

DB 04: Spiritual Teacher -- Homework

Class I Homework July 8, 2019

1. Choose and set-up your meditation space ~ ideally, it will be clean, private, and peaceful, an environment that is conducive to sitting quietly and looking at your mind.
2. Sit in meditation for 10 minutes five days during the next week. Begin each session by setting your motivation and end with a dedication. Spend the rest of the session in watching the breath.
3. Make a list of 10 skills that you have learned in your life. For which ones of them did you benefit by having a teacher?

Class II Homework July 15, 2019

1. Read "Practicing Guru Devotion", pages 4-12 in the readings.
2. Sit in meditation for 10 minutes five days during the next week. Begin each session by setting your motivation and end with a dedication. Spend the rest of the session in watching the breath.
3. Make a list of the qualities you look for in a qualified teacher.

Class III Homework July 22, 2019

1. Continue the online readings, "The Kindness of the Guru", pages 13-24.
2. Sit in meditation for 10 minutes five days during the next week. Begin each session by setting your motivation and end with a dedication. Spend the rest of the session in watching the breath.
3. List five qualities of an unhealthy teacher-student relationship.

Class IV Homework July 29, 2019

1. Finish all the readings for this module.
<https://kadampa-center.org/sites/default/files/SpirT%27erRdgs0307.pdf>
2. Sit in meditation for 10 minutes five days during the next week. Begin each session by setting your motivation and end with a dedication. Spend the rest of the session in watching the breath.
3. What are some of the problems that can arise in a teacher-student relationship? How can they be avoided?