

Studying Chinese Scriptures is the Only Way to Establish the Roots of Our Culture

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Great Grand Master Chang, the chairman of the Board of the World I-Kuan Tao, Madam Chen, Deputy Chairman of the Board, the supervisors, the distinguished guests, great grand masters, great masters, masters, friends, good morning to you all.

Today, we are celebrating the Examination for Scholars in Studying Chinese Scriptures and the Centennial of the Chin-Kung-Tsu-Shih Receiving Tao, which is sponsored by the World I-Kuan Tao. Your participation in this event certainly made the activity even more meaningful. I would like to express my utmost gratitude to you all.

The Chinese Scriptures are broad, profound, and present significant meanings. They not only record all sages lifetime learning, but also contain ample philosophy, which guide us to in-depth understanding on the theory of virtue. The various Scriptures include: The Chinese Four Books and the Five Classics, the Holy Bible, the Indian Buddhism, etc. all have been translated into different languages in wide circulation. Therefore, studying Chinese scriptures not only can enlighten the human wisdom, it can also influence one's dignity and righteousness. Moreover, it is hidden in one's soul that embodies such assets. Thus, studying Chinese Scriptures is the only way to establish the roots of our culture and the most effective method.

From the first generation of Grand Master through each successive generation of great grand masters, they have devoted their mental and physical energies in promoting the Chinese culture, to rectify social customs, to restore innate knowledge and ability, with their ceaseless efforts and contributions. Despite unusual and recurrent social problems, we would endeavor to promote rationality, to cultivate personality; to expand knowledge, etc. to study Chinese Scriptures is one of most practical way to go further. Currently, all Taiwanese divisions of the I-Kuan Tao have not only promoted the studying of Chinese Classics, but preserve the Chinese cultures, as well as to uphold the moral principles and ethics. This event indeed teamed up brilliant youths of Tao family from all over the world to participate in the general examination of Studying Chinese scriptures and to endeavor the religious duties and responsibilities. It is a meaningful and valuable event. We hope these youths can through studying the Chinese Scriptures awaken a heavenly virtue and revitalize a pleasant civilization. With this event, we sincerely wish it could develop a tradition of studying Chinese Scriptures, and bring real peace and happiness to the world.

Thank you to all divisions, masters, and seniors as well as youths of Tao family around the world for joining this event. My appreciation and gratitude to you all.

Best wishes to:

A perfect and successful event, physical and mental well-being, and delightful bliss and happiness.