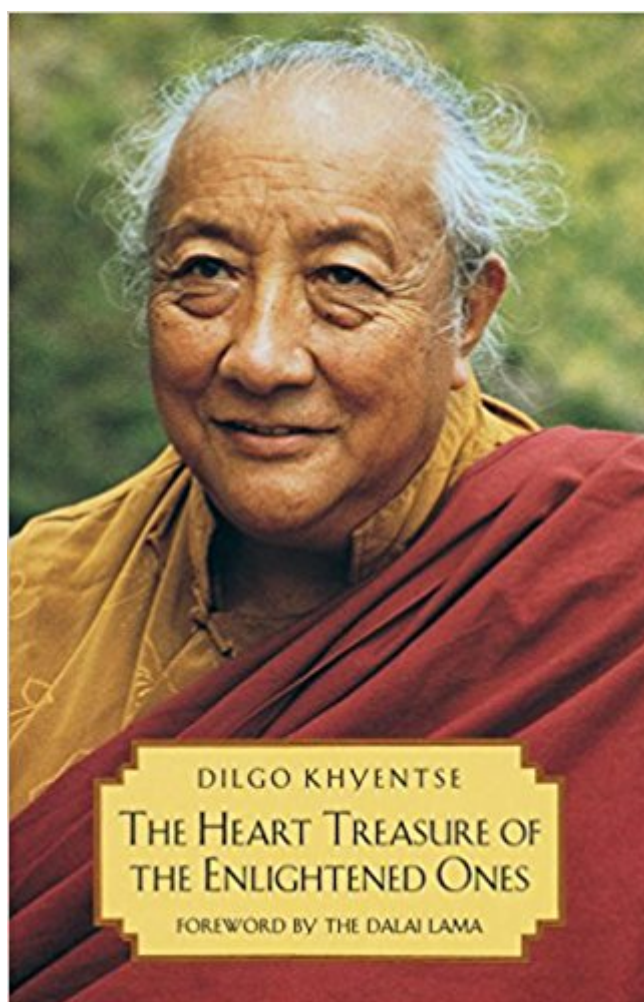


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The Heart Treasure Of The Enlightened Ones: The Practice Of View, Meditation, And Action: A Discourse Virtuous In The Beginning, Middle, And End





Synopsis

In this book, two great Tibetan Buddhist masters of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries challenge us to critically examine our materialistic preoccupations and think carefully about how we want to spend the rest of our lives. At the same time, they provide practical guidance in following the Buddhist path, starting from the most basic motivation and culminating in the direct experience of reality beyond the reach of conceptual mind. The root text is a teaching in verse written in the nineteenth century by Patrul Rinpoche, one of the outstanding teachers of his day. In the accompanying commentary, Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche (1910–1991) a lineage holder of the Nyingma school and one of the great expounders of the Dharma in Europe and North America expands upon the text with his characteristic compassion and uncompromising thoroughness. Patrul Rinpoche's fresh and piercing verses combined with Khyentse Rinpoche's down-to-earth comments offer a concise yet complete examination of the Buddhist path.

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Patrul Rinpoche (1808–1887) was one of the greatest Tibetan teachers of the nineteenth century. Famous for his precise and direct style, he shunned high monastic office and lived the life of a homeless wanderer, writing his book in a rustic hermitage under an overhanging rock.

This book is written by two Tibetan masters. There is the text, then the commentary. The essence of this book is that while you are busy making plans for the future, Death is coming, so you had better give up everything and do your Tibetan Buddhist Practice. In this way, you gain a favourable rebirth, instead of an unfavourable one. The original text in Tibetan is also included, which is good. The text talks about all three vehicles: the Hinayana, Mahayana, and Vajrayana.

I bought this book from a suggestion of a Tibetan Master. I'm glad I did. It's a real gem. It is easy to read and easy to understand. You don't have to be a Tibetan Buddhist scholar to understand or benefit from the wisdom contained within these pages. This book is great for the beginner or the seasoned practitioner. The book is a commentary of Patrul Rinpoche's "The Heart of The Enlightened Ones". It begins with the commentary but also contains the root text of Patrul Rinpoche's writing. There is a short biography included of Patrul Rinpoche and also of Dilgo Khyentse. That was a real treat! Also included are a section of notes, a bibliography and an index. The root text contains the Tibetan script as well as the English translation. This book is a real treasure. We are so fortunate to have great masters translated into English. Dilgo Khyentse explains the importance of Chenrezi's six-syllable mantra [Om Mani Padme Hum (page 58)], as well as the importance of intention in regards to action (page 66) and how to handle wrongdoing and accumulated negativity (page 68). This book is full of great instruction, explanations of Tibetan Buddhism, and wisdom. This book is a must read for anyone who is serious about practicing Tibetan Buddhism. It's great to get back to the basics of practice. I will definitely come back to re-read this book again. Once is simply not enough!

This commentary on a root text of the Kaygu tradition is precise, lucid and potent, revealing methods of deepening Dharma practice and transmitted by a bodhisattva of unending kindness. Om mani padme hum.

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A good addition to any practitioner seeking guidance, knowledge, and the words of enlightened master, Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche.

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