Tara Institute Study Group 2007 - 'Aryadeva's 400 Verses'

DISCUSSION

BLOCK: **1**WEEK: **9**17TH APRIL 07

20th February: - H/W #1

1. What were the Buddha's skilful means for a) combating and overcoming strong desire [2] and b) subduing the minds of those afflicted with anger? [2]

27th February: H/W #2

2. Give the definition of a delusion. [2]

6th March: H/W #3

3. Why is attachment hard to recognize as a fault, and why is it easier to overcome anger? [2]

13th March #4

4. Anger arises from the initial dislike of an object and subsequent exaggeration of its faults. What fundamental mistake is made even before this occurs? [2]

20th March H/W #5

5. List any 6 characteristics of a person who is habituated to desire. [3]

27th March – H/W #6

- 6. Give the definition of patience. [1]
- 7. In a worldly context, anyone who does not retaliate when they feel innocent of the criticism and abuse from others would be considered foolish and very stupid. What would the teachings advise? Relate a practical example. [2]

3rd April - H/W #7

8. What is Samsara? [1]

10 April - H/W #8

9. Discuss the perfect conditions for overcoming samara. [31