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170. "One person, monks, arising in the world arises for the welfare of many people, for the happiness of many people, out of compassion for the world, for the good, welfare, and happiness of gods and humans. Which one person? The Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. This, monks, is the one person arising in the world who arises for the welfare of many people, for the happiness of many people, out of compassion for the world, for the good, welfare, and happiness of gods and humans."

171. "The manifestation of one person, monks, is rare in the world. Of which one person? Of the Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. The manifestation of this one person, monks, is rare in the world."

172. "One person, monks, arising in the world arises as a marvellous human being. Which one person? The Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. This, monks, is the one person arising in the world who arises as a marvellous human being."

173. "The death of one person, monks, causes distress to many people. Of which one person? Of the Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. The death of this one person, monks, causes distress to many people."

174. "One person, monks, arising in the world arises without a companion, without an ally, incomparable, without equal, without counterpart, matchless person, unequalled, equal to the matchless, the foremost of two-footed beings. Which one person? The Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. This, monks, is the one person arising in the world who arises without a companion, without an ally, incomparable, without equal, without counterpart, matchless person, unequalled, equal to the matchless, the foremost of two-footed beings."

175-186. "With the manifestation of one person, monks, there is the manifestation of great vision, there is the manifestation of great light, there is the manifestation of great radiance, there is the manifestation of six unsurpassed things, there is the realisation of the four analytical knowledges, there is the penetration of many elements, there is the penetration of various elements, there is the realisation of the fruit of true knowledge and liberation, there is the realisation of the fruit of stream-entry, there is the realisation of the fruit of once-returning, there is the realisation of the fruit of non-returning, there is the realisation of the fruit of arahantship. Of which one person? Of the Truth-finder, the Worthy One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. With the manifestation of this one person, monks, there is the manifestation of great vision, there is the manifestation of great light, there is the manifestation of great radiance, there is the manifestation of six unsurpassed things, there is the realisation of the four analytical knowledges, there is the penetration of many elements, there is the penetration of various elements, there is the realisation of the fruit of true

knowledge and liberation, there is the realisation of the fruit of stream-entry, there is the realisation of the fruit of once-returning, there is the realisation of the fruit of non-returning, there is the realisation of the fruit of arahantship."

187. "I do not, monks, perceive any other single person who thus rightly keeps turning the unsurpassed wheel of the Teaching that was set in motion by the Truth-finder as does, monks, Sāriputta. Sāriputta, monks, rightly keeps turning the unsurpassed wheel of the Teaching that was set in motion by the Truth-finder."

The Chapter on One Person is the thirteenth.



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