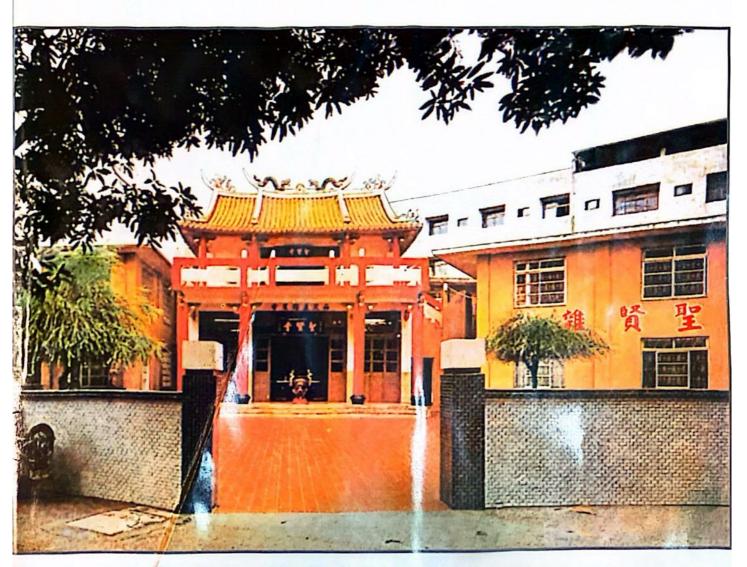


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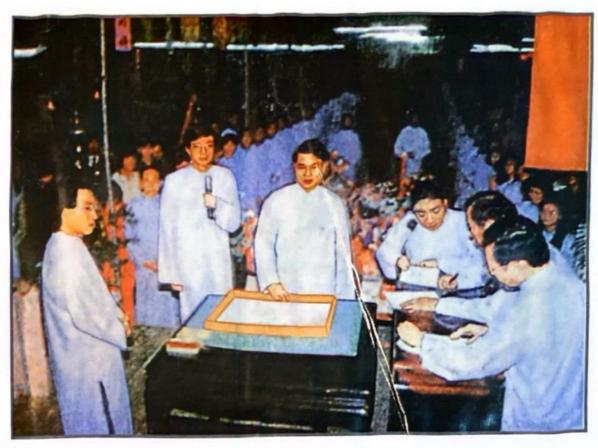
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- the result of the Deity Jigong bringing the Soul of Mr. Yang Sheng, a leading planchette handler of Sheng Xian Tang, Taiwan, to visit Hades on instruction of The Jade Emperor Yu Huang Da Tian Zun.
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PREFACE

The purpose of rendering this book in the English language is to enable English educated people, especially of chinese origin, to understand what happens to one's soul after death. If a percentage of readers can realise that it pays to do more good deeds, when still alive, then our humble attempt is achieved.

This is not a religious book in any sense, and in no way belittles any religion - indeed it encourages readers to continue practising religious beliefs of their own choice.

What is Hades? Join us in 'Journeys to the Underworld' and find out what awaits us there.

The original version was in the Chinese language, but why should only Chinese educated readers benefit from it? Hence this English version. It is hoped that, eventually, versions in other languages will be published so that everyone can try to do more good than evil; then only, will this world of ours be a better place to live in - Hell will then be less crowded and Paradise will receive the virtuous, like readers of this Book, with doors wide open.

This Book is published for FREE distribution. The expenses for printing has been voluntarily met by individuals without any ulterior motive. Our thanks are also directed to the teams who had involved in printing and re-printing this book from 1980s till now.

This is the first English language version of comic illustrating the situations in Hades. It is easier for people and youngsters to comprehend the complicating situations based on comic illustration.

Please pardon if there is any mistake found as almost 2 years of effort had been put in to complete this book based on my best understanding of the original Chinese version.

Anonymous (Singapore) 16th May 2010

INTRODUCTION

This book, in Chinese 'Di Yu You Ji', was originally issued in the Chinese language and was the result of Deity Jigong bringing the soul of Mr Yang Sheng, a leading planchette handler of Sheng Xian Tang, Taiwan, to visit Hades on instructions of the Jade Emperor. The Jade Edict was issue on the 15th Day in 8th Moon (8th September, 1976) with the express intention of helping and saving human beings.

The visits were completed in 62 journeys, the first being made on the 16th Day of the 8th Moon (9th September, 1976) and the last on the 26th Day of the 8th Moon (30th July, 1978).

The details and conversations of each journey were written in Chinese character on the planchett board during planchette session held in Sheng Xian Tang - the words were read aloud and record ed on paper for compilation - a very tedious and time consuming process. The visits were generally made at night time.

As this Book is intended to benefit as many people as possible, please help to recommend this book to your friends and loved ones. Special thanks dedicated to Lee Teik Chong from Kuala Lumpur who had translated this book in 1982 and edited by Mr Tang Eng Teik in 1985.

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK (Given by Jin Que Zhu Mi) On 13th Day of 4th Moon in 1978 (19th May 1978)

This Book Di Yu You Ji was written according to the Directive of the Jade Emperor. The language is very simple but has profound meaning. This Book serves ascetic practitioners as well as those who have the intention of leading good and meaningful lives.

If any mistake is found in this Book, it is due to oversight. It should not be the reason to belittle this Book.

This Book is the fruits of two years of hard work put in by Saints and human beings and it reveals some of the secrets of Hades. The laws, regulations and extent of punishment there, are now made known to human beings. This is a sort of alarm bell to warn and help everyone. I hope you will read it patiently. In this way you can understand and eventually evaluate the contents of this Book.

This Book is the result of combined efforts of Heaven, Hades and human beings on Earth. Its merits are equally shared.

The following categories of people will also earn merits: Those who print the Book for distribution, irrespective of

- ii) Whether they help to print
- iii) Whether they ask people to defray the cost
- iii) Whether they read the Book and explain the benefits to others
- iv) Whether they help to distribute the Book

They will have the extent of their earthly sins reduced. If they have already accumulated full merits earlier, then after death, their souls will ascend to Heaven.

Those who pray for long life, honour and rank, quick recovery from sickness, cancellation of their earlier sins or wrong doings, cultivation of morality, the relief of souls from suffering, bliss in the next world, will have their prayers answered, if they contribute in printing or distributing this Book as stated above.

All such people should pray with joss sticks and explain to

- ii) The God of Kitchen, or
- iii) In the Temple, or
- iiii) To Heaven

Where this Book is placed, there will be good Spirits; therefore, make sure that it is kept in a clean and respectable place. Those who slander and slight this Book, or obstruct its circulation/distribution, will eventually be sent down to Hades for punishment - there will be no mercy.

It is hoped that all human beings will think positively and will do good wherever and whenever possible.

JADE EDICT

Jade Emperor has instructed that this Directive is about to be issued. He has commanded the God of City to travel 5miles to wait, and the God of Prosperity to travel 10 miles also to wait for his arrival. All of you must line up quietly to wait for his arrival.

Jin Que Nei Xiang descends from Heaven.

"Tonight I will read the Directive to all of you.

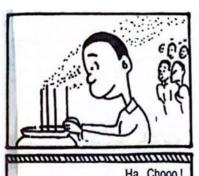
All Saints and human beings must pay respect."

Jade Emperor's Directive states:

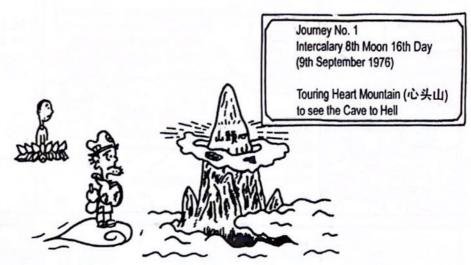
I, in Heaven, have the intention of helping and saving human beings; and from my place in Heaven, looking towards Earth, the space appears to be filled with yellow dust. The moral obligations of human beings have been lost or throw away-males do not possess the sense of loyalty and filial piety, while females have lost integrity, chastity and purity. All seems to think and say that there are no Buddhas and Saints. They do not believe in the existence of spirits and devils. That is why, nowadays, the morals of society have eroded; so human sympathy and justice have been ruined. Looking at the prevailing decadence of humanity, I am greatly distressed, and seeing that the souls of most of the dead have been sent to Hades to undergo more sufferings, I am most eager to give whatever assistance I can to save human beings. My investigations reveal that the organization, Sheng Xian Tang is very active in trying to save human beings. It devotes a great deal of effort and time for deities as well as its members in an effort to be of service to human beings. This organization has published a magazine know as 'Sheng Xian Zazhi' which has helped many readers' hearts to follow the correct path. Its plancette writing sessions have progressed immensely. All these actions and intentions have helped very much in the furtherance of the sacred doctrine which has now gained great brilliance. That is why I have chosen to give the edict to Sheng Xian Tang to write the book entitled 'Diyu Youji' by commissioning Jigong to guide Yang Sheng to tour the Ten Tribunals of Hades in order to observe and gather the happenings there so as to disclose to human beings through the Book so that they can realize the extent of punishment and sufferings of sinful souls in Hades. These should make those living, to endeavour to lead a better and meaningful life. This Book will be a most unusual kind of Book; and believing that Sheng Xian Tang and its members are very sincere in their attempt towards human salvation, I have chosen them for this assignment to try and save humanity. I have already directed the Heads of the Ten Tribunals that when Jigong and Yang Sheng come to their respective Tribunals, the gates must be opened for them and they should be given every facility and assistance. Should any Tribunal disobey or refuse to co-operate,I will not hesitate to punish, much less to forgive, the offending Tribunal. The moment I issue this Edict, your planchette sessions will commence and will stop only when all material for the Book has been gathered from Hades. All of you have worked hard for Heaven, and after the Book has been completed published, distributed and circulated. I will assess the results and then dish out the awards and rewards. All of you must follow my instructions and must in no way deviate from them.

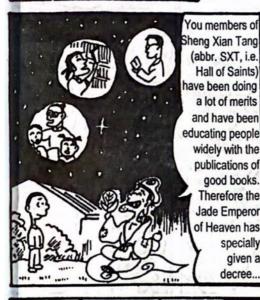
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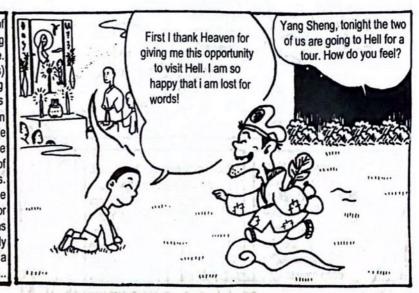
All of us must thank the merciful kindness of Jade Emperor for issuing the above Edict.







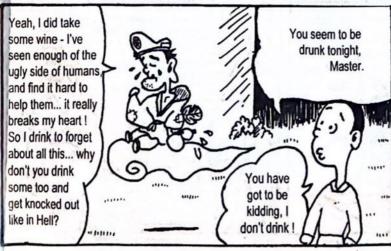






I descended to teach when you were practising medium channelling, therefore we're Master-and-student now! Heaven has arranged for us to tour Hell to write the book - my unique "innocently insane" character will help in awakening and educating people to change for the better





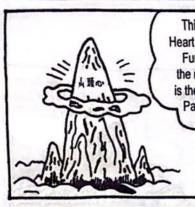
Actually Hell doesn't open its door to welcome humans - humans are always the ones who get themselves into Hell! Wake up from your dreams, dude! It's not that easy to go to paradise - not as easy as going to Hell!





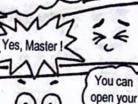






This is the
Heart Mountain.
Further up
the mountain
is the "Door to
Paradise".

What place is this? There is a mountain over there, which reads "Heart Mountain". The characters are emitting gold light! Just close your eyes. Let me be the tour guide.



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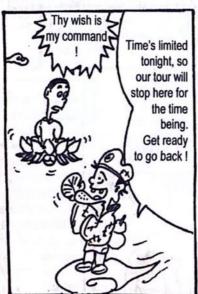
... they won't be able to open their eyes.
Unable to maintain their awareness, they fall down to the deep cave to Hell.

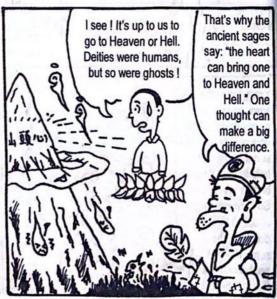


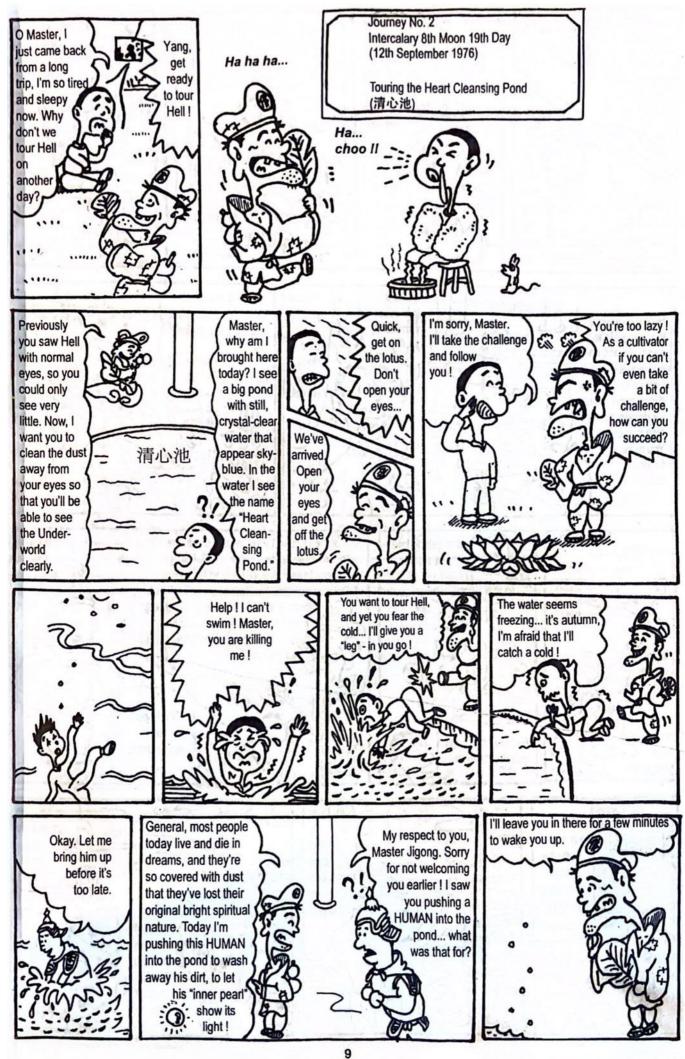










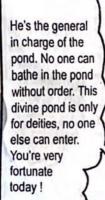










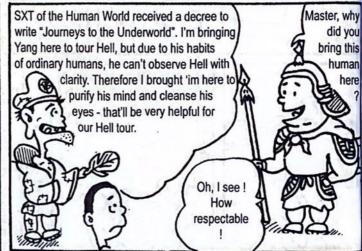


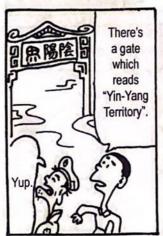




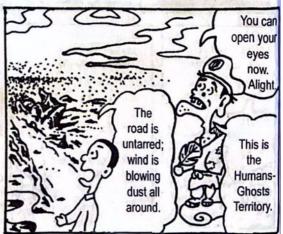


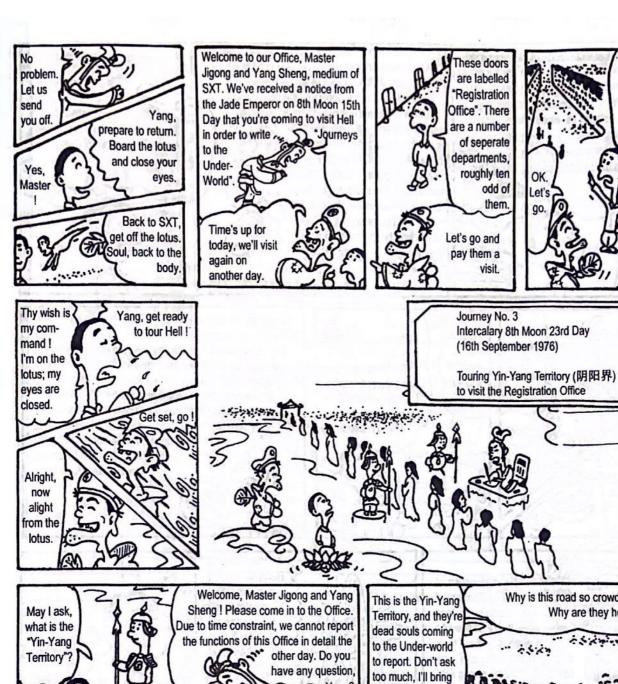


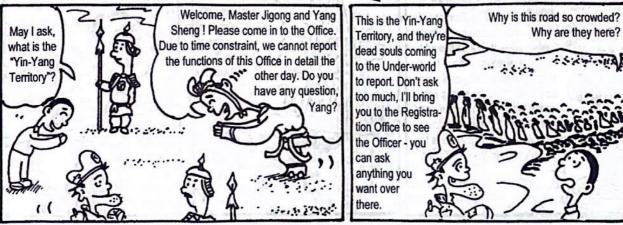




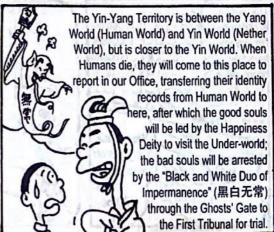












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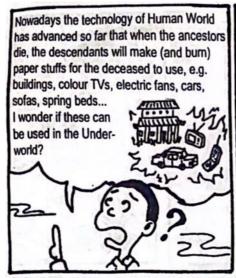
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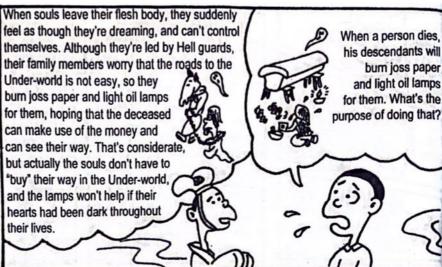
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Let's go

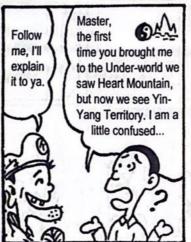
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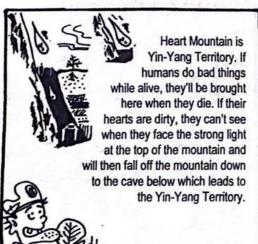




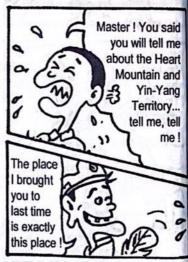




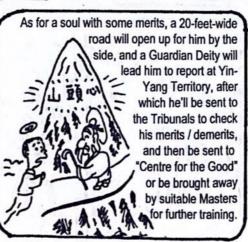
These people are very ignorant. The roads in the Underworld are so narrow that people can hardly walk, how can they drive safely? There's also no petrol station here, so cars have no use here. As for things like fans and beds, they'd better use them in the Human World, because Hell has prepared prisons for them - it's hard to survive, so forget about enjoying luxuries! Those who come to Hell have done too much evil deeds - they are here for punishment, so they can't really enjoy here. The worldly people simply dream too much!





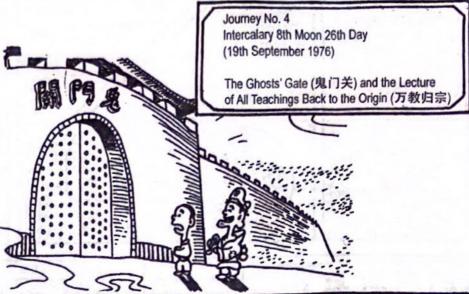


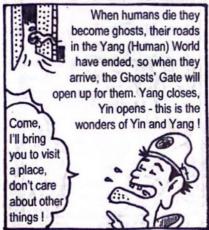




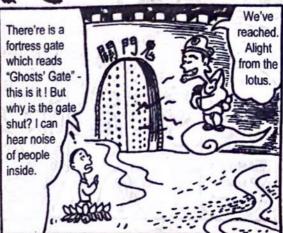




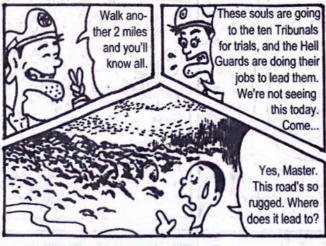






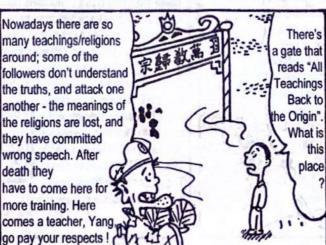


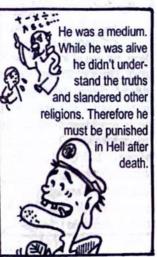


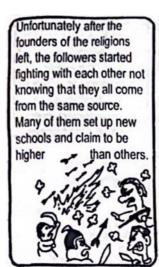


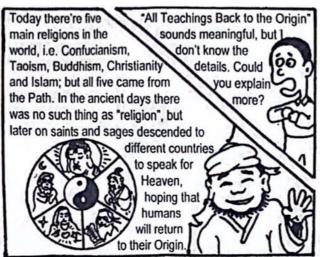




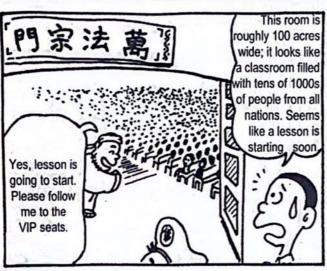




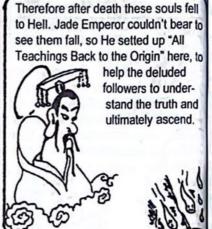


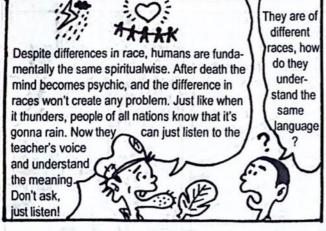


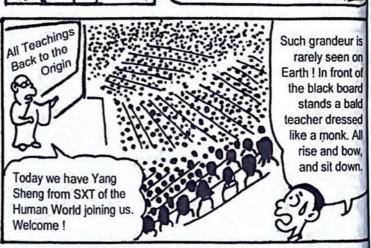


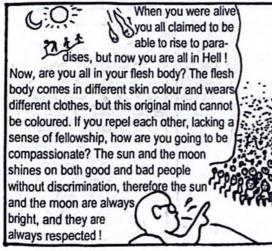


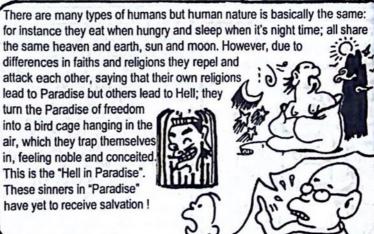














All of you should be aware of your common nature, and should not have hatred.

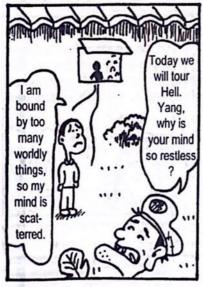
This is the time when all teachings are going back to the origin, which is exactly the heart! Everyone should love and be kind to one another and help one another.

The religions have different founders but they have the same aim: to lead the human race onto the path of goodness, turning the world of sufferings into Paradise on Earth! The founders of religions were trying to save the minds of humans, therefore only when we find the truths in the mind can we enjoy real freedom. This is the only way to create a Utopia. When we understand the mind, we can all become saints and deities; if we go against the original nature of the mind, we will fall into sufferings!



If people are too stubborn, it's hard for them to go to paradise. The real saints and deities speak for the Heaven. If you happen to be born in some other countries and follow some other faiths, will these Holy Ones not help you too? If they refuse to help merely for the reason that people don't follow their religions, then they are not really holy! I hope everybody will be fair to one another and remove their own selfishness, otherwise the paradise that they claim is only five feet wide - it only fits oneself and can never accept others!

What the teacher said is right. Nowadays religions are attacking each other, praising only themselves. If only all of them would say "come and try this teaching for yourselves, and you'll know the truths within you!" Then people can decide for themselves what is good. I think it's more objective this way!







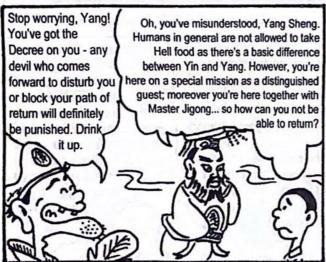




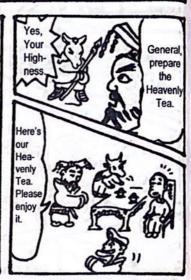






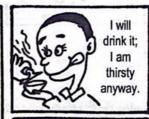


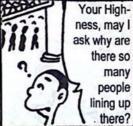




I'm in charge of the First Tribunal: when a person dies, his soul first reports to the Registration Office at the Yin-Yang Territory, after which the Hell Guards will bring him to the First Tribunal. His Report Card will be kept into the Under-world files where I will investigate and verify his merits and sins. Those who attain more merits than sins will get to tour the various Tribunals, or follow suitable teachers to continue their cultivation, or be sent to Bureau of Reward or Centre for the Good; those who committed more sins will be sent to either the 2nd Tribunal to be tried or the Bureau of Punishments - heavy sinners will be sent to the Magic Mirror Platform before they are sent to the 2nd Tribunal.







Most humans desire to live and are afraid of dying, so Yang Sheng's fear is understandable.

Seeing ignorant humans who continue doing their sinful deeds despite their knowing that they will end up in tremendous suffering because of their deeds... that's truly saddens me.



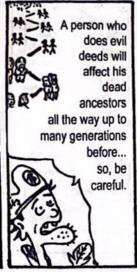


When humans were alive, they didn't believe in retribution after death. They thought that everything is over once they are dead. Now that their souls are at the First Tribunal after death, they realise that they will be tried and that they will have to pay dearly for the sins they committed while alive. They are thus full of regret for all they have done. Besides, death means leaving behind loved ones and treasured possessions - another reason for their tears.

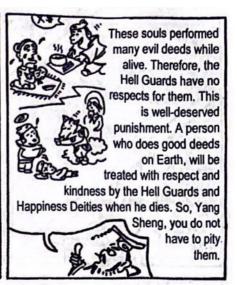


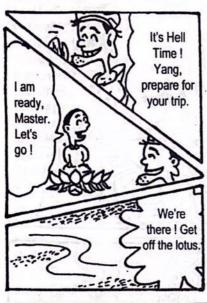








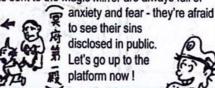






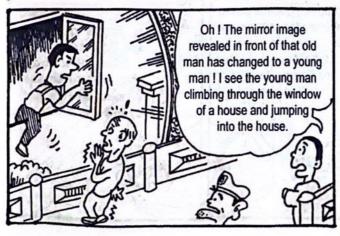


That's the Magic Mirror Platform. These souls had committed lots of sins while alive, so after reporting to the First Tribunal, they're sent to the Magic Mirror Platform where they'll get to see the heinous deeds they had done on Earth - through this, they'll learn that it's impossible to hide one's sins. Souls sent to the Magic Mirror are always full of



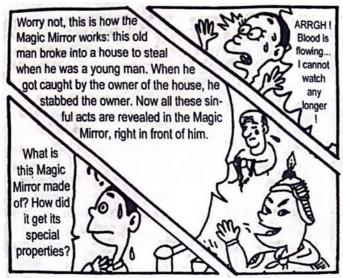


Where is this place? Why are the souls being pushed up that platform by the Hell Guards?



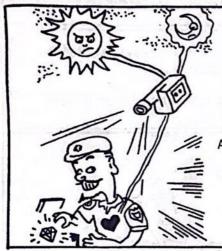




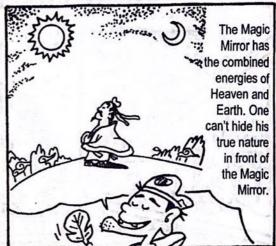








As humans are spiritual beings, a human being would know every good or evil deed he does - his mind's like a video recorder which records everything he does in life. Although many people did evil deeds in secret, they themselves are aware of what they had done.

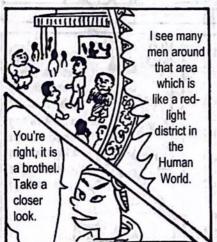


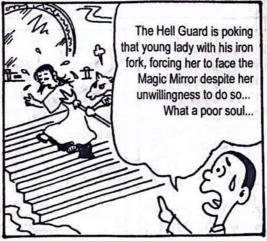
Virtuous souls do not have to face the Magic Mirror. Their souls are very bright, so when their souls appear before the Magic Mirror, there is no reflection at all - the heart is very pure and will not cast any shadow in front of the mirror.



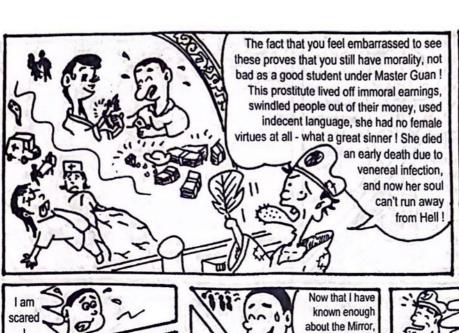


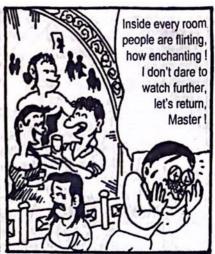
As the Magic Mirror is made of energies of the Heaven and Earth, there's an immediate connection between the mirror and the soul when the soul comes before the mirror - all previous deeds will instantly be displayed in the Magic Mirror.

















Females should have respect for themselves; never should they fall into prostitution to be ravaged by men - not only would they become cheap, they would also sin! As for those men who like to visit prostitutes, they are also sinful for being immoral. I hope they change themselves!



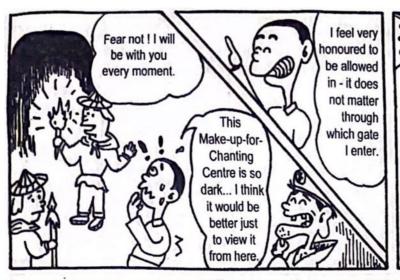


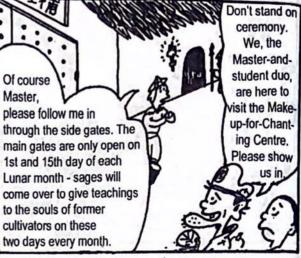










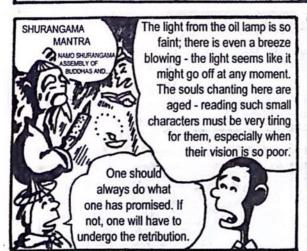


These souls earned a living by chanting prayers for the souls of the departed and to get rid of calamities. However, they did not pray sincerely - they simply wanted to obtain money quickly. Some skipped certain pages while chanting; some pronounced incorrectly. Now that they have died, their souls are sent to the Make-up-for-Chanting Centre to atone for the sins they have committed while chanting. Here, the souls have to pray

by that faint light and they
have to chant the scripture a
hundred times to make up
for a missing word. Upon
finishing, their merits and
demerits will be judged.



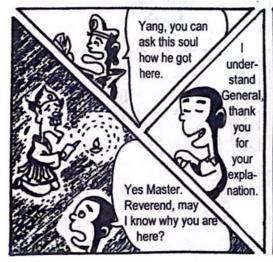
This room is built with wood and it looks real old - everywhere there are holes. There are a few thousand monks, nuns and priests here, and all of them are chanting from scriptures with light from a single small oil lamp. They look like they are suffering tremendously.



No, souls who come here chanted for a living - they accepted money to chant for others, so they have to make sure that they make no mistakes in their chanting. For people who are chanting to help themselves or others without receiving money in return, they will not be punished for any wrong pronunciation as their intention is different.



If a person who pronounces wrongly while chanting is sentenced to such punishment after death, who would dare to chant? Many are actually chanting wholeheartedly.



On the 1st and 15th day of every month, the Saints will come over to teach the souls the correct pronunciation of the scriptures. The Saints are really compassionate... I really hope that humans will learn not to commit sins as no sinner is able to escape punishment.



I advise all who are chanting for a living to put in utmost effort while chanting ie. no skipping of words, no wrong pronunciation, otherwise not only are they not able to help others, they will also land themselves into deep trouble and they will have to enter this prison to make up for their wrong chanting.





Upon death, I was sent to the First Tribunal and then sentenced to this Make-up-for-Chanting Centre. I have already been here for a year and two months plus, but I still cannot leave this prison as I skipped too much of the scriptures while chanting. My eyes are now totally red and in deep pain. After I have finished my sentence here, I may still be sent to the Second Tribunal as I had also used black magic to harm others... it is too late for regret now. Please let those chanting for a living know the importance of chanting sincerely - do not end up like me!

now require others to chant for me!

Please do not address me Reverend - I do not deserve the title. I did services for the departed and received payment in return, but as I knew very little about the scriptures I chanted, there were some which I did not know at all - I only mumbled along together with the drums and cymbals as no one had any idea what I was chanting about anyway. Sometimes, I would skip a few pages of the scripture in order to save time. I did not care about whether my prayers helped the departed or not -



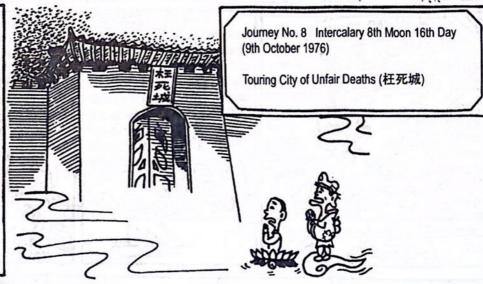




He simply got what he deserved. He enjoyed so much while on Earth - It is time for him to receive some punishment. Don't interfere with the Hades matters, we are just on a tour mission now. Hades stuff... Leave ___ them to Hades.



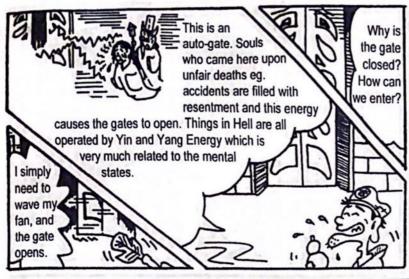
There're two Mid Autumn
Festivals this year; it's been
a month since the order to
write the book has been
received. Time really flies,
I really hope humans can
wake up soon and stop
dwelling in ignorance.
How many times does one
get to enjoy two Mid
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a year?

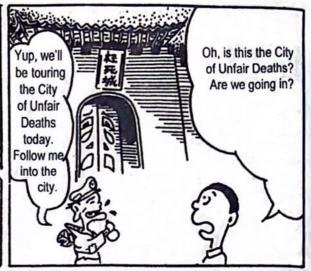


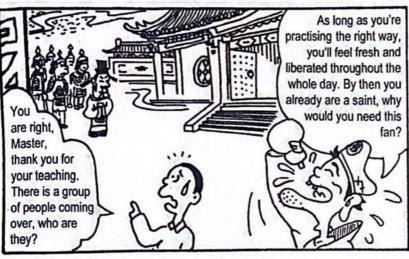


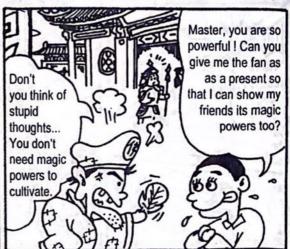


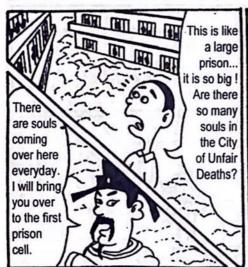














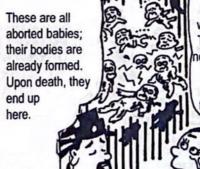


Thus, I advise humans not to practise abortion - this not only destroys one's virtues, it also contributes to increasing trend of immorality in the society. Those who had aborted before should practise

more merits to make up for their sins.

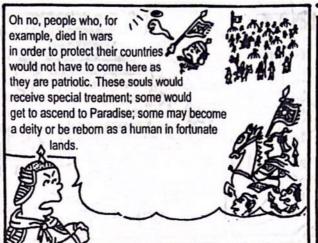
People practise abortion when they are unwilling to take care of a child or when the child is conceived by unmarried couples. These aborted babies harbour resentment against their parents - they would drain away their parents' money in secret and ultimately confront their parents when the parents die.

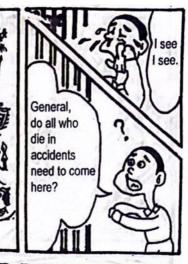


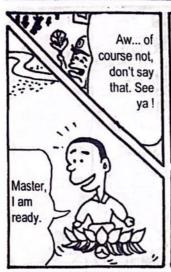


There are so many babies here with bloody faces! They are all crying non-stop; some are lying on the ground... they are too pitiful, why are they not released?











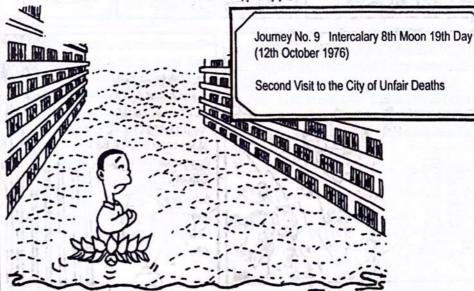




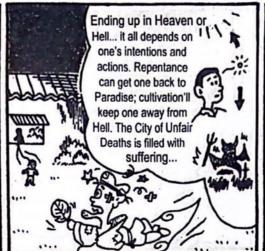
It's so sad that ignorant humans only bother about enjoying sex and simply just abort when they don't plan to have babies... How can they be so heartless? May humans learn to repent and learn to be compassionate, learn to have a happy family and marriage. This spiritual happiness obtained from living correctly and morally would overpower the happiness obtained from lustful passion. C'mon, learn how to be a good human and contribute to

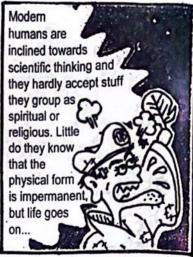






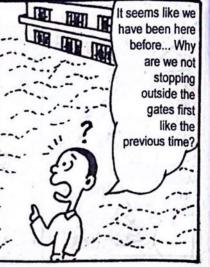






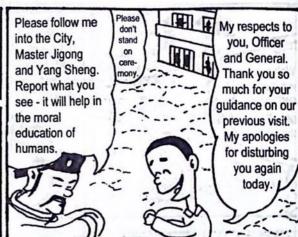


Matter is actually empty, so once we see this, we're able to pass through physical obstacles. The previous visit was your first visit to the City of Unfair Deaths, so I entered step by step. Time's limited for today, so I entered straight into the City. I hope that cultivators will be able to understand the emptiness of matterachieving this wisdom will allow one to be able to travel freely like me.



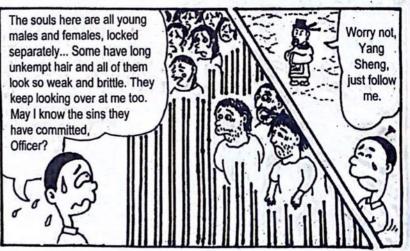






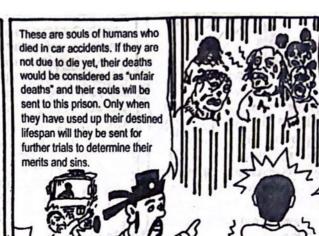
They were love couples who committed suicide when their love relationship failed - upon death, they are sent to be locked up here. I advise humans to treasure life and not to commit suicide when love relationships fail - it does not help in solving the problem and worse still, it lands one in Hell.







I can't believe this! Souls dying in car accidents are already very pitiful - they have already suffered tremendously. How can they be locked up in prisons and not be allowed to be reborn? This is too inhumane.



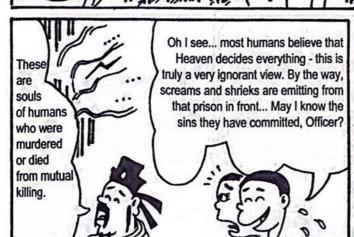
Why is it that all souls in this cell either have broken limbs or broken heads? They are lamenting in pain and covered with blood... I feel really sad for them.

Since the beginning of Time, humans have gone through numerous existences - so much so that it is very difficult to actually determine or estimate the karma accumulated in their past existences.

Since karma decides the conditions of our existence, why are unfair deaths present? It does not make sense at all. Does this mean that humans need not believe in karma anymore? Please explain to me. Officer.

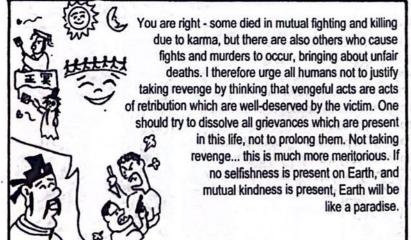


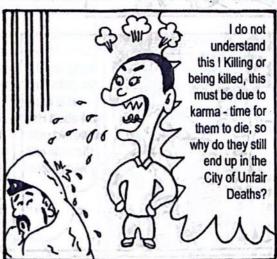
You do not know the entire story yet... Not all humans who die in car accidents end up here. There are some who use up their entire destined lifespan but still die in car accidents - the accidents are due to karma. Many say that Heaven is unfair to let kind people die in accidents... why did kind Yan Hui die in youth? Why did the Buddha go through so much suffering? However, we should also see that suffering is a very good teacher which trains us to be strong and wise. After all, the physical body is impermanent and is supposed to die one day. Wisdom that is acquired, on the other hand, does not die.

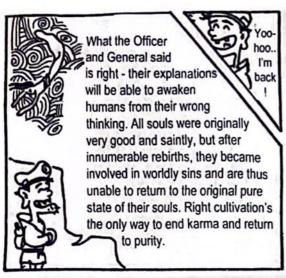


"Past existences" does not only refer to the immediate past life - it refers to all the past existences of each individual. Besides, the present life is governed by 70% of the karma accumulated from past existences and 30% which is created in present existence. Thus, one is able to change his destiny.

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path.

What the Officer said is correct.
Humans who believe that everything is pre-destined (ie. those destined to become deities would naturally become deities and those destined to have great wealth would not have to work) have an absolutely wrong concept.



Thus, humans should know that it is not easy to be born as a human, and they should cherish this opportunity to cultivate. One who fools around and justifies his deeds by putting the blame on karma is wrong as he is actually creating bad karma for his future existences. Only unintentional happenings can be attributed to past karma; present deeds performed with evil intentions - that's creating bad karma for the future.



Thank you so much, Master, Well. Officer and General for your this is teachings and sharings. my job. It will definitely help in After all, educating people the right SXT has a way to live, so that they duty to spread will not remain in deep the right ignorance till the day teachings to all they die. humans. directing them onto the right

Time's up to return to Earth! Yang, prepare and get on the lotus. Many thanks to the Officer and General for guiding Yang and explaining to him all about this City of Unfair Deaths.

