# The Purpose of Dao (Tao)

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## The Purpose of Dao $(Tao)^{*1}$ is:

## 敬天地,禮神明

- 1. To venerate the Heavens and the Earth.
- 2. To worship God<sup>\*2</sup> and revere the Zhu-Tian-Shen-Sheng<sup>\*3</sup>.

## 愛國忠事,敦品崇禮

- 3. To be patriotic, loyal, and responsible.
- 4. To be of virtuous character and uphold the Rules of Propriety.

## 孝父母,重師尊

- 5. To carry out the filial duties to one's parents \*4.
- 6. To honor and respect one's teachers and elders.

#### 信朋友,和鄉鄰

- 7. To be faithful to friends.
- 8. To live harmoniously with neighbors.

#### 改惡向善,講明五倫八德

- 9. To rid oneself of bad habits and evil, and to pursue good thoughts and deeds.
- 10. To expound upon the Five Bonds of Human Relationships \*5 and the Eight Cardinal Virtues "

#### 闡發五教聖人之奧旨

11. To preach the main principles of the founders of the five world religions.

### 恪遵四維綱常之古禮

12. To obey and respectfully practice the Four Ethical Principles \*7, the Three Mainstays of Social Order \*8, and the Five Constant Virtues \*

#### 洗心滌慮,借假修真

- 13. To cleanse the mind, purify the soul and eliminate unclean thoughts. 14. To cultivate one's true-self \*10 by utilizing untruths \*11.

## 恢復本性之自然, 啟發良知良能之至善

- 15. To recover one's original Buddha-nature \*12.
- 16. To continually develop one's innate wisdom and natural abilities until perfection is achieved.

#### 己立立人,己達達人

17. To establish and reach one's own goals and to help others do so.

## 挽世界為清平,化人心為良善

- 18. To transform the world into a peaceful, honest, and orderly society.
- 19. To enlighten the minds of people and enable them to return to a state of benevolence. 冀世界為大同
- 20. By pursuing this path, to bring the world into a state of equality, fraternity, harmony, welfare, and justice - the World of Da-Tong (Dah-Torng)

\*1. ~ \*13. Please see the Glossary of Yi-Guan Dao (*I-Kuan Tao*).

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