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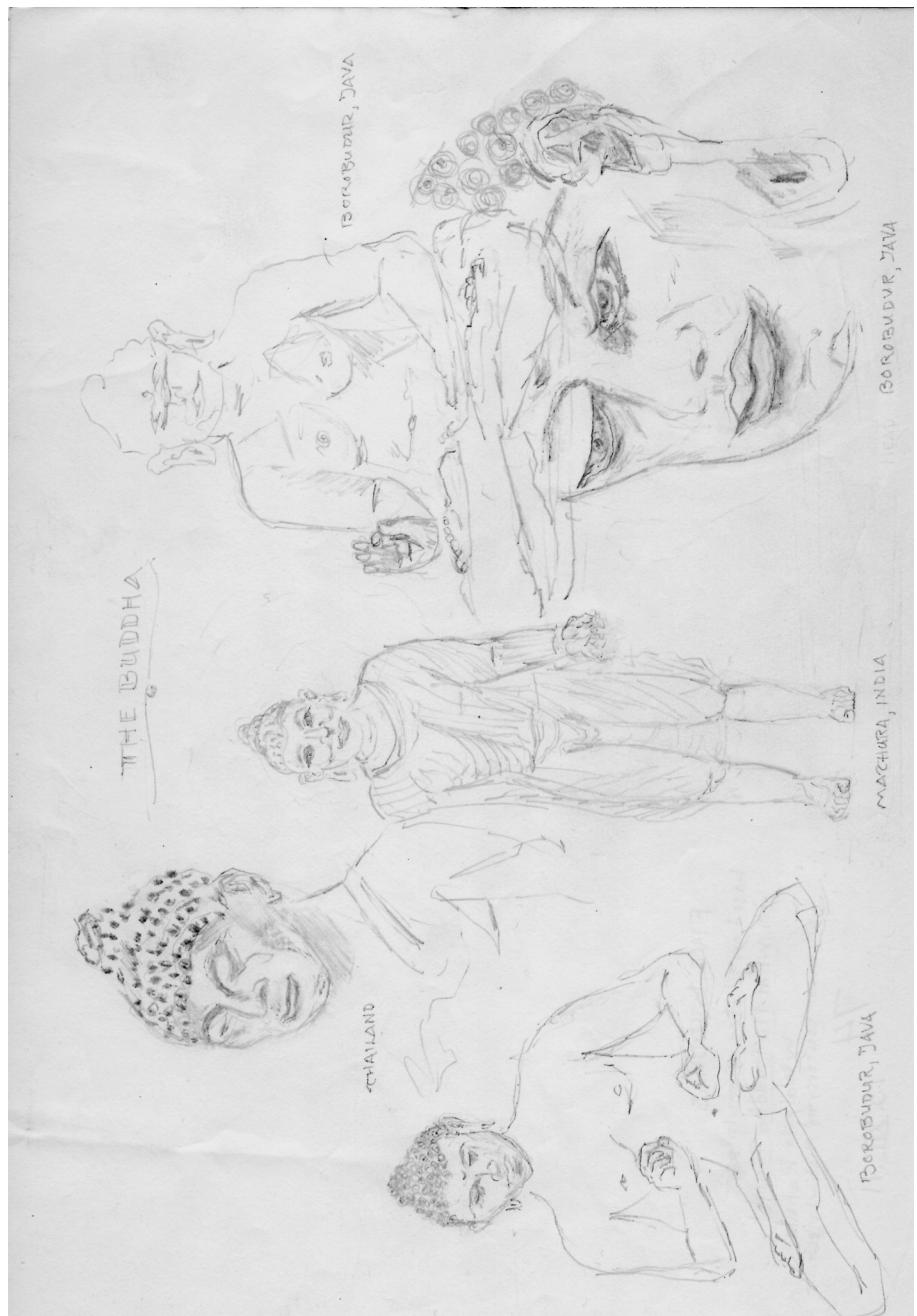
Jampa & Blake with Francesco & Paolo at the Second Circle

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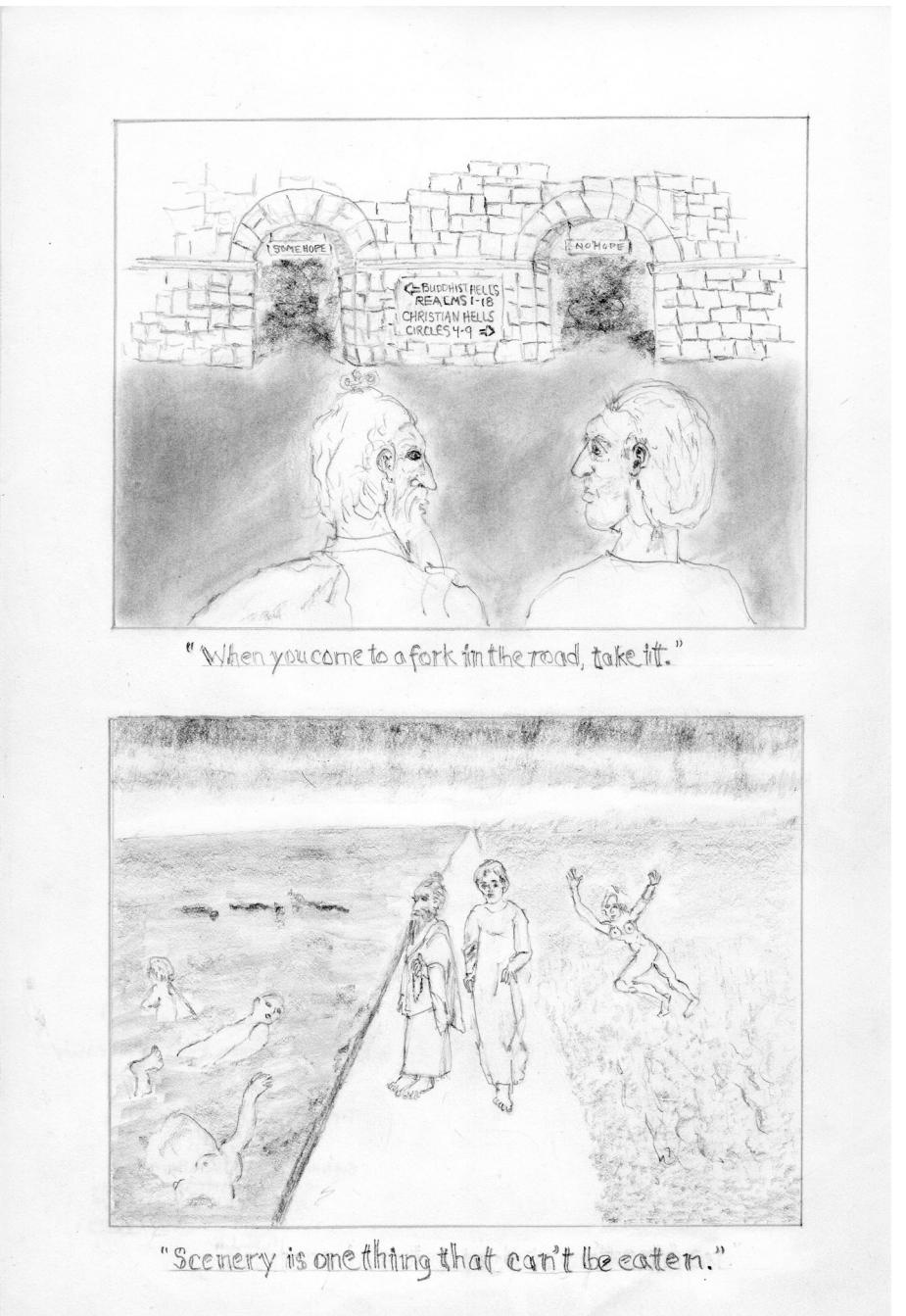


