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Chapter One

A Bolt of Lightning

At Sāvatthī.

“Possessions, honor, and popularity are grim …

Let forked lightning fall on whom? Let possessions, honor, and popularity come to a trainee who has not achieved their heart’s desire.

‘Forked lightning’ is a term for possessions, honor, and popularity.

So grim are possessions, honor, and popularity. …”