People who are willing to cultivate will become saints and deities ultimately, while those who don't will only remain in suffering. Humans should stop believing that everything is decided by Heaven - Stop being so ignorant. Look at the City of Unfair Deaths and you'll unget what:



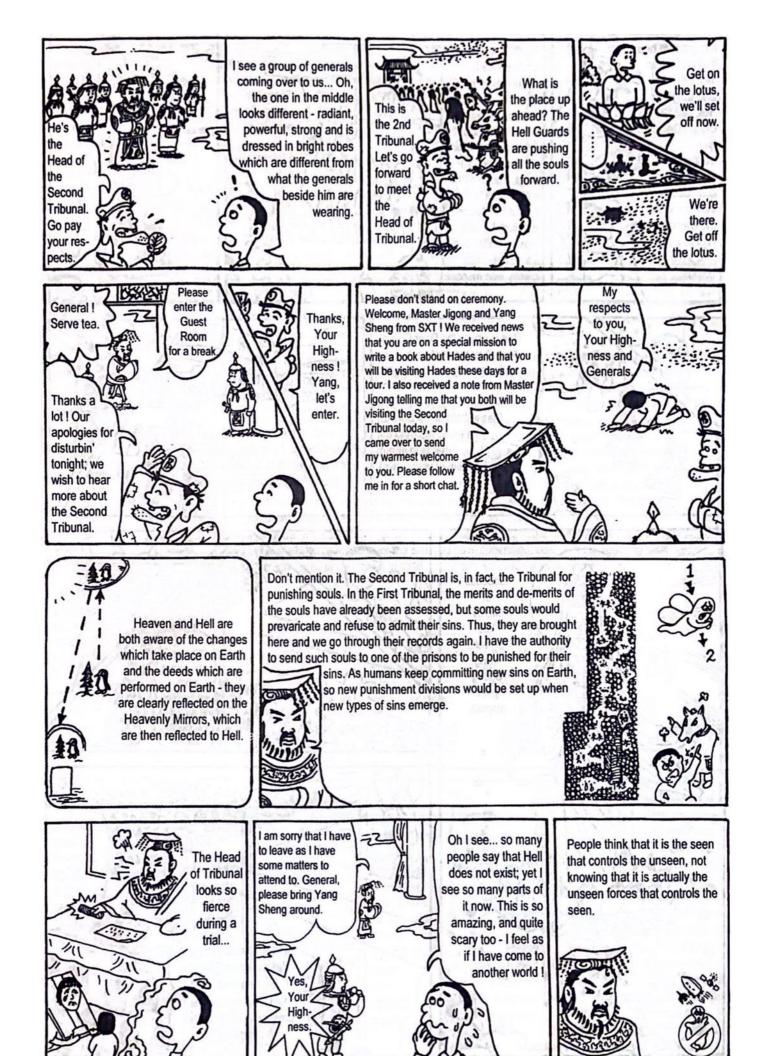
Journey No. 10 Intercalary 8th Moon 26th Day (19th October 1976)
Touring the Second Tribunal to meet Chu Jiang Wang (楚江王) and to visit the Lecture Theatre (讲道所)

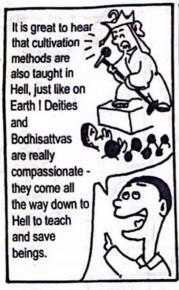


All beings (which includes certain higher beings in paradises and the lower ones on Earth and in Hell) await salvation and the lucky thing is, the Right Path (which is the cultivation path) is open to all. Those who have the chance or meet with the opportunity to cultivate should definite do so - by choosing this path, one will ultimately attain bliss. Those not ready will turn their backs to

the path and will be unwilling to listen to any teachings.







Earth Store
Bodhisattva has
set up Lecture
Theatres at every
Tribunal for souls
who displayed a
good attitude while
receiving punishment. These souls
will be sent to the
Lecture Theatres
to receive teachings on cultivation.
Thus, they walk
quietly with respect

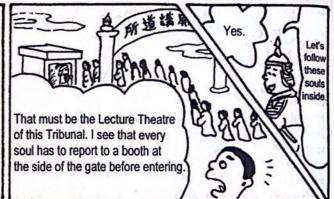




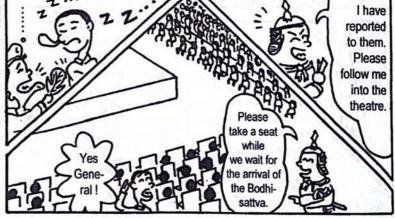


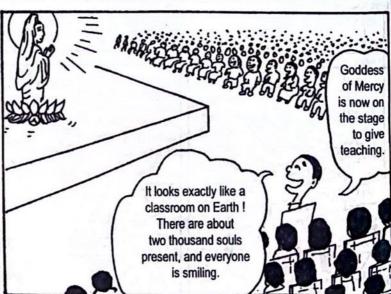
That is where the Door Guards stay, they are in charge of the souls entering and leaving the theatre - those without permission will not be allowed to enter.

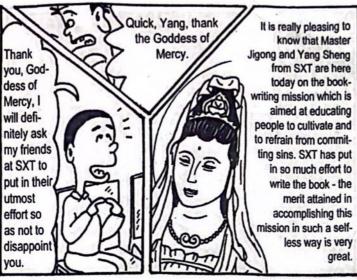
Please hold on for a while,
I have to report to the Guards to inform them of your arrival.

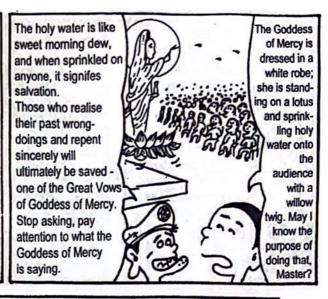


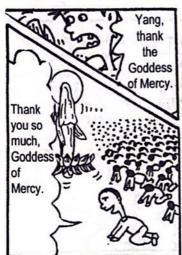




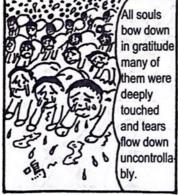






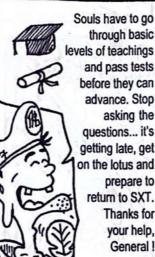


Since time immemorial, endless rounds of births and deaths have been experienced by all beings - the physical body dies and a rebirth takes place. As the physical body and everything in the physical world is impermanent, you should learn not to cling onto it - learn to let go of greed and hatred by seeing that all that is happening (eg. wealth, relationships, career etc.) is due to karma and it is like a dream which arises and ceases. Good or bad, it all simply comes and goes, but if one continues to remain in ignorance (ie. refuses to let go and chooses to take wrong paths like attaching oneself to possessions, taking revenge etc), one can never escape the endless cycles of births and deaths. Without cultivating wisdom, one would never be able to get out of this karmic cycle as he would always choose to react in the same way he did in all past lives when facing karma as his old ignorant habits are still present. This means he will have to face the same karma again in future. The physical body dies, but karma follows like a shadow. It is good that you know that you have sinned and are willing to repent - do accept the punishment so as to atone for the sins you have committed, bear with the suffering patiently, do not allow hatred or frustration to arise. In the end, salvation will come to you.

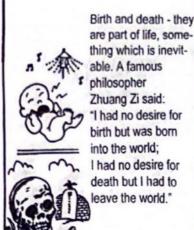










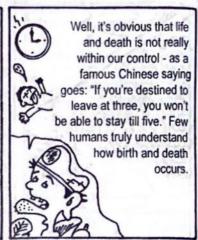




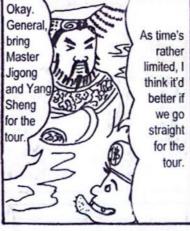


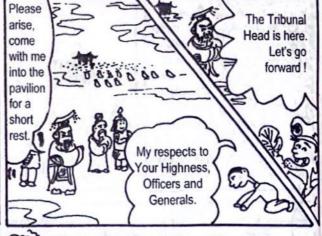


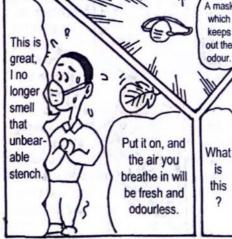
Using the If humans would start to learn to human discern the truth body to by practising cultivate... morality and by that's the cultivating their only way minds through not to waste meditation, the precious they will human life. eventually be able to transcend the cycle of birth and death.







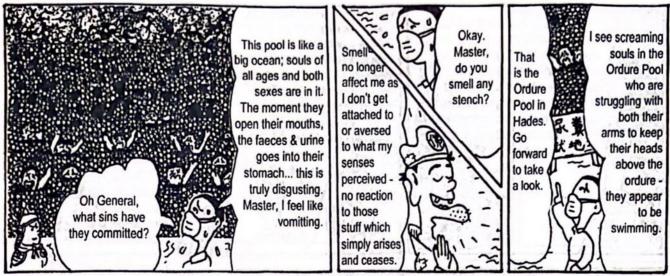




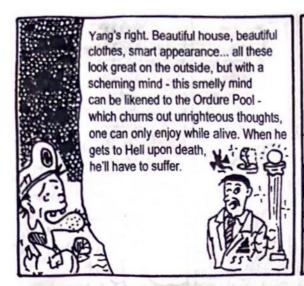












Poor things... When toilets start smelling, we would clean and sterilise it - wealthy families may even spray air fresheners to cover the toilets' stench. But the punishment makes sense too; after all, the souls earned money in a dirty way, so even if they look

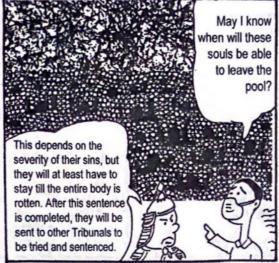


they will end up in this prison after death so that they can get a taste of their own medicine. It is very torturous to be here: every breath taken is filled with the faeces and-urine stench, and when one opens his mouth, one takes in faeces and urine. there is nothing else available to satisfy the hunger and thirst these souls are experiencing. They are all getting what they

A deserve - the more one struggles to escape, the deeper on sinks into the

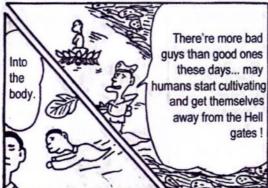






You do not have to sympathise with them - they chose to live in a dirty way. I advise humans to live in a clean and honest way, not to live a wrong livelihood - one which harms others - for the sake of earning money. If not, you will definitely have to report here after









To write this book, we've put in lots of effort. Who are we doing it for? Morality is going downhill in the Human World these days and Hades is getting more crowded. SXT has received the decree to write 'Journeys to the Underworld' in the hope of letting humans know what Hades is like

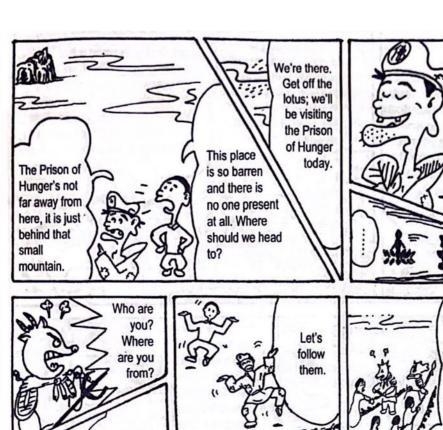
and to wake them up from being ignorant. I hope they will understand that the book is not to be taken as a novel for leisure reading

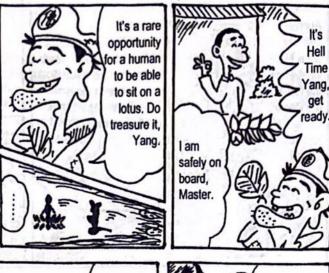


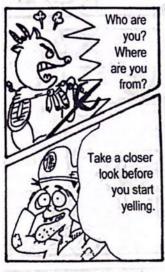
Journey No. 12 9th Moon 9th Day (31st October 1976)

Touring the Prison of Hunger (饥饿小地狱)

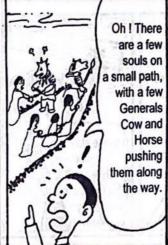










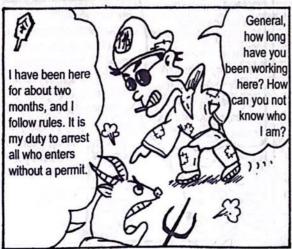




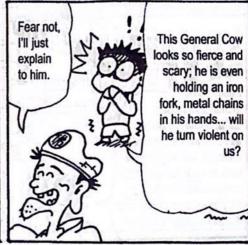
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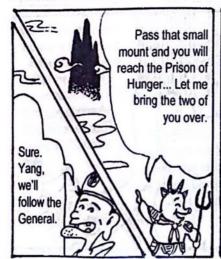
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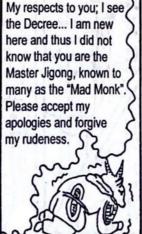
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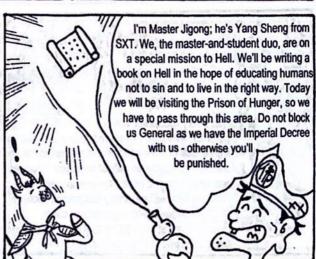
















All beggars or friends or relatives in need who came to me for help will be told that I am not at home. I did not cherish food as well. I even kept mistresses and had to spend millions on them each month. Two years ago, I died of high blood pressure and was sentenced to the Hell of the Hungry Ghosts. Though I am well-dressed in a western suit, the only food I would get is a bowl of vegetable porridge per week. Every three days, I feel faint from the extreme hunger and weakness and the Hell Guards splash Revival Water on me to wake me up... It is truly torturous, it is really difficult to bear this hunger...





I was the wife of a rich man when I was alive. My husband was very successful in his business as a building contractor and we moved from a small house to a high building. I acquired the habit of lavish spending and gambling and totally did not fulfil the duties of being a wife. I went to pubs and enjoyed late-night suppers with my friends - never had I been frugal. Never had I donated a single cent to charity organisations or to poor people. When I died, I was sentenced here by the Tribunal Head... I really feel very hungry and sick now...

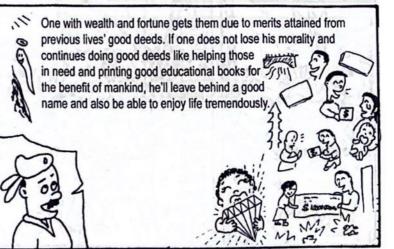


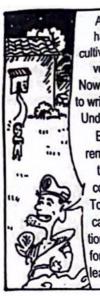
All who destructs, do not cherish but waste resources, spend money lavishly, use money for their own pleasures, refuse to help the poor and needy, refuse to donate to charity; men who abandon their wives and start relationships with other women when they become rich, women who look down on their husbands and ask for divorce when they become famous or successful, people who become arrogant when they are rich... all these people will enter this hell when they die. I hope people who are rich and get to enjoy wealth will donate some of their wealth to help the poor and needy. One should not overspend as doing so will use up their merits - when this happens, tragedy strikes.







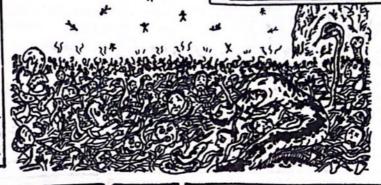




All members of SXT have been earnestly cultivating and serving. very commendable! Now that we're ordered to write "Journeys to the Under-world", the Jade Emperor keeps on reminding us that once this rare book that comes from the Hell Tours is completed, it can educate generations of people. Therefore, i'm also willing to lead Yang to tour Hell

Journey No. 13 Intercalary 9th Moon 19th Day (10th November 1976)

Touring the Nai River Bridge (奈河桥) and the Prison of Dancing (舞池狱)







Difficulties in life is a common motivation for spiritual cultivation. I'll do my part to make sure that you all will have less obstacles. We're goin' to Hell today Yang, board the lotus!

Thank you Master for your teachings. SXT's members have indeed spent a great deal of effort and resource to revive culture and morality, and to distribute good books for free to educate people. We hope to have the blessings of Heaven to make our job less difficult.



We've just received a notice from the Chief of Hades that Master Jigong is bringing SXT's Yang Sheng over here for a visit, and the tour will be recorded in "Journeys to the Under-world" to educate people.
Welcome!

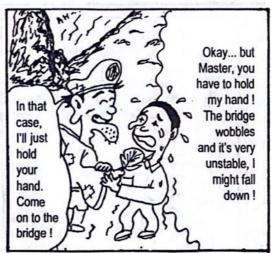


This bridge keeps swinging, and there are many Cow and Horse Generals sending the sinful souls towards the middle of the bridge, and then pushing them down; how cruel!

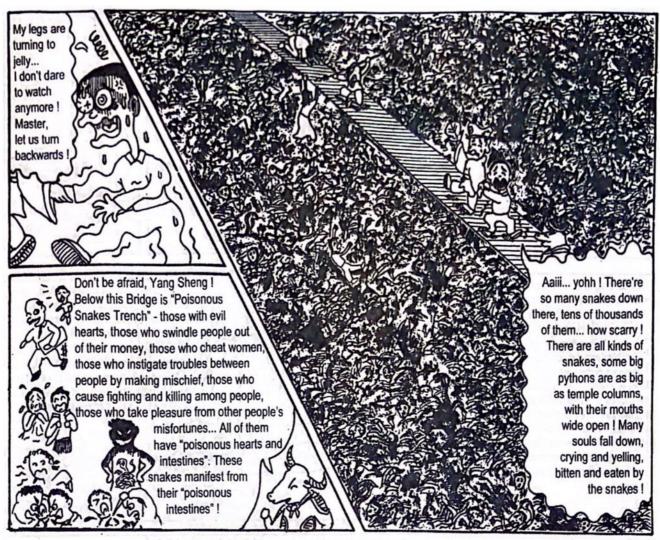


This is the "Nai River Bridge". Most sinners will have to cross this bridge. Let's go consult the General therelet him explain in detail.











Let us quickly go across the bridge. There are so many sinful souls up here today, the bridge gets very crowded. All of them burst into tears, crying so loud that they lost their voices! That's the consequence of doing bad things while they were alive: now they can't even walk stably, and they fall off one after another to the snakes.

That's too frightening! To see a single snake is enough to stun a person; for the faint-hearted ones they don't even need to be pushed down - they'll just faint and fall off the bridge!



Sinful souls who come to this Bridge will panic and feel like jelly, the Generals Cow and Horse would then push them down to feed the snakes. People who fall down there will freak - it's all snakes beneath their

feet. They struggle to run, but when their feet move, they're bound to step on some snakes and the snakes will of course fight back, bite and eat them!

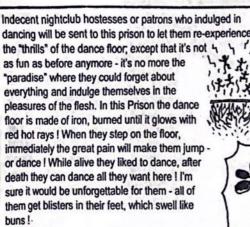


It's almost till the end of the bridge, but I'm still very scared. This is how the Nai River Bridge is: there's nothing at all to hold on to along the bridge, and one's limbs feel cold and weak, especially when he sees the snakes belowthis can freeze the heart!

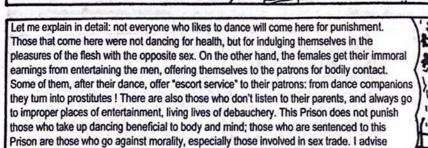








Oh! This place is so crowded with males and females, young and old. These people dress up impressively: the males are in suits. the females are sexy! There are also quite some westerners. When they step on the floor, they immediately scream and jump incessantly, the males and females hug into bunches. May I ask, Officer, what kind of punishment is this?



they liked to dance, after death "excitement"... but time has

changed, nowadays it's not really that bad to dance, is it? Dancing is good for the health of mind and body. If anyone who dances has to come to Hell for this punishment, isn't it a bit

unfair?

What you said makes sense.

Officer. When they were alive

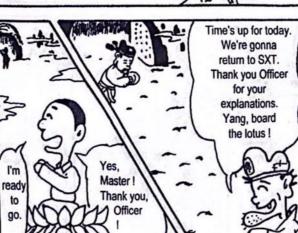
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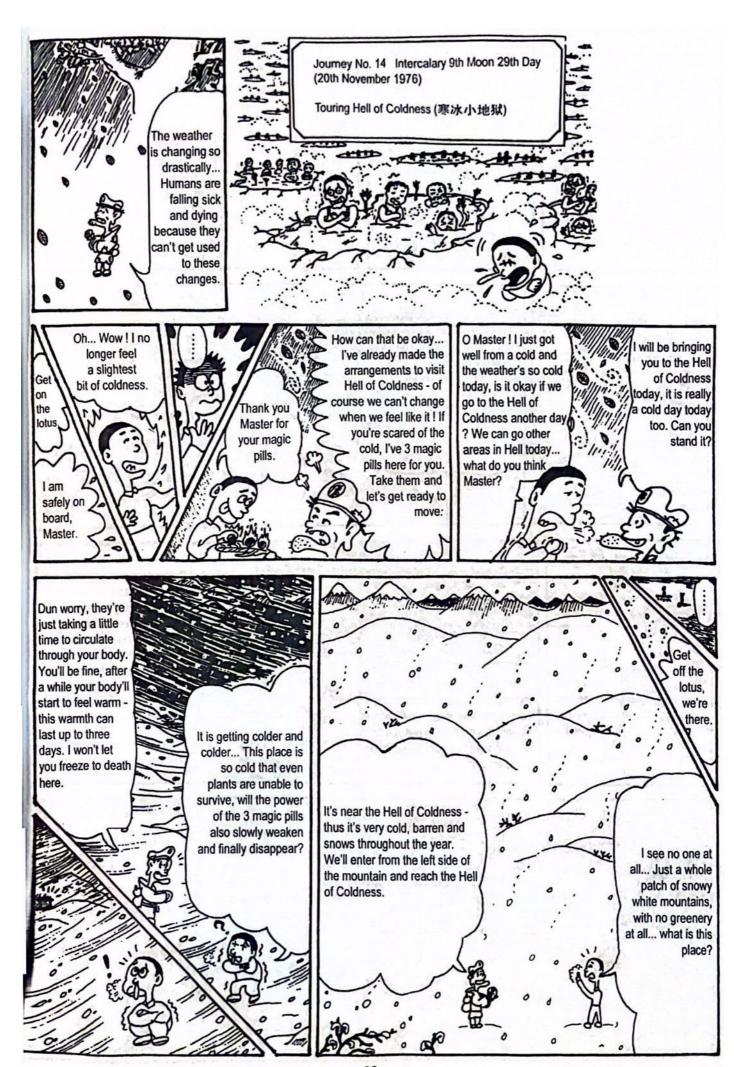


· humans to avoid any form of improper entertainment, which might cause one to end up in Hell!



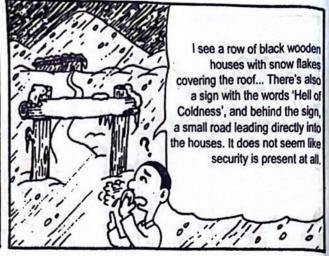


Now it sounds reasonable: time has change, the western way has become the trendy way. We have our traditional art of dance as our traditional form of exercise; similarly the westerners have their dance as their form of exercise. Obviously the Hell will only punish those who seem to dance for health but in fact for dirty desires in disguise



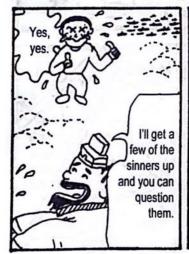


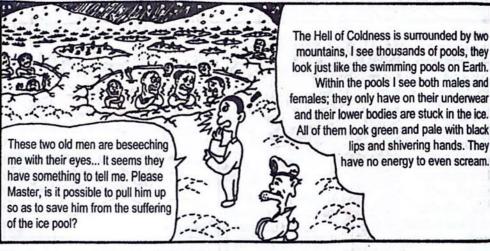


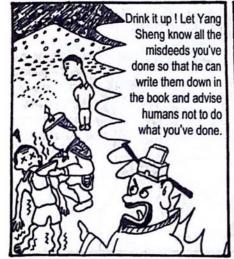


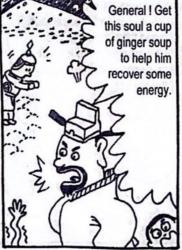


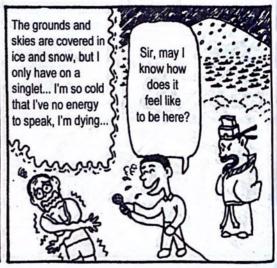


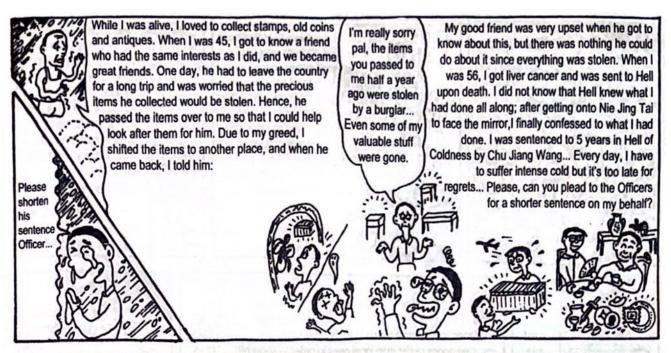






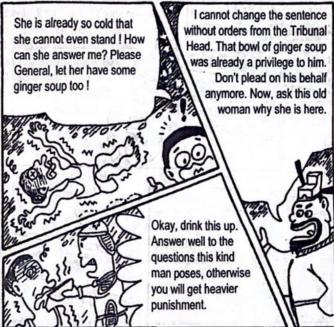


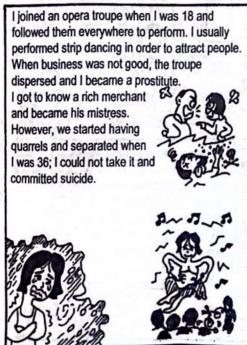




Oh, the coldness is torturous - just look at my bluish-black body. While alive, I bought young girls to become prostitutes; some were girls from decent families, some were girls who played truant and ran away from schools... All had to serve customers daily. If not, I would either lock them up or get bodyguards to threaten them. I made a lot of dirty money from this business. When the families or clients came to redeem girls from me, I would ask for a large sum of money. Those without enough money to redeem themselves were forced to remain a prostitute for their whole lives.









When I was 51, I died of brain conjestion due to heavy smoking and drinking. It was only after I died that I got to know that the Tribunal Head shortened my life by 10 years. I was first sentenced to 5 years in the Ordure Pool; when I finished that sentence I was further sentenced to 31 years in the Hell of Coldness. I don't know if there are any other punishments waiting for me! Upon death till now, it has all been faeces and urine, freezing coldness... It was all my fault for having created so much bad Karma.



This soul did not live a right livelihood while alive. Strip-dancing disrupts the good moral culture in the Human World. It's time to let her experience the suffering of not being able to find clothes to cover her body and protect it from the cold. She has other sins: only after this sentence is finished will she be sent to other Tribunal for further trials.

Upon death, I was imprisoned in City of Unfair Deaths for 5 years and then sentenced to Hell of Coldness for 15 years... I still have 12 years to go. It is immense torture - my limbs are stiff, the intense cold attacks my heart... No matter what, it is too late to repent. I advise woman not to do

what I did or you will end





Those who cheat people who entrust property to them for safe-keeping; procurers and pimps who demand large sums of money for the release of prostitutes from their bondages; people who spend lavishly, who patronize imported goods rather than local ones in order to show off those who spend to show off their wealthy status but refuse to help the poor and needy; females who dress scantily, intentionally exposing their bodies to catch men's attention; those who love to

beautify their appearances... these people will be sent to the Hell of Coldness upon death.





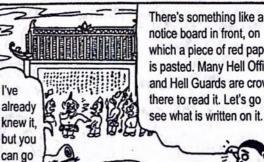


Today we've come to the third stage of the Hell journeys. We'll only be visiting the most representative places in each of the ten Tribunals because if we were to visit every single prison in each of the ten Tribunals, it might take a few years! We want the book to be out as soon as possible. so we only write the important ones



They know you're from the Human World, and you carry an Imperial Decree, so they avoid and try not to offend us. You can read the notice.





There's something like a which a piece of red paper is pasted. Many Hell Officers and Hell Guards are crowding there to read it. Let's go and

Hell

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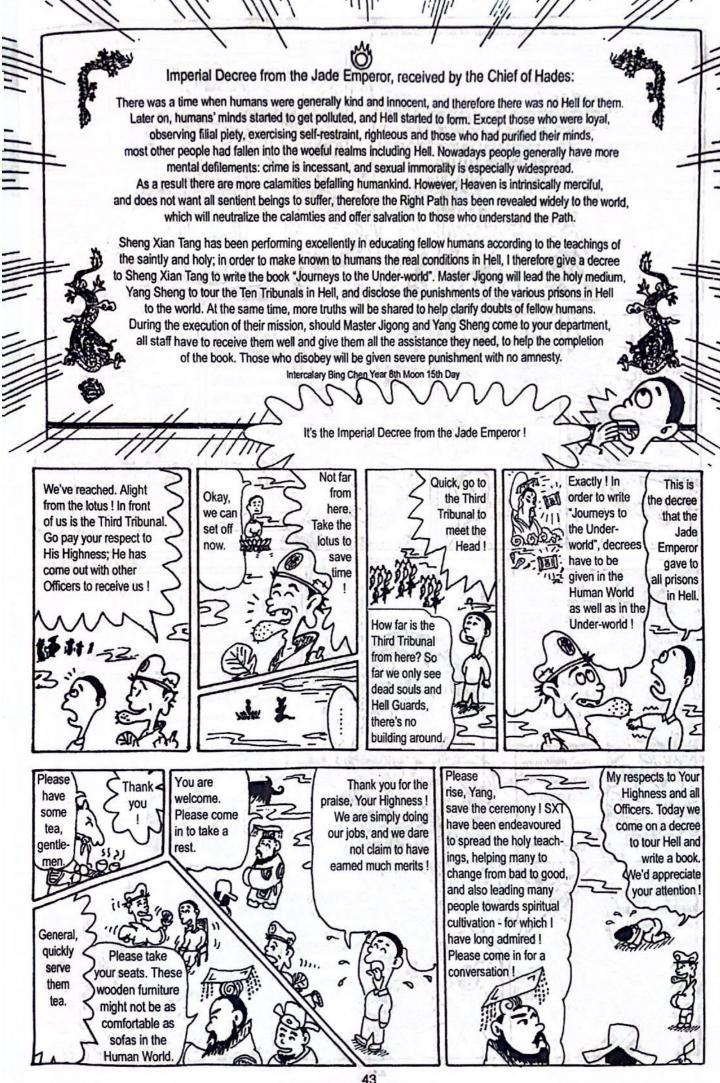
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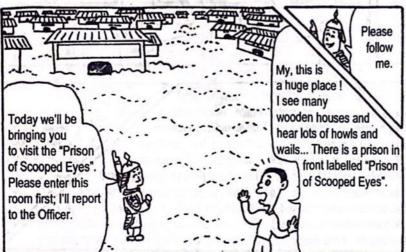


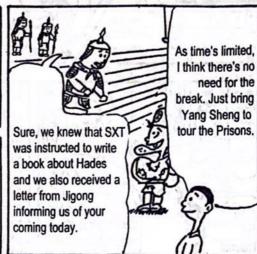
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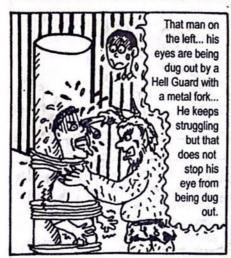
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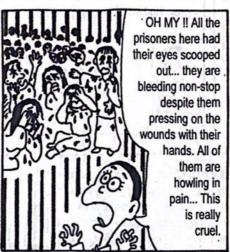










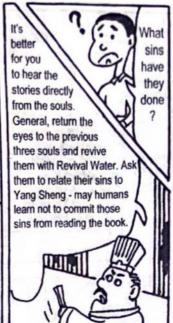




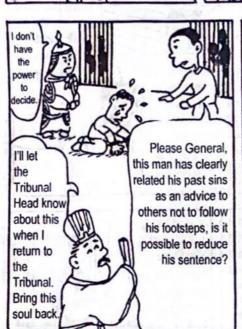












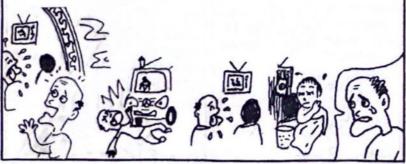
While alive I had been too arrogant as I saw myself as a wealthy capable university graduate - I looked down I feel so much better... thank on poor people and those without high levels of education. you so much When I died, I was sentenced to this Prison of Scooped Eyes Master. by Tribunal Head as I kept looking down upon poor people and those with low levels of education. I have been here for 2 years and 3 months, still have 2 year plus to go ... What's more, I committed other sins as well, so after being released from this prison, I am sure there will be more terrible punishments awaiting me... Please let humans know the importance of not being arrogant, of not insulting others or looking down upon others, otherwise they will end up like me... Please plead to the Tribunal Head on my behalf to give me some mercy, kind man!



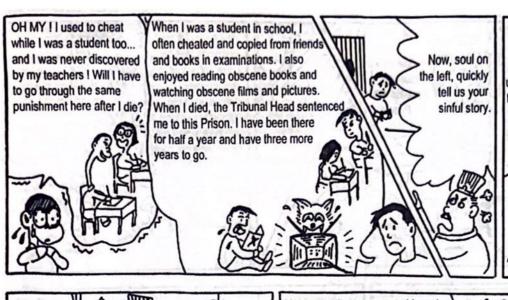




When I was alive, I was very fond of looking at girls and women - I took pleasure in peeping at girls and women bathing. Often, my friends and I would gather to watch sex films and pictures. I also went together with my friends to watch striptease. A year ago, I met with an accident and died; my soul was sentenced by King of Hades to this Prison of Scooped Eyes for punishment. Every day, my eyes are scooped out. It is really great torture which my descendants are totally unaware of. Please let all human beings know that after death, when the soul appears before the "Magic Mirror", nothing can be hidden because every deed is reflected on this Magic Mirror - we cannot deny or hide anything.







You dirty old man, while alive you had some money but did not think of saving up some for use in your old age - instead you took pleasure in seeing obscene things, thus dirtying your eyes. That's why you are sent to this Prison - to have your dirty eyes dug out and washed.





Males who like to peep at girls and women; humans who keep despising and looking down on others will end up here after death for punishment. Those who realise their past mistakes, turn over a new leaf after reading the book and also contribute to printing the book for distribution to all will be able to atone for their past sins.

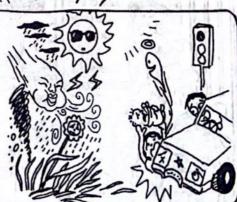
You had already broken your school's rules when you cheated; why should you be afraid now? Heaven won't punish those who sincerely repent and reform their conduct. You're now a member of SXT and are now doing a job for Heaven-you've earned enough merit and have atoned for your past mistakes. You won't have to come to this Prison of Scooped Eyes.

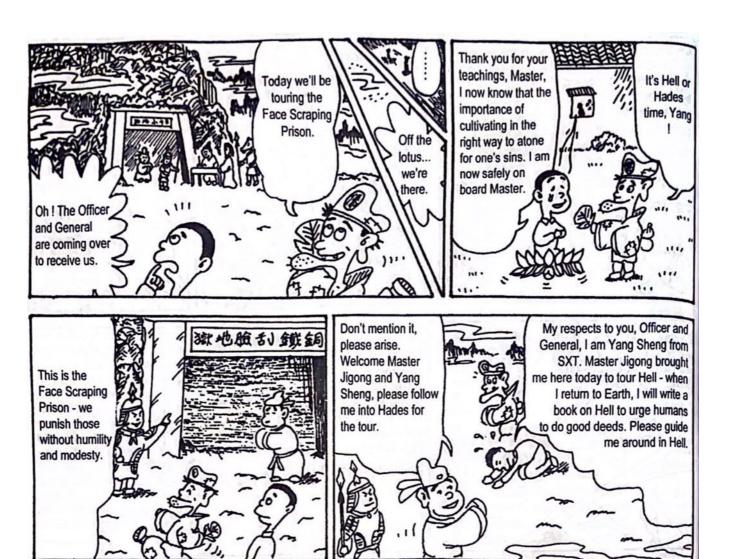




With utmost determination, one'll definitely attain the fruits of cultivation. Upon meeting obstacles, one must be stronger and not fall in fear - cut off all hindrances and suffering with one's sword of wisdom, and in the end, he'll get to enjoy the fruits of his cultivation. Only a person able to walk through this challenging cultivation path till the very end is fit to be called a Cultivator of Endurance.













I see the
Hell Guards
sending many
souls of both sexes
and of all ages into
the Prison. Everyone
looks so downcast,
frightened and ashamed. All of
them have to report at the door
before entering.

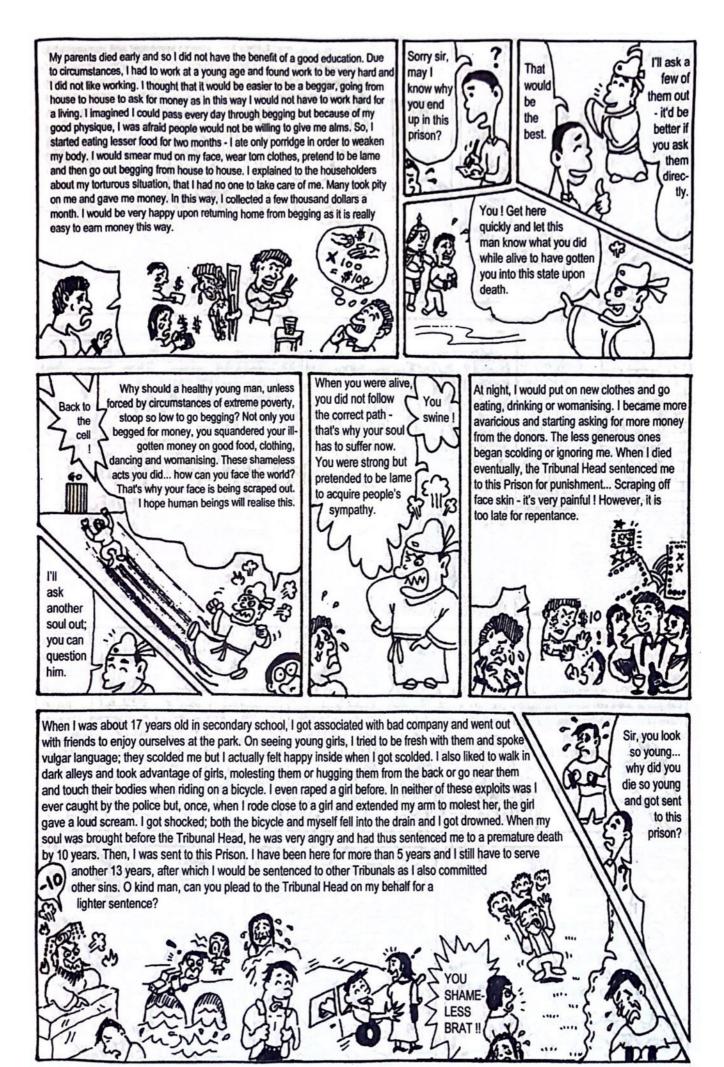




The sinful souls are being bound hand and foot to iron pillars and the Hell Guards are using copper or iron knives to scrape the skin off their faces - just like scraping the skin off animals in abattoirs.

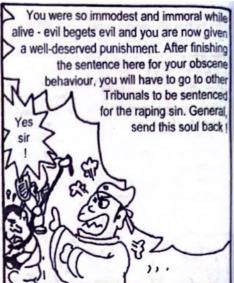
All the souls are yelling in pain... and without skin, their faces are bloody and unrecognizable.

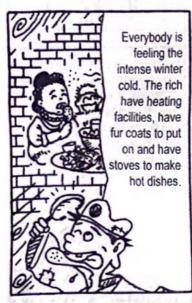
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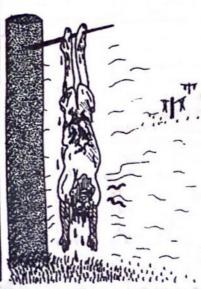








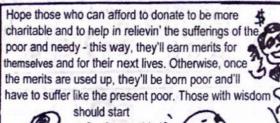


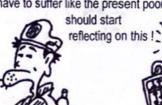


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Touring Inverted-Hanging Prison (倒吊小地狱)

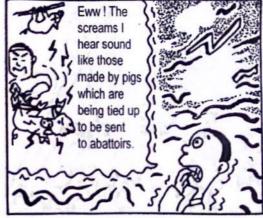








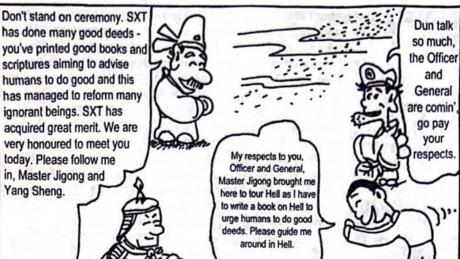


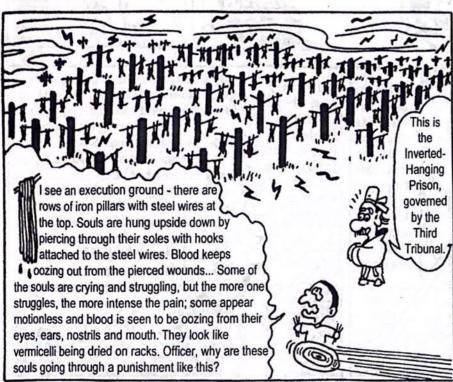


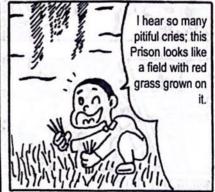


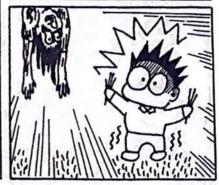


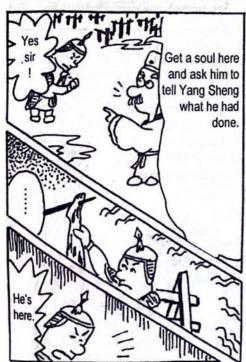




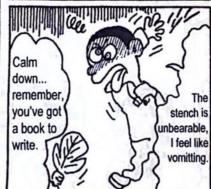


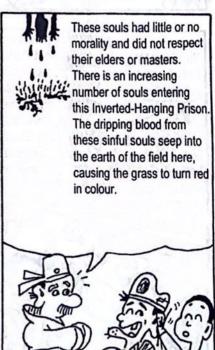


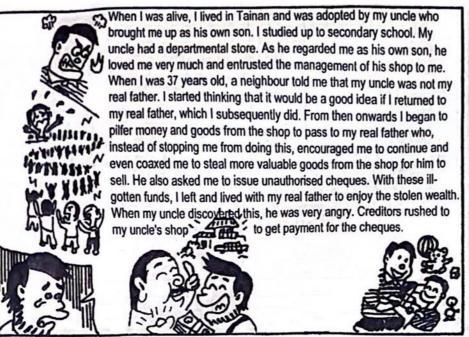








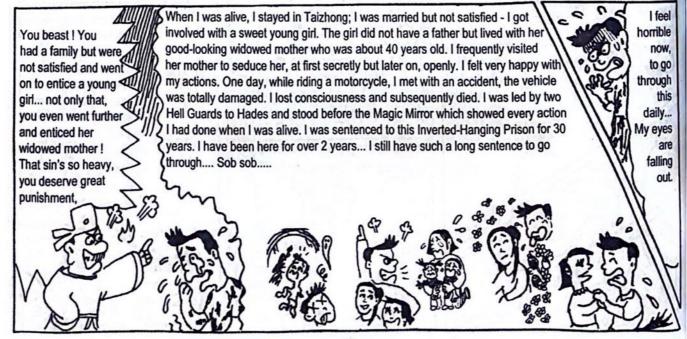






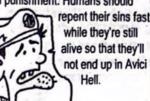


My uncle had no money left, so he committed You ungrateful suicide. When my uncle's soul appeared before beast! You did the Tribunal Head, he accused my real father not know that and me for causing him to have to commit you should suicide. A year after my uncle's death, my father repay your uncle and I became seriously sick. All our ill-gotten for his kindness money was spent on medical expenses until no to you; you did not money was left; both of us died subsequently. even know Our souls appeared before the Tribunal Head gratitude! we then realised that our life-span had been shortened because of our evil deeds on Earth. I was sentenced to this Prison by the Third Tribunal; I heard that the soul of my father has been sentenced to another Prison.





