

Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

Lesson 2.1.10 Dutiyasāmaññasuttaṃ The Purpose of Being a Sāmañña



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Sāvatthinidānam.	This was laid down in Sāvatthi.
"Sāmaññañca vo, bhikkhave, desessāmi, sāmaññatthañca.	"I will teach you, O'Bhikkhus, what is recluseship and what is the purpose of recluse-ship.
Tam sunātha. Katamañca kho, bhikkhave, sāmaññam?	Therefore listen! What, Bhikkhus, is recluse-ship?
Ayameva ariyo aṭṭhaṅgiko maggo, seyyathidaṃ, sammādiṭṭhipe¹ sammāsamādhi.	It is this very Noble Eightfold Path, which is right view, pe right concentration.
Idam vuccati, bhikkhave, sāmaññam.	This is, Bhikkhus, what is called recluse-ship.
Katamo ca, bhikkhave, sāmaññattho?	What, O'Bhikkhus, is the purpose of recluseship?
Yo kho, bhikkhave, rāgakkhayo dosakkhayo mohakkhayo.	It is the destruction of craving, the destruction of ill-will and the destruction of delusion.
ayam vuccati, bhikkhave, sāmaññattho"ti.	This, Bhikkhus, is the purpose of recluse-ship."

¹ To be filled in by heart! :)