



Nakdhamma Elementary Level

Course Title: Dhamma

Lecture #2: Dhamma Group 3/1

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Let's meditate



Dhamma Groups of 3/1

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The Three Gems

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Instructions of the Buddha

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The Roots of Unwholesome



The Ending of Buddhism

“Kimbila, it’s when the monks, nuns, laymen, and laywomen lack respect and reverence for the Teacher, the Dhamma, the Sangha, the training, concentration, heedfulness, and hospitality after the final extinguishment of the Buddha. This is the cause, this is the reason why the true teaching does not last long after the final extinguishment of the Buddha.”

(Kimula Sutta, AN 6.40)

A red, teardrop-shaped gemstone with a faceted, crystalline texture. The word "The" is written in white, cursive script across its center.

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A yellow, teardrop-shaped gemstone with a faceted, crystalline texture. The word "THREE" is written in white, bold, uppercase letters across its center.

THREE

A blue, teardrop-shaped gemstone with a faceted, crystalline texture. The word "JEWELS" is written in white, bold, uppercase letters across its center.

JEWELS



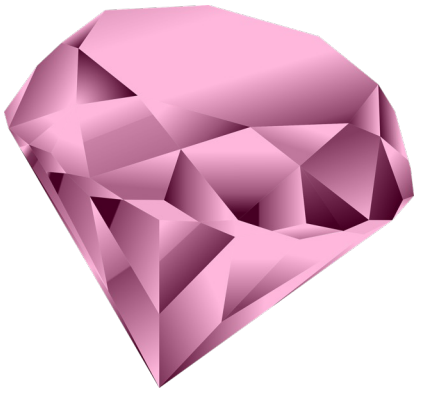
The three wheels in this Triratna stone sculpture represent the Three Jewels of Buddha, Dhamma, and Sangha. | Source: British Museum

Terms for the Triple Gem of Buddhism

- Three Gems
- Three Jewels
- Three Treasures
- Three Pillars

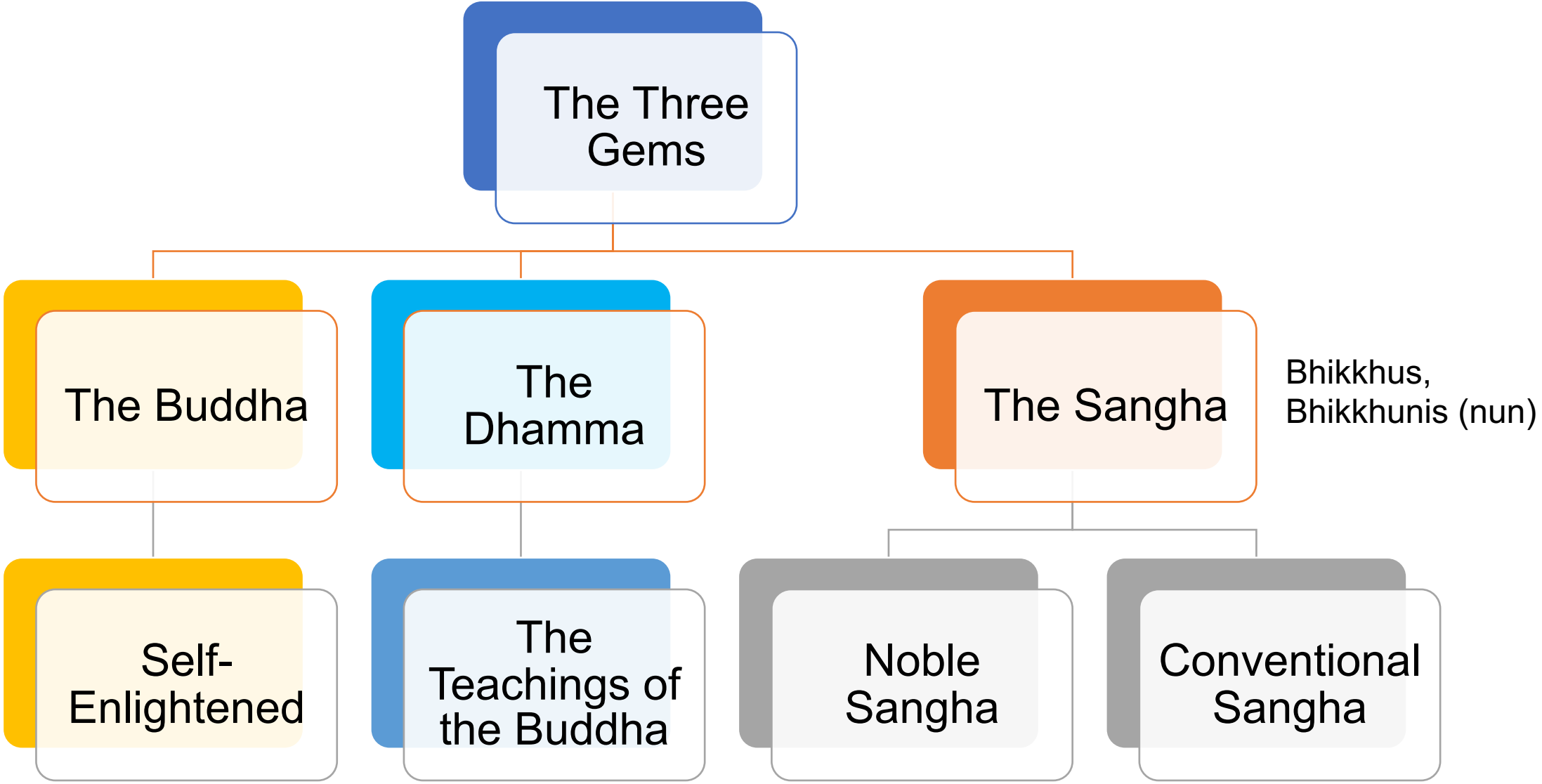
The [Bleu Royal](#) was the most expensive auction jewel of 2023, raking in \$44 million.





