AN 4.66 — Greedy

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7. Fitting Deeds

Greedy

“Mendicants, these four individuals are found in the world. What four? The greedy, the hateful, the delusional, and the conceited.

These are the four individuals found in the world.

Full of desire for desirable things,

enjoying things that seem pleasant,

beings veiled by delusion

only tighten their bonds.

Born of greed, born of hate,

born of delusion: the ignorant

do unskillful deeds

that afflict and produce pain.

If you act out of these qualities, that’s what you become.

But men shrouded by ignorance,

are blind, with no eyes to see,

and they never imagine that this could be so.”