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Text

317. “Bhikkhus, there is that one person who appears in this world, born for the welfare and benefit of countless people, bringing good fortune, happiness and joy to the many, pervading a sense of soothing contentment and delight upon both Devas and humans.

“And who is that person?

“That person, Bhikkhus, is the one with Right View, anchored upon Right View, supported by a healthy and balanced worldview, with which he influences the world around him.

“Led by his harmonious and constructively honest objective, he goes on looking after, straightening, responsibly augmenting, and candidly pulling people away from all that is evil, false teaching and adhamma, and instead establishes them in truth, in good and right teachings, all that is Good and Genuine Dhamma.

“This, Bhikkhus, is therefore that one person who appears in this world, born for the welfare and benefit of countless people, bringing good fortune, happiness and joy to the many, pervading a sense of soothing contentment and delight upon both Devas and humans.”