

Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words

Lesson 3.6.4



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Kumārakasuttam

Evam me sutam— ekam samayam bhagavā sāvatthiyam viharati jetavane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tena kho pana samayena sambahulā kumārakā antarā ca sāvatthim antarā ca jetavanam Evam me sutam— ekam samayam bhagavā sāvatthiyam viharati jetavane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tena kho pana samayena sambahulā kumārakā antarā ca sāvatthim antarā ca jetavanam macchake bādhenti. Atha kho bhagavā pubbanhasamayam nivāsetvā pattacīvaramādāya sāvatthim piṇḍāya pāvisi. Addasā kho bhagavā te sambahule kumārake antarā ca sāvatthim antarā ca jetavanam macchake bādhente. Disvāna yena te kumārakā tenupasaṅkami; upasaṅkamitvā te kumārake etadavoca—

“Bhāyatha vo, tumhe kumārakā, dukkhassa, appiyam vo dukkhan”ti? “Evam, bhante, bhāyāma mayam, bhante, dukkhassa, appiyam no dukkhan”ti.
Atha kho bhagavā etamatthaṁ viditvā tāyam velāyam imam udānam udānesi—

“*Sace bhāyatha dukkhassa, sace vo dukhamappiyam;
mākattha pāpakaṁ kammaṁ, āvi vā yadi vā raho.
Sace ca pāpakaṁ kammaṁ, karissatha karotha vā;
na vo dukkhā pamutyatthi, upeccapi palāyatan*”ti.

Khuddakanikāye, Udānapāli, Sōnavaggo

āvi		open
bādhenti		they injure, hurt, oppress
mākattha	caus.	you should not perform
maccha	ma + kariththa	fish
palāyatanti		they run
pamutyatthi	pamutti +y +atthi	to be released
raho		secret
upeccapi	upecca (ger.) + api	undergo, attain
