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The Legends of the Theras

124. Gandhodakiya

Walt 1800 Sitting in my superb palace,

I saw the Victor, Vipassi,

splendid like an arjuna tree,

the Omniscient One, Undefiled. Verse 1

Walt 1801 As the World-Leader went across

the area near the palace,

his aura spread out everywhere

as though that light came from the sun. Verse 2

Walt 1802 Taking up some perfumed water

I sprinkled the Best Buddha then,

and with that pleasure in my heart,

I passed away right on the spot. Verse 3

Walt 1803 In the ninety-one aeons since
I sprinkled that perfumed water,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
that's the fruit of Buddha-pūjā. Verse 4

Walt 1804 In the thirty-first aeon hence
the Kṣatriyan named Sugandha,
was a wheel-turner with great strength,
possessor of the seven gems. Verse 5

Walt 1805 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Gandhodakiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Gandhodakiya Thera is finished.

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