

Dutiya Sammattaniyāma Sutta

AN V 152 Second Discourse on Righteous Practice

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*B*hikkhus,

*Possessing five qualities,
Even if someone were to listen to the True Dhamma,
One is unable to understand the practice,
Of righteous [Development in] wholesome states.*

What five?

*He denigrates the talk,
He denigrates the speaker,
He denigrates himself,
He is unwise, foolish and dull,
He thinks he has understood what he has not.*

[...]

Bhikkhus,

*Possessing five qualities,
Listening to the True Dhamma,
One is able to understand the practice
Of righteous [Development in] wholesome states.*

What five?

*He does not denigrate the talk,
He does not denigrate the speaker,
He does not denigrate himself,
He is wise, not foolish and sharp.
He doesn't think that he has understood what he has not.*

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