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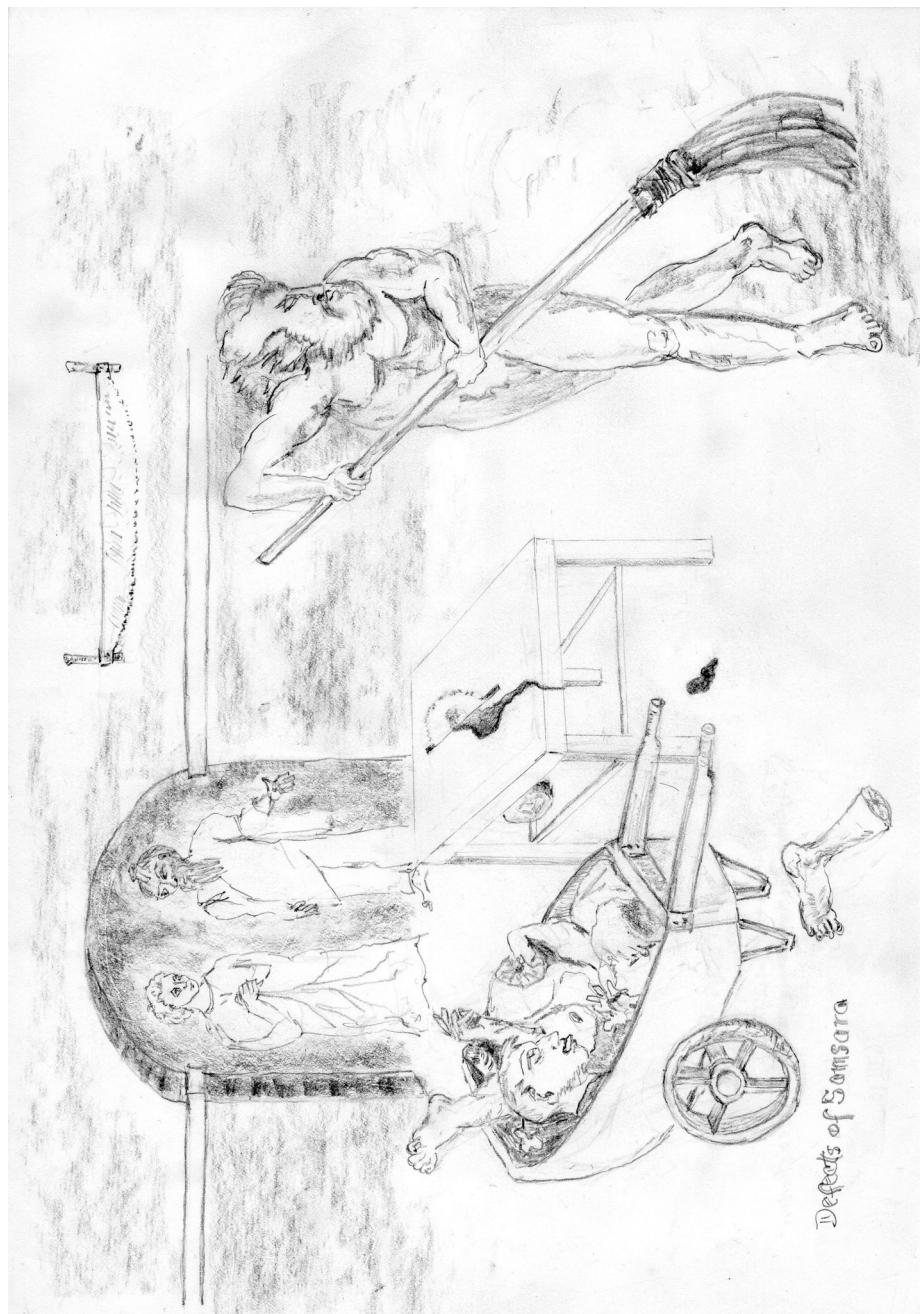


