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Walt 2627 Rising up from meditation,

the Buddha approached me for alms.

Same as the cosmic mountain, he

was like the bearer of the earth. Verse 1

Walt 2628-2629 Myrobalan and gooseberry,

mango, rose-apple, bahera,

jujube, markingnut, bel,

and the fruits of phārusaka—

all of that was given by me,

with a mind that was very clear,

to Siddhattha Buddha, Great Sage,

the Pitier of Every World. Verse 2-3

Walt 2630 In the ninety-four aeons since

I gave that fruit to him back then,

I've come to know no bad rebirth:

that is the fruit of giving fruit. Verse 4

Walt 2631 In the fifty-seventh aeon

hence lived a ruler, Ekajjha,

a wheel-turning king with great strength,

possessor of the seven gems. Verse 5

Walt 2632 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Phaladāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Phaladāyaka Thera is finished.

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