

## Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

### Lesson 3.3.10 Lekhasuttam (Generating Sañkhāra like Rock, Earth or Water)



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Lekhasuttam	Generating Sañkhāra like Rock, Earth or Water
“Tayome, bhikkhave, puggalā santo saṃvijjamānā lokasmīm.	“O’ Bhikkhus, there are these three types of individuals to be found existing in the world.
Katame tayo?	Which three?
Pāsāṇalekhūpamo puggalo, pathavilekhūpamo puggalo, udkalekhūpamo puggalo.	There are individuals who are like a line drawn on rock, individuals who are like a line drawn on sand and individuals who are like a line drawn on water.
Katamo ca, bhikkhave, pāsāṇalekhūpamo puggalo?	O’ Bhikkhus, of what kind is an individual who is like a line drawn on rock?
Idha, bhikkhave, ekacco puggalo abhiñham kujjhati. So ca khvassa kodho dīgharattam anuseti.	Here, Bhikkhus, a certain individual becomes angry again and again, and this anger of his stays for a long time.
Seyyathāpi, bhikkhave, pāsāṇe lekhā na khippam lujjati vātēna vā udakena vā, ciratthitikā hoti;	Just as, O’ Bhikkhus, a line drawn on rock is not quickly effaced by wind or water but remains there for a long time;
evamevam kho, bhikkhave, idhekacco puggalo abhiñham kujjhati.	similarly, Bhikkhus, a certain individual becomes angry again and again, and this anger of his stays with him for a long time.
So ca khvassa kodho dīgharattam anuseti. Ayam vuccati, bhikkhave, pāsāṇalekhūpamo puggalo.	This, O’ Bhikkhus, is called an individual who is like a line drawn on rock.
Katamo ca, bhikkhave, pathavilekhūpamo puggalo?	And, O’ Bhikkhus, of what kind is an individual who is like a line drawn on ground?
Idha, bhikkhave, ekacco puggalo abhiñham	Here, O’ Bhikkhus, a certain individual becomes

kujjhati. So ca khvassa kodho na dīgharattam anuseti.	angry again and again, and this anger of his does not stay with him for a long time.
Seyyathāpi, bhikkhave, pathaviyā lekhā khippam lujjati vātēna vā udakena vā, na ciraṭṭhitikā hoti;	Just as, Bhikkhus, a line drawn on sand is effaced quickly by wind or water and does not stay for long;
evamevam kho, bhikkhave, idhekacco puggalo abhiñham kujjhati,	similarly, O' Bhikkhus, here a certain individual becomes angry again and again,
So ca khvassa kodho na dīgharattam anuseti.	and this anger of his does not stay for long.
Ayam vuccati, bhikkhave, pathavilekhūpamo puggalo.	This individual, O' Bhikkhus, is like a line drawn on sand.
Katamo ca, bhikkhave, udakalekhūpamo puggalo?	And, O' Bhikkhus, of what kind is an individual like a line drawn on water?
Idha, bhikkhave, ekacco puggalo āgālhenapi vuccamāno pharusenapi vuccamāno amanāpenapi vuccamāno sandhiyatimeva samsandatimeva sammodatimeva.	Here, O' Bhikkhus, a certain individual, even when addressed harshly, addressed sharply, or addressed rudely is easily reconciled, and becomes agreeable and friendly.
Seyyathāpi, bhikkhave, udate lekhā khippamyeva patīvigacchati, na ciraṭṭhitikā hoti,	Just as, O' Bhikkhus, a line drawn on water disappears immediately and does not last long,
evamevam kho, bhikkhave, idhekacco puggalo āgālhenapi vuccamāno pharusenapi vuccamāno amanāpenapi vuccamāno sandhiyatimeva samsandatimeva sammodatimeva.	similarly, O' Bhikkhus, here a certain individual, even when addressed harshly, addressed sharply, or addressed rudely is easily reconciled and becomes agreeable and friendly.
Ayam vuccati, bhikkhave, udakalekhūpamo puggalo.	This individual is like a line drawn on water.
Ime kho, bhikkhave, tayo puggalā santo samvijjamānā lokasmin.”	These three types of individuals, O' Bhikkhus, are to be found existing in the world.”