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Kuṭajapupphiya Chapter, the Nineteenth

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Walt 2152 I saw the golden Sambuddha,

like the risen hundred-rayed sun,

surveying all the directions,

while he traveled up in the sky. Verse 1

Walt 2153 Noticing some winter cherry,

well spread out and blossoming there,

plucking a flower from that tree,

I then offered it to Phussa. Verse 2

Walt 2154 In the ninety-two aeons since

I offered that flower to him,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of Buddha-pūjā. Verse 3

Walt 2155 In the seventeenth aeon hence

there were three men named Pupphita,

wheel-turning kings with great power,

possessors of the seven gems. Verse 4

Walt 2156 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Kuṭajapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Kuṭajapupphiya Thera is finished.

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