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1. Verses of the Elder Soṇa Koḷivisa

- 632.** "He who was superior in the realm, a follower of the king of Aṅga;
He today is superior in the teachings, Soṇa, who has gone beyond suffering.
- 633.** "One should cut off five, give up five, and further develop five;
A monk who has gone beyond five attachments is called a crosser of the
mental floods."
- 634.** "For an arrogant, heedless monk, with desire for external things;
Morality, concentration, and wisdom do not go to fulfilment.
- 635.** "For whatever function is thrown away, and what is not one's function is done;
For the arrogant and the heedless, their mental corruptions grow.
- 636.** "And for those by whom mindfulness of the body is thoroughly undertaken,
constantly;
They do not pursue what is not their function, acting continuously in their
function;
For the mindful, for the fully aware, mental corruptions come to an end.
- 637.** "When the straight path has been declared, go, do not turn back;
Urge oneself by oneself, one should bring oneself to Nibbāna.
- 638.** "When my energy was too strenuous, the Teacher, unsurpassed in the world,
Having made the simile of the lute for me, the one with vision expounded the
Teaching;
Having heard his word, I dwelt delighted in the Dispensation.
- 639.** "I brought about serenity, for the attainment of the highest goal;
The three true knowledges have been attained, the Buddha's teaching has
been fulfilled.
- 640.** "For one inclined to renunciation, and to solitude of mind;
For one inclined to non-ill-will, and to the elimination of clinging.
- 641.** "For one inclined to the elimination of craving, and to non-confusion of mind;
Having seen the arising of the sense bases, the mind becomes rightly
liberated.
- 642.** "For that monk rightly liberated, with peaceful mind;
There is no adding to what has been done, nothing to be done is found.

643. Just as a rock, one solid mass, is not moved by the wind;
So forms, flavours, sounds, odours and contacts, all these.

644. "Desirable and undesirable phenomena do not cause such a one to tremble;
The mind is steady, detached, and he contemplates its passing away."

... Soṇa Koḷivisa the Elder...

The Chapter of Thirteens is concluded.

The summary therein:

Soṇa Koḷivisa the elder, alone of great supernormal power;
In the Book of Thirteens, thirteen verses herein.



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