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Sutta

“Questions of the Brahmin

Mogharājā”

1116. “O, Blessed One!” said the brahmin Mogharājā.

“I have twice asked a question, but no answer was given by the Sākyan who possesses the Pure Vision. I am now here again, because I have heard that if one asked the same question yet a third time, the Divine Seer would go ahead and answer it.

1117. “I have come to know the teachings of Gautama, the Prominent Sākyan, and learn from Him about this world, the next world, about the world of Brahmā, and the world of Devas.

1118. “Therefore, I am here to ask the One with the Most Excellent Vision, on what the best way is to look upon the world and live one’s life, so that the King of Death would be unable to see him.”

1119. And The Blessed One replied:

“Mogharājā, when you live mindfully and look upon the world as empty, you will be able to uproot from your heart the wrong view of a substantial or an independent self.

“That is how you should look upon the world.

“For when you train and live in this way, the King of Death will neither be able to reach you, nor even see you.”