

Appendix 7

DHAMMAPADA 153 - 154

Dhammapada 153 - 154	Detailed Explanation.	Essential Dhammas & Notes
Seeking but not finding the house builder, I travelled through the round of countless births .	The Bodhisatta then had cultivated through countless lifetimes in search for the house builder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Noble Truths • 5 Aggregates of Clinging • Dependent Origination • 3 Evil Roots • Law of Kamma • 5 Spiritual Faculties & • 5 Hindrances of Mind.
Oh, painful is birth ever and again!	Repeated Birth leads to endless suffering or Dukkha	
House	5 aggregates of Form & Mind	
builder,	Craving – that conditions Becoming & Birth which propel beings to tumble through samsara mindlessly/ heedlessly .	
you have now been seen.	Via Direct Seeing of condition arising	
You shall not build the house again.	Craving will not condition future rebirths since it has been completely abandoned .	
Your rafters*	All mental defilements (kilesa)	Aspirations to root out Ignorance & Defilements are included in our Personal Pūjā & Aspirations.
have been broken down,	via Perfection of Virtues and Purification of the Mind to arise the appropriate right thoughts, actions and speeches.	
your ridge-pole*	Ignorance (avijjā) - the first in the 12 links	
is demolished too.	via Perfection of Wisdom – completely rooting out Ignorance	
My mind has now attained the unformed or unconditioned nirvana and reached the end of every kind of craving .	Nibbana realised ending of all Craving & Ignorance .	Also in our Pūjā & Aspirations:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To Strive on with Heedfulness to attain the Paths & Fruitions soonest possible; • To Diligently cultivate Silā, Samādhi & Pañña leading to the Ultimate Liberation, the bond-free Nibbāna.

* The **ridge pole** is the **top main support** for the roof truss and the **rafters** are the bearer beams (sub main supports) spanning from the ridge pole to the base plate of the roof truss needed to support the battens which are needed to hold the roof tiles etc.