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The Triple Canon (Tipiṭaka)

1. The Canon of Discourses (1. Sutta Piṭaka)

3. The Collection of the Connected Discourses
(3. Saṃyutta Nikāya)

5. The Great Book (5. Mahāvaggo)

4. The Chapter on the Ganges Consecutive Repetitions
(4. Gaṅgāpeyyālavaggo)

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3. The Collection of the Connected Discourses

5. The Great Book

4. The Chapter of the Ganges Consecutive Repetitions

1-12. The Set of Twelve Discourses Beginning with the Ganges River

845-856. "Just as, monks, the river Ganges slants towards the east, slopes towards the east, inclines towards the east; so too, monks, a monk developing the four bases for spiritual power, cultivating the four bases for spiritual power, slants towards Nibbāna, slopes towards Nibbāna, inclines towards Nibbāna. And how, monks, does a monk developing the four bases for spiritual power, cultivating the four bases for spiritual power, slant towards Nibbāna, slope towards Nibbāna, incline towards Nibbāna? Here, monks, a monk develops the basis for spiritual power that possesses concentration due to desire and volitional activities of striving, concentration due to energy, etc. concentration due to mind, etc. develops the basis for spiritual power that possesses concentration due to investigation and volitional activities of striving.

"Thus, monks, a monk developing the four bases for spiritual power, cultivating the four bases for spiritual power, slants towards Nibbāna, slopes towards Nibbāna, inclines towards Nibbāna." The twelfth.

The Ganges Repetition Chapter is the fourth.

Its summary:

> Six slanting from the east, and six slanting towards the ocean;
> These two sixes are twelve, by that the chapter is called.

The Chapter on Diligence should be expanded.

Its summary:

> Truth-finder, footprint, pinnacle, root, core, and jasmine;
> King, moon and sun, and cloth is the tenth stanza.

The Chapter on Strenuous Deeds should be expanded.

Its summary:

> Power and seed and elephant, tree with pot and sow;
> With space and two clouds, boat, visitor, and river.

The Chapter on Searches should be expanded.

Its summary:

> Search, discrimination, mental corruption, existence and suffering, three;
> Barrenness, stain, and trouble, feeling, craving, and with thirst.

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