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222. Whichever beings are assembled here
whether earth-bound or those of the air,
may all beings be only happy in mind
then also having prepared well, they must listen
to what is spoken.

223. Therefore all you beings must indeed
listen
you must do the safeguarding of the human
population,
those who by day and by night offer religious
offerings
therefore indeed you must protect them with
much vigilance.

224. Whichever riches are in this world or in
the other world
or the excellent gems which are in the heavens,

there is none which compares with the Tathagata.
This here is the excellent gem in the Buddha.
By this truth may there be well-being.

225. Destruction, fading away, the deathless,
the most excellent
which the serene Sakkian sage experienced,
there is nothing on par with that dhamma.

This here too is the excellent gem in the Dhamma.

By this truth may there be well-being.

226. That purity which the most excellent Buddha entirely praised
the samadhi without interval that is said to be different.

A samādhi from which to compare it with is not to be found.

This here too is the excellent gem in the Dhamma.

By this truth may there be well-being.

227. Those eight individuals praised by the good.

These are the four pairs,

Those Well-farer's disciples are worthy of offerings

What is offered in this [field] yield great fruits.

This here too is the excellent gem in the Sangha.

By this truth may there be well-being.

228. Those who apply [themselves] with a firm mind

in Gotama dispensation without desire

those having plunged into the deathless

become quenched, enjoying what they have

attained at no cost.
 This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
 gha.
 By this truth may there be well-being.

229. Just as a strong city gate post attached
 to the earth could not be
 shaken by the four winds,
 in a similar way I say of the true man
 Who, having known, sees the noble truths,
 This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
 gha.
 By this truth may there be well-being.

230. To whomever the noble truths clearly
 come to be,
 which is well taught by the one with deep
 wisdom
 however much they become heedless
 do not take up an eighth state of being.
 This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
 gha.
 By this truth may there be well-being.

231. Along with the attainment of vision
 These three dhammas are abandoned,
 the personality view and doubt
 also whatever virtue and [religious] duties
 there are.
 And one is freed from the four woeful planes

and not able to do the six higher causes [for
downfall].

This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
gha.

By this truth may there be well-being.

232. However much evil deed he does,
by body or speech or from the mind
he is incapable of having concealed it.
For [such] impossibility is said of one who has
seen the path.

This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
gha.

By this truth may there be well-being.

233. Just as in the woodland thicket puts forth
its flowers
in the first summer month in the hot season,
in a similar way is the excellent Dhamma taught,

for the highest welfare, leading to nibbāna.
This here too is the excellent gem in the Bud-
dha.

By this truth may there be well-being.

234. The auspicious one, knower of the aus-
picious, giver of the auspicious, bringer
of the auspicious.

The one who taught that unsurpassed, auspi-
cious Dhamma.

This here too is the excellent gem in the Bud-
dha.

By this truth may there be well-being.

235. Destroyed is what came before, there is
not new origination

From a detached mind in future becoming,
those seeds are destroyed no desire for growth
the wise are extinguished just as this lamp.

This here too is the excellent gem in the San-
gha.

By this truth may there be well-being.