Devadatta is usually presented as the archetypical earthly enemy of the Buddha, in much the same fashion that Māra is portrayed as the Buddha’s heavenly opponent. In most of the references, he is shown in bad light. In fact, some references go as far as declaring him as the worst enemy of the Buddha. He is an evildoer who tries, at various times, to overthrow the Buddha, to ruin the *Sangha*, and even to kill the Buddha. All of these are driven by his hateful and ambitious intention to replace the Buddha at the head of the *Sangha*. Here, in this paper, I am going to deal with all these issues in the light of the Buddhist teachings and scriptures and also try to put emphasis on the other face of him.

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