

0.0.1 Mother

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0. At Savatthi

sāvatthiyaṃ

1. This samsara is without a discoverable beginning. A first point is not discerned of beings roaming and wandering on, hindered by ignorance and fettered by thirst. It is not easy, O bhikkhus, to find a form of being who has not formally been your mother in this long time [roaming and wandering on]. What is the reason for that? [Because] this samsara is without a discoverable beginning. A first point is not discerned of beings roaming and wandering on, hindered by ignorance and fettered by thirst. For a long time, you have experienced suffering, experienced, anguish, experienced misfortune, swelled the cemeteries. This much, O bhikkhus, is just enough to be estranged in all sankharas, enough to fade away in them, enough to be liberated in them.

anamataggoyam bhikkhave, saṃsāro. pubbā koṭi na paññāyati avijjānīvaraṇānaṃ sattānaṃ taṇhāsaṃyojanānaṃ sandhāvatam saṃsarataṃ. na so bhikkhave, satto sulabharūpo yo na mātābhūtapubbo iminā dīghena addhunā. taṃ kissa hetu? anamataggoyam bhikkhave, saṃsāro. pubbā koṭi na paññāyati avijjānīvaraṇānaṃ sattānaṃ taṇhāsaṃyojanānaṃ sandhā-

vatam saṃsaratam. evaṃ dīgharattam vo bhikkhave,
dukkham paccanubhūtam, tibbam paccanubhūtam, vya-
sanam paccanubhūtam, kaṭasi vaḍḍhitā. yāvañcidam
bhikkhave, alameva sabbasaṅkhāresu nibbinditum, alam
virajjitum, alam vimuccitunti.