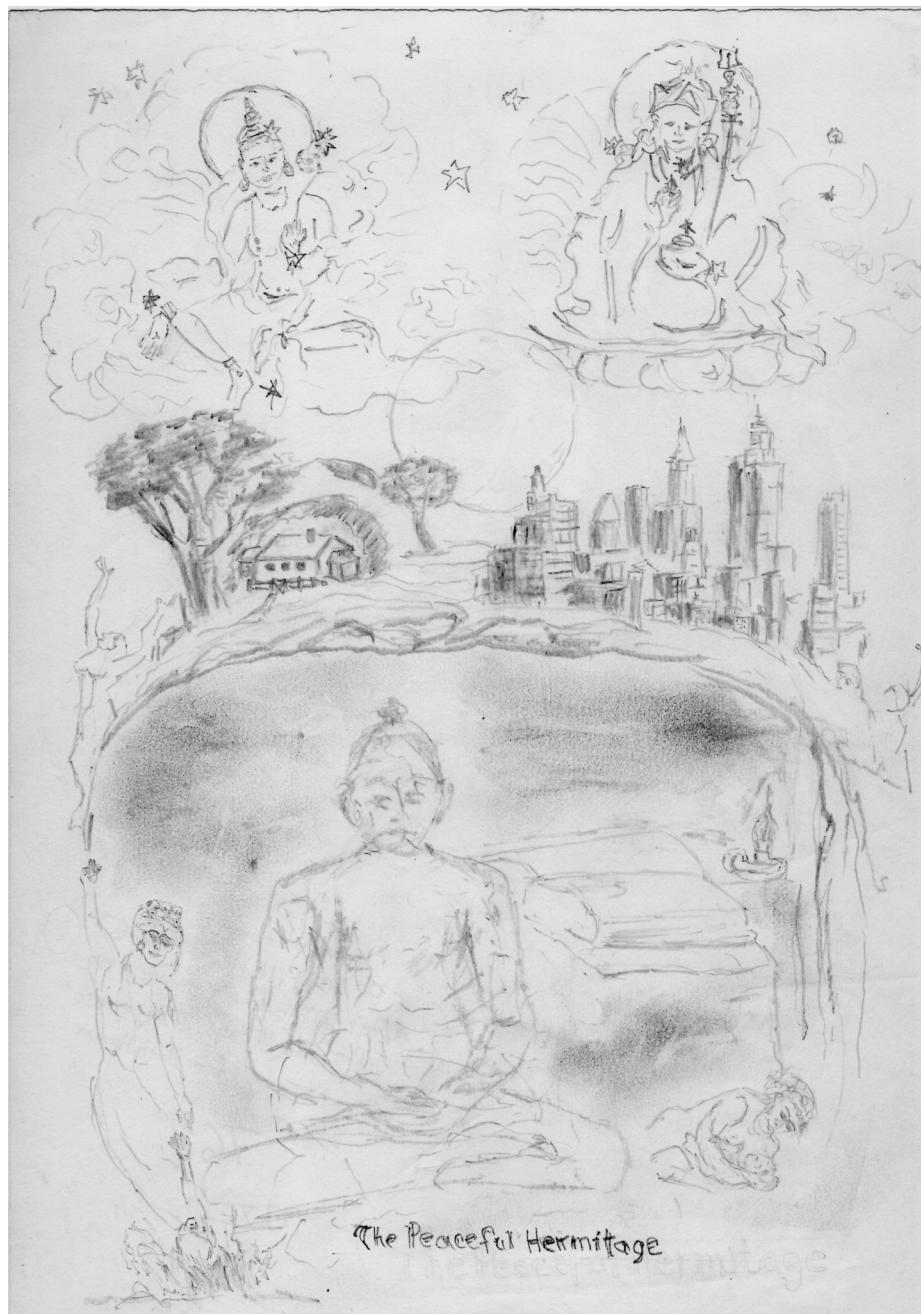


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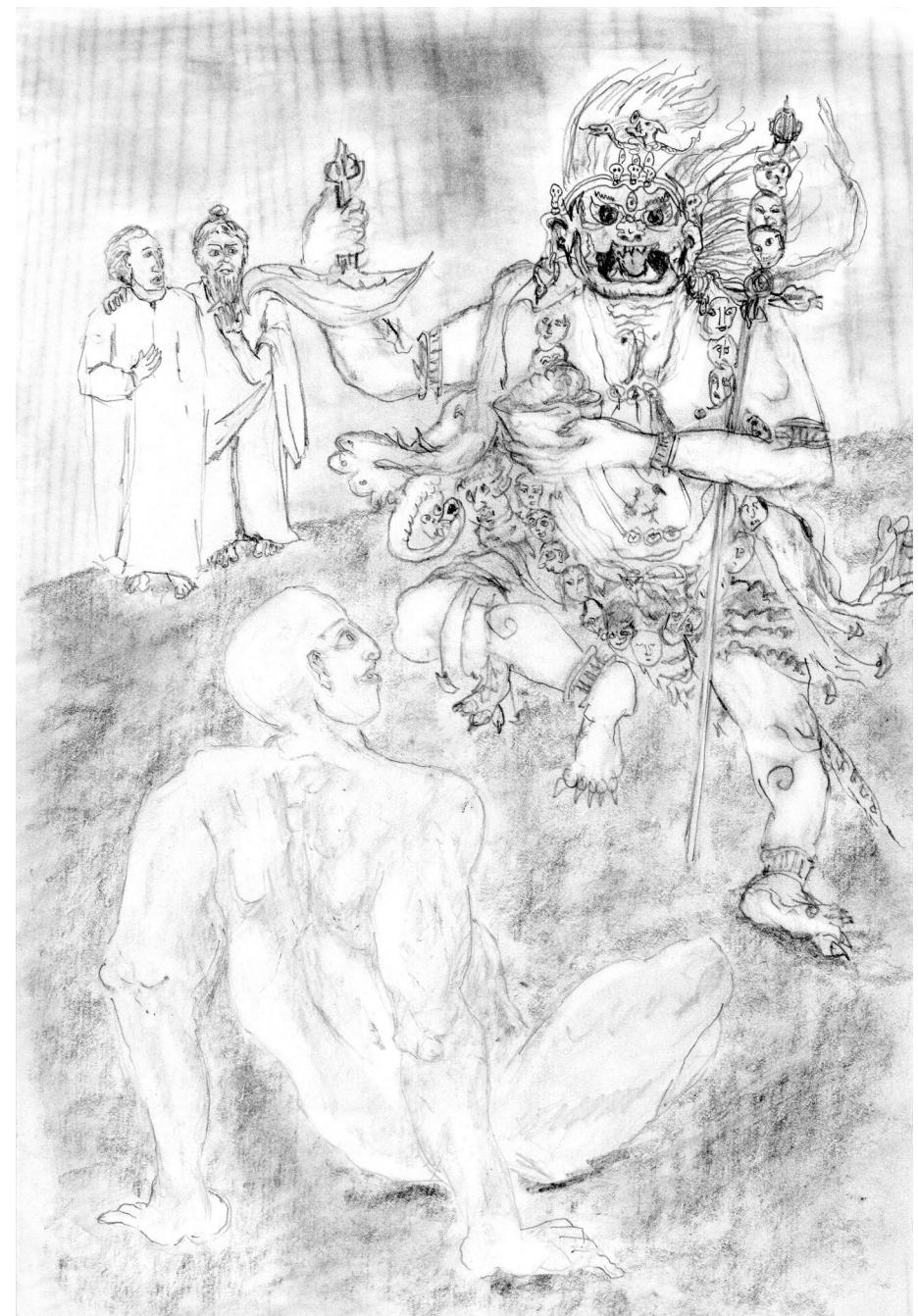


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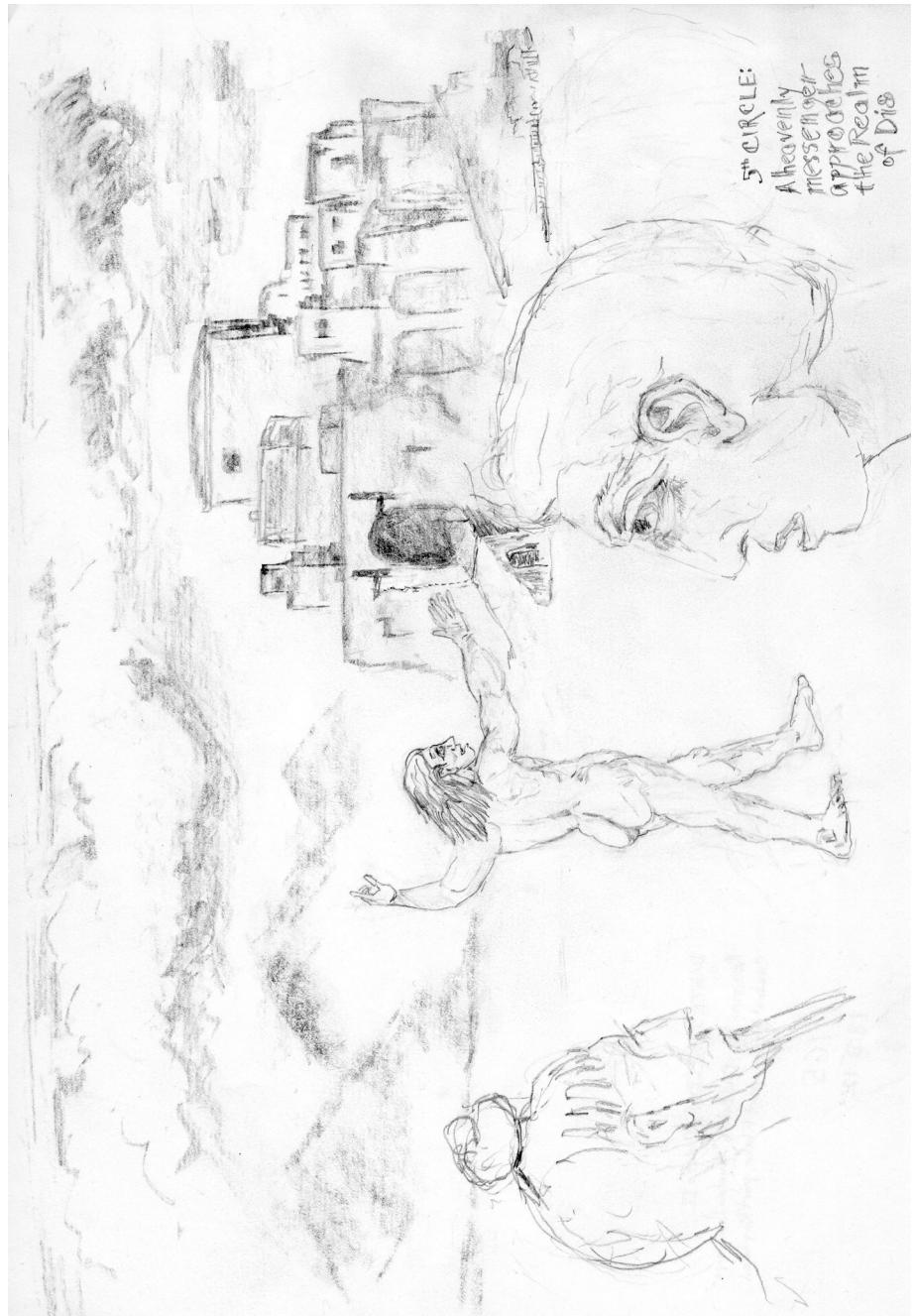


