

5) Give the text of Master Dignaga's famous opening statement. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

6) Give the definition of valid perception. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

7) Describe very generally the meaning of the term, "person of valid perception."
(Tibetan track give Tibetan word for this person.)

8) What are the three main methods for a normal person to determine that the Buddha is totally correct about the very deep teachings He gave? (Tibetan track give the one name for the three, and explain in English.)

a)

b)

c)

9) Name and describe briefly the three "ground rules" for interpreting the Buddha; that is, for deciding that something which Lord Buddha said was meant only figuratively, and not literally.

a)

b)

c)

10) What does a person have to know in order to be all-knowing?

11) What evidence do we have that the Buddha is "unerring"?

12) The last of the four reasonings of the forward order involves great compassion. What is the difference between great compassion, holy great compassion, and just compassion?

13) Name three reasons why the Charvakas believed that the mind died when the body died.

a)

b)

c)

14) Explain the meaning of "material cause." (Tibetan track students give Tibetan for "material cause.")

15) Why can't the cause of your mind at birth be living physical matter? (Tibetan students give Tibetan for "living physical matter.")

16) Why can't this cause be outside physical matter? (Tibetan track give Tibetan for "outside physical matter.")

17) If this cause is mind, why can't it be the mind of someone else? (Tibetan students give Tibetan for "mind of someone else.")

18) What is the basic principle underlying Master Dharmakirti's arguments in favor of past and future lives?

19) Explain why the mind of a normal person at the moment of death crosses into another state of mind of a similar type.

20) Give the three parts for Master Dharmakirti's main proof for future lives. (Tibetan track in Tibetan with English translation.)

a)

b)

c)

21) Name and describe the three types of the eighth link of the chain of dependence from the Wheel of Life. (Tibetan track name in Tibetan, describe in English.)

a)

b)

c)

22) The key to why craving triggers your existing karma at the moment of death is how it focuses upon yourself. Describe the four levels of focusing upon yourself, and explain which ones can trigger this karma.

a)

b)

c)

d)

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