver, even my heart - were burned so terribly that it created large holes in them. It was so excruciatingly painful - I couldn't help howling! Guan Yin Bodhisattva, I was very wrong - I know that now!"

While the offender wept, the King of Hell glared at him and said: "Despite your practice of Buddhism, you knowingly broke the law. So it's too late for regrets now! Guan Yin Bodhisattva has mercy on those who have descended to the Hell Realm, and she hopes that Buddhists in the human world won't repeat the same mistakes. That's why she allows the Heavenly Child to visit the Underworld and share what she observes with people in the Human Realm - so they can take a lesson from these accounts."

"Alright, you can go back now," the King of Hell told the offender. "After this article has been shared, I will write a formal letter to the Underworld courts of [Country Y] so that the merit accrued from this shared account can be used to reduce your punishment in the Hell Realm."

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

So you see, never take small misdeeds lightly, thinking they can do you no harm. It all piles up. These small misdeeds, when accumulated, can bring about your fall into Hell. Normally, retribution comes in the form of something like a fatal car accident. It's the quickest form of retribution when the person dies on the spot.

Everything she said is true; this is no joking matter. It will be too late to realise this after you die and the punishment is decided. Never collect money by illegitimate means or for personal use. Don't act rashly. Since Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door has been propagating Buddhism so well, do you know how many people are amassing wealth in the name of Guan Yin Citta? When you pay respect to your ancestors at the graveyards way up in the mountains during festivals like Tomb Sweeping Day, Winter Solstice, or the Zhong Yuan Festival, somebody may come over and ask: "Do vou want Little Houses? I can sell vou one for a few dollars." If they see you wearing the pendants of Guan Yin Bodhisattva on their necklaces, then they know you are followers of Guan Yin Citta. They will approach you and ask. But those people are making gains in the name of Buddhism and will end up in Hell. I hope that you will cultivate well.

## C19. Watching the Trials of Two Arrogant Disciples Who Illicitly Amassed Wealth, Quit Practising and Defamed Right Dharma

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (271), 8 December 2018

28 November 2018

#### **Question:**

On 27 November 2018, Guan Ping Bodhisattva instructed me to go to the Underworld to watch the trials of two disciples of Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door.

On that day in the Underworld, there were three Kings of Hell presiding over the trials. As the realm of the Underworld is vast, my description is brief.

One of the Kings is specifically responsible for dealing with Guan Yin Citta's matters. He is in charge of the great Hells and has delivered judgements over the life and death of beings from the Human Realm for nearly 1,000 years. He deals with any cases relating to the disciples of Guan Yin Citta, and any beings who are due to descend to one of the great Hells.

The second King of Hell manages the Underworld of [Country X], so any cases involving offenders from

[Country X], or beings to be reborn in the Human Realm or to be transferred to the lesser Hells are tried by him. I am told that the great Hells mete out punishments to offenders from all over the world, whereas the lesser Hells are country-specific, with trials heard by the Kings of Hell of their respective countries.

The third King of Hell is from [Country Y]. The Underworld of each country has its own telecommunication system, and so if there are cases involving offenders from other jurisdictions, the Underworlds will liaise with each other. Then, the offenders will be transferred to the Underworld of their respective country of residence. It is quite similar to the system practised by law enforcement departments in the Human Realm.

[Country Y]'s King of Hell pointed at one of the offenders, signalling for him to confess honestly.

Offender A said: "My name is [XXX] of [Country Name]. I am an overseas disciple of Master Jun Hong Lu, and served as an assistant in charge of one of the local practice centres when alive. I confess I was wrong! Guan Yin Bodhisattva, please save me - I know that I was wrong! With the constant swallowing of molten lava in the Unintermittent Hell, I had to bear the excruciating pain and had my entire body burnt to the core. I didn't listen to the Master, nor to my fellow practitioners' advice. I was wrong for amassing wealth by illegitimate means." The offender, crying incessantly, added: "Not only did I sell Little Houses, but also A3 and A4 portraits of the Bodhisattvas, Guan Yin Bodhisattva pendants, blessed prayer beads and Buddhist books. I collected travel money from fellow Buddhists on the pretext of supporting the Master's Dharma conventions, and I turned a deaf ear to the Master's advice that one must never conceive of any selfish thoughts and work for their own ends while performing meritorious deeds. As all the prayer materials distribution are meant for free at the Dharma conventions, I took the opportunity to collect them in large quantities."

