0.0.1 Dhamma (as a boat)

0.0.1 dhamma (nāvā) suttam

318. "Indeed the person from whom one has understood the Dhamma,

the one of much learning who manifests the Dhamma,

one worships gladdened in mind, as the devas would worship Indra.

318. yasmā hi dhammam puriso vijaññā indam'ca nam devatā pūjayeyya, so pūjito tasmim pasannacitto bahussuto pātukaroti dhammam.

319. Considering that strong interest in the wise, and practicing the dhamma in accordance with the Dhamma,

one comes to be wise, intelligent, accomplished, the vigilant one who associates with Such like ones.

- 319. tadaţţhikatvāna nisamma dhīro dhammānudhammam paţipajjamāno, viñnū vibhāvī nipuno ca hoti vo tādisam bhajate appamatto.
- 320. [But by] associating with the inferior, the fool,

the envious one who has not arrived at the meaning,

simply not having understood this Dhamma, one arrives at death not crossed over doubt.

- 320. khuddañca bālaṃ upasevamāno anāgatatthañca usūyakañca, idheva dhammaṃ avibhāvayitvā avitiṇṇakaṅkho maraṇaṃ upeti.
- 321. Just as a man having descended [into a] river is being carried away by the swift current of a great expanse of water, how can he help others to cross?
- 321. yathā naro āpagam otaritvā mahodakam¹ salilam sīghasotam, so vuyhamāno anusotagāmi kim so pare pakkati tārayetum.
- 322. Just so, not having understood the Dhamma, not observing the meaning of the one of much learning, not crossed over doubt himself, how can he be able to make others understand?
- 322. tathecha dhammam avibhāvayitvā bahussutānam anisāmayattha, sayam ajānam avītinnakankho kim so pare sakkati nijjhāpetum.

¹mahodikaṃ-sīmu.

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323. Even as one having ascended on a strong boat,

endowed with oars and rudder; he helps many others cross there, the sensible one, skilled in knowing the appropriate means.

323. yathāpi nāvam daļhamāruhitvā piyena'rittena samangibhūto, so tāraye tattha bahūpi aññe tatrūpāyaññū kusalo mutīmā.

324. It is just so, he who is a knowledge master, well-trained one of much learning, not liable to perturbation, he can lead others of this generation who listen attentively to penetrate deeply.

324. evampi yo vedagū bhāvitatto bahussuto hoti avedhadhammo, so kho pare nijjhapaye pajānaṃ sotāvadhānūpanīsūpanne.

325. Therefore, you must associate with true man, only the wise and one of much learning; having known the meaning by entering upon the path,

gain that pleasure of one who has understood the Dhamma."

325. tasmā bhave sappurisam bhajetha medhāvinanceva bahussutanca, annāya attham paṭipajjamāno vinnātadhammo so sukham labhethāti.