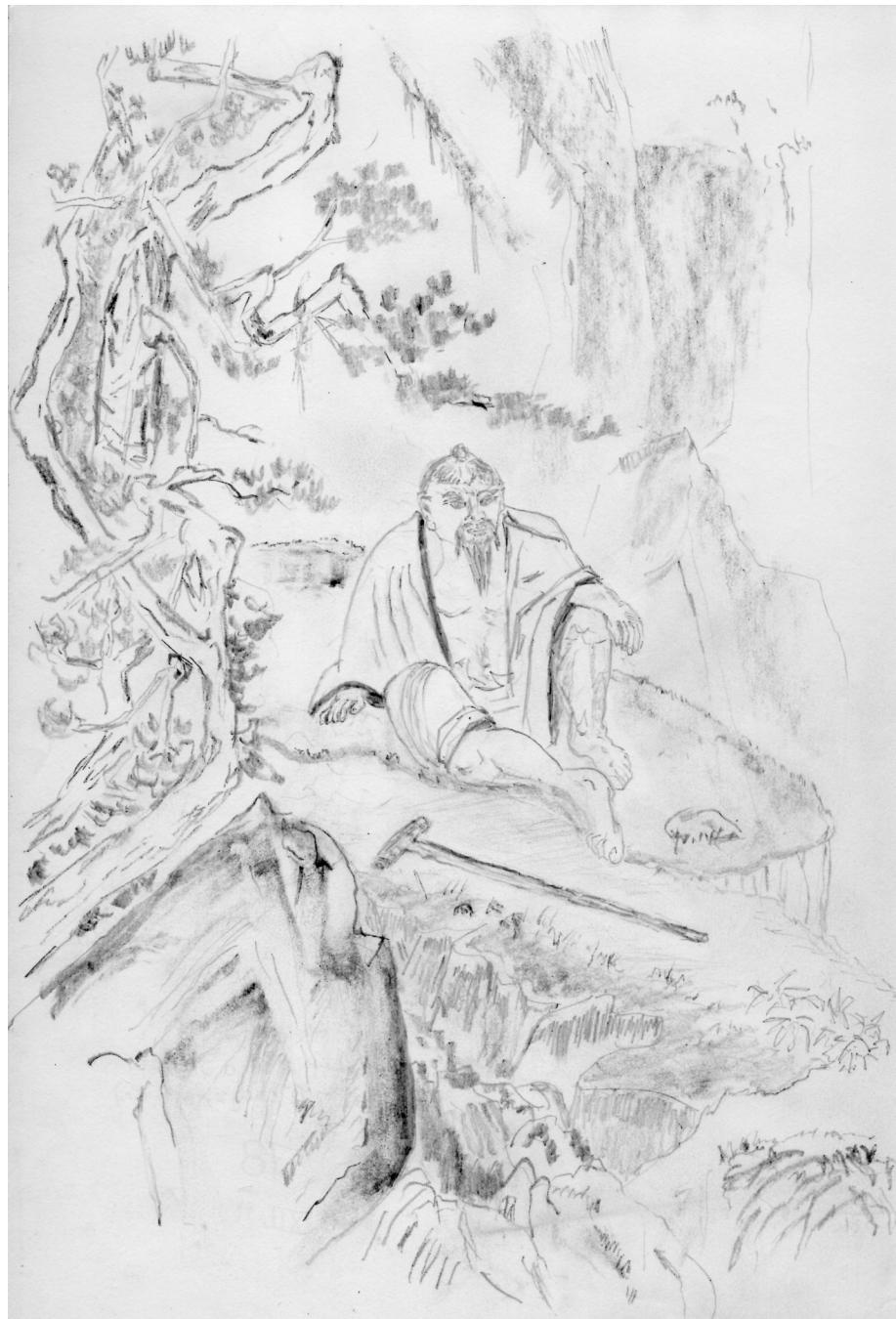


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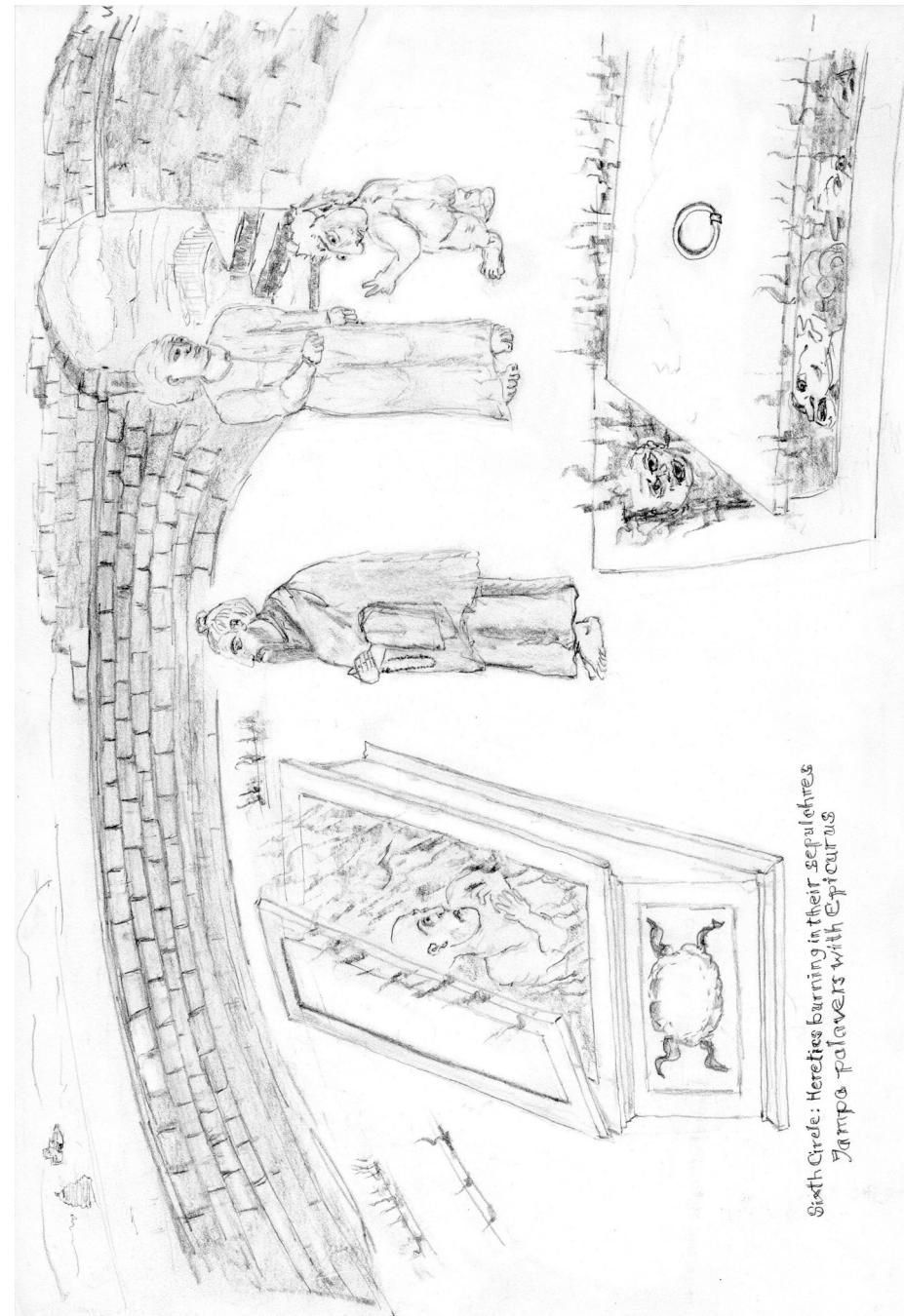


