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51. "This mind, monks, is luminous. And it is defiled by visiting impurities. That, an ignorant worldling does not understand as it really is. Therefore I say: 'For an ignorant worldling there is no development of mind.'" The first.

52. "This mind, monks, is luminous. And it is free from visiting impurities. That, a learned noble disciple understands as it really is. Therefore I say: 'For a learned noble disciple there is development of mind.'" The second.

53. "If, monks, a monk cultivates a mind of friendliness for even just a finger-snap, this is called, monks - 'a monk who dwells with meditation not empty, who follows the Teacher's instruction, who accepts exhortation, who eats the country's almsfood not in vain.' What then to say of those who cultivate it abundantly!" The third.

54. "If, monks, a monk develops a mind of friendliness for even just a finger-snap, this is called, monks - 'a monk who dwells with meditation not empty, who follows the Teacher's instruction, who accepts exhortation, who eats the country's almsfood not in vain.' What then to say of those who cultivate it abundantly!" The fourth.

55. "If, monks, a monk attends to a mind of friendliness for even just a finger-snap, this is called, monks - 'a monk who dwells with meditation not empty, who follows the Teacher's instruction, who accepts exhortation, who eats the country's almsfood not in vain.' What then to say of those who cultivate it abundantly!" The fifth.

56. "Whatever mental states, monks, are unwholesome, connected with the unwholesome, on the side of the unwholesome, all of them are directed by mind. Mind arises first among those mental states, unwholesome mental states follow right behind." The sixth.

57. "Whatever mental states, monks, are wholesome, connected with the wholesome, on the side of the wholesome, all of them are directed by mind. Mind arises first among those mental states, wholesome mental states follow right behind." The seventh.

58. "I do not, monks, perceive any other single phenomenon by which unarisen unwholesome mental states arise, or arisen wholesome mental states decline, as does, monks, negligence. For the negligent, monks, unarisen unwholesome mental states arise, and arisen wholesome mental states decline." The eighth.

59. "I do not, monks, perceive any other single phenomenon by which unarisen wholesome mental states arise, or arisen unwholesome mental states decline, as does, monks, diligence. For the diligent, monks, unarisen wholesome mental states arise, and arisen unwholesome mental states decline." The ninth.

60. "I do not, monks, perceive any other single phenomenon by which unarisen unwholesome mental states arise, or arisen wholesome mental states decline, as does, monks, idleness. For the lazy, monks, unarisen unwholesome mental states arise, and arisen wholesome mental states decline." The tenth.

The sixth chapter on the snapping of fingers.



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