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is the state of desiring to remove suffering and misfortune, with the thought, "May they be liberated from these sufferings", and so forth. Sympathetic joy is the state of desiring the continuity of (others') happiness and welfare, with the thought, "you beings are rejoicing; it is good that you are rejoicing; it is very good", and so forth. Equanimity is the state of observing (another's) suffering or happiness and thinking, "These appear because of that individual's own past activities." (pp. 63, 64)

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