Three Ratanas (Three Gems)





What is the different
between a human and
an enlighten being?



Is the Buddha a human?

“Is not the Venerable One a deva?”

Brāhmin, I am indeed not a deva.”

Is not the Venerable One then a Gandhabba?

Brāhmin, I am indeed not a Gandhabba.”

Is not the Venerable One then a Yakkha?

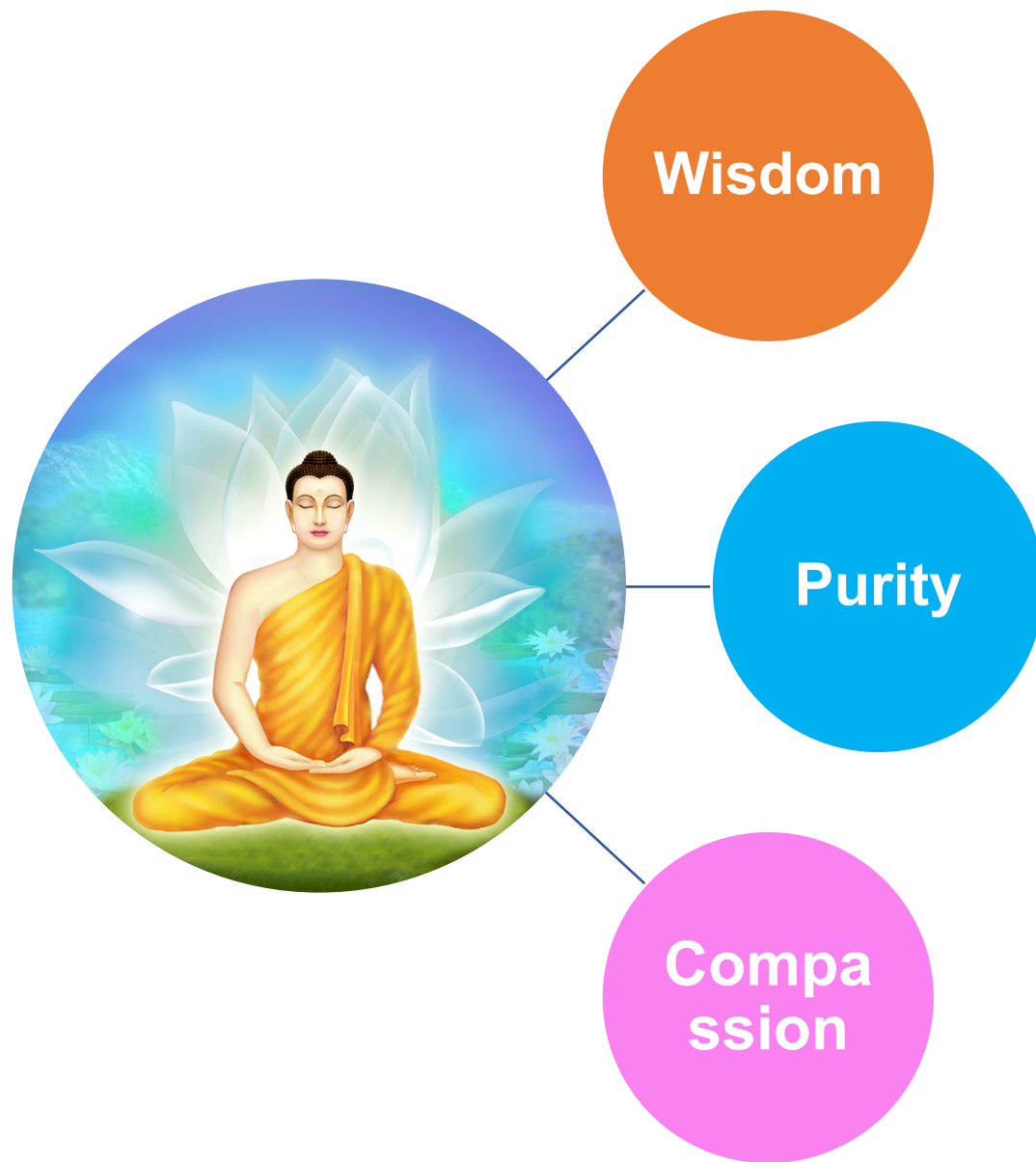
Brāhmin, I am indeed not a Yakkha.”

