0.0.1 Malunkyaputta

- Then, by which way 1. [led to] the Auspicious One , by that way the venerable Malunkyaputta approached. Having approached the Auspicious One, having bowed down, he sat down to one side. Having sat down to one side, the venerable Malunkvaputta said this to the Auspicious One. "It would be good, O Bhante, if the Auspicious One would teach me the Dhamma in brief, so that, having heard the Dhamma from the Auspicious One, I might dwell alone, withdrawn, vigilant, ardent, resolute."
- 2. "Here now, Malunkyaputta, what should we say to the young bhikkhus, in as much as you, an aged bhikkhu, old, an old man, advanced in years, reached decay, asks for advice in brief?"

0.0.1 māluṅkyaputtasuttaṃ

atha kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto¹ yena bhagavā tenupasankami. upasankamitvā bhagavantam abhivādetvā ekamantam nisīdi. ekamantam nisinno kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto bhagavantam etadavoca: sādhu me bhante, bhagavā sankhittena dhammam desetu yamaham bhagavato dhammam sutvā eko vūpakattho appamatto ātāpī pahitatto vihareyyanti.

etthadāni māluṅkyaputta kiṃ dahare bhikkhū vakkhāma, yatra hi nāma tvaṃ bhikkhu jiṇṇo vuddho mahal-

¹mālukkya - machasam, syā. pts page 072

"I am aged, O Bhante, old, an old man, advanced in years, reached decay, [but] somehow, let the Auspicious One teach me the Dhamma in brief, O Bhante, let the Wellfarer teach me the Dhamma in brief. Perhaps I might understand the meaning of the Auspicious One's statement."

lako addhagato vayoanuppatto sankhittena ovādam vācasīti. kiñcāpaham bhante jinno vuddho mahallako addhagato vavoanuppatto, desetu me bhante bhagavā sankhittena dhammam, desetu me sugato sankhittena dhammam, appevanāmāham bhagavato bhāsitassa attham ājāneyyam, appevanāmāham bhagavato bhāsitassa dāyādo assa'nti.

3. What do you think about that, Malunkyaputta:
Of forms cognizable by the eye,
Those [forms] that have not been seen,
That have formally not been seen,
That you're not seeing [now],

That you don't expect to see, Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them? taṃ kimmañasi māluṅkyaputta ye te cakkhuviññeyyā rūpā adiţṭhā adiṭṭhapubbā, na ca passasi, na ca te hoti. passeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetam bhante. Surely not, venerable sir.

4. Of sounds cognizable by the ear,
Those [sounds] that have not been heard,
That have formally not been heard,
That you're not hearing [now],
That you don't expect to hear,
Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te sotaviññeyyā saddā assutā assuta-pubbā, na ca suṇāsi, na ca te hoti suṇey-yanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

5. Of aromas cognizable by the nose,
Those [aromas] that have not been smelled,
That have formally not been smelled,
That you're not smelling
[now],
That you don't expect to smell,
Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te ghānaviññeyyā gandhā aghāyitā aghāyitapubbā, na ca ghāyasi, na ca te hoti ghāyeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

ye te jivhāviññeyyā

6. Of flavors cognizable by the tongue,
Those [flavors] that have not been tasted,
That have formally not been tasted,
That you're not tasting [now],
That you don't expect to taste,
Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

rasā asāyitā asāyitapubbā, na ca sāyasi, na ca te hoti ghāyeyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

7. Of tangibles cognizable by the body,
Those [tangibles] that have not been touched,
That have formally not been touched,
That you're not touching
[now],
That you don't expect to touch,
Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them?
Surely not, venerable sir.

ye te kāyaviñneyyā phoţţhabbā asamphuţ-ţhā asamphuţthapubbā, na ca phusasi, na ca te hoti phuseyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetaṃ bhante.

8. Of dhammas cognizable by the mind,

ye te manoviññeyyā

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Those [dhammas] that have not been cognized,
That have formally not been cognized,
That you're not cognizing
[now],
That you don't expect to cognize,

Could there be desire or lust, or love in relation to them? Surely not, venerable sir.