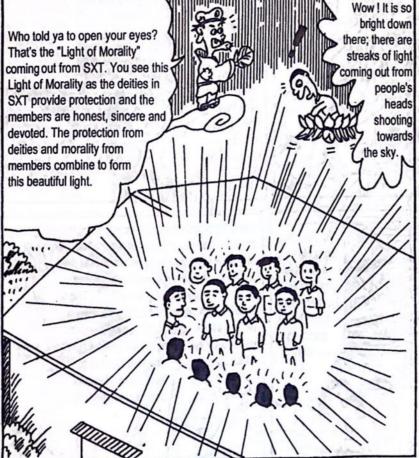
Immorality, having no respect for masters and teachers, lacking filial piety, seducing both daughter and mother... these sinners being sentenced to the Inverted-Hanging Prison's actually a minor punishment; but sent to Avici Hell... THAT's the real punishment. Humans should



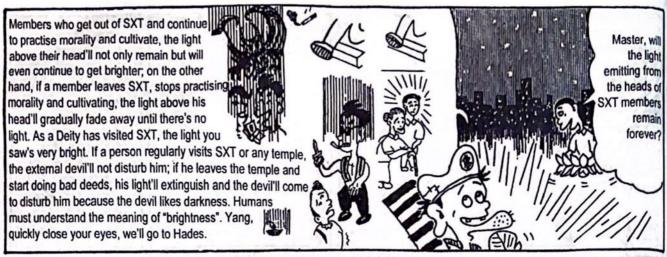










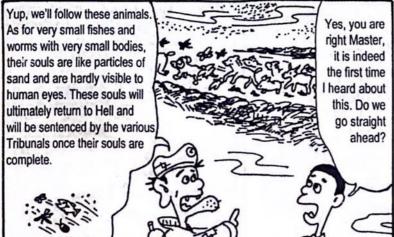






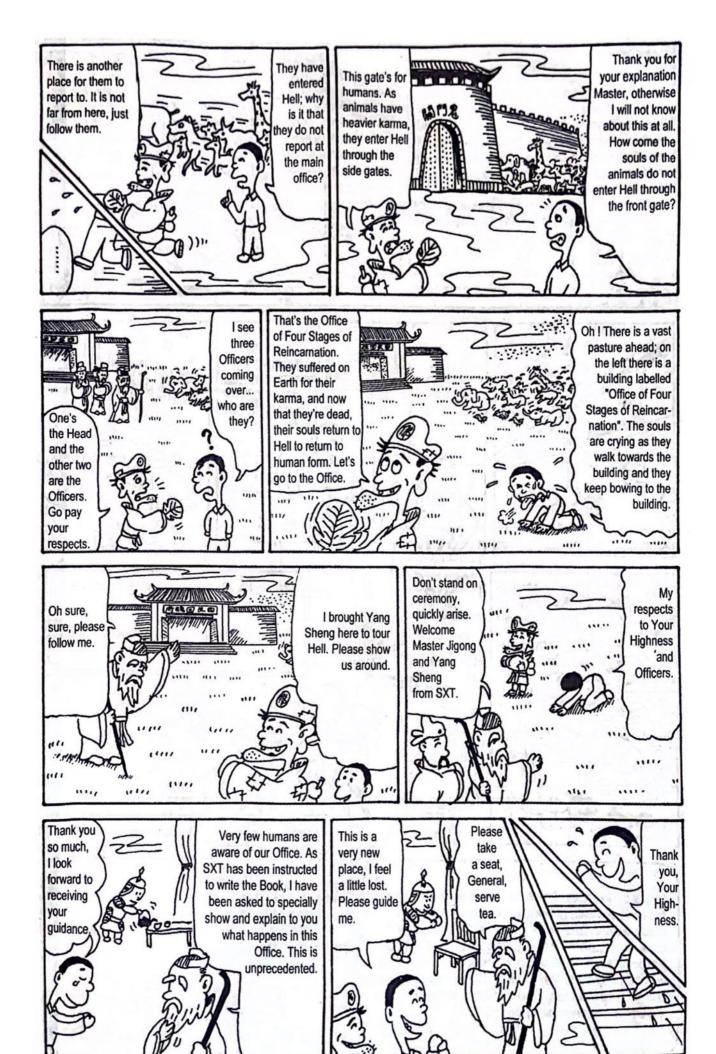


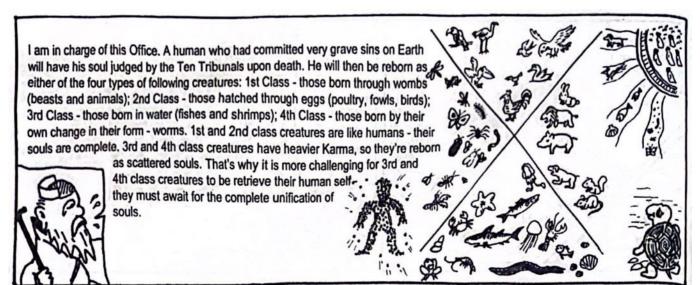




Well, these animals were mostly slaughtered by humans and are thus full of fear. When they die, their souls naturally return to Hell due to the stong fear present which causes them to be attracted by Yin energy. These souls also have more bad Karma, which results in having a darker spirit, so upon death they will return to Hell without needing

any Hell Guards to lead them. Humans don't know about this.



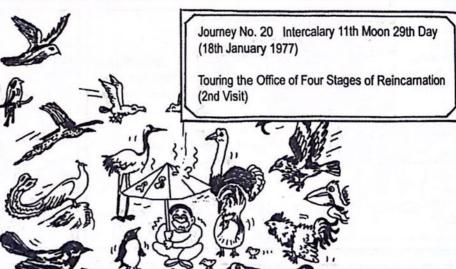








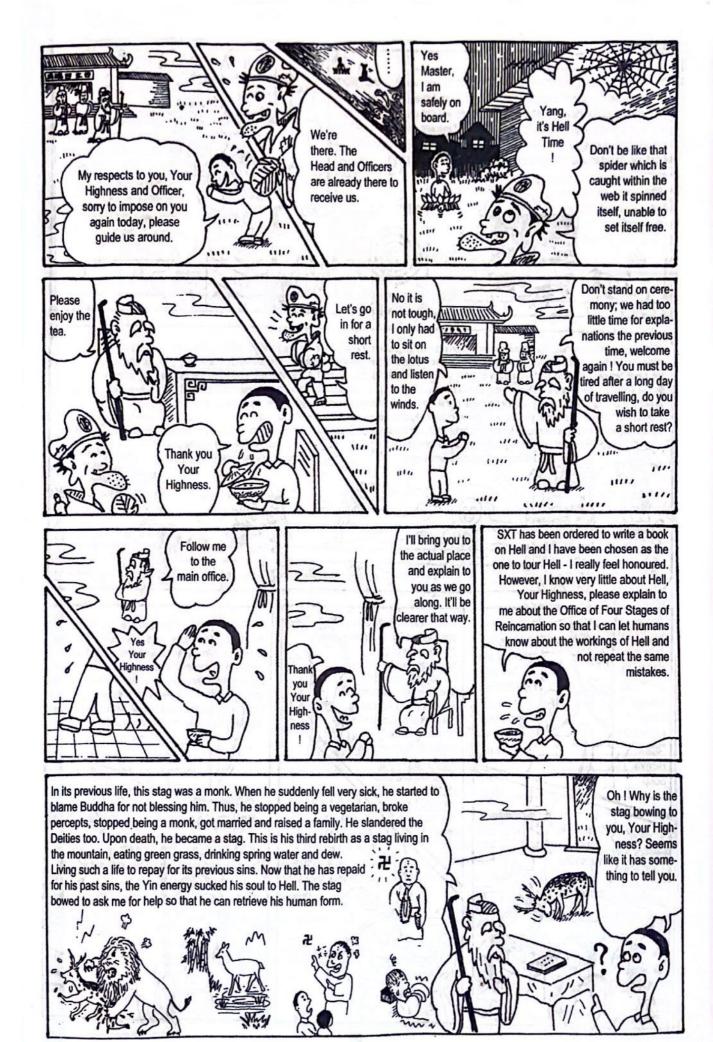


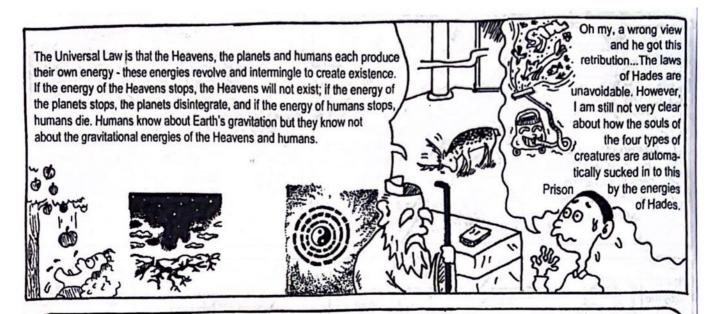


Look at the four types of creatures - in their previous lives they had committed many grievous sins; thus they're reborn as beasts, animals, fowls, fishes and worms. Of all the earthly creatures, humans are of the highest class. It's most advisable that people treasure their chance to be reborn as a human and cultivate the right path. May the souls of the four types of creatures change for the better so that their bad karma can be diminished and ultimately retrieve their human bodies.

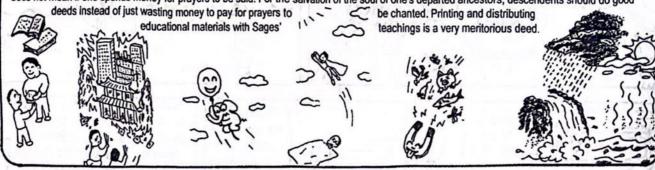




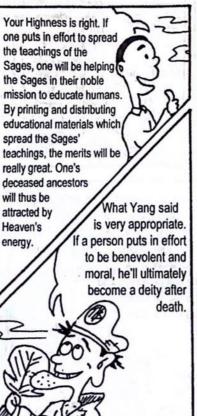




Anything pure will ascend to the Heavens due to the Heavens' gravitational energy and anything impure will descend to Earth due to the Earth's gravitational energy. The movement of feelings and desires are due to the gravitational energy in one's heart. These energies explains why "birds of the same feather flock together". When any of the four types of creatures dies, his soul is attracted and sucked by the energies of Hades to be judged by the Tribunals. If you are a cultivator, your soul is pure and light - it will be attracted by Heavenly energies and even if the Hell Guards come forward to bring your soul to Hades, they will not succeed. It is like a balloon floating towards Heaven - even if people hang on to it to stop it from floating, they themselves will still be dragged up. Those of you who aspire to attain Buddhahood or Sagehood must, from now on, cultivate morality while alive. It does not mean if one spends money for prayers to be said. For the salvation of the soul of one's departed ancestors, descendents should do good

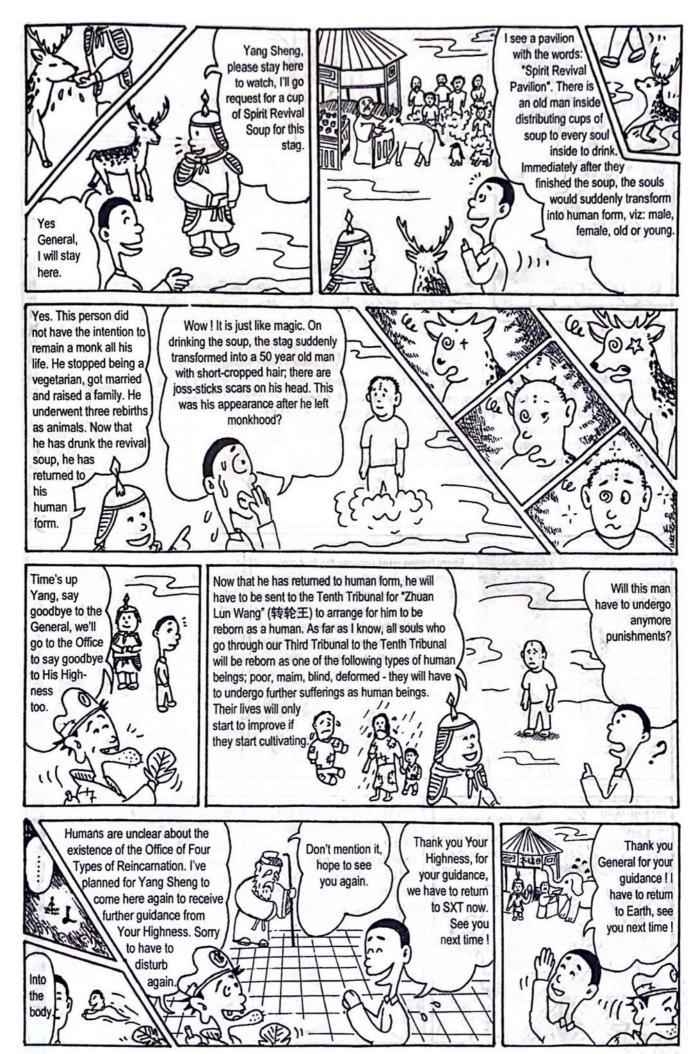


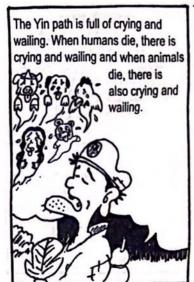




The Sages had educating people as their main objectives. Thus, by printing the educational material, you will be following the footsteps of the Sages - helping to spread their teachings. Moreover, people who wish to chant prayers for their deceased ancestors also need prayer books, so printing such material is necessary and helpful. Another meritorious act would be to help the poor and needy.

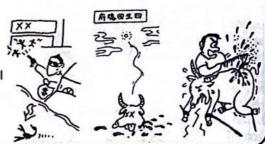


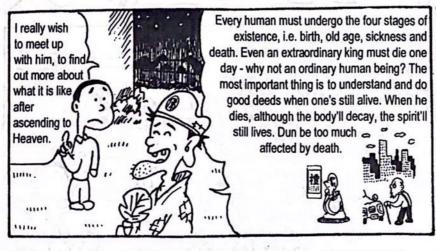






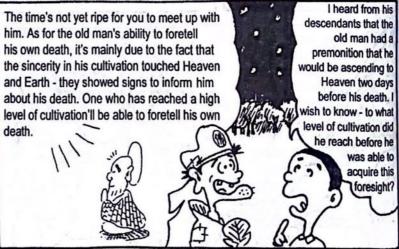
Most of the four types of creatures were slaughtered by humans. As these creatures seem to know that they've no way to escape, they feel very frightened and would cry and scream. When these creatures die, their souls dropped into Hades, into the Third Tribunal. Upon transforming back to human form, they will have to repay for their previous sins. Human beings must understand that if they live a very sinful life and maintain an evil mind, when they die, their souls will be reborn as one of the four types of creatures.













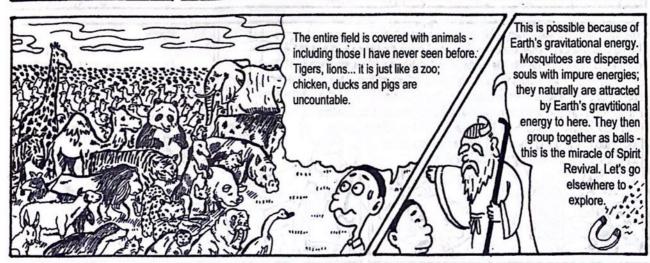


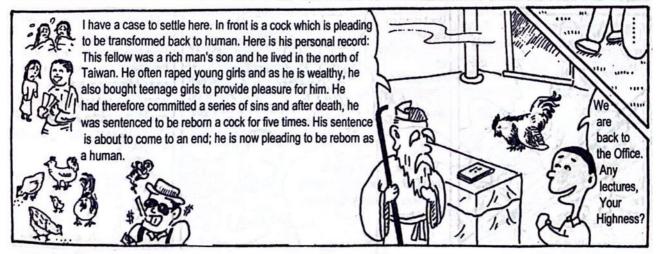


These are mosquitoes killed by humans. Their souls are pulled here by the energies of Hades. Each ball is made up of around 500 mosquitoes. Thus, these dispersed souls gather together to make up a complete soul. When the Revival Water is sprinkled on it, it will return to its human form.

really special, they are like
vacuum cleaners.
I see mosquitoes coming
together and sticking
together like cotton balls.
Then they fall and continue to
vibrate.

The equipment here is

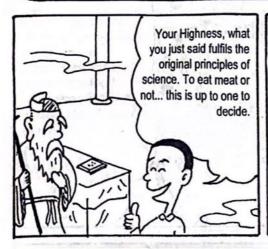




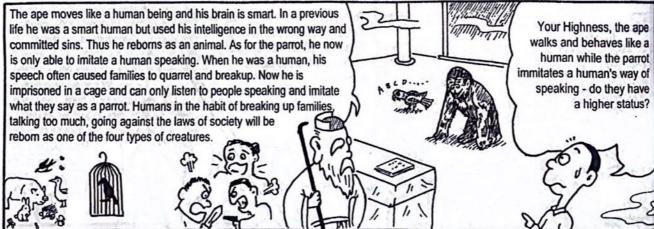
Every creature has a living soul but creatures exist in bodies of different types and shapes. Their spirituality is exactly like a human's spirituality. Humans like to eat meat because meat contains proteins and fats which help to build up the body; but they forgot that all the four types of creatures originated from human beings. There is negative energy inside the bodies of these creatures. When an animal is about to be slaughtered, it gets frightened and struggles, thus making the blood circulate faster & its internal organs release toxins into the blood stream. Eating this flesh means that humans also absorb the toxins. It is similar for human beings. When a person gets worried or frightened, the blood in his body changes in quality, the accumulation of these toxins will usually lead to sickness.



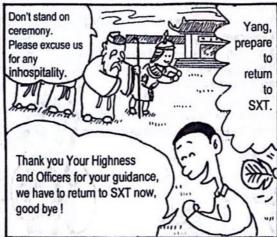




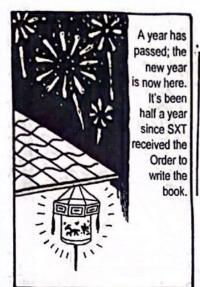
A healthy person will have a bright complexion whereas a dead one looks greenish and is called a corpse. Eating meat - which is animals' corpses - means that one will also take in the toxins in the meat. Scientists advocate vegetarianism for health. To cultivate, it is advisable to eat less meat and more vegetables to reduce the amount of toxic impurities in the body. Otherwise it will not be easy to succeed in their attempt. Sin or no sin... that's another matter.



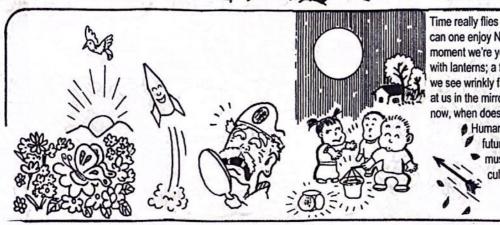










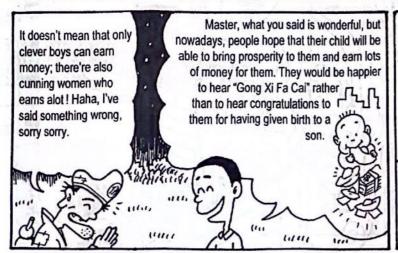


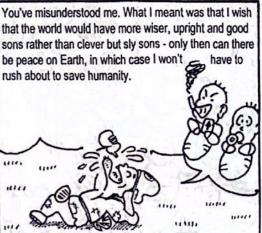
Time really flies like an arrow. How many times can one enjoy New Year in one's short life? This moment we're young children happily playing with lanterns; a few decades down the road and we see wrinkly faces with white hair lookin' back at us in the mirror. If a person doesn't cultivate now, when does he ever intend to do so?

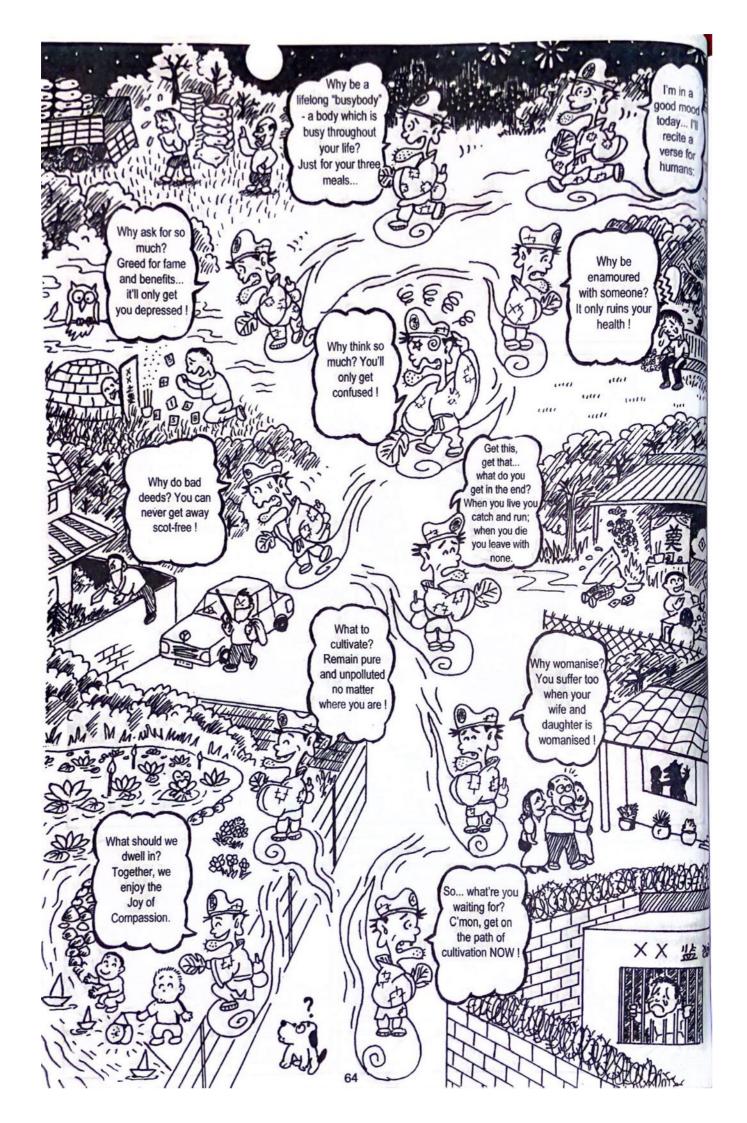
Humans should begin to plan for the future when they're still young. One must treasure time, one's own life to cultivate.

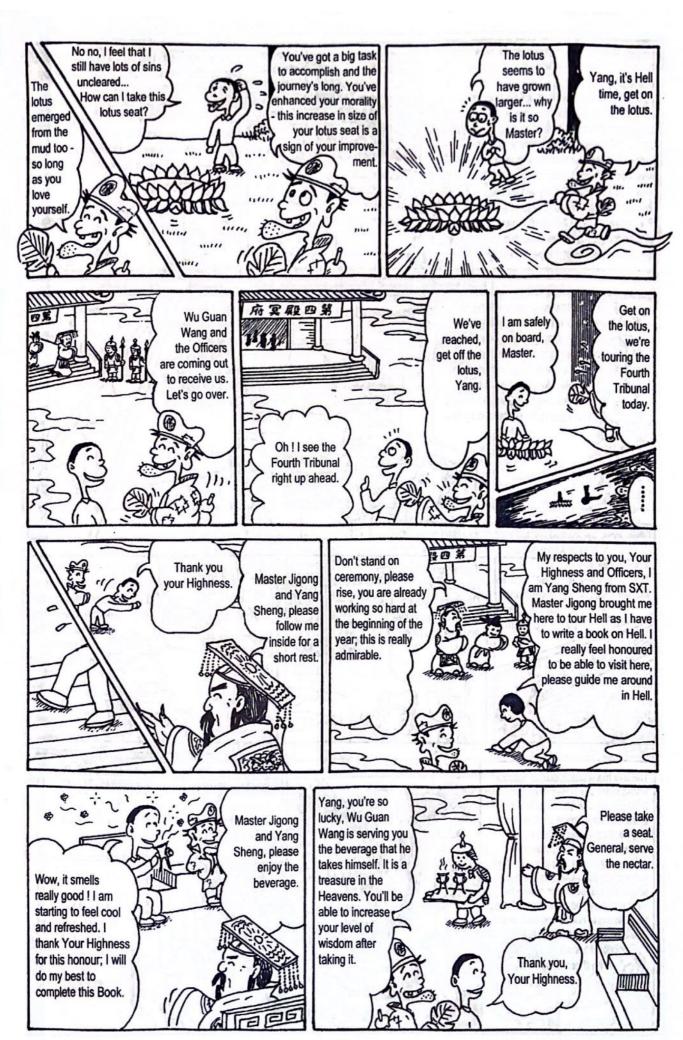


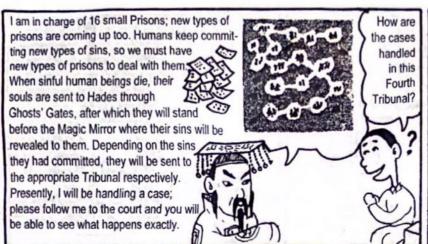






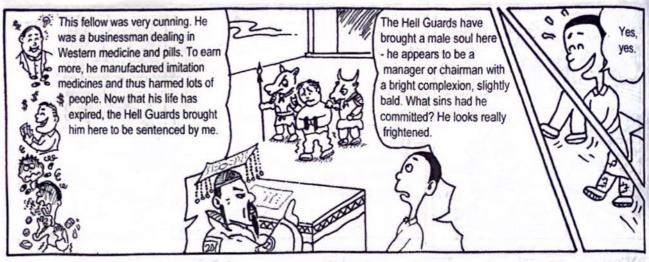






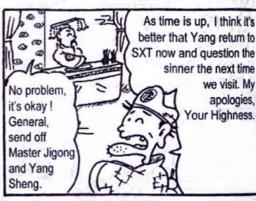
Don't mention it. This nectar is from the Fair Pond. The Heads of all Ten Tribunals enjoy this nectar. One's spirit could even be purified by drinking it. Officers in Hades will get to drink Heavenly Tea, while the Hell Guards and the soldiers of Hades will only get to drink ordinary tea. Different treatment for different spiritual levels.











There're many unscrupulous humans whose main aim in life's to earn money. Such people, like quack doctors and those who make imitation medicine to sell, have no morality - they regard human life as grass. In spite of the existing strict laws, they persist in their evil undertakings. Only when these people die will their souls realise the great sins they had committed. I'll bring Yang Sheng to Hades and he'll be able to see for himself the torturous

conditions in Hades and write them down in the book for all to read.

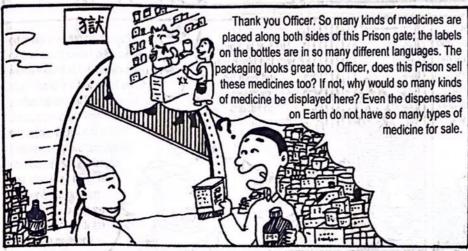
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Journey No. 23 Intercalary 1st Moon 19th Day (8th March 1977)

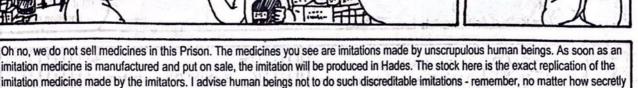
Touring the Prison of Force-feeding of Medicine (灌药小地狱)

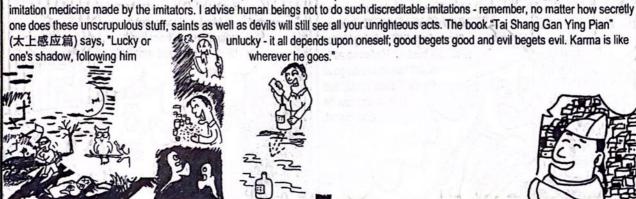






Welcome Master Jigong and Yang Sheng, we received orders and knew that SXT was instructed to write a book about Hades to let humans know about the existence of Hell and that you would be coming over to tour Hades. Please follow me.

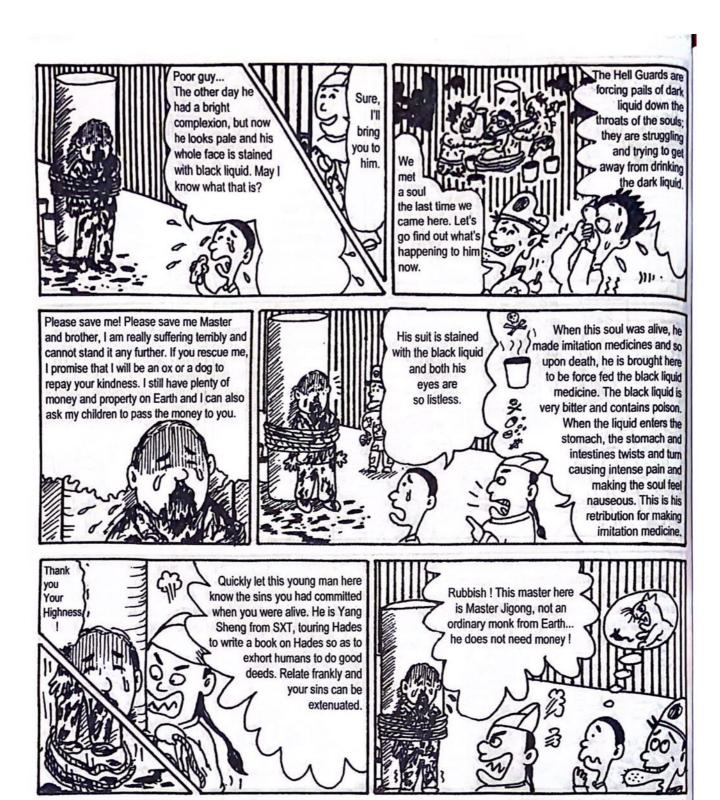






Many humans don't believe in the doctrine of cause and effect. Karma follows wherever you go, like a shadow which can be seen under a light; in dark places, however, no shadow can be seen. This doesn't mean that no one'll know about bad deeds done in secret - saints and devils'll still be aware of all sinful things or actions you do.

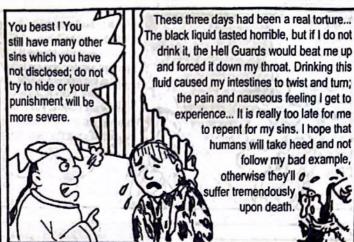




When I was alive, I ran a drug store selling Western and Chinese medicine. After being in this business for some time, I acquired sufficient knowledge about making various kinds of patented medicine and pills. I bought a set of medicine-making machinery and, using flour and colourings, I began to manufacture imitation medicines and pills which are in high demand. I manufactured a lot to distribute to other medicine shops as well as to sell in my own drug store. In this way, I made huge profits. Early this year, I fell sick and subsequently died at the age of 52. My soul was brought before the Magic Mirror which revealed everything I did when I was alive. The Magic Mirror gave me no chance to deny what I had done as everything was clearly shown. Three days earlier, I was sent to the Fourth Tribunal and Wu Guan Wang sentenced me to this Prison of Forced Drinking of Medicine for 30 years. Right before the punishment was going to be executed, I was stunned out of my wits because right in front of me were the various imitation medicines I had made. The evidence against me was all there









You deserve all these punishments you get! Though you did not directly kill people, you indirectly caused their death by making imitation medicine. Wu Guan Wang had no choice but to sentence

you to this heavy punishment.

and also on religious poems. I did not believe in what I had read as I thought only supertitious people would believe in ghosts and deities, so I chucked the book away, slandering the saints and deities. After death I was sentenced to an additional 5 years for two more sins, 1st, scolding the saints and secondly, for throwing the religious book away. I was really too ignorant... please Master Jigong and Yang Sheng, please plead on my behalf so that



Journey No. 24 Intercalary 1st Moon 23rd Day (12th March 1977)

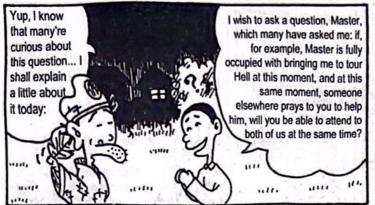
Touring the Prison of Boiling Water (沸汤浇手小地狱)



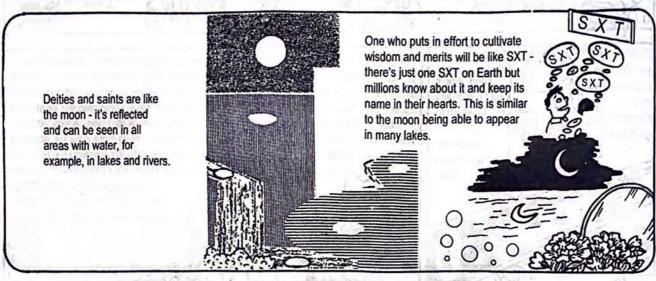
So long as one earns a decent living without breaking laws. There is no way one can't survive. Yet these days we see quite a number of people who don't wanna work for a living, they prefer to get easy money through stealing, robbing, cheating.. Some even resort to killing for money. Whose fault will it be? The poor parents put in so much effort to raise and teach their children and yet, the child walks the wrong path and becomes a threat to the society.

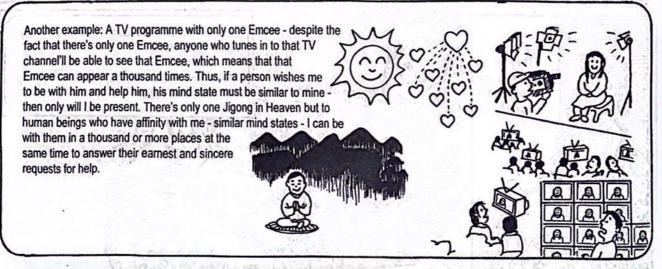
When alive, wayward humans behave as if the whole world belongs to them and that they can do anything they like, but when dead the souls still undergoes severe punishments executed by the Hell Guards. I'll bring Yang Sheng to Hades to let him know more about it and record what he saw in the book which he is presently writing. Humans will know what I'm talking about then.





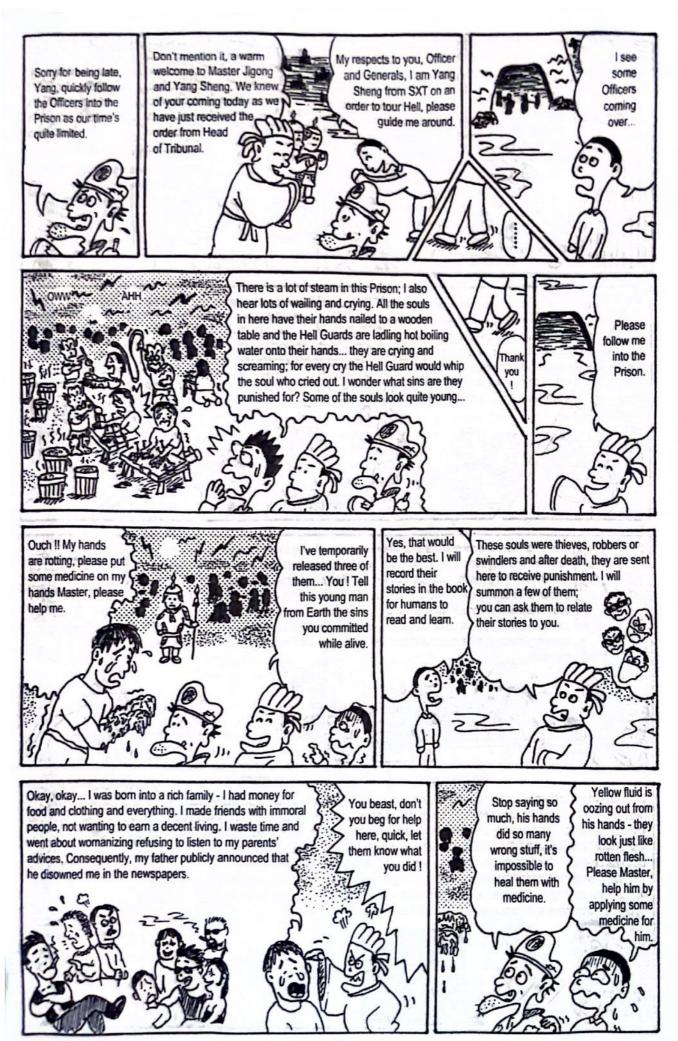


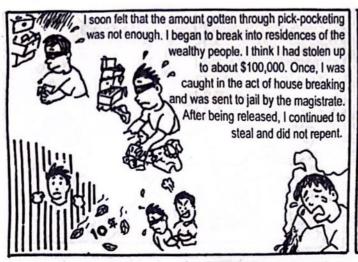




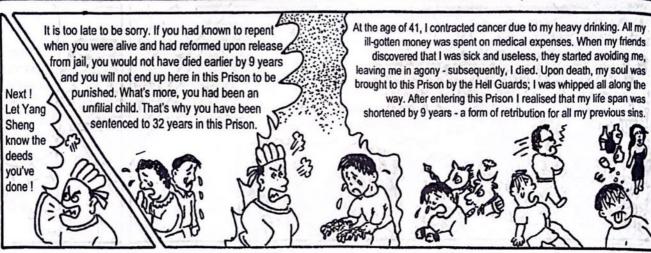


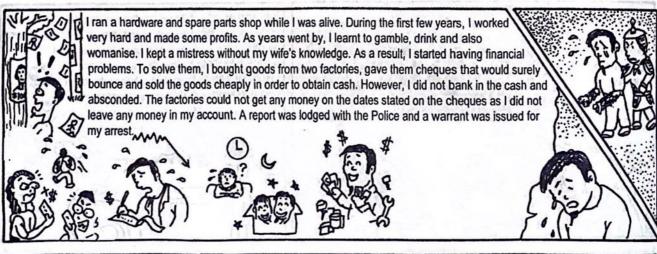


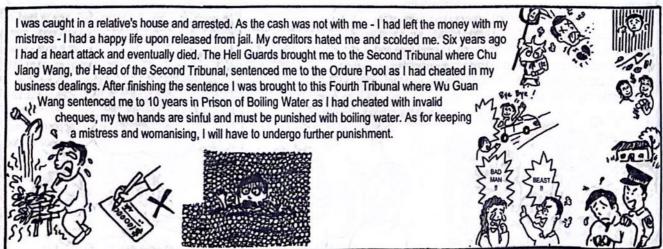


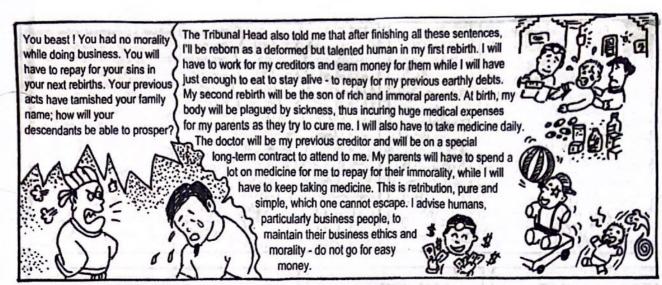


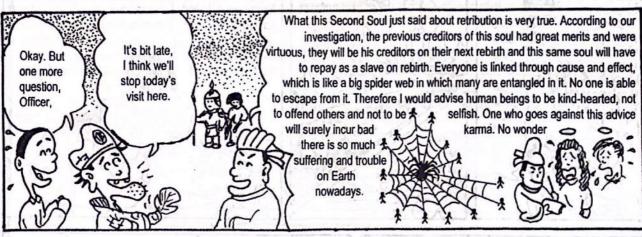








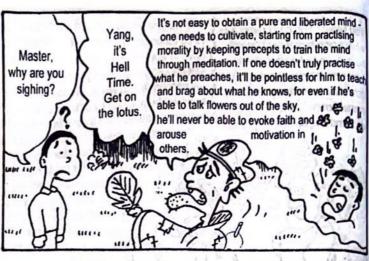


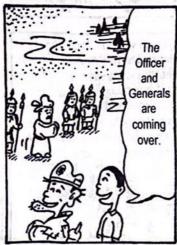


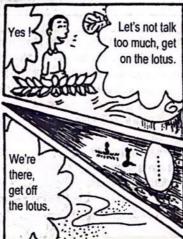


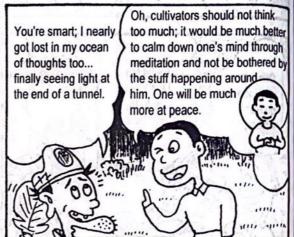










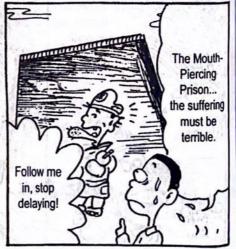




You are most welcome. The Fourth Tribunal is in charge of this prison, which is the Mouth-Piercing Prison. We had been informed that Master Jigong and Yang Sheng will be coming over tonight for a tour; please excuse us if you feel unsatisfied in any way.











I had a good voice and was a talented singer when I was alive. Thus, I often went around performing in night clubs and restaurants. I was also invited by pharmaceutical companies to perform and advertise for their products. In order to arouse the interest of the audience, I performed obscene songs and actions - the audience would cheer and clap in response.





I do hope that singers will refrain from singing obscene songs - please sing meaningful songs, otherwise you will end up here and the only songs you will hum here are genuinely sad ones.



The Tribunal Head told me that the songs I sang were neither patriotic nor morally encouraging but were instead obscene and indecent; I was sentenced to ten years in the Mouth-Piercing Prison as I was not practising right speech. The suffering I currently have to face daily is indescribable. Worse still, I heard from the Officer that I will be sent to other Tribunals for further punishment as I had committed other indecent sins like womanising... it is really too late for regrets.