Is not the Venerable One then a human being?

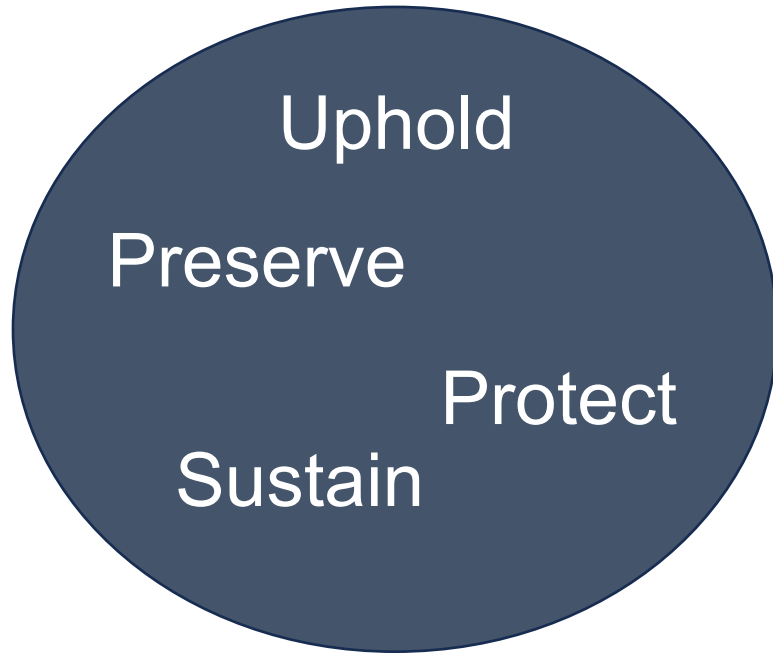
Brāhmin, I am indeed not a human being.”

“เราไม่ใช่เทวดา พร่าหมณ์” โทณพร่าหมณ์ทูลถามว่า
“ท่านผู้เจริญ เป็นคนธรรพ์ใช่หรือไม่” “เราไม่ใช่
คนธรรพ์ พร่าหมณ์” “ท่านผู้เจริญ เป็นยักษ์ใช่
หรือไม่” “เราไม่ใช่ยักษ์ พร่าหมณ์” “ท่านผู้เจริญ
เป็นมนุษย์ใช่หรือไม่” “เราไม่ใช่มนุษย์ พร่าหมณ์”

