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43. Atthavasa Sutta (Distinguishing Qualities) Bhikkhus, someone who sees these three distinguishing qualities in himself, should undoubtedly teach others. What three?

He who teaches The Dhamma should experience both The Dhamma and its meaning.

He who listens to The Dhamma should experience both The Dhamma and its meaning.

And thirdly, the one teaching, as well as the one being taught, should both experience The Dhamma and its meaning.

Therefore, Bhikkhus, by possessing these three distinguishing qualities, one should undoubtedly teach The Dhamma.