If Einstein's Wrong, Problems Disappear

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This is an argument which occurred one time between Wisdom and her opponent, whose name was The Tendency to Think that Things are Real. It all started when Wisdom was identifying what the word "Mahamudra" meant, at three different stages in a person's life: in the way things normally are for them; in the way they are as this person practices the spiritual path; and as they are when the person reaches the fruit of their practice.

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I bow down to my Lama, Angel of Angels.

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१८:सेट्रनङ्क्ष्र्यास्ट्रायाम्बर्दित्। १८:द्रिट्ट्रस्येट्रन्ट्रस्यःवयायःहे। १८:सेट्रनङ्क्ष्रस्यःसःसःसुट्टःस्ट्रीस्

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If one were to find in a meditation That I was something that didn't exist, Then that would damage me, because I can't not be here and be here too.

But until such time as a person reaches A meditation where they conclude That I'm not here, then their view of things And mine are not in contradiction, And they could never hurt me at all.

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Some other people reflect upon how There are no edges or middle To the emptiness of space; And then they meditate on this, Mixed with the mind itself.

And they think this is the view Where things are just like space; They think that this is the meditation Where things are just like space.

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I can't imagine why anyone Would think that thinking that space Has no edges and no middle Would somehow be incompatible With my continued presence.

As far as the fact that the mind Has no edges and no middle, The reason we see no edges there Is simply because the mind Is not a physical thing!

|८.ल.प्रेथ.त्र्यःच्यींभ्यःविजी |८.ज.प्रयाःतमःत्राःचींभःय। |८.थ्र.श्रुषाःतमःत्राःचींभःय।

> 116 And so I continue My delightful dance, Here within the mind.

If you think that something can stop me When it cannot even touch me, Then quite mistaken you are.

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Some people believe in yet another version Of what it means to meditate Upon the way things really are.

They say that when a thought pops up You should simply focus upon it: Watch as it makes its arrival, Stare at how it looks.

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And when this thought then slips away, All of its own accord, Understand that this is nothing less Than a Buddha's body of reality.

The more random thoughts you have then,
The more reality bodies you have—
So why make effort to try to stop
Random thoughts in your meditation!

This they claim is the practice Of transforming things into The body of reality.

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Seeing that your random thoughts
Are not a physical thing,
Understanding that our mind
Is not a physical thing,
Is not a point of view that stands
In any way opposed
To the way that I consider things.

To claim then that you could use this
To drive me from the mind
Is nothing but a joke,
Much less saying that it's a way
To see the reality body.

नियात्राम्यक्षेत्रान्त्र्य्यात्र्यम् । निर्म्यात्र्यात्रम्यक्ष्यात्रम्यक्ष्यः । निर्म्यात्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्ष्यः । निर्म्यात्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः । निर्म्यात्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः स्थात् । निर्म्यात्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः स्थात् । निर्म्यत्त्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः स्थात् । निर्म्यत्त्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः । निर्म्यत्त्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः स्थात्रम्यक्षयः । निर्म्यत्त्रम्यक्ष्यः सर्म्यक्षयः स्थात्रम्यक्षयः ।

Some do a perfect analysis
On the fact that things
Are neither one nor many;
They use it to seek a thing
And find that it's not there—

But this is just a meditation Upon the major premise, And not upon the proposal That there is no I that exists.

Then meditate on that.

It does not contradict
The way in which I see things,
And it isn't a meditation
On why there is no me.

|यःयसःगडेमःदरःतुःत्रयःग्रेस। |८८८:यसःसःहेटःयःपेःतुस। |सेटःयममसःरसःयःहेमःयःपेस।

|८:वै:क्रे:वर्त्व:क्षुक्षःचर्यक्षकःवर्या |पर्क्षेक्षःय:वे:प्पट:क्षःप्येव:दवावा |पर्क्षेकःग्री:क्षेत्र:दवावा:क्षःप्येव:वेटः। |८:द्रदःवर्द्धव:क्षुद्धःवर्द्धःक्षे:ववाव्या

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Some do an analysis
On the fact that things
Are neither one nor many,
And again find nothing's there.

