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The Book of the Threes

Chapter One

Searches (1st)

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

“Mendicants, there are these three searches. What three? The search for sensual pleasures, the search for continued existence, and the search for a spiritual path. These are the three searches.”

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

“Stilled, aware,

a mindful disciple of the Buddha

understands searches,

the cause of searches,

where they cease,

and the path that leads to their ending.

With the ending of searches, a mendicant

is hungerless, quenched.”

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