Next! Let Yang

My mouth is really hurting me; blood is still pouring from it. While I was alive, I kept quarrelling with my husband, cursing Heaven and Earth; I also kept quarrelling with my neighbours. The biggest sin was that I often caused my neighbours to quarrel with one another. There was once I got very angry with a neighbour whom I quarrelled with, and for revenge, I said:



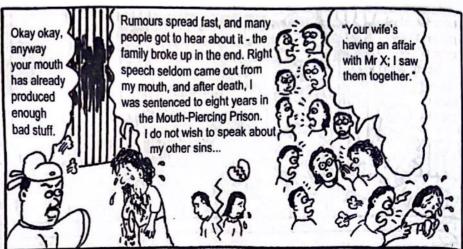


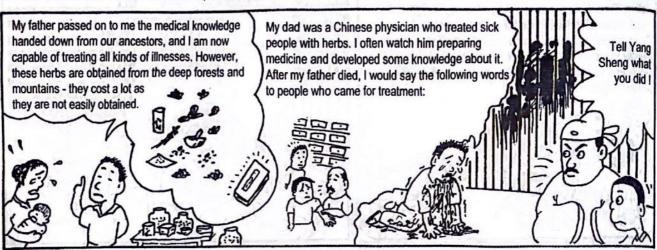


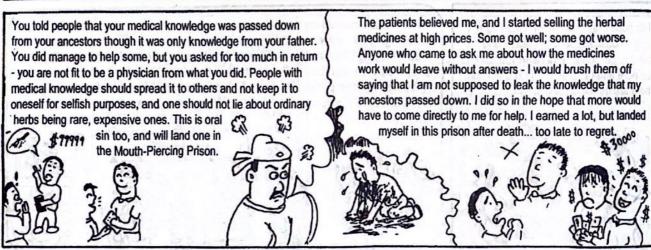
Singers, please sing meaningful and encouraging songs, do refrain from singing indecent ones which affect the society adversely. Otherwise, you will end up in Hell for committing oral sins.

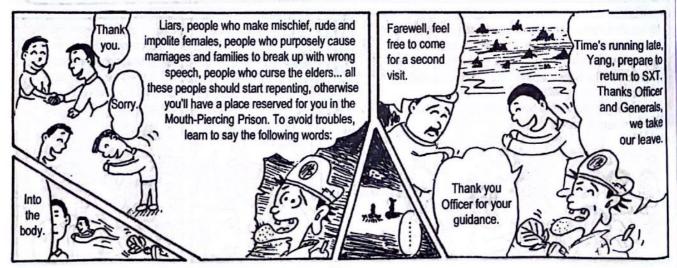












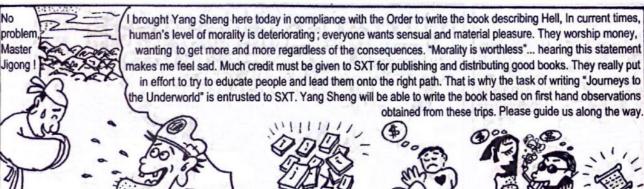


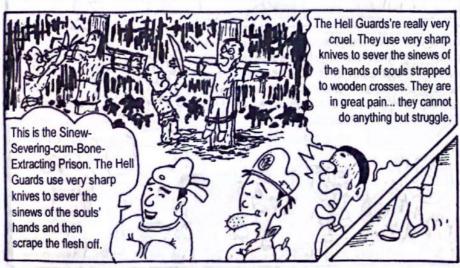




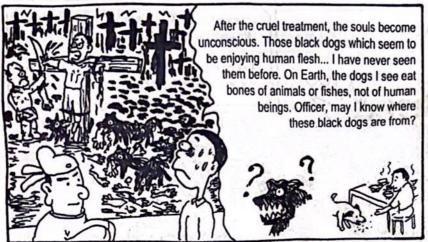


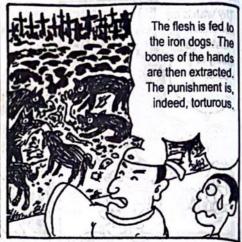


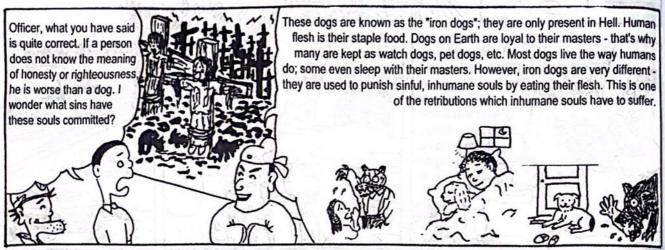


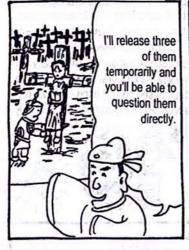


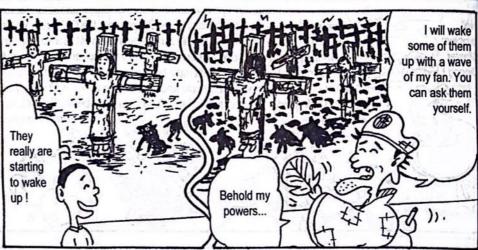


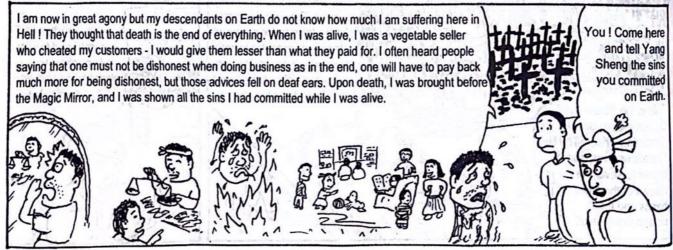




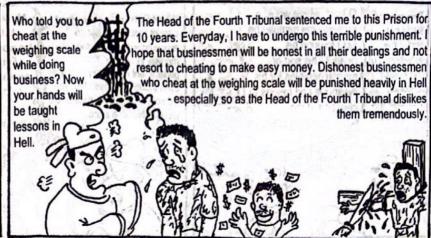


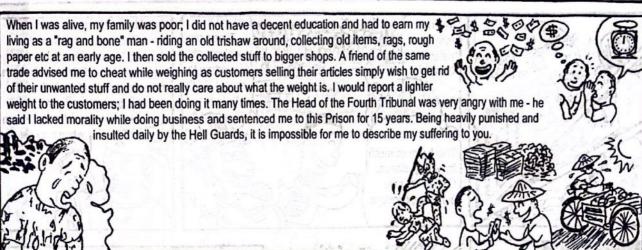


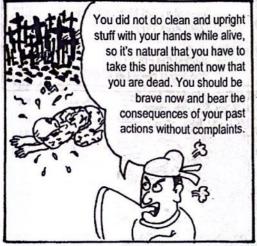


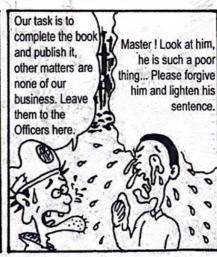


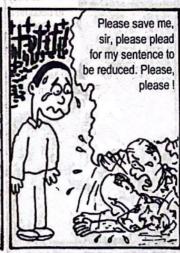
















Women who do not take good care of their family but go around gambling ruin the morality in society. Your punishment is not very heavy as even though you gambled, you did not cheat people, neither did you gamble for a living.

My husband advised me to give up the gambling and to take care of the home, but I turned a deaf ear to his words and this resulted in frequent family quarrels. Four years ago, I died of heart failure. My soul was sent to the First Tribunal and the Head sentenced me to the Sinew-Severing-curn-Bone-Extracting Prison. I have another 6 months to go through... I advise women to take care of the family - do not be like me.

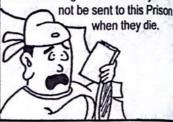


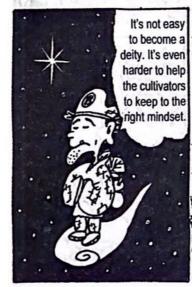


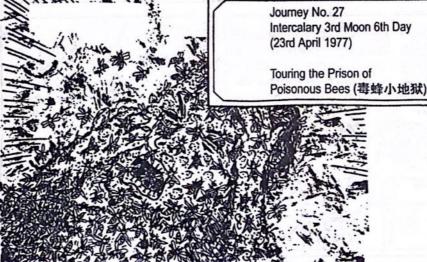




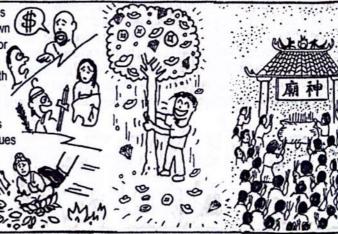
I would advise humans who have committed the sins mentioned above to turn over a new leaf, to help to print and distribute "Journeys to the Under-World", only then will their sins be lightened and they will not be sent to this Prison when they die







Today I'm bringing Yang to see these in Hell, it'll serve as a reference to humans! Monasteries, shrines, temples and other places of worship mushroom everywhere with their own impressive names, which allow the teachings or discussions of holy matters and spiritual practices. These are supposedly paradises on Earth to serve people spiritually... but recently many are doing amoral, unethical things stealthily in the name of holiness; some even turn holiness into a "tree that shakes off money", or sell statues or images of deities as tour gifts. Cases of swindle for money or sex happen one after another, which is a desecration of holiness. It's very sinful to deceive and harm people, "Swindle the strict Hell Laws never forgive!

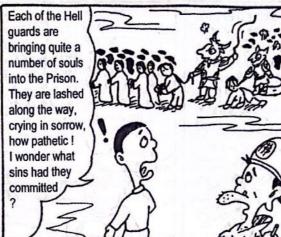




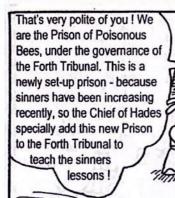




These people "depend on the deities for their meals", basically earning their living by making use of people's trust in holiness. They have "eaten too much" while alive, after death they all have to face trials in Hell. You'll know the details later when you visit inside.

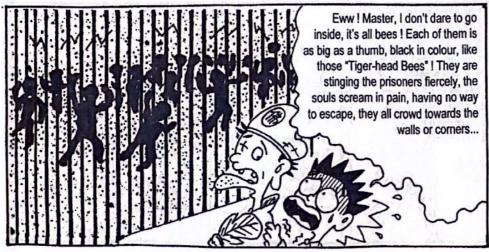






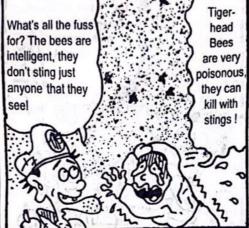
My respects to you, Officer and Generals! I am a member of SXT of Human World, taking an order to tour Hell and write a book. Today we have came to your Prison, please grant us the convenience we need.



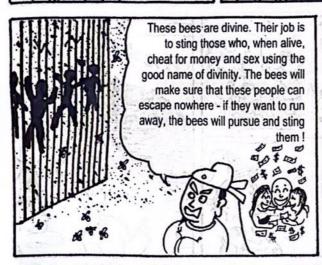




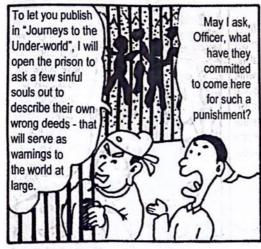


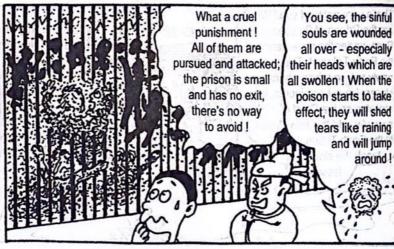












May I ask,

sentenced to

suffer in this

Prison?





You had made a wrong decision, but you never repent until death! There were reasons why I didn't reveal your sin: the Holy Ones descended through medium channellings to teach, so that people do good and avoid evil; all the truths include how to conduct ourselves. You had read the holy teaching, but didn't learn the lessons, you deserve punishment!



At that time my creditors were pressing me for my debts, and I didn't know what to do. Since I had that \$30,000 odd of donated fund with me, I decided to keep some for myself: I submitted only \$20,000 to the president, taking away another \$12,456 to pay my debts, and keep the remaining money for my living expenses, thinking that no one else will ever find out. But since then I always feel shameful and was uncomfortable

facing my "deity master" - Master Guan. However, every time when I did medium channelling, Master Guan didn't reveal my wrong deed. 3 years ago I died of serious

stomach disease, and was arrested by Generals Cow and Horse. At that time Master Guan also came to scold me:



The Head of Tribunal was also told to give me heavier sentence. When I reached the Hell, the Head of Tribunal was very angry with me. I was first brought before the Magic Mirror which shows my stealing of the money donated for printing good books - nothing at all was hidden, which got me frightened! Later the Forth Tribunal sentenced me into the Prison of Poisonous Bees for 28 years, and I will be be handled by the Fifth Tribunal later. Everyday I'm here stung by the poisonous bees, the pain and itch all over my body is unbearable, and I swell like Hell! The bees chase after me when they see me, and there's nowhere I can hide in this small prison! I regret for having become a medium and a student of Master Guan, but did not follow His holy teachings! Although it was only one single

> in the world be careful with their actions and speech, because when they do anything wrong, they can't run away from the "divine inspection"! Now it's too late to repent, I really feel too sorry for Master Guan who taught me and the colleagues who brought me into the Centre, I feel

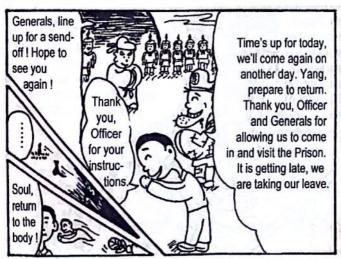
error that I made, but this one alone left me no turning back! I hope all mediums so shameful!

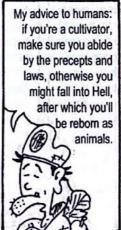
Whoever that are in the line of religions have to be very careful about money matters; if he breaks the holy precepts the Hell would have heavier punishments for him! Beware of this, humans!

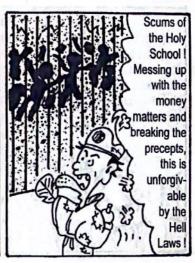


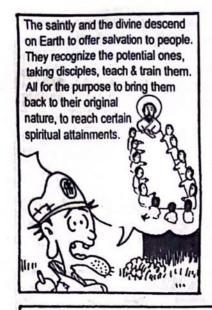






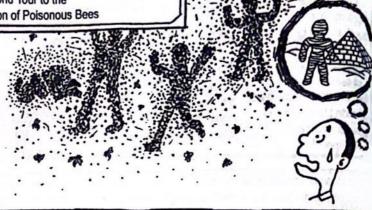






Journey No. 28 Intercalary 3rd Moon 19th Day (6th May 1977)

Second Tour to the **Prison of Poisonous Bees**



The kindness of Heaven and our teachers towards us is so great, it's said that "once a teacher, always like a father"; of course we should listen to our teachers and learn from them. However, some bad students go against morality and use the names of deities to cheat for money or sex. They don't practice to become deities but end up become deceivers; they don't go to but end up in Hell facing trials... their sins are really big!

Whoever that comes into the Holy School but breaks the holy precepts will be given severe sentences in Hell. Therefore whichever religions or schools of practice one is following, he should always adhere to the rules and customs, otherwise the sins could be unforgivable.



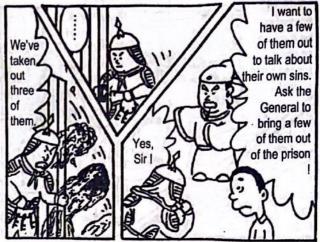


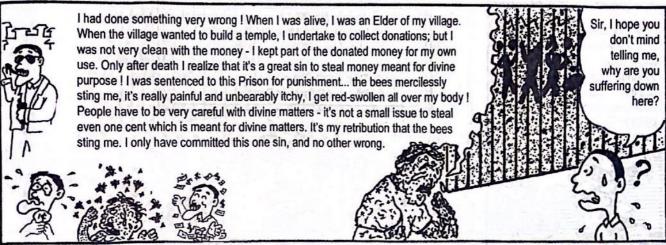


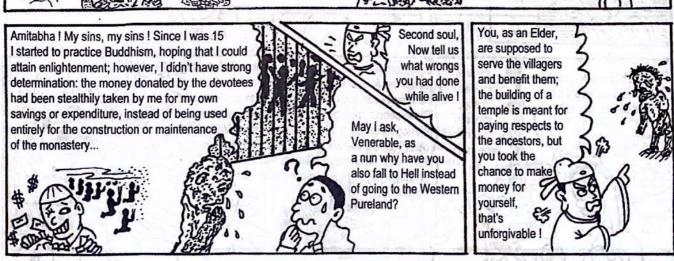


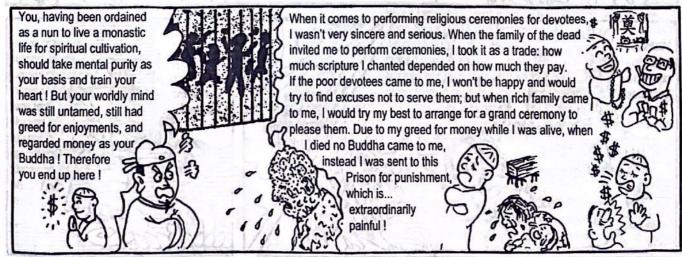


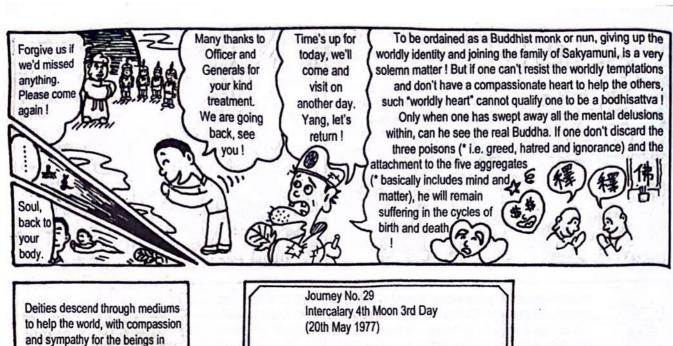


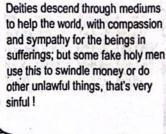








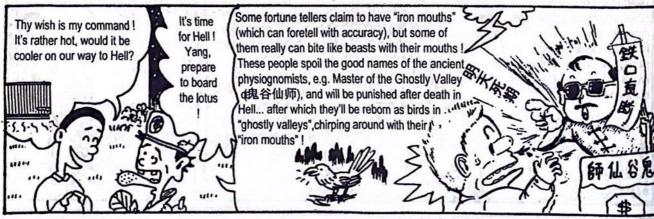


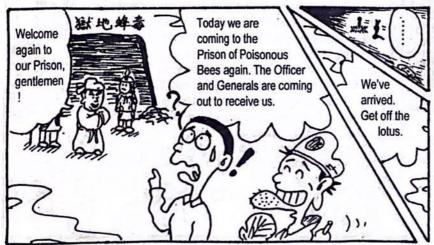


Third Tour to the Prison of Poisonous Bees

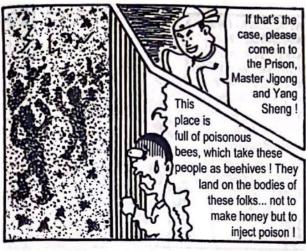




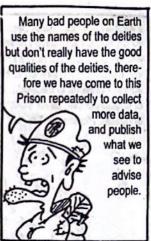


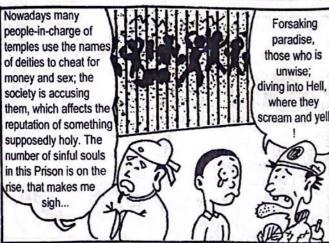






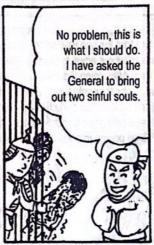








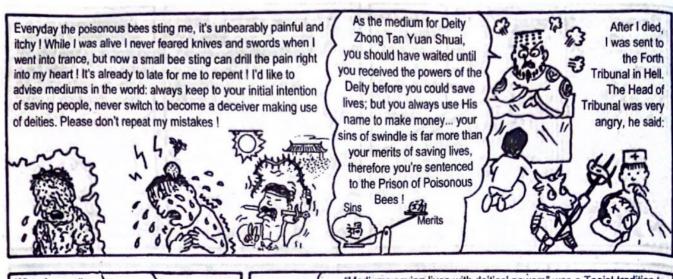


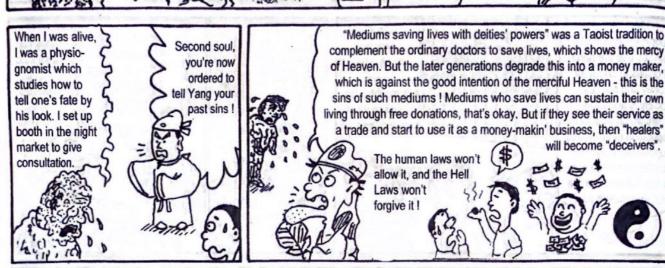


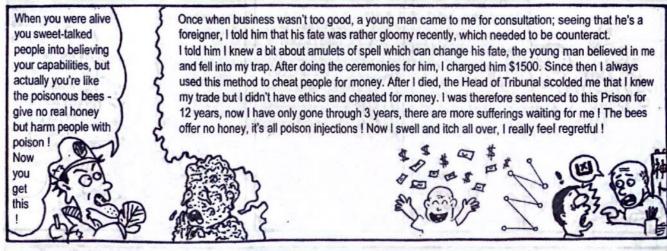




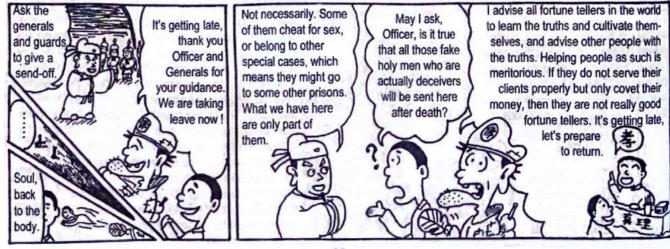
When I was alive I was a medium for the deity Zhong Tan Yuan Shuai (中坛元帅) in a temple. At first the deity always descended through my body to the world to help people, and indeed many lives were saved. Many diseases uncurable by doctors were cured by Him with His magic powers. Later on when more and more devotees are coming to me, sometimes when the Deity was not with me, I pretended that He was, which didn't help to cure them ! I also took such opportunities to tell the devotees that certain calamities were befalling them or devils were troubling them, which required certain ceremonies to be performed to help them out - joss paper has to be burned, for which I charged them \$1000 - \$3000. This is not the intention of the Deity. With this I made big money throughout life and enjoyed luxuries!



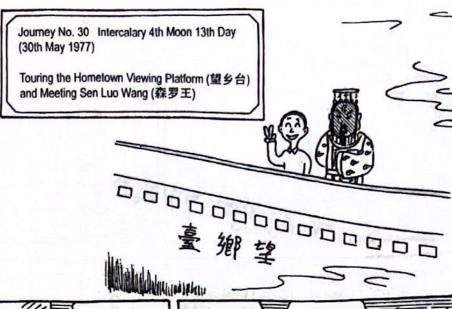




will become "deceivers".









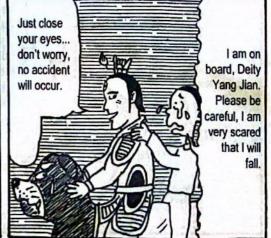


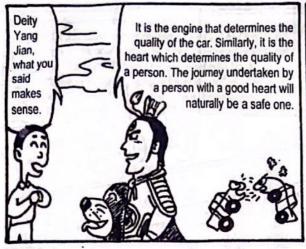








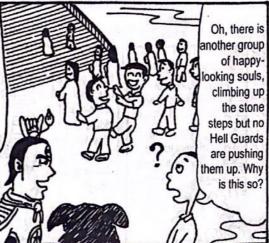


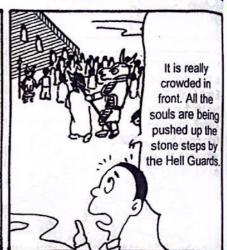






This place is called "Hometown Viewing Platform". All these souls who have arrived at Hades are entrusted to the Fifth Tribunal and they proceed to Hometown Viewing Platform for them to see what their families are doing. The group brought here by the Hell Guards will feel sad after seeing their descendants while the cheerful group will feel happy when they see how their families are faring.





My respects to you, Sen Luo Wang and Officers, I am Yang Sheng from SXT. Deity Yang Jian brought me here to the Fifth Tribunal as I have to write a book on Hell to urge humans to do good deeds. Please guide me around in Hell.

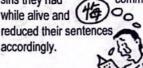


He is Sen Luo Wang, the Head of the Fifth Tribunal; the rest are the Officers coming to receive us. Go and pay your respects quickly.

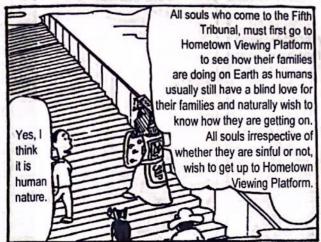
I see a big group of people coming... Who are they?

Thank you, Please Your High-Please arise follow me in ness, for for a short your kindrest, Deity ness. Your Yang Jian and impartial Yang Sheng. decisions means that those with morality can have their entences reduced.

SXT have done many meritorious deeds and published and distributed many books advising people to do good deeds. There are many evil doers who have turned good after reading books by SXT. I am in charge of this Fifth Tribunal and have come across many souls who had lesser faults after having read books published by SXT - thus I mitigated the committed sins they had while alive and (reduced their sentence ତ



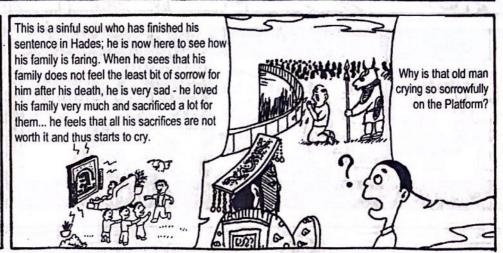


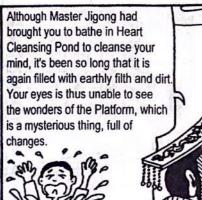




It will be very tough for a sinful soul to have to depend on prayers from his family to release him from suffering.

Present day families may not believe in deities, prayers and karma. How will they be able to help the soul?





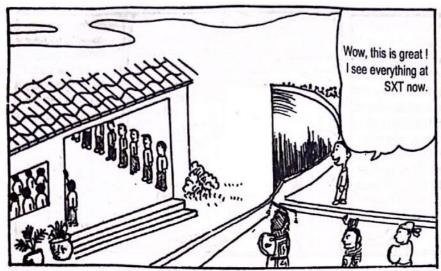




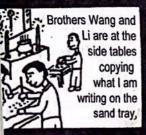


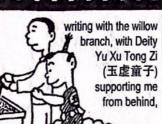


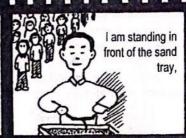




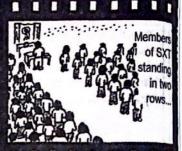


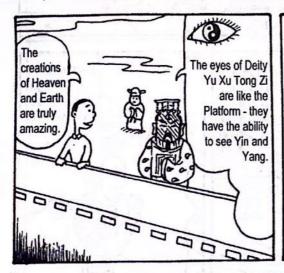




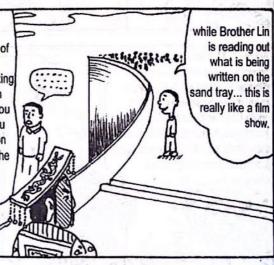


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It is difficult to describe the magic of the Platform. Deity Yu Xu Tong Zi is fixing his spiritual eyes on your body so that you write down what you observe in Hades on the sand tray with the willow branch.



I have a question to ask: why is it that dead souls are able to see the present situation in the Yang world when they are on the Platform, but I was unable to see anything just now?

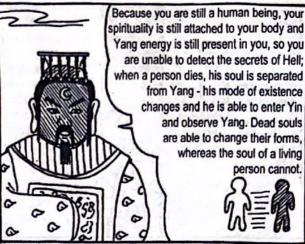


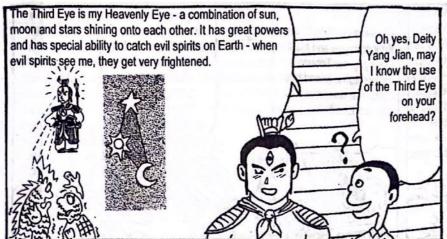
This soul had been a kind man who also cultivated while he was alive. However, his cultivation was not very successful; he died recently and now sees that his descendants are all praying for him - he is very touched by their filial attitude. Though he had not achieved a lot in his cultivation, he knew that there is no way to prevent death and thus did not get upset over his death. In a few days he will be sent to Centre for the Good to



I see another soul
who looks so happy
after watching what
from the Platform;
even the
Hell Guard smiles
at him and politely
invites him to watch.
I wonder why?



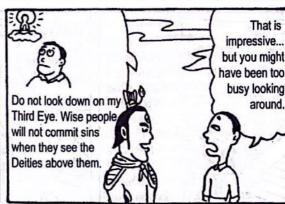








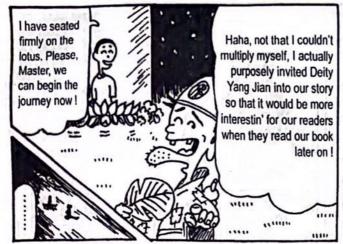




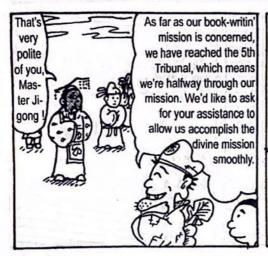
Last time I had something else to attend to, so I asked Deity Yang Jian to bring Yang Sheng to tour Hell. It was the first time the two Yangs visit the Fifth Tribunal together; along the journey they had a good conversation - in fact it was full of wisdom! I hope readers will read deeper than the words, just like when one is eating melon seeds, he has to eat the tasty content, not just chewing the tasteless shell !

Journey No. 31 Intercalary 4th Moon 29th Day (15th June 1977)

Touring the Fifth Tribunal: Sen Luo Wang's Discourses on Heart Gouging

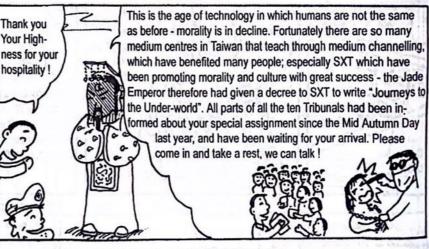




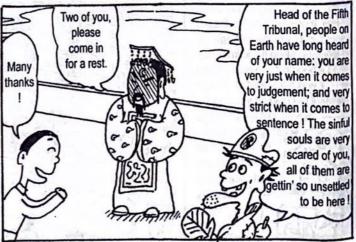


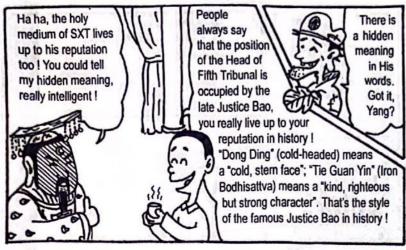




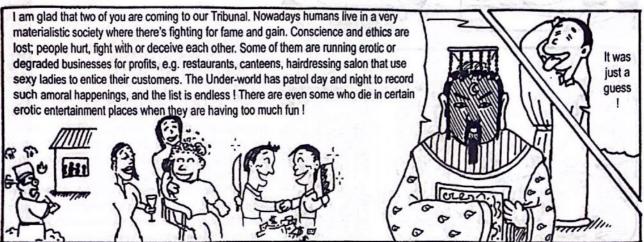


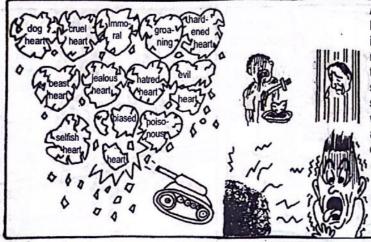








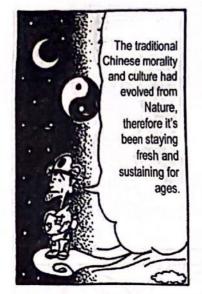




All these immoral souls are now suffering in Hell. The sin of being immoral is very grave! I would advise humans not to involve themselves in erotic businesses, otherwise it might not be possible for the sins to be fully paid for in three lifetimes! I rule the Fifth Tribunal with absolute justice, all the souls sent here are frightened because of my strictness of sentence! Sinners who don't bother to change themselves will get to taste my style in the Fifth Tribunal - I don't take any pleading! Our prison is "Loud Crying Prison", which describe what one will hear here. The 16 Heart-gouging Smaller Prisons destroy all types of evil hearts - the souls will have their chests open and their hearts extracted, which is a very cruel punishment! Not that I'm unkind, but the fact is that these souls are really bad - they deserve the Heart-gouging punishments!

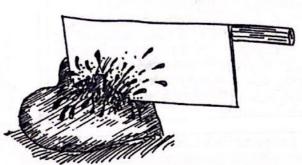


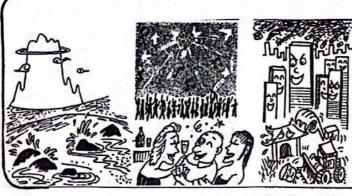




Journey No. 32 Intercalary 5th Moon 16th Day (2nd July 1977)

Touring the Heart-gouging Prison (诛心小地狱)





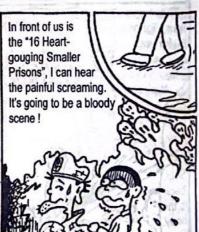
However, people are getting more and more realistic and materialistic; they look down upon their own culture and promote full westernization. Sensual pleasure, alcohol, eroticism and violence are rampant in the society. There are those who forget their own ancestors but idolize the western culture, for which they are ashamed as Chinese descendants. In recent ages technology has advanced so far that people thought they can manipulate Nature, but they didn't know that no matter how smart they are, they are just a small wave in the big ocean - to destroy Nature with technology is to put themselves into calamities. All humans should rethink their unnatural way of life.









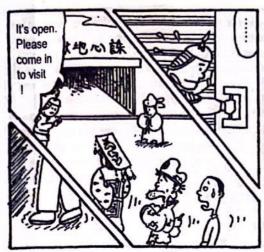


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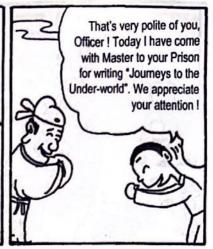
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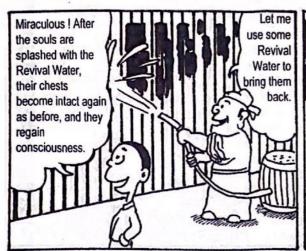
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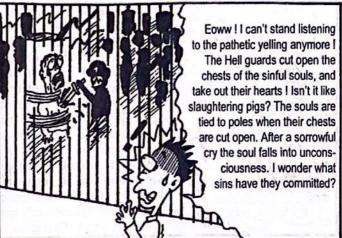
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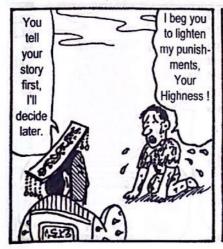


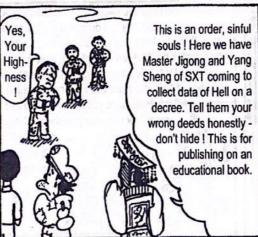










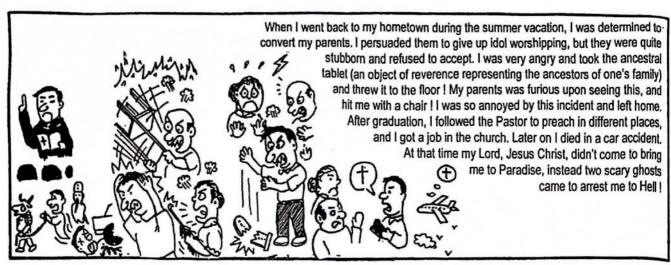


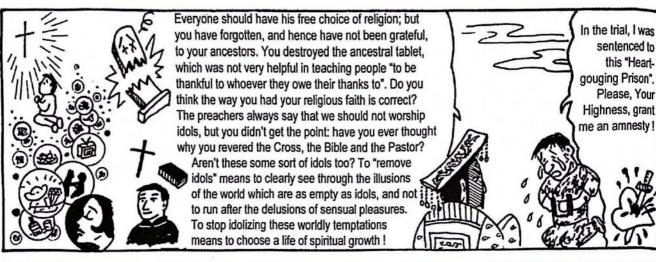


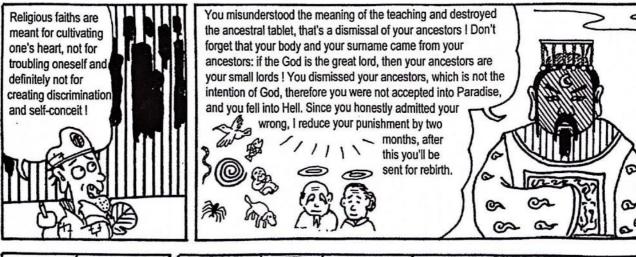
Okay. When I was alive, I was quite well-read and received university education. I was influenced by the New Thoughts, and was very interested in westernization. There was a professor in my school which was a Christian; he persuaded me to become a Christian - not only could I learn more English Language, I could also have chance to go overseas - for the sake of my future, I readily consented. Ever since then whenever I had the time, I would attend church to listen to the sermons of the Pastor and learn English at the same time.

The congregation consisted mainly of youths, who were in trendy clothes. Here they got to learn more knowledge, make friends and hold activities frequently - which made it a youth society. After being haptized. I had a thought that the folks back in my hometown.





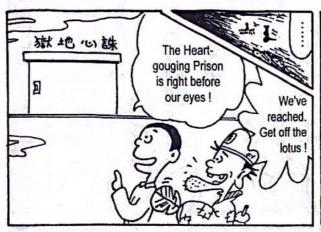


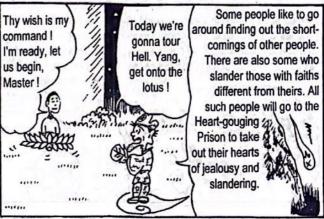












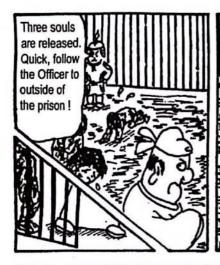
The punishments in Hell are too frightening. Right from the First Tribunal, whenever we come to a prison, all we see and hear are dark and scary - especially the Heartgouging Prison, where the dead souls are particularly miserable!

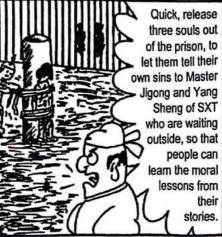


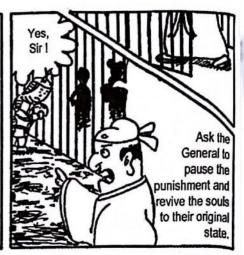


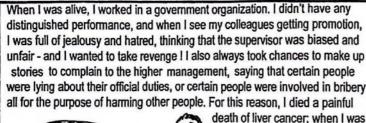














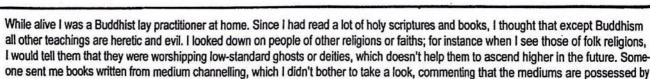
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was shown!

This is Master Jigong, and this is Yang Sheng of SXT from the Human World. They take the decree to visit Hell in order to write a book. Now tell them what are the wrong deeds that you had done when you were alive, to let them publish in a book of moral lessons.



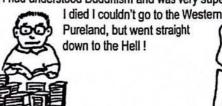
We cannot be jealous of the good ones! You destroyed the unity of the organization, like the horse that harms the herd. You shouldn't had done that!

The Head of Tribunal angrily scolded me that I did not stay within my responsibilities and go around scheming against other people out of jealousy or hatred; he said I had a poisonous, evil heart, and sentenced me to be punished here. While alive I didn't believe in karma, now I suffer!



devils and the medium channel-writings are not trustworthy, and one should not believe in such evil religion. Throughout my life I had slandered all I could about other religions, thinking that I had understood Buddhism and was very superior. I didn't know that after









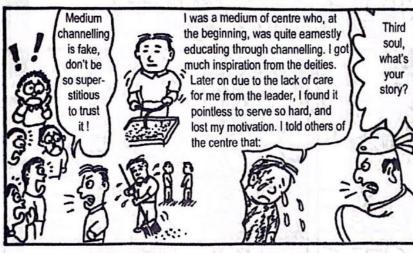
I have my consequences now because of my stubbomness, pride and prejudice, and self-indulgence, which caused me to slander-for which my virtues are lost.

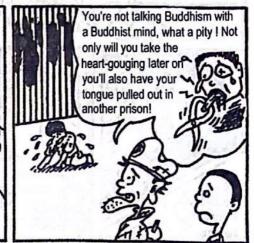


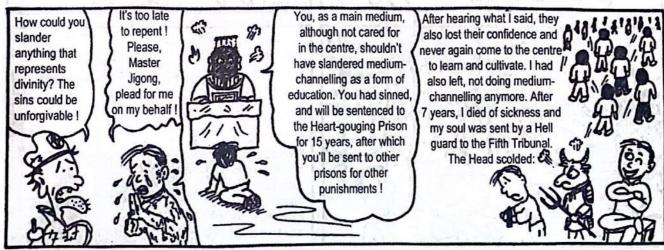
You, the traitor of Buddhism, do not have the slightest bit of compassion: you took the precepts but had hatred in your heart. You slandered other religions, which obviously mean you didn't fully understand Buddhism! Any religion that encourage good and discourage evil can be considered proper religion; the fact that your religion is great doesn't mean others are unworthy! Why slander the others to raise your own status?



When I died, no angel or saint came to me; instead two Hell guards came and brought me to Hell. When I was sent to the Fifth Tribunal, the Head scolded me:

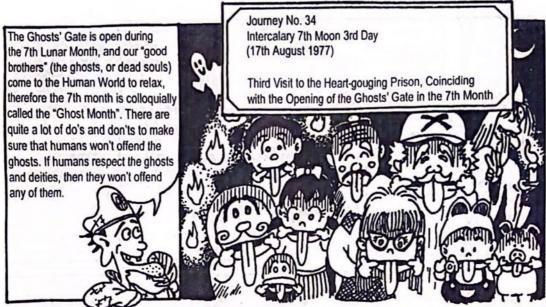










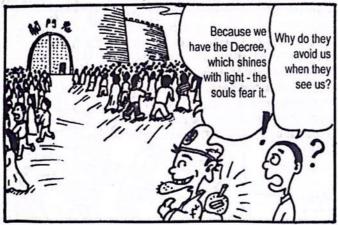




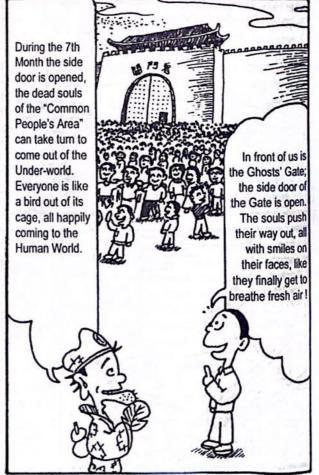




Now that the Ghosts' Gate is open, we will more or less meet with some obstructions in our book-writing Hell tour. But since I'm with you, the ghosts will avoid us. Fear not, Yang!

