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13. Kusinārā

Under Cover

“Mendicants, three things are conveyed under cover, not in the open. What three? Ladies are conveyed for marriage with a veil, not unveiled. Hymns of the brahmins are conveyed under cover, not openly. Wrong view is conveyed under cover, not in the open. These three things are conveyed under cover, not in the open.

Three things dazzle in the open, not under cover. What three? The moon dazzles in the open, not under cover. The sun dazzles in the open, not under cover. The teaching and training proclaimed by a Realized One dazzle in the open, not under cover. These three things dazzle in the open, not under cover.”