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Walt 2007 I saw the World-Chief setting out

like the rising hundred-rayed sun,

like the mid-day yellow-rayed sun,

like the moon on the fifteenth day. Verse 1

Walt 2008 There were sixty-eight thousand monks,

who’d all destroyed the defilements,

surrounding the Sambuddha then,

the Biped-Lord, the Bull of Men. Verse 2

Walt 2009 After I had swept that road for

the World-Leader, the Charioteer,

I then raised up a banner there,

with a mind that was very clear. Verse 3

Walt 2010 In the ninety-one aeons since

I offered that banner to him,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of giving banners. Verse 4

Walt 2011 In the fourth aeon after that

I was a king with great power,

who was famous as Sudhaja

and was endowed with every sign. Verse 5

Walt 2012 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Vīthisammajjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Vīthisammajjaka Thera is finished.

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