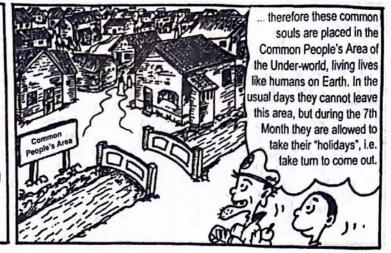






As for the ghosts in the Hell prisons, part of them can leave the prisons starting from the 15th Day of the 7th Month. In Buddhist culture this is called "Ullambana", and in others it's called "Zhong Yuan Pu Du" (中元普渡). The Officers in Hell have their fixed holidays in the usual days, so they are not within such limitations. This is roughly the situations of living

in the Under-world. Yang, board the lotus and we'll go straight to the Heart-gouging Prison to visit.





Not really.
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there the souls
seems
very happy,
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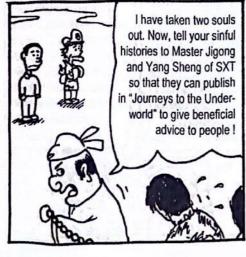
No problem! It happens to be Offthe 7th Month. icer the traffic along is the roads to here com is a bit chaotic ing. Has it been troublesome My respects to you, Officers. Today we're here again, thank you for your attention.





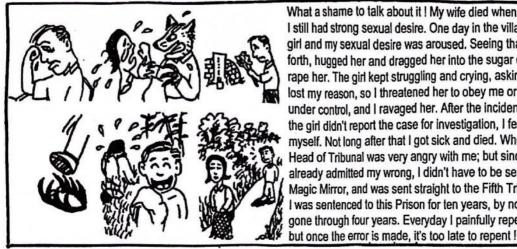
That's because during the 7th Month, the common souls without much sins get to go out for fun; these sinful souls here heard before that the 7th Month is the time for the ghosts, and they also wish they could relax for a while; but they are kept in prison with no freedom at all, so they envy those who get to have their holidays! Not only are they locked up here, they also have to be punished mercilessly by the Hell guards as usual, that's why they all look so unhappy. Humans should become good persons to prevent from falling into Hell, which has no freedom but only darkness!



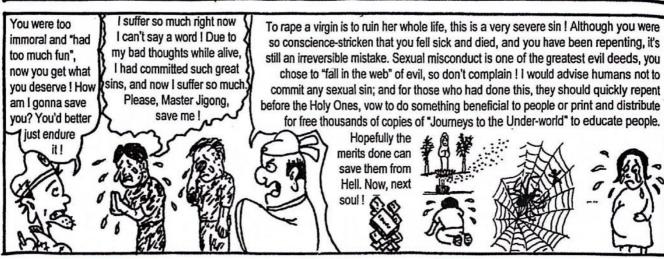


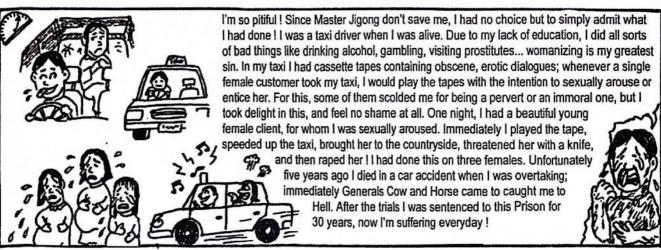


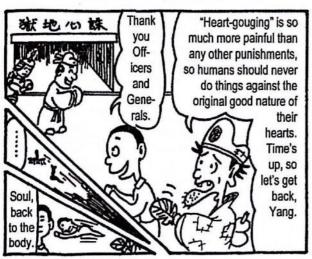




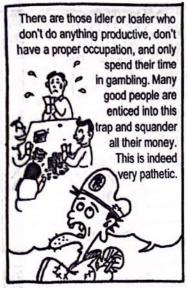
What a shame to talk about it! My wife died when I was in my middle age, and I still had strong sexual desire. One day in the village countryside, I saw a young girl and my sexual desire was aroused. Seeing that nobody was around, I went forth, hugged her and dragged her into the sugar cane field nearby, wanted to rape her. The girl kept struggling and crying, asking me to let her go; but I had lost my reason, so I threatened her to obey me or I would kill her. Finally I got her under control, and I ravaged her. After the incident I felt very regretful - although the girl didn't report the case for investigation, I felt shameful and always blamed myself. Not long after that I got sick and died. When my soul came to Hell, the Head of Tribunal was very angry with me; but since I had already admitted my wrong, I didn't have to be sent to the Magic Mirror, and was sent straight to the Fifth Tribunal. I was sentenced to this Prison for ten years, by now I've gone through four years. Everyday I painfully repent,

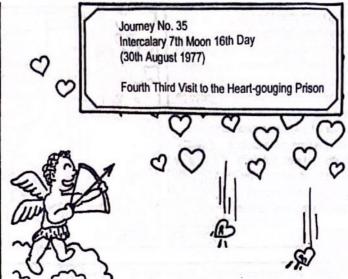






This soul had too much sin, that his lifespan was shortened by ten years, so that he would come to Hell earlier to pay for his sins. After the punishment in this Prison, he will be sent to the Avici Hell for a long long time. Humans should learn their moral lesson from this case: sexual misconduct is one of the worst sins, which include rape and other relevant sins like playing obscene, erotic tapes. The Hell Laws won't forgive this, so be careful or the consequences will be irreversible!







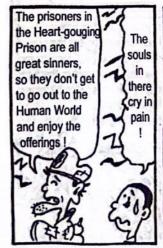
The robbery that happened recently was also due to gambling. Some people are forced by their gambling debts to take the risk to steal and rob, that's why such cases happen one after another. Gamblin' is very harmful and poisonous, humans should never gamble for they might end up regretting for their whole lives! On the other hand, sexual immorality is one of the greatest of all evil, those who commit it will lose their own good reputation - females should especially take care of their own reputation, never should they have an affair behind the back

of their husbands, this can bring misfortunes! The sins of sexual misconduct is not less severe than gambling, which have caused many souls crying bitterly in Hell. Let's go to the same Prison to see their consequences. Yang, onto the lotus!



Due to the event of the 7th Month, The situation in this two days the Hell is different Human World today, the souls have offerings freely move everywhere for about, and the the ghosts. The atmosphere is souls with less so vibrant. sins get to come out of the prisons and accept the offerings.



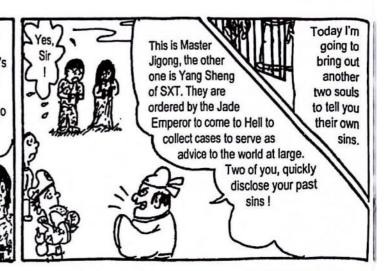








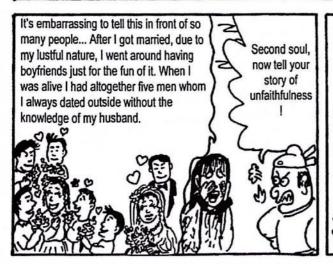
When I was alive I had an outdoor job. always travelled around for business, therefore I always stayed in hotel - that's where I met certain people who invited me to gamble. In the beginning it was only for curiosity, but later on I had to go gambling everyday, or else I'll feel the itch for it! Ever since then I always spent my time in the casinos. My job paid well, but since I always lost money in the gambling, so I borrowed money from friends all over.



I didn't care for my family, and that's how I spent my life. When I was 43, once I drove after drinking, an accident happend and I died. After death the Hell guards brought me to Hell, which is when I found out that my lifespan had been shortened by 5 years! After going through the Tribunals, I was sentenced into the Heart-gouging Prison for 13 years. Everyday my "heart of gambling addiction" is cut out, it's very painful! I hope people do not indulge in gambling, for the Hell doesn't treat the gamblers well - whenever the Head

> of the Fifth Tribunal sees a gambler, He will make sure that the gambler get beaten on the buttocks for 100 times with the sticks, before any trial! He says that gamblers have hard buttocks because they always sit at the gambling desk and lack exercise, so He'll give them some work-out with the beat-up! Not only is that embarrassing, it's also painful! Sob... sob... how miserable am!! Help me,





Master Jigong!

How dare you are to plead! After You didn't really curing your "heart of gambling care too much addiction", you'll be sent to the about anything else "Hand-searing Small Prison" for when you were punishment. You had been gambling, did you? gambling too much when you Now why should I were alive, now you deserve all care for you? Don't these. There's no need to think too much, complain! just endure it!

Don't bother with her, Master Jigong! She was lustful, so now her "lustful heart" has to be cut out, that's what she deserves! If she wants any forgiveness, she should have "given up her butcher knife" (i.e. given up the bad deeds) while she was still alive; if until death she still doesn't repent and change, it'll be too late to ask for any amnesty down here!

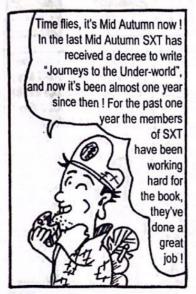
As someone's wife you were unfaithful, lustful, vain, and did not do much good deeds. There's nothing I can do to save you!

When I was 54, I died of heart attack and my soul was arrested by the Hell guards. I was brought before the Magic Mirror and all my shameful deeds was shown, leaving me with no choice but to admit my sins. I was sent to the Fifth Tribunal to be sentenced to this Prison for 20 years.

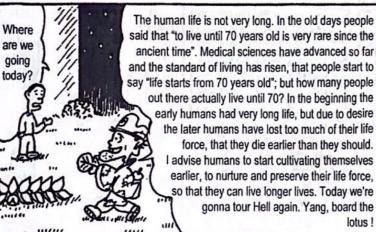
Everyday I have to face the heart-gouging... Please, Master Jigong, plead to His Highness to grant me amnesty!

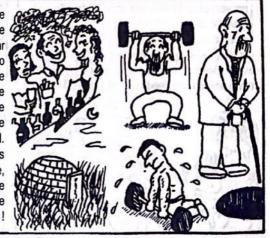




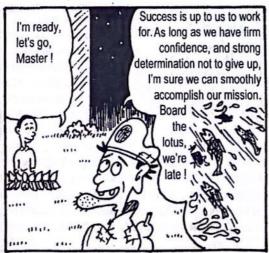






















It's my honour to meet you! Thank I've long heard that SXT have you been very meritorious for the Your educational works you'd done. Highness During the last Mid Autumn we for your had received the notice that hospiyou were ordered to tality. write "Journeys to the Under-world" Today you are finally here! Please, Master Jigong and Yang Sheng, come in for a rest!

I am very pleased with your arrival today. Talking about the degraded state of the world, the Jade Emperor was so compassionate that he gave a decree to SXT to write "Journeys to the Underworld". Because most humans do not believe that those who do bad deeds will fall into Hell to suffer.







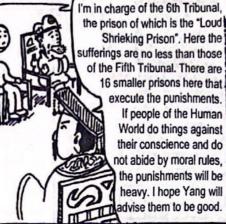


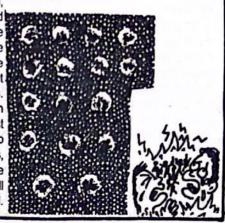
... Therefore the Jade Emperor specially ordered Master Jigong to bring Yang Sheng's soul to the Under-world, to see how humans are punished in Hell after they die. Yu Xu Tong Zi plays the role of a fax machine to help Yang Sheng do a live report of what he sees. I believe when this book is out, many people will benefit from it. Nowadays the Human World talks about science and

disregard ghosts and deities, therefore killing, stealing and sexual misconduct happen everywhere. The "realistic" humans think that as long as they can run away from the laws in the Human World, they will be all right. That's why people try to abuse the loopholes in laws and take the risk to do unlawful things. People who do not have morality and business ethics can be found everywhere on Earth, sigh! These are the side effects of materialism. The current state of the world makes me sad. Anyone who doesn't believe in karma and do bad deeds can never run away from the bad consequences. "The net of Heaven is loose,

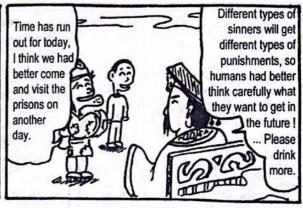
but it never lets any bad-doers escape!"

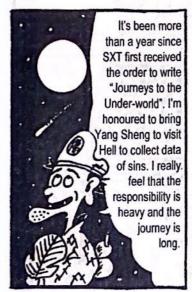


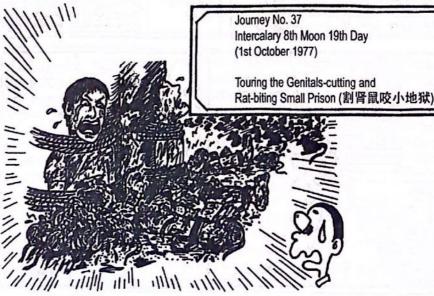


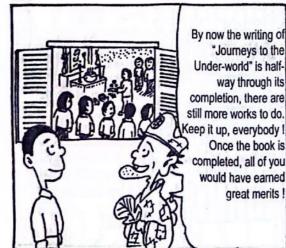






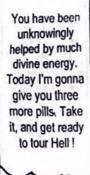




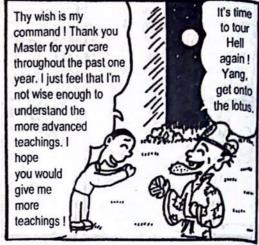


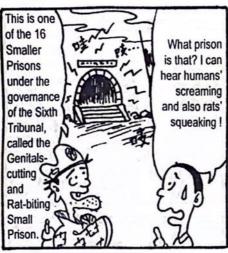
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The path towards Hell is rugged, and it's difficult to walk through. "Journeys to the Underworld" is a rare book, which came from a heavenly mandate. SXT has been doing a great job in education, therefore the Jade Emperor was so pleased that He gave this "mission incredible" to SXT. It's also the brilliance of the holy medium-Yang, which makes the completion of the mission possible. This is also comforting to me.

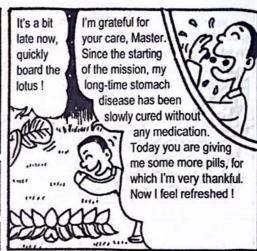










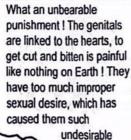


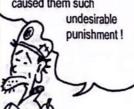




My respects to you, Officer and Generals. I am Yang Sheng of SXT, today I'm following Master to your Prison for a visit. We would very much appreciate your attention and the gift of convenience!



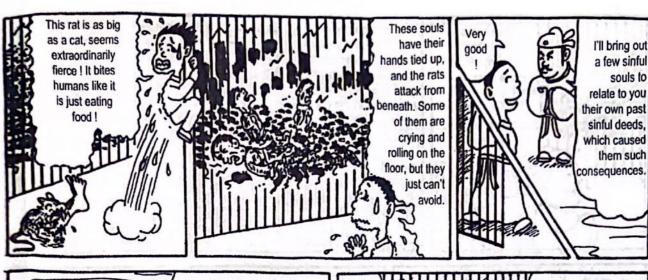


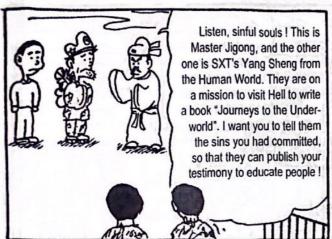


The souls in the Prison are all males. They had been lustful, immoral, or perverts that had broken precepts. The punishment for them is to cut off their genitals and to let the rats bite whatever remain - just like cutting off the grass and then removing the roots.



It is all rats inside the Prison, the rats are attacking the souls, which are tied sitting on the floor. They can't defend themselves with their hands and could only roar in pain. What wrongs had they done?





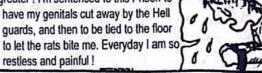


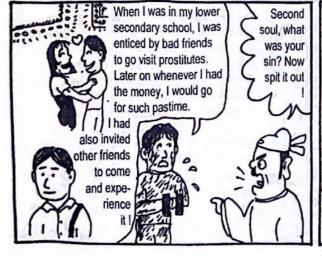


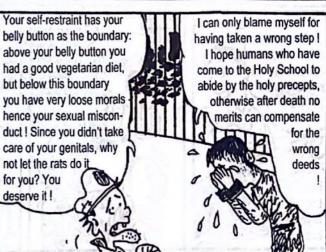
When I was alive, I came into the Holy School to cultivate myself, and I also followed a vegetarian diet. I had a wife and children. Later on due to my inability to control myself, I had an affair with a female fellow cultivator, which broke the precepts - that's really against what I originally had come to the Holy School for. After I died, not only that I had no place in paradise, I was instead caught by the Hell quards to the Under-world. In front of the Magic Mirror, all my shameful deeds was revealed, that I was so embarrassed I couldn't say a word! I was

later sent to the Sixth Tribunal, where the Head of Tribunal scolded me that I had broken the precepts that I should have clearly known since

I had joined the Holy School - which made my sins greater! I'm sentenced to this Prison to have my genitals cut away by the Hell guards, and then to be tied to the floor to let the rats bite me. Everyday I am so









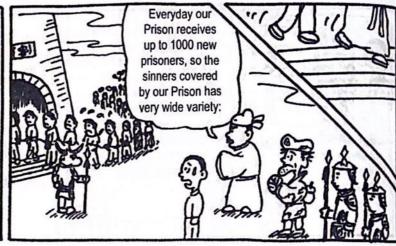
As a teenager you didn't learn the good things but liked to visit prostitutes; to lose your virginity before you get married is considered immoral; you even enticed your friends to fall into sins together with you, it's very reasonable that you are now in this Prison!

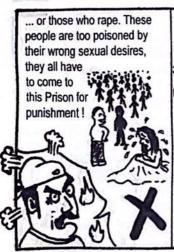
As an immoral teenager, I had caused other teenagers in their stage of growth to lose their virginity, and even caused some of them die of venereal infection. Having committed such wrongs, after death I was sentenced to be punished here; who can understand my sufferings? I had a lot of fun time when I was alive.

but it's hard time for me after I died ! Now I really regret it.















those who are immoral after taking up a religion;



married males or females who have unfaithful affairs



those who cheat for sexual pleasure;

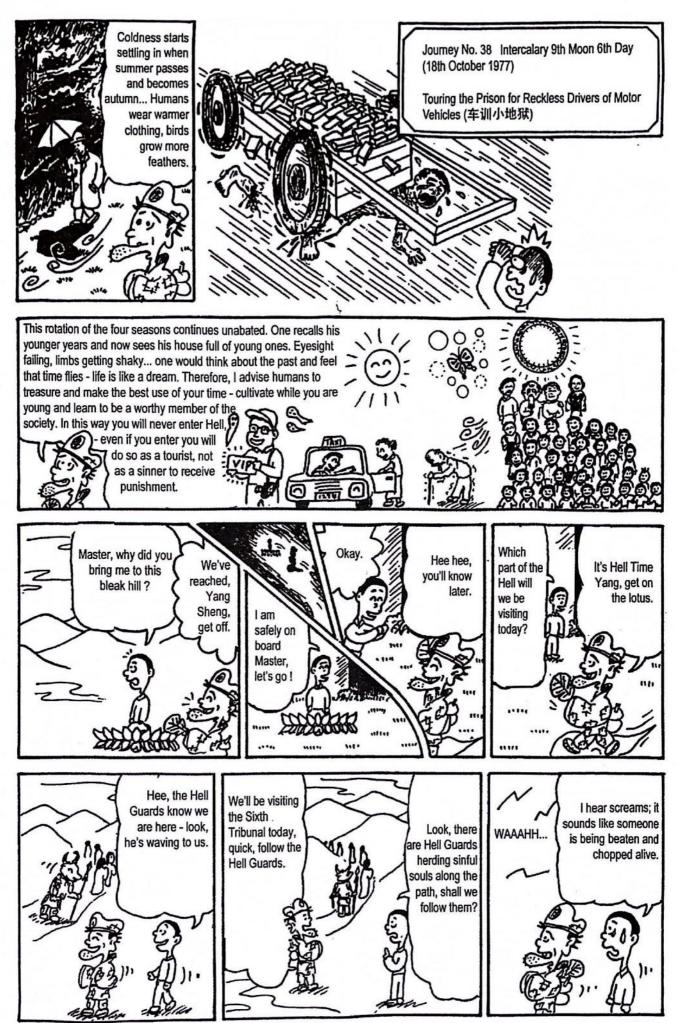


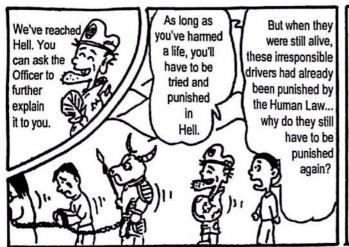


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I advice humans not to commit sexual misconduct, because this is one of the heaviest sins! Cultivators should be especially careful - such sins might be unforgivable for them. Besides the Heart-gouging Prison of the Fifth Tribunal, some also have to be punished in this Prison. However, Heaven is merciful by nature, so a chance is given: for those who, after readin' "Journeys to the Under-world", decide to repent and change themselves, not to repeat the same errors, and also print more copies of this book to educate people.

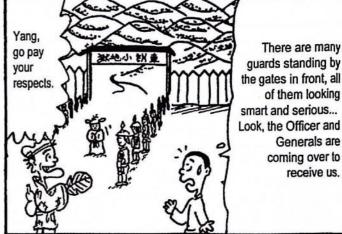
Jade Emperor had a decree that their punishments can be reduced.

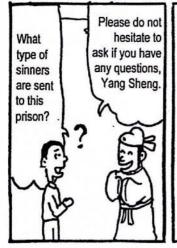




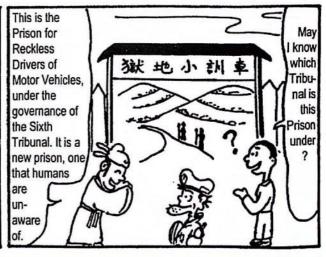


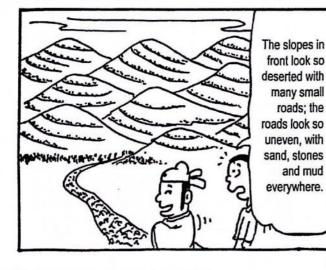


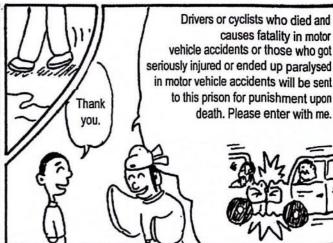


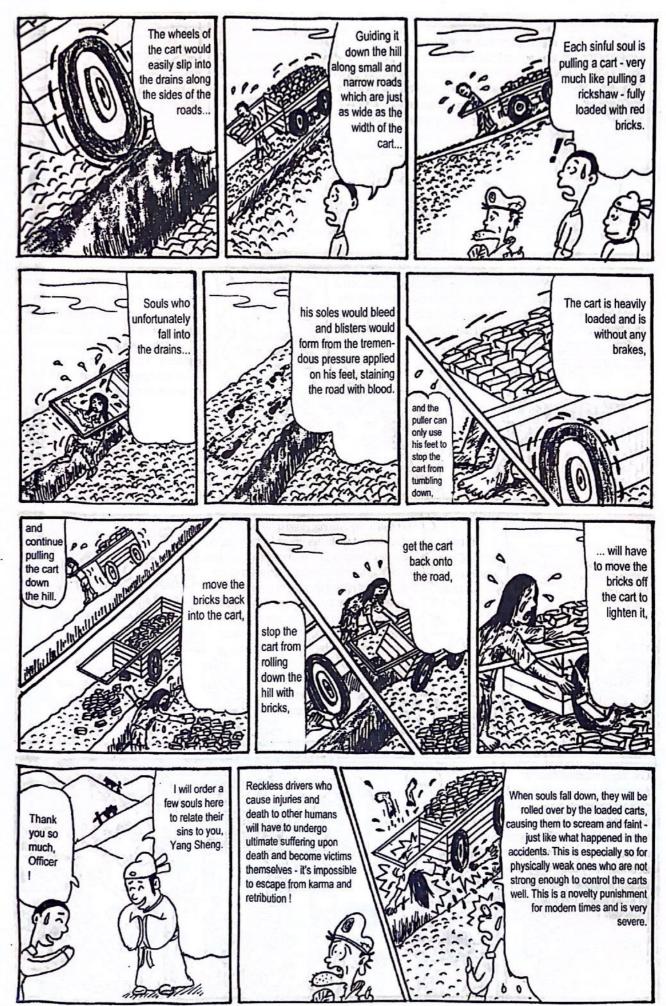




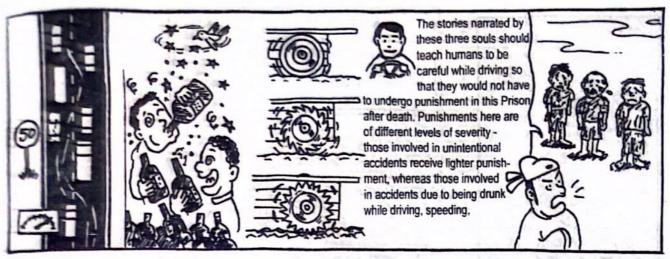


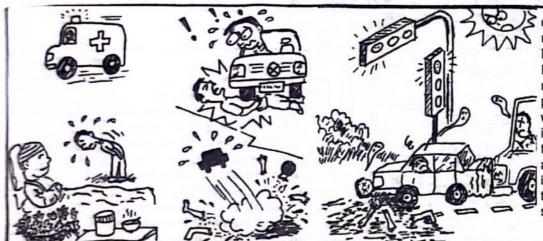




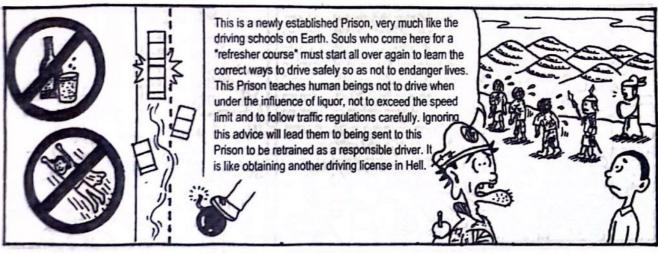








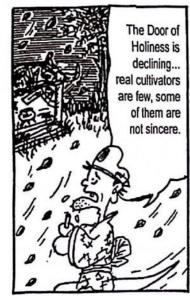
or not following traffic rules will receive much heavier punishments. Hit-and-run drivers will receive the heaviest punishment. Therefore, I would advise drivers involved in any accident to stop and render assistance to the victims in all ways possible - this would lighten the sins committed.





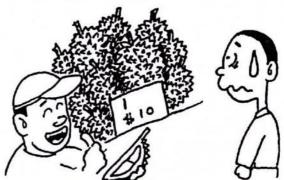


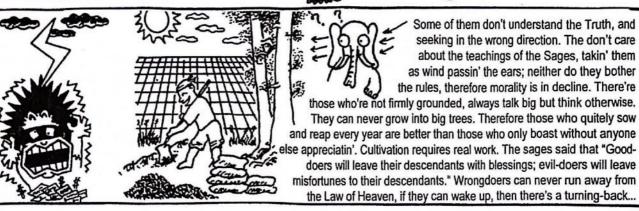


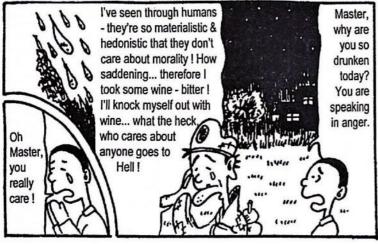


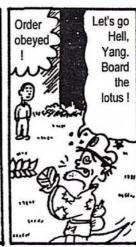
Journey No. 39 Intercalary 9th Moon 29th Day (10th November 1977)

Touring "Prison of Forced Opening of Mouth to Insert Iron Pins" (钳嘴含针小地狱)











This Prison is the "Prison of Forced Opening of Mouth to Insert Iron Pins", under the governance of the Six Tribunal. We've received notice about your arrival to visit and write the book. Our warmest welcome to you!





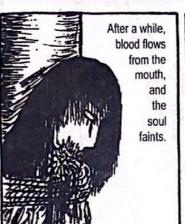


Time to board the lotus! Wine never makes one senseless, he himself does; sex never makes one bewitched, he himself does; money never makes one crave, he himself does. A cool wind refreshes me, I'm more sober now. Let's go to Hell!











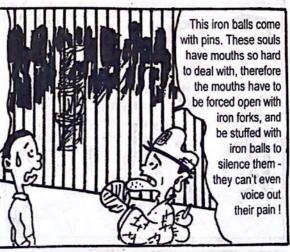




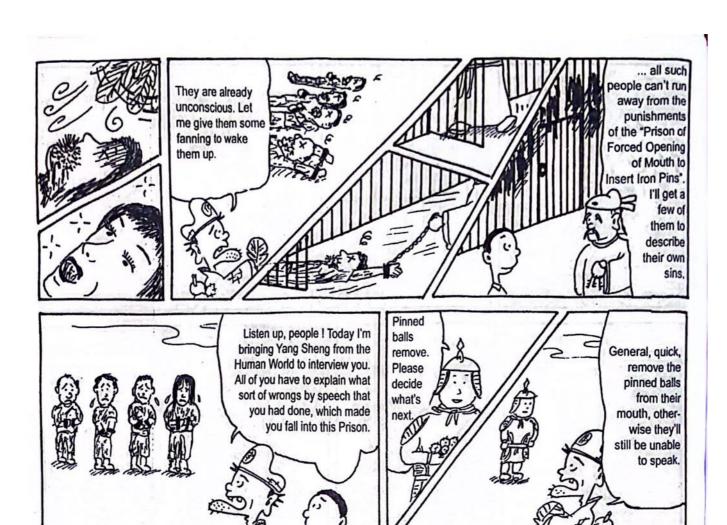


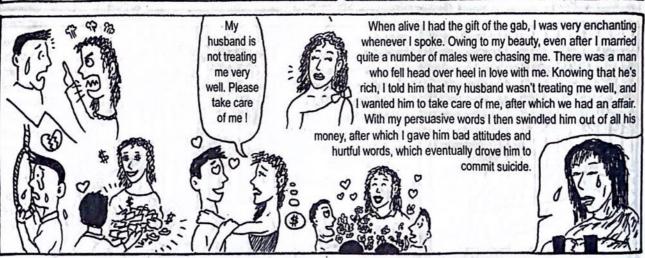
What a cruel punishment!
It's already so torturing to have a piece of fish bone stuck in the throat, what about taking a ball full of pins! This is like a dumb person tasting bitter but unable to tell others how unpleasant it feels.

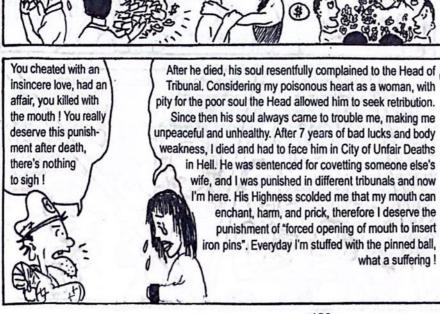


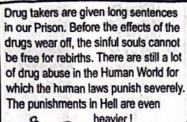
















When alive I was a loafer who liked to take drugs and inject morphine. Due to my addiction, I steal everywhere to buy drugs. After death I was sentenced to this prison to undergo unspeakable sufferings... it's not as fun as taking drugs! Everyday I'm given the iron ball, suffering from mouth-pricking... I regret for not learning to be good while alive!

Second soul, tell your experience!

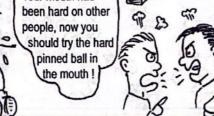


You didn't use the words of the sages for good purposes but use them for meaningless arguments, that's considered evil speech Your mouth had been hard on other people, now you should try the hard pinned ball in

I had studied quite a bit, and knew quite some idioms and proverbs. I always argued with relatives and friends, but I always bent the truth and often quoted sayings of the sages to slander other people. After I had died, the Head of Tribunal said:

Third soul, tell us your sins quickly

some of them have to be transferred to the Avici Hell. Whoever that have done this wrong should quickly rectify themselves, never let drugs take over one's soul and life







Your turn.

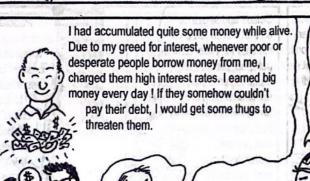
fourth soul.

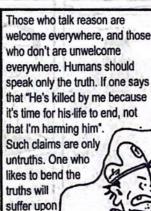
Why did

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Prison?





death.





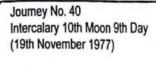
My advice for the rich ones: when lending money, they cannot squeeze the borrowers dry with high interest rates. The rates should be lower. It's always a pleasure to help others, so why not?



Some people have hearts as cold and as hard as iron, - very unkind! They lend money at high interest rates. Though they have the agreement of the borrowers. they are still too coldblooded! That makes them deserve th cold, hard iron pinned balls ! That's how it is to enjoy being rich bad guys

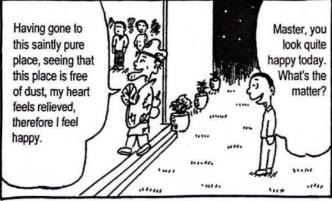
After death, His Highness said I was a loan shark, having "sucked too much blood" from people, I have to take the punishment of the pinned ball. How painful!

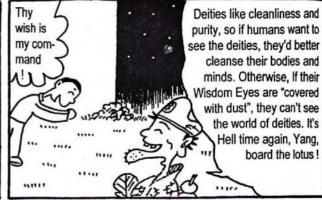




Touring the Barbed Netting and Locust/Leeches Small Prison (刺网蝗钻小地狱)

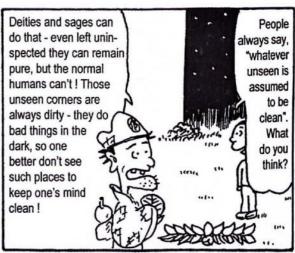


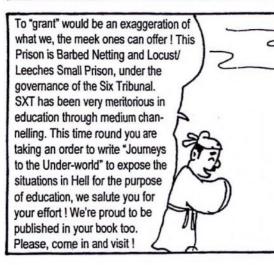




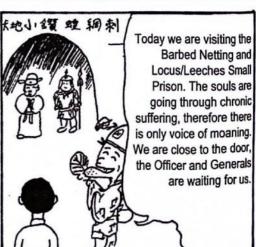


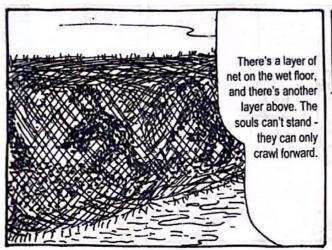


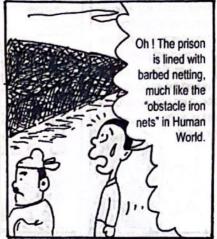






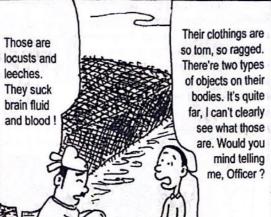


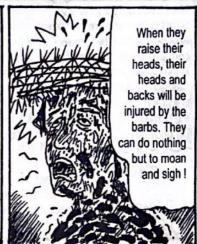












They used to suck the sap of the rice paddy, now that they appear in Hell, they suck brain fluid - both fluids are white !



Leeches are mostly found in drains. Once they stick on to humans, they'll suck human blood... humans fear them! Locusts attack the rice paddy - a swarm of locusts can wipe out the whole paddy field. The locusts are now sucking the brain fluid of the souls.

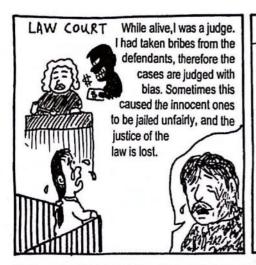


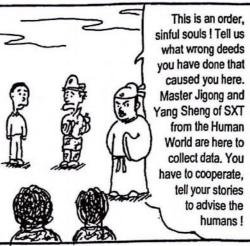
Aaii....yoh! Turns
out that the souls are
stuck with leeches
all around, that's
shocking to see!
Their heads are full
of locusts... I wonder
what they are
after?



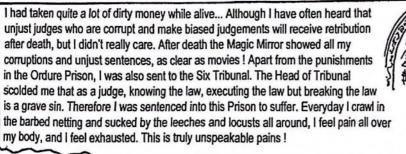










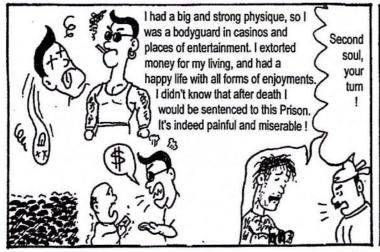






as I can
enjoy wealth
and power
in this life,
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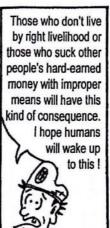


To know the law but break it, that's the most unlawful of all ! I hope those who enforce the laws take Justice Bao as a good example, to be strict and just, never misjudge the innocent or let loose the wrongdoers, so as to remove evil from the society, and restoring justice on Earth - that'll be meritorious. On the other hand, if a judge doesn't follow the law, becoming selfish and lost his self-restraint, becoming corrupt, then after death he'll face strict punishment in Hell, and on top of that he'll jeopardize his descendants.

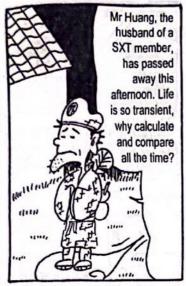
Retributions are always

fair and just!



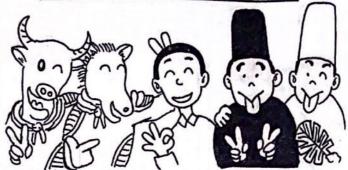


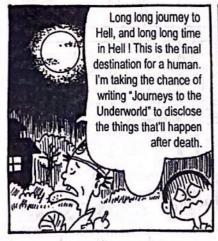




Journey No. 41 Intercalary 10th Moon 29th Day (9th December 1977)

Touring the City Temple (城隍庙) - What Happens When Death Comes







When one is still alive, life can be of many uses; but when life ends, everything's gone! By then What's the point of having money and kids? Even the house is only for him to stay temperorily, after that he'll be sent to the graveyard! So what do humans actually gain at the end of the day?

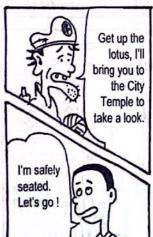


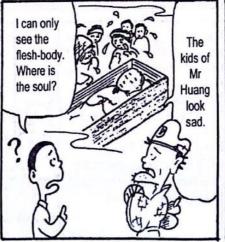


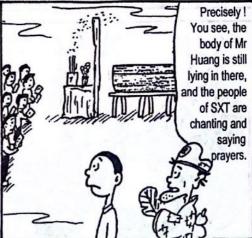


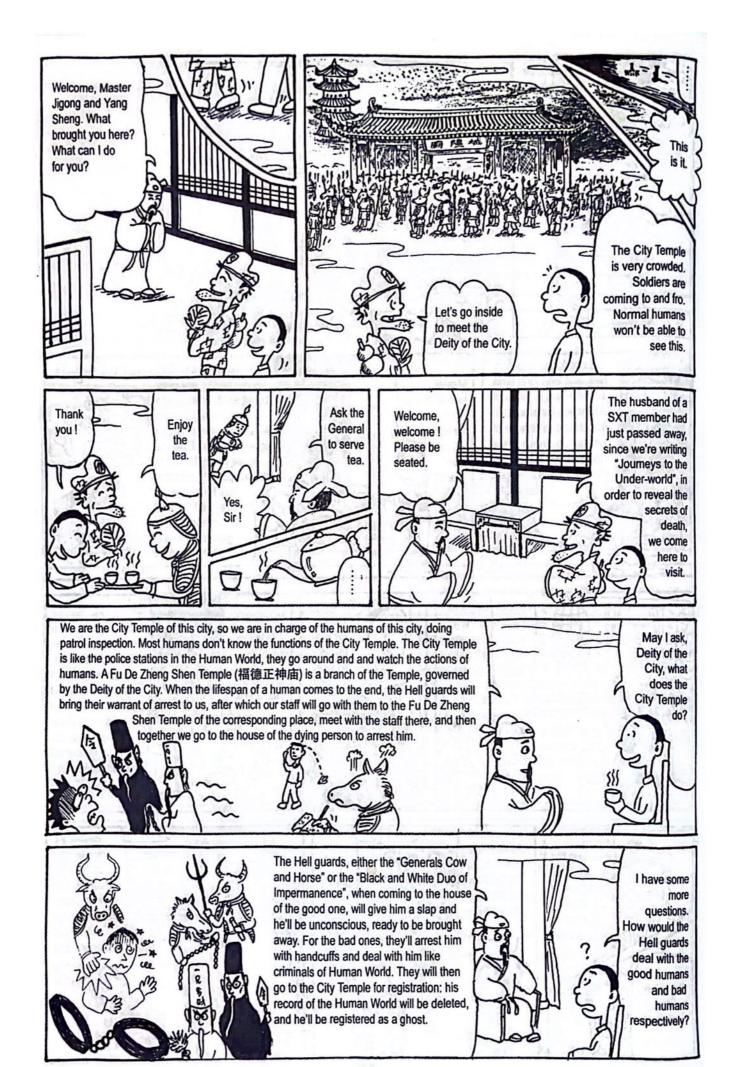


Very well! This is a big question. Humans only know that after death humans will end up in Hell, but they don't know what happens in the process of death. I hope Master will explain that clearly.





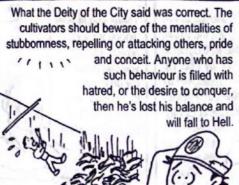




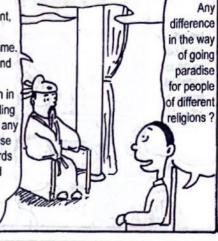


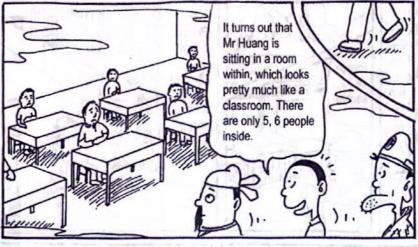
Yes, there are! For anyone who does lots of good deeds and accumulated lots of merits while alive, the Hell guards only go to the City Temple to inform them that the good soul will be brought away. The Happiness Deity will lead them to the underworld. Those who cultivated very deeply will go with his Master - some will go to the underworld for various types of registrations, some will go to Jiu Yang Guan (九阳美) to be tested. Those who have reached attainments will go straight to the paradise.