On a display, the King of Hell began to show scenes of the offender queuing up to collect large quantities of free Dharma items. He packed them into large suitcases and brought them back to his home country, where he illicitly sold them to fellow Buddhists. He lied to each and every one of them that the proceeds would be donated to the Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door Headquarters for charitable purposes. The offender also used a computer to forge receipts from the Headquarters, cheating others by inflating the true amount of several thousands to hundreds of thousands.

Offender A continued: "On the surface, I appeared to be diligent as I constantly helped others, encouraging them to practise Buddhism and recite sutras. But in secret, I had a separate online account so that I could do business without others' knowledge. I remember a fellow practitioner once telling me that I was in one of his dreams – I was walking

downwards to a very dark place. He got through to the Master's radio program, prompting the Master to accuse me of illicitly amassing wealth. My fellow practitioner asked if that was the case, but I lied and denied it. I was even unhappy with the practitioner for notifying the person in charge of the practice centre. After I was reprimanded, I became angry and stopped practising Buddhism and reciting sutras. I didn't let my wife know because she was so devoted, so I pretended that nothing had happened. But in secret, I began to slander the Master and defame Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. Subsequently, I died of a heart attack. I once had a heart problem, but after practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door, I was cured."

The King of Hell began to show more scenes on the display. One showed the offender being protected by Bodhisattvas and Dharma Protectors while reciting scriptures. The foreign spirits occupying his body temporarily left him after receiving the *Little Houses* he offered. But after he quit practising the Dharma Door and reciting sutras, the disgruntled foreign spirits formed a patch of dark energy and entered his chest. I could even see a small black foreign spirit kicking at his heart constantly, which triggered a relapse of his heart disease that ultimately took his life. With its revenge taken successfully, the spirit left the dead body.

The King of Hell said: "Every injustice has its perpetrator, and every debt has its debtor. After taking their revenge, the karmic creditors will be brought back to the Underworld by the Black and White Enforcement Officers to wait for a review of their respective cases. The rules and regulations of the Underworld are very strict, and so the spirits will be punished if they fail to adhere and cause trouble in the human world. Every spirit is required to obtain approval before returning to the human world for revenge."

Offender A, still crying, said: "My wife was in the dark about what I had done. When I died, the King of Hell ordered the enforcement officers to cast me into the Unintermittent Hell for punishment. I howled and screamed in pain every day. My death caused my wife to think that Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door was not effective as it failed to save my life, so she quit the practice and stopped reciting sutras as well. Now I have nobody to help me ascend to a higher realm."

The King of Hell then pointed at the other offender, angrily demanding: "[XXX], confess yourself!"

Offender B, wailing in agony, replied: "My name is [XXX] of [Country Y]. I am also an overseas disciple of Master Jun Hong Lu. Master, I was wrong!

"I was one of the people most directly in charge of the practice centre in [Country Y]. I became arrogant and only have myself to blame for my ruin! Originally, I had ample worldly blessings, including my own business. As I had influence in my hometown, I helped many people to become spiritually awakened when I started practising Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. I even established a practice centre to propagate Guan Yin Citta with some local fellow

practitioners. I hoped that everyone in my hometown would be saved by the Buddha-Dharma.

"But because so many people were spiritually awakened with my help, I gradually became arrogant and started to disagree with my fellow practitioners over the promotion of Buddhism. I know it was my fault - I didn't properly follow the Master's teachings. I was wrong! When it came to cultivation, I focused only on my conduct - not on my mind. It was because of my worldly blessings that I didn't listen to my fellow practitioners' advice, and the gulf between us grew wider. One time, when attending a Dharma convention overseas, the Master pointed out my shortcomings straight away. I appeared to heed his advice but, in my heart, I remained defiant.

