## Not Killing and Liberating the Living

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## Cruelly Killing Begets an Evil Death

In his memoirs entitled "Vastly Cherishing," Mr. Meng Ping-an recorded the following story, which was told to him in his youth by some elders:

There was an official who liked to eat the feet of geese cooked in the following way: a sheet of iron was placed over a fire, and then a caged goose was placed on top. The iron would get so hot that the terrified goose would jump and dance around, and as its two feet were gradually scorched by the heat, they would become thick and swollen. Then the two feet were chopped off and roasted for the official to eat.

He would also have a goat harnessed with rawhide straps and tied to a wooden stake. Then he would order his cook to split the goat's chest open and separate its ribs, so the cook could pull out the goat's heart with his bare hand. Then he would have it boiled for the official to eat. Merely in order to satisfy his greed for flavors, the official was willing to mercilessly sacrifice the lives of innocent creatures by making them undergo cruel torture and death.

Some time later, that official's body broke out with terrible sores that no doctor could cure. He would lie on his bed, tossing and turning day and night, moaning and groaning in agony. He underwent this kind of torment for a long period of time until finally he died. Thus he received his due retribution in the very life that he committed his offenses.