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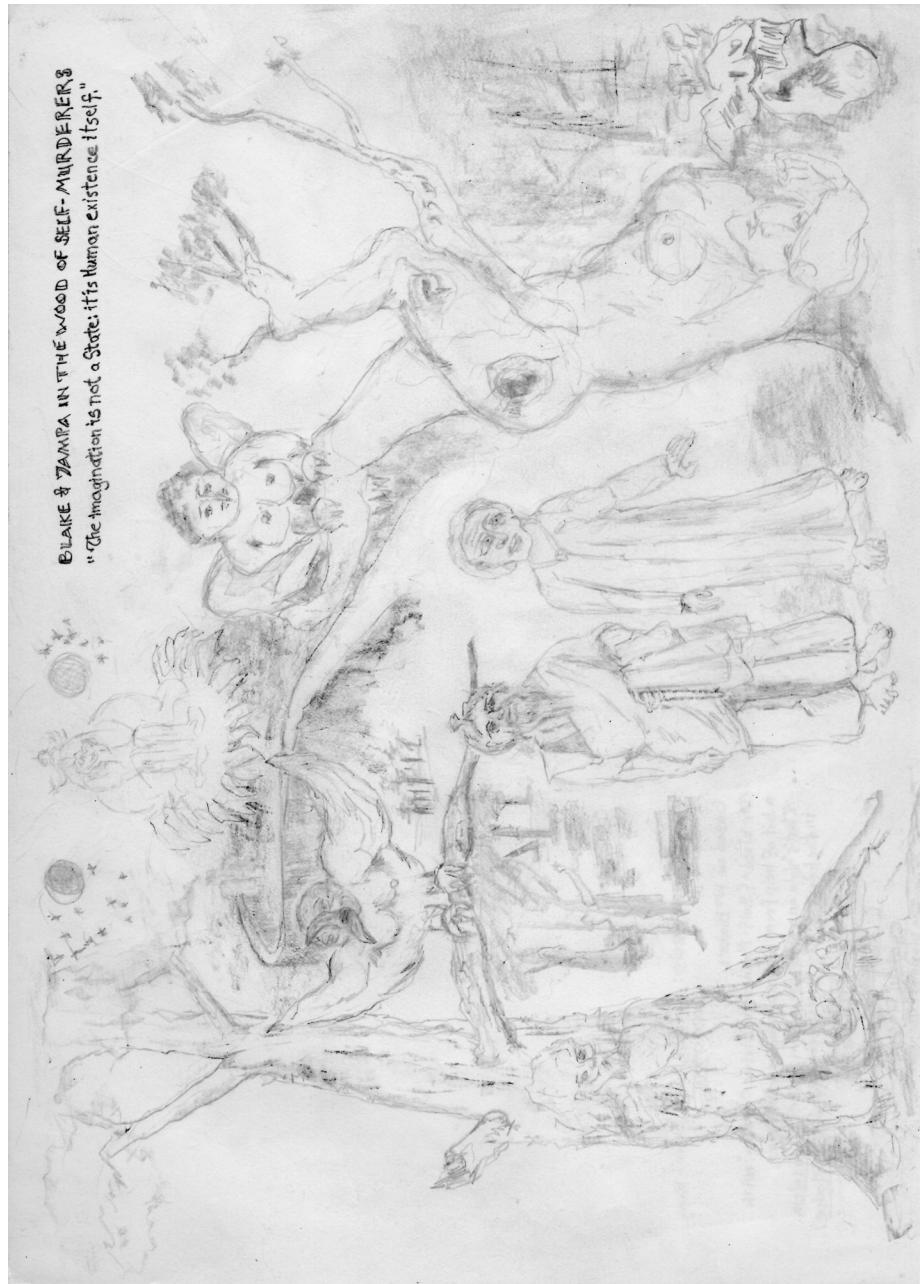
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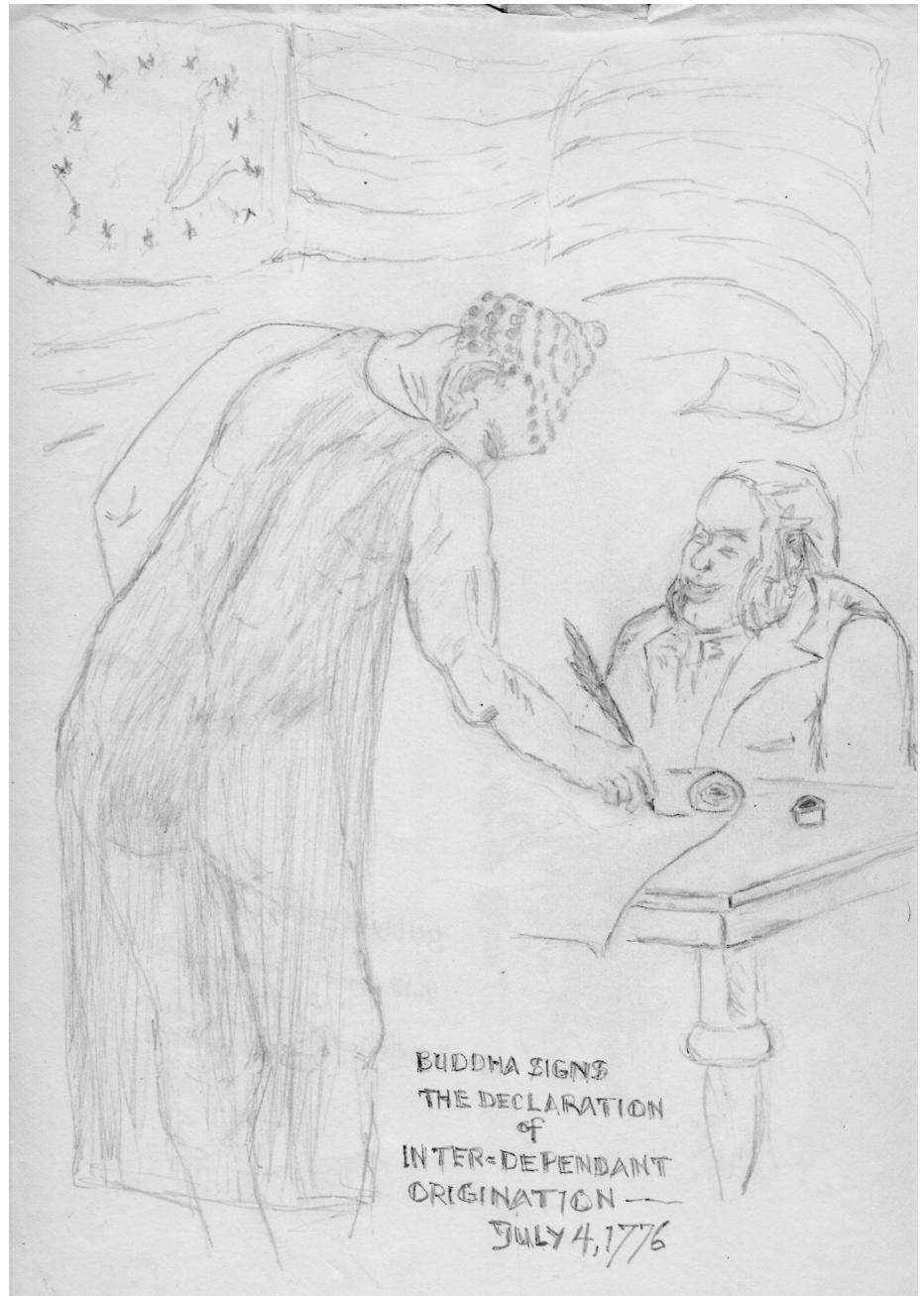
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Sixth Circle: Heretics burning in their Sepulchres
Dante & Palavero with Epicurus

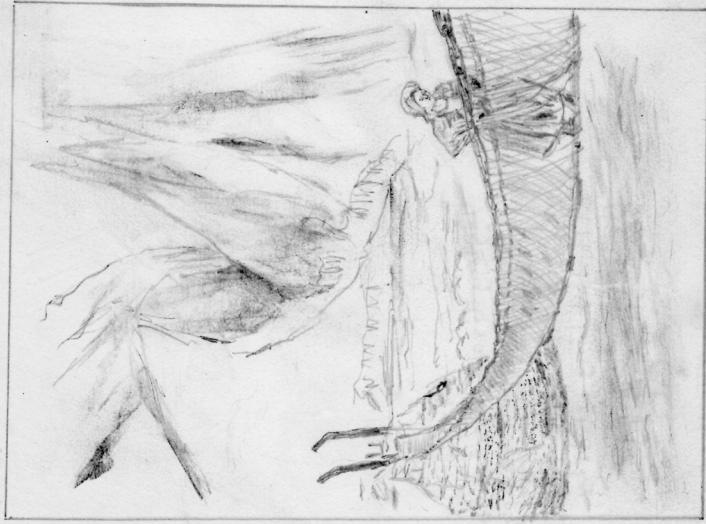
BLAKE & ZAMPA IN THE WOOD OF SELF-MURDERERS
"The imagination is not a state; it's human existence itself."



