0.0.1 Malunkyaputta

0.0.1 mālunkyaputtasuttam

1. Then, by which way [led to] the Auspicious One, by that way the venerable Malunkyaputta approached. Having approached the Auspicious One, having bowed down, he sat down to one side. Having sat down to one side, the venerable Malunkyaputta said this to the Auspicious One. "It would be good, O Bhante, if the Auspicious One would teach me the Dhamma in brief, so that, having heard the Dhamma from the Auspicious One, I might dwell alone, withdrawn, vigilant, ardent, resolute."

atha kho āyasmā māluṅkyaputto¹ yena bhagavā tenupasaṅkami. upasaṅkamitvā bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekamantaṃ nisīdi. ekamantaṃ nisinno kho āyasmā māluṅkyaputto bhagavantaṃ etadavoca: sādhu me bhante, bhagavā saṅkhittena dhammaṃ desetu yamahaṃ bhagavato dhammaṃ sutvā eko vūpakaṭṭho appamatto ātāpī pahitatto vihareyyanti.

2. "Here now, Malunkyaputta, what should we say to the young bhikkhus, in as much as you, an aged bhikkhu, old, an old man, advanced in years, reached decay, asks for advice in brief?" "I am aged, O Bhante, old, an old man, advanced in years, reached decay, [but] somehow,

¹mālukkya - machasaṃ, syā. pts page 072

let the Auspicious One teach me the Dhamma in brief, O Bhante, let the Well-farer teach me the Dhamma in brief. Perhaps I might understand the meaning of the Auspicious One's statement. Perhaps I may become an heir of the Auspicious One's statement."

etthadāni mālunkyaputta kim dahare bhikkhū vakkhāma, yatra hi nāma tvam bhikkhu jinno vuddho mahallako addhagato vayoanuppatto sankhittena ovādam yācasīti. kincāpaham bhante jinno vuddho mahallako addhagato vayoanuppatto, desetu me bhante bhagavā sankhittena dhammam, desetu me sugato sankhittena dhammam, appevanāmāham bhagavato bhāsitassa attham ājāneyyam, appevanāmāham bhagavato bhāsitassa dāyādo assa'nti.

3. What do you think about that, Malunkyaputta: Of forms cognizable by the eye,
Those [forms] that have not been seen,
That have formally not been seen,
That you're not seeing [now],
That you don't expect to see,
Could there be desire or lust,
or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

taṃ kimmañnasi māluṅkyaputta ye te cakkhuviñneyyā rūpā adiṭṭhā adiṭṭhapubbā, na ca passasi, na ca te hoti. passeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetam bhante.

4. Of sounds cognizable by the ear,
Those [sounds] that have not been heard,
That have formally not been heard,
That you're not hearing [now],
That you don't expect to hear,
Could there be desire or lust,
or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te sotaviññeyyā saddā assutā assutapubbā, na ca suṇāsi, na ca te hoti suṇeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemam vāti. no hetam bhante.

5. Of aromas cognizable by the nose,
Those [aromas] that have not been smelled,
That have formally not been smelled,
That you're not smelling [now],
That you don't expect to smell,
Could there be desire or lust,
or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te ghānaviññeyyā gandhā aghāyitā aghāyitapubbā, na ca ghāyasi, na ca te hoti ghāyeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

6. Of flavors cognizable by the tongue, Those [flavors] that have not been tasted, That have formally not been tasted,

That you're not tasting [now], That you don't expect to taste, Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them? Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te jivhāviññeyyā rasā asāyitā asāyitapubbā, na ca sāyasi, na ca te hoti ghāyeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

7. Of tangibles cognizable by the body,
Those [tangibles] that have not been touched,
That have formally not been touched,
That you're not touching [now],
That you don't expect to touch,
Could there be desire or lust,
or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te kāyaviñneyyā phoṭṭhabbā asamphuṭṭha asamphuṭṭhapubbā, na ca phusasi, na ca te hoti phuseyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

8. Of dhammas cognizable by the mind, Those [dhammas] that have not been cognized, That have formally not been cognized, That you're not cognizing [now],

