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- 1. There are these four nutriments, O bhikkhus, for the persistence of beings who have come to be or for the assistance of those who are seeking to be. What four? Food eaten in lumps, course of fine. Contact as the second. Mental intention as the third. Consciousness as the fourth. These, O bhikkhus, are the four nutriments, for the persistence of beings who have come to be or for the assistance of those who are seeking to be.
- 2. If, O bhikkhus, there is lust for the nutriment food eaten in lumps, if there is delight, if there is thirsting, there, consciousness is established and has come to growth. Where consciousness is established and has come to growth, there, there is the descent of name-and-form. Where there is the descent of name-and-form, there, there is growth of sankharas. Where there is growth of sankharas, there, there is an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is future old age and death. Where there is future old age and death, that is accompanied by sorrow, O bhikkhus, dreadful, accompanied by dispair, I say.
- **3.** If, O bhikkhus, there is lust for the nutriment contact, if there is delight, if there is thirsting, there, consciousness is established and has come to growth. Where consciousness is established and has come to growth, there,

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- 4. If, O bhikkhus, there is lust for the nutriment mental intention, if there is delight, if there is thirsting, there, consciousness is established and has come to growth. Where consciousness is established and has come to growth, there, there is the descent of name-and-form. Where there is the descent of name-and-form, there, there is growth of sankharas. Where there is growth of sankharas, there, there is an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is future old age and death. Where there is future old age and death, that is accompanied by sorrow, O bhikkhus, dreadful, accompanied by dispair, I say.
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- 6. Suppose, O bhikkhus, there being a red or yellow or blue or crimson dye, an artist or a painter would create on a well-prepared plank, wall or canvas, the figure of a man or woman complete in all its features.
- 7. So too, O bhikkhus, if there is lust for the nutriment food eaten in lumps, if there is delight, if there is thirsting, there, consciousness is established and has come to growth. Where consciousness is established and has come to growth, there, there is the descent of name-and-form. Where there is the descent of name-and-form, there, there is growth of sankharas. Where there is growth of sankharas, there, there is an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is future old age and death. Where there is future old age and death, that is accompanied by sorrow, O bhikkhus, dreadful, accompanied by dispair, I say.

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- 10. If, O bhikkhus, there is lust for the nutriment consciousness, if there is delight, if there is thirsting, there, consciousness is established and has come to growth. Where consciousness is established and has come to growth, there, there is the descent of name-and-form. Where there is the descent of name-and-form, there, there is growth of sankharas. Where there is growth of sankharas, there, there is an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is future old age and death. Where there is future old age and death, that is accompanied by sorrow, O bhikkhus, dreadful, accompanied by dispair, I say.
- 11. If, O bhikkhus, there is not lust for the nutriment food eaten in lumps, if there is not delight, if there is not thirsting, there, consciousness is unestablished and has not come to growth. Where consciousness is unestablished and has not come to growth, there, there is not the descent of name-and-form. Where there is not growth of sankharas. Where there is not growth of sankharas. Where there is not growth of sankharas, there, there is not an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is not an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is no future old age and death. Where there is no future old age and death, that is free from sorrow, O bhikkhus, free from dread, free from dispair, I say.

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- 15. Just as, O bhikkhus, a building with a peaked roof or a hall with a peaked roof would have window to the north or south or west. "If the sun rises with its ray of light having passed through the window, where will it be established?" "On the western wall, O Bhante." "If there were not a western wall, O bhikkhus, where will it be established?" "On the earth, O Bhante." "If there were no earth, O bhikkhus, where will it be established?" "On the water, O Bhante." "If there were no water, O bhikkhus, where will it be established?" "It will be unestablished, O Bhante."
- **16.** So too, O bhikkhus, if there is not lust for the nutriment food eaten in lumps, if there is not delight, if there

is not thirsting, there, consciousness is unestablished and has not come to growth. Where consciousness is unestablished and has not come to growth, there, there is not the descent of name-and-form. Where there is not growth of sankharas. Where there is not growth of sankharas. Where there is not growth of sankharas, there, there is not an actualization of a being again in the future. Where there is not an actualization of a being again in the future, there, there is no future old age and death. Where there is no future old age and death, that is free from sorrow, O bhikkhus, free from dread, free from dispair, I say.

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