"Instead of doing an honest self-examination, I bore a grudge against my fellow practitioners over the incident. I left the practice centre and gradually abandoned my cultivation and sutra recitation altogether. It was then that my inner demons began to create mental obstructions and delusions. With other disillusioned practitioners, we ganged up and established a website called 'Anti-Guan Yin Citta – A heretic Buddhist cult'. I distributed leaflets and successfully convinced so many people to abandon their cultivation. Ultimately, I died in a car accident."

The King of Hell started showing those scenes on the display, and I saw the offender speeding in his car on a rainy day. Suddenly, the car skidded, and he lost control, smashing into a pedestrian island. The offender was

unconscious, but no other cars passed through on that night. It was not until the next morning that someone reported the crash to the police, and he was rushed by ambulance to the hospital. But as he was unconscious for so long while losing blood, all rescue efforts proved futile he was dead.

Crying, Offender B said: "When I died, the King of Hell sent me straight to the Unintermittent Hell to be punished. I know that I was wrong! I was very wrong!"

[Country Y]'s King of Hell said scathingly: "Pathetic! Because of a ridiculous reason, you quit your cultivation? That was your choice. But you went further, discouraging others from practising, and causing them to also commit grave offences. Guan Yin Citta is Right Dharma in Heaven and the Underworld. Ordinary people may not know it, but you were Buddhists who were already blessed by the Buddha and knew of the teachings of the Buddha. Can you seriously claim that you don't know about the Five Great Misdeeds and the Four Great Prohibitions? Defaming Buddhism and Right Dharma is considered one of the Five Great Misdeeds and the Four Great Prohibitions. It's no use weeping and crying before me now. The Underworld always metes out punishment according to the law. This Heavenly Child holds a decree from Guan Yin Bodhisattva, allowing her to watch the trials in the Underworld and to share her accounts with the human world. You will not be released from Hell until there are formal announcements from Heaven."

[Country Y]'s King of Hell ordered the enforcement officers to escort the offender back to his country's own Underworld courts. I then received the King of Hell's permission to return to the human world.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

Do you all see it now? I know all too well these two deceased disciples from the cases mentioned above, because I'm constantly in Heaven. I always receive the news about who's going to die, and it's my role to give blessings to save their lives. When I look into it, though, I know it's no use. Do you see yet? Time and time again, I have repeated that you must learn and practise well. And yet there are still people out there who continue to defame Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door! I've said repeatedly that Guan Yin Citta belongs to Right Dharma – it's passed down by Guan Yin Bodhisattva. If you don't want to learn then that's your choice, but why defame it? Those who do that clearly have issues!

Everything she said is true. Spirits must obtain the King of Hell's permission before they are allowed to return to the Human Realm. That's why people are in a vegetative state when they enter into a coma - because their spirit is in the Underworld. Without the King of Hell's permission, they cannot return. Even if they are given oxygen to keep them alive, they will remain in that vegetative state, but they won't know anything about it. Do you all understand? What's the point in making up stories? I've told you constantly to be very careful - but you don't listen. And once you die, it will be too late to realise it then. Do you think everything written down here is fake? You think somebody could fabricate such detailed depictions? It's no joking matter. All of these cases must be compiled into a book so that more and more people can become aware of what goes on in the Underworld. There are still so many people who don't realise what happens when they die.

### C20. Watching the Trials of Offenders Who Committed Perverted Sexual Misconduct, Drug Taking and Homosexual Acts

Excerpt from Master Lu's Q&A (272), 11 December 2018

3 December 2018

#### **Question:**

On 3 December 2018, I received an order from Guan Ping Bodhisattva to make myself available at the Hall of the King of Hell. As I arrived, three Kings of Hell were there waiting for me. After paying my respect to each of them, I stood to the side as usual to watch the trials. Kneeling before them were two offenders with badly charred bodies. They had been transferred from the Hell of Copper Bed.