That you don't expect to cognize, Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them? Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te manoviññeyyā dhammā aviññātā aviññātapubbā, na ca vijānāsi, na ca te hoti vijāneyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

Here, for you Malunkyaputta, in regard to dhammas seen, heard, thought, or cognized: "In the seen there will be merely the seen. In the heard there will be merely the heard. In the thought there will be merely the thought. In the cognized there will be merely the cognized." "Since for you Malunkyaputta, in regard to dhammas seen, heard, thought, or cognized, in the seen there will be merely the seen, in the heard there will be merely the heard, in the thought there will be merely the thought, in the cognized there will be merely the cognized, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are not that by which. Since you Malunkyaputta, are not that by which, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are not in that place. Since you Malunkyaputta, are not in that place, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are neither in this world, nor in the other world, nor in between both [worlds]. Just this is the end of suffering."

ettha ca te mālunkyaputta diṭṭhasutamutaviññātabbesu

dhammesu diţţhe diţţhamattam bhavissati, sute sutamattam bhavissati, mute mutamattam bhavissati, viññāte viñnātamattam bhavissati. yato kho te mālunkyaputta diţţhasutamutaviñnātabbesu dhammesu diţţhe
diţţhamattam bhavissati, sute sutamattam bhavissati,
mute mutamattam bhavissati, viñnāte viñnātamattam
bhavissati. tato tvam mālunkyaputta na tena, yato
tvam mālunkaputta na tena, tato tvam mālunkyaputta
na tattha, yato tvam mālunkyaputta na tattha, tato
tvam mālunakyaputta nevidha na huram na ubhayamantarena esevanto dukkhassāti.

10. Indeed, O Bhante, for this brief statement spoken by the Auspicious One, I understood the meaning in detail.

imassa khvāham bhante bhagavatā sankhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena² attham ājānāmi.

"Having seen a form with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with seeing forms,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,

²bhāsitassa vitvārena - machasam, syā, sīmu.

Nibbana is said to be far.

rūpam disvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam³ manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya⁴ tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā rūpasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati. evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbānam⁵ vuccati.

Having heard a sound with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with hearing sounds,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

saddam sutvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti,

³piyanimittam - sīmu. sī 2.

⁴ajjhosa - machasam, ajejhasā- syā.

⁵nibbāna - machasam. syā.

tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā saddasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

Having smelled an aroma with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with smelling aromas,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

gandham ghātvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā gandhasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham,

ārā nibbāņam vuccati.

Having tasted a flavor with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with tasting flavors,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

rasam bhotvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā rasasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

Having touched a tangible with mindfulness muddled,
Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it. So for him increases various feelings, That originate with touching tangibles, And by covetousness and by vexation, does his mind become disturbed. For one heaping up suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be far.

phassam⁶ phussa sati muṭṭhā, piyaṃ nimittaṃ manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā phassasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

Having cognized a dhamma with mindfulness muddled,
Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with cognizing dhammas,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,

⁶phoṭṭhabbā - syā.

Nibbana is said to be far.

dhammam ñatvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā dhammasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for forms, having seen a form he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who sees a form, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati rūpesu, rūpam disvā patissato⁷ virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa passato rūpam,

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sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati nopacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for sounds, having heard a sound he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who hears a sound, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati saddesu, saddam sutvā patissato virattacitto vedeti, tanca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa suṇato saddam, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for aromas, having smelled an aroma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it.
For he who smells an aroma,
and experiences the feeling in this way,
The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati gandhesu, gandham ghātvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa ghāyato gandham, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for flavors, having tasted a flavor he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who tastes a flavor, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati rasesu, rasam bhotvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa sāyato rasam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for tangibles, having touched a tangible he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who touches a tangible, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati phassesu, phassam phussa patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa phusato phassam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for dhammas, having cognized a dhamma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who cognizes a dhamma, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati dhammesu, dhammam ñatvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti. tañca nājjhosāya titthati, yathāssa vijānato⁸ dhammam, sevatocāpi vedanam. khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccatī ti.