Here, for you Malunkyaputta, in regard to dhammas seen, heard, thought, or cognized: "In the seen there will be merely the seen. In the heard there will be merely the heard. In the thought there will be merely the thought. In the cognized there will be merely the cognized." "Since for you Malunkyaputta, in regard to dhammas seen, heard, thought, or cognized, in the seen there will be merely the seen, in the heard there will be merely the heard,

dhammā aviñnātā aviñnātapubbā, na ca vijānāsi, na ca te hoti vijāneyyanti, atthi te tattha chando vā rāgo vā pemaṃ vāti. no hetam bhante.

ettha ca te mālunkyaputta ditthasutamutaviññātabbesu dhammesu ditthe ditthamattam bhavissati, sute sutamattam bhavissati, mute mutamattam bhavissati, viññāte viññātamattam bhavissati. yato kho te mālunkyaputta ditthasutamutaviññātabbesu dhammesu ditthe ditthamattam bhavissati, sute sutamattam bhavissati, mute mutamattam bhavissati,

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in the thought there will be merely the thought, in the cognized there will be merely the cognized, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are not that by which. Since you Malunkyaputta, are not that by which, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are not in that place. Since you Malunkyaputta, are not in that place, therefore you Malunkyaputta, are neither in this world, nor in the other world, nor in between both [worlds]. Just this is the end of suffering."

10. Indeed, O Bhante, for this brief statement spoken by the Auspicious One, I understand the meaning in detail.

"Having seen a form with mindfulness muddled, Attending to the pleasing sign, He feels it with infatuviññāte viññātamattam bhavissati. tato tvam māluṅkyaputta na tena, yato tvam māluṅkaputta na tena, tato tvam māluṅkyaputta na tattha, yato tvam māluṅkyaputta na tattha, tato tvam māluṅkyaputta na tattha, tato tvam māluṅakyaputta nevidha na huram na ubhayamantarena esevanto dukkhassāti.

imassa khvāham bhante bhagavatā sankhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena² attham ājānāmi

rūpam disvā sati muţţhā, piyam nimittam³ ma-

²bhāsitassa vitvārena - machasaṃ, syā, sīmu.

³piyanimittam - sīmu. sī 2.

ated mind,
And remains tightly holding to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with seeing forms,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.

Having heard a sound with mindfulness muddled.

For one heaping up suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be

far.

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with hearing sounds,

And by covetousness and

nasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya⁴ tiṭṭhati.

tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā rūpasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati. evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ⁵ vuccati.

saddam sutvā sati muţţhā,
piyam nimittam manasi
karoto,
sārattacitto vedeti,
tañca ajjhosāya tiţţhati,
tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,
anekā saddasambhavā,
abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,
cittamassūpahaññati,
evam ācinato dukkham,

⁴ajjhosa - machasaṃ, ajejhasāsyā.**■**

⁵nibbāna - machasaṃ. syā.

by vexation,
does his mind become
disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be
far.

Having smelled an aroma with mindfulness muddled. Attending to the pleasing sign, He feels it with infatuated mind, And remains tightly holding to it. So for him increases various feelings, That originate with smelling aromas, And by covetousness and by vexation, does his mind become disturbed. For one heaping up suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be far.

ārā nibbāņam vuccati.

gandham ghātvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā gandhasambhavā,

abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati.

pts page 074 bjt page 160 Having tasted a flavor with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with tasting flavors,

And by covetousness and by vexation,

does his mind become disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this,

Nibbana is said to be far.

Having touched a tangible with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly hold-

rasam bhotvā sati muṭṭhā,
piyam nimittam manasi
karoto,
sārattacitto vedeti,
tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati,
tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,
anekā rasasambhavā,
abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,
cittamassūpahaññati,
evam ācinato dukkham,
ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

phassam⁶ phussa sati muṭṭhā, piyaṃ nimittaṃ manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,

⁶photthabbā - syā.

ing to it.
So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with touching tangibles,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

Having cognized a dhamma with mindfulness muddled, Attending to the pleasing sign, He feels it with infatuated mind, And remains tightly holding to it. So for him increases various feelings, That originate with cognizing dhammas, And by covetousness and by vexation, does his mind become

anekā phassasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati.

dhammam ñatvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā dhammasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbānam vuccati.

