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Two beautiful wives mourn beside the body of Ravana as he dies. In this mural detail at the Emerald Buddha Temple, both the women and Ravana are dressed in royal Siamese clothes and crowns painted with gold leaf paint.

The long-haired and fair young women who sit on opposite sides of Ravana's body hold up their bent left arms in despair as they touch Ravana tenderly with their right hands. The fanged, dark green-skinned demon king Ravana lies on his side, with his head resting on his left arm. The gold clothes of other royal mourners are partly visible at right.



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