

Communities of Practice

Sunday Check-In #39

Giving

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11 July 2021

**Sorry for interrupting
your beautiful discussions**

**The session will begin
at 11 AM sharp :)**



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AGENDA

- 11am: Welcome, Check-In & Dharma Talk
- 11:10 am: Community Breakout Groups and Discussion
- 11:25am: Feedback and Dedication of Merits
- 11:30am: Informal Chat for those who have time

**the audio only of this session will be recorded*



Purpose of Sundays' Check-In Sessions

- Develop a reflective practice in response to changes
- Cultivate thoughts, words and actions that are guided by humanistic and Buddhist values and wisdom
- Build communities and friendships



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Pause & Reflection

- Short breaks for some self-care

Humanistic Values

- Kindness, compassion, joy, equanimity, affinities, equality, patience, gratitude, humility.
- Self compassion, anger, jealousy, guilt
- Connecting hearts, pure hearts, beautiful place, harmony

Sessions' themes

- 5 hindrances: sensory distraction; ill will plus restlessness;
- Dharma is everywhere
- Discipline, bodhisattva vows, forgiveness, paths to awakening, taking refuge, five precepts, Bodhisattva Precepts, living kindly, freedom from freedom, **giving**

Mindful Check-in



GIVING

CoP, July 11, 2021



Levels of Giving

UNCONDITIONAL
GIVING



Discussion for today

What have we done for others?

How do we give of ourselves to others?

*Let us now reflect on our own mode and
language of giving.*



Breakout Check-In's (about 15 minutes)



Check-In

Get to know one another

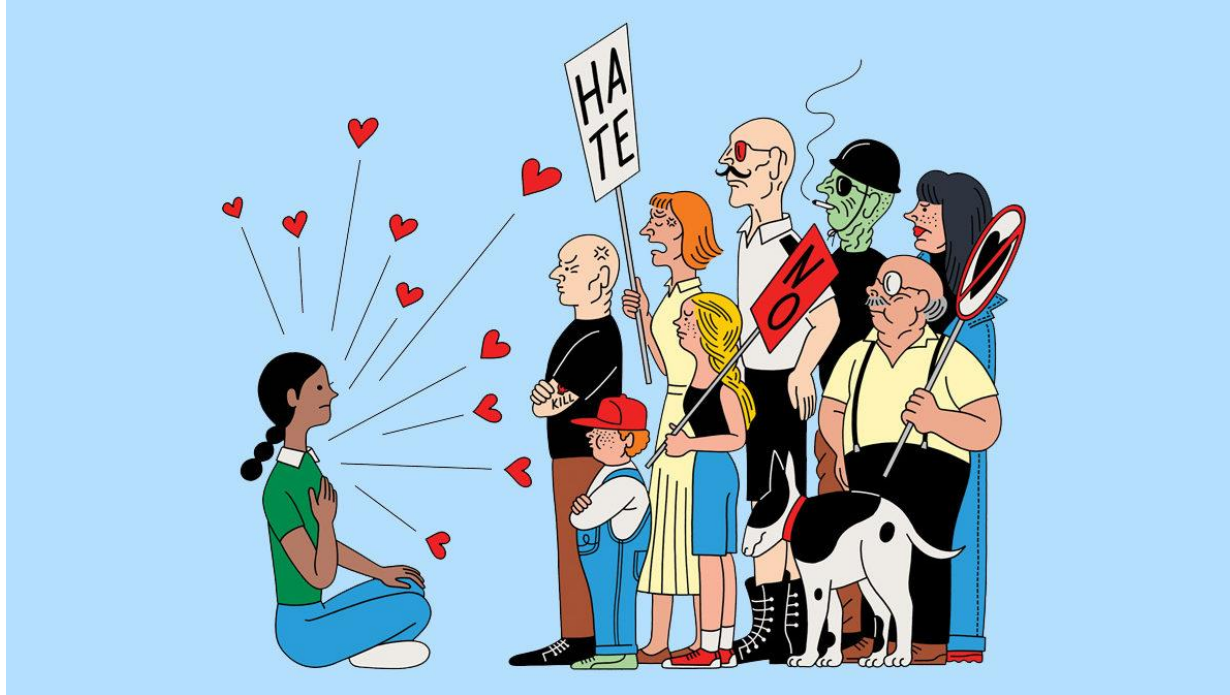
Agree

Agree on a topic to discuss

Listen

Allow everyone time to speak

Metta



May you be filled with
loving kindness
May you be well
May you be peaceful
and at ease
May you be happy

A gentle reminder that we are all practicing our loving kindness, so let's speak kind words and listen with a loving heart

Thank You

Any questions or comments: email@thebbep.org

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Check-Out

May kindness, compassion, joy and equanimity pervade all worlds

May we cherish and build affinities to benefit all beings

May Chan, Pure Land and precepts inspire equality and patience

May our gratitude and humility give rise to great vows

Venerable Master Hsing Yun



Buddhism in the Sea of Islands Webinar

15th July (4:00PM - 5:30PM AEST) and every 3rd Thursday until November

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The Perfection of Wisdom (online)

20th July (Tuesday) 7:00PM - 8:30PM AEST



Based on *Astasahasrika Prajñāparamita Sutra (The Sutra of the Perfection of Wisdom in 8000 Lines)*, this workshop will explore these questions: What is the nature of our experience? How will understanding the true nature of what we experience help us to better function in today's world?

Register at: <https://buddhistlibrary.org.au/events/the-perfection-of-wisdom/>

See you again on **18th July 2021** at 11 AM

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