

晉・佛圖澄算者 (續)

Venerable Buddhacinga of the Jin Dynasty (continued)

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我若此生有遺憾的事,那就是:如果「國家存心佛法,建寺度僧」:建造寺廟,鼓勵百姓出家修行,「當蒙福祉」,那麼這個國家的人民就會有福,國家安寧。

「而布政暴虐。特違聖典」。 但是陛下你施政暴虐無度,大 大與聖人的教化相違背,國家 很快會遭難的。

「**尋即坐逝」**:說完這話, 大師就很快端坐入滅。

大師入滅。「後有僧見澄 入關」。有個僧人呈報皇帝 說,他看到佛圖澄大師向西入 山,離開關中而去。

「以聞。季龍發塚。唯塊 石存焉」:石虎叫人把大師的 墳墓打開檢查,裡面空空如 也,只有一塊石頭。

簪曰:

石氏之暴 如猛虎嗔 師胡爲來 乃作厥賓 現百千光 實以行仁 來同水月 去若幻雲

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If I regret anything in this life, it would be: "if a ruler of a land cherishes the Buddhadharma, establishes monasteries, and aids people to join the monastic order, blessings and well-being will prevail.

However, if a political reign is tyrannical, its leaders violate the teachings of the sages." But, Your Majesty, your governance is excessively tyrannical, greatly contradicting the teachings of the sages.

The country will soon face disaster.

Shortly after he said this, Master Buddhacinga sat upright and passed away.

The Great Master entered stillness. Later, a monk said that he saw Buddhacinga entering a pass. A member of the Sangha reported to the emperor, saying that he saw Great Master Buddhacinga headed west into the mountains; he left Guanzhong plain and was gone.

When the emperor heard this, he had the Master's burial site excavated; all that was found in the grave was a large stone. Shi Hu directed people to dig up Great Master Buddhacinga's grave. It was empty except for a big stone.

A verse in praise says:

Emperor Shi Le was as fierce

As a raging feral tiger.

So why did the Master choose

To be a guest of the emperor?

His display of hundreds of thousands of light rays

Was, in fact, evidence of his humaneness.

He arrived like the moon appearing in water;

He moved on like illusive clouds drifting across the sky.

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