



Exploring the ancient path in the Buddha's own words -- Lesson 1.2.5

Brahmajālasuttavaņņanā

.....Atha bhagavā evam katapurebhattakicco gandhakuṭiyā upaṭṭhāne nisīditvā pāde pakkhāletvā pādapīṭhe ṭhatvā bhikkhusaṅgham ovadati— "bhikkhave, appamādena sampādetha, dullabho buddhuppādo lokasmim, dullabho manussattapaṭilābho, dullabhā sampatti¹, dullabhā pabbajjā, dullabham² saddhammassavanan"ti.....

Dīghanikāye, Sīlakkhandhavaggaṭṭhakathā, Brahmajālasuttavaṇṇanā, Paribbājakakathāvaṇṇanā, select.

appamādena ap+pamāda+ena without negligence gandhakuţiyā gandha+kutī+iyā smell, odour, perfume + cabin, hut+ from katapurebhattakicco kata+ pure + bhatta+ kicco fulfilled+ earlier, before + meal + obligations ; i.e.: having fulfilled the duties of the morning human + being + acquisition i.e.: manussattapaţilābho manussa+ satta+ paţi+ lābho the attainment of a life as human nisīditvā ni+ sīditati +vā/ger. sitting/ having sat down to give advise, exhort, instruct ovadati o+ vadati pāde the feet pāda + e pabbajjā pabbajjā leaving the world, one who has gone into homelessnes to live as an ascetic or recluse pakkhāletvā pa+k+khāleti+vā washing, having washed sampādetha sam+pādeti +tha/2.nd.imp. strive!, accomplish! sampatti sam+patti attainment upaţţhāne upa+ţ+ţhāna +e ministering, attending to

¹ Sampatti dullabhā: the texts refer to these rare attainments: manussa-, devaloka-, nibbanasampatti, but also to: sīla-, samādhi-, paññāsampatti

The good fortune to be able to listen to Dhamma is described in sutta 1.3.5.