SN 35.122 — Things That Tighten Fetters

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12. The World and the Kinds of Sensual Stimulation

Things That Tighten Fetters

“Mendicants, I will teach you the things that tighten the fetters, and the fetter. Listen …

What are the things that tighten the fetters? And what is the fetter? There are sights known by the eye, which are likable, desirable, agreeable, pleasant, sensual, and arousing. These are called the things that tighten the fetters. The desire and greed for them is the fetter.

There are sounds … smells … tastes … touches … thoughts known by the mind, which are likable, desirable, agreeable, pleasant, sensual, and arousing. These are called the things that tighten the fetters. The desire and greed for them is the fetter.”