

Five Spiritual Poisons & the Sixth

(The Summit Lighthouse)

Five Dhyani Buddhas

According to the teachings of Tibetan Buddhism, there are “five poisons” that are of ultimate danger to the soul’s spiritual progress. These are counteracted by the wisdoms of the Five Dhyani Buddhas, who provide the antidote for each poison.

There is also a “sixth poison”, which is *Fear, Doubt, Non-Belief in God*, and *Non-BEing*. The antidote for this poison is the *Wisdom of the Will of God*.

Poison	Antidoted by
Ignorance	Vairochana’s All-Pervading Wisdom of the Dharmakaya
Anger, hate and hate creation	Akshobhya’s Mirrorlike Wisdom
Spiritual, intellectual and human pride	Ratnasambhava’s Wisdom of Equality
The passions—all cravings, covetousness, greed and lust	Amitabha’s Discriminating Wisdom
Envy and jealousy	Amoghasiddhi’s All-Accomplishing Wisdom, the Wisdom of Perfected Action