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Walt 3257 When the Blessed One passed away—

the one named “Ultimate Lotus”—

when the stupa had been raised up,

I offered it a sal flower. Verse 1

Walt 3258 In the hundred thousand aeons

since I did that flower-pūjā,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of stupa-pūjā. Verse 2

Walt 3259 Being in Best Buddha’s presence

was a very good thing for me.

The three knowledges are attained;

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 3

Walt 3260 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 4

Walt 3261 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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