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Walt 2484 When Siddhattha, the Best of Men,

the World’s Lord, reached nirvana,

I received a single relic

of the Biped Lord, Neutral One. Verse 1

Walt 2485 I, having taken that relic

of the Buddha, the Sun’s Kinsman,

did then worship it for five years

as though the Best of Men stood there. Verse 2

Walt 2486 In the ninety-four aeons since

I worshipped that relic back then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

the fruit of caring for relics. Verse 3

Walt 2487 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 4

Thus indeed Venerable Dhātupūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Dhātupūjaka Thera is finished.

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