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AN III

Suttas 145-154

Maṅgala Vagga “The Section on the Great Fortune”

145. Akusala Sutta (Damaging & Harmful) Bhikkhus, by possessing three qualities, one lands in hell as if deposited there. And what are these three qualities?

Damaging and harmful physical actions; damaging and harmful speech; and damaging and harmful thoughts.

Bhikkhus, while possessing these three qualities, one lands in hell as if deposited there.

Bhikkhus, by possessing three other qualities, one lands in heaven as if deposited there. And what are these three qualities?

Beneficial and constructive physical actions; beneficial and constructive speech; and beneficial and constructive thoughts.

Bhikkhus, while possessing these three qualities, one lands in heaven as if deposited there.