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Those who know not suffering,

Nor how suffering comes to be,

Nor yet how all such suffering

To a final end is brought,

They do not know the Path

Leading to its calming down,

Cannot find the heart's release

Cannot be by wisdom freed,

With no chance to make an end,

To birth and aging they're condemned.

Those who do know suffering,

And how suffering comes to be,

Know too how all such suffering

To a final end is brought,

They who know the Path indeed

Leading to its calming down,

They can find the heart's release,

They can be by wisdom freed.

They know how to make an end,

To birth and aging no more bound.

See also: Sn 3.12; Iti 103