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**tibetan monkey – carved of stone  
with tail winding twice around –  
granite grey and statue tall  
clutching dharma scrolls in hand –**

**worn beyond an ancient past  
by sun – by rain – by eating winds  
until some sword of kubla khan  
shattered it to talismans –**

**now children find stray scatterings  
of pebbles buried earth by sand  
treasures of significance  
that lexicons cannot explain.**