Religions are different, but the fundamental principles are the same. If one wants to ascend upwards, he has to walk the Middle Path in the world without falling into or holding on to any wrong side - otherwise his ascension upwards will be impeded, and cannot attain higher freedom.





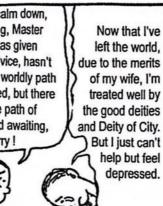


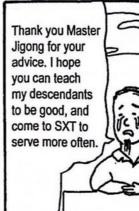










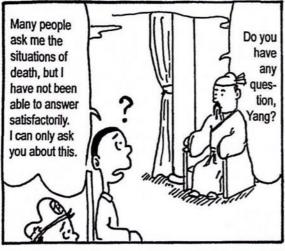


Don't be sad, Mr Huang, Your kids have grown up.

and you had a good wife

and good kids, what's

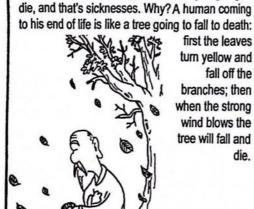
there to worry?



Most humans have signs before they're going to



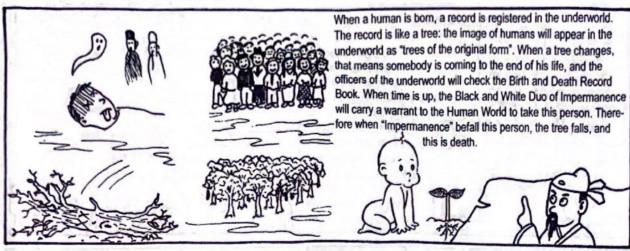


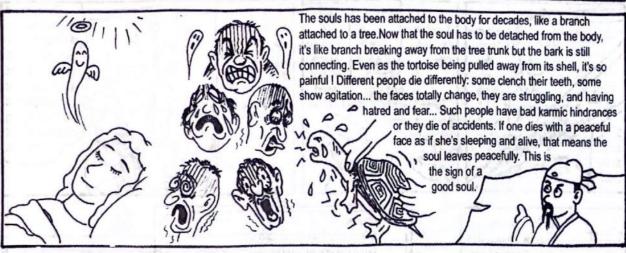


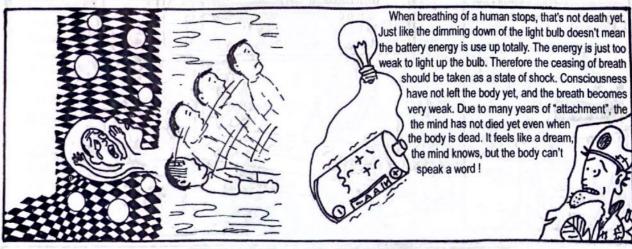
first the leaves turn yellow and fall off the branches; then when the strong wind blows the tree will fall and die.

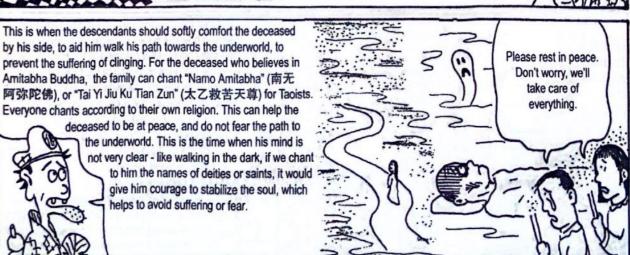














During the period of bereavement, the children of the deceased should remain vegetarian and refrain from the various forms of sensual pleasures like alcohol, sex, and other entertainments. This would influence the Deity of City of that place to report to the

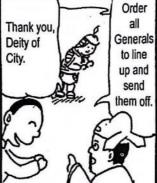
Head of Tribunals in favour of the deceased, reducing the punishments from sins if any.

Children should beware of this, for this is also one way of paying back their parents.

Time's up for today, we'll prepare to return.







Yang, you
don't have to
care too much
over this issue,
it's not yet time
to disclose the
details...
Get ready to
return.

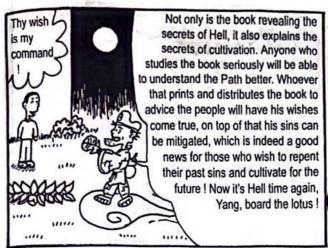
Owing to the recommendation of the Deity Wen Heng Sheng Di, he will go to the underworld, and will be decided later according to his merits and demerits.

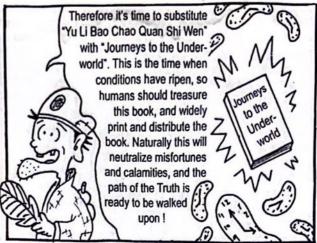






... and tour the different Tribunals of Hell with his soul, seeing how the Heads of Tribunals severely punish the sinful souls. After returning to the Human World, he wrote the book according to the facts he saw, and this book has spread within the country and even overseas. There are many people who have read the book and have changed from bad to good. There are even people who print and distribute the book who experience miracles in life. However, the world has changed, and the punishments in Hell are also updated. To suit the locality to advise the people, the Jade Emperor has specially chosen Yang Sheng of SXT to tour Hell again to collect new cases. To write on the spot through medium channelling is very novel.

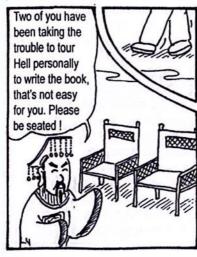


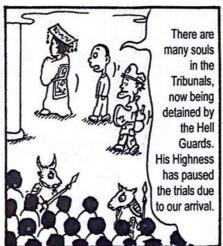


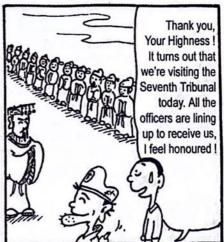












You are welcome! This is the time when the world is turning bad, it's fortunate that SXT is around to revive the holy teachings, and that the deities and saints have come to give advice to the world to reverse the current trend, this is very meritorious! "Journeys to the Underworld" is written with the mandate of Heaven, which is indeed an incredible cause! I feel that I'm meeting two of you too late!









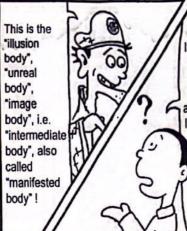
To help the dead souls out of sufferings, the descendants have to do good merits so that the Head of Tribunals will grant the dead souls amnesty - this is the best method. As for hiring the priests or monks to do ceremonies for the deceased, it won't help much unless they really have great merits. My advice to humans is that they should perform their filial duties while their parents are still alive: it's far better to give your parents one grain of rice while they are alive, than to give them a bottle of

wine after they've died! If their parents are dead, then they should lead an even more moral life and print more good books to educate the people. This is the easiest way to move the deities, saints and Hell staffs - not bad as a means to pay back the parents, helping them out of suffering!



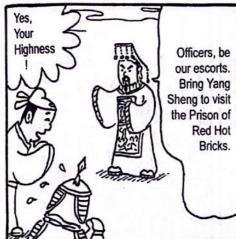
the ceremonies as such. Their filial piety is respectable, but it's more practical for the dead soul to have a good heart! 2

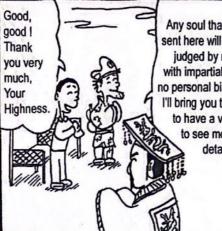




Master, what you've just said is really very helpful. If one does not repect their parents while they are still alive, and only perform their filial duties after they are dead, that would be too late! Another question: the ghosts look the same as humans on Earth. Their bodies should have rotten, so where do their bodies come from ? \







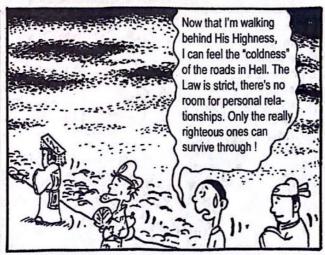
Any soul that is sent here will be judged by me with impartiality, no personal bias. I'll bring you two to have a visit to see more details.



Our Tribunal is n charge of the Prison of Red Hot Bricks, and the 16 smaller Prisons.



Yang, now you're feeling emotional seeing the scenes. In Hell there's no family or friends to rely on, only the bad or good karma follows. The bad souls will be given troubles by the bad ghosts. and the good souls will have the good officers by their sides. **Humans** had better have good friends and do good.





I can feel the heat.

It's big fire before

us, it's all red!

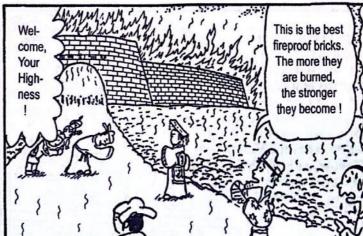
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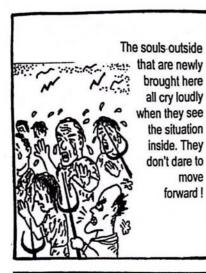
reads "Prison of

Red Hot Bricks";

the wall of the fortress is made of bricks.

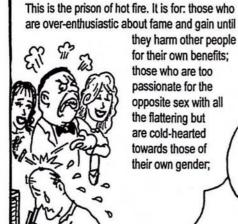










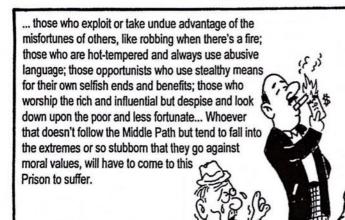


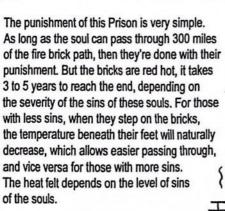
they harm other people for their own benefits: those who are too passionate for the opposite sex with all the flattering but are cold-hearted towards those of their own gender;

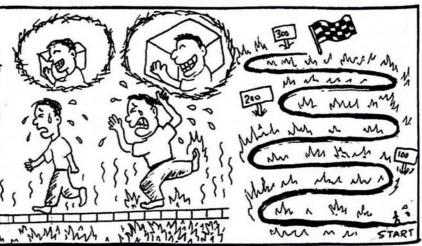
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The Hell guards push the souls forward to step on the fire bricks bare-footed. immediately they yell in pain rolling on the floor, which make them burned even more!

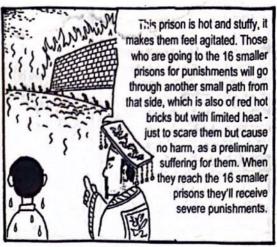






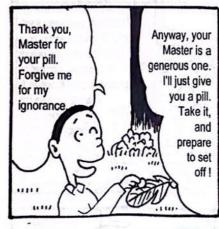


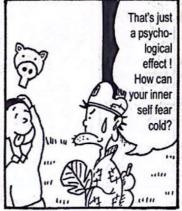






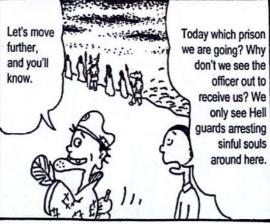




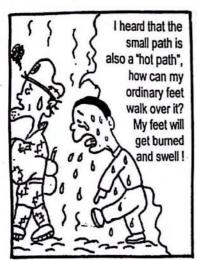




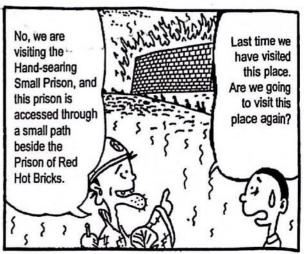


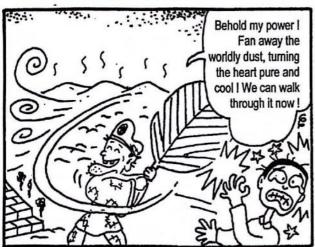




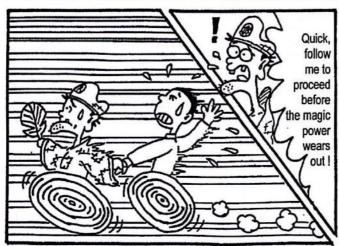


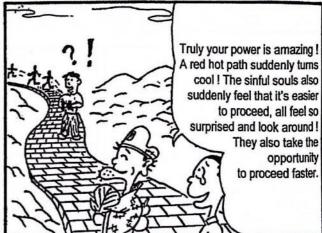




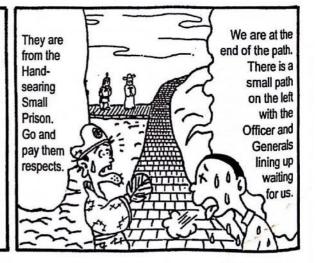






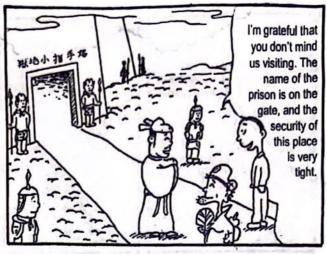


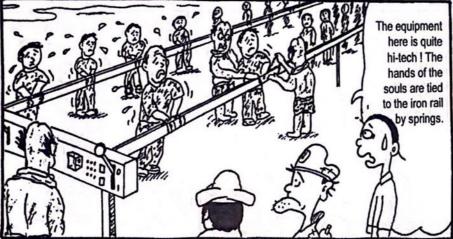


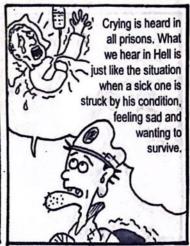


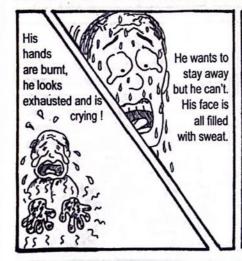


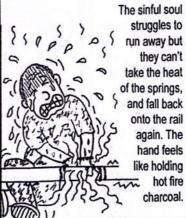




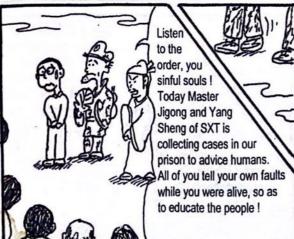


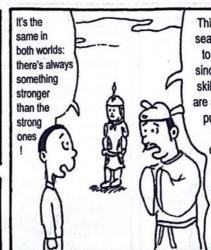








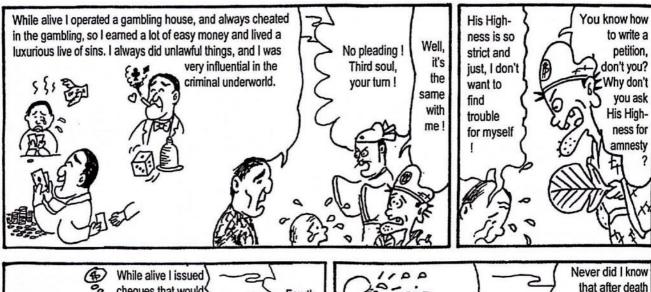


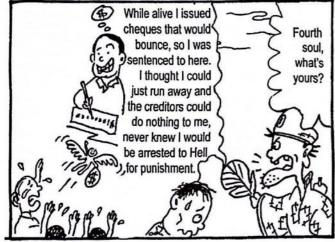


This prison is called the Handsearing Small Prison. We used to sear their hands with irons, since humans are getting more skillful with their dirty tricks, we are also changing to new-styled punishment. Let me get a few sinful souls to describe their own wrongs.



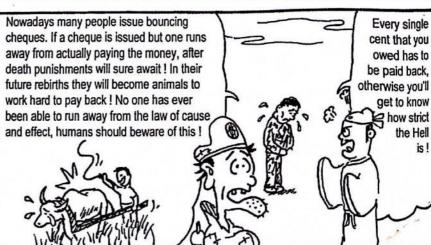














When I was alive I was a gangster, always creating troubles and disrupting social order.

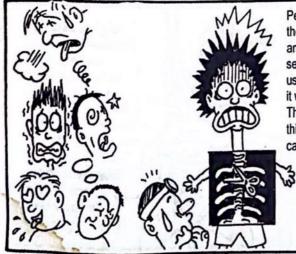
Whenever I saw any happenings that I didn't like, or whenever someone looked at me, I would just beat them up! I was so used to fighting... and after death, the Head of Tribunal asked the Cow and Horse General to beat me up, and asked me if I admit defeat.





The incidences of human touring
Hell are not myths or lies, since
ancient time many have revived
from death, and could give very
detailed, graphic descriptions
about situations in the Underworld.
This proves that what the books
say is real. However, if humans
don't personally see such things,
they won't believe them. This is
wise but this is
also ignorant.
Why do I say
so?





People can't see their own internal organs either... that's quite alright, but once they can feel the presence of the organs, bad things happen! It's pains here and there, which require X-ray or surgical operations! Humans usually don't see their internal organs, does it mean these stuffs don't exist at all? People usually don't see Hell, but it DOES exist! Except the very few who get to see it while they're still alive, most people only see Hell when it's time to die. Therefore I advice humans to wake up to the reality, be sure that those unseen things do have their values of existence. Your thought, breathing, emotions etc. can't be seen, these can only be felt, but it's these unseen things that sustain your life, controling your body!



A blind man cannot deny the various things in the world simply because he himself cannot see them. However, he can travel far with his walking stick, which shows that the "eyes of flesh" are very restricted, but the "eyes of the mind" have great freedom. Having said that, we ourselves shut off our "eyes of the mind", blindly following our desires into the world of sufferings.



What you have just said made sense! There are many things that are unseen in the world!







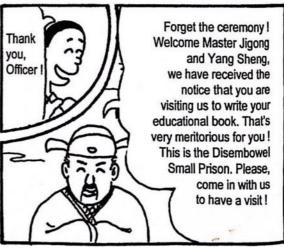




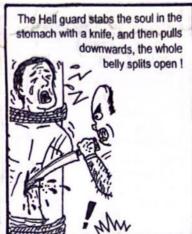


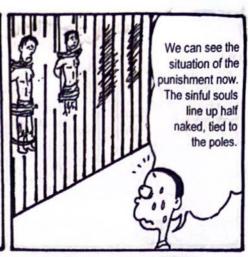


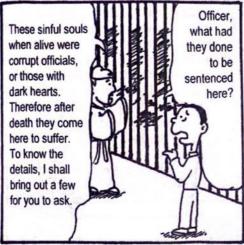




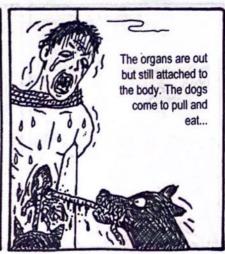








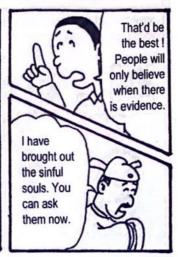






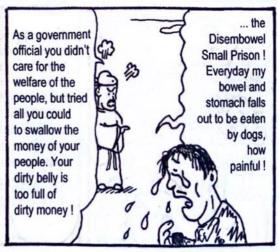
While alive I was a government official. I made use of my position to take bribe or buy and sell land to make big money. Since there's profit to earn, I'll try all I could to gain such dirty money. Unfortunately after death, all my dirty deeds are shown in the Magic Mirror without the slightest bit being hidden, which made me really shocked! After having gone through trials in different Tribunals, I was finally sent to the Seventh Tribunal. The Head of Tribunal sentenced me to...

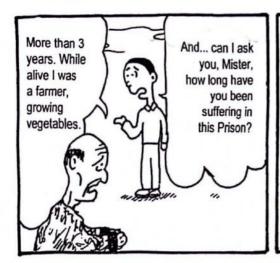






My advice to government officials in the Human World: your duty is to serve the people, care for your people, and contribute to your country with loyalty - it'd be very meritorious if these can be done. If gain are your only aim, then Hell awaits you after death!





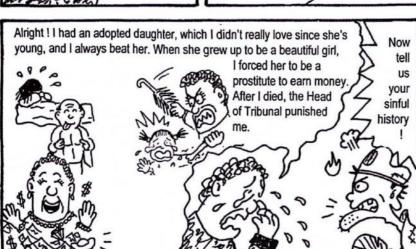




You only cared about money!
You sold vegetables with
pesticides remaining on them,
that's harmful to people! Many
who ate your vegetables were
poisoned or contracted
liver disease, cancer etc.
due to toxin accumulation.
Your heart is too
poisonous, which
deserves this
punishment!

Don't know why after my middle age the vegetables were always attacked by pests, so I had to use pesticides to eliminate them. Sometimes when the prices of the vegetables rose, I will harvest the vegetables which had been sprayed with pesticides 1, 2 days ago, without waiting for the pesticides to wear out

before I harvested and sold them. For this alone, I was sentenced to this prison.

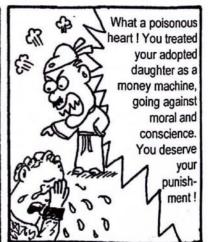




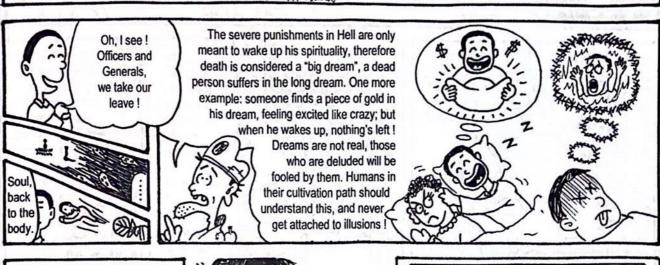


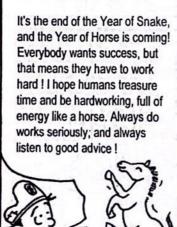
I have a question to ask you, Master.
When these souls are punished, they faint after one round of punishment. How come they can be revived for another round of punishment?

Time's up, Yang, prepare to go back!





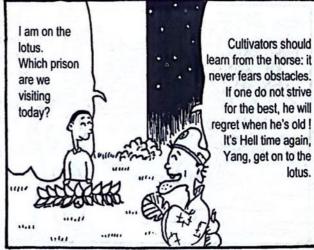


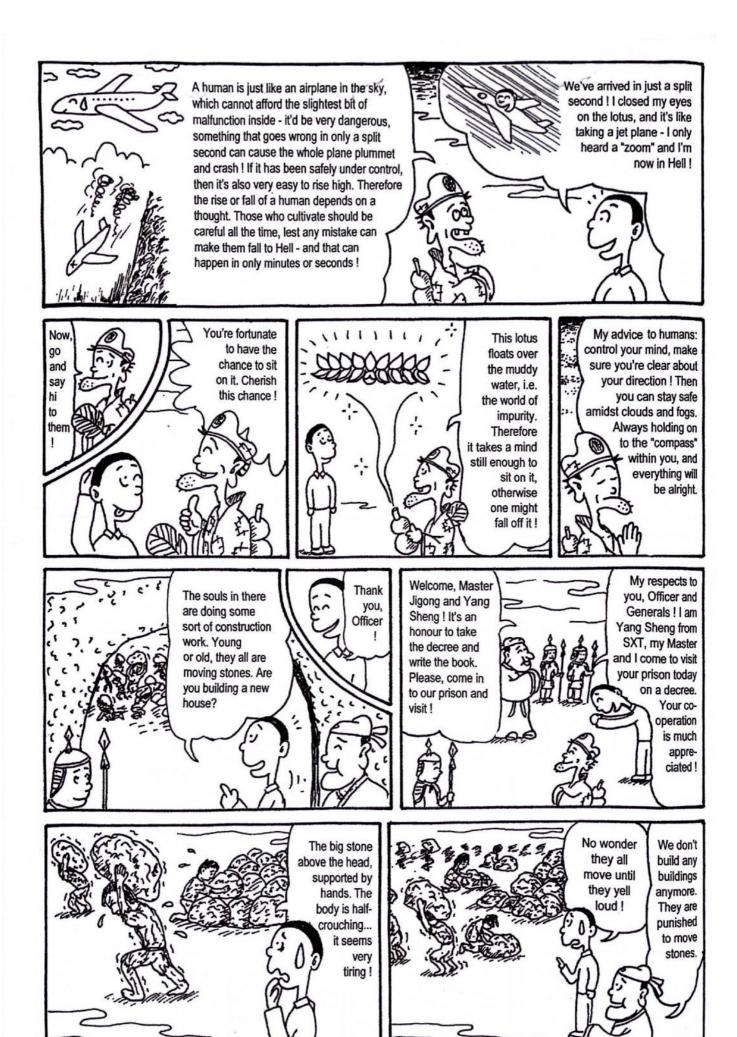










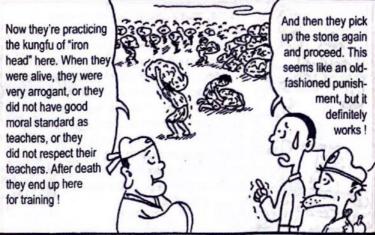


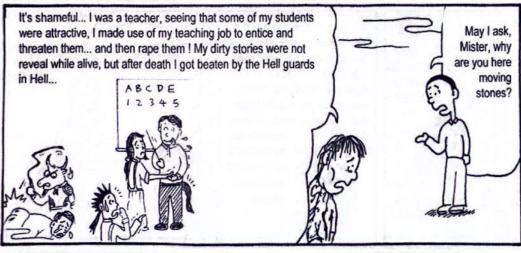




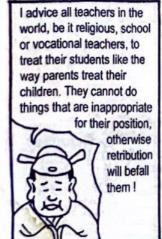


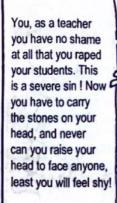






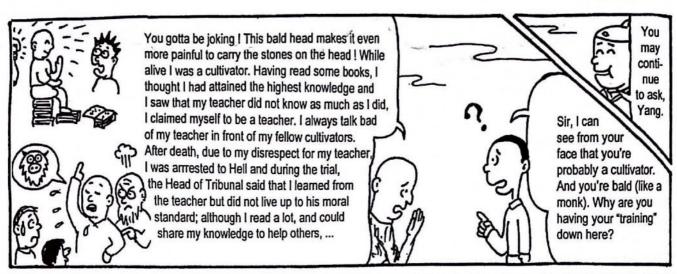


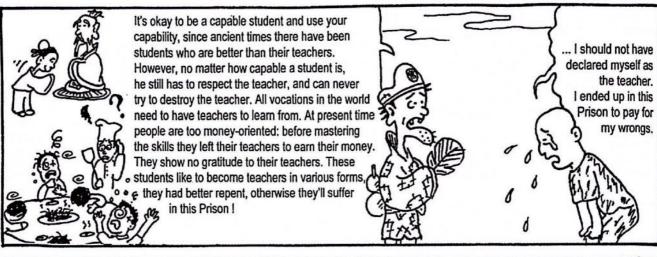




to the Seventh Tribunal,
Tai Shan Wang was furious,
scolding me "beast"! As a
teacher I didn't stick to the
moral values, and rape
my students... so I was
sentenced to this
prison, so that I can't
raise my head!

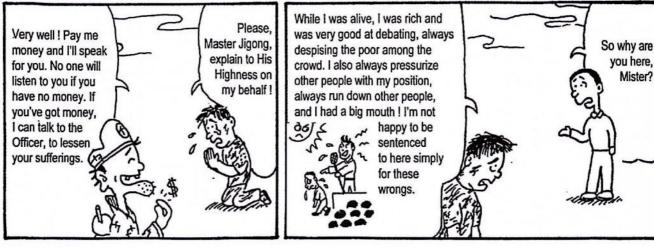


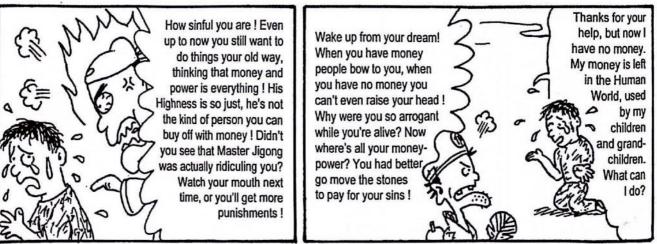


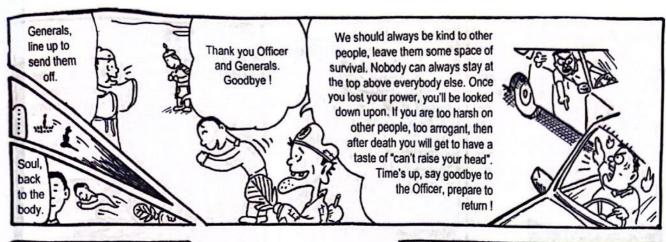


you here,

Mister?







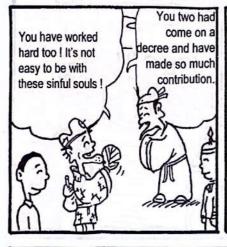




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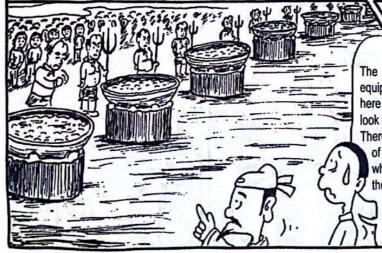
Touring the Boiling Oil Small Prison (油釜滚烹小地狱)









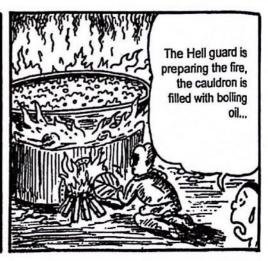


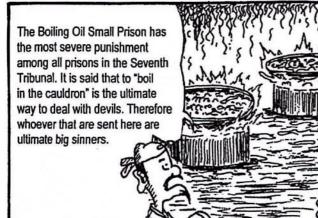
The equipment here doesn't look that nice. There's a row of cauldrons, which look like those used for cooking pig feed in the village.

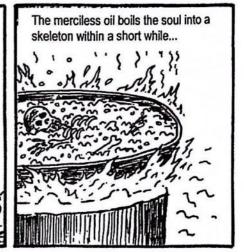
Well, that's just our job! In order to rehabilitate the souls, we've been spending quite some effort... just like you, writing book to educate the people. Please come in with me, both of you!











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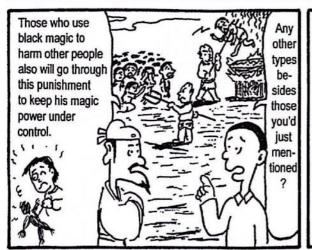
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mitted?



Those robbers, murderers, those who committed incest, those corrupt people, those who poisoned other people, or those who went against the law of heaven, after their deaths, besides going through other prisons, they have to come here for punishment.

Officer, what

ment is this?

What kind of

sinners will

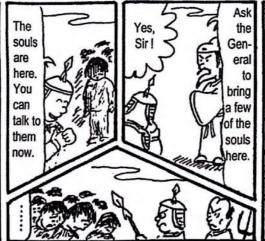
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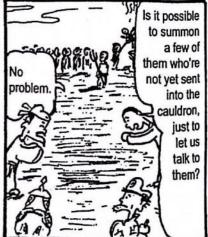
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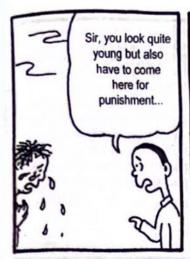
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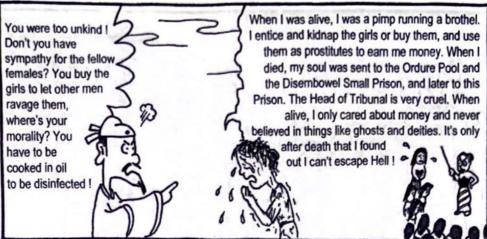








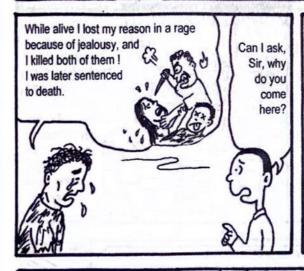






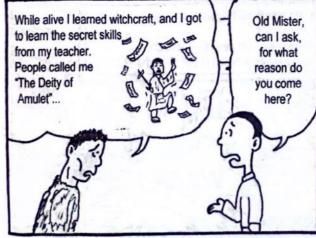
How regretful to talk about it! While alive I didn't learn to be good, but I mixed around with some ruffians and bad hats. Due to my gambling debts, I had no choice but to rob, for which I was arrested and executed by gun. Now I still can feel the painful gun wound. After death I went through various tribunals, and finally I was sent to the Seventh Tribunal, to be sentenced into this Prison.

You have blood stains on the body, covered with your hands while you're exclaiming in pain. Your hair's messy and you look like a ruffian. What did you do for living?



The law is strict, you were playing with fire and at the end you got shot to death! But you still have a bit of conscience. You should cultivate in your future lives!

Now I'm frightened and unsettled. I hope humans stick to what they can rightfully have, because whatever stolen from the others cannot really be enjoyed. I feel sorry for the teachers who taught me and the parents who raised me. When can I ever pay them back?



If you kill, you pay with your own life! Since you didn't care about life, what's so fearful about getting boiled in the cauldron? Your sin fully deserve the boiling oil!

After death, I went through different tribunals and I'm sent to this prison today. I shiver when I see the boiling oil!

I hate myself for making the big mistake!



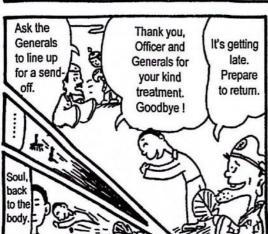
Whenever somebody paid me to use black magic to confuse someone else's mind, to disturb families and houses, or to break marriages... I'd just do them for the money. I also used charms on women to rape them. When I was alive I could virtually do whatever I want, after death the Head of Tribunal was very angry with me. When He wanted to punish me, I also used my black magic to fight back...

You had no regard for Law and Heaven, using black magic to harm people, you're a devil! The Hell don't like those who use magic power to harm. Whoever not using magic power in the rightful way cannot escape the punishment of the boiling oil after death! I hope humans who learn magic powers abide by the good teachings of their teachers and the law. Use whatever learned to help the world, after death they can become deities. Otherwise they will turn into devil. Beware of that!



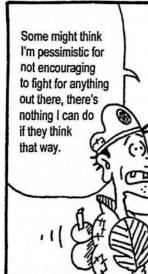
The Hell army launched their attack on me, which I couldn't withstand. Today I'm going to be boiled in the oil, which will neutralize all my magic power,

it's all gone ! Sigh...
I didn't use my power
for good purposes,
the consequence
after death is
pathetic!



To be boiled in the oil is most painful, not a single patch of skin remain intact!
They're like drowning in water, first suffocated, and then hot and painful, later lose their consciousness. Anyone with black magic will be neutralized once he's gone through the oil.





There's nothing in the world for which it's worth to fight,

To cultivate the mind deserves the whole of our might.

The new generation will replace the old,

Very soon we will just have to go.

Journey No. 47 Intercalary 2nd Moon 3rd Day (11th March 1978)

Touring the Tongue-pulling and Cheek-piercing Small Prison (拔舌穿腮小地狱)



One can climb higher and higher, stretching out for more and more, but if he doesn't know when to stop, at some point he will not be able to go further but will fall and get injured. Humans should realize that life is not forever, houses are only for our use for decades, once we die, our children will send us to stay somewhere else, i.e. the graveyard! There are always new generation replacing the old, so don't hold on to any position and refuse to let go.

What's the point of fighting for all the worldly things and wanting to keep them with us forever? We'll be burdened, losing our freshness, and very soon we'll just die leaving everything behind.



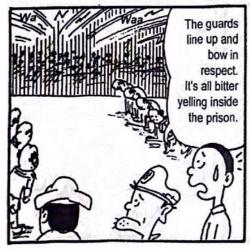
Welcome, Master Jigong and Yang Sheng of SXT to our Prison for a visit. This is the Tongue-pulling and Cheek-piercing Small Prison, under the Seventh Tribunal. Two of you write the book on a decree, that

is a great contribution.
Very respectable indeed!

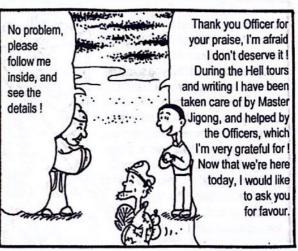












... followed by cutting the tongue with a knife, blood stains the chest of the soul.

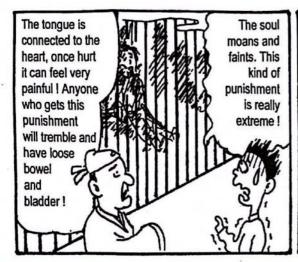


... and then pull out the tongue with a hook, immediately the soul yells loudly...



The Hell guard pulls open the mouth of the soul with an iron hook,





... the soul is then tied to the pole with a lead cord through the holes of the cheek.



... and that's not the end ! The cheeks are punched through with a drill,

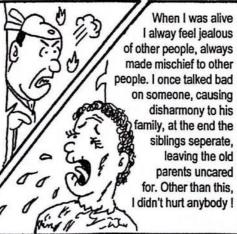






The Hell Those that come to always this prison for punish-"gives the ment are those that right drugs do not practice right for the right speech. I will ask illnesses", some of them to tell really you what they did. incredible. so that you can So what publish them and wrong educate people have they done?

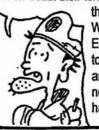
You are what they call a "long-tongue woman" in the Human World, who does not watch the mouth and use words to instigate troubles, destroying someone else's happy family! You also smoke and drink with your mouth; never think carefully before you speak; sometimes yell loudly, sometimes whisper in the ears of men... you have said so many wrong things and gossipped so much, your tongue is indeed polsonous, which has to be cut down - that should silence you, and you'll have to learn to speak right!





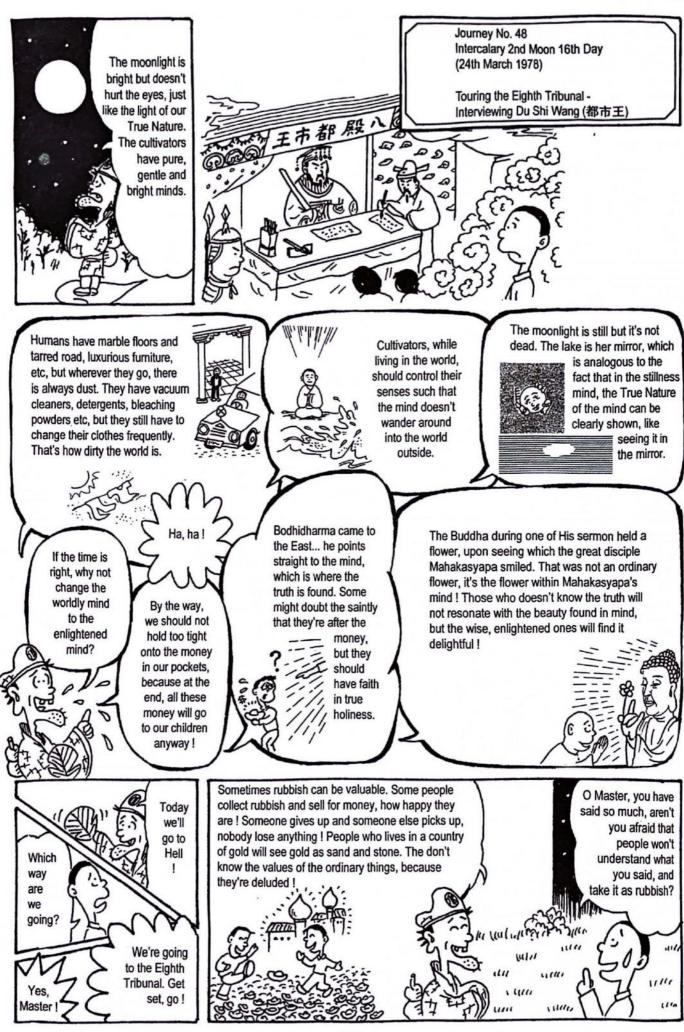


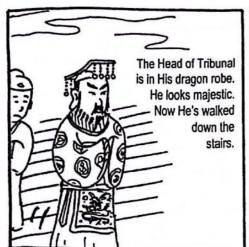
The tongue is as sharp as a knife. The majority of the sinful souls here are women, because many women are petty and talkative, it's more likely for them to make troubles. Some women are not soft and gentle, speaking in a way like roaring, and hurting people with words without contemplating over their own faults. After death their tongues will be "trimmed" to lower



their tones.
Women on
Earth ought
to be gentle
and kind,
never destroy
harmony!

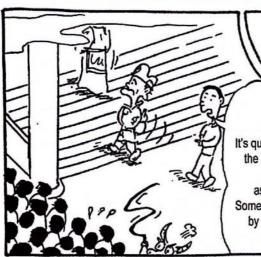




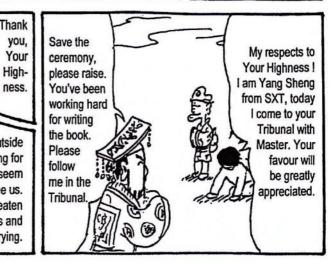






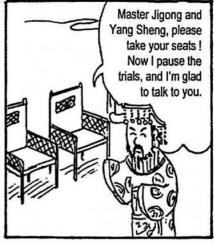


It's quite crowded outside the Tribunal, waiting for trials. They seem astonished to see us. Some of them are beaten by the Hell guards and are crying.





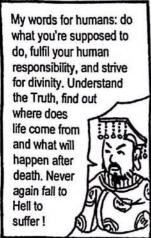


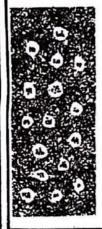


It's not easy to walk the right path. One has to capture every moment and cannot miss any one. If one lives in a life of "gain-or-loss", and cannot really live at the precious present moment, then once the watchful mind is lost, the Path will also be lost. But in such situations we should never blame ourselves. Just pick it up again, and nothing is really lost. If one can hold fast to this holy

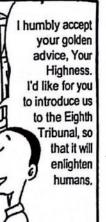
mind, towards the end of one's life, whatever that he's cultivated will be his to keep. We master-andstudent have
been receiving
care from Heads
of Tribunals and
Officers, which
we're very
grateful for.
But I feel
that I haven't
improved
much.

Every time the time of our Hell tour is limited, therefore it takes quite long to write "Journeys to the Underworld". Fortunately the members of SXT have been working hard, which allows the writing to be smooth, slow but steady. Thank you, Your Highness for waiting for us!





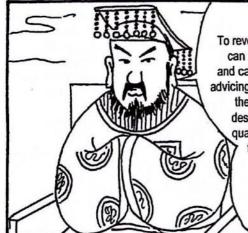
Very well. I am in charge of the Eighth Tribunal, which passes sentences for those who have gone through punishments in Tribunals 1 through 7 but still have remaining sins to be judged and punished for. Our main prison is the "Bigger Prison of Red Hot Bricks", on top of that we also have the 16 smaller prisons.





The sinful souls are usually very cautious when they're interviewed by humans. On top of that, the Jade Emperor allows them not to report their names and addresses, only their sins need to be reported. They have their considerations.

