

#### Complete Buddhist Path of Enlightenment

Developing the wish to attain liberation

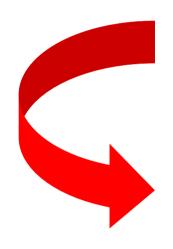




Recap of what we have learnt on the Path to Enlightenment under Initial Scope

#### 1.1 Stages of Path – actual practice







Those who seek mainly world happiness (initial scope) –See 1.1A

Those who seek attainment of full enlightenment (Great scope)

Those who seek liberation from Samsara (intermediate scope)

#### 1.1A Stages of Path – actual practice







Those who seek mainly world happiness (initial scope)

Finding happiness in this life only

Striving for a better rebirth in upper realms in future lives

(thru' practise of LAMRIM) – See 1.2

## 1.2 Overview of course – Passport to rebirth in upper realms







Striving for a better rebirth in upper realms in future lives (thru' practise of LAMRIM)

#### Understand and meditate on the following topics:

- □ Our precious human life
- ☐ Going for refuge

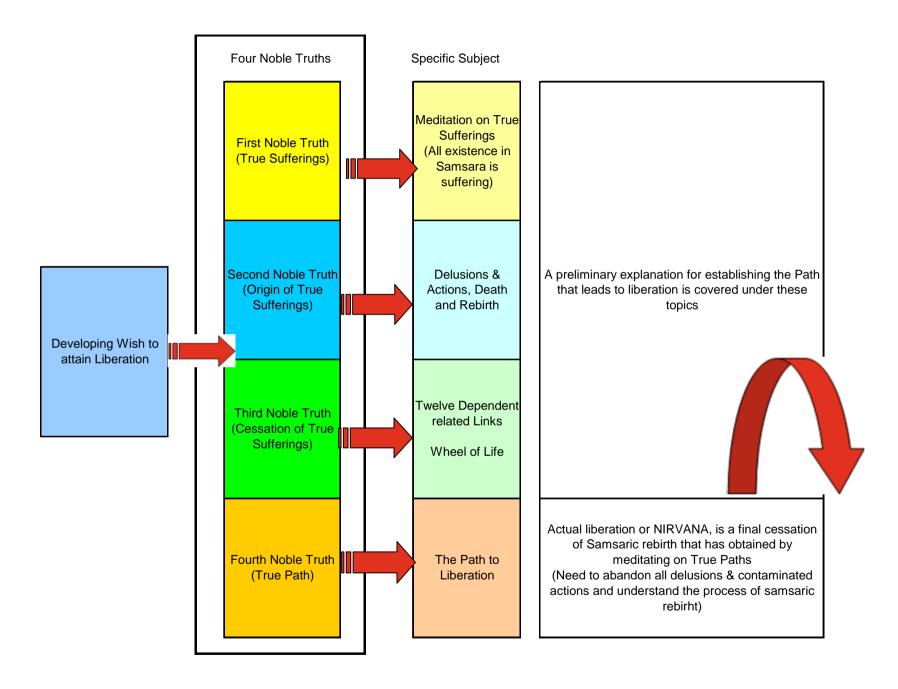
Meditation on Death

- □ Karma
- ☐ The Sufferings of Lower Realms





# What Dharma talks are covered under Intermediate Scope







# An overview of the intermediate path to enlightenment

#### 3.1 Liberation Vs Enlightenment

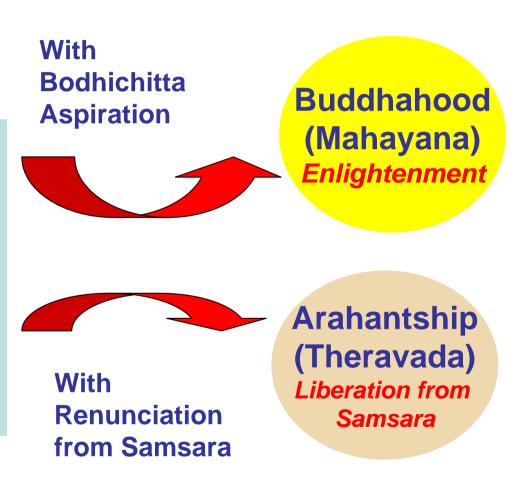


Practicing 3 higher stages of:

