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General Douglas MacArthur's Revelation of His Having Attained the Dao

Preface¹

This is the transcription² of General Douglas MacArthur's revelation of his having attained the Dao. The ceremony was held at the Shun Te Temple on the evening of November 12th, 1979 which was a hundred days after the General, then an immortal of space³, had received the Dao with the assistance of his benefactor, Master⁴ Wang.

Transcription

A lifetime's honorable achievement passes away like the flow of water.

Nothing is left except a reminiscence of the reading of which will cause all men to be moved to grieve.

This world was awe-struck by my brilliant manifestation.

My merits and demerits became recorded history.

¹ This pamphlet has been converted to an online format by Happy Buddha Precious Temple. In the process, we edited the text to correct any errors, changed the spelling of words to maintain consistency throughout, and added footnotes to provide explanations where needed.

² The revelation was transcribed during a "sandwriting" ceremony in which the spirit or spirits write words in a sandbox through two mediums (one holding the writing stick and the other announcing the words that are written).

³ An "immortal of space" is also known as a deva or saint of temporal heaven.

⁴ Transmitting Master

The clouds and the rain are within my easy grasp, and I hold the command over life and death.

A great general's fame is founded upon the decaying bones of the millions he has killed.

An upright, loyal and matchless patriot only kills those who are wicked and evil.

I am the Ruler of Space, Kuan Yuen Chang, bestowed with the honor of our Heavenly Mother's imperial edict, to bring to the altar of Shun Te Temple, Mr. MacArthur, now bestowed with the title of The Noble Guard of the East, to pay respect to our Heavenly Mother and to have him release to you virtuous men and women, his depictions and comments on his reminiscence. I shall now withdraw and have The Noble Guard of the East begin his revelations.

Amidst the tumultuous fury of war, I guarded the frontiers.

A clamorous row prevailed as the war hastened on.

Exceedingly great was the war involving the entire world.

It was extremely painful and sorrowful to perceive the killing of humans as being regarded as a trifling matter.

Everyone, big and small, put forth their full strength.

Everyone, regardless of rank was alarmed and perturbed.

The full complement of the three forces was dispatched.

Bombs and cannons were discharged ceaselessly.

I, The Noble Guard of the East, MacArthur, have the honor to receive with reverence the imperial edict from our Heavenly Mother to proceed to the altar of Shun Te Temple in attendance to his honor, Kuan Yuen Chang and to pay respect to our Heavenly Mother, our Distinguished Teachers and my Gracious Benefactor. I shall also bow and send my regards to all of you spiritual ones who are present at this temple.

Holding the pen with excitement while feeling nervous at heart, I shall tonight reveal and narrate a little of my life history.

I was born in the United States of America and I held the post of General of the army.

I fought in both world wars.

I was appointed Commander in chief of the United States Army Forces in Asia.

I have had the experience of battling through wars both great and small.

I was always mentally alert and dared not be idle for a moment, as a word of command from me determined success or failure.

Initially, I was Chief of staff and High Commissioner of the Philippines.

China and Japan were at war for eight long years.

The Japanese soldiers invaded Pearl Harbor.

War was declared between the United States of America and Japan to determine which nation had the greater power.

The American forces attacked with atomic bombs.

There was a great number of casualties and deaths in the Japanese city of Hiroshima.

The war ended with the surrender of Japan.

I went to Japan to receive the surrender document.

With my appointment as Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers, my troops occupied Japan for some time.

After the war ended there was a short period of peace.

Not too long afterwards China fell to communism.

Both South Korea and North Korea became battlefields.

I was then appointed Commander in chief [of the forces in Korea].

The democrats and the communists were in tough competition.

There were heavy casualties and deaths in both armies.

Millions of heroes were buried in the battlefields.

There came from China a battalion of bold soldiers who were very skillful in strategy.

To talk about them now, I can still feel myself shudder, as they charged on with fiery violence.

My soldiers fought and pushed straight on to the Yalu River.

The Russians and the Chinese joined forces in North Korea while the Americans were assisting the South Koreans.

I wanted to take this opportunity to invade China's territory and drive their forces back.

At that time I was inspired by that strategy because it would enable me to easily exterminate the North Korean army.

Victory was imminent.

However, an order was received from my superiors in Washington which obstructed my victorious attack.

I was therefore unable to achieve a victory to my satisfaction.

Excessive consideration on the part of my superiors in Washington impeded the undertaking.

It was fated that the event should end that way.

No matter how intelligent or capable a person is, he is unable to oppose fate.

Fate alone selects those who will meet with calamities.

Regretfully, I retired from the army.

Peacefully and leisurely I returned to my homeland.

The anxiety within me to fulfill my ambition was thus halted.

Without the strength to restore the national prestige of my country, the desire of my heart was not attainable.

With profound enthusiasm, I had wanted to fight for peace in the world.

This anxiety to save the world brought heartfelt tears.

The human heart cannot be as peaceful as the mountains and the oceans.

There is no peace in the world because the course of events is comparable to breakers—before one wave subsides, another is advancing.

