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The Guide

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Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa

1. PTS vp Pli 1 PTS vp En 3 Wise men can know the Dispensation

Glorious of the Glorious Man,

Whom the world and world-protectors

Ever honour and revere.

Twelve terms [do represent] the Thread,

[Whose] phrasing and [whose] meaning all

Should in both instances be known:

What is the phrasing? What the meaning?

Sixteen conveyings [as] a guide

[And] five guide-lines the dispensation's

Search [and] eighteen root-terms, [too],

Mahā-Kaccāna demonstrated.

Conveyings PTS vp En 4 investigate the Thread's

Phrasing, three Guide-Lines the Thread's meaning;

Comprised in both these ways, a Thread

Is called “according to the Thread”.

[So since] the Teaching and the Taught

Should both be known, the order can

Now follow here in which to test

The Ninefold Thread-of-Argument.

The Comprehensive Section.

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