Thig 3.8 — Verses of the Elder Somā

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Text

Verses of the Elder Bhikkhunīs

Chapter of the Threes

Verses of the Elder Somā

“That which can be attained by the seers,

that stage so hard to reach,

cannot be attained by a woman,

with her wisdom as small as two fingers.”

“How does being a woman have anything to do

with a well-collected mind,

when knowledge is present,

and one sees rightly into Dhamma?

In this way all fixation is annihilated,

the mass of darkness destroyed.

Thus be aware, Wicked One,

Death—you are destroyed!”

… The Elder Somā

Chapter of the Threes is finished.