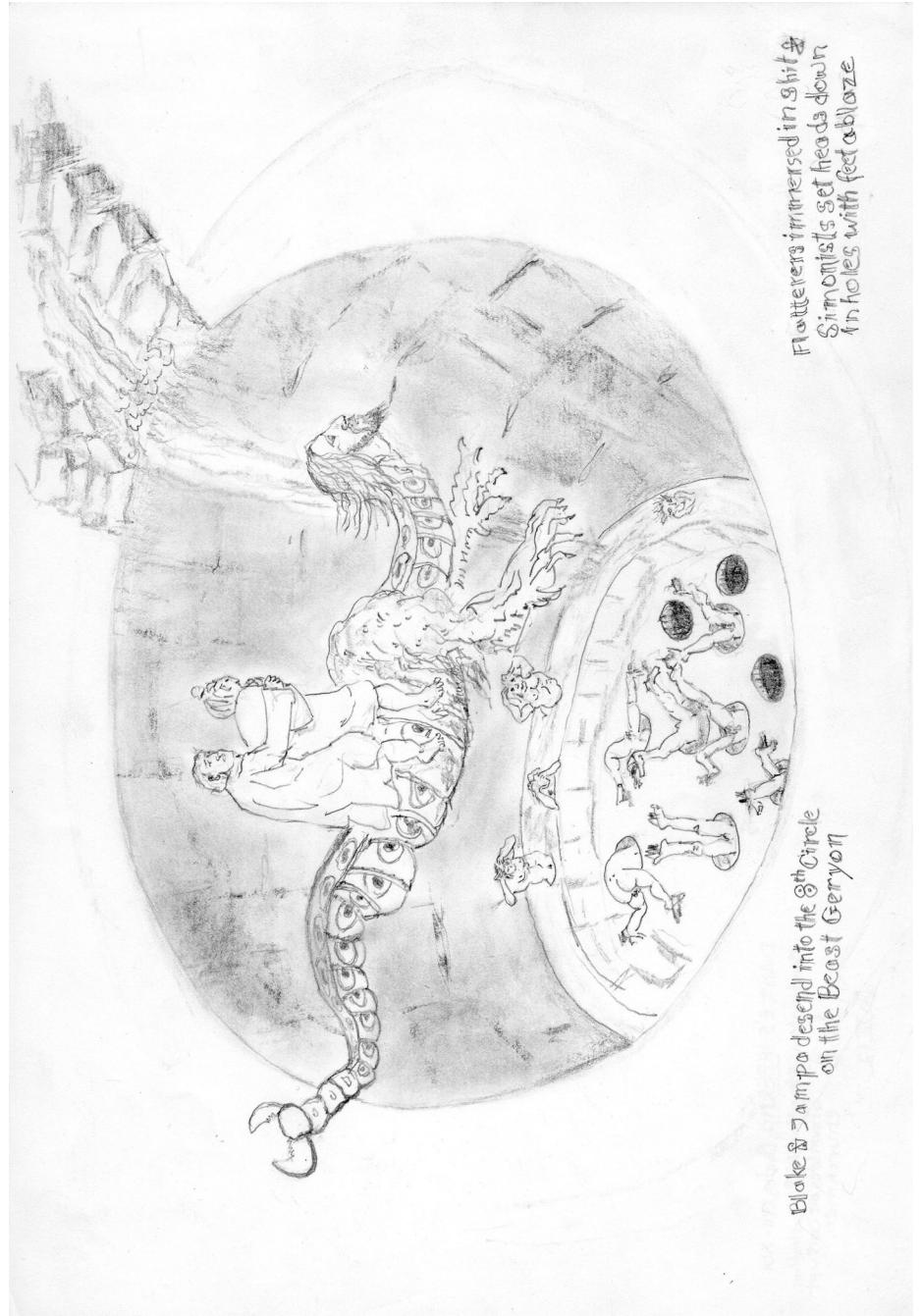
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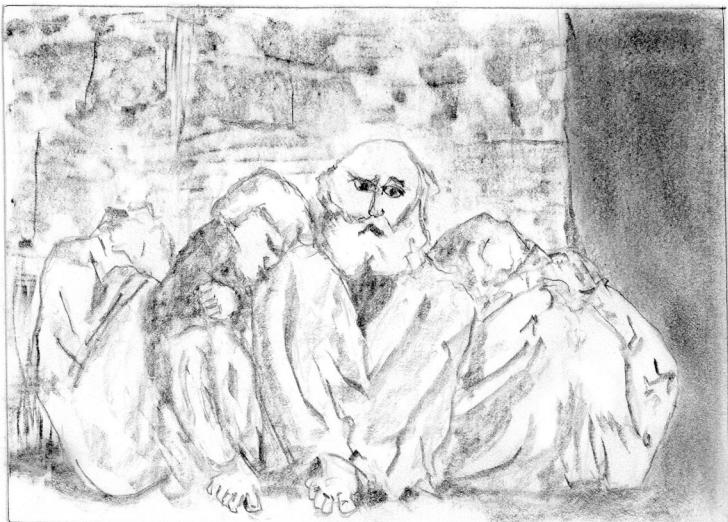
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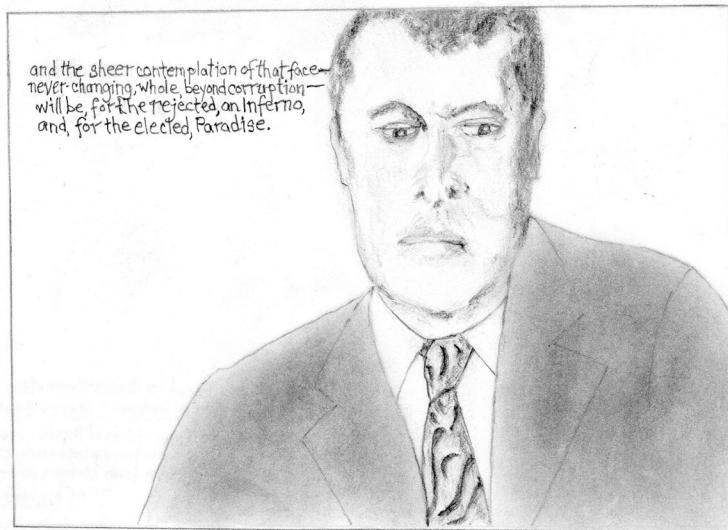
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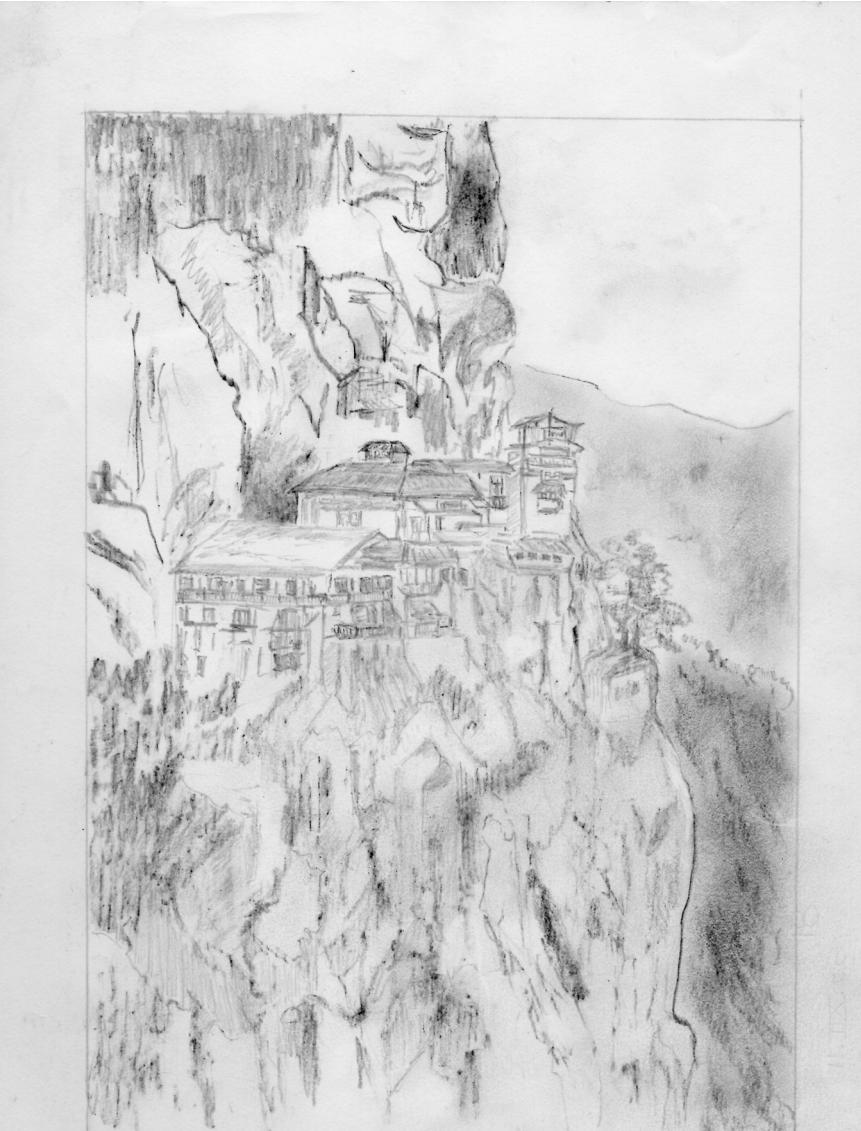


Ninth Circle: Traitors. Ugolino tells of his imprisonment.



and the sheer contemplation of that face—
never changing, whole, beyond corruption—
will be, for the rejected, an Inferno,
and, for the elected, Paradise.

