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1. “These four, O bhikkhus, are kammās that are proclaimed by me after having realized them by myself with supreme knowledge. What four?

2. There is, O bhikkhus, dark kamma with dark results. There is, O bhikkhus, bright kamma with bright results. There is, O bhikkhus, dark and bright kamma with dark and bright results. There is, O bhikkhus, neither dark nor bright kamma with neither dark nor bright results that leads to the obliteration of kamma.

3. And what, O bhikkhus, is the dark kamma with dark results? Here, O bhikkhus, a certain person activates an afflictive bodily activity, activates an afflictive verbal activity, activates an afflictive mental activity. Having activated an afflictive bodily activity, having activated an afflictive verbal activity, having activated an afflictive mental activity, he arises in an afflictive world. As one who has arisen in an afflictive world, afflictive contacts contact him. Being contacted by afflictive contacts, he experiences exclusively painful feelings, just like the hell beings. This, O bhikkhus, is called dark kamma with dark results.

4. And what, O bhikkhus, is the bright kamma with bright results? Here, O bhikkhus, a certain person activates an unafflictive bodily activity, activates an unaf-

flictive verbal activity, activates an unafflictive mental activity. Having activated an unafflictive bodily activity, having activated an unafflictive verbal activity, having activated an unafflictive mental activity, he arises in an unafflictive world. As one who has arisen in an unafflictive world, unafflictive contacts contact him. Being contacted by unafflictive contacts, he experiences exclusively pleasant feelings, just like the subhakinha devas. This, O bhikkhus, is called bright kamma with bright results.

5. And what, O bhikkhus, is the dark and bright kamma with dark and bright results? Here, O bhikkhus, a certain person activates both afflictive and unafflictive bodily activity, activates both afflictive and unafflictive verbal activity, activates both afflictive and unafflictive mental activity. Having activated both afflictive and unafflictive bodily activity, having activated both afflictive and unafflictive verbal activity, having activated both afflictive and unafflictive mental activity, he arises in both afflictive and unafflictive world. As one who has arisen in both afflictive and unafflictive world, both afflictive and unafflictive contacts contact him. Being contacted by both afflictive and unafflictive contacts, he experiences a mixture of pleasant and painful feelings, just like human beings, some devas, and some beings in the lower worlds. This, O bhikkhus, is called dark and bright kamma with dark and bright results.

6. And what, O bhikkhus, is the neither dark nor bright kamma with neither dark nor bright results that leads to the obliteration of kamma? Right view, right thought, right speech, right action, right livelihood, right effort, right mindfulness, right samadhi. This, O bhikkhus, is the neither dark nor bright kamma with neither dark nor bright results that leads to the obliteration of kamma.

7. “These, O bhikkhus, are the four kammas that are proclaimed by me after having realized them by myself with supreme knowledge.”