Thag 3.4 — Dhaniya

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Verses of the Senior Monks 3.4

The Book of the Threes

Chapter One

Dhaniya

If you wish to live in happiness,

longing for the ascetic life,

don’t look down on the Saṅgha’s robes,

or its food and drinks.

If you wish to live in happiness,

longing for the ascetic life,

stay in the Saṅgha’s lodgings

like a snake making use of a mouse’s hole.

If you wish to live in happiness,

longing for the ascetic life,

develop this one quality:

be content with whatever is offered.