The King of Hell responsible for the Underworld of [Country A] pointed at the offender at the back who was quivering, and said: "When you were alive, you were a high-ranking government official. You are guilty of sexual promiscuity - of having casual intimate relations with movie and TV celebrities and women working at entertainment outlets. You were addicted to drinking, smoking and drugs, you frequented brothels, and you never behaved as an upright government official should. Even when you died, you continued to act as though you were still in the Human Realm, behaving provocatively before me and going wild with rage. Every being, whether famous or obscure, rich or poor, powerful or powerless, is never above the law. All beings are subject to the same punishments in accordance with the laws of Heaven and the Underworld.

"Now, give your account of your punishment in the Hell of Copper Bed, so that this Heavenly Child may write it down to serve as a warning and a deterrent to future generations in the Human Realm. People with high government positions are endowed with great blessings, and as such should serve the people well. But if they do wrong and commit crimes, they will receive the same punishments in Hell as any other. If those in the Human Realm commit acts of harsh speech, make up stories or defame virtuous government officials, bear in mind that it's always regarded as a severe deed of verbal misconduct. The Underworld keeps track of it all and metes out punishments according to the severity of the deeds committed."

Offender A said meekly: "After I died, I was dragged off by the Underworld's enforcement officers who were very strong and powerful. When alive, I was a man with a sturdy and strong build, but I was no match for them. I was on a dark and narrow path, and the surroundings were eerily quiet. Not long after that, I could hear many woeful cries in the distance ahead of me. Confused and scared, I followed the cries until we reached a tall, ancient city gate.

Guards were waiting at the front of the gate, who opened it and dragged me through. I realised quite quickly that it was the Hell of Copper Bed, where offenders who indulged themselves in sexual promiscuity were punished.

"I was taken directly to a platform full of iron spikes. I wouldn't call it a 'bed' because there was no mattress - just a solid, iron platform with large, sharp spikes protruding from the surface. I saw a label in front with my name and the name of my country on it. The thought of lying on the iron bed was unbearable, so I struggled. But a badtempered enforcement officer picked me up and pressed me down onto the bed forcefully, and I let out a booming cry. The pain was excruciating and unbearable as, in an instant, hundreds of iron spikes easily penetrated my back."

Crying constantly, the offender continued: "When alive, I was pampered - how could I endure such hardship? I wailed and screamed with the pain, and soon lost track of how long I had been lying there. Suddenly, my mind was filled with lustful thoughts, and I could see the scenes of all of my promiscuous acts. That was when raging flames started to flare up from underneath the bed, which made the spikes that were embedded in my back become red-hot. My howls became even more terrified, and I began to wish that I would simply lose consciousness to avoid the torture. But it was no use: I realised there was no way to escape from the iron bed, whose red-hot spikes were now several inches deep in my burning flesh. I felt such remorse! If only I had known that Hell really did exist, I would never have committed those acts of sexual promiscuity with women. Hell is truly a place of unimaginable torture and pain!"

Next, the King of Hell responsible for the Underworld of [Country B] pointed at the offender kneeling at the front. He demanded: "Why did you take drugs? Why did you have homosexual relationships with several men? What you did was absolutely revolting. Do you realise that homosexual acts - men with men, and women with women - are grave violations of the law of nature? The Underworld regards and records it as acts of perverted sexual misconduct, and we are incredibly strict about these types of misdeeds. All the way back to our ancient past, males are considered 'yang', and females 'yin'. But today, you people in the Human Realm are utterly depraved. Even sexual misconduct between men and women attracts severe punishment, so just imagine what awaits this kind of obscenity! The Underworld will not tolerate such debauchery, which is why the duration of punishment for this type of misdeed is double that of mere sexual misconduct. You have been transferred here so that our Heavenly Child can warn people in the Human Realm that Heaven and the Underworld have no tolerance whatsoever for homosexual acts."

My deep gratitude to the Master.