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disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this,

Nibbana is said to be far.

Not inflamed by lust for forms, having seen a form he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who sees a form, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for sounds, having heard a sound he is mindful.

na so rajjati rūpesu, rūpam disvā patissato⁷ virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţ-ţhati, yathāssa passato rūpam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati nopacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkam, santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati saddesu, saddam sutvā patissato virattacitto vedeti,

⁷pațissato- machasam.

He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it.

For he who hears a sound,

and experiences the feeling in this way,
The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for aromas, having smelled an aroma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who smells an aroma, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare ex-

tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati,
yathāssa suṇato saddaṃ,
sevatocāpi vedanaṃ,
khīyati no pacīyati,
evaṃ so caratī sato,
evaṃ apacinato dukkhaṃ,
santike nibbānaṃ vuccati.

na so rajjati gandhesu, gandham ghātvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati, yathāssa ghāyato gandham, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham,

hausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for flavors, having tasted a flavor he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who tastes a flavor, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati rasesu, rasam bhotvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţthati, yathāssa sāyato rasam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccati.

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Not inflamed by lust for tangibles, having touched a tangible he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who touches a tangible, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be

Not inflamed by lust for dhammas, having cognized a dhamma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who cognizes a

near.

na so rajjati phassesu, phassam phussa patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţthati, yathāssa phusato phassam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkam, santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati dhammesu, dhammam ñatvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţţhati, yathāssa vijānato⁸ dhammam,

⁸jānato - machasam, syā.

dhamma,
and experiences the feeling in this way,
The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

11. It is in this way, O Bhante that I understand in detail the meaning of this brief statement spoken by the Auspicious One." Good, good Malunkyaputta. It is good that you, Malunkyaputta, understand in detail the meaning of what was stated by me in brief.

"Having seen a form with mindfulness muddled, Attending to the pleasing sign, He feels it with infatuated mind, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuccatī ti.

imassa kho'ham bhante bhagavatā sankhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena attham ājānāmīti. sādhu sādhu mālunkyaputta, sādhu kho tvam mālunkyaputta mayā sankhittena bhāsitassa vitthārena attham ājānāsi.

rūpam disvā sati muţţhā, piyanimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti,

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And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with seeing forms,

And by covetousness and by vexation,

does his mind become disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this,

Nibbana is said to be far.

Having heard a sound with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with hearing sounds,

And by covetousness and by vexation,

tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati.
tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,
anekā rūpasambhavā,
abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,
cittamassūpahaññati,
evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ,
ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati.

saddaṃ sutvā sati muţţhā,

piyam nimittam manasi karoto,

sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā saddasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati. does his mind become disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be far

Having smelled an aroma with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with smelling aromas,

And by covetousness and by vexation,

does his mind become disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this,

Nibbana is said to be far.

Having tasted a flavor

gandham ghātvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā gandhasambhavā,

abhijjhā ca vibhesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evaṃ ācinato dukkhaṃ, ārā nibbāṇaṃ vuccati.

rasam bhotvā sati muţ-

with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

So for him increases various feelings,

That originate with tasting flavors,

And by covetousness and by vexation,

does his mind become disturbed.

For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be

far.

Having touched a tangible with mindfulness muddled,

Attending to the pleasing sign,

He feels it with infatuated mind,

And remains tightly holding to it.

thā,
piyam nimittam manasi
karoto,
sārattacitto vedeti,
tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati,
tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā,
anekā rasasambhavā,
abhijjhā ca vihesā ca,
cittamassūpahañnati,
evam ācinato dukkham,
ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

phassam phussa sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhosāya tiṭṭhati, tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā phassasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vihesā ca, So for him increases various feelings,
That originate with touching tangibles,
And by covetousness and by vexation,
does his mind become disturbed.
For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

Having cognized a dhamma with mindfulness muddled, Attending to the pleasing sign, He feels it with infatuated mind. And remains tightly holding to it. So for him increases various feelings, That originate with cognizing dhammas, And by covetousness and by vexation, does his mind become disturbed.

cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

dhammam ñatvā sati muṭṭhā, piyam nimittam manasi karoto, sārattacitto vedeti, tañca ajjhesāya tiṭṭhati. tassa vaḍḍhanti vedanā, anekā dhammasambhavā, abhijjhā ca vibhesā ca, cittamassūpahaññati, evam ācinato dukkham, ārā nibbāṇam vuccati.

