

SIX QUESTIONS

Mind has even more projections than
there are dust motes in the sun;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
who sees the appearance of things laid bare in the very bed where it lies?

The basic nature of things is not produced
by cause or condition;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
Who gets to the very bottom of this, cuts down to its very root?

Mind's impulse to sudden thought
cannot be stopped by hundreds with spears;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
Who sees that attachment can dissolve,
be freed in and of itself?

The movement of thinking mind cannot be locked in an iron box;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
Who sees that discursive mind itself is empty in itself?

The sensory enjoyments even wisdom deities do not shun;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
Who's able to see through the transparency of the process of consciousness?

What about the appearance of the six kinds of objects
that go with the consciousnesses—
Not even the hands of Victorious Ones
can put a stop to that;
Is there an accomplished yogi here or a yogini
Who can see there is no object there behind the appearances?