#### Master Jun Hong Lu's reply:

I have told you before that Buddhism forbids homosexual relationships, which is true of many other religions too.

Even for an ordinary married couple, too much sexual activity is considered sexual misconduct - not to mention homosexual acts! So everyone must always be careful not to act recklessly. Bodhisattvas in both Heaven and the Underworld keep a keen eye on us. Rather, I hope you all work hard. Do not assume that things you do not know, or have never encountered, will not happen to you. Some people even fail to realise they have broken the law until they are arrested by police.

# Part D

# The Law of Karma

## D1. Sea Creatures: All Sea-Related Disasters Stem from the Karma of Killing

1 October 2018

In September, I received a mental image. Along a coast where a sea disaster was about to occur, a few gigantic lobsters – all about seven or eight storeys high – arose from the depths of the sea. Each lobster was wearing a breastplate and holding a flag in one of its claws. It's quite a bizarre sight!

Still, the lobsters were awe-inspiring. Beneath them were countless numbers of deceased sea creatures, including big deep-sea fish, other lobsters, crabs and the like. They harboured an overwhelming level of resentment for the humans who caught and killed them.

The lobster generals held onto their flags with composure, as though they were awaiting orders. Suddenly, the lobsters started spinning, and spinning, and continued to pick up speed. The weather began to change, and multiple storms were brewing directly above. A devastating tempest started to charge towards the coastal cities. Roaring winds and raging waves howled and crashed across the sea. The deceased sea creatures saw it as a chance for revenge. They rushed into the city, bent on wreaking havoc and destruction. They attacked cars, boats and even buildings that were submerged in water.

On a different beach, another sea disaster was about to occur. Many more gigantic crabs – these ones around ten storeys high – emerged from the sea. They stood in a line, with swarms of deceased sea creatures beneath them. Their eyes stared towards the nearby city.

I received a message from them: "This is a city that developed and prospered from the killing of sea creatures. Heaven has already given humankind enough land and crops to grow the food required to fill every stomach, and yet, to satisfy your craving, a huge number of sea creatures are caught and killed. As sea creatures, the fury that we are feeling can no longer be contained. Whenever the collective negative karma of this area has accumulated to a certain degree and the time is ripe, we will unleash our wrath upon you in the form of sea disasters."

Just minutes later, the gigantic crabs stretched out their claws in unison and began to lash the surface of the sea. The ground beneath them shook, creating in an instant an enormous wall of water that raged towards the city. The gigantic crabs rode atop the waves, leading the deceased sea creatures to begin their charge. With their fury and the might of the waves, the buildings and cars in the city were levelled.

And yet, amid my shock at the sight, the scene disappeared.

## D2. Bodhisattva: Having No Attachment to This Mortal Life Paves the Way for the Pure Land

23 October 2018

I received a message from the Bodhisattva:

"Humans are managed by Heaven and by the Underworld. If someone performs no wholesome deeds but instead accumulates unwholesomeness, they are destined to fall into the Lower Realms. One must follow Guan Yin Bodhisattva diligently and cultivate their mind and their behaviour carefully. Guan Yin Bodhisattva delivers benefits to all sentient beings in the Six Realms of Existence, this is due to the power of her great vow that had reached its fruition countless kalpas ago. She shines light upon sentient beings, helping them to be liberated from suffering and to attain happiness. One must never be deluded by, or obsessed with, the things of the Human Realm. It will only make the world even more saturated with greed, hatred and ignorance, pushing people's minds into depravity. In fact, everything in this world is empty by nature.

"Your Master, Jun Hong Lu, has already attained Buddhahood in Heaven. In the future, he will be able to bring you all to the Buddha's Pure Land. As disciples, you should have no doubts about Guan Yin Citta Dharma Door. If you are able to be reborn in the Pure Land and attain great bliss in the future, that truly is a blessing.

"You have no idea what will become of the world in the future. Stop being obsessed with fame and wealth, as there is nothing you can gain from this world."

## Postface

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