But what they think
To themselves then
Is that there is no I,
Because it is nothing more
Than something labeled with a name;
And then they meditate on that.

This though is a meditation
On what a thing is not;
It is not a meditation
Upon its very absence—
And it's not therefore a thing
Which directly contradicts
The way that I see things.

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How on earth can you imagine
That you could expel me from this mind
Unless you found a viewpoint
Which stands in direct opposition
To the way that I see things?

How could you ever meditate Upon wisdom so long as you Had yet to inflict any damage on me?

निःयः विवासः यः विवः नुः वर्श्वेस्य। निः वेः क्षें दः यः क्षेत्रः वर्श्वेसः विश्वा निः यः विवासः यः विवः नुः वर्श्वेसः विश्वा निः यः विवासः यः विवः नुः वर्श्वेस्य।

Some again do an analysis
On the fact that things
Are neither one nor many,
And find that nothing's there.

They say that then they're meditating On the fact that the me Is simply gone; But even in that moment, They are living in this me.

निनि सेंद्र हिन्कुर कर्र्या निर्देश्य प्रति सेंद्र प्रस्ति। निर्देश प्रति सेंद्र प्रस्ति। निर्देश प्रति सेंद्र प्रस्ति। निर्देश प्रति सेंद्र प्रस्ति। निर्देश प्रति सेंद्र प्रस्ति।

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People like this are wandering Further and further from emptiness; They fail to grasp that emptiness Is the fact that they themselves Have no nature of their own.

Emptiness is standing there Right in front of their eyes, But they can't comprehend Why it is it's empty; And in that very moment The wisdom which could serve As my antidote slips from sight.

If the antidote is missing, How could I ever be hurt? The only choice I'd have then Would be to remain right here!

|भूज्यायाश्च्याप्तरात्त्र्यायाः |प्रश्चप्तरात्त्र्यात्त्र्यात्त्रः |प्रश्चप्तरात्त्र्यात्त्रः |भूज्यप्तरात्त्र्यात्र्यात्त्रः |भूज्यप्तरात्र्यात्र्यात्त्रः

|भ्रम्थःसमःचल्याःसदःयाम्ब्राःस्टुन्।

125 Some others do a much more careful Analysis of the fact that things Are neither one nor many.

First you analyze, they say, And then you meditate, they say, In a way where you simply suspend Your mind from any opinion of things:

Focus your thoughts on nothing at all; And then, they claim, You have reached some deep meditation.

What a strange idea it is
To think that if you managed
To think of nothing at all,
It could somehow contradict the way
That I conceive of things.

If a meditation can't be considered

The kind where you discover
That there's no I at all,
Then sure then you can give it
Some deep and fancy name,
But the fact's that it doesn't even
Approach a view that could hurt me;

This thing that you believe To be a meditation on wisdom Is nothing more than a joke!

विष्यात्राचित्रान्दःनुःच्यःची।

|न्धनःयश्रमःक्षेत्रःनेःधःधेरः।

|द्यार्थःविश्वःच्यार्थःधेरःयःधी।

|देवार्थःविशःहेशःन्यवानिःधेःदी।

|क्षुदःयःदेशःह्यःयःअह्रसःयरःवर्हेव

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Still others do an analysis
Of the fact that things
Are neither one nor many,
And manage to come up
With nothing at all.

They thus conclude that the I
Is nothing that is real,
And then they stay in meditation
As long as they possibly can
On the flow of the logical
State of mind
They used to make this conclusion.

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And this, they claim,
Is what it is
To do a meditation
On the way things really are.

Now everbody knows
That the mind is something that belongs
To the deceptive side of reality;
So what they're really saying
Is that meditating on the deceptive side
Is meditating on the absolute side.

