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Walt 2736 On Bhāgīrathī River’s bank,

there was a hermitage back then.

I went to that hermitage once,

expectantly, fruit in my hands. Verse 1

Walt 2737 I saw Vipassi Buddha there,

bright but cool like a rayless sun.

I donated to the Teacher

all of the fruit I had in hand. Verse 2

Walt 2738 In the ninety-one 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 3

Walt 2739 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 4

Thus indeed Venerable Phaladāyaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Phaladāyaka Thera is finished.

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