Is a Perfect World Possible When People Want Opposite Things?

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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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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!

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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.

|२:व्यःवाद्यस्यः व्यव्यक्ष्यः यः चेर। |विश्वः यः गुद्रः हृतः व्यद्यः यः व्यव्यव्यः व्यद्देत। |तृत्रः हृतः वर्ष्क्षेत्रः व्यः व्यव्यव्यः वर्देत। |५:६:५:विश्वः स्वः व्यव्यक्ष्यः व्यव्यव्यः वर्षेत्रः व्यव्यव्यः वर्षेत्रः व्यव्यव्यः वर्षेत्रः व्यव्यव्यः वर्षेत्रः व्यव्यव्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्षेत्रः वर्षेत्रः वर्येत्रः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्षेत्रः वर्षेत्रः वर्यः वर्य

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!

|यात्रसाम्बेन।न्दःनुत्यस्त्रीस् |न्धुन्यदेःह्नम्सायस्यःहेन्द्री |न्दुन्यस्येन्यस्यस्यस्यायी |देस्यतेस्यन्यस्यस्यस्य |यत्रस्यस्यस्यस्यस्य

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.

नियास्याम् स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित् स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित्रस्य स्वाधित

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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?

विःयश्वाद्वेषान्दःनुः न्यः श्वेषा विद्वाद्वः म्याश्वाद्वः स्विः द्वेषः स्वेतः द्वेषः विद्वाद्वः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः द्वेषः स्वरः द्वेषः विद्वादः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः द्वेषः विद्वादः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः स्वरः विद्वादः स्वरः स

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.

|गठियाः हुः सूर्रः हिन् क्वरः क्षत्र।
|सूरः यः यने वः यहेवः सूर्यः ययायः यः यो।
|रः प्रदः यहेवः सूर्यः ययायः यः यो।
|रः प्रदः यहेवः सूर्यः ययायः यः यो।
|यहेवः सूर्यः यहिनः प्रदः स्था

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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!

|ने'भे'कु'सळंब'डे'ब्रे'व।
|ब्रिंन'स्ट'सेन्'स'स'कीं'वर।
|ब्रेंट'हेन'बुर्-'तुंपठंथ'वर्थ'से|
|प्रिंचें'कु'वे'के'भट'दुट'।
|र्नेंब'थ'ट'सेन्'वर्बेंस'य'हुट'।

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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.

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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.

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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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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.

निःश्वरःयदेषःयःयदेषःयदेषःभेषा निःश्वरःवेषःयःयदेषःवेषःभेषा निःश्वरःश्वरःयःयदेषःश्वरःभेषा भिःश्वरःश्वरःयःयदेषःश्वरःभेषा भिषःश्वरःयःयदेषःश्वरःभेषा भिषःश्विरःश्वरःयःयदेषःश्वरःभयः

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."