

Study Section Madhupindika Sutta

Bhante, how does the Blessed One assert and proclaim in such a way that he does not quarrel with anyone in the world with its devas, its māras, and its brahmās, in this generation with its samanās and brāhmanas, its princes and peoples?

I proclaim in such a way, that perceptions no longer underlie a brāhmana who lives detached from sensual pleasures, without perplexity, shorn of worry, free from craving for any kind of becoming.”

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“As to the source through which perceptions and notions born of proliferation assail a person. If nothing is found there to delight in, welcome and hold to, this is the end of the:

- underlying tendency to passion,
- underlying tendency to aversion,
- underlying tendency to views,
- underlying tendency to doubt,
- underlying tendency to conceit,
- underlying tendency to desire for becoming,
- underlying tendency to delusion.

This is the end of resorting to rods and weapons, quarrels, brawls, disputes, recrimination, malicious words, and false speech. Here, these unwholesome states cease without remainder.

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"Dependent on eye & forms, eye-consciousness arises. The meeting of the three is contact.

With contact as a condition, there is a feeling. When one feels, one perceives.

What one perceives, one thinks about. What one thinks about, one proliferates.

Based on proliferation, perceptions and concepts of proliferation assail a person regarding past, present, and future forms cognizable via the eye.

These are the underlying conditions for picking up of rods and weapons, of quarrels, brawls, disputes, recrimination, malicious words, and false speech. Here, these unwholesome/unskillful states cease without remainder.

"Dependent on ear & sounds, ear-consciousness arises...

"Dependent on nose & smells, nose-consciousness arises...

"Dependent on tongue & tastes, tongue-consciousness arises...

"Dependent on body & touch sensations, body-consciousness arises...

"Dependent on mind & mind experiences, mind-consciousness arises.

With contact as a condition, there is feeling. What one feels, one perceives.

What one perceives, one thinks about. What one thinks about, one proliferates.

Based on proliferation, perceptions and concepts of proliferation assail a person regarding past, present, and future mind experiences cognisable by the mind.

These are the underlying conditions for picking up of rods and weapons, of quarrels, brawls, disputes, recrimination, malicious words, and false speech. Here, these unwholesome/unskillful states cease without remainder.

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When there is no eye, no forms, or no eye-consciousness, there is no underlying condition for contact.

When there is no underlying condition for contact, there is no underlying condition for feeling.

When there is no underlying condition for feeling, there is no underlying condition for perception.

When there is no underlying condition for perception, there is no underlying condition for thinking.

When there is no underlying condition for thinking, there is no underlying condition for a person to be assailed by perceptions & concepts born of proliferation regarding past, present, & future forms cognisable via the eye."

"When there is no ear...

"When there is no nose...

"When there is no tongue...

"When there is no body...

"When there is no mind, mind experiences, or mind-consciousness, there is no underlying condition for contact to arise.

When there is no underlying condition for contact, there is no underlying condition for feeling.

When there is no underlying condition for feeling, there is no underlying condition for perception.

When there is no underlying condition for perception, there is no underlying condition for thinking.

When there is no underlying condition for thinking, there is no underlying condition for a person to be assailed by perceptions and concepts born of proliferation regarding past, present, and future mind experiences cognisable by the mind.

There is no picking up of rods and weapons, quarrels, brawls, disputes, recrimination, malicious words, and false speech. Here, these unwholesome/unskillful states cease without remainder.