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Citapūjaka Chapter, the Thirtieth

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Walt 2671 At that time I was a brahmin,

known by the name of Ajita.

Wishing to do a sacrifice,

I'd gathered various flowers. Verse 1

Walt 2672 After seeing the burning pyre,

of Sikhi, Kinsman of the World,

gathering those flowers again

I strew them on that burning pyre. Verse 2

Walt 2673 In the thirty-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 2674 In the twenty-seventh aeon

hence, there were seven lords of men.

They were named Supajjalita,

wheel-turning kings with great strength. Verse 4

Walt 2675 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Citapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Citapūjaka Thera is finished.

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