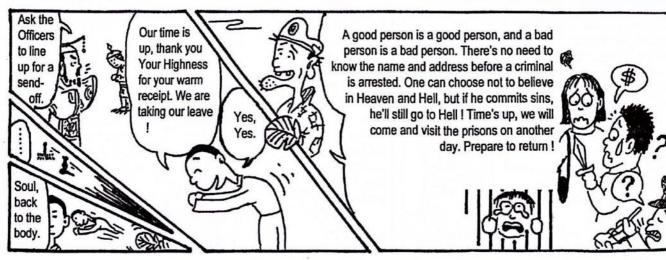
I have a question for Your Highness: many people ask me why I didn't provide the details of the interviewed sinful souls such as their names and addresses, to be included in the book, which supposedly will make the book more convincing in an age that values evidence. I hope Your Highness would explain this to clear their doubts.



To reveal the details of the sinful souls can make the book more convincing and can have better results in terms of advicing people, but if the bad names of the souls are spread out, then their descendants will feel shameful, and quarrels might happen, which is not the intention of writing this book.

To be safe, all the bad names are omitted.

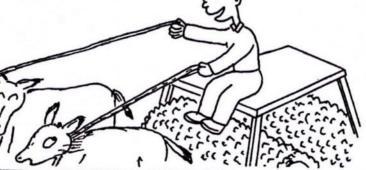




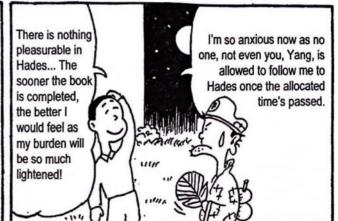


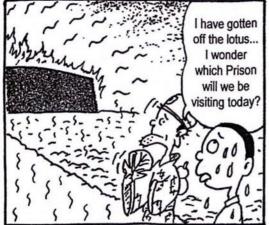
Journey No. 49 Intercalary 3rd Moon 1st Day (7th April 1978)

Touring Meat Jam Prison (车崩小地狱)

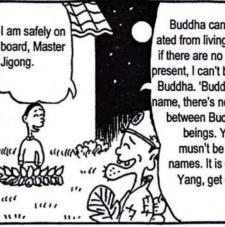




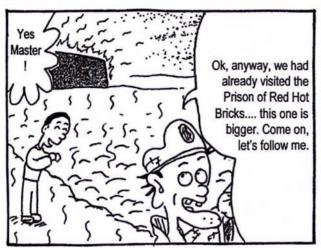


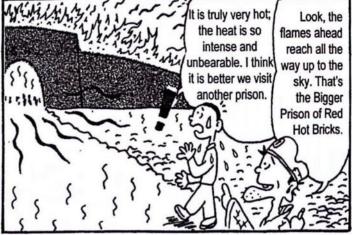


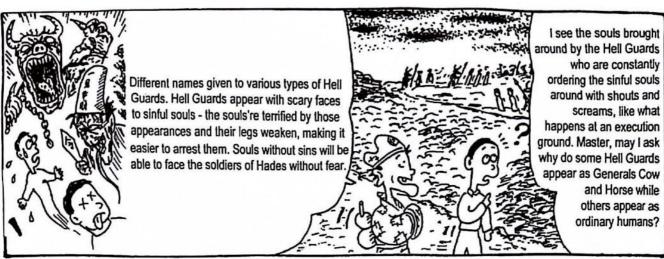


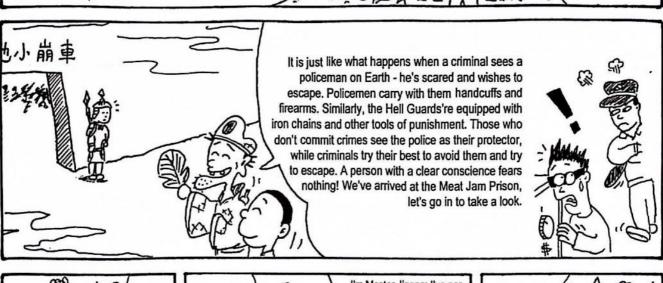


Buddha can't be seperated from living beings, so if there are no living being present, I can't be named a Buddha. 'Buddha' is just a name, there's no difference between Buddha and all beings. You humans musn't be attached to names. It is getting late, Yang, get on the lotus quickly.









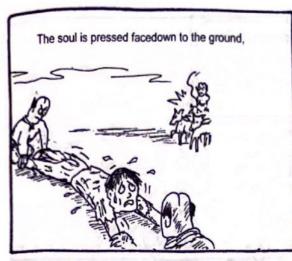


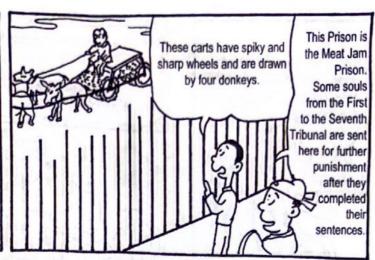


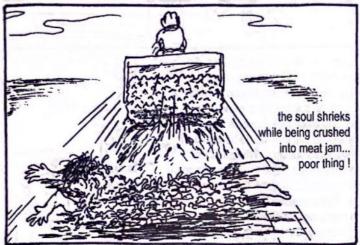


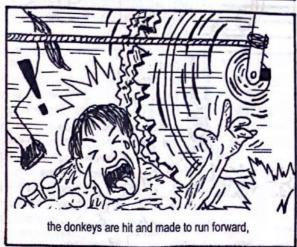
Welcome
Master Jigong
and Yang
Sheng ! My
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coming out so
late to receive
you, please
do not take to
heart for any
inconveniences
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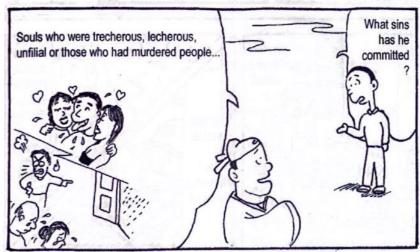


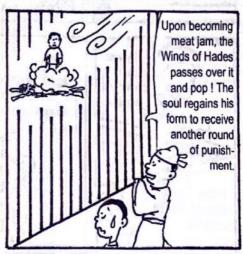


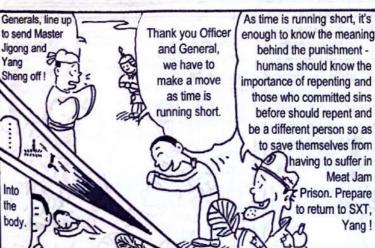


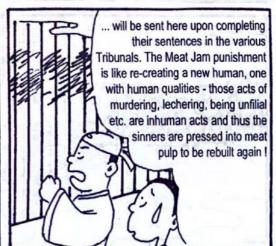


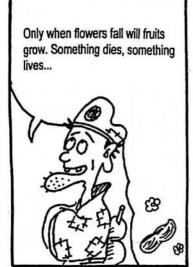








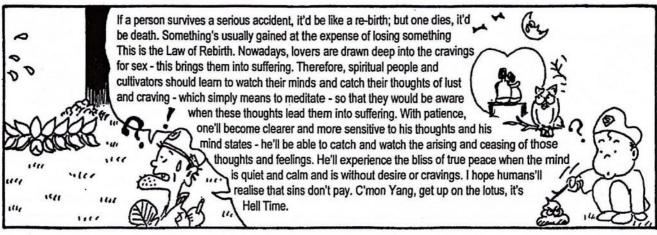




Journey No. 50 Intercalary 3rd Moon 6th Day (12th April 1978)

Touring the Small Prison for Amputating Limbs (断肢小地狱)



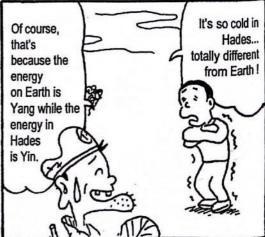




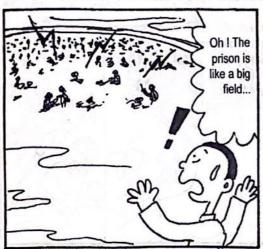




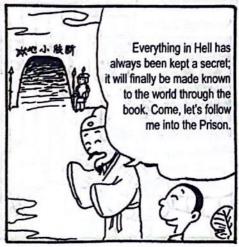






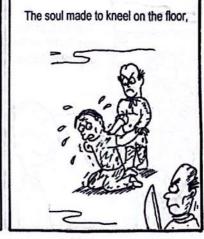


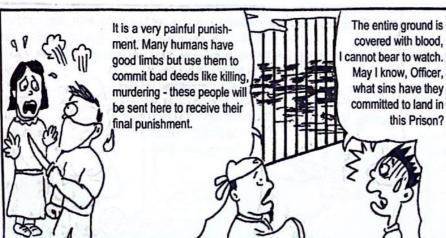


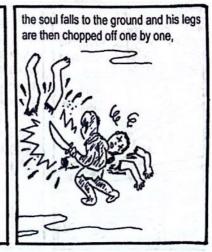


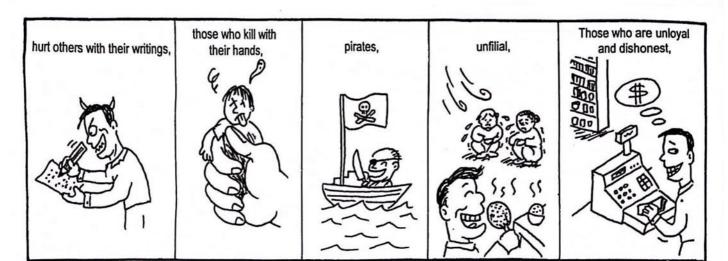


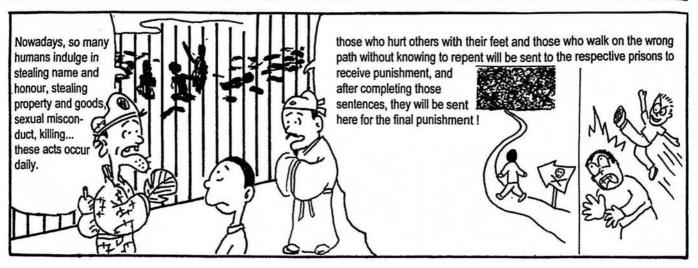




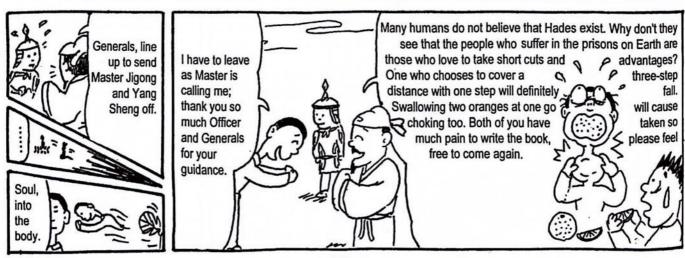














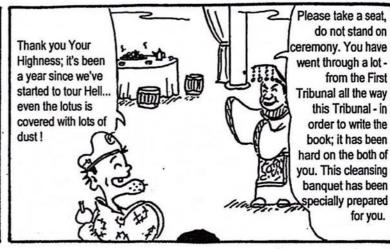






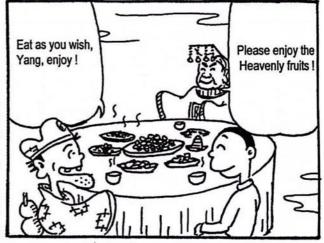
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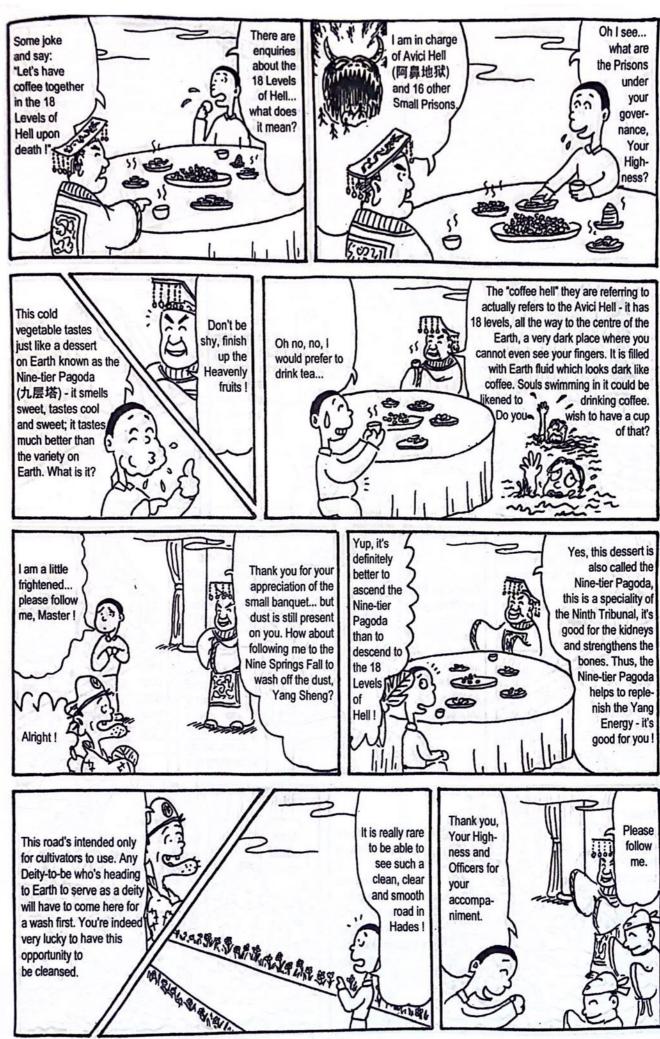


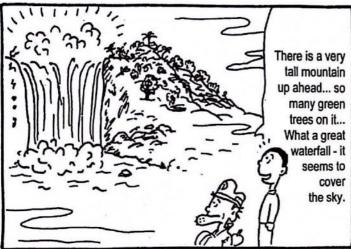
You're right, this is black grape from Kun Lun Mountain. It grows naturally, absorbing energies from Heaven and Earth. Thus it appears black and shiny... it's a rare fruit, enjoy as much as you like !



















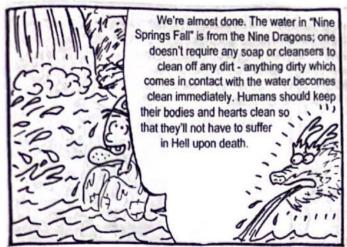


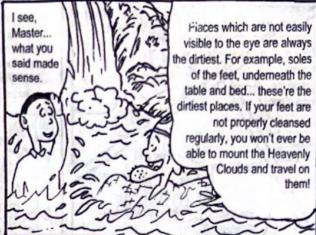




Worry not, I'll dry the both of us with a swing of my fan. Quick, wash the bottom of your feet, it's the dirtiest part of your body as t's hardest for water to reach there.









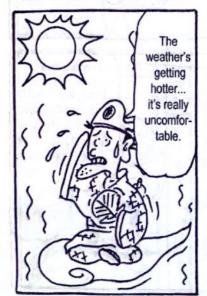










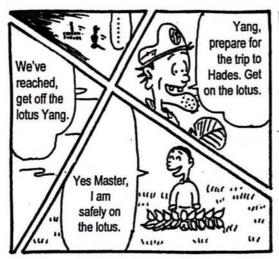


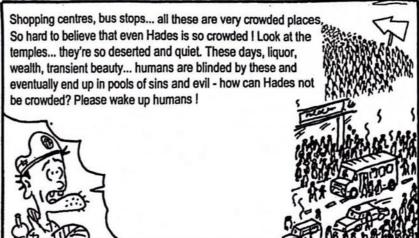


Journey No. 52 Intercalary 4th Moon 9th Day (15th May 1978)

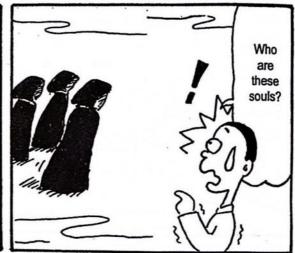
Touring the Prison of Splashing Boiling Oil (热油溅身小地狱)







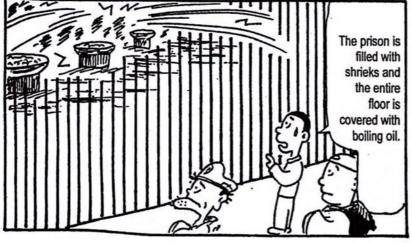


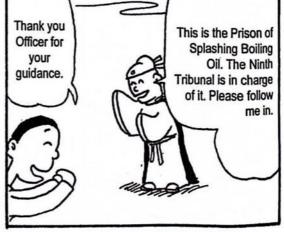




Haha ! In factories, the unauthorised are not allowed to enter. Hell has no gates; it doesn't welcome anyone at all... but humans do not see this and still chose to run into Hell - no wonder they always end up in great pain, bleeding and wailing!







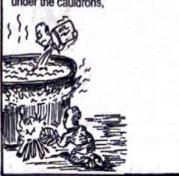
the Hell Guards would throw cold water into the cauldrons of boiling oil - oil and flames would splash out of the cauldrons onto the bodies of the souls.



sinful souls are tied to pillars with the pots of oil next to them,



I see red flames underneath the cauldrons; Hell Guards are busy with topping up oil and feeding the fire under the cauldrons.





Every soul is shrieking in pain... they are all so piteous... what sins have they committed?



Erotic books are very harmful to people. So many people have been involved in wrong things like masturbation, prostitution and even raping due to reading those books. Worse still, these erotic books will remain on Earth for a very long time.

I really feel very ashamed of my deeds. I wrote erotic stuff to earn more and achieve profits. I divorced with my wife and suffered from paralysis during the later years of my life - it must be due to retribution. Upon death, I was brought to Hell by the Hell Guards. The Magic Mirror revealed all the sins I committed and I was sent to various Tribunals and sent to receive punishment from prisons like the Gouging Heart Prison, the Hand-Chopping Prison etc. Now I am sent to the Ninth Tribunal and sentenced to the Prison of Splashing Boiling Oil for punishment; every day I cry for mercy in pain, but I still have to undergo the suffering. Do not write anything obscene or

immoral as these writings will pollute people's mind and you will end up like me, suffering without end.

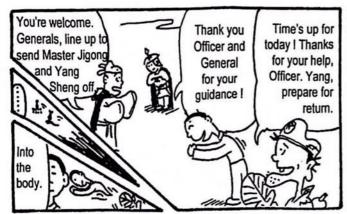
People who write erotic books, take obscene pictures, manufacture aphrodisiacs, publish or sell erotic books etc. will have to receive the heaviest punishments.

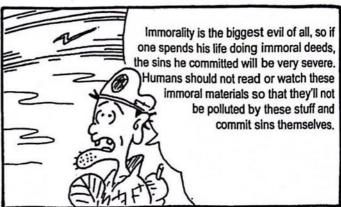


I opened a photo studio when I was alive; I had good photographic skills but did not manage to earn a lot. My friend coaxed me into dealing with erotic photography and I started earning a lot, but in the end, I was arrested by the police. I only committed this sin while alive, but had to suffer punishments in various Tribunals. Now I even have to suffer in this Prison... it is indeed torturous!



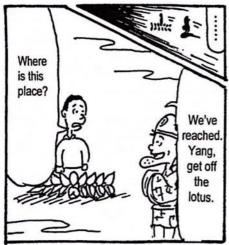
People who write erotic books will have to go through punishments in various Tribunals and will also enter Avici Hell in the end. They can only leave Hell when the books are no longer present on Earth; they will go through the remaining suffering on Earth. You, the second one! What sins did you commit while you were alive?









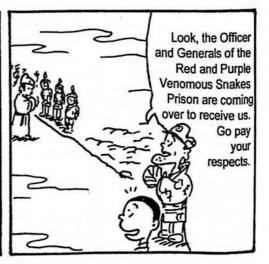


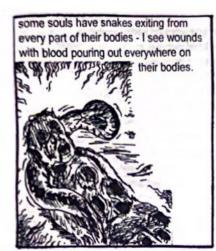


Different locations would welcome different kinds of people. A gambling den would not welcome people who are not interested in gambling. This shows that what happens after death is definitely related to what happened while one is alive.

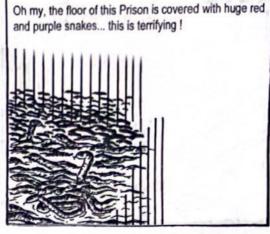




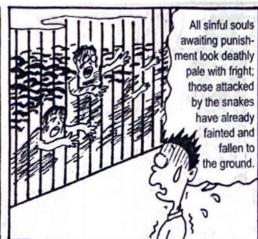










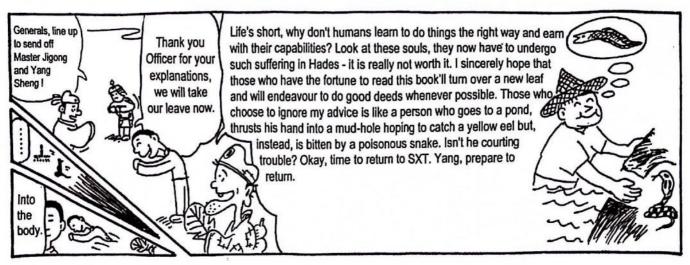


People who, instead of going the right way, try to find loop-holes in the law to obtain undue advantages for their own selfish gains - their hearts are poisonous, like the venom in snakes and scorpions. Also, there are people who cause others to be at variance with one another and those who secretly carry knives and scrappers, not hesitating to use them at the slightest provocation.

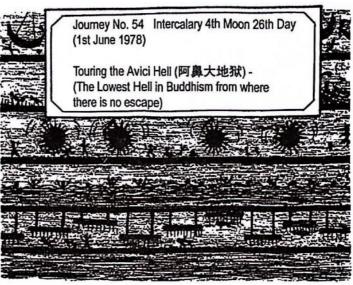




Building contractors who cheat through constructing poor or sub-standard houses which soon collapse causing death to occupants - these people are not sincere and cause hardships to others. When they die, their souls will have to undergo punishments in other Tribunals, and will still ultimately be sent to this Prison for the final punishment.

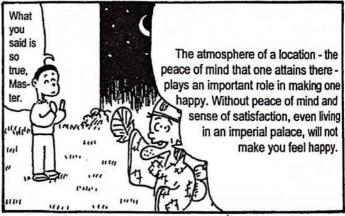




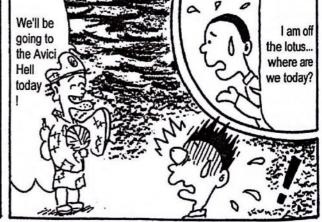


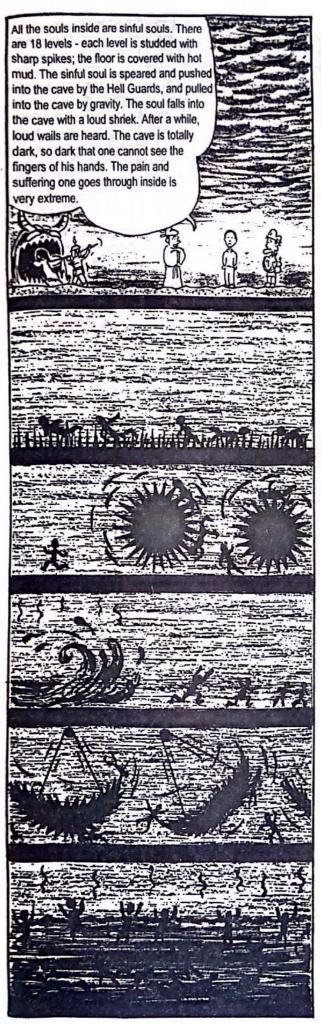




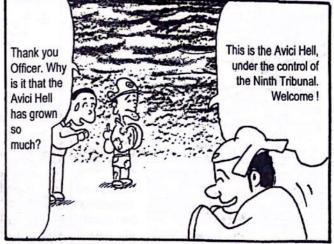


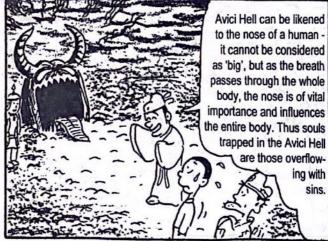


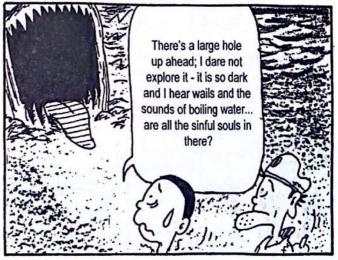




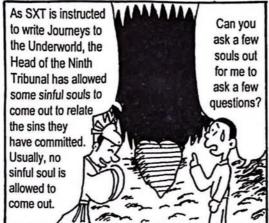


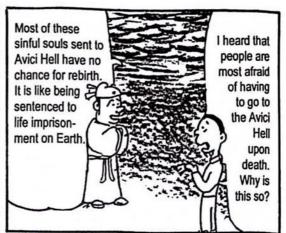


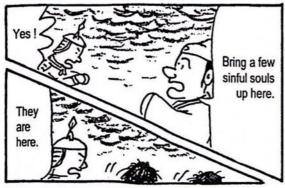


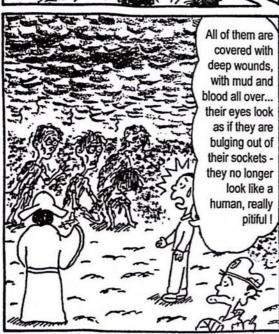


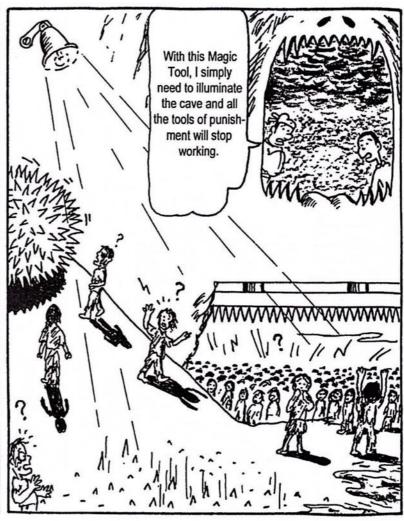




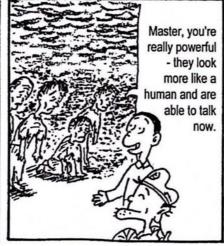




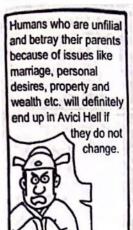


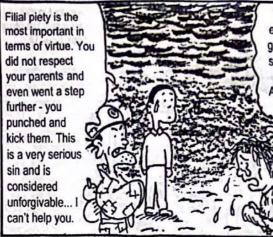












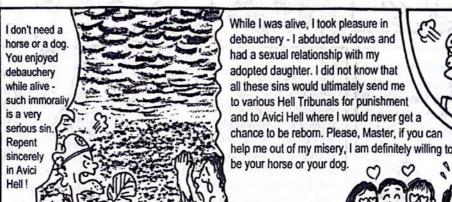
I was a very unfilial child when I was alive. I spent everyday in idleness, and if my parents are unable to give me money when I asked for it, I would shout and scold them. Sometimes, I would even punch and kick them. I was an unfilial son throughout my whole life. After death, I was sent to all Tribunals to be punished and was finally sentenced to Avici Hell, never to be reborn. I beg you, my two Masters to plead on my behalf. If I can escape from Avici Hell, I do not mind

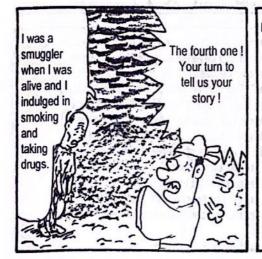
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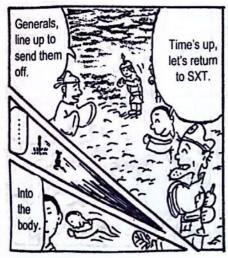
Avici Hell, I do not mind being reborn as an ox or a dog. This place is very toturous.





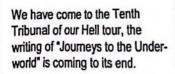


I earned my living by imitating Manufacturing fake medicine and wine western medicine, wine, aiinomoto this is totally immoral! You didn't care and other edible stuff. I made my about morality or human life; what you profits at the expense of other did harm lots of humans. Those acts people. Due to my immorality, I am landed you in Avici Hell - now you now sentenced to Avici Hell to yourself get to try the hot mud in Avici suffer. Please, Master Jigong, can Hell... Now YOU know the taste and you please plead on my behalf how it all feels like. I to the Tribunal Head to set me can't help you! free? I promise to be an upright man, one who will lead a right livelihood.



Drug traffickers are punished both on Earth and in Hell - those who smuggle, take or sell drugs incur great sin, so if you're one of the above, quickly repent, otherwise you'll be sentenced to the Avici Hell, where there's no end to suffering!

I became deeply addicted to drugs and got involved in drug trafficking in order to pay for my huge expenditure, thus harming many people. Upon death, my soul was brought before the Head of this Tribunal who gave me a good scolding and sentenced me to Avici Hell to suffer everyday. I deeply regret for what I did, but there is nothing I can do now!



In the Tenth Tribunal the souls spin in a wheel until they are confused.





Houses have evolved from clay and wood to concrete and steel, but people are still living in there! Of course the Kitchen Deity won't disappear simply because the facilities change!



Wait, Master, can I ask: if one wants to print and distribute "Journeys to the Under-world" and wants to ask for a wish, he has to burn incense before the Kitchen Deity and report. But today most kitchens use gas stove instead of the old-fashioned clay cooking places. Is the Kitchen Deity still there?





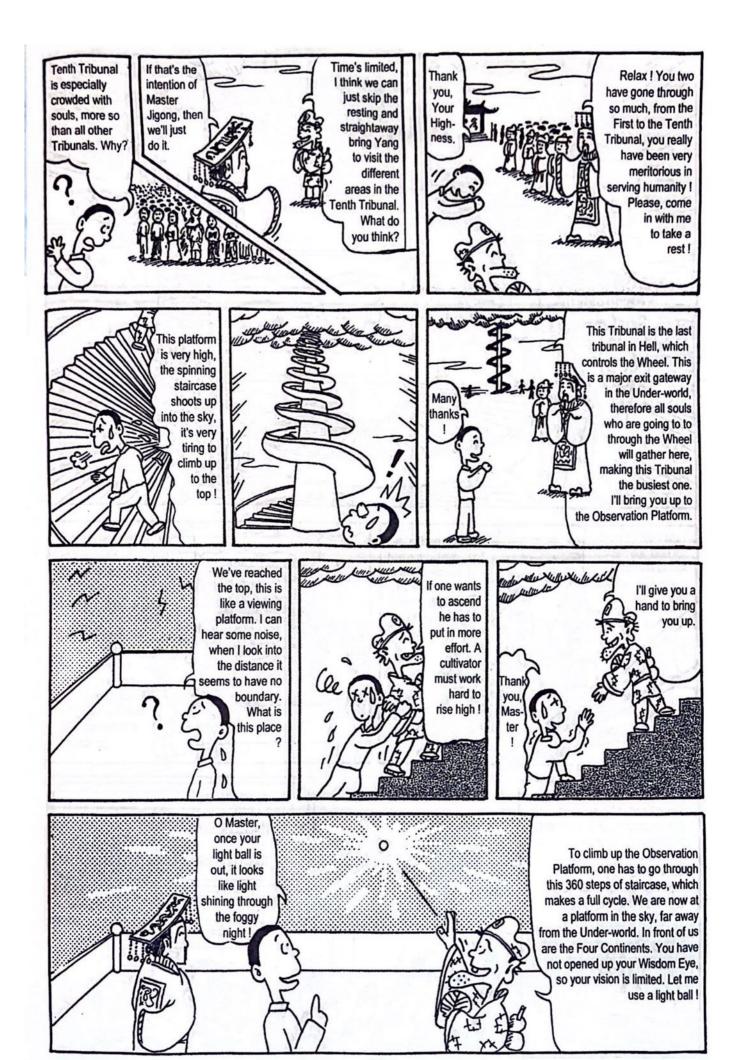
In fact, the better facilities, unlike the previous smoky kitchens that burn firewood, attract the deities even more! Humans' food and beverages are processed in the kitchens, since food and beverages are basic necessity of life, therefore it's said that "where there's smoke there's human". The Kitchen Deity is also called "Si Ming Zhen Jun" (司命真君) which means the Deity in charge of people's life and luck for eating. Gas stoves and clay stoves serve the same purpose, i.e. to make fire for cookin', therefore the Kitchen Deity is also called the Fire Deity, which is the same as "Huo De Xing Jun" (火德星君). In the case of temple lamps, in the old days they use oil lamps but nowadays they use electric lamps... obviously the deities won't mind descending upon these temples. No matter how far technology has advanced, no matter how tall the buildings has become, the spirituality of humans remains the same, and deities are still by your side, of course the Kitchen Deity is still in the kitchen!

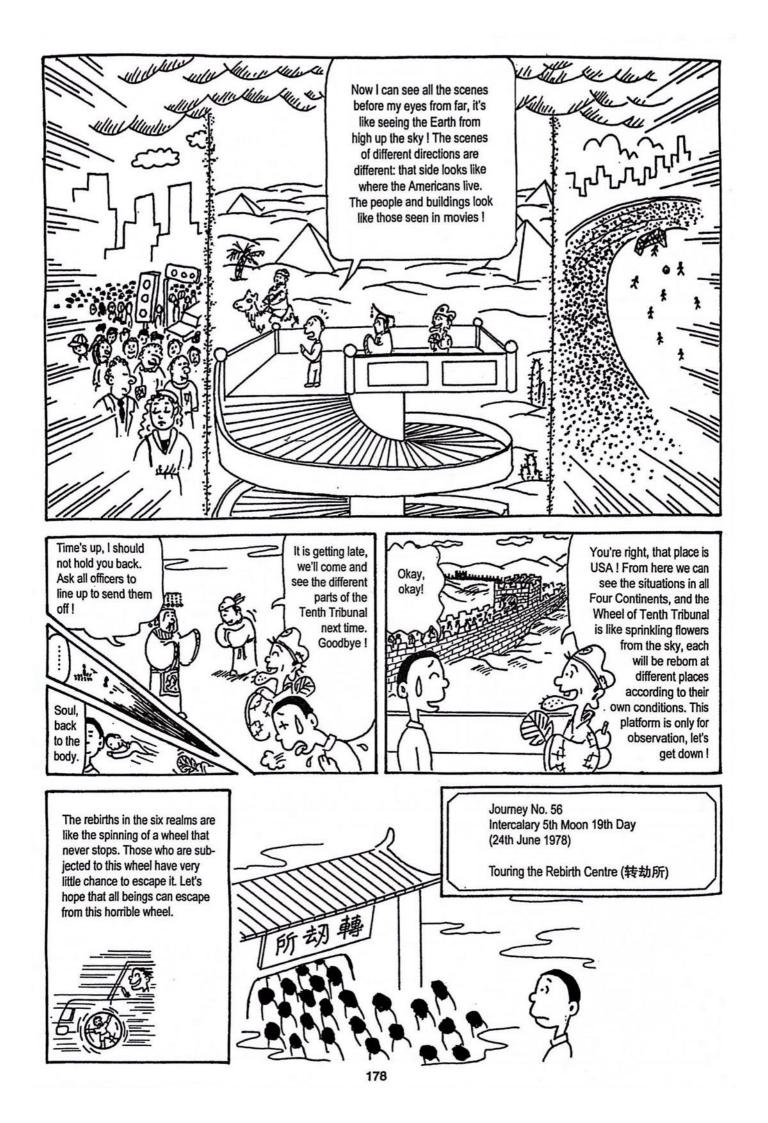
My respects to Zhuan
Lun Wang I I am a
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a decree to tour Hell
and write a book. Now
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like to ask Your High-







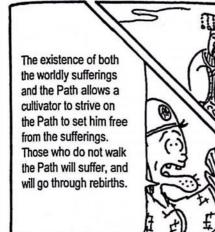






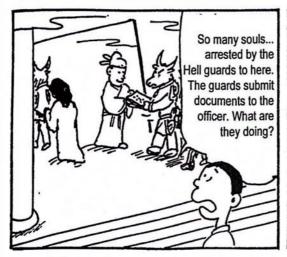


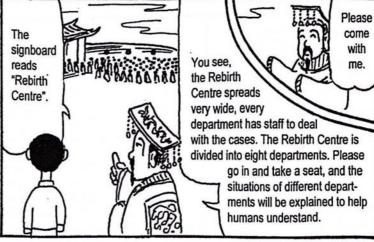


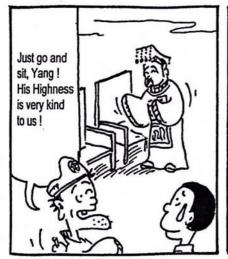


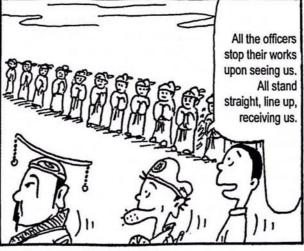
The wheel of rebirths is merciless. Wherever one is going to be reborn depends on one's own karma. Today let me bring you to visit the Rebirth Centre.



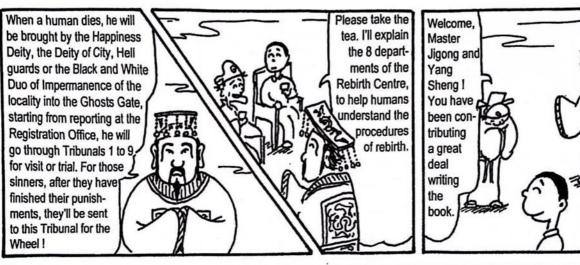


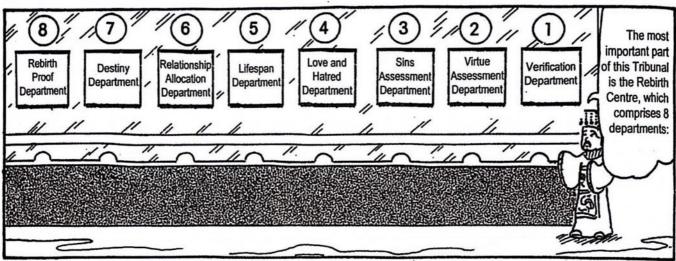














Sins Assessment Department: This is to assess the sins of the soul to be reborn. If the soul should be reborn as a human, his amount of sins will be taken into consideration: if he's done some small good and no big wrong, then he'll be born with sufficient food and clothes, being taken care of by his parents, having a good partner and having children to take care of his old life. If his good is as much as his wrong, then usually he'll be born as an ordinary person, but some of them still get to have food and clothes, and family members that do not leave them too early. Nevertheless, they will work hard through their lives and cannot enjoy easy fortunes. Those with no good but with wrongs will be reborn into a life of misfortunes...



2. Virtue Assessment Department: This department assesses the entent of the virtuous acts of a person to determine how much luck and fortune he deserves. If he has been accumulating merits while alive, he will be reborn in a good place as a male, having grown up he will become a government official or advance high in his career, enjoying honour or high position. For instance he will become a big businessman with great wealth, either starting as an entrepreneur from zero or enjoying the fortunes of his ancestors. He will have fame and wealth. If the soul is reborn as a female, she will become the wife of someone with high position or rich to enjoy the blessings. Some of them raise their status through the success of their children, or enjoy a good life due to their parents. These are the people who have done a great deal of good deeds in their past lives. All these rewards are registered and administered by this Department with precision without the slightest bit of plus or minus.



This is

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Rebirth

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the Head

1. Verification Department:
After a soul has served his sentence, he will have to face this Verification Department which, after having been fully satisfied that he had already been punished, will then only allow him to be reborn. If the investigation reveals that any item of punishment has not been served or missed out, the sinful soul will have to be sent back to the respective Tribunal to serve his term.



5. Lifespan Department:

This department determines the lifespan of humans and animals. There are those who are rich with long lives, those who are rich with short lives, or those who are poor with long lives, or those who are poor with short lives. Some of them shortly after birth get drowned or suffocated to death, some of them die after having lived for only days, months or years. Some of them die for committing crimes, get killed, so on so forth. There are people who die "unfair deaths", which could probably due to their own carelessness which eventually cause them accidents.



4. Love and Hatred Department:

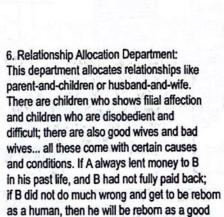
This department decides whether a person, on rebirth, will be paying back someone whom he owes during his previous lives or will take back from someone who owes him. He will repay someone who was kind to him, or if he had been insulted, maltreated, or oppressed by another person, then this person has to pay him back! Some souls with great hatred for certain people would refuse to be reborn as a human being, and instead they become scary ghosts to take revenge - some will cause sudden death or "unexpected calamity" to those they hate. If this Department, after due investigation, has found that such souls have not been treated fairly, will allow these souls to seek revenge in order to comfort these soul.

.. even if they get to have food and clothes, they will either become a widow or widower, or losing some of their family members. They will be born poor, with handicap or diseases, becoming blind, deaf or dumb, or as beggars. If men and women do not have morality or have committed great sins in their past lives. they will be reborn as animals.



7. Destiny Department:

This department is in charge of the rebirth destinies of the souls. How many lives of great wealth and honour does a good soul deserves? How many poor, sorrowful lives does a bad soul deserves? How many lives should a great sinner be reborn as animals? All these are the destinies that one will be reborn with. For those who are supposed to enjoy a good life but suddenly do bad things in their good lives; or those who are supposed to live in sufferings but manage to have good hearts... for such people their destinies will change. "To be diligent in doing good can make up for bad, and to be idle is a waste of time."



as a human, then he will be reborn as a good child of A in their future lives to serve the family well. These are the "debt-paying" children.

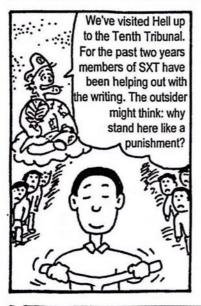
If C stole the properties of D or squeezed D for gains with his power or position, such that D died with hatred for C, then after making his complaints in Hell, the Hell Laws will allow him to be reborn as a bad child of C in their future lives, such that D will bring destruction to C. Such children will be arrogant, extravagant, profligate and idle... they are the "debt-demanding" children. The same happens for husband and wife. All these good or bad causes and effects controls one's lives.





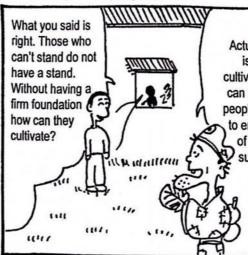
8. Rebirth Proof Department: This department issues proof to a soul for him to go and be reborn, Before one will be reborn, he will first go through the above seven departments for registration, and then he will be sent to this department for authorization of rebirth. This is where a soul get his proof for rebirth: for a future government official, he will get an authorization letter; for future scholar, a pen; future businessman, a calculator: future farmer, a hoe; future craftsman, a tool. For those who will be reborn as animals, they will be given their fur or feathers. Everyone will be reborn with the proof they have.

The Destiny Department is also in charge of monitoring and reporting. On top of that they do works of cancellations or additions upon receiving decrees from the Jade Emperor, which pass through the Heads of Tribunals to them.







