

Nichiren Daishonin states in “The Essence of the Yakuo Chapter”: The Kegon and the other various sutras are like stars in this dark night, while the Lotus Sutra is like the moon in this night. For those who have faith in the Lotus Sutra but whose faith is not deep, it is as though a half moon were illuminating that dark night. But for those who have profound faith, it is as though a full moon were illuminating the night.

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zōng zǔ rì lián dà shèng rén yú yào wáng pǐn dé yì chāo yuē  
宗祖日莲大圣人于“药王品得意抄”曰：  
huá yán jīng děng zhī yí qiè jīng rú àn yè zhī xīng fǎ huá  
华严经等之一切经，如闇夜之星，法华  
jīng rú àn yè zhī yuè suī xìn fǎ huá jīng rán bù shēn xìn  
经如闇夜之月。虽信法华经，然不深信  
zhě rú bàn yuè zhī zhào àn yè ruò shēn xìn zhě rú mǎn  
者，如半月之照闇夜。若深信者，如满  
yuè zhī zhào àn yè  
月之照闇夜。