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257. Mañjaripūjaka

Walt 2521 Fashioning a bunch of flowers,

I went out onto the highway.

I saw the Monk, Bettered by None,

Honored by the Monks' Assembly. Verse 1

Walt 2522 Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

and filled with supreme joyfulness,

taking it with both of my hands

I offered Buddha that bouquet. Verse 2

Walt 2523 In the ninety-two 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 2524 In the seventy-third aeon

there was one ruler of the earth,

known by the name of Jotiya,

a wheel-turning king with great strength. Verse 4

Walt 2525 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Mañjaripūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Mañjaripūjaka Thera is finished.

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