Iti 1 — Greed

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So It Was Said 1

The Book of the Ones

Chapter One

Greed

This was said by the Buddha, the Perfected One: that is what I heard.

“Mendicants, give up one thing and I guarantee you non-return. What one thing? Greed is the one thing. Give it up, and I guarantee you non-return.”

The Buddha spoke this matter. On this it is said:

“When overcome by greed

beings go to a bad place.

Having rightly understood that greed,

the discerning give it up.

Once they’ve given it up,

they never return to this world.”

This too is a matter that was spoken by the Blessed One: that is what I heard.