

Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

Lesson 3.4.5 Upālisuttam—1 How to Conduct Oneself Correctly in Right Speech



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Musāvādam pahāya musāvādā paţivirato hoti saccavādī saccasandho theto paccayiko avisamvādako lokassa.	"Abandoning wrong speech he abstains from wrong speech, he speaks the truth, holds up the truth, is trustworthy, reliable, not deceiving this world.
Pisuņam vācam pahāya pisuņāya vācāya pativirato hoti	Abandoning malicious speech he abstains from malicious speech,
ito sutvā na amutra akkhātā imesam bhedāya, amutra vā sutvā na imesam akkhātā amūsam bhedāya.	having heard something here he does not spread it elsewhere in order to divide these people. Having heard something there he does not spread this in order not to cause dissension amongst those people.
Iti bhinnānam vā sandhātā sahitānam vā anuppadātā.	Thus he reconciles those who have broken up and supports those who are united.
Samaggārāmo samaggarato samagganandī; samaggakaraņim vācam bhāsitā hoti.	He loves and finds pleasure in concord, delights in harmony and utters words that generate harmony.
Pharusam vācam pahāya pharusāya vācāya pativirato hoti.	Abandoning abusive speech he abstains from abusive speech.
Yā sā vācā nelā kaņņasukhā pemanīyā hadayangamā porī bahujanakantā bahujanamanāpā, tathārūpim vācam bhāsitā hoti.	Whatever speech is polite, is soothing to the ear, is affectionate and moves the heart, is appealing to many and pleasing many, such speech he utters.
Samphappalāpam pahāya samphappalāpā pativirato hoti	Abandoning useless talk and gossip he abstains from useless talk and gossip.

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kālavādī bhūtavādī atthavādī dhammavādī	He speaks at the right time about facts, what is
vinayavādī,	in accordance with the goal, with Dhamma and
nidhānavatim vācam bhāsitā hoti	the Vinaya. He speaks words worth treasuring,
kālena sāpadesam pariyantavatim	at the proper time, reasonable, full of purpose,
atthasamhitam	leading to the goal