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Ten Practices and Vows of Samantabhadra Bodhisattva

At that time, Samantabhadra Bodhisattva, Maha-sattva, having praised the excellent virtue of the Tathagata, said to all the bodhisattvas and Sudhana,

“Good men, as for the virtue of the Tathagata, if all the Buddhas of the ten directions expounded con-
tinuously for kalpas as numerous as the minutest of dust particles in inexpressibly inexpressible numbers of Buddha lands, this virtue could not be fully described. Those wishing to accomplish the methods of this virtue should cultivate ten expansive and great practices and vows. What are the ten?

The first is to pay homage and respect to all Buddhas;

The second is to praise the Tathagatas;

The third is to extensively cultivate making offerings;

The fourth is to repent and reform karmic obstacles;

The fifth is to rejoice in virtue;

The sixth is to request the turning of the Dharma wheel;

The seventh is to request that the Buddhas remain in the world;

The eighth is to always study with the Buddhas;

The ninth is to constantly accord with sentient beings;

The tenth is to universally dedicate all virtue.”