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1. Verses of the Elder Bhūta

- 518.** "When the wise one knows that ageing and death is suffering, where the foolish worldlings remain attached;
Having fully understood suffering, mindfully he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 519.** "When the clinging that brings suffering, that conveys the suffering of the mass of obsessions;
Having abandoned craving, mindfully he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 520.** "When the safe path leading by two and four factors, the highest path, the cleanser of all mental defilements;
Having seen it with wisdom, mindfully he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 521.** "When the sorrowless, stainless, unconditioned, peaceful state, the cleanser of all mental defilements;
He develops that which cuts the bondage of fetters, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 522.** "When in the sky the cloud-drum thunders, with streams of rain entangled on the bird-path all around;
And the monk, gone to a mountain slope, meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 523.** "When on the banks of rivers entangled with flowers, adorned with variegated forest-flower wreaths;
Seated, with gladdened mind he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 524.** "When at midnight in the deserted forest, while the sky is raining, the fanged beasts roar;
And the monk, gone to a mountain slope, meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.
- 525.** "When, having checked the applied thoughts of oneself, settled in a mountain cave in the space between mountains;
Free from anguish, free from barrenness, he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme.

- 526.** "When happy, destroyer of stain, barrenness and sorrow, unobstructed, free from craving, free from the dart;
Having ended all mental corruptions, he meditates, from that he finds no delight more supreme."

... The Elder Bhūta...

The Chapter of Nines is concluded.

The summary therein:

Bhūta, Tathaddasa the elder, Eka, Khaggavisāṇa;
In the Book of Nines, these verses too are nine.



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