Paradiso, XXXI, 108



THE HERMITAGE of TAKTSANG

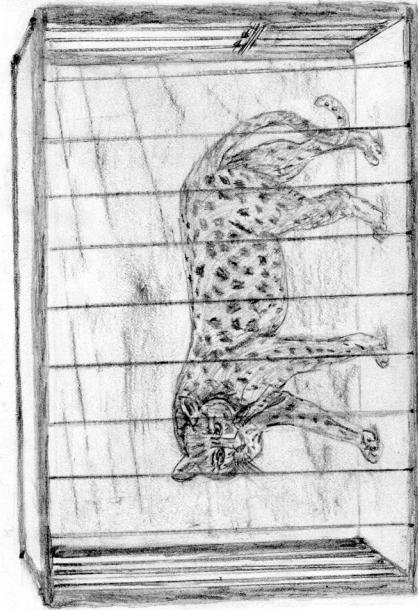


CROSSING THE TSANGPO IN A CORACLE



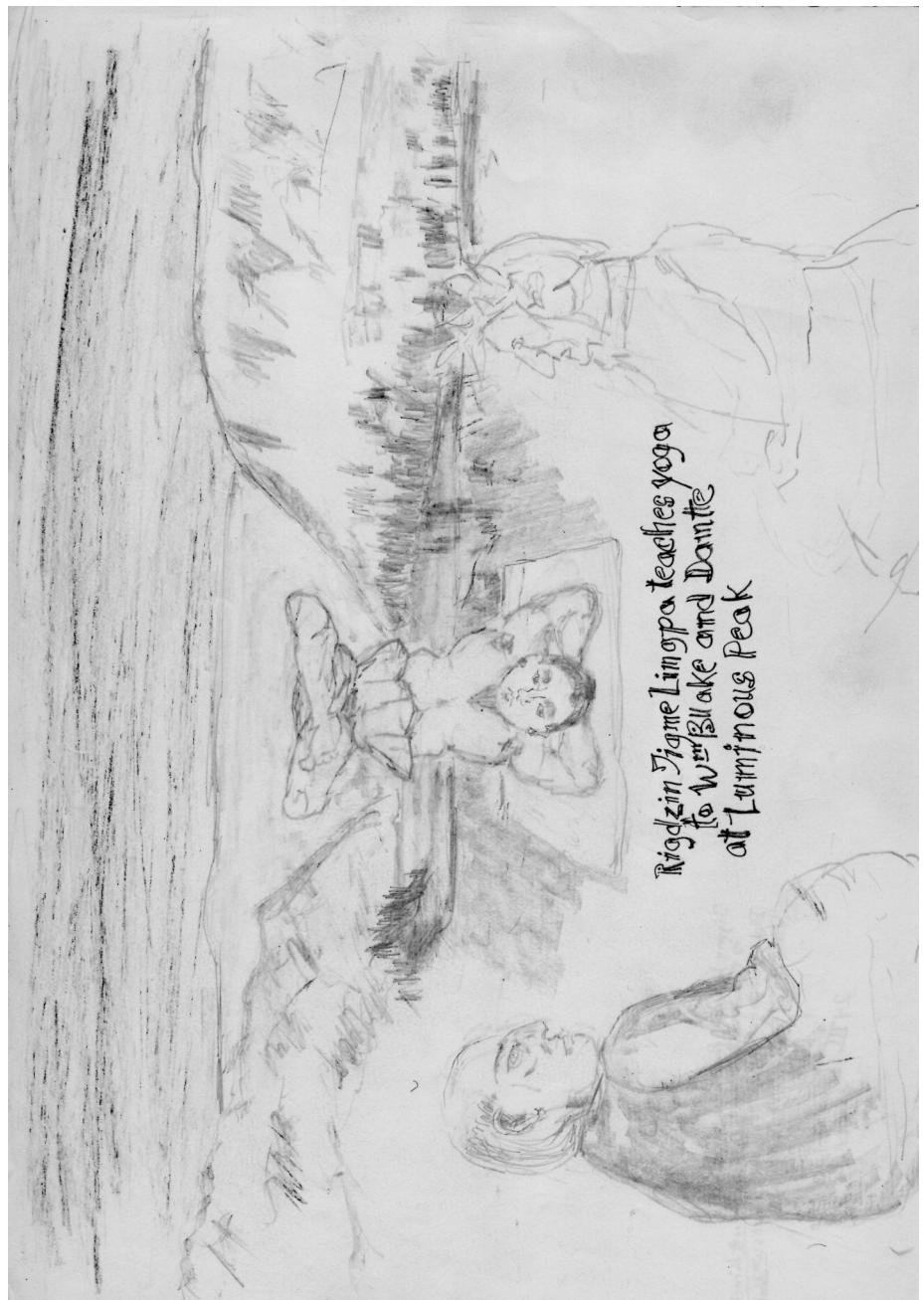
TANGTONG GYALPO
(1361? - 1485)

HOLDING A
MEDICINAL PILL
& LONGEVITY VASE

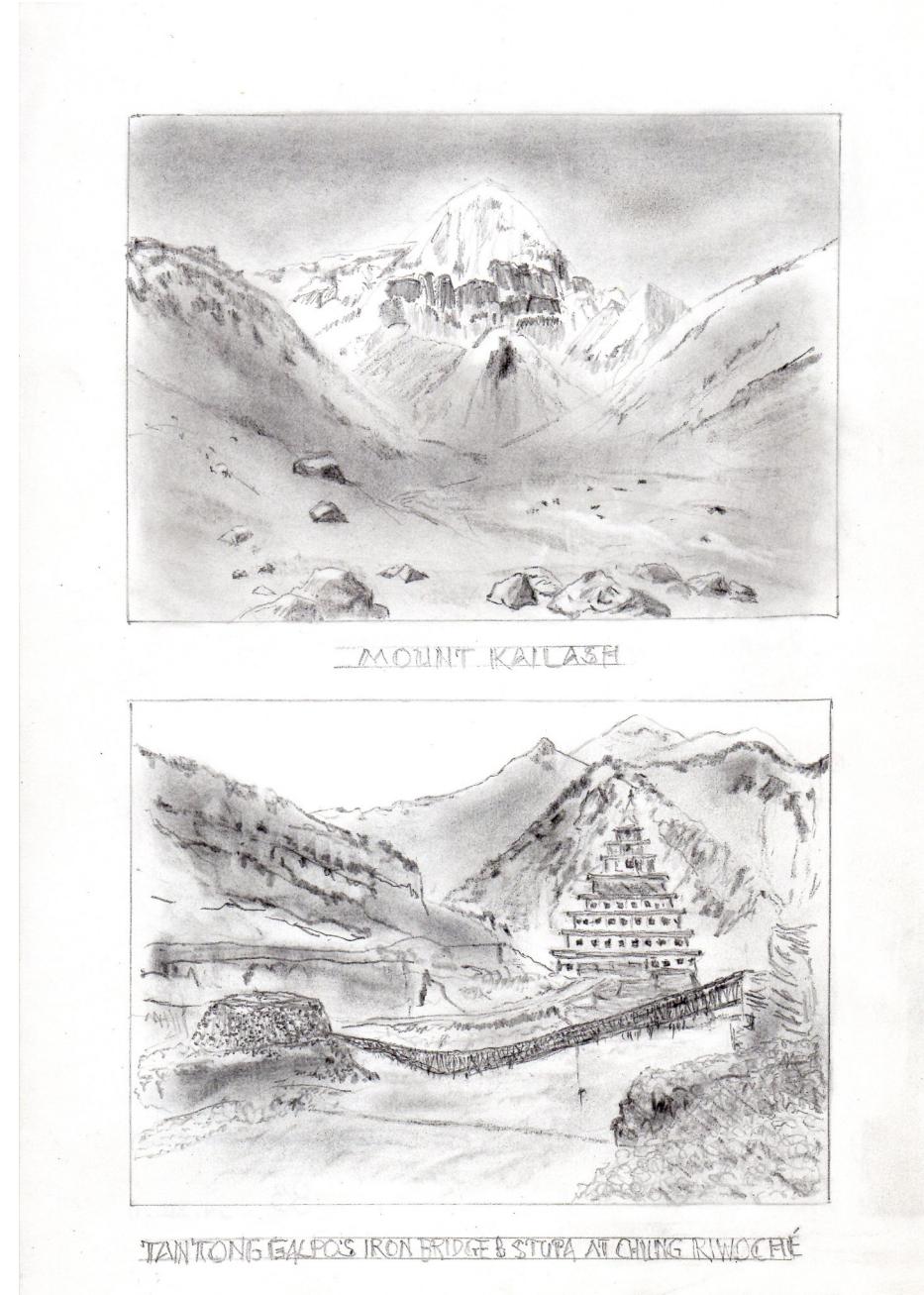


...and God spoke to it in a dream: "you shall live and die in prison, so that a man that I have knowledge of may see you a certain number of times and never forget you and put your figure and your symbol in a poem, which has its exact place in the West of the universe. You suffer captivity, but you shall have given a word to the poem."

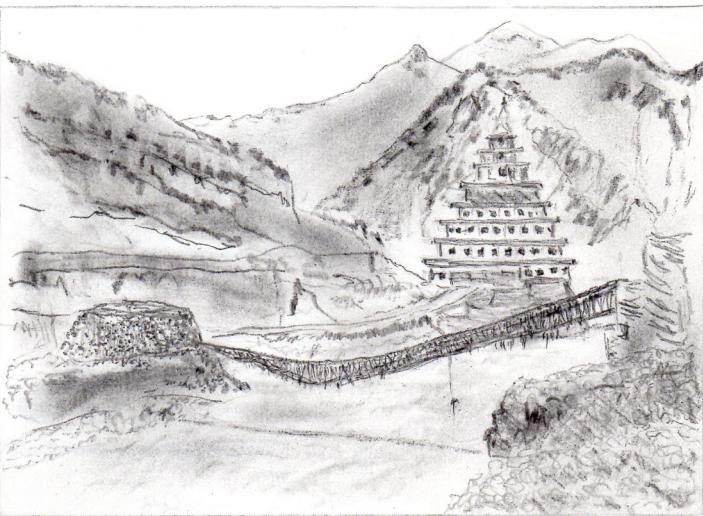
JORGE LUIS BORGES, "Inferno, I, 32"



