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Text

Thag 10:7 Gotama

You should know what’s to your benefit.

You should take a good look

at the Buddha’s word

& at what’s fitting here

for one who has entered

on the contemplative life.

An admirable friend right here,

undertaking the complete training,
& obedience to teachers:
This is fitting
for a contemplative.

Respect for the Buddhas,
honoring the Dhamma
as it has come to be,
& thinking highly of the Saṅgha:
This is fitting
for a contemplative.

Fitting behavior & range of association,
a livelihood purified, blameless,
the establishing of the mind:
This is fitting
for a contemplative.

Virtuous in what you do
& what you abstain from doing,
inspiring comportment,
commitment to the heightened mind:
This is fitting
for a contemplative.

Wilderness lodgings,
secluded, with next-to-no noise,
right for sages to resort to:
This is fitting
for a contemplative.

Virtue, learning,
investigating

phenomena,

mental qualities,

as they have come to be:

This is fitting

for a contemplative.

You should develop

inconstancy,

the perception of not-self,

the perception of unattractiveness,

& distaste for the world:

This is fitting

for a contemplative.

You should develop

the factors for awakening,

the bases for success,

the faculties,

& the noble eightfold path:

This is fitting

for a contemplative.

A sage should abandon craving,

should cut through the effluents, root & all,

should dwell fully released:

This is fitting

for a contemplative.

Publisher references (not part of the sutta)

See also: Dhp 183–185; Sn 1:3; Sn 1:12; Sn 2:6; Sn 2:9; Sn 2:13; Sn 3:11; Sn 4:14–16