



SGI-USA Men's Division

Suggested Study Material for October 2019

In October 2019, the Men's Division is studying excerpts from "*The New Human Revolution*" Volume 10 found in July "Living Buddhism" published by SGI-USA. This page is intended for leaders. The name of the NHR chapter name (as available) and pg number in Living Buddhism is indicated as available. All quotes from pg 22-39, October, LB.

"I hope you will also be a broad-minded leaders who can raise your juniors to be even more capable than yourselves. To do that you must lead by example. Your spirit and actions will serve as true inspiration for others." (Bastion of the Pen) pg 38

"If the men's division sets an outstanding example, then the women's, young men's and young women's divisions will also develop splendidly. The sincere encouragement of the men's division will help to nurture truly capable people in every division." (Crown Champion) pg 39

"Seeking spirit is the root that absorbs the nourishment of faith and enables us to grow and develop. If that root is strong wonderful flowers of happiness will bloom in our lives" (Bastion of the Pen) pg 38

"A person who makes a firm determination to work for kosen-rufu is strong. From such determination of wisdom, life force, success and victory in life are born." (Winds of Happiness) pg 38

"Kosen-rufu is a struggle of words... Without words that encourage people, without words that demonstrate the truth of Buddhism and the correctness of the Soka Gakkai's movement, kosen-rufu will never advance." (Bastion of the Pen), pg 36

"Nam-myoho-renge-kyo is lion's roar. A lion's roar will send even the fiercest of animals running. In the same way, when faced with chanting Nam-myoho-renge-kyo, there is no ailment that can be an obstacle to one's happiness or to kosen-rufu"

"People in modern society have been described as being only half-healthy, meaning that we are all afflicted with some kind of illness and that our physical health will decline as we age. But is sickness necessarily the cause of unhappiness? Absolutely not. It is being defeated by illness and losing hope that makes us unhappy. We become unhappy when we forget our mission to live for kosen-rufu."

"At life's most fundamental level, health and sickness are one. There are times when our life manifests a healthy condition and times when it manifests illness. The two conditions are interconnected. Thus, by making earnest efforts in faith and fighting against illness, we can establish a state of genuine health both mentally and physically."

"I hope you will live in such a way that others struggling with the same condition will marvel and say: 'Look how energetic he is, despite his diabetes!' 'Look at what a long life he is enjoying. 'Look how happy he is.' If you are able to do that you will be a brilliant examples of the power of Buddhism. That is your mission in life." (Crown Champion), pg 35

Questions:

1. Please share experiences where your mentor's example has inspired you to win.