

Samatho Vipassanā

AN II 31 Tranquility and Understanding

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*B*hikkhus, I see two things conducive to knowledge.

Which two?

Tranquility and Understanding.

What is the purpose of undertaking the development of Tranquility?

The mind come to be developed.

What is the purpose of developing the mind?

Ones greed comes to be abandoned.

What is the purpose of developing Understanding?

Wisdom comes to be developed.

What is the purpose of developing wisdom?

One's ignorance comes to be abandoned.

Soiled by greed bhikkhus,

the mind is not released,

Soiled by ignorance,

wisdom is not developed.

Thus bhikkhus,

By the undoing of greed,

there is mind-release.

By the undoing of ignorance,

there is wisdom-release.