

How Big is One Buddha's World | Our World | The Saha World | the World of Forbearance

Hi everyone, this is Nancy. Today is Aug 14th, 2021. How are you doing? Are you interested in knowing how big is one Buddha's world? Are you interested in knowing what is the world that we are in now? Are you interested in knowing what our world looks like in the eye of the Buddha? Today, let's talk about these topics that may be interesting to you.

In the Aggañña Sutta, the Buddha explained the world. According to the Buddha, one solar system which includes one sun and one moon is one world. One thousand of this world, in another word, one thousand of this solar system is called one Small Thousand World. One thousand of Small Thousand World is One Middle Thousand World; and one thousand Middle Thousand World is one Great Thousand World. One Great Thousand world is one Buddha's land, and it is also called one Three Thousand Great Thousand World.

However, in Buddhism, most of the big numbers simply mean countless. For example, the Buddha says sentient beings have 84000 kinds of annoyances, and so there are 84000 Dharma doors for these different kinds of sentient beings. Here the 84000 simply means countless.

The Buddha used 84000 quite a lot. He also said that at the beginning of the world, the trees are 84000 li tall, and humans lived 84000 years old, which means that at the beginning of the world, everything was big. We know from the Buddha that each world goes through four stages: formation, continuation, deterioration and extinction.

We are all in Sakyamuni Buddha's world, and this world is called Saha World, which means the World of Forbearance. Saha World is very big, and the earth is only a very small dust in it. The earth is located on the south and belongs to Jambudvīpa. On the level of the earth, there are another three worlds similar to the earth in the Saha World.

Why the world that we are in now, the Saha World, is called the World of Forbearance?

The sutra says, "The sentient beings in the land are content with the ten evils and refuse to leave. For this, it is called the World of forbearance."

The sutra also says, "Why is it called Saha? The sentient beings in the land can endure the three poisons (greed, anger and ignorance) and all the annoyances, so it is called the Land of Forbearance."

Sentient beings in the land can endure, or in another word, are ignorant of all the warnings and all the signs.

Remember what the Buddha said? The Buddha said that this world was the house on fire, and sentient beings were the kids playing in this house without realizing that it was burning. The Buddha said we were all in the suffering sea, and it is not a safe place here.

In general, the earth's civilization, our current civilization, is below the middle level in the universe.

Amitabha! The universe has no edge, and the universe has neither beginning nor ending. There is no limit to smallness or bigness. Everything is just illusion, pass by each day as an

observer, and watch how everything runs. This is today's Dharma share. Don't sink. Grab the Buddha's hand. Leave. Thank you everyone for being here. I will see you next time. Bye.