The Buddha



The Dhamma



The True Nature of Things

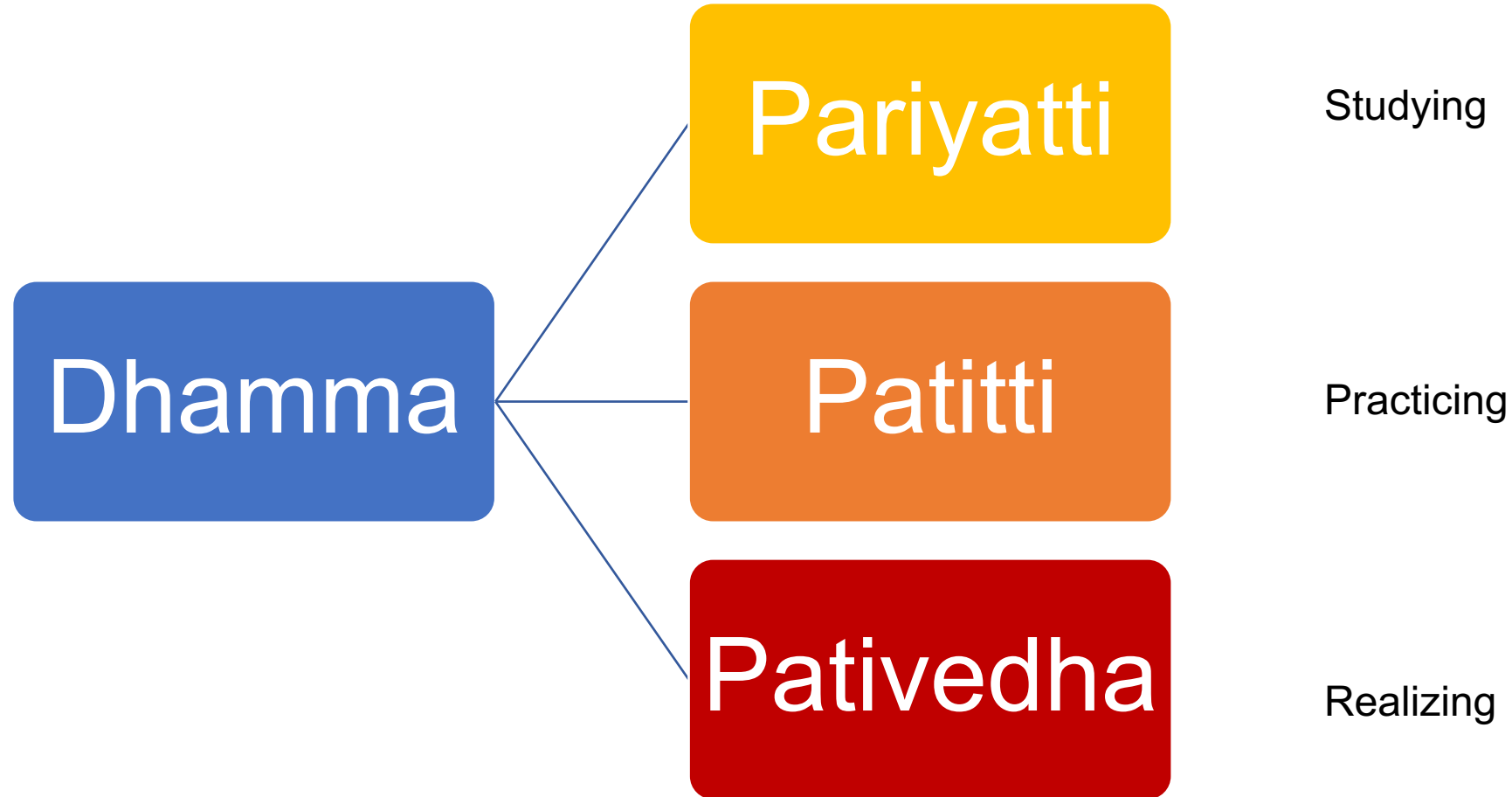


The Teachings of the Buddha



The Shield from evil

Levels of Dhamma



The Sangha



Noble Sangha (Ariya-sangha)



Conventonak Sangha (Sammuti-sangha)

The Significant of Sangha

- Preserve (the Buddha's teachings)
- Protect
- Propagate
- The merit field for the world

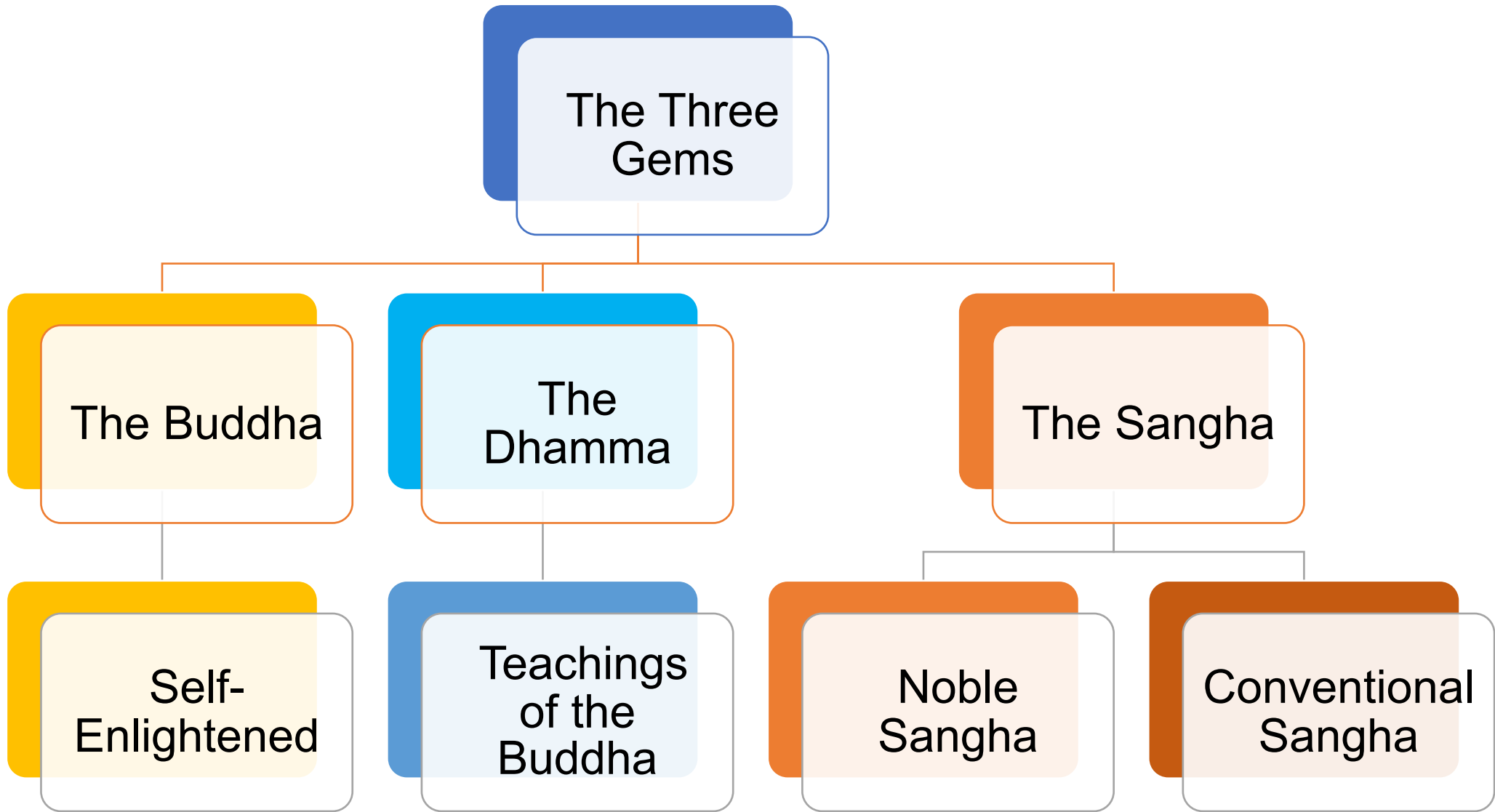
Why the Tripple gem are invaluable and worth highest respect?

