

## The Devil Debates an Angel

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Homework, Course Four: Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Getting Your Life to Work* City \_\_\_\_\_

*In a World that Isn't What it Seems*

### Class Two: The Canyons of Understanding (verses 78-86)

1) Things may be an illusion, but things do work. And when something works, it's because something else causes it to—so things depend on their causes to happen. Explain though the difference between an apparent cause and a real cause, in the example of a car starting because the key was turned in the ignition.

2) His Holiness repeats that “things happen, but only from the mind; things fade, but only from the mind.” Explain, in terms of a partner showing up in our life.

3) Explain what His Holiness means when he says that “the reflection of the moon of wisdom appears in the still water of emptiness.”

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4) Why does His Holiness keep calling emptiness “the mind as it really is?”

5) How do the words of His Holiness’ own poetry actually *work* to bring us understanding? Why does he compare these words to an echo in a canyon?

*Coffee shop assignment:* Please meet with at least one other person—or better, a group of people—whom you didn’t know well before this teaching; do your homework together and discuss together any questions you have. Please write here where, when, and with whom you did your homework:

*Meditation assignment:* 15 minutes early in the day, and 15 minutes later in the day, think of something you want in your life; then make a list of the apparent causes for it, and a list of its real causes.

Please write here the two times that you started these meditations (homeworks without these times will not be accepted):