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While we are dualistic, clear distinctions are made between forewords and afterwords, between prologues and epilogues, between beginnings and endings. After reading this book, my hope is that you will still see distinctions when you choose to, but you will also be open to seeing a whole with interchangeable parts, where no difference may occur between forewords and afterwords.

Please do not mistake this for an enlightened teaching. With gratitude to everyone and everything, and may all beings be at ease.