It is in this way, O Bhante, that I understand in detail the meaning of this brief statement spoken by the Auspicious One." Good, good Malunkyaputta, it is good,

⁸jānato - machasam, syā.

Malunkyaputta! It is good that you understand in detail the meaning of what was stated by me in brief.

imassa kho'ham bhante bhagavatā saṅkhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena attham ājānāmīti. sādhu sādhu māluṅkyaputta, sādhu kho tvam māluṅkyaputta mayā saṅkhittena bhāsitassa vitthārena attham ājānāsi.

"Having seen a form with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with seeing forms,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

rūpam disvā sati muṭṭhā,
piyanimittam manasi karoto,
sārattacitto vedeti,
tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,
anekā rūpasambhavā,
abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,
cittamassūpahaññati,
evam ācinato dukkham,

ārā nibbāņam vuccati.

Having heard a sound with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with hearing sounds,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

saddam sutvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā saddasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

Having smelled an aroma with mindfulness muddled,
Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings, That originate with smelling aromas, And by covetousness and by vexation, does his mind become disturbed. For one heaping up suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be far.

gandham ghātvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā gandhasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vibhesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

Having tasted a flavor with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with tasting flavors,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

rasam bhotvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā rasasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

Having touched a tangible with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with touching tangibles,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

phassam phussa sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā phassasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,

cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati.

Having cognized a dhamma with mindfulness muddled,
Attending to the pleasing sign,
He feels it with infatuated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with cognizing dhammas,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

dhammam ñatvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā dhammasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vibhesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for forms, having seen a form he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it.

For he who sees a form,
and experiences the feeling in this way,
The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati rūpesu, rūpam disvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa passato rūpam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for sounds, having heard a sound he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who hears a sound, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati saddesu, saddam sutvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa sunato saddam, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for aromas, having smelled an aroma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who smells an aroma, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati gandhesu, gandham ghātvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa ghāyato gandham, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato,

evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for flavors, having tasted a flavor he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who tastes a flavor, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati rasesu, rasam bhotvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa sāyato rasam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for tangibles, having touched a tangible he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who touches a tangible, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati phassesu, phassam phussa patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa phusato phassam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

Not inflamed by lust for dhammas, having cognized a dhamma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who cognizes a dhamma, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

na so rajjati dhammesu, dhammam ñatvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa vijānato dhammam, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccatī ti.

12. It is in this way, Malunkyaputta, that the detailed meaning of this brief statement spoken by me should be understood." Then, the venerable Mālunkyaputta, having delighted, having rejoiced in the Auspicious One's words, having risen up from his seat, having bowed down, having circumambulated the Auspicious One, he departed.

imassa kho mālunkyaputta mayā sankhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena attho daṭṭhabboti. atha kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto bhagavato bhāsitam abhinanditvā anumoditvā uṭṭhāyāsanā bhagavantam abhivādetvā padakkhiṇam katvā pakkāmi.

13. Then, the venerable Malunkyaputta, dwelling alone, withdrawn, vigilant, ardent, resolute, not long entered upon and dwelled in that unsurpassed consummation of the life of purity for the sake of which sons of clansmen just rightly go forth from the household life into homelessness, having realized it with his own higher knowledge in just this very life. He understood: "De-

stroyed is birth, lived is the life of purity, done is what had to be done, there is no other for thusness." And the venerable Malunkyaputta became one of the arahants.

atha kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto eko vūpakaṭṭho appamatto ātāpī pahitatto viharanto na cirasseva yassatthāya kulaputtā sammadeva āgārasmā anagāriyam pabbajanti, tadanuttaram brahmacariyapariyosānam diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja vihāsi. khīṇā jāti, vusitam brahmacariyam, katam karaṇīyam, nāparam itthattāyāti abbhaññāsi. aññataro ca panāyasmā mālunkyaputto arahatam ahosīti.