Rigdzin Jigme Lingpa teaches yoga
to Merblake and Damte
at Luminous Peak



MOUNT KAILASH



TANTONG GALPO'S IRON BRIDGE & STUPA AT CHING RWOCHE

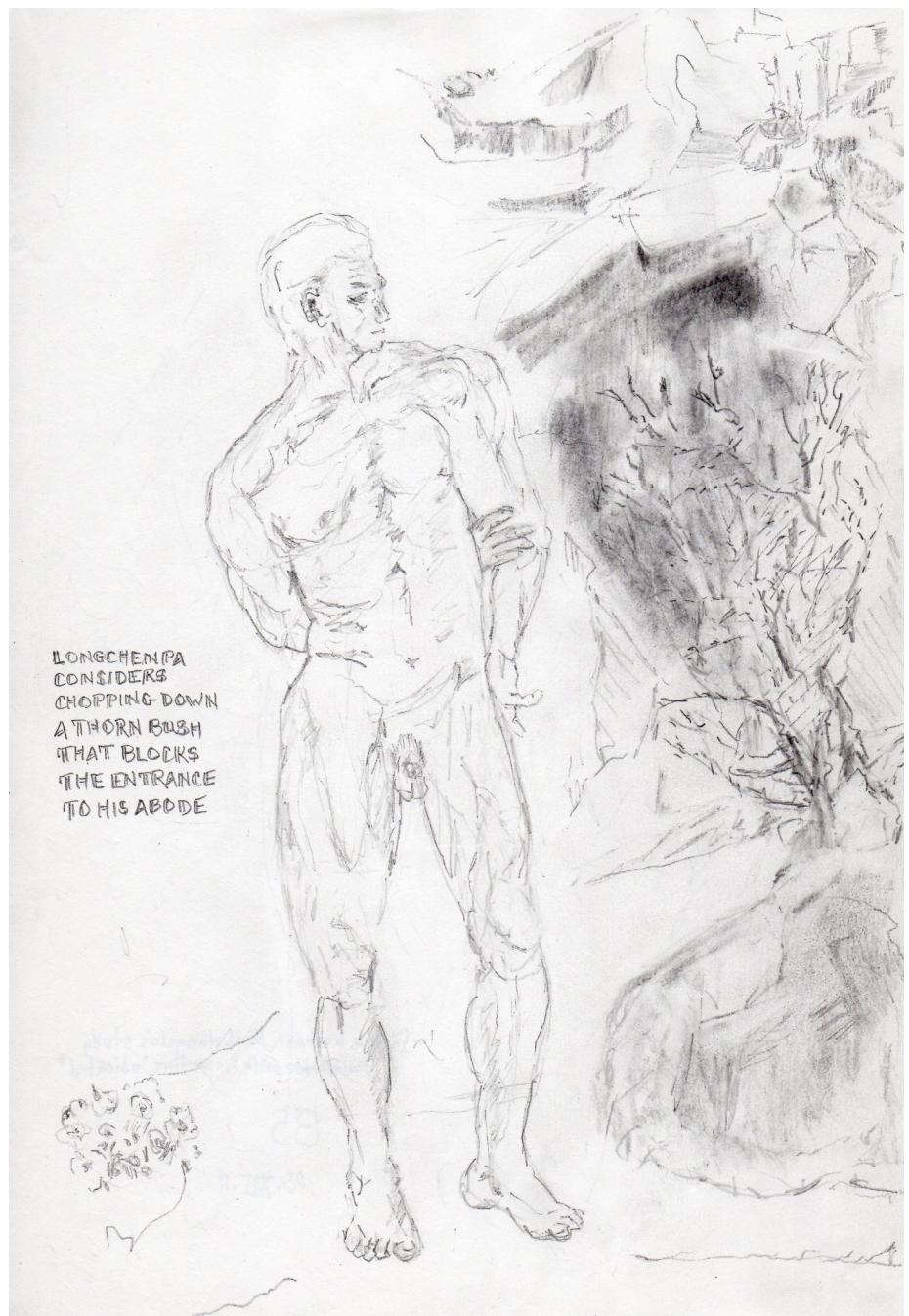


PADMASAMBHAVA ADMires LO-SHAN WATERFALL





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THE YOGI & THE LIZARD

A lot of creatures around Luminous Peak are young and skiddish, but one old lizard pulls up, and we palaver. He (or she) gets a bit of dharma from me, and I get a bit of lizard wisdom from him.

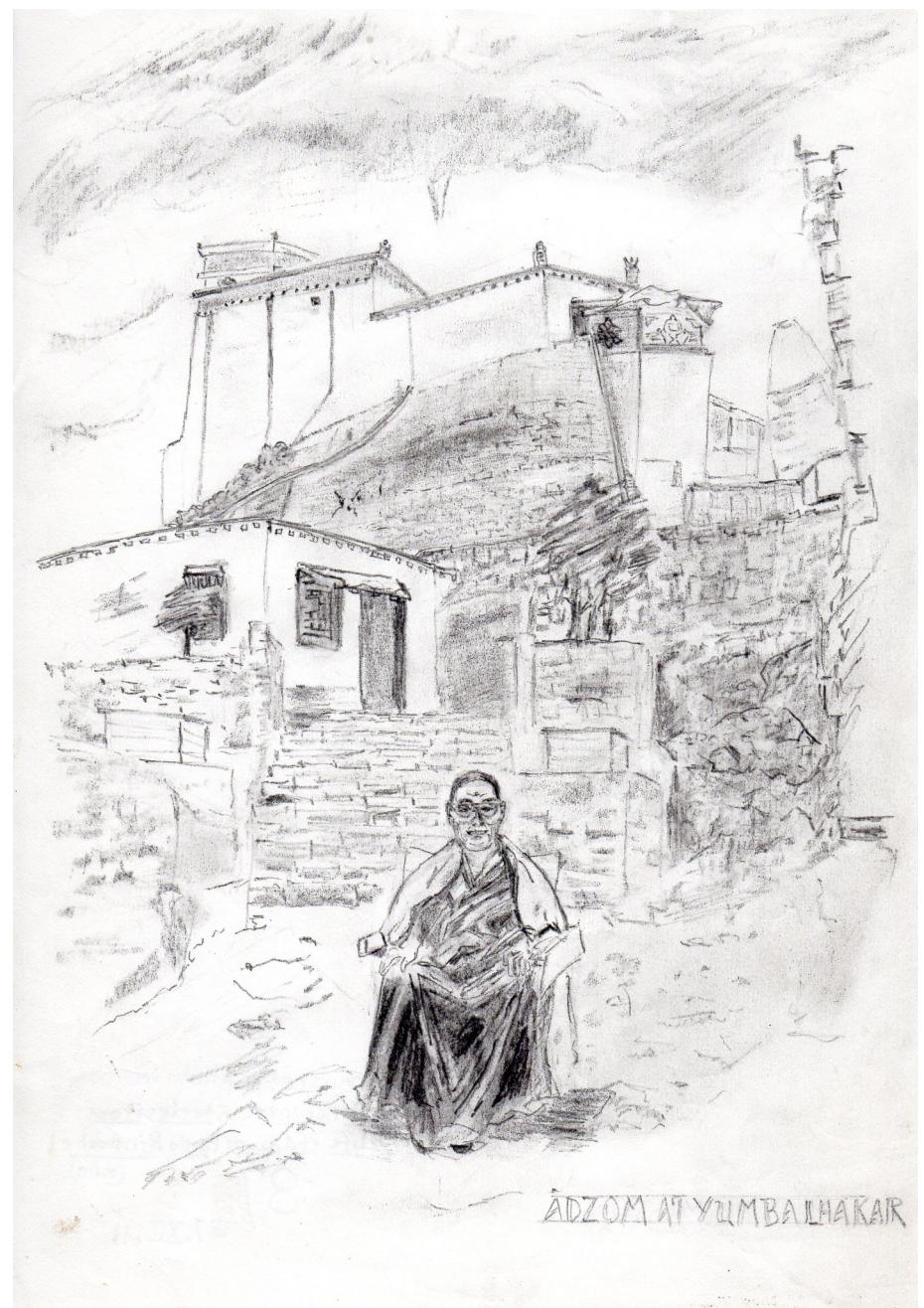
The usual from me, "All things are impermanent. Practice diligently, and you will be free of regret at the time of death."

From him, "Rarely do I get to rest in a solitary place free of busy bodies. I visualize myself as a winged dragon and soar once around the top of Ekajati, across Hidden Valley to Chimney Rock, and back to Luminous Peak. Then, I settle into a state beyond concepts and relax."





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