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do you know where you would go?



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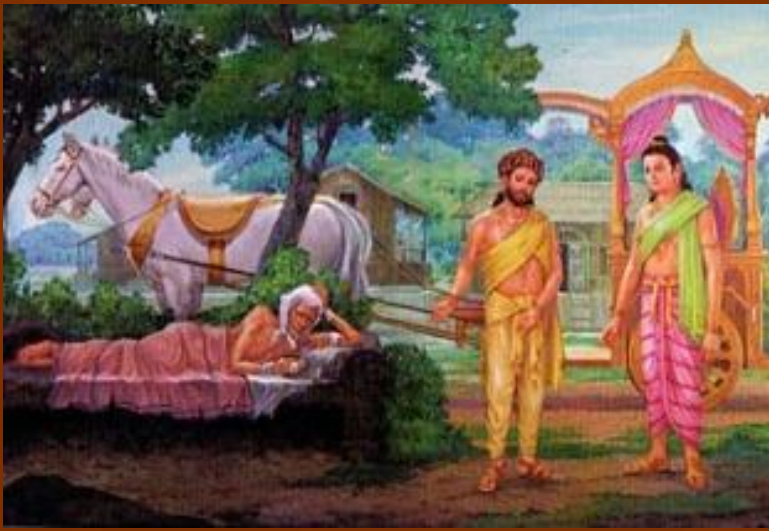


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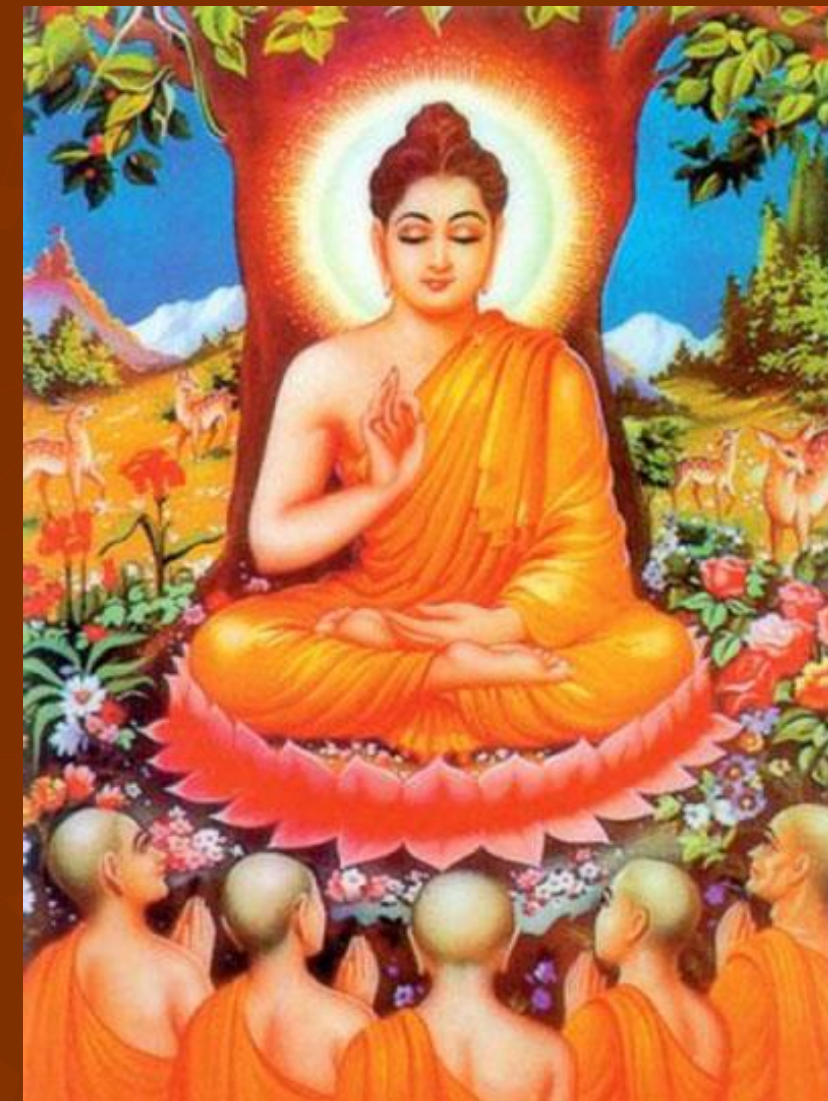
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# The 4 Noble Truths

1. Life is suffering
2. Suffering is caused by desire
3. Suffering does have an end
4. The path to the end of suffering is *the middle way*

# The Eightfold Path

1. Right view
2. Right resolve
3. Right speech
4. Right action
5. Right livelihood
6. Right effort
7. Right mindfulness
8. Right meditation



# Buddhism Diversity

Earthly Sage vs. Eternal Savior  
No God vs. Many god-like figures



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Wheel of Life (*Samsara*)

Goal: *Nirvana*

Breaking free from the repeating  
cycle of life (*samsara*):  
suffering, death, and rebirth

To cease to exist and bring an end  
to the illusion of self



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# The Motive for Right Living

## Achieve Enlightenment vs. Redemption Already Achieved

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