SN 35.61 — The Depletion of All Fuel for Grasping (1st)

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6. Ignorance

The Depletion of All Fuel for Grasping (1st)

“Mendicants, I will teach you the principle for depleting all fuel for grasping. Listen …

And what is the principle for depleting all fuel for grasping?

Eye consciousness arises dependent on the eye and sights. The meeting of the three is contact. Contact is a requirement for feeling.

Seeing this, a learned noble disciple grows disillusioned with the eye, sights, eye consciousness, eye contact, and feeling. Being disillusioned, desire fades away. When desire fades away they’re freed. When they are liberated, they understand: ‘I have completely depleted fuel for grasping.’

Ear … nose … tongue … body …

Mind consciousness arises dependent on the mind and ideas. The meeting of the three is contact. Contact is a requirement for feeling.

Seeing this, a learned noble disciple grows disillusioned with the mind, ideas, mind consciousness, mind contact, and feeling. Being disillusioned, desire fades away. When desire fades away they’re freed. When they are liberated, they understand: ‘I have completely depleted fuel for grasping.’

This is the principle for depleting all fuel for grasping.”