Realization to the tripple gem

Buddham saranam gacchami: I go to the Buddha for refuge.

Dhammam saranam gacchami: I go to the Dhamma for refuge.

Sangham saranam gacchami: I go to the Sangha for refuge.





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-Ovadapatimokkha-

“

Not to do any evil,
to embrace the
good and to purify
one's mind.

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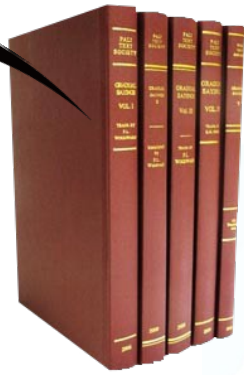
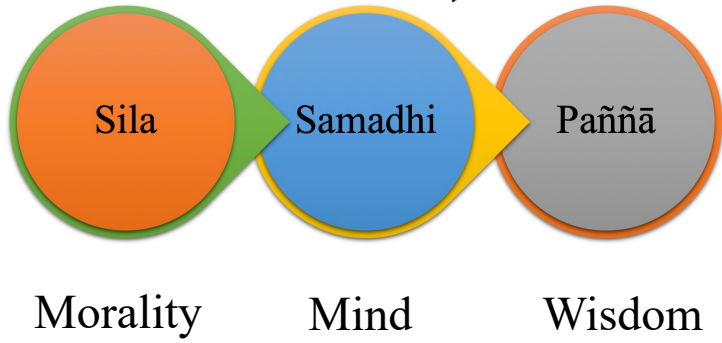
(Mahapadana Sutta, DN 14)

Instructions of the Buddha

1 To abstain from bad kamma (action)

2 To do good kamma (action)

3 To purify one's mind of defilements



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Not to do any evil

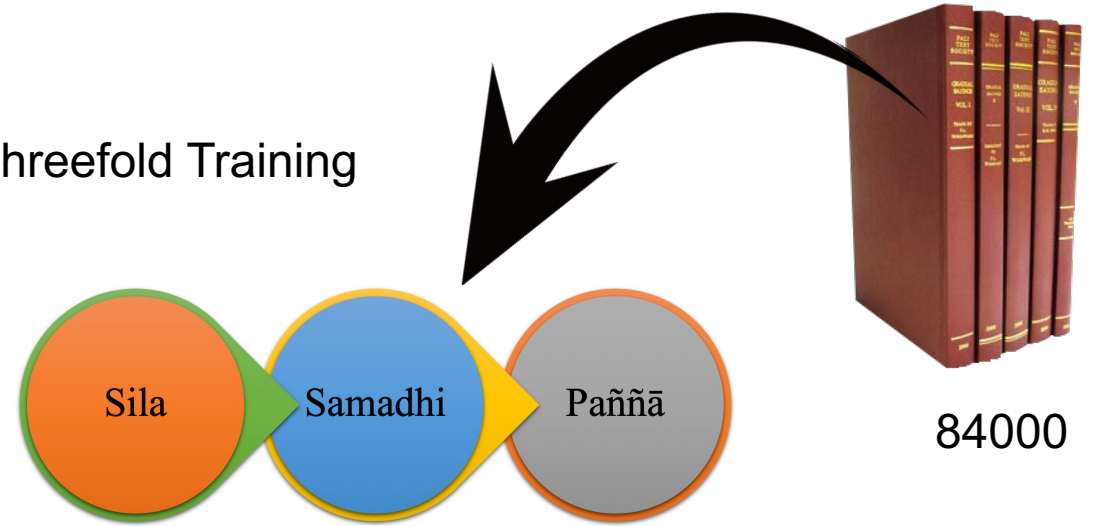


To embrace the good



To purify one's mind

The Threefold Training





**The Good
v.s.
The Bad**

Unskillful Actions

Ducarita (ทุจริต)

Kayaducarita (body)

Vaciducarita (speech)

Manoducarita (thought)

