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Bodhivandaka Chapter, the Thirty-Eighth

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Walt 3220 I saw a green pāṭali tree,

foot-drinker growing in the earth.

Resolutely pressing my hands,

I worshipped that pāṭali tree. Verse 1

Walt 3221-3222 Having pressed hands together,

filling my mind with reverence,

purified both inside and out,

I worshipped that pāṭali tree

as though before the Sambuddha,

Well-Liberated, Undefiled,

Vipassi, Honored by the World,

Sea of Compassion and Knowledge. Verse 2-3

Walt 3223 In the ninety-one aeons since
I worshipped that Bodhi tree then,
I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:
that is the fruit of worshipping. Verse 4

Walt 3224 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Bodhivandaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Bodhivandaka Thera is finished.

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