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The Legends of the Theras

226. Aṅkolapupphiya

Walt 2401-2402 My name back then was Nārada

and I was known as Kassapa.

I saw the Buddha Vipassi,

Chief of the Monks, Honored by Gods,

the Buddha, Bearing Lesser Marks,

Sacrificial Recipient.

Taking an alangium bloom,

I offered it to the Buddha. Verse 1-2

Walt 2403 In the ninety-one aeons since

I did pūjā with that flower,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

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

Walt 2404 In the seventy-fourth aeon

the kṣatriyan named Romasa,

strong with servants and vehicles

was dressed with garland-ornaments. Verse 4

Walt 2405 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Aṅkolapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Aṅkolapupphiya Thera is finished.

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