Similarly, before one war is over, another war has been declared.

All these years of war became a struggle for nothing.

Besides the pitiful losses of lives and property, the most sorrowful were those who were severely wounded and crippled for life.

When Vietnam fell into communist hands, her countrymen suffered great distress.

War and misfortune had now spread to another nation.

The state of affairs in the future will be even more disastrous.

The world will be in a state of anarchy and the hearts of men will become extremely complex and reckless.

In the future the state of affairs in Asia will be even more chaotic.

Even if people are clever as the hare or sly as the fox, they will still be slaughtered like innocent lambs.

The leaders of all those nations are dabbling with politics as though they were playing with fire.

A little carelessness on their part could quickly bring about the destruction of those nations.

A third world war is unavoidable.

Compared with the first two world wars, it will be the most devastating.

Nobody is capable of predicting the drastic changes that will take place in the world situation.

Worldwide, there will be endless wars.

From these wars, fate will allow only three out of every ten human beings to escape disaster.

The wars will also destroy every scientific creation.

Fortunately, the Dao has been simultaneously disseminated to save the world.

The world has now evolved to the “White Era” during which will emerge spiritual teachers endowed with the Heavenly decree (mandate).

Unfortunately, I lived my life through an untimely and insignificant period.

Thus, I had no affinity for contact with the Dao or opportunity to observe its teachings and principles.

Being born in the Occident, my chances of attaining the Dao were impossible.

All of you present have the affinity to be born Orientals.

The Dao originated in Asia.

Although I ascended to space as an immortal (a saint of temporal heaven) upon my death, I was unable to return to Heaven without the kind aid of a human benefactor.

My passage from space to Heaven was dependent upon my gracious benefactor, Master Wang, who had so kindly enabled me to have an audience with our Heavenly Mother.

My benefactor’s graciousness is as high as the mountains and as vast as the oceans.

This great act of spiritual aid will never be forgotten.

If Master Wang, my benefactor, has anything to ask of me, I will always be ready and willing to render my services to repay his kindness.

If my benefactor should meet with any difficulties, he need only call my name three times and I will definitely rush to his assistance.

For many years I have been following him very closely.

There was not a day when I was not at his side, assisting him in the expansion of his career and endeavors.

Unknown to him, all his undertakings have been successful because of my protection.

My benefactor and I had a very strong attachment in a former life.

In my former life, I was born in the British Commonwealth.

I was the Foreign Ambassador to China.

My benefactor was China's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Because of our national intercourse, we developed a strong and uninterrupted friendship.

Later on, a rebellion broke out in China and my benefactor had to hide away from the rebellious cabal.

Unable to find a proper hiding place, my benefactor was very worried.

At that time, I resigned from my post and returned to my homeland immediately.

I brought my benefactor and his entire family home with me to remain permanently in England.

That portion of cause and effect has been repaid in this life.

My benefactor has now removed me from the cycle of rebirth.

I have been hoping that he will come to my homeland to propagate the Dao.

I have been seizing every opportunity to secretly assist in the propagation of the Dao.

During this current period named the "Third" or "White Era," if a person does not establish any merits or perform any good deeds, his name will not appear in the "Book of Merits of the White Era" in praise of his achievements.

All of you virtuous men and women who are present at this temple have the affinity to assemble here tonight.

All of you have established profound religious merits and possess roots of virtue that are thick and firm.

To hear about and obtain the Dao is not an ordinary matter.

We should all grasp every opportunity to extend the propagation of the Dao and to cherish the thought of saving the world by sailing the Boat of Compassion.

Every immortal of space is anxiously longing to obtain the Dao.

Their hopes are as vain as those of one who stretches his neck to catch a few drops of water from a dry spring during a drought.

Having obtained the Dao so easily, you may not realize its true value.

You must be careful not to lose or forget the Dao as easily as you have obtained it.

You should all take advantage of the opportunity to establish yourselves in the propagation of the Dao.

Meritorious service is dependent on each individual's willpower.

I wish each and every one of you a great future to be able to ride with the wind and break with waves—that is, to have high spiritual ambitions and to follow the path of the Dao.

I shall now turn to my benefactor to inquire if he has anything to request of me.

Every task he gives me will be carried out obediently and in complete detail.

[Master Wang, the benefactor, replied: “Now that you have obtained the Dao, you must do your best to help with its propagation.”]

My master, what you have just said is too polite.

I will definitely do my utmost to help with the propagation.

Wherever propagation of the Dao beings, you have only to call my name and I will definitely be there to assist you.

The transmission of the Dao to the beings of the three realms⁵ is a very important matter which will enlighten the whole universe.

How can I afford not to perform my very best to assist in this matter?

Upon receiving any instructions from my master, I will never decline even though it may cost me my life.

I shall stop here and depart. Let me pray with reverence to thank our Heavenly Mother, our Great Teachers and my Gracious

Benefactor. To all present in this temple, I would like to bid a fond farewell.

⁵ Humans, devas (spirits of temporal heaven), and spirits of the underworld.