

Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

Lesson 1.2.3 Dullabhasuttam (Difficult to Encounter)



Dullabhasuttam	Difficult to Encounter
"Tinnam, bhikkhave, pātubhāvo dullabho lokasmim.	"Three kinds of appearances are difficult to be encountered in this world.
Katamesam tinnam?	What are these three?
Tathāgatassa, bhikkhave, arahato sammāsambuddhassa pātubhāvo dullabho lokasmim, tathāgatappaveditassa dhammavinayassa desetā puggalo dullabho lokasmim, kataññū katavedī puggalo dullabho lokasmim.	The appearance, O'Bhikkhus, of a Tathagata, an Arahant, a Sammasambuddha is difficult to encounter in this world. Likewise, an appearance of a person who can expound the Dhamma and the Vinaya as taught by the Tathagata can rarely be found in this world and likewise the appearance of a person who is grateful and obliged is difficult to be encountered in this world.
Imesam kho, bhikkhave, tinnam pātubhāvo dullabho lokasmin''ti.	These are the three kinds of appearances, O'Bhikkhus, that can rarely be found in this world."