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- 221.** One should give up wrath, one should abandon conceit, one should overcome every mental fetter;
Sufferings do not befall one who does not cling to mentality-materiality, one who owns nothing.
- 222.** Whoever indeed would restrain arisen wrath, like a swerving chariot;
Him I call a charioteer, the other person is merely a rein-holder.
- 223.** One should conquer wrath by non-wrath, one should conquer the bad by good;
One should conquer the miser by giving, the speaker of falsehood by truth.
- 224.** One should speak truth, one should not be angry, one should give even a little when asked;
By these three grounds, one may go to the presence of the gods.
- 225.** Those sages who are non-violent, always restrained in body;
They go to the imperishable state, where having gone they do not grieve.
- 226.** For those always wakeful, training day and night;
Inclined to Nibbāna, mental corruptions come to an end.
- 227.** This is ancient, Atula, this is not of today;
They blame one who sits silent, they blame one who speaks much;
They blame even one who speaks moderately, there is no one in the world who is not blamed.
- 228.** There has not been, nor will there be, nor is there at present found;
A man completely blamed, or completely praised.
- 229.** Whom the wise praise, having investigated day after day;
One of flawless conduct, intelligent, endowed with wisdom and morality.
- 230.** Like a gold coin of Jambu river gold, who is worthy to blame him;
Even the gods praise him, he is praised even by Brahmā.
- 231.** One should guard against bodily misbehaviour, one should be restrained in body;
Having abandoned bodily misconduct, one should practise good conduct by body.
- 232.** One should guard against verbal misbehaviour, one should be restrained in speech;

Having abandoned verbal misconduct, one should practise good conduct by speech.

233. One should guard against mental misbehaviour, one should be restrained in mind;
Having abandoned mental misconduct, one should practise good conduct by mind.

234. The wise restrained in body, and also restrained in speech;
The wise restrained in mind, they indeed are well-restrained.

The Chapter on Wrath is concluded as seventeenth.



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