Skillful Actions

Sucarita (สุจริต)

Kayasuccarita (body)

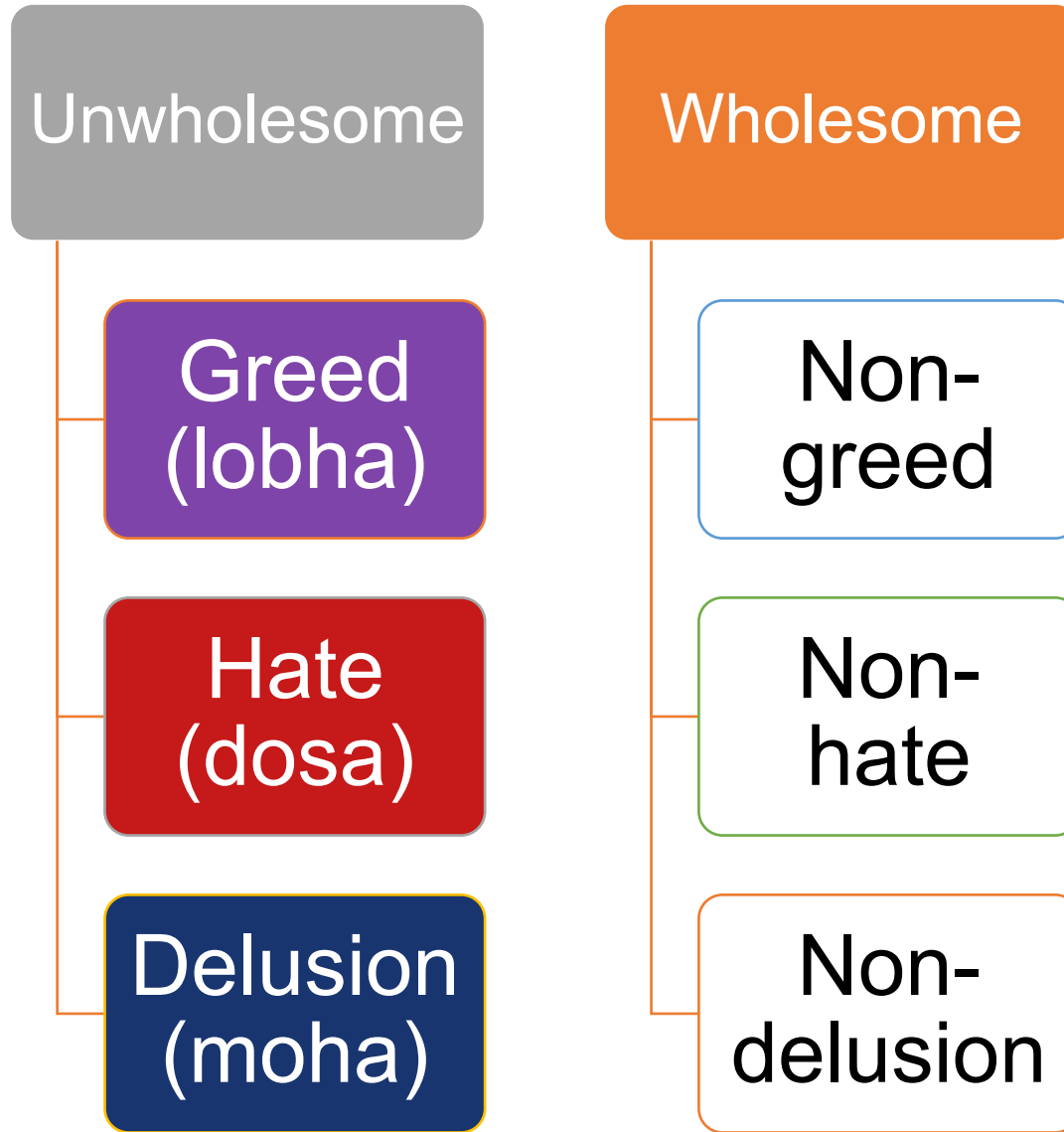
Vacisuccarita (speech)

Manosuccarita (thought)

Action	Unwholesome (Akusalakamma)	Wholesome (Kusalakamma)
Body (kaya-kamma)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Killing 2. Stealing 3. Sexual misconduct 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abstaining from killing 2. Abstaining from stealing 3. Abstaining from sexual misconduct
Speech (vaci-kamma)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. False speech 2. Slandorous speech 3. Divisive speech 4. Frivolous speech 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abstaining from false speech 2. Abstaining from slanderous speech 3. Abstaining from divisive speech 4. Abstaining from frivolous speech
Mind (mano-kamma)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covetousness (abhijjha) 2. Ill-will (Byapada) 3. Wrong view (Micchaditthi) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Non-Covetousness (non-greed) 2. Non-Ill-will (non-hatred) 3. Right view (non-delusion)

