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Text

369. “In the same way, Bhikkhus, at the moment of death, when their bodies break down in the animal realms, so very few animals are reborn as Devas in the heavenly realms, for countless more among them are reborn into the hell realm, where they now have to face much more fear, torture, terrible anguish, unimaginable pain and suffering.”

370. “Similarly, Bhikkhus, at the moment of death, when their bodies break down in the animal realms, so very few animals are reborn as Devas in the heavenly realms, for countless more among them are reborn back into the animal realm, where they must again face fear, anguish, pain and suffering.”

371. “Similarly, Bhikkhus, at the moment of death, when their bodies break down in the animal realms, so very few animals are reborn as Devas in the heavenly realms, for countless more among them are reborn into the realm of the miserable ghosts, where they face much heart-wrenching anguish, pain, and suffering.”