For one heaping up suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be far.

Not inflamed by lust for forms, having seen a form he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who sees a form, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for sounds, having heard a sound he is mindful.

He feels it with a dispas-

na so rajjati rūpesu, rūpam disvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţ-ţhati, yathāssa passato rūpam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkam, santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati saddesu, saddam sutvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţţhati, sionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who hears a sound,

and experiences the feeling in this way,
The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for aromas, having smelled an aroma he is mindful.

He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it.

For he who smells an aroma, and experiences the feeling in this way,

The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped

yathāssa sunato saddam,
sevatocāpi vedanam,
khīyati no pacīyati,
evam so caratī sato,
evam apacinato dukkam,
santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati gandhesu, gandham ghātvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţtati, yathāssa ghāyato gandham, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbānam vuc-

up.
He thus lives mindfully.
For one dismantling suffering like this,
Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for flavors, having tasted a flavor he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who tastes a flavor, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be

Not inflamed by lust for tangibles,

near.

cati.

na so rajjati rasesu, rasam bhotvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţ-ţhati, yathāssa sāyato rasam, sevato cāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato, evam apacinato dukkam, santike nibbānam vuccati.

na so rajjati phassesu, phassam phussa patishaving touched a tangible he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who touches a tangible, and experiences the feeling in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

Not inflamed by lust for dhammas, having cognized a dhamma he is mindful. He feels it with a dispassionate mind, and does not remain holding to it. For he who cognizes a dhamma, and experiences the feel-

sato,
virattacitto vedeti,
tañca nājjhosāya tiṭṭhati,
yathāssa phusato phassaṃ,
sevato cāpi vedanaṃ,
khīyati no pacīyati,
evaṃ so caratī sato,
evaṃ apacinato dukkhaṃ,
santike nibbānaṃ vuccati.

na so rajjati dhammesu, dhammam ñatvā patissato, virattacitto vedeti, tañca nājjhosāya tiţţhati, yathāssa vijānato dhammam, sevatocāpi vedanam, khīyati no pacīyati, evam so caratī sato,

ing in this way, The khandhasare exhausted, not heaped up. He thus lives mindfully. For one dismantling suffering like this, Nibbana is said to be near.

evam apacinato dukkham, santike nibbanam vuccatī ti.

It is in this way, Malunkya-imassa kho mālunkyaputta, that the detailed meaning of this brief statement spoken by me should be understood." Then, the venerable Mālunkyaputta, having delighted, having rejoiced in the Auspicious One's words, having risen up from his seat, having bowed down, having circumambulated the Auspicious One, he departed.

putta mayā sankhittena bhāsitassa evam vitthārena attho datțhabboti. atha kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto bhagavato bhāsitam abhinanditvā anumoditvā utthāyāsanā bhagavantam abhivādetvā padakkhinam katvā pakkāmi.

Then, the venerable Malunkyaputta, dwelling alone, withdrawn, vigilant, ardent, resolute, not long entered upon and dwelled in that unsurpassed consum-

atha kho āyasmā mālunkyaputto eko vūpakattho appamatto ātāpī pahitatto viharanto na cirasseva

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mation of the life of purity for the sake of which sons of clansmen just rightly go forth from the household life into homelessness, having realized it with his own higher knowledge in just this very life. He understood: "Destroyed is birth, lived is the life of purity, done is what had to be done, there is no other for thusness." And the venerable Malunkyaputta became one of the arahants.

yassatthāya kulaputtā sammadeva āgārasmā anagāriyam pabbajanti, tadanuttaram brahmacariyapariyosānam dittheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja vihāsi. khīnā jāti, vusitam brahmacariyam, katam karaniyam, nāparam itthattāyāti abbhaññāsi. aññataro ca panāyasmā mālunkyaputto arahatam ahosīti.