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Substantialist View

At Sāvatthī.

“Mendicants, when what exists, because of grasping what and insisting on what, does substantialist view arise?”

“Our teachings are rooted in the Buddha. …”

“When form exists, because of grasping form and insisting on form, substantialist view arises. When feeling … perception … choices … consciousness exists, because of grasping consciousness and insisting on consciousness, substantialist view arises.

What do you think, mendicants? Is form permanent or impermanent?”

“Impermanent, sir.” …

“But by not grasping what’s impermanent, suffering, and perishable, would substantialist view arise?”

“No, sir.”

“Is feeling … perception … choices … consciousness permanent or impermanent?”

“Impermanent, sir.” …

“But by not grasping what’s impermanent, suffering, and perishable, would substantialist view arise?”

“No, sir.”

“Seeing this … They understand: ‘… there is nothing further for this place.’”