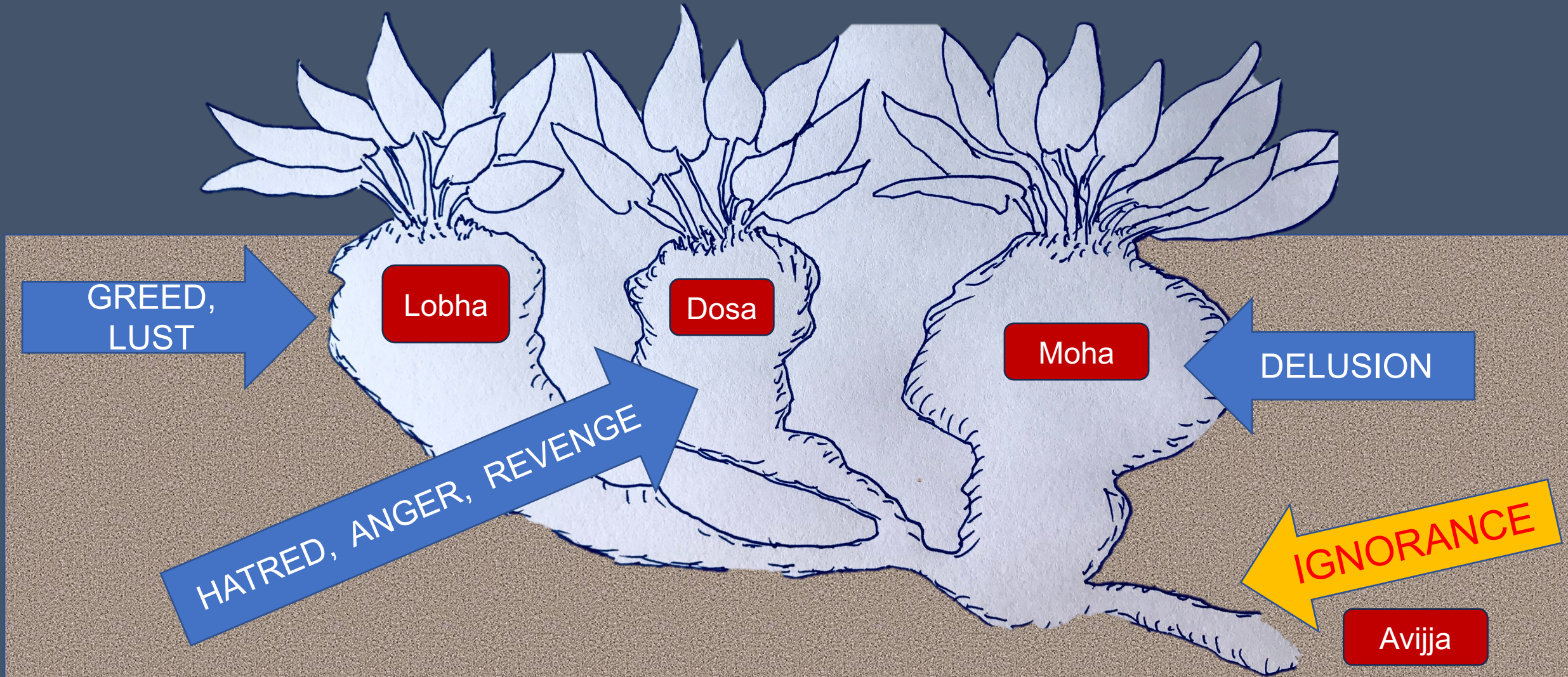
The Roots of Unwholesome

Kilesas
(mental impurities)



(Sammaditthi Sutta, MN 9)

Deep roots of a poison tree





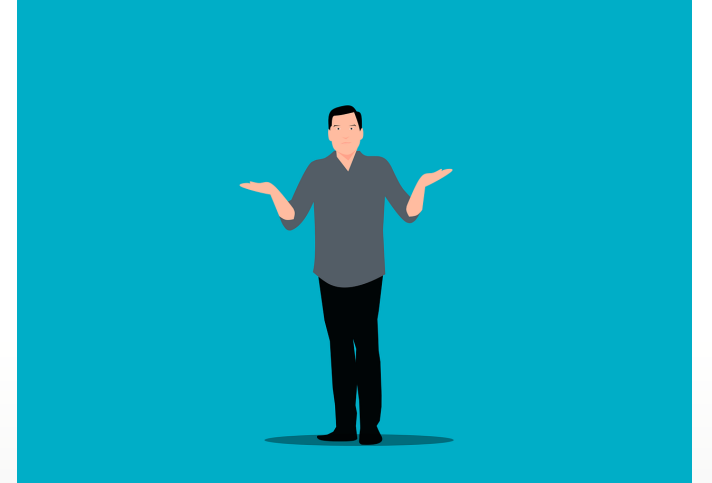
Lobha

(hungry)



