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Eightway Freedom

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- With a determination to achieve aim, high tall
 For the benefit of sentiment beings, all
 which surpasses even the high ful-filling gem,
 Dear at all times, may I hold them.
- Whenever I interact with any one
 May I view myself, amongst all, as lowest one
 And from very depths of my heart
 Hold others with respect as superior, great.
- In all my deeds may I probe my mind
 As soon as emotional afflictions arise in mind
 As they endanger myself and others in any front
 May I strongly confront them and avert.
- 4. When I see beings of character unpleasant Oppressed by strong suffering and negative intent As they are by rare to find, May I hold them dear As if have discovered a jewel treasure.
- When others out of Jealousy and hate towards me Wrongly abuse, slander and scorn me May I take upon myself, defeat And offer others victory, treat.
- 6. When some one, I have helped whom When some one, I have placed great hopes on whom He treats me in extremely hurt full ways May I regard them as my precious teaching always.
- 7. In brief may I offer benefit, joy, happiness all Both directly and indirectly, to my relatives all May I quietly take on myself hurts all And pains from my relatives all.
- May all this remain unaffected at all
 By the stains of eight mundane concerns all
 All may I, recognising all things as illusion
 Being devoid of clinging be released and attain liberation.

EIGHT WAY FREEDOM

I. Wishing well for everyone

To others well being, let me intend To be of service to others, let me extend.

II. Holding others high

Let me place myself low So that I can grow, know and glow

III. Purifying own mind

Let me observe, witness my mind Removing negative feelings, let it be harmonious mind.

IV. Offering positive for negative

When anyone hurts me Helpful let me be.

V. Victory and defeat

When aggressiveness attacks me As humble receiver, let me be.

VI. Pain as reward

Really temporary are pain and gain Let me absorb the pain and self-peace; attain.

VII. Joy and bliss

Let me offer all the gains Let me receive all the pains.

VIII. Liberation

Good, bad all let me release Being free in liberation let me be at ease.

> THIS IS THAT THIS (LIBERATION) IS THAT (LIGHT)