

THE BUDDHISM OF THE SUN: ILLUMINATING THE WORLD  
**The Five Eternal Guidelines of the Soka Gakkai**  
**Parts 1–5**

**Notice Regarding Lecture References for October 2016–February 2017**

The October 2016 through February 2017 *Living Buddhism* installments of SGI President Ikeda’s study series “Buddhism of the Sun: Illuminating the World” will feature lectures on the Five Eternal Guidelines of the Soka Gakkai. Each installment will focus on one guideline, starting with “Faith for a Harmonious Family” in the October 2016 issue.

In each of these lectures, President Ikeda highlights three passages from Nichiren Daishonin’s writings and offers key guidance regarding each guideline.

Given that the material succinctly conveys Sensei’s most recent thoughts about these five guidelines in a straightforward manner, in discussion with the national leaders, we will not be publishing reference material for the next five installments.

Please use the “pointers” and general references boxes below to help you prepare for your monthly lectures through February.

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**—BASIC POINTERS FOR PREPARING A STUDY LECTURE—**

- Read the lecture several times through.
- Make note of the title of the lecture—often the key message is conveyed in the title.
- Make note of the opening section(s) of the lecture—the key points are often included in the opening.
- Are there terms or concepts that need explanation?
- What are some key points to emphasize in the lecture?
- How does Sensei connect the Goshō passage with key aspects of the specific eternal guideline?
- How do these key portions and correlating points connect to our lives today?
- What are some possible questions that might come up?
- What points do you want members to go home with?

**—General References—**

Go to [www.nichirenlibrary.org](http://www.nichirenlibrary.org) to access the most up-to-date information:

- ⇒ *The Writings of Nichiren Daishonin*, vols. 1 & 2
- ⇒ *The Soka Gakkai Dictionary of Buddhism*
- ⇒ *The Lotus Sutra and Its Opening and Closing Sutras*
- ⇒ *The Record of the Orally Transmitted Teachings*