Dosa

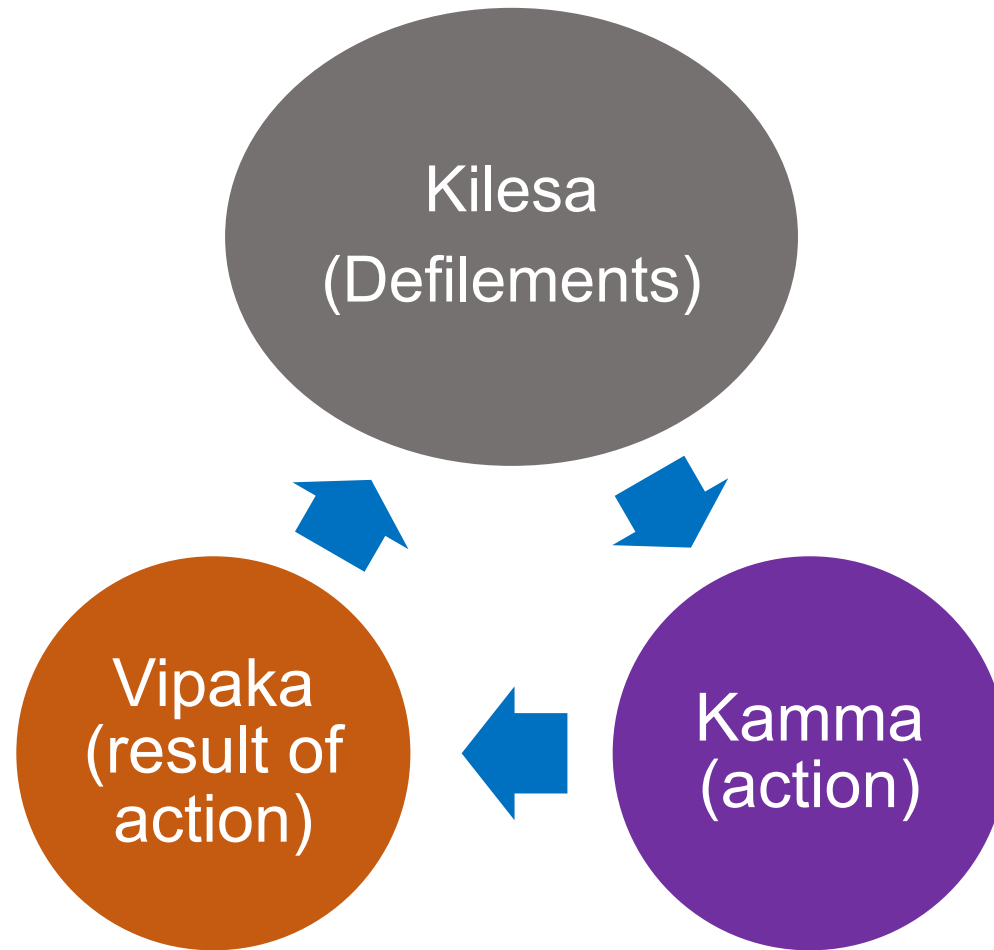
(heat)



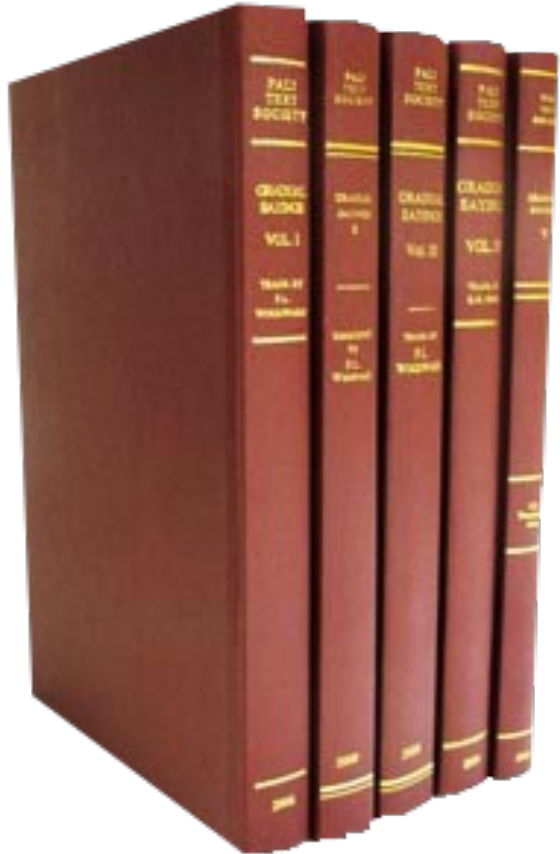
Moha

(dark)

Vicious cycle



Recommended Sutta



MN 9: Sammaditti Sutta
DN 33: Sangiti Sutta

Vocaburary

Tripple Gem	The Buddha, The Dhamma, The Sangha
Dhamma	The teachings of the Buddha, the Shield from evil
Kamma	Action
Kilesa	Defilement, Mental impurity, affliction, depravity
Lobha	Greed
Dosa	Hate
Moha	Delusion
Avijja	Ignorance

Recap



**“Wisdom is
the light in
the world”**



Rejoice in
your merit

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