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Mallikā Sutta

With Queen Mallikā



**beautiful &
ugly**



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rich & poor



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influential:



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influential:

*can change people's minds
and make them do things*



✗ ugly

✗ poor

✗ not influential



✗ ugly

✓ rich

✓ influential



✓ beautiful

✗ poor

✗ not influential



✓ beautiful

✓ rich

✓ influential



**When the Buddha taught this
Dhamma, Queen Mallikā said to the
Buddha:**



“Bhante, in another life I must have been irritable and bad-tempered. Even when lightly criticized I must have lost my temper, becoming annoyed, aggressive, and stubborn, and displaying irritation, hate, and bitterness. That is why I am now **ugly**, unattractive, and bad-looking.



“In another life I must have given others such things as food, drink, clothing, vehicles; flowers, fragrance, and makeup; and bedding, housing, and lighting. That is why I am now **rich**, prosperous, and wealthy.



“In another life, I must not have been jealous, envious, resentful, and begrudging of the possessions, honor, respect, reverence, homage, and veneration given to others. That is why I am now influential. Bhante, in this royal family ***I hold authority over all the women.***



“So, Bhante, from this day on, I will not be irritable and bad-tempered. Even when heavily criticized I won’t lose my temper; become annoyed, aggressive, and stubborn, or display annoyance, hate, and bitterness.



“I will give to others such things as food,
drink, clothing, vehicles; flowers, fragrance,
and makeup, and bedding, housing, and
lighting.



“I will not be jealous, envious, resentful, and begrudging the possessions, honor, respect, reverence, homage, and veneration given to others.”



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