

Hōonkō Seminar abstract

Shinran's inheritance, past and present

Our encounter with Shinran's teaching depends on a double heritage.

On the one hand, the heritage that Shinran received in the past from the commentators of the *Trilogy of the Pure Land Sūtras* and other scriptures, as well as from the masters who preceded him: the Seven Eminent Masters and other teachers.

On the other hand, the heritage that we are presently receiving from his teaching through the masters and interpreters who have succeeded him, such as Kakunyo, Zonkaku, Rennyō and others.

This seminar will attempt to revisit the fundamentals of Jōdo-Shinshū while showing that Shinran's teaching did not freeze with his death.

It will not only deal with the doctrine but also with other historical and ritual aspects of this tradition.