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4. Chapter Four

Ascetics and Brahmins (2nd)

At Sāvatthī.

“Mendicants, there are these four elements. What four? The elements of earth, water, fire, and air. There are ascetics and brahmins who don’t truly understand these four elements’ origin, disappearance, gratification, drawback, and escape …

(Tell all in full.)

There are ascetics and brahmins who do truly understand these four elements’ origin, disappearance, gratification, drawback, and escape …”