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The *Sikṣāsamuccaya* is divided into 19 chapters called *Paricchedas*. It starts with the idea that every human being should take advantage of his present birth to secure the seed (*Bodhibija*) in this very existence, and to pursue a course of conduct which ultimately will lead him to the status of a *Bodhisattva*. It does not so much emphasize the philosophical aspect of Buddhism, though the philosophical back ground is never lost sight of. It is rather a handbook or a guide to the conduct of a Buddhist leading to his objective of the state of *Bodhisattva*. All the topics, suggested and discussed, have this end in view, and it is thus a practical guide to Buddhist theology by accepting the threefold refuge in Buddha, Dharma and Saṅgha, followed by the six *pāramitās*, such as *Dāna*, *Śīla*, *Kṣānti*, *Vīrya*, *Dhyāna* and *Prajñā* and accessories to these, e.g., reverence for *Dharmabhūṭaka* or religious teacher, avoidance of hindrances to *pāramitās*, guarding one's self from sins and acquiring merit, purification from sins, advantages of residence in forest or a solitary place as a preparation for meditation, preparation of mind for perfect meditation. All of these topics are based on the reverence to the Buddha and constant recollection of the three gems of the Doctrine, viz, Buddha, Dharma and Saṅgha.

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