Mysterious Pearly Mirror of the Mind Xuanshu Xinjing Zhu By Jiao Shaoxuan, 817 CE

Attainment of the Prime of the One Is not a gift from Heaven. Realization of the Great Nonbeing Is the state of highest immortality.

Light restrained, a hidden brilliance, The body one with nature: There is true peace, won but not pursued. Spirit kept forever at rest.

In serenity and beauty: this is perfection! Body and inner nature, hard and soft, All is but cinnabar vapor, azure barrens. One of the highest sages–

Only after a hundred years The tomb is discovered empty.

<u>The Daoist Experience: An Anthology</u>. Edited by Livia Kohn. New York, State Univesity of New York (SUNY), SUNY Series in Chinese Philosophy and Culture, 1993, p. 215.