Ho ho! It's a weird sort of wisdom When you're meditating on me, And making me your best friend!

|याय्यस्याद्धेयाः प्रदेश्यस्यः स्वास्यः स्वास्यः स्वास्यः स्वासः स्वासः स्वासः स्वासः स्वासः स्वासः स्वासः स्व |प्रदेशः प्रदेशः स्वासः स्वासः

> 129 Others do an analysis Of the fact that things

Are neither one nor many, And based on this reasoning Come to an understanding That the I is nothing real.

They believe that staying in meditation On the flow of these kinds of thoughts Is a meditation upon The way things really are.

> But there isn't any difference Between this and the position We just described above; And it really is absurd To say that it contradicts The way that I see things.

In fact it's really nothing else
Than a meditation on me;
How on earth could you ever call it
A meditation on wisdom?

|यायमान्नेनान्द्रम्यमान्नेम| |द्युन्यवेःह्रम्यायायमाद्रहेन्द्री| |यदेद्रायसामेन्यसाद्रम्यवेःस्री

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Now others do an analysis
Of the fact that things
Are neither one nor many,
And based on this reasoning

Perceive that the I Is nothing that is real.

They fail to understand
The simple absence of things
Where they themselves are gone,
And for their meditation
They seek some other emptiness
That they can focus on.

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People like this are uniquely Far from emptiness; They possess a state of mind Which holds emptiness itself To be a thing that's real. Thus their meditation is

In fact meditating on me.

Now perhaps you can give it some thought And decide whether or not this practice Is an antidote which contradicts The way that I see things!

निःषेःकुः अळवः देः ह्रेः व। विद्रास्याधेन्यस्याधेन्यस् विद्रास्याधेन्यस्याधेन्यस्य विद्रास्याधेन्यस्याधेन्यस्य विद्रास्याधेन्यस्य स्वर्णाः विद्रास्याधेन्यस्य स्वर्णाः

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The reason why this is the case
Is that they fail to understand,
And are seeking some kind of emptiness
Which exists in some other place
Than the fact that they don't exist.

There may be lots of people around Talking all kinds of big talk,
But the fact is that they are very few
Who know how to meditate
On the fact that the I's not there.

विश्वास्त्रम्थित्रः मुद्रम्थः स्त्रीयः स्त्रीयः

। ক্রুব 'অ'ই' দ্বব' মধ্য ম' মহ' মহ'ব ইব। । ক্রুব 'অ'বার্ম মান্তর্ম মান্ত

And there are others
Who do an analysis
On the fact that things
Are neither one nor many,
And based on this reasoning
Come to an understanding
That the I is nothing real.

Then they meditate
For as long as they possibly can
On the flow of how these thoughts
Consider things to be.
This they claim is to meditate
On the way things really are.

|म्बिक्यः प्रस्ताक्ष्यः व्याप्तः विदः। |दः व्यवदः सुदः चदः मिर्वदः स्वेदः स्वाप्तः विदः। |स्विकः प्रस्तः मिर्वदः स्वाप्तः विदः।

These folks are a little bit better
Than all those other ones.
They do, I admit, manage to inflict
Some little damage on me,
But how in the world could they ever
Smash me totally?

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|सुटार्धिर्क्षम् शर्यस्य व्याप्त हेत्र त्या |टर्सि सुर्यापि स्त्री सु लिटा |टर्सि सुर्यापि स्त्री हिला है। |द्रि सुर्यापि स्त्री स्त्र

And why is that the case?
The state of mind that thinks
"That's me" comes up in us
Based on nothing more
Than the collection of our parts.
And when it looks at this "me,"
It believes it exists in truth.

निःस्वरः यदेवः यः यदेवः वहेवः योवा निःस्वरः वेवः यः यदेवः वेवः योवा निःस्वरः स्वरः यः यदेवः स्वरः योवा स्वेः यः यः यदुः यरः पुः यद्वरः। निकः स्वेयः सेरः यदेः सेरः यदः यहणा

This kind of real
Is to believe things are real
This kind of grasping
Is to grasp things as real
This way of appearing
Is to appear as though real—

And it follows us all the way on up

To the tenth bodhisattva level. It goes as well by the name Of "an obstacle to omniscience."