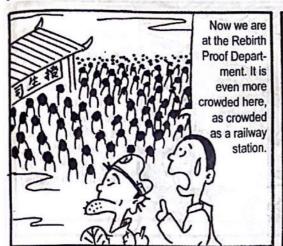


Actually to stand is to stay upright, this is the basic attitude of living life. If a cultivator cannot even stay upright, how can he possibly attain sainthood? Most people would rather slouch in the couch to enjoy the comfort, but that's the way of lazy bugs! It's quite impossible for such people to have great character.

What do you think, Yang?







After humans die, the sinners will go through trials, therefore the Hell is like an "International Court". Everyone who will go through the Wheel for rebirth will have to get their proof, very much like getting a passport for travel overseas in the Human World.

We're now at the Rebirth Centre that we came before. It's quite crowded... there are Eastern and Western people and people of different nationalities. Are they going to be reborn?

Master Jigong was very correct. After humans die, they go through different tribunals and then they will go for rebirth according to their own paths. Although everyone boards the same "train of rebirth", each of them goes to different destination. Therefore everybody will bid farewell and alight from the Wheel according to their own conditions... and then they'll just have to live in where they're assigned!

Haha, these are the souls who are gonna get into the Wheel. Just like waiting for a train in the railway station in the Human World, once the train starts moving, it will keep moving and everyone will reach their own destination according to their tickets. Similarly, these souls will be reborn to different places of the world.



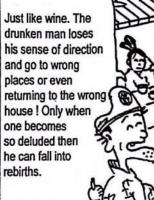
That is the Granny Meng's NO Station. Souls NO that are going to be reborn are drinking the "Forget Soup". If you drink it, you'll become muddled when you return to the Human World!

There are so many people in front... it seems like they are drinking herbal tea to quench their thirst. It's a hot day and I'm quite thirsty too. Can I go and have a cup too?



Good. This Station is managed by Granny Meng, who takes the order from the Jade Emperor to be in charge of the work of "erasing memories". If the souls don't drink the "Forget Soup", then after rebirth they will still remember their past lives. Kids will claim to be the elders in their families in their past lives, which will disrupt family order. Or, some of them will remember their enemies and will seek revenge, that will be chaos! Therefore the souls have to drink the "Forget Soup" to forget the past.







This "Forget Soup" is like the hallucinogens found in the Human World, which can affect people's minds.

This soup is a mixture of five tastes, i.e. sweet, hot spicy, bitter, sour and salty. Therefore after drinking it one will be confused and can't tell the directions, having become deluded they fall into rebirths!



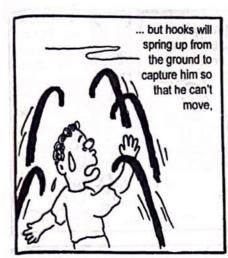


Otherwise, no one with their sound mind will want to be reborn in the bad realms! Only the drunken ones dares to jump into the sea and do all sorts of dangerous things with no fear. When their minds are not clear, they will unknowingly fall into the cycle of rebirths, when they become sober again, it's already the next day. Similarly, the rebirthing souls, when become conscious again, will find that they're already in different worlds, different lives!

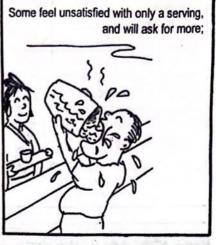




The Tenth Tribunal is very close to the Human World. The area around the Granny Meng's Station has a hot atmosphere. Any soul who comes here will want to get to the station to have a drink. Therefore they'll naturally fall into the trap!







Since time immemorial humans have been going through countless cycles of rebirths, and have taken the soup countless times. Eventually they get used to the soup. That's why now when babies are born, they seem cleverer and more intelligent!



Since drinking the soup can make one forget his past lives, why is it that at present time there are more kids who are born cleverer than those born earlier? Is there any difference in the quality of the soup?



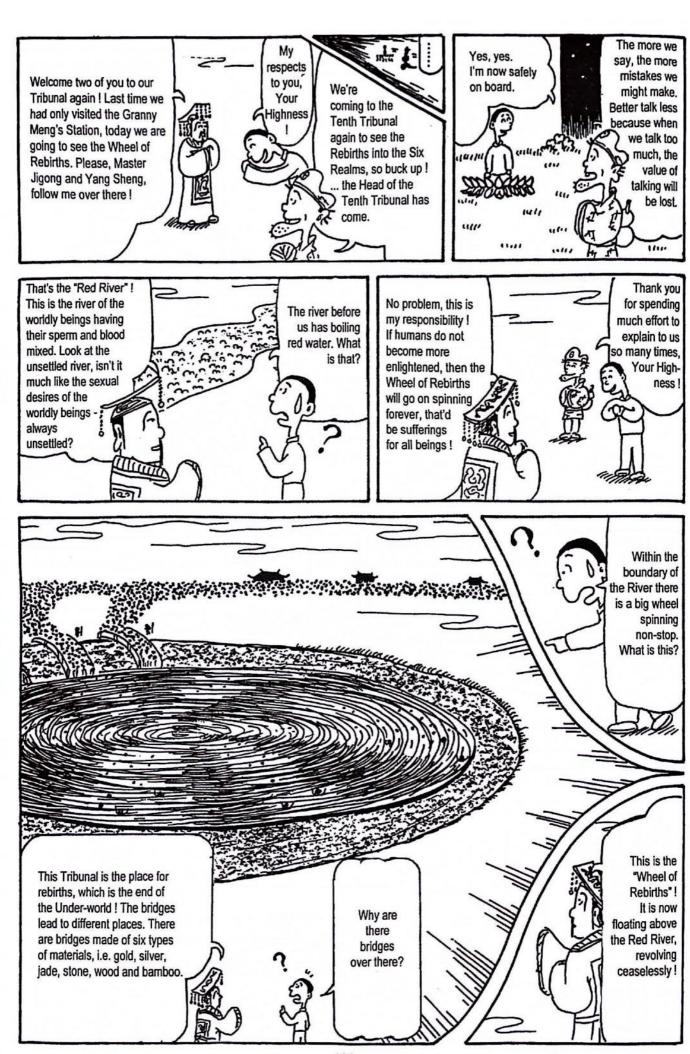


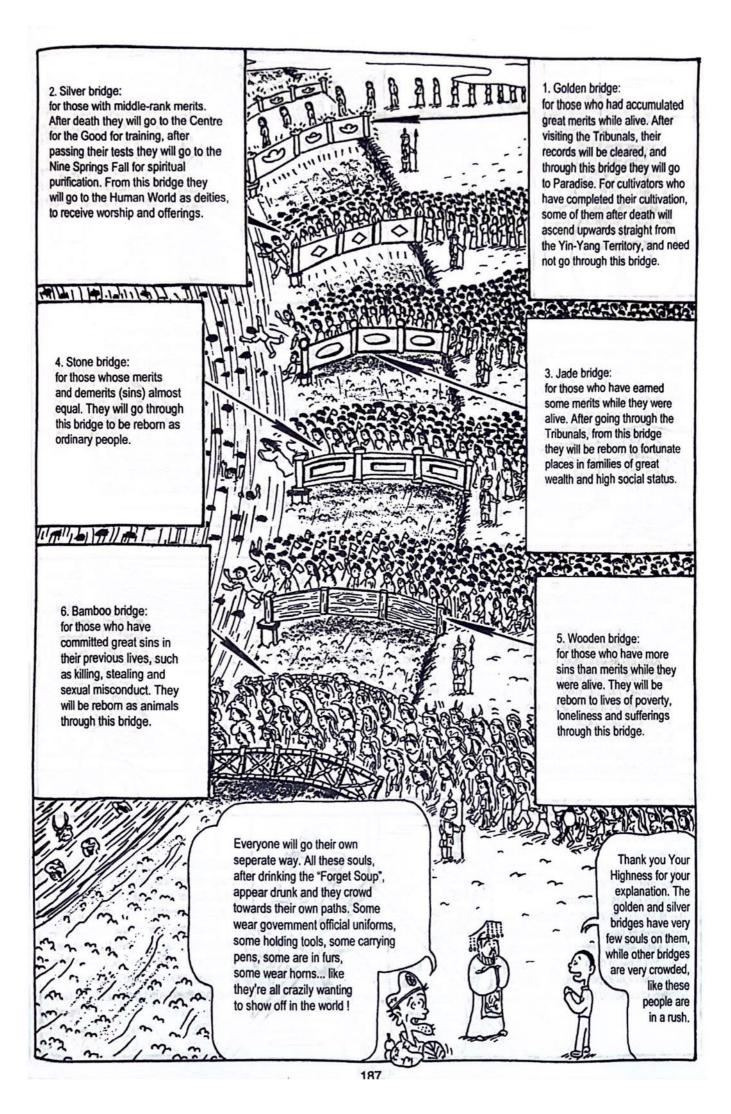


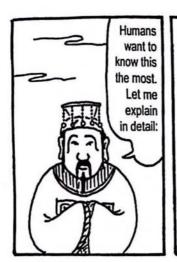
Drinking the soup has slowly become habitual for them, but this is not necessarily a good phenomenon. Look at the alcoholics: they can drink a dozen of wine and still don't feel drunk, they're becoming insensitive! That's why humans are becoming more and more unkind. Besides, the cleverer one is, the easier it is for him to do bad things. Better brain is not always a blessing!















The rebirth of live requires the copulation of the Yin and Yang energies. This Wheel of Rebirth is like the reproductive systems of male and female: when sexual desire is aroused, the mind will be in a muddle, sperm and blood will leak, much like the Red River underneath the Wheel. When the river water moves, it will spin the Wheel of Rebirth which will then create a force of attraction. These deluded souls will then be sucked into the Wheel of Rebirth, that's how a human get into the womb of the mother. Therefore as Yin and Yang of parents combined with the soul, pregnancy begins to take place. After a period of pregnancy, this soul will come out of the womb, which also means coming out of the Wheel. Crying in blood and bodily fluids, the soul wake up to find that he is back to the Human World again! Other types of animals are also being nurtured in the Wheel according to their own periods of foetal development. When a woman get pregnant, she often feel like vomitting, pretty much like carsickness, don't you think this has got something to do with "the wheel turning"?

The Wheel appears like an "Octagon of Combinations" (八卦), with a circle inside as the "Symbol of Polarity" (太极图) representing Yin and Yang. From absolute stillness comes a movement which starts the polarity of Yin and Yang, therefore when the Wheel of Rebirths revolves lives are created! There are six exit holes which corresponds to the rebirths into the six realms:

- 1. Rebirths as prominent people like those government officials or generals;
- Rebirths as scholars, farmers, artisans and merchants (basically means ordinary people, which includes the lonely ones like widows or widowers);
- 3. Rebirths as animals that are born of wombs;
- 4. Rebirths as animals that are born of eggs;
- 5. Rebirths as water-born beings;
- Rebirths as worms and insects;

They all take their types of rebirths according to their own merits and sins.



Yes, there's another definition for the Six Realms:

- 1. Devas (heavenly beings);
- 2. Humans; 3. Asuras; 4. Hell beings;
- 5. Hungry ghosts; 6. Animals.

humans understand this

This is another way of classification.

The heavenly beings include the deities and saints. After attaining enlightenment, they don't have to drink the "Forget Soup". They go straight to paradise. I hope

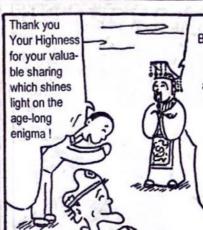
Isn't there another definition for the "Rebirths into the Six Realms" ?

Just like factories in the Human World, the quality of the products depends on the quality of the materials. Good wood can be used for buildings, but rotten wood can only be used for cooking. Similarly, good souls will be reborn as good beings with good luck. Therefore all beings need to improve themselves, so that they won't be reborn in a bad realm!



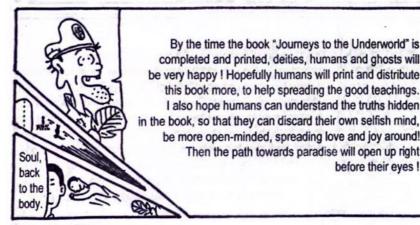
Many of them have set themselves free from the Rebirths into the Six Realms, but due to their wish or certain conditions, they still come into rebirths to help other beings, out of compassion. They cultivate themselves, becoming the good examples for the others and enlighten them. For instance there are the founders of different religions, which had very superior backgrounds. Since ancient time there have been many deities abd saints who yow to come to the world to help the sentient beings. To them, the cycle of rebirths is seen as something they "come and go", not something they're stuck with. Within the vast Universe, there are probably more realms of rebirths than six, therefore it might be a good idea to say "Rebirths into the Many Realms". The spiritual communication has no boundary, all is one, one is all. Humans should understand this.



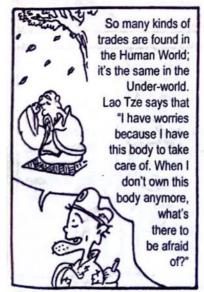


before their eyes!

Basically that's roughly all about the Tenth Tribunal, which is now going to be revealed in "Journeys to the Under-world". Humans should understand that although rebirths seem to be decided in the Underworld, the truth is that humans are the ones who decide their own paths. Humans have to start cultivation earlier, because once they lose their human bodies, it's very difficult to get back to the Human Realm again as humans! Farewell, Master Jigong and Yang Sheng, I wish you smooth completion of the book, and humans will benefit from it!







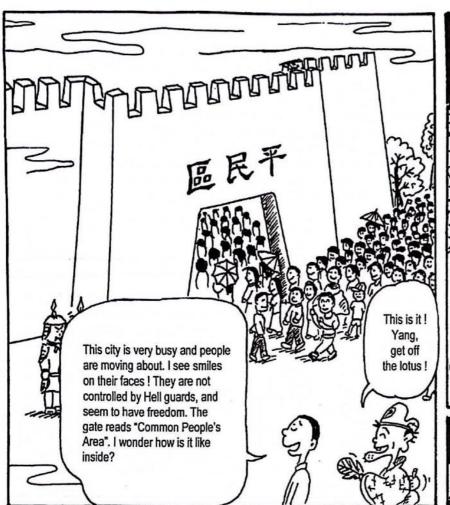


Visiting the Common People's Area in the Under-world (地府平民区)

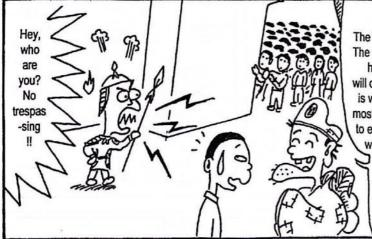
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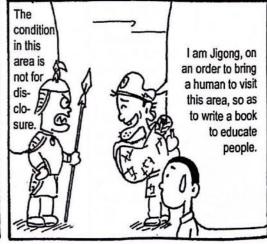


The "Common People's Area" is actually "Common Soul's Area". The ordinary ones with merits and sins almost equal, which don't have too much unsettled entanglements in the Human World, will come to the Common People's Area in the Under-world. This is where people can still freely have their occupations. But what mostly found here are merchants and farmers. People here have to earn their own living the hard way, unlike in the Human World where technology is so advanced that people don't have to do so much work physically. Down here people still earn their living by hard work of their hands. Let's get in to visit!

We beg your pardon, Master Jigong and Yang Sheng! The General didn't know you. Forgive us for not welcoming you properly to Common People's Area.





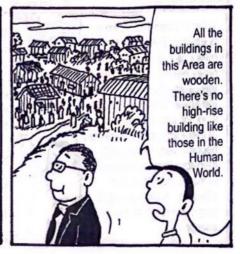


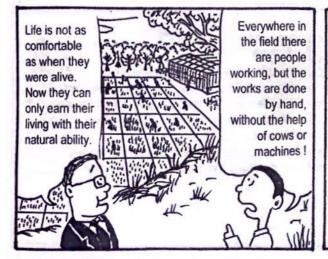






This Area is resided by the dead souls. The wood element and the earth element are connected, therefore it's more suitable for them to live in wooden houses.





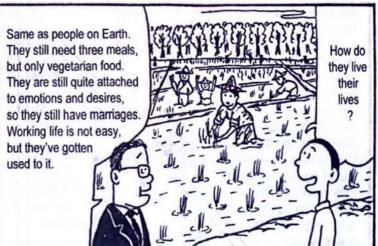
The Under-world is seperated from the Human World, but the minds are fundamentally same. After death these souls still remember what they did before, therefore they are here doing what they had been doing before!



In this area there are souls of different era and times.

Because they all still hold on to their previous lifestyles while alive, therefore they look very different.





This is a question of ceaseless controversial, let me clarify it: In the Human World, when ancestors die, some people will burn joss paper of various types, in the hope that the deceased will be able to receive and use these money in another world. However, most dead ones come to the Under-world with sins, which means they

are here for punishments, therefore they don't get to enjoy these money anyway.

By the way, it is said that "When the time is right, soil can turn into gold". In the case of the Human World, the lands in the cities are expensive, therefore it's true that soil can



I wonder if they get to enjoy offerings burned for them by the humans on Earth, such as joss paper, candles, joss sticks, etc?

What the dead souls take is energy. Therefore the offerings e.g. food have not really been swallowed by the souls - they only inhale the smell. The dead souls work for their living; some of them after being punished become very exhausted, therefore they come back to the Human World for offerings, in the hope that they can replenish their energy.

become gold!



As for the burned joss paper, it is basically ash, and will end up in soil. Therefore the earth element can give rise to the metal (gold, also refers to money) element, according The burnt gold/silver foil will become ashes in soil and upon being dampened the energy of five elements will be present.

Those who have great merits or have been cultivating very well while alive will attain higher spiritual states after death, so they don't need any form of money whatsoever. The use of money, if any, is only for those ordinary souls.

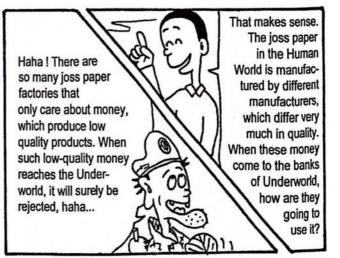


Burning joss paper is only a way for the descendants to show their respects for the deceased, therefore it need not be too much. They feel sorry for their ancestors for not being able to share with them their good lives on Earth, therefore they try to offer something to their ancestors.

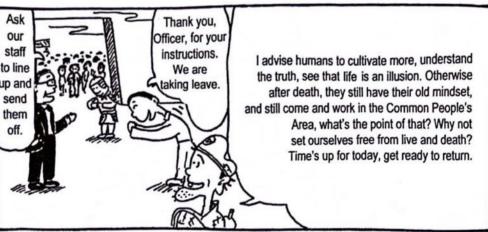
The energy emitted from burning the joss paper also have a great use for the deceased and must not be taken lightly!

Souls in the Common People Area have more freedom and are not so restricted; but if they want to go to the Human World, they need to get permission. However, they can take turn to go out during the Seventh Month. For the sinful souls, things are quite different: during usual days they will have their punishments; except certain special days like their death anniversaries, they're not allowed to go out. The less sinful can go out in the Seventh Month.



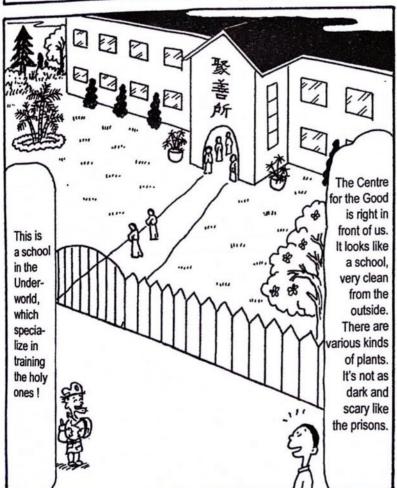


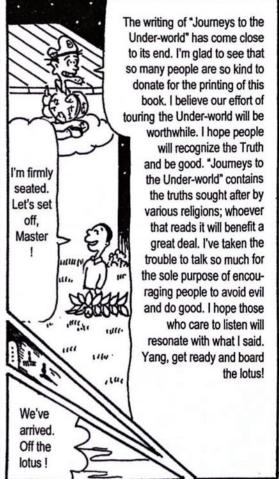


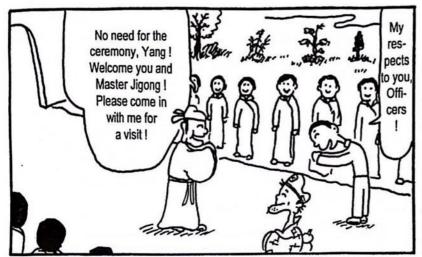
















Of course! This Centre is called the "Centre for the Good". Humans who have a lot of merits while alive, but not yet up to the level of rising to paradise or attaining enlightenment, will have to be brought to this Centre for the Good for further training; after which they will either go up to paradise or go to the Human World to serve humans as deities.

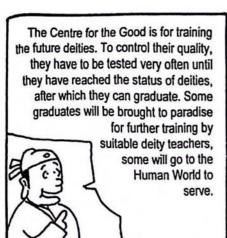








While I was alive I joined SXT, receiving the teachings from Master Guan, and I was fortunate to be taken care of by President Qiu and other fellow SXT members. I was very interested in service - I went to our Publishing Office to do some paperwork or books-mailing. I thought if I single-mindedly serve, in the future I would be going to enjoy in paradise. However, I still had attachment to the world, therefore after I died although I was led by the Happiness Deity and protected by Master Guan, I had already sinned quite a bit, which balanced out my merits, so I wasn't qualified for paradise. While I was still alive Master Guan had a lot of expectations for me, always giving me advice and encouragement. My wisdom wasn't enough to allow me to understand His meanings. Some time later I died before my vows are fulfilled. Fortunately I had been a sincere, though unwise person, Master Guan still brought me to visit the various prisons to see the punishments, after which I was sent to the Centre for the Good for training. When my flesh body was at the funeral, the members of SXT were kind enough to come and send me off, for this I was very grateful. Please, Mr Yang, help me to thank them on my behalf.





Everyday I'm here studying and learning the Path. Tests are always given to polish up our minds, for instance to make us unmoved by money, uncharmed by beauty, and to be more compassionate, so on so forth. These "exam questions" are scenarios created by the magic powers of deities and saints, for example we were to walk past somewhere and suddenly gold appear by the roadside, or beautiful ladies come to seduce... if one's mind is not still, he will fail the exam, and will have to train more. In usual days there are the holy ones who come here to teach. Although there's no punishments for us, but it's not easy either to have to study and take exams.

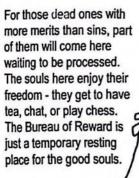




Please, Mr Yang, tell my children to cultivate themselves well. I hope members of SXT sincerely serve. Back then I also wanted to follow you to tour Hell, I didn't know that one day the wish actually came true! I wanted to cultivate more, but I had lost my flesh body - now it's too late, nothing much can be done!







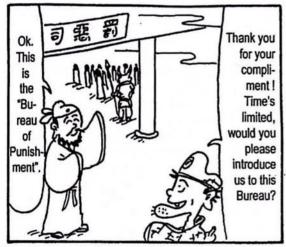


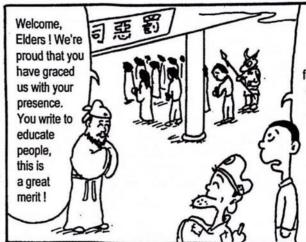






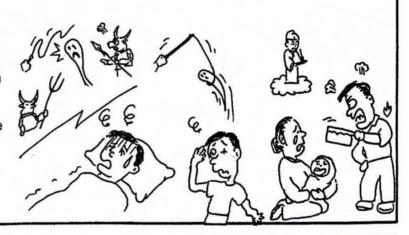


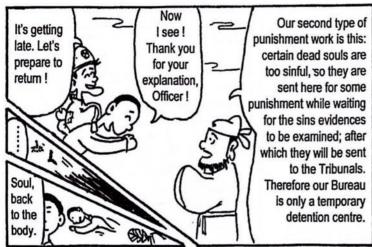




This place is totally different from the Bureau of Reward. The entrance reads "Bureau of Punishment". Souls that are here are under arrest.

Whoever that does evil when they're alive, will have his acts recorded by the patrolling deities, which will later be reported in the Under-world. For those who commit very heavy sins, our Bureau will capture his spirit to the Under-world for punishments. He will then feel very muddled and painful on Earth. This is when people fall sick, feeling dizzy, headache, and uncomfortable all over. They only know that they have sickness and don't feel well physically and mentally, but they didn't know they are actually receiving punishments.







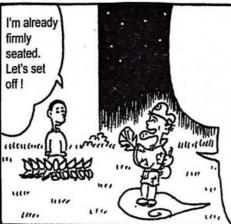
They recover from sickness when the spirit is released back to the Human World, this is when they feel better. Those that you see over there are arrested for the above mentioned reason. This is the first type of punishment work that we do.

Having gone through Hell, all that we have seen are deluded souls. They don't know who they are before they're born; they don't know who they are after they're born; they don't know exactly who is the "I"!



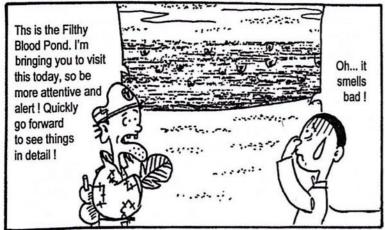


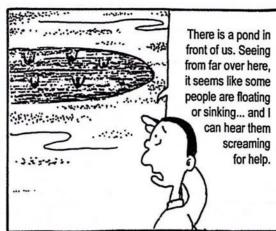




Being stuck in delusions, they are like lazy students carrying their lunch box and go to school with other people: they only eat and play, never study; when it comes to the exams, they know nothing! I would like to advise humans of the world, that to be a human one has to be upright, do more good and never stealthily do evil things. If they're too used to being evil, then after death they'll be left in darkness, how miserable!

It's our Hell time again, Yang, get onto the lotus!







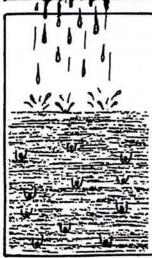




Yes, yes! This is the Filthy
Blood Pond, located down the
course of the river flowing from
beneath the Nai River Bridge.
While walking on the bridge, the
sinful souls fall off into a trench
with poisonous snakes. They got
eaten or bitten by the snakes,
and their filthy blood flows to
here like a river, which forms the
Filthy Blood Pond. This pond
contains those who have
committed dirty sins.



It's clear enough
to watch from
here, I don't
think we need
to go any closer
to the pond.
Would you
please explain
more about this
punishment,
General?



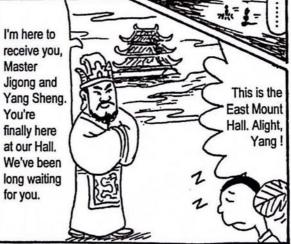
The Divine and Holy must not be desecrated, but there are humans who scold them. Some abuse the elderly with filthy language; some shift the blames for themselves onto other innocent people, or implicate others with false charges - they have dirty hearts! Some have sex in the open with no fear and shame, that's also very dirty! There are those who become prostitutes for money, those who have dirty speech, or those who are too lustful for sex. Some people like to eat unwholesome foods thinking that those foods are good for the body. Others take pleasure in killing living beings, or desecrating places of worship, desecrating holy scriptures, etc. All these sinful souls are sent to this Filthy Blood Pond to suffer.





Myth has it that women who die in childbirth will go to the Filthy Blood Pond, this is simply not true! To give birth is a natural process of live creation; such deaths are unfortunate enough - what's the reason for sending them to the Filthy Blood Pond? Therefore if there are family members or relatives who die in childbirths, we can do more charity, do some religious practices or print good books to distribute, after that we share the merits with the deceased. This will help to reduce the fear of the women - because at the time of giving birth they feel frightened and painful, if they die unfortunately their souls will not be at ease. Therefore the family members should do more merits, in the hope that the deities or saints will render the women help. We still have another place to go to, since we've already got a rough idea of what this pond is all about, we're gonna take leave.









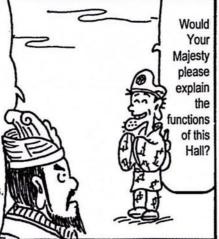


SXT since its beginning has been producing a lot of educational reading materials, and have widely printed and distributed them for free. Many have therefore benefited, changing their behaviour from evil to good. That's very comforting to me. Today since Yang Sheng follows Master Jigong to this Hall, I should give you a good treat! Please come in to take a rest, and we can have a conversation.

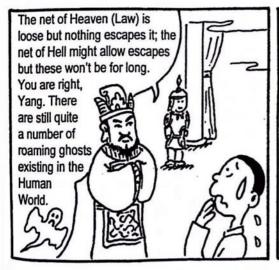




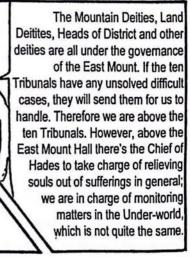
Very well. The East Mount is the "Tai Mountain", which is the first of the "Five Mountains". It governs all the departments of all ten Tribunals, and is at the highest level of administration which is very much like the Supreme Courts on Earth. We also rule over all roaming and unattached souls, and are also in charge of the promotion and demotion of all deities and ghosts We answer straight to, and take orders from, the Jade Emperor.

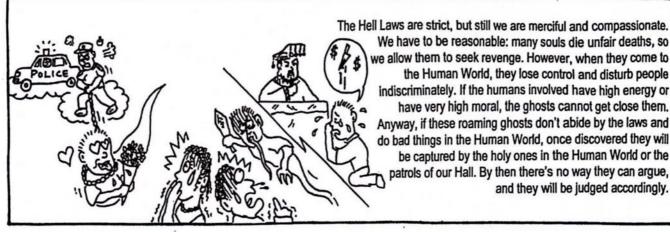






I have a question to ask, Your Majesty. Since your Hall is already controlling all those roaming and wandering ghosts, why is it that there are still people in the Human World who are disturbed by ghosts? Could it be that the law enforcement of the Under-world still has some loopholes?

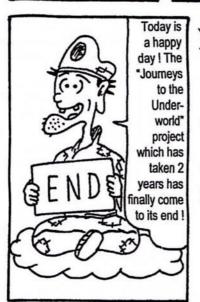








The deities in the Underworld don't want the souls to keep unresolved hatred or anger, therefore they release the ghosts to let them seek revenge. But just like released criminals in the Human World, some of them get worse and start to harm the innocent. Humans are likewise disturbed by ghosts.

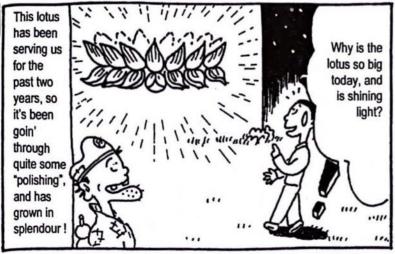






This rare and precious Book has said a lot regarding the truths of life. Maybe some people won't believe in what it says, but the real situations of Hell tour which you have seen for two years are like documentary movies. Therefore I hope humans of the world, believe it or not, should try to understand that "birth" is a small beginning, and "death" starts a longer continuation, which is also followed by another birth... we can never think that death is the end of everything.

Look at the souls coming to the Under-world! Ever since the ancient time, those who are loyal, observing filial piety, self-restrained and righteous have been ascending to heaven, with their good names remembered long after their deaths, which shows their good character; but those who've gone against truth, righteousness and morality have die as filthy souls - they're so dark that they fall into Hell. I hope people who read "Journeys to the Under-world" will wake up from their dreams, and will never again fall into the worldly delusions until they fall so deep that at the end there's no cure for them. This is the last time we are going to visit the Under-world, so Yang, be more alert, dress up properly and prepare to go to the Under-world to receive your award!







Wow! Look at the big field, it's so busy! Heavenly music is played non-stop. The spacious ground is fully laid out with tables carved out from jade. There are so many beings, never seen before, moving about; some wearing religious robes, some novices of various religious orders, some scholars, some dressed in foreign clothes. I wonder where they come from.



My respects to you, Earth Store Bodhisattva and all Honourable Sirs! I am from Sheng Xian Tang (SXT) of Taiwan; I'm a follower of Master Guan. took the decree to tour Under-world with Master Jigong to write the book. I am grateful for Earth Store Bodhisattva for being so being so compassionate to order the various departments of the

Under-world to assist us in our writing. The mission is accomplished, so today I am coming with Master to thank all of you. I'm surprised that the Chief of Hades has arranged such big celebration!



Because the writing of "Journeys to the Under-world" is about to complete, the Chief of Hades has specially arranged a dinner in front of the "Earth Store Palace" as a celebration. We two are the guests of honour today!

You see, all the deity officers, novices, scholars, guests and the Earth Store Bodhisattva is coming out to receive us. Quickly go and pay respects to them!



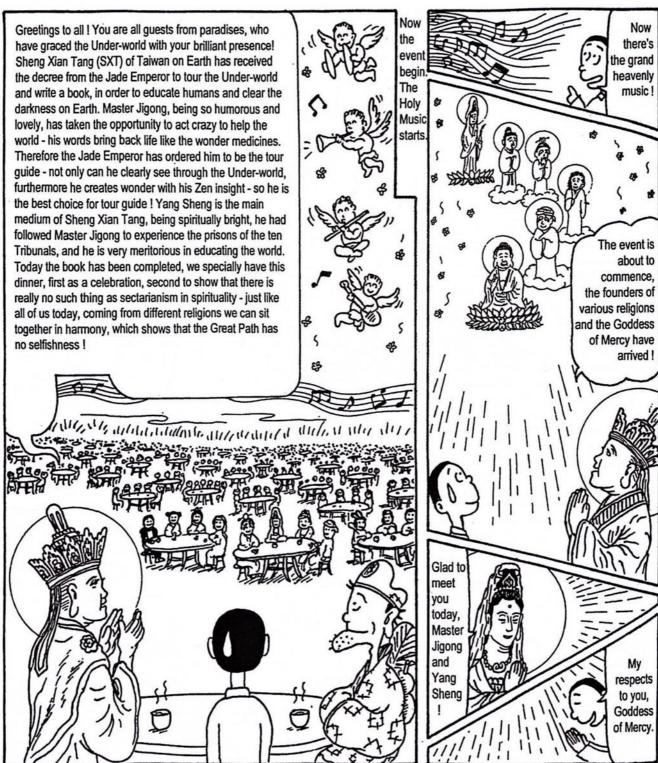


Please rise, Yang Sheng!
You and Master Jigong has
been working very hard.
Throughout the past two
years you have been
busy travelling, your
heart to serve the world
is very precious! Today
I have arranged this
dinner to celebrate your
completion of the book
and the duty. May I
invite both of you to
come and occupy the
seats of honour?

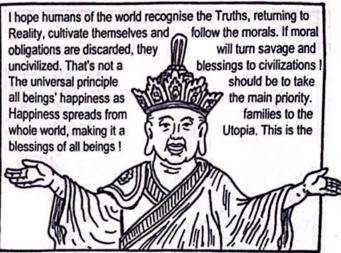


Today's dinner is for the celebration of the completion of "Journeys to the Under-world". Because the existence of Hell is recognised by various religions of the world, therefore the founders and the highly attained followers of many religions, traditional or new, have been invited to attend. Many paradises also send deity officers or angels to join this event. The Mother of the Jade Pond has granted us Divine Peaches and Jade Nectar. You're really fortunate, Yang Sheng!









No need to be so ceremonious, Chief!
I take the order of the Jade Emperor to bring this certificate for Yang Sheng to take back, as the reward for SXT for writing the book.

Thank
you,
Master!
Then I
won't
hesitate.
I'll take
this
opportunity
to take
a bit
more!

Don't be shy,
Yang, help
yourself to
these! This
one is the
Jade Nectar,
and this one
is the Divine
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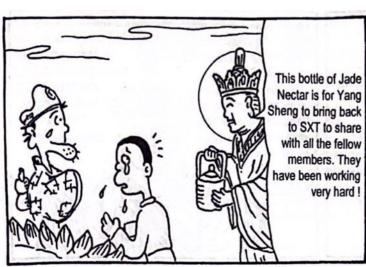
As time is rather limited and in case we have not entertained you well enough, I beg all you Holy Ones for pardon. I'm very pleased that Master Jigong and Yang Sheng are here joining us today. The teachings through medium channelling is very timely. The book "Journeys to the Under-world" has been completed thanks to the methods of medium channelling passed down from the ancient sages. Humans should understand the kind intention of Heaven, and follow the moral principles and their own conscience, to avoid the punishments of the ten Tribunals after death.

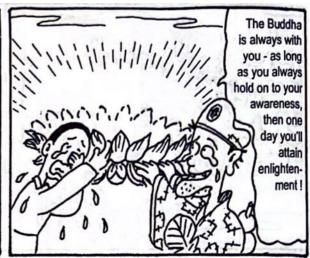


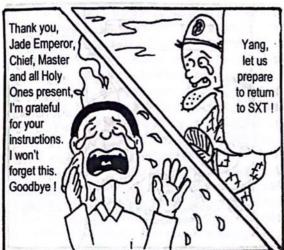


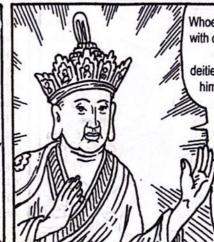


"Earth Store Bodhisattva" is a title in Buddhism. In Taoism I am called "Feng Du Da Di" (郭都大帝), therefore Hell is also called Feng Du Hell (郭都地狱). Most people don't know this, so I'm taking this opportunity to attach this information at the end of "Journeys to the Under-world" as a postscript.







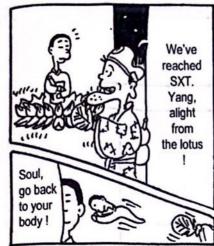


Whoever that prints, distributes, or shares with other people "Journeys to the Underworld" to educate them, the roaming deities will always patrol and report about him, and records are kept in the Underworld. Whatever wish of him will be granted through miracles. I hope people will widely spread this Book, because the merits of educating people can be very great! Finally I wish all the members of SXT will have perfect merits, and I wish SXT great prosperity!

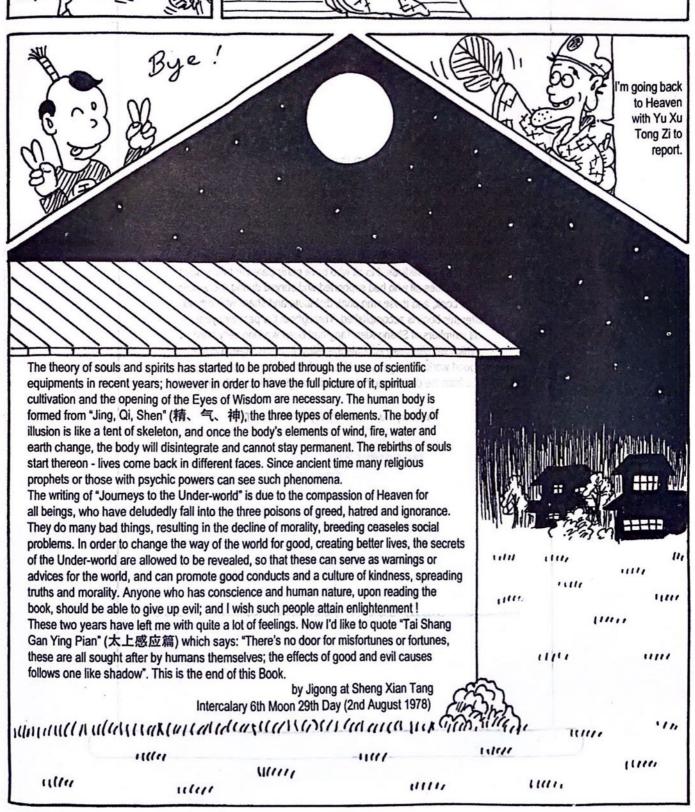












Decree from the Jade Emperor
Sheng Xian Tang had taken a decree to write "Journeys to the Under-world", which started from Mid Autumn of Bing Chen Year (1976) till today, Intercalary Wu Wu Year (1978) 5th Moon 3rd Day, exactly two years. Yang Sheng had been touring the ten Tribunals and visit the various prisons; the abundant cases collected had been revealed in "Journeys to the Under-world".
Merits shall be dedicated to all who have participated in this project, which includes all who had supported and served during the writing
of the book, and those who print, distribute and share with others after this book is accomplished. Throughout the past two years, all members of Sheng Xian Tang had been working very hard, which will ultimately educate the fellow humans. Keep up the good work to bring the world towards the better state, saving it from the deteriorated state and changing it into a Utopia.
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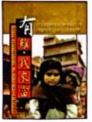
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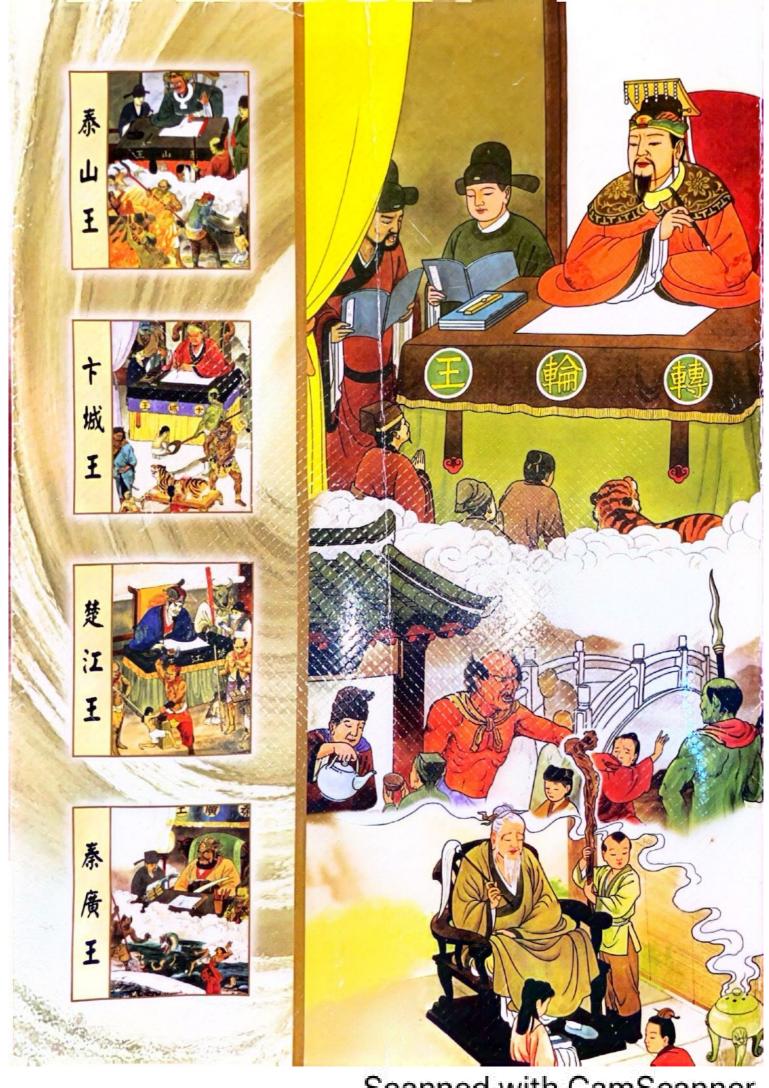


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