



Asian Classics Institute

The Wisdom of Arya Nagarjuna
Course One: The Eight Invisibles
Class 6—Starting to Come & Go
Quiz

1) Buddhism says that there are two ways to prove things: either use iron-tight logic; or reference a source which is undeniably authoritative. We know that in his 27 Examinations, Nagarjuna is obviously an indisputable disputator. But what does Choney Lama have to say about scriptural authority and *Wisdom*, here at the end of the first examination?

2) Just a final question about the first chapter of *Wisdom*, before we move on to the second. One of the synonyms for a self-existent thing is “a thing which exists through some nature of its own”; to put it briefly, anything which is “natural.” Choney Lama says that—for things to be “natural” in this sense—they have to have three different qualities. Name them, and then give an alternate expression that would mean the same thing as “natural.”

3) Now Nagarjuna has another problem! Although he’s comfortable with saying there’s a part of a path that we have already walked; and a part of a path where we have yet to walk; he’s not sure about the path where the *walking* is being done now. Explain!