**Morality / Virtues** 

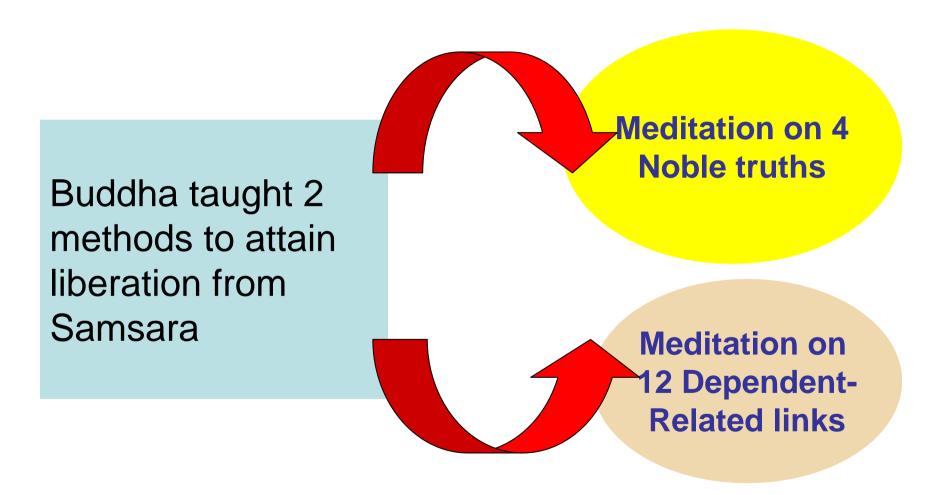
**Concentration** 

**Wisdom** 













# Benefits of Renunciation from Samsara

## 4.1 Benefits of practicing the intermediate scope



✓ We abandon Samsara

(Definition of Samsara please refer to 4.2)

- ✓ Attain permanent inner peace
- Completely free from sufferings, fears and their causes

And this is real liberation

## 4.2 Definition / Understanding of Samsara



- 1. The Sanskrit word *samsara* means "journeying."
- 2. It is a cycle of birth, death, and rebirth.
- 3. Process by which karma causes rebirth.
- 4. To understand Samara, important to know about:

the <u>six realms</u>, rebirth, karma, and <u>nirvana</u> or the liberation from the <u>suffering</u>.





### Understanding Samsara using Chandrakirti's analogy of a water well

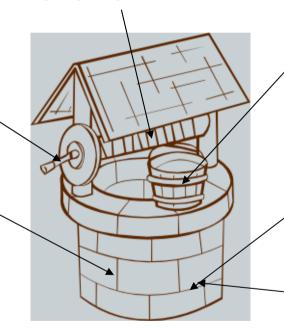
Chandrakirti— a renowned Indian scholar who was born in the early seventh century. He is the author of <u>Introduction to the Middle Way</u> and other key works of the <u>Prasangika Madhyamika</u>. He was a disciple of <u>Nāgārjuna</u>

#### 5.1 Chandrakirti (600c-650) analogy of Samsara



Bucket moving up the well shaft depends on Operator..... just like ripening of karma which beings has no control over them

Bucket get knock from side to side of "well shaft" on way up and down....just like beings up and down Samsara realms Windlass rotate by Operator... just like beings toss around in Samsara due to Karma



Bucket bound to windlass by rope just as living beings are bound to Samsara

Bucket down the well shaft will be quick and ease like beings moving down lower realms

For beings to move up to higher realms need effort like lifting the bucket up the well shaft





#### Developing renunciation from Samsara





Purpose of this meditation?



To develop the realization of renunciation – the spontaneous wish to attain liberation from Samsara, the cycle of contaminated rebirth







If we remain in Samsara, cycle of contaminated rebirth, suffering and problems will never cease....we shall experience them over and over again each time we take rebirth







In itself, our human rebirth is a true suffering; it is precious and valuable only when we use it to train in spiritual paths







Object that is forsaken by the mind of renunciation is "Samsara", and Samsara does not exist outside ourself.

We cannot become liberated merely by abandoning our possessions, becoming monk or changing our lifestyle.



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