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Out of his compassion, Buddha Shakyamuni has generously given 84000 teachings. All we have to do now is to follow this path, put it into practice, and to make ourselves realize these truths that he made so easily accessible and understandable. To realize this path, we beings that are so subject to human conditions, must depend on hearing the teachings and contemplating them. Translating the words of the Buddha Gautama into different languages is